

ST JOHN'S CHURCH, RANMOOR

SUNDAY 15TH DECEMBER

2024

THE 3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



10.30am Parish Communion

Adult Choir

Organ Prelude	Nun komm der Heiden Heiland BWV 659 - J S Bach
Readings	Zephaniah 3.14-end Philippians 4.4-7 Luke 3.7-18
Introit	HON 489 The Lord will come and not be slow
Gradual	HON 334 May the mind of Christ my Saviour
Offertory	HON 362 O for a thousand tongues to sing
Recessional	HON 209 Hills of the north rejoice
Setting	Missa Dominicalis - T L de Victoria
Anthem	Rejoice in the Lord - Henry Purcell
Organ Voluntary	Nun komm der Heiden Heiland BWV661 - J S Bach

2.30pm Messy Church

4pm Christingle

Organ Prelude: Meditation 'The first Nowell' Paul Fey (1998-)

Organ Voluntary: Meditation 'In the bleak midwinter' Paul Fey

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Adult Choir

Organ Prelude	Chorale prelude 'Jesu, meine Freude'. Friedrich Zachau
Readings	Isaiah 35 Luke 1.57-66
Psalm	50.1-6
Hymns	NEH 14 The advent of our God NEH 366 God of mercy, God of grace NEH 365 God moves in a mysterious way
Responses	Plainsong
Setting	Magnificat Octavi Toni - Orlando di Lasso Nunc Dimittis - Josquin des Prez
Anthem	Cum Audisset Joannes - Manuel Cardoso
Organ Voluntary	Chorale prelude 'Vom Himmel hoch'. Friedrich Zachau

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PRAYERS



Please remember those whose
anniversaries fall at this time:

Audrey Hawkins, Alex Holt, Stella Spencer, Eric Michael Bird

NOTICES

GIVING TO ST JOHN'S- We have a variety of ways set up that you can give to St Johns. We have now set up a **donation** page on our website. www.stjohnsranmoor.org.uk You can give one-off payments or set up regular payments via the secure portal on the website. We have also got QR Codes (scan this) and a fixed 'text to give' number that you can donate on. *Text 70085 to give £5 (plus your standard network text message rate).*



Pink Cards – if you make a direct bank payment you can pick up a pink card to put on the offertory plate in lieu of your cash / cheque donation.



LUNCH CLUB – This week marks our last Lunch Club meeting of the year! We'll take a break over the holidays and resume on Wednesday, 8th January 2025. This past week we were treated to a festive performance by the Nether Green Junior School Choir which was lovely. After lunch this coming week, we'll be serenaded by a brass quartet—a perfect way to end the year on a high note!



ADVENT STUDY GROUP -This Advent we shall be looking at the Nativity from the perspective of different women who were part of the story. We will be exploring the personal stories of these women - some of whom are clearly named in the Bible, whilst others are fictional but someone like them might have existed. We shall be using for our studies Paula Gooder's book 'Women of the Nativity' (ISBN 978-1-78140-460-7). This consists of nine imagined stories all from the perspective of women. In our three weekly study groups we shall be looking at stories based on the matriarchs and the patriarchs, the prophets and John the Baptist. They take us on a journey through Advent in this time of watching and waiting patiently for the birth of our Saviour this Christmastide. Our weekly study group will take place on Thursday 19th December at 2.30pm. We will meet in Room 2 in the Parish Centre. Please bring a Bible with you. (It is not essential to have the book). Revd. Alison Wragg will lead each session.

CHURCH FLORAL DECORATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS -We will be decorating the church on **Saturday 21st December** between 9.45am – 12.00am and need lots of arrangers to help us please. We will be continuing to produce eco - friendly arrangements and shall be using potted plants on the window sills this year. We have a simple design in mind and we will guide you through the design on the day. Sandra and Jackie will purchase the plants for the window sills and the flowers for the pedestals from the market.

If you are new to flower arranging and are interested in learning we are a very friendly group of people and we will gladly give you help and encouragement on the day. Or perhaps you might like to just come along and watch the arrangements take shape!

If you would like to help or be involved, please could you get in touch with us. Thank you. We look forward to hearing from you. Jackie Lowe 0114 2303999

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We rely on the generous donations of the congregation to be able to purchase flowers to decorate the church and we would be very grateful for any donations towards the Christmas flowers please. Thank you.

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SUNDAY SOCIAL 2025 – The Sunday Social Dates for 2025 Are:
Sunday 26th January, Sunday 23rd February and Sunday 23rd March.

NINE LESSONS – MINCED PIES – We are appealing for minced pies for the *nine lessons and carols service*. If you are able to donate any please drop them to the coffee area in Church or drop them into the office. Thank you so much!

BOARD GAMES CAFÉ - Join us for the launch of our first ***Board Games Café*** on Sunday, 12th January, from 2-4 PM at the Parish Centre! We are seeking donations of board games to help stock the café. If you have games you'd like to donate, please speak to Claire Eaton. Interested in helping or getting involved? We'd love to hear from you! Contact Claire Eaton for more information.

**Scissors
Paper
Stone**

LATEST BLOG - Sylvia Dunkley recently gave an insightful talk on Frank Tory and Sons, renowned for their remarkable carvings at St John's, Ranmoor. The article, ***Blog 14***, is now available to read on our [website](#). Copies are at the back of Church.

**The next Foodbank Dates are:
Wednesday 18th December; 8th & 22nd January**

NEXT WEEK

Monday to Saturday

9am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 18th December

10-12.30pm Foodbank (extra one to cover Christmas)

11.30am Holy Communion in the Parish Centre

12.30pm Wednesday Lunch Club

5.30pm Evening Prayer

Thursday 19th December

2.30-4pm Advent Study Group (Ranmoor Parish Centre)

Sunday 22nd December

10.30am Parish Communion

6.30pm Nine Lessons and Carols



NINE LESSONS & CAROLS

Sun 22nd December
6.30pm

Join us for a beautiful service of carols and readings, recounting the story of Christ's birth.

In Church &
YouTube

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

22 nd December	6.30pm	Nine Lessons and Carols
24 th December	4pm	Nativity. There is very limited space – please book a seat if you are planning to come along. www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-johns-church
	11.30pm	Midnight Mass
25 th December	10.30am	Christmas Morning Parish Communion
12 th January	2-4pm	Board Games Café – NEW!



Speak up confidentially

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