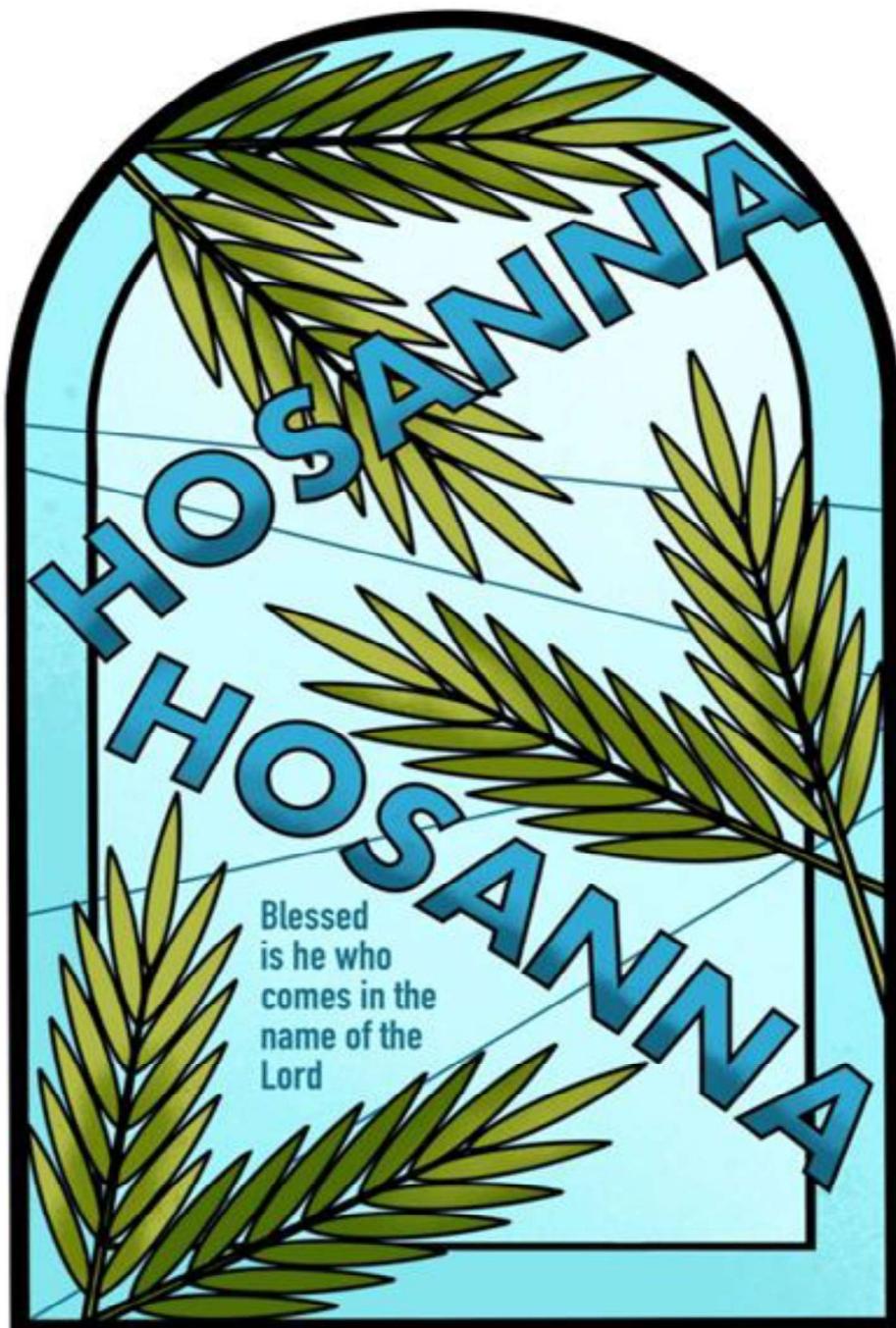


St JOHN'S CHURCH WAKEFIELD

Sharing Christ in the Community



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**Parish
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We have a 10.00am service of Holy Communion each Sunday

We provide hand gel as you come into church and at the entrance to the prayer chapel.

There are candle, shell and leaf prayer stations in the side chapel.

At the communion we offer bread and wine. If you do not wish to use the common cup you may just partake of the bread.

Refreshments are available after the service.

On the 4th Sunday of the month we offer prayer for healing with the laying on of hands, in the side chapel.

The 10.00am service is live streamed and available from 10am onwards on the St John's YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDyIQ-Vbrv-5bikSlpgV2QQ> Just click on the link and select the service for today from the range of videos on the channel.

If you are on email you can receive the weekly newsletter this way. Please let Stephanie know if you would like this.

Tea-Time Service

We also have a service at 4.00pm on the third Sunday. **Everyone is welcome.** The service is very relaxed with songs, activities, readings and prayers.

It is for everyone: families of all kinds, children, adults, young and old. Why not come along? Drinks and biscuits (and sometimes cake!) will be available before the service.

For now winter is past,
the rain is over and gone.
The flowers appear on the earth;
the time of singing has come,
and the voice of the turtledove
is heard in our land.
Song of Solomon 2:11-12



As I write this, winter is not quite past, at least not in the weather. Yet the signs of spring are unmistakable. Snowdrops, daffodils and crocuses are beginning to pepper the earth as we wait for the rain to end and spring to come.

This month we continue in the season of Lent, reflecting on our faith in the run up to Easter. We continue to deny ourselves the things which threaten to become our focus instead of God. We examine our hearts and our response to the sacrifice God made for us upon the cross in Jesus. It is a season of reflecting, of waiting for the time of singing to come, when the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land.

As I write, I find myself reflecting on my time with you here at St John's. This is the last editorial I will write for our magazine. Although I do not officially leave until Sunday 3 May, I wanted to take this opportunity to say 'Thank You, all' for the gift of my time at St John's.

Thank you all for the many ways in which you have invited me to share, not only in your faith but in your lives. You have graciously given me your trust, your support and your kindness as I tried many different things. You have also, for reasons I am still reflecting on, allowed me to dress up as a giant candle ... and, on another occasion, as a giant sweet. I assure you, not every ordinand can say that about their placement church.

There hasn't been a single day in my time with you at St John's when I haven't felt the joy of the Lord. I have most of all been deeply inspired by the way you, as a community, listen for the voice of God and dedicate yourselves to becoming more and more Christ-like, not just in words but in action, in service to one another, and in love.

Sunday 3 May will be my final service with you, and afterwards we will be sharing a 'Bring and Share' lunch. I would love to see as many of you there as possible so that I may say farewell, and properly thank you in person.

Thank you for your fellowship.

Thank you for your friendship.

Thank you for letting me grow, lead, learn, and occasionally dress a bit daft.

Megan

DIARY DATES for MARCH 2026

Sunday 1

10.00am Holy Communion

Mon 2 9.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom

Wed 4 11.00am-1.00pm Drop In to St John's

Fri 6 9.00am Toddler & Baby group

Sunday 8

10.00am Holy Communion

Mon. 9 9.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom

Tues. 10 7.30pm PCC Meeting in church

Wed 11 11.00am-1.00pm Drop In to St John's

1.30-2.45pm Acts for Everyone study group

Fri. 13 9.00am Toddler & Baby group

Sunday 15

10.00am Parade Service with Communion

4.00pm Tea-Time Service

Mon. 16 9.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom

Wed.18 11.00am-1.00pm Drop In to St John's.

3.30-5.30pm MESSY CHURCH

Fri. 20 9.00am Toddler & Baby group

Sunday 22

10.00am Holy Communion

Mon 23 9.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom

Wed 25 11.00am-1.00pm Drop In to St John's.

