

## WORSHIP AND ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

9—14 March

**Tuesday**      **Parish Office closed today**  
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**Wednesday**    9.00am    Ecumenical Prayer at St Mary's Burley  
11                    10am-12.30pm Parish Office

**Thursday**      9.30am    Holy Communion  
12                    Readings: Jeremiah 7: 5-10 (OT Page 717-718)  
                             Luke 16: 9-end (NT Page 76-77)  
                             10am-12.30pm Parish Office

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## NEXT SUNDAY—THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

**9.30am**    Zest—Baptism of Freya Bexson

**11.00am**    Holy Communion (CW)

*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.*

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## PARISH NOTES

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



**The Second Sunday of LENT**

**8 March 2020**

**Readings:**      **Genesis 12: 1—4a** OT page 10  
                             **John 3: 1—7** NT page 90

**9.30am**      **Zest**

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

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

*With guest speaker, The Revd Canon Derek Walmsley.  
Parents are welcome to use the family space in church*

Hymn	<b>361</b>
Reader	<b>Dominic Hall</b>
Gradual Hymn	<b>64</b>
Offertory Hymn	<b>133</b> (omit vv 5 & 6)
Final Hymn	<b>336</b> (omit v.2)

## We pray for



<b>Home Communion:</b>	Myra Brougham & Ann Oliver
<b>The Sick:</b>	Ken Parker, Pauline Blake, Sylvia Bradley, Eva Pinthus, Marjorie Thompson, Madge & Eric Wilkinson, Dorothy Westwell, Rosemary Midgley
<b>The Deceased:</b>	John Marston
<b>Memorial Book:</b>	Marie Glennon, Albert Turton, Philip Tattersall, William Tomlinson, Joan Rabagliati, Lawrence Harland, Doris Sheffield, John Wood, Ellen Hicks, Elizabeth Wright, Malcolm Barker, Ethel Pybus, Doris Talbot

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### Count Your Blessings in Lent ~ awareness opens our eyes.

Sunday is International Women's Day. Let us in our minds walk alongside Kenyan farmer Beatrice as she treks for 8 hours with her two donkeys to collect water from the river. Think of her every time you turn on a tap and use clean, safe water this week.

### ELECTORAL ROLL

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

### 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.

### NOSTALGIA NIGHT

A nostalgia evening has been arranged for Saturday 4 July featuring local band 'Time Warp' at Kirklands community centre. The band will be playing hits from the 50s, 60s, 70s and later. Tickets are £12 each and include pie and peas. There will also be a raffle and bar. Tickets available from Parish office, Judith (879290), Sue (875393). All proceeds to the church roof appeal. Please note, in the current edition of The Menston News the Preschool disco date should read 20 June, not 4 July as stated—4 July is definitely booked for the Nostalgia Night.