

# ST JOHN'S CHURCH, RANMOOR

**SUNDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH 2026**

**LENT 5**

**10.30am Parish Communion**

*Adult Choir*



<b>Organ Prelude</b>	Ich ruf zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ - Johann Krebs 1713-80
<b>Readings</b>	Ezekiel 37.1-14 Romans 8.6-11 John 11.1-45
<b>Introit</b>	HON 501 There's a wideness in God's mercy
<b>Gradual</b>	HON 124 Father of heaven, whose love profound
<b>Offertory</b>	HON 255 It is a thing most wonderful
<b>Recessional</b>	HON 226 I cannot tell
<b>Setting</b>	Mass for the Mystery of Faith Ghislaine Reece-Trapp*
<b>Anthem</b>	Campfire Prayer Jason Max Ferdinand
<b>Organ Voluntary</b>	Von Gott will ich nicht lassen - Johann Krebs

**12.30pm Sunday Social**

**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

**\*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

Please pray for those who have died:

Lesley Margaret Lomax, Les Middleton

Please remember those whose anniversaries are around this time:

Sheila Edwards, Hazel Brady, Anne Tyler

# NOTICES

## SAVE OUR SPIRE

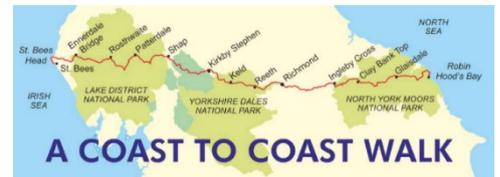
Our beloved church is at the heart of Ranmoor, and we need your help to keep it safe, welcoming, and comfortable for everyone. The spire urgently needs

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](#)

**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 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!

**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.*

**LUNCH CLUB TRANSPORT CHAPERONES** - We are looking for volunteers to join our rota to help assist with the Wednesday lunch club bus. This role does not require driving. It would suit someone who is able to get on and off the bus and assist the driver in supporting passengers. If you're interested or would like more information, please contact Claire in the office.





**NEW SCHOOL DROP-IN STARTING AFTER EASTER** - After Easter, Sarah Beardsmore and Claire Eaton will be starting a **new School Drop-In for secondary school young people**. Our first session will take place on **Monday 13th April**. The drop-in will offer a

**hot drink and a biscuit to young people on their way home from school**, as well as a friendly space where they can pause for a few minutes and chat about their day if they would like to. We hope it will be a simple way of offering welcome, kindness and a listening ear to young people in our community. If you would like to support this new outreach, we would be very grateful for **donations from the congregation** of: Tea, Coffee, Juice, Individually wrapped biscuits (including **Free From** and **vegan** biscuits); Donations can be left at church. Thank you for helping us create a warm and welcoming space for local young people.

**APCM & ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING** - The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) and Annual Church Meeting will take place on **Sunday 26th April at 12:00 noon**. There are currently vacancies for **PCC members and Deanery Synod representatives**. If you are interested in serving, please speak to Matthew for more information. Application forms are available at the back of the church.

**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](mailto: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.

**SUNDAY SOCIAL** - The dates for the Sunday social are: **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, confirming 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: **1<sup>st</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> April** 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

**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 – [ticketsource](https://www.ticketsource.co.uk) or the office

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April at noon** – APCM and Annual General Meeting

**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

**Monday 23rd March**

7.30pm Sanctuary in the side-chapel

**Wednesday 25th March**

11.30am Holy Communion in the Parish Centre

12.30pm Wednesday Lunch Club

5.30pm Evening Prayer

**Thursday 26th March**

10am Toddler and Baby Group

**Friday 27th March**

7.30pm The medical networks of St John's in the late 19th Century

Dr Jenny Stephenson, Ranmoor Parish Centre

Tickets £5 from Ticketsource or the office

[www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-johns-church](https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-johns-church)

**Sunday 29th March**

**Palm Sunday**

**10.30am** Holy Communion  
with reading of the Passion

**6.30pm** Choral Evensong