1.30-2.45pm Acts for Everyone study group

Fri. 27 9.00am Toddler & Baby group

Sunday 29

10.00am Holy Communion

Mon 30 9.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom

7.00pm Reflective evening service

Tues. 31 7.00pm Reflective evening service

Wed 1 April 11.00am-1.00pm Drop In to St John's

7.00pm Reflective evening service

Praying When Discouraged

‘Moses said to the Lord, “...I am not able to carry all this people alone, the burden is too heavy for me...”
Numbers 11:10-15.

Moses prayed this when he was depressed and discouraged. At the start of the chapter divine punishment fell on the people of Israel because

they complained about almost everything. Moses prayed and the punishment stopped but not the people’s complaints. They wanted meat to eat.

For years they had been sustained by manna from heaven, but now they longed for the fish, cucumbers and melons they had eaten in Egypt (v.5,6). They forgot how the Lord had delivered them from Pharaoh’s bondage. Now they preferred Egyptian food, and the slavery that went with it, to the goodness of the Lord and His provision for them.

Moses was despairing. Would these ungrateful people never stop complaining? Then the Lord’s anger threatened the people again (v.10). Moses was caught in the middle. On one side of him the people complained, and on the other side God’s wrath was about to fall. Moses couldn’t go on.

Moses frustrations!

His frustration broke out in petulant questions to the Lord. ‘Why are you dealing so severely with me?’ ‘Why do you lay this burden on me?’ ‘Did I conceive these people?’ ‘Why am I a nursing mother to them?’ ‘Am I responsible for getting them to Egypt?’ ‘How can I provide meat for so many?’ ‘Lord, this burden is too great for me.’ ‘I’d rather die now than go on like this’ (see vv.11-15).

Moses was depressed, irritable and resentful. He poured it all out before the Lord. It was a prayer born of frustration and anger. He was angry with his ungrateful congregation, and he



was angry with God. Why did the Lord leave it all to him? After all, it was God's plan to bring the Israelites from Egypt to Canaan. Moses had only gone along with it because God commanded him. But now it was all too much. Worn out with listening to the people's whining and not sure of what God would do next, Moses had had enough. He blamed the Lord for giving him a burden he couldn't carry, and he wanted to die.

God's response

But God answered Moses graciously! He understood the frustration, the petulance, the lack of faith and the rebellious spirit that blamed God for it all. He provided Moses with 70 elders who eased the burden of leadership (vv.16, 17). He sent an east wind that brought quails into the camp and provided meat for them (vv.31, 32). In grace and mercy God 'overlooked' the faults of Moses and sent him help and refreshment.

In our deepest disappointments, God understands. In our frustrations, God is merciful. When we lash out at our circumstances, and even at God Himself, He does not answer in kind. In our deepest discouragement, His love and grace and understanding are with us still.

Revd Dr Herbert McGonigle

Spring clean the church ready for Easter



We like to have a spring clean of church so that it is clean and tidy for the Easter Festival. We would welcome any help you could give on

Saturday 28th March

11.00 am - 3.00 pm.

All welcome.

There will be sign up sheet in Church.



In need of company or conversation?

Lonely, or just at a loose end?

Wanting some warm quiet space?

Each Wednesday St John's is open 11.00am – 1.00pm

Anyone is welcome to 'drop-in' for a cup of coffee or tea.

There will be people to chat to, if you want some company.

We can offer some local information, if needed.

You can see the inside of this lovely Georgian church, if you've not been in before.

There is space for quiet, if that is what you need.

You might just want a warm space to eat your lunch.

Do come along, we'd love to meet you.



'JJs' (St John's Juniors)
Sundays at 10.00am

Every Sunday we provide activities for children at the back of church - colouring, crafts etc.

When possible we meet in the Samaritan Room for story, prayer and activities.

Learning and growing in faith.

All children 4-11 years old are welcome.

Further details from Cath Fox on
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... **Why we should be like donkeys**

Are you a pet-lover? Many people own a dog, cat or budgie, but most of us don't own a donkey! In Bible times, donkeys were essential to daily life. They did everything from helping grind corn, ploughing, carrying people, transporting their belongings. Despite their small frame, donkeys are surprisingly tough. They are content with poor fodder like thistles and can travel an average of 20 miles a day.



