

Bradford Metropolitan Food Bank

We should like to wish all at St John's a happy and blessed Christmas and to extend thanks to all who, week by week, have generously provided gifts of food for those in need.

During the year we have donated just over 400 kg of widely assorted foodstuff (very basic to delicious chocolate treats) and have a further run of about 180 kg planned for the New Year. These consignments are always received with gratitude by the Food Bank staff.

To any who have not yet got into the giving habit, may we encourage you, whilst shopping, to pop that extra can of beans in your basket and bring it along to church on Sunday. It doesn't matter how small the gift just offer it as a gift to the Lord and it will be gratefully received.

So may you all have a very happy and blessed year in 2019

The Food Bank Team

New Year Prayer

*Almighty, gracious, glorious God,
we thank you for your love, mercy and forgiveness.*

We are humbled by your constant, faithful love.

At the start of a new year, we pray for a new spiritual season.

Thank you that your extravagant love means that there is no one so broken they can't be healed. No one is so lost they can't be found.

No one is so damaged they can't be restored. There's no one who has wandered so far that they can't be brought home.

Lord, your love pursues us. You are never resting, always searching. You leave the 99 to find the one. You came to seek and save the lost.

And when you find them all heaven rejoices.

We thank you, Lord, that your love is not found in empty clichés.

Your love is shown in the giving of your life for us.

*Your life, death and resurrection have opened a way for us
to become the children of God.*

*We know that the good news of Jesus
is the power of God to change lives.*

*We ask that your Church may have a new boldness in sharing that news.
Fill us with your Holy Spirit. Give us compassion for the lost.*

Give us confidence in the good news.

*Help us to pray with passