

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN THE DIVINE, RASTRICK

If you are visiting or have recently moved to Brighthouse and are here for the first time, a warm welcome to you. Join us for tea/coffee and fellowship at the back of Church after the 11.00 a.m. service each Sunday.

Sunday 15th May 5th Sunday of Easter

11.00am Holy Communion Rev'd Michelle Petch
Wednesday Nighters Corporate Communion

Readings Acts 11:1-18 Anne Haigh
John 13: 31-35 Pat Lee
Intercessions Barbara Rukin

Sunday 22nd May 6th Sunday of Easter

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Readings Acts 16: 9-15
John 14:23-29
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Message from Rev'd Michelle

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The new start date for the Bible course which was advertised in the Easter service booklet, will be Saturday 3rd September from 10am to 12 noon in the narthex at St Matthew's. More details to follow at a later date.

A reminder that our next **Joint Benefice service** will be at **10.30am** at **St Matthew's on Sunday 29th May**. There will be no morning service at St John's on this day.

On Sunday 5th June there will be a special combined Pentecost/ Queen's Platinum Jubilee All-age Communion service at our usual time of 11am.

As mentioned last Sunday, I have 50 'Cheeky Pandas' storybooks for children which have been produced to coincide with the Queen's Jubilee and Thy Kingdom Come, celebrating the Queen's faithfulness to our nation and God's faithfulness to us all. If you would like one for a grandchild, neighbour's child or anyone else you know of primary school age please take one from the back of church or ask me for one.

Thy Kingdom Come

Between Ascension Day (Thursday 26th May) and Pentecost (Sunday 5th June) we are encouraged to pray for the coming of the Holy Spirit, and more especially for five people whom we know to come to know the love of Jesus. To help with this the Archbishop of Canterbury has produced a booklet of reflections based on 1 Peter for use each day during this period as an aid to prayer and reflection. I will be using the booklet at Morning Prayer on Facebook during this time. If you would like to join me and would like your own booklet, please ask me for one. A donation of £2 to cover the cost would be appreciated. There are also leather wrist bands available. The idea is that you tie a knot in the band for each person you are praying for and wear it on your wrist to remind you to pray. Again, please have a word with me if you would like one.

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With my prayers and every blessing

Michelle



COLLECT Risen Christ,
your wounds declare your love for the world
and the wonder of your risen life:
give us compassion and courage
to risk ourselves for those we serve,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen

WE PRAY FOR the parishes of St John and St Matthew, for all who live and work in Rastrick, and those who travel through. This week we particularly ask your blessings for Field Lane, Field Top Road, Raw Hill, Jumble Dyke, The Orchards and the staff and children at Rastrick High School.

WE PRAY FOR the recently departed especially Julie Williams. Grant them peace and rest. Be close to those who mourn and give them comfort of human affection and strength to continue in their own lives.

WE PRAY FOR YOUR HEALING LOVE be at work in each one of these we name, according to their need: Sheila Biggins and Keith Redfearn.

BRIGHOUSE CENTRAL FOODBANK

Over the next few weeks we are collecting tins of bolognese, mince beef, chicken in white sauce and packets of powdered mash potato and any tins or packet food placed in the basket at the back of church will be welcome. Plastic carrier bags are always needed for distribution of the food.

Thank you for your continuing support. Missions and Charities Committee

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK SUNDAY MAY 15 TO SATURDAY MAY 21.

