



# St John's with Holy Trinity, Ryde

*Where All are Welcome*

**9<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

**Welcome:** Please join us for tea/coffee in the hall after the 10am service.



There is a play area at the back of the church. Please feel free to use it with your children or bring the toys/books into the pews.

Alternatively, there is a group for pre-school and primary age children in the church hall during Communion Services, with fun Bible based stories and activities.

## **SERVICES AND EVENTS THIS WEEK**

### **Sun 9<sup>th</sup>**

8.30am: Holy Communion  
10am: Family Service

### **Mon 10<sup>th</sup>**

9.30am: Cleaning and Maintenance

### **Tue 11<sup>th</sup>**

12.30 for 1pm: Parish Lunch,  
Appley Manor

### **Wed 12<sup>th</sup>**

10.30am: Oakfield School  
Class led Worship

### **Thurs 13<sup>th</sup>**

10.30am: Holy Communion  
2pm: Dementia Friendly Carol  
Service

### **Fri 14<sup>th</sup>**

2-4pm: Dementia Conversations,  
Hall  
6.30pm: Choir Practice

### **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>**

8.30am: Holy Communion  
10.30am: Holy Communion with  
hymns  
6pm: Candlelit Carol Service



Toilets and baby changing facilities are in the church hall (through the panel door in the wooden war memorial)



Gluten free

If you require gluten free wafers or non-alcoholic wine please ask the people who greeted you at the door.



The hearing loop system is situated in the front section of pews, to the left of the central aisle facing the Altar.



If the fire alarm sounds please leave the church and gather in the driveway of the care home behind the church. Children in the Hall will be evacuated by the leaders.

**For a large print version of this leaflet please ask the person who greeted you.**

## **St John's News**

### **Our 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations**

continue next year with a History Exhibition and talk – watch this space!

**Prayer Lists:** Please add the names of those you would like us to pray for today to the list by the South Door.

**Christmas Parish Lunch:** December 11<sup>th</sup> at Appley Manor, 12.30 for 1pm, if you have signed up.

**Christmas cards for prisoners** if you would like to send a card please only write a simple message such as 'Happy Christmas' and sign with your first name only. Put in an unsealed envelope and hand in to the church office. We will forward them to the prison chaplain.

**Giving envelopes for 2019:** If you would like envelopes for regular giving please see Val. You will be given the same number if you already have them but please continue to use this year's until January.

**Dementia Conversations:** Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2-4pm in the Hall. An opportunity for carers, relatives and friends of people living with dementia, to share experiences, gain knowledge and explore issues that challenge our beliefs and attitudes.

**Oakfield School Nativity:** Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 10.30am and again at 1.30pm. All are welcome.

### **Oakfield Pre-School Nativity:**

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December, at 9am.

### **Little Squirrels pre-school Nativity,**

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> at 3.45pm.

### **Dementia Friendly Carol Service:**

Everyone is welcome to join us on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm.

## **Christmas Services**

### **Sunday 16th Dec**

6pm Candlelit Carol Service

### **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Eve**

3pm Christingle -

for children of all ages

11.30pm Midnight Mass with Carols

### **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Day**

10am Sung Holy Communion

### **Advent Candle Song**

Advent 1

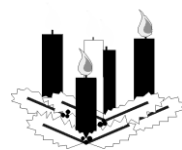
Advent candles tell their story  
as we watch and pray,  
longing for the Day of Glory,  
'Come, Lord, soon,' we say.

Pain and sorrow, tears and sadness  
changed for gladness on that Day.

Advent 2

Prophet voices loudly crying,  
making pathways clear;  
glimpsing glory, self-denying,  
calling all to hear.

Through their message –  
challenged, shaken –  
hearts awaken: God is near!



**Collect:** O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever.

### **Philippians 1.3–11**

My brothers and sisters, <sup>3</sup> I thank my God every time I remember you, <sup>4</sup> constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, <sup>5</sup> because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. <sup>6</sup> I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup> It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. <sup>8</sup> For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. <sup>9</sup> And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight <sup>10</sup> to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be

pure and blameless, <sup>11</sup> having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

### **Luke 3.1–6**

It was the fifteenth year of the rule of Emperor Tiberius; Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip was ruler of the territory of Iturea and Trachonitis; Lysanias was ruler of Abilene, <sup>2</sup> and Annas and Caiaphas were High Priests. At that time the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the desert. <sup>3</sup> So John went throughout the whole territory of the Jordan River, preaching, "Turn away from your sins and be baptized, and God will forgive your sins." <sup>4</sup> As it is written in the book of the prophet Isaiah: "Someone is shouting in the desert: 'Get the road ready for the Lord; make a straight path for him to travel!' <sup>5</sup> Every valley must be filled up, every hill and mountain levelled off. The winding roads must be made straight, and the rough paths made smooth. <sup>6</sup> The whole human race will see God's salvation!"

**For further information about St**

**John's visit:**

[stjohnsryde.org.uk](http://stjohnsryde.org.uk)

**Post Communion:** Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service

The Salvation Army's IOW Corps homeless support unit has joined IOW Council to bring rough sleepers in from the cold from 27 November until the end of March in 2018 at their **night shelter** in Pyle Street, Newport. It will provide hot food and a warm bed for the night; seven days a week, as well as developing personalised packages of support alongside individuals and partners, designed to support people on their unique journey from homelessness to home. Life does not get better by chance, it gets better by change." For more information email Lucy Rhoden, Salvation Army Street Outreach Intervention Coordinator at [lucy.rhoden@salvationarmy.org.uk](mailto:lucy.rhoden@salvationarmy.org.uk)

**Please pray for:** All who work in the hospitality industry as we enjoy our Christmas lunch together. Night shelters and all who meet there. The people of Yemen and the peace talks starting to take place.

**RIP:** Jean Pocock, Norman Holland.

**RIP Anniversaries:** Margaret Sibbick (Mon), Kathleen Pritchard, Rita Betteridge (Fri),

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Wednesday 9am-11am,  
Thursday 11am-1pm,  
Friday 2pm- 4pm.

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