



# St John's with Holy Trinity, Ryde

*Where All are Welcome*

**24<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**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**

### **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>**

8.30am: Holy Communion

10am: Holy Communion

Hymns: 334, 67, 152, 431, 223

Followed by APCM

6.30pm CTRA United Service,  
URC, Upton Road, Ryde

### **Monday 25<sup>th</sup>**

9.30am Cleaning and Maintenance

2pm Lent Group (4)

### **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>**

10.30am Oakfield School Class  
Assembly

### **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>**

10.30am Holy Communion

6.30pm Lent Group (4)

### **Friday 29<sup>th</sup>**

6.30pm Choir practice

### **Sunday 31<sup>st</sup>**

**NB Clocks go forward one hour**

8.30am: Holy Communion

10am: Family Service for  
Mothering Sunday



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.



Fire alarm

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**

**APCM:** Our Annual meeting is after the 10am Service today. We will elect our churchwardens and PCC members, and read through our Annual Report.

**Lent Groups** continue in the Quiet Room on either Monday from 2-4pm or Thursday 6.30 to 8pm. All are welcome.

The children of Oakfield School hold their **Class led assemblies** in St John's each Wednesday morning at 10.30am. Volunteers are needed to help make tea & coffee after the service, please sign up on the list by the South door if you can help.

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April 10am - 4pm.

**Parish Quiet Day: Carisbrooke Priory:** An opportunity to spend a quiet day of prayer and reflection among friends, to prepare for the spiritual journey through Holy Week. Please sign up by the South door. Costs depend on the number of people who want to come.

**Mothing Sunday:** March 31<sup>st</sup> (don't forget to put your clocks forward!) This will be a 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Special Family Service. If you can provide a few posies of flowers on the day to give out we would be very grateful.

Please bring in your **Children's Society boxes** for Bridget to count over the next few weeks, thanks.

**JC, Angelina and friends** are coming to entertain us in the afternoon of 30<sup>th</sup> March, followed by a **cream tea** – 2-4pm. Cost £5 per person

**History Exhibition** As part of our continuing 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations, we are organising a local history exhibition over the May Bank Holiday weekend. If you have old documents, photographs or memories of life in the Oakfield/ Elmfield/ Appley area that you would be willing to share, please bring them to the office or give them to Doreen by 30<sup>th</sup> March.

**Thy Kingdom Come.** Portsmouth Diocese are holding an open-air ecumenical beacon prayer, worship & celebration at Portchester Castle in the afternoon of Pentecost Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June. If you are interested in using coaches, organised by the to join them please see Linda Brooke.

**Bishop's Lent appeal:** The focus of the Lent Appeal this year will be Mental Health, and the support of people, especially children and young people, with mental health difficulties. There are envelopes at the back of church if you wish to make a specific donation or the Collection from our April Family Service will also be donated.

This month's **united service** is Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March at the United Reformed Church off Upton Road, Haylands at 6.30pm led by Rev Brian Harley.

**Timeout Café.** In the Hall from 1pm on Wed 27<sup>th</sup> March starting with a light lunch followed by an organised activity for anyone who would like to meet up with other people for company.

**Collect:** Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### **Isaiah 55.1–9**

The LORD says this:

<sup>1</sup> Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. <sup>2</sup> Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. <sup>3</sup> Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. <sup>4</sup> See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. <sup>5</sup> See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has

glorified you. <sup>6</sup> Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; <sup>7</sup> let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. <sup>8</sup> For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. <sup>9</sup> For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

### **Luke 13.1–9**

<sup>1</sup> There were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. <sup>2</sup> He asked them ‘Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans?’ <sup>3</sup> No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. <sup>4</sup> Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them – do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? <sup>5</sup> No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.’ <sup>6</sup> Then he told this parable: ‘A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. <sup>7</sup> So he said to the gardener, “See here! For three

years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?"<sup>8</sup> He replied, "Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it."<sup>9</sup> If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down."

**Post Communion:** Merciful Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Notices Continued...

**PCC:** first meeting of the year is Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 7.10pm to appoint officers and set dates for the coming year.

Details of **Lent and Easter services** can be found on our Lent and Easter poster / flyer, available today.

**Together in Prayer:** Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm in church. Informal prayer for the Church, Community and whatever the needs at the time. Everyone is welcome.

**For further information visit:**  
[stjohnsryde.org.uk](http://stjohnsryde.org.uk)

**God of hope,  
in these times of change,  
unite our nation and guide our leaders  
with your wisdom.  
Give us courage to overcome our fears,  
and help us to build a future  
in which all may prosper and share;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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

**RIP:** Beryl Faithfull, Frank Willett, Valerie Dwight

**RIP Anniversaries:** Doris Jenvey (Sun), John Matthews, Stephen Salter (Mon), Aeryn Bond (Funeral)(Tue), Leslie Bartlett (Wed), Patricia Bartlett (Fri).

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