

WORSHIP AND ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

28 MARCH—2 APRIL

- Monday** 7.45pm—PCC
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- Tuesday** 9.00pm—Lent Zoom Compline
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- Wednesday** *Parish Office 10-12.30pm*
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NEXT SUNDAY— 3 APRIL — FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

- 9.30am** Zest
- 11.00am** Holy Communion
- 6.00pm** The Junction (followed by The Den)

EASTER AT ST JOHN'S

- Stations of the Cross Meditations** – Wednesday 13 April at 7pm
Maundy Thursday Communion – Thursday 14 April at 7pm
Seven Last Words – Good Friday, 15 April at 2pm-4pm
Easter Day Zest – Sunday 17 April at 9.30am
Easter Day Holy Communion – Sunday 17 April at 11am

*(Please note, there is no morning communion on Maundy Thursday,
and no Junction or Den on Easter Day.)*

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PARISH NOTES

Welcome to
St John the Divine
The Parish Church of
Menston with Woodhead



MOTHERING SUNDAY

27 MARCH 2022

9.30am Zest

*Please join us for Fairtrade tea and coffee
in the Parish Room between 10 and 11am*

11.00am Holy Communion (CW)

Readings: Exodus 2: 1—10 (Old Testament page 50-51)
Luke 2: 33—35 (New Testament page 56)

Hymns: Ye holy angels bright
Jesus, good above all other
Come down o' love divine
Let all the world in every corner sing

6.00pm The Junction
*Exploring faith, learning together
Followed by **The Den** in the Parish Room*

Reading: Joshua 20 (Old Testament page 218)

Please take the Parish Notes home with you as a reminder of the week's prayer concerns and events. This week's notes can be found on the home page of the church website www.stjohnmenston.org.uk. If you are new to St John's please complete a pew card and hand it to one of our welcome team or clergy.

WE PRAY FOR



The Sick: Ken Parker, Pauline Blake, Sylvia Bradley,
Eric Wilkinson, Margaret Bailey, Doris Brookfield

Memorial Book: Eva Rogers, Harry Edmondson, Ernest Tillotson,
Horace Woolham, Norman Mulligan, Louisa Sharp,
Paddy Barker, Phyllis Wright, June Barnes,
James Alexander Jackson

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- * The Queen, members of parliament and the armed forces
- * Peace and justice in the world
- * Those who work for reconciliation
- * All those lives are devastated by war and civil strife
- * Prisoners, refugees, and homeless people

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Loving God, thank you for mums and children
and for all the joy of family life.

Be with those who are grieving because they have no mother;
be close to those who are struggling because they have no children;
be near to those who are sad
because they are far apart from those they love.

Let your love be present in every home,
and help your church to have eyes to see
and ears to hear the needs of all who come.

Amen .

SERVICE CHANGES

In light of the government's recent removal of Covid restrictions, there are a few changes to the way our services will run:

- Mask wearing is now a free choice, though we ask everyone to remain respectful to those around them. The North side of the church will remain an area of increased spacing and

increased ventilation as it is now, and there will remain the option at communion to stay in your seat and receive there rather than coming to the communion rail. This means that we need to be particularly conscious of the needs of those in the North side and respect their wish for space for whatever reason.

- Communion will continue 'in one kind' (i.e. bread only) at 11am services for the time being. However, the chalice will be offered to any who wish to have it at the Thursday morning Communion (not intinction per health guidance). As always, it is not compulsory, and therefore anyone at the Thursday morning Communion service can make up their own mind about whether to receive only the bread or both bread and wine.

- Alcohol gel will continue to be available and used at Communion, but plastic gloves will be phased out in line with the increased evidence of the air-borne character of Covid transmission.

- The sign-in sheets will be removed in line with the closure of the government track and trace system. Any problems or issues, please contact the vicar. Thanks.

DEC APPEAL

The Big Jar is at the back of church for CASH donations to DEC's Ukrainian appeal. If you wish to pay online or

Gift Aid your donation, please visit: donation.dec.org.uk/ukraine-humanitarian-appeal

LENT COMPLINE

Doug is holding Compline at 9pm on Tuesday evenings during Lent, via Zoom. The link and more information can be found on the 'Latest' section of our website.

www.stjohnmenston.org.uk/latest

EASTER LILIES

Easter Day is Sunday 17 April. If you wish to contribute to the lilies which will decorate St John's at Eastertide you can put your donation through the Parish Office letter box or pass it to a warden on Sunday mornings. Please put the money in a sealed envelope clearly marked 'for Easter Lilies'. Thanks, Jan Alexander.

MOTHERS' UNION - MAKE A MOTHER'S DAY 2022

Mothers and children here and all over the world are in desperate need of financial support for their survival, so this annual appeal by the Mothers' Union is vitally important, especially in these present turbulent times. If you would like to send a donation in memory of your own mother and your love for each other, please send your cheque made payable to Mothers' Union to: Mothers' Union, Mary Sumner House, 24 Tufton Street, London, SW1P 3RB. Thank you.