There are two occasions in the Christian calendar where donkeys walk into the picture. At Christmas, Mary travelled the 90 miles from Nazareth to Bethlehem on a donkey. It doesn't get a specific mention in the manger story, but where else but in the stable would have been the donkey that had carried Mary?

On Palm Sunday Jesus entered Jerusalem riding on a donkey. Jesus deliberately chose this animal rather than a horse. Why? In Bible times, the horse was associated with war, conquest and worldly might. But the donkey was a symbol of peace and humility. Jesus used this animal to show that He had come with the dignity of the King of peace. His entry into the Holy City also fulfilled Zechariah's prophecy concerning the Messiah.

Donkeys are hardworking and undemanding. They wait for their master to put them to the work he has chosen for them. And each one bears the mark of the Cross on their backs!

Lester Amann

Two donkeys were in Jerusalem. One said: "Just a few days ago I came down that hill carrying Jesus, and the people were singing and shouting and throwing down cloaks and palms for me to walk on. But today they don't even recognise me." The other donkey replied: "That is how it is, my friend. Without Jesus, none of us amounts to much."

Did you ever stop to think how many Christians there are in the world? I expect some of you are busy googling the answer on your phone. Well, I can tell you. There are approximately 2.4 billion Christians and that's about a third of the world's population. It's the largest religion globally. We are part of a huge Christian family all worshipping the same Heavenly Father and believing in the same Saviour, Jesus Christ. It's a really big family, so much bigger than just our St John's family.

Here we are blessed with freedom of worship and at St John's we are blessed with Stephanie, Paul, Brian, Cath and, for a while, Megan. We do not have to sign in. No-one is watching us coming in and noting down our name.

But it's not the same for a lot of our brothers and sisters in Christ. Many Christians around the world are persecuted for their faith, churches are forcibly closed down or even destroyed. Some people are driven from their homes and villages and some, sadly lose their lives.



I represent an organisation called Open Doors which supports Christians worldwide. I have already told you about a few of the people we support. Over the weeks and months to come I want to share more inspirational stories with you about the persecuted Church and our sisters and brothers in Christ.

I will be making an appeal, but not for money. Rather it will be an appeal for your prayers for individuals or whole villages and communities facing persecution. Prayer is a powerful weapon..... it can move mountains! Our sisters and brothers need to know that we care and that we are praying for them and their situations

Next time I will highlight a particular person or a group who feel forgotten by the Christian worldwide family. Thanks for listening.

Margaret Kirkham



BAPTISM

*We welcome into
the Lord's family*

22 Feb. Etienne James Richard Walsh

FUNERAL

We commit to the Lord's eternal care

26 Jan. Donald Shaw at St John's,
followed by cremation at Wakefield Crematorium

As the April magazine will come out on Palm Sunday we give here brief details of all the services during Holy Week. Full details in the April issue.

Sunday 29

Palm Sunday

10.00am Holy Communion with a dramatized
presentation of the Gospel

Mon 30 / Tues. 31 / Wed 1 April

7.00pm Reflective evening service

Thurs. 2 Maundy Thursday

7.00pm Holy Communion

Fri. 3 Good Friday

9.45am Walk of Witness from the Cathedral

11.00am United service at the Cathedral

7.00pm Reflective evening service at St John's.

Sunday 5 Easter Day

6.15am Dawn Service

10.00am Festival Eucharist



We celebrate Mothers,
Mother Figures and our
Mother Church, on
Mothering Sunday,
15 March.

10.00am Family Parade Service

Everyone is welcome

Granny retired? You've got to be kidding....

The idea that grandmothers retire into a world of gardening and tea-drinking, golf and knitting is no more than a pleasant fantasy these days.

Instead, nearly 63% of grandparents provide some sort of childcare to their under-16-year-old grandchildren. That amounts to around seven million older people, aged mostly between 55 – 74.

One in three is doing the school run. Nearly one in five is spending more than 10 hours a week giving other childcare.

America's nickname for them: the 'granny nannies.'

