



St John's with Holy Trinity, Ryde

Where *All* are Welcome

16th February 2020

2nd Sunday before Lent

Please join us for tea /coffee in the hall after the 10am service



SERVICES AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday 16th February

8.30am Holy Communion

10am: Holy Communion

Hymns: 652, 811, 687, 430, 253

Monday 17th

9am Cleaning and maintenance

Tuesday 18th

1pm Parish Lunch, Appley Manor

Wednesday 19th

1pm Timeout Café

Thursday 20th

10.30am: Holy Communion

6.30pm Choir practice

7.10pm PCC

Sunday 23rd

8.30am: Holy Communion

10am: Holy Communion

6.30pm Shared Worship, Ryde Elim Church

For further information visit:

Stjohnsryde.org.uk

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This is your day, Lord
And through its joys
Struggles and issues
We shall endeavour
To be your servants
And whatever we do
Or say, be informed
By the love you show
And the grace we know
Daily in our walk of faith

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Prayer Lists: Please add the names of those you would like us to pray for to the list in the South Transept.

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

St John's News

School assembly: could you help with the refreshments after the school assembly at 10.30am on Friday's during term time? If so, please see Bobby Mason or sign up on the list in the South Transept.

Parish Lunch: Last chance to sign up on the list if you would like to join us for lunch at Appley Manor on Tuesday 18th February, 12.30 for 1pm. Choose and pay for your lunch on the day.

Ryde area churches shared worship: Everyone is invited to give thanks for the work that the CTRA have done over the past years at a service at Ryde Elim church on Sunday 23rd February at 6.30pm. We will continue to share worship each 4th Sunday of the month so please watch this space for venues.

Messy Church Easter eggs: Thanks to a very generous donation we have enough for the Easter eggs we wanted. The remaining donations will go towards craft materials and food for the sessions.

We are about to revise our **Electoral Roll:** If you would like your name added or removed please see Sylvia or Bevaly for a form. The revision will close on 12th March 2020 when no new names will be added until after the APCM on 29th March (date for your diary)

Choir practice continues each Thursday at 6.30pm for one hour.

Timeout Café. In the Hall from 1pm on Wed 19th February starting with a light lunch followed by an organised activity for anyone who would like to meet up with other people for company.

Lent Course: we are planning to run our course on Mondays at 10.30am and again on Wednesdays at 7pm starting on 2nd and 4th March for 6 weeks. We will be using the book 'Saying Yes to life' by Ruth Valerio and a number of these will be available to buy or borrow.

Together in Prayer: NB Friday 28th February at 6.30pm in church. Informal prayer for the Church, Community and whatever the needs at the time. Everyone welcome. If you cannot join us please pray with us from wherever you are.

Please note our new **email address:** stjohnschurchryde@gmail.com

Collect: Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever.

The other lectionary readings for today are: Genesis 1.1 – 2.3, Psalm 136.1–9, (10–22), 23–26

Romans 8:18-25 from The Message

¹⁸⁻²¹ That's why I don't think there's any comparison between the present hard times and the coming good times. The created world itself can hardly wait for what's coming next.

Everything in creation is being more or less held back. God reins it in until both creation and all the creatures are ready and can be released at the same moment into the glorious times ahead. Meanwhile, the joyful anticipation deepens. ²²⁻²⁵ All around us we observe a pregnant creation. The difficult times of pain throughout the world are simply birth pangs. But it's not only around us; it's *within* us. The Spirit of God is arousing us within. We're also feeling the birth pangs. These sterile and barren bodies of ours are yearning for full deliverance. That is why waiting does not diminish us, any more than waiting diminishes a pregnant mother. We are enlarged in the waiting. We, of course, don't see what is enlarging us. But the longer we wait, the larger we become, and the more joyful our expectancy.

Matthew 6.25–34

Jesus taught his disciples, saying:

²⁵ 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your

heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷ And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁸ And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰ But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you – you of little faith? ³¹ Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" ³² For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³ But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. ³⁴ So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.'

Post Communion: God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please pray for: All schools, staff and pupils as they take their half term break. Our PCC as they meet this week to discuss church business. The people of Turkey, for peace in the country.

RIP: Jeanne Jenvey, Hazel Finch and Robert (Bob) Rogers

RIP Anniversaries: Win Bird (Mon), John Longhurst, Phillip Brown (Wed), John Gong (Sat)



Please feel free to use the play area at the back of the church with your children or bring the toys & books into the pews.



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 through both doors and gather in the driveway in front of the care home behind the church, leaving access for emergency vehicles.



If you need to talk with someone about safe-guarding please contact our Safeguarding officers Bevaly Rackett and Linda Brooke or Rev Sue.

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