

ST JOHN'S CHURCH, RANMOOR



SUNDAY 1ST MARCH 2026



10.30am All Age Service

Pop-up Choir, Juniors, Choristers and Adult Choir

Organ Prelude	Come and mourn - W. Lloyd Webber (1914-82)
Readings	Ephesians 3.14-4.6
Hymns	HON 20 All the nations of the earth (adapted) HON 319 Lord, we come to ask your healing Affirmation of faith (tune Blaenwern) HON 188 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer
Anthem	<i>Take up your cross Rebecca Groom te Velde*</i>
Organ Voluntary	Praise to the Holiest - W. Lloyd Webber

6.30pm BCP Communion

Adult Choir

Organ Prelude	Adoration - Florence Price (1887-1953)*
Readings	Genesis 12.1-4a Romans 4.1-5,13-17 John 3.1-17
Introit	NEH 74 O for a heart to praise my God
Gradual	NEH 84 It is a thing most wonderful
Offertory	NEH 307 Sweet Sacrament divine
Recessional	NEH 339 Be thou my vision
Setting	Missa Quarti Toni T L de Victoria
Anthem	The Lamentation Edward Bairstow
Organ Voluntary	Largo in Ab Major - Elizabeth Stirling (1819-1895)*

***DURING MARCH, WE ARE CELEBRATING THE WORKS OF WOMEN COMPOSERS TO MARK INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY ON 8TH MARCH.**

PRAYERS



Please pray for those who are sick:

Lizzie, Neil H

Please pray for those who have died:

Christine Suzanne Franklin,

Please remember those whose anniversaries are around this time:

Jack Cowley, Geoff Edwards, Jocelyn Wilson, Charles Higginbottom, Charles Stuart-Harris, Doreen Orme, Beth Anderson, Izzy Squire, Margaret Lowe, Helen Cowley, Jacqueline Wragg

NOTICES

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Alternatively, you can complete a peach form at the back of church.

SAVE OUR SPIRE

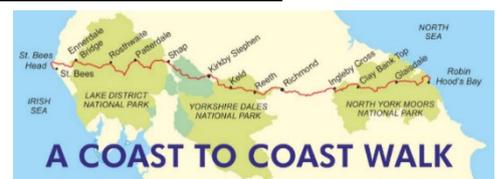
Our beloved church is at the heart of Ranmoor, and we need your help to keep it safe, welcoming, and comfortable for everyone. The spire urgently needs

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!



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CHALLENGE FOR SAVE OUR SPIRE -On the **6th April**, Matthew will be taking on the mighty **Coast to Coast path** to raise **£5,000** for the **Save Our Spire (SOS)** project. This famous route, designed by **Alfred Wainwright**, is **192 miles long**—almost as many miles as the spire is tall in feet—and will take Matthew **13 days** to complete.



How can you help?

- Sponsor Matthew on [JustGiving page](#); Sponsor using the form at the back of Church or in the Church office **or use the QR:**
- Join one of his **training walks**
 - **Saturday 21st February and Saturday 28th March**
(Sign up and more details at the back of church)
- Take part in your **own sponsored walk** with family and friends to help fundraise for SOS. Thank you for your support!



CHURCH WARDEN

COULD GOD BE CALLING YOU TO SERVE AS A CHURCHWARDEN?

As Pauline and Mark prepare to step down after their fantastic service, we are looking for two new

Churchwardens. Please pray about this opportunity and speak to Matthew if you're interested or would like to know more

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 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.*

FLORAL DECORATIONS IN CHURCH FOR EASTER - We are decorating the church for Easter on Sat 4th April at 9.45am and would be grateful if anyone is able to help us. We intend to use baskets of spring flowers of your choice on the windowsills. You could either prepare this at home and bring it to church or arrange it in church on the Saturday morning. Please note we use eco-friendly materials (jam jars, pin holders and chicken wire) to comply with our Silver Eco-Church status. We would welcome members of the congregation who have not previously been involved in arranging flowers in church to join us. No previous experience is necessary as we are happy to provide help and advice. If you would like to help or find out more, please get in touch with Sandra Green **EASTER LILIES**-If you would like to make a donation towards the purchase of a lily in memory of someone who has died, this will be incorporated in one of the flower arrangements in church on Easter Sunday. We will also be placing a list of the people to be remembered at the back of church. A suggested donation is £2.50. (It would be helpful if you could put the money for lilies in an envelope with your name and the names of those you wish to be remembered on the front.) Please contact Sandra Green 0114 2309180, sandra.green70@gmail.com Thank you.

MISSION AREA WEEKEND IN 2026 -St John's, St Mark's and St Mary's will be spending time together sharing food, fun, study and worship with activities suitable for all ages between 10 - 12 July 2026.

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

FAIR TRADE - The **fair trade** stall will be in church next week (8th Feb)

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

CONFIRMATION AT ST JOHN'S 12TH JULY AT 10.30AM - Bishop Leah, the Bishop of Doncaster, confirming candidates at our morning service on 12th 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.

LOCAL FAMILY IN NEED OF SUPPORT - Naomi Nygaard and her family (husband and two young children, aged 4 and 2) have been displaced for over six months after their Fulwood home was left structurally unsafe when a builder abandoned renovation work. They have used the last of their savings to restart essential repairs but need further help to make the house fully safe and liveable. Their story was recently featured by the [BBC:Radio Sheffield \(1:07 and 2:07\):](#) [Fundraiser link:](#)

<https://gofund.me/a6c864015> Please consider donating, sharing the fundraiser, or praying for the family during this difficult time.

TRANSPORT ROTA – We are in need of volunteer drivers to help with Sunday morning services. Please get in touch with Barbara Wozencroft if you can help.



The next Foodbank Dates are: **4th March & 18th March** 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

Thursday 4th March – 8pm Organ recital with Julian Gunn

Saturday 7th March, 4pm - SPS

Wives, Widows, Spinsters: Women in Victorian Ranmoor

A talk by Val Hewson Tickets £5.

20TH March 7pm Social Evening “My Extra Life!” with Mike Newbold. Tickets £10 on sale from ticketsource or the Church Office.

Sunday 22nd March – 6.30pm Crucifixus Pro Nobis Kenneth Leighton; Stabat Mater Giovanni Battista Pergolesi. Sung by the Choristers and Adults, accompanied by West Riding Ensemble, as an act of Passiontide devotion

Friday 27th March, 7.30pm- SPS

The medical networks of St John’s in the late nineteenth century

A talk by Dr Jenny Stephenson. Tickets £5

13th June – Bishops Garden Party

4th July – Summer Gala Concert (St John’s choirs)

10th-12th July – 3 Spires mission weekend

NEXT WEEK

Monday to Friday

9am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 4th March

10-12.30pm Foodbank collection

11.30am Holy Communion in the Parish Centre

12.30pm Wednesday Lunch Club

5.30pm Choral Evensong - Choristers

The Fitzwilliam Service *Sarah Cattley** Responses *Plainsong*
When I survey the wondrous cross *Malcolm Archer*, Psalm 51

Thursday 5th March

10am Toddler and Baby Group

Sunday 8th March

3rd Sunday of Lent

10.30am Parish Communion

12.30pm Baptism

6.30pm Choral Evensong