Granny nannies do it for good reason: to enable their own children to be able to work longer hours. But granny nannies not only care for their grandchildren, they may also be providing comfort for elderly relatives of their own – and hold down a part-time job at the same time.



Learning and Sharing Together



Acts for Everyone

There is an Acts for Everyone group studying the Acts of the Apostles. This book follows directly on from Luke's gospel, as he moves from telling about Jesus' life and work to recording what happened next. So we learn a lot about the early church and the people who were important in how it grew and spread.

This group meets 1.30 - 2.45pm in the Samaritan room. All welcome. Dates: Wednesday 11, 25 March, 15 April.

The Creeds

The Pilgrim Course no. 5 is on The Creeds. From the earliest days of the church, Christians developed short, simple summaries of the faith which became known as creeds. They remain important to the church today and are regularly used in worship.

The course is on Thursday evenings, 7.30-9.00pm at the Vicarage. Dates: 5, 12 March.



*Remember
the clocks go
FORWARD
one hour on
Saturday 28
March*



One of my churchwardens is a stickler for 'Health and Safety'...

Help Create a Sea of Poppies!

We're building an **Army of Knitters and Crocheters** to help create a breathtaking **sea of poppies**, which will be proudly draped from Wakefield Town Hall in the week leading up to **Remembrance Sunday**.



This district-wide project will honour the Army, Royal Navy, RAF, and the animals who served — with purple poppies included in the display as a special tribute and Yellow for the munition workers.

How You Can Get Involved

- Knit or crochet **red**, **yellow**, and **purple** poppies
- Join our friendly **coffee mornings** to help sew them onto the net
- Meet new people and be part of a heart-warming community project
- Help create a powerful display of remembrance, unity and gratitude

Whether you make one poppy or a whole bouquet, every stitch brings us closer to creating something truly meaningful for our district.

If you'd like to join our Army of Makers, send a comment or a message — we'd love to have you with us.

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Councillor Josie Pritchard, Armed Forces Champion

Simple Knitted Poppy

- 4mm knitting needles
- DK red yarn
- Darning needle

Cast on 40 stitches.

K2, P2 over the whole row for 6 rows.

K2 tog, P2 tog over whole row

K1, P1 rib for 3 rows

Cut yarn, thread through the remaining 20 stitches and pull tight. Shape into a circle, stitch the side seam. Darn in tails. Stitch a solid Circle with Black wool to form the poppy centre.



Poppy Crocheted in rounds

Begin at the centre with black yarn (A) and then add the petals in red yarn. (B)
Use a 5 mm (H) hook (or size required for gauge) and leave an 8-10 inch yarn tail:

Crochet Poppy Centre

R1: With Color A: Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc) and work 11 dc in the third ch from the hook. Slst to the top of the initial ch 3 to join, ch 1 and finish off Color A. [12 dc]

Crochet Poppy Petals

R2: With Color B: Join in any dc: Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc) and work 1 dc in the same st. Work 2 dc in each rem dc around the circle. Slst to the top of the initial ch 3 to join. [24 dc]

R3: Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc) and work 1 dc in the same st. Work 2 dc in each of the next 3 dc and 1 sc in each of the next 2 dc. *2 dc in each of the next 4 dc and 1 sc in each of the next 2 dc**. Work from * to ** around. Slst to the top of the initial ch 3 to join. [4 sets of (8 dc, 2 sc)]

R4: Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc) and work 1 dc in the same st. Work 2 dc in each of the next 7 dc and 1 slst between the next 2 sc. *2 dc in each of the next 8 dc and 1 slst between the next 2 sc**. Work from * to ** around. Slst to the top of the initial ch 3 to join. [4 sets of (16 dc, 1 slst)]

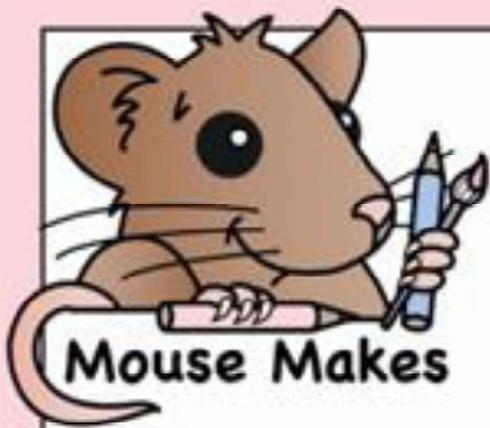
Finish off securely, and sew in ends.