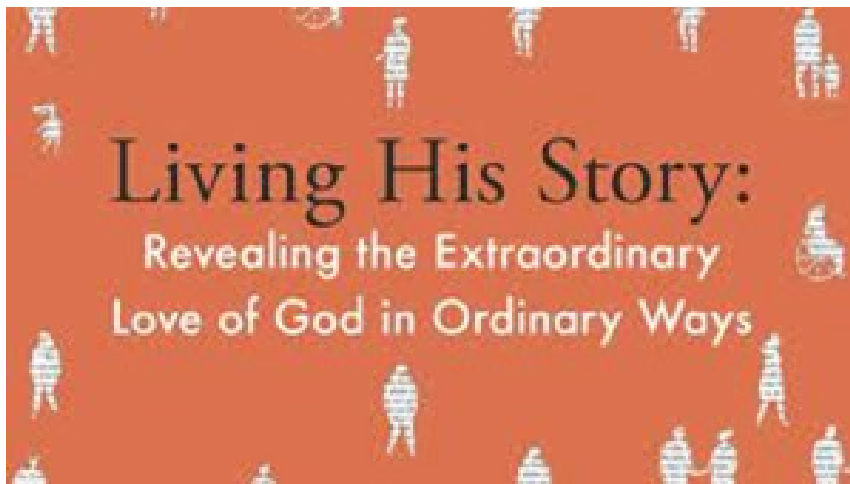
There will be no envelopes to deliver/collect this year, but if anyone would like to support this very worthy cause, a Coffee Morning with Bacon Butties will be held in the Church Hall from 10.00am until Noon on Saturday May 21. There will also be a Cake Stall. Envelopes will be available in the Church for the collection of donations. Christine and Cherry would be very grateful for offers of help and cakes. Thank you.

MOTHERS UNION COFFEE DAY 10TH MAY. Our coffee morning was a great success. Lots of love and laughter and we also managed to raise a grand total of £327.14 !!! Big Thank you to Jane for hosting it, the MU members who helped on the day and to all of you who could not attend. Thank you for your contributions both monetary and baking. Amazing. God Bless you all.

Ann on behalf of MU

PADDOCK ORCHESTRA will be performing again at our church again on Saturday 28th May. More details to follow.

ECO CHURCH_John Hearson invites you to view his blogpost entitled [Parched Soil and Living Water](#). This features a medical researcher's heart-breaking first-hand experience of climate change and how it led her to start a new initiative back home. And, in parallel, how our own diocese has issued us with a big challenge!



LIVING HIS STORY is a seven-part series which asks how we can experience the extraordinary Love of God in ordinary ways and about finding ways to inspire and equipping Christians with the tools to share the good news today.

Meeting 7:30pm Monday evenings at the home of Shirley Stow 50 Archbell Avenue
Tel 01484 714209

RUCKSACK CLUB WALK Saturday 28th May

Walk Leader: Jennifer Guy

Contact Number : 07807946396

Ripley and Birstwith circular walk. A 7 mile circular walk.

The walk follows the outward section of the 53 mile circular trail The Nidderdale Way to Hampsthwaite and joins the river Nidd to Birstwith. A pleasant walk through fields leads back to Ripley. Beware! There are cows in a couple of fields.

Meet in St.John's car park 9.30 am Saturday 28th May to arrive at Ripley village where we will start the walk. The car park is free at the time of writing but there were ticket machines under wraps. However, there is free parking on the road if not taken.

OPEN THE BOOK is a Bible Society programme where we are presenting short scripted Bible stories to the children of Field Lane Primary school. This term we are going once every other week on a Tuesday afternoon, rehearsing the next story on the intervening week. There are no lines to learn, just a bit of part-playing and stagecraft.

It's great fun and the children are loving our visits. However, we could do with one or two more people to join our team, even on an occasional basis.

Interested? Then please have a word with John Mothersdale (phone 716092)

THE GLORIES OF THE LAKE DISTRICT - a slideshow with musical interludes. Our organist Philip Tordoff is well known locally for his entertaining talks, and on Tuesday 2nd June he's generously giving us 'The Glories of the Lake District' in aid of the organ fund.

It will be an enjoyable evening so please give your support. Tickets £5 (to include refreshments) available shortly.

PRAYER FOR OUR CHURCH

God of Mission who alone brings growth to your Church,

Send your Holy Spirit to give

Vision to our planning,

Wisdom to our actions,

And power to our witness.

Help our Church to grow

In numbers,

In spiritual commitment to you,

And in service to our local community,

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

DIARY

Saturday 21st May 10.00am until Noon Coffee Morning with Bacon Butties

Saturday 28th May Rucksack Walk. Meet at church at 9.30 am.

Saturday 28th May Paddock Orchestra

Tuesday 7th June 7.30 pm Slideshow about the Lake District in aid of the organ



Web site : www.stjohnsrastrick.org.uk



Parish Calendar : <http://tinyurl.com/jcjrehp>



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