

# ST JOHN'S CHURCH, RANMOOR

## SUNDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2026 CANDLEMAS



### 10.30am All Age Communion

*Pop-up Choir, Juniors, Choristers and Adult Choir*

Organ Prelude	Lullaby - Grayston Ives
Readings	Luke 2:22-40
Introit	Longing for light
Gradual	Make way, make way
Offertory	King of glory, King of peace
Recessional	Let us build a house
Setting	<i>View me, Lord Richard Lloyd</i>
Anthem	<i>The Pop-up Service Philip Collin</i>
Organ Voluntary	Intrada - Grayston Ives

### 6.30pm Candlemass Procession

*Adult Choir*

Organ Prelude	Mon Dieu, prete moi l'oreille John Joubert (1927=2019)
Readings	Malachi 3.1-5 Hebrews 2.14-18 Luke 2.22-40
See separate Order of Service	<u>Music to include:</u> Herr, nun lässt du deinen Diener (SWV 432) Heinrich Schütz Senex Puerum Portabat William Byrd
Organ Voluntary	Mit Fried und Freud BuxWV 76 Dieterich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

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# PRAYERS



**Please pray for those who are sick:**

Beryl H, Joe H, Lizzie,

**Please pray for those who have died:**

Christine Suzanne Franklin

**Please remember those whose anniversaries are around this time:**

Frank Wragg, Jim Hall, Robert St Leger,  
Joan Williamson, Gordon McCaw

# NOTICES

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**SAVE OUR SPIRE**

Our beloved church is at the heart of Ranmoor, and we need your help to keep it safe, welcoming, and comfortable for everyone. The spire urgently needs repair, and we are planning improvements including more toilets, better accessibility, a new servery for events, and upgraded heating. Our goal is to raise **£1 million** through grants and local fundraising—fundraising envelopes are available at the back of the church. Thank you for helping us preserve this special place for generations to come! [Donate here](#)



**GIVING TO ST JOHN'S** – We have a variety of ways set up that you can give to St Johns. We have a **donation** page on our website.

[www.stjohnsranmoor.org.uk](http://www.stjohnsranmoor.org.uk) You can give one-off payments or set up regular payments via the secure portal on the website.

**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.

The  
Children's  
Society

**TOTAL OF DONATIONS GIVEN FROM THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY COLLECTION BOXES**

Thank you very much to everyone at St John's who has collected at home for the Children's Society. This year we have raised a marvellous **£576.51** plus Gift Aid to help some of the most vulnerable children in our society. St John's have also sent £209.28 plus Gift Aid to The Children's Society from the donations given at the Christingle Service. If you would like to help boost this total even further next year, please do contact me for a collection box or a direct form to

make monthly/annual donations. Thank you. Jackie Lowe 0114 2303999  
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**MISSION AREA WEEKEND IN 2026** – Following a successful gathering in 2024, we are delighted that St John's, St Mark's and St Mary's will be uniting to spend time together sharing food, fun, study and worship with activities suitable for all ages between 10 - 12 July 2026. Bishop Leah Vasey-Saunders has agreed to join the Mission Area for the day at St Mark's on Saturday 11 July and will confirm candidates from the Mission Area on the morning of 12 July at a service at St John's. Do save the weekend in your diaries. A planning group from across the 3 churches will convene in the New Year.

**CLEANING IN CHURCH** – Pauline has scheduled some dates for Church cleaning. If you are able to help please just turn up. **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 10-12noon** each day. Thank you in advance.

**LENT GROUP- TUESDAYS AT THE VICARAGE** - Our Lent Group will meet on **Tuesday or Wednesday evenings, from 7.30-9.00pm, at the Vicarage**, beginning on **Tuesday 24th February** and running for **five weeks**, finishing on **25th March**. Due to popular demand, we have added a **Wednesday evening group**. If you have already signed up and would like to swap evenings, please do so on the **new sign-up sheet at the back of church**. We will be using *Meeting God in John* by **David Ford** as the basis for our discussions. The course is suitable whether you are new to John's Gospel or already familiar with it, and you are very welcome even if you are unable to attend every session. Books will be available from the **church office** (approx. **£9.56**). **Transport to and from the meetings can be arranged** if needed. For further information, please speak to **Matthew, Alison, or Sandra**. A **sign-up sheet is available at the back of church**



**TIME AND TALENTS APPEAL.** Please have a look at the display at the back of church and take some time to consider and time or talent you can share with us. By offering your time and talents, you are helping!! Our Church needs you. Your gifts can bless others. Your involvement will make us stronger. Thank you!