St John's School Page



Class 2 have enjoyed developing art work inspired by Henri Matisse



The Bible has many stories of mothers who had great faith in God. With their love, care, encouragement and prayers their children grew up to be great people of God.

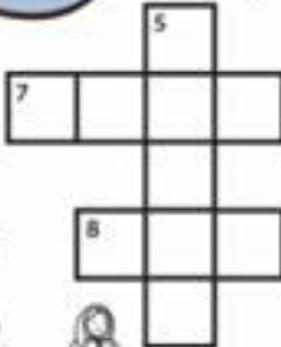


Who saved her baby by putting him in a basket in the river?

Exodus 2:1-3 and 6:20



Who was 90 years old when she had her son Isaac?
Genesis 17:19



Whose prayers for a child were answered by God?
1 Samuel 1:20

Across

- 3. **Obed's** mother
Matthew 1:5
- 4. **John's** mother
Luke 1:57-60
- 7. **Reuben's** mother
Genesis 29:32
- 8. **Joseph's** mother
Genesis 30:22-24
- 9. **Jesus'** mother
Acts 1:14

Down

- 1. **Boaz's** mother
Matthew 1:5
- 2. **Solomon's** mother
1 Kings 1:11
- 4. **Timothy's** mother
2 Timothy 1:5
- 5. **Ishmael's** mother
Genesis 16:15
- 6. **Jacob and Esau's** mother
Genesis 25:21-26

Who had two sons called Cain and Abel?
Genesis 4:1-2



Answer the questions then put them into the crossword

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Come and join us for an exciting



Wednesday 18th March

3.30pm – 5.30pm in church

Games, activities and food

Create, celebrate, worship

Come along and join in the
activities and fun!

**All children to be accompanied by an adult,
please. (*Food is available for adults
as well as the children*)**

If you have any questions, contact Cath on
cath.s.fox@outlook.com

This year we have had far too much rain: the ground is sodden and much low-lying ground is under water. The nearly empty reservoirs of last summer and autumn are likely to now be overflowing with water.

But in many parts of the world there is drought. There has been little or no rain for months, or even years. Vegetation is dying, and so are the animals who depend on it for food.

We cannot take flagons of water to the areas where water is in short supply, but we CAN donate money to Water Aid. This charity provides access to clean water in many parts of the world.

During Lent we have a big water bottle in church, into which you could drop some money to support their work.. Please help us provide fresh water to those who need it.



God of mission,
You give fresh life to St John's
Send your Holy Spirit to give
 vision to our planning,
 wisdom to our activities,
 and power to our witness,
that we may grow
 in love and commitment to you
 in number of disciples
 and in loving service to our neighbours
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.
 Amen

The
Tale of the
**TWO
BUILDERS**



JESUS OFTEN TOLD
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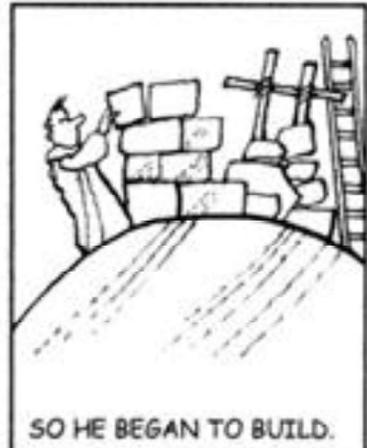


ONE WAS ABOUT TWO MEN WHO
BUILT THEIR OWN HOUSES

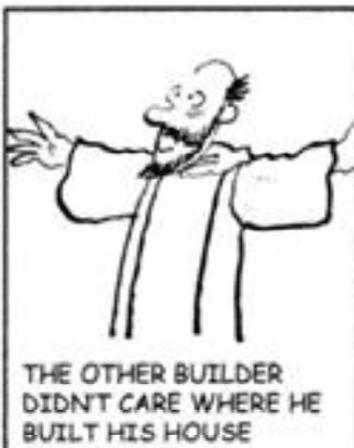


THE FIRST BUILDER SEARCHED HIGH
AND LOW FOR A GOOD SOLID ROCK ON
WHICH TO BUILD HIS HIS HOME.

AT LONG, LONG LAST HE
FOUND THE IDEAL SPOT.



SO HE BEGAN TO BUILD.



THE OTHER BUILDER
DIDNT CARE WHERE HE
BUILT HIS HOUSE

HE THOUGHT SOME NICE FLAT SAND
WOULD BE AN EASY PLACE TO BUILD.



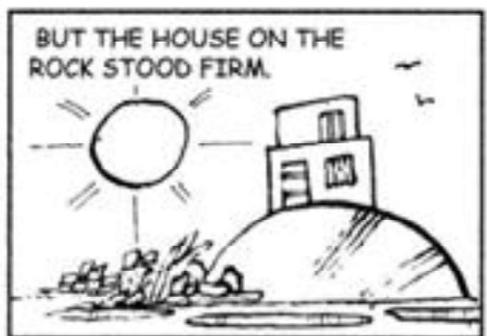
BUT ONE DAY THE
STORM CAME...



...AND THE WIND BLEW...AND
THE RAIN FELL....



...AND THE HOUSE ON
THE SAND COLLAPSED!



BUT THE HOUSE ON THE
ROCK STOOD FIRM.

JESUS EXPLAINED -
IT'S IMPORTANT OUR LIVES HAVE
A FIRM FOUNDATION.

Community Use of St John's Church

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The church building is fully accessible, with ramp access to the main door, and two ramps giving access to the staging.

Our accessible toilet also provides baby change facilities.

For further information, or to enquire about hiring our facilities, please e-mail: stjohn.churchbookings@gmail.com

Comfortable chairs in the nave offer flexible seating for up to 200 people. There is a dais, a keyboard and a sound system. Cost is £30 an hour. WiFi, sound system, computer projection equipment, electric piano and organ can be included, subject to an additional charge, on request



The Samaritan Room has space for up to 15 people. It costs £15 an hour.

Our fully equipped

kitchen opens onto a café area with 6 tables + 24 chairs. The tables can be removed to make a larger, more flexible, meeting space. The café



area costs £18 an hour, including the kitchen. The kitchen costs £15 per session (half day or evening) when hiring the nave or Samaritan room.



Steward £10 per hour (negotiable for regular bookings)

The Seven Deadly Sins: Anger

'Anger is never without a reason, but seldom with a good one.' (Benjamin Franklin).

Who or what makes you angry? In the third of our 7 Deadly Sins, we are looking at *anger* (or *wrath*).

It describes uncontrolled feelings of hatred and resentment, and it can lead to resentment and grudges, quarrelling and damaged relationships. Jesus warns us about the consequence of anger: *'I tell you that anyone who is angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment.'* (Matt 5:22).

Jesus Himself got angry, notably when He saw the Temple being exploited by the money changers (Matt 21:12-13). Such *righteous anger* is a measured response to injustice or evil, motivated by love not vengeance.

However, it is important for us to deal with unrighteous anger in our lives: *'In your anger do not sin: do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold.'* (Ephesians 4:26,27). What practical steps can we take to do this?

Acknowledge your anger: What are the root causes of our anger? Often it comes from deeper feelings, like fear, inadequacy or the desire to control

Control your anger: Stepping back before reacting can prevent anger from controlling us: *'everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry'* (James 1:19,20).

Seek to forgive: Practising forgiveness, not seeking revenge or holding grudges, will enable us to overcome anger: *'Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone.'* (Colossians 3:12,13). Christ died to take the wrath of God we deserve, so that we might know God's forgiveness.

