

## WORSHIP AND ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

2—7 March

<b>Monday</b> 2	2.00pm	Christian Ministry of Healing and Wholeness
<b>Tuesday</b> 3	2.15pm 10am-12.30pm	Mothers' Union Parish Office
<b>Wednesday</b> 4	9.00am 10am-12.30pm	Ecumenical Prayer at St Mary's Burley Parish Office
<b>Thursday</b> 5	9.30am 11.45am 10am-12.30pm	Holy Communion Readings: <i>Isaiah 55: 6-9 (OT Page 696)</i> <i>Matthew 7: 7-12 (NT Page 6-7)</i> Funeral of Stuart Dyson Parish Office
<b>Friday</b> 6	12.00pm 2.00pm	Funeral of Barbara Nelson Standing Committee

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## NEXT SUNDAY—THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

**9.30am** Zest

**11.00am** Holy Communion (CW)  
with guest preacher, The Revd. Canon Derek Walmsley

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## PARISH NOTES

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



## The First Sunday of LENT

1 March 2020

**Readings:** **Genesis 2: 15—17, 3: 1—7** OT page 2—3  
**Matthew 4: 1—11** NT page 3

**9.30am** **Zest**

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

**11.00am** **Holy Communion (CW)**

*Parents are welcome to use the family space in church*

Hymn	<b>56</b>
Reader	<b>Jenny Steele</b>
Gradual Hymn	<b>238</b>
Offertory Hymn	<b>217</b>
Final Hymn	<b>117</b> (omit vv 4 & 5)

*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](http://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



**Home Communion:** Olga Clapham & Zoe Mill

**The Sick:** Ken Parker, John Marston, Pauline Blake, Sylvia Bradley, Eva Pinthus, Marjorie Thompson, Madge & Eric Wilkinson, Dorothy Westwell, Rosemary Midgley

**The Departed:** Barbara Nelson, Stuart Dyson

**Memorial Book:** Susannah Rawnsley, Maurice Dakin, Margaret Elviss, Alfred Dudbridge

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### Count Your Blessings in Lent ~ time to pause, take a deep breath & turn our attention to our impact in the world.

Severe droughts often hit Kenya but the climate crisis is making them more frequent and intense. Nearly 3 million Kenyans are facing severe food insecurity. Farmers Stephen & Faith say: 'Drought has turned our fields to dust. We did not even try to farm because there is no water'.

### ELECTORAL ROLL

The Electoral Roll is being revised (see the article in the March magazine). Forms will be available in church from Sunday 15 March.

### ROOF APPEAL

Having completed the preparation and design work, we are now in a position to launch the appeal for funds to renew the church roof. Packs detailing what is planned and how we intend to fund the project are now

available at the back of the church. Please take your envelope and consider what you might be able to do to ensure a satisfactory outcome. All donations to the roof appeal will be recorded as such by the treasurer and **only** used toward meeting the costs of the roof repairs. Please also help by supporting fundraising events and by delivering envelopes to those you know who are unable to attend church at the present time. Regular updates on progress will be provided

in the Parish Notes. Colin Alexander, Treasurer.

### SPRING BRIDGEDRIVE

Wednesday 25 March at 1.30pm in the Parish Room. Tickets £10 (including Afternoon Tea) from Sandy 604544 or Ros 874092. All proceeds to the church roof appeal.

### CHURCH ROOF PRAYER MEETING

The next prayer meeting for the church roof is Sunday 29 March at 6.30pm, lasting about an hour. All are encouraged to attend.

### ALTER FLOWER ROTA

The new rota is on the porch notice board. Please sign up for dates if you are willing to arrange flowers.

### PEW CHANGE

There is a comments box at the back of church following the shifting of pews as a temporary re-ordering in the autumn. All comments, positive or negative, are welcome.

### CHURCHWARDENS NEEDED

We are blessed at St John's to have two amazing churchwardens whose work goes largely unnoticed a lot of the time. Unfortunately, they are approaching the end of their term of service and therefore we are looking for others to take up this really important position in the life and worship at St John's. Church

wardens keep the church running day-to-day in a safe and healthy fashion, support the vicar and other office holders and oversee aspects of buildings, services and churchyard. St John's wardens work closely with the vicar planning, supporting and implementing the growth and development of the church. Ongoing advice will always be available. Further information is available informally from either a churchwarden (Roger or Jonathan) or the vicar (Steve).

### CONFIRMATION

Confirmation is a fantastic way of affirming the promises made at your baptism and being commissioned into God's service for the next chapter of your life. In a few months time a confirmation service will take place in church with Bishop Toby. If this is something you might like to explore, please speak to the vicar.

### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

This years WDP service, written by women of Zimbabwe, will be held on Friday 6 March, 6.30pm at St Mary's, Burley.

### LIGHT UP A LIFE—FLOODLIGHT SPONSORSHIP SCHEME

Wednesday 26 February "In memory of George and Cath Allwell."  
Monday 2 March "Remembering my lovely dad with affection."