**SUNDAY SOCIAL** – The dates for the Sunday social are: **1<sup>st</sup> March, 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 26<sup>th</sup> April, 31<sup>st</sup> May, 28<sup>th</sup> June**. All are welcome, please have a word with Janet Anker or Wendy Weeks for more information.

**CONFIRMATION AT ST JOHN'S 12<sup>TH</sup> JULY AT 10.30AM** - Bishop Leah, the Bishop of Doncaster, is coming to confirm candidates at our morning service on 12<sup>th</sup> July. Confirmation is when we confirm the promises made at our baptism and is open to people from Year 6 up. Preparation will take place after Easter and anyone is welcome to try it out without having to commit to being confirmed in advance. If this is something you might be interested in, please speak to Matthew or Alison.

The next Foodbank Dates are: **4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> February**. Collections can be brought to any Church service, to the office during opening hours or to the Church drive on collection day between 10am and 12.30pm.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

**14<sup>th</sup> February - 7.30pm Choral Bangers 5**

Free Admission with a collection in aid of the spire appeal.

**13<sup>th</sup> June - Bishops Garden Party**

**4<sup>th</sup> July - Summer Gala Concert (St John's choirs)**

**10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> July - 3 Spires mission weekend**

### NEXT WEEK

**Monday to Friday**

9am Morning Prayer

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February**

10-12.30pm Foodbank Collection from the Church Drive

11.30am Holy Communion in the Parish Centre

12.30pm Lunch Club

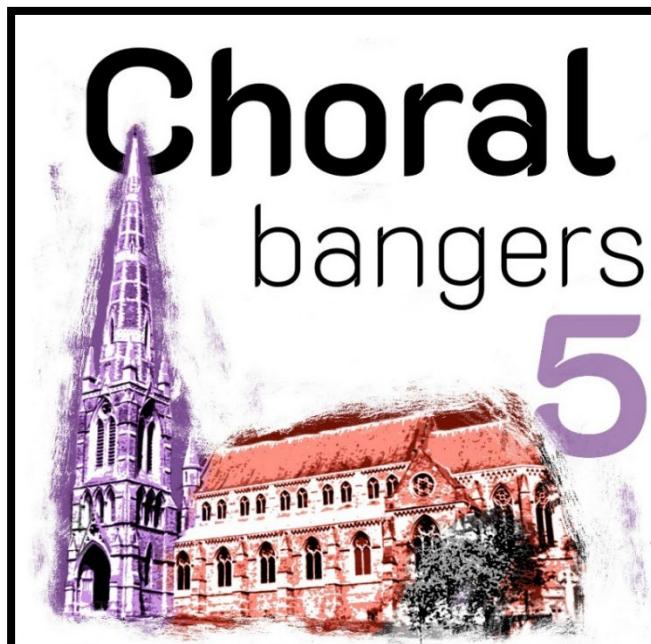
5.30pm Choral Evensong - Choristers  
Sumsion in G Responses Aston

Light of the World John Dankworth,  
Psalm 11

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January**

10am Toddler and Baby Group

8pm Organ Recital - Darius Battiwalla  
(Leeds City Organist)



Featuring Mass for Double Choir by Frank Martin, and a selection of works by Dyson, Rheinberger, Franck and more.

**7:30pm 14 February 2026**

St. John's Church, Ranmoor, S10 3GX

Free admission with retiring collection



## SUNDAY 8th FEBRUARY

2nd Sunday Before Lent

10.30am Parish Communion

10-3pm - Marriage Preparation  
(Wedding couples 2026 invited)

6.30pm Choral Evensong

**Speak up!**

Speak up confidentially

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