'People who fly into a rage always make a bad landing' (Will Rogers).

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This company operates our car park, on the corner of St John's Avenue and Wentworth Street WF1 2QU. You can pay for parking on an hourly, daily, monthly basis. You pay with your mobile phone: either call 0330 333 8434 (local rate) or download the YourParkingSpace app. (available on the app store or Google play) For either method you need to enter St John's Church location ID: 11173. This ID is displayed at the car park, along with all other details. You will be advised of the rate being charged once you have input your preferred option. The car park has 24/7 monitoring of number plates. Any car parking without payment may be issued with a Parking Charge Notice, so that only paying or permitted vehicles use the area.

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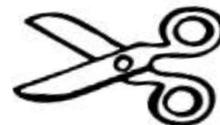
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Readings at the 10.00am Communion Service

Date	Day	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
1 Mar.	Lent 2	Genesis 12:1-4a	John 3:1-17
8 Mar.	Lent 3	Exodus 7:1-7	John 4: 5-42
15 Mar.	Mothering Sunday	Colossians 3:12-17	Luke 2: 33-35
22 Mar.	Lent 5	Ezekiel 37: 1-14	John 11: 1-45
29 Mar.	Palm Sunday	Matthew 21:1-11 Isaiah 50:4-9a	Matthew 26 & 27

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Magazine Contributions

The Editor is always pleased to receive news of events, to come or which have taken place; reports of church activities; original articles, stories, etc. We cannot guarantee that they will be included, and they may be edited before inclusion.

**Please send contributions for the
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By 8 March 2026

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Mission Statement

St John's is here to be a living, loving and serving witness to Christ; worshipping, learning and growing in our faith together, reaching out to share God's love in the community and bringing His Word to all

PARISH ACTIVITIES / ORGANISATIONS

Parish Morning Prayer Mondays at 9.30am on Zoom
A Psalm, a Bible reading and some prayers. All welcome.
The Zoom link to join in is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89866690323?wd=NHZXaEc2TkJEcFBXbmtPE5WTEpadz09>

Church Drop-In 11.00am—1.00pm Wednesday
Everyone is welcome to drop in for tea/coffee, a chat etc.

Toddler & Baby Playgroup 9.00-11.30am Friday in church
(during term time)
A time for babies, toddlers and their carers to play and to share.

Church Choir Practice after the 10.00am service
Join us in helping to lead Sunday worship

UNIFORMED ORGANISATIONS

Purposeful activity in a structured, fun environment.

25th Wakefield Scout Group For boys and girls, held in the Scout Hut by St. John's Parish Centre.

Details: Group Scout Leader Simon Daley, 07814

413401 <https://www.facebook.com/25thstjohnsscouts>

Rainbows

To register an interest, visit www.girlguiding.org.uk & click on join

Rainbows contact Ann Coulson – 07932394020

Sunday Services at St John's

EVERY SUNDAY

10.00am Parish Communion

There will be candle, shell and leaf prayer stations available in the side chapel.

10.00am St John's Juniors - 'JJs' - meet for story, prayer and activities in the Samaritan Room.
All 4-11 year-olds welcome. (Term time only)

We have toys and books in the café area, for younger ones, but parents are asked to supervise them at all times.

3rd SUNDAY EACH MONTH (usually)

4.00pm Tea-Time Service

For everyone: families of all shapes & sizes, singles, children, adults, young and old.

A relaxed service, with songs, activities, readings and prayers, beginning with refreshments.

We have a crèche area for the service.

4th SUNDAY EACH MONTH

In the side chapel, during communion, we offer prayer for healing, with the laying on of hands.

Everyone, of any age, is welcome at all our services.

The entrance door to the church is on the city centre / High School side of St John's Square. There is a ramp access for wheelchairs and pushchairs up to this door.

There is a fully accessible toilet at the church, and a baby-change facility.

There is an induction loop for those who use a hearing aid.

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