

# ST JOHN THE DIVINE, MENSTON

## ***Parish Notes - Sunday 30 March 2025 Mothering Sunday***

### ***Today's Services***

**9.30AM** ZEST - AN INFORMAL AND CREATIVE TIME OF WORSHIP

*Please join us in the Parish Room for Fairtrade tea and coffee between the services*

**11.00AM** HOLY COMMUNION - TRADITIONAL WORSHIP - CHURCH OF ENGLAND

*WITH BAPTISMS OF KRISHNA, SAISREE & ZAKAI*

Readings: Colossians 3: 12-17  
(New Testament page 199)  
John 19: 25-27  
(New Testament page 111)

Hymns: Ye holy angels bright  
Brother, sister, let me serve you  
Angel voices ever singing  
Great is thy faithfulness

### ***Events this week***

**Tuesday** 2.15pm - Mothers' Union  
1 April Lent Groups *See notices for info*

**Thursday** 9.30am - 12pm - Parish Office Open  
3 9.30am - Midweek Communion

**Friday** 9.30am - Stay & Play @ St John's -  
4 Playgroup for babies, toddlers and their grown ups

**Saturday** 9.30am - Seed Sowing  
5 *See notices for info*

To give towards the work of St John's, here and more widely, scan the QR code  
*Registered charity number: 1129823*



### ***Next Sunday***

**6 APRIL**

**THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

9.30AM - ZEST

11.00AM - HOLY COMMUNION



### ***Parish Office***

Thursday mornings from 9.30am—12pm. The administrator works remotely Tuesday & Wednesday and is contactable via email or mobile (details overleaf). If you need to come into the office on another day, please contact to arrange. Any holiday exceptions will be noted in the Parish Notes ahead of time.

### ***Hello! I'm New***

We'd love for you to join us for refreshments and a chat in the Parish Room between the services. We can answer any questions or just get to know you better, whether you are visiting or looking for a new church to call home! Please fill out a 'New to St John's' form so we can stay in touch.



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# ***We Pray For***

**The Sick:** Pauline Blake, Enid Holdsworth, Gabriella Galvin

**Memorial Book:** Fred Turner, Louisa Sharp, Paddy Barker, Phyllis Wright, June Barnes, James Alexander Jackson, Adrian Stocks, Nicholas Musgrave, Charles Meecham, Alex Allison, Leonard Sutcliffe

- \* Local government, community leaders
- \* All who provide local services
- \* Those who work with young or elderly people
- \* Schools, colleges and universities
- \* Emergency and rescue organisations

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. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



## ***Parish Notices***

### **LENT COURSES**

St John's and Menston Methodist are running Lent courses on the followings dates: **St John's** - 7-8.30pm in the Parish Room on the following Tuesdays: 1 April, 8 April & Tuesday 15 April. **Menston Methodist** - 2.30-3.45pm at Cornerstone Cafe on the following Tuesdays: 1 April, 8 April. All welcome!

### **SEED SOWING**

All are welcome to come along and sow seeds in the planters by the parish room on Saturday 5 April. We will be there from about 9.30am. If you can bring any tools we might need, that would be great.

### **EASTER LILLIES**

If you wish to contribute to the lilies which will decorate St John's at Eastertide donations can be posted through the Parish Office letter box or passed to a warden on Sunday mornings. Please put the money in a sealed envelope clearly marked 'for

Easter Lilies'. We shall be arranging the lilies in church on Saturday 19 April starting at 9.30am. Would you like to be involved? Bring some scissors or secateurs - guidance and support on offer. Thank you. Jan Alexander.

### **PARISH MAGAZINE**

The April edition of the Parish Magazine is now available to read in print and on our website: [www.stjohnmenston.org.uk/magazine](http://www.stjohnmenston.org.uk/magazine).

### **SPRING CLEAN AND CLEAR UP**

We are holding a Spring clean in the church and churchyard on 26 April from 10am. Come and be part of the happy band - there will be jobs for all ages and abilities. The more the merrier!

### **LIGHT UP A LIFE**

16 April - Remembering my husband on his anniversary.

## ***Contact Us***

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## ***Wild Bright Hope***



This week our Wild Bright Hope Lent groups have focussed on Hope for Peace, and our challenge is to find an issue you have strong feelings about and intentionally try to argue the other-side's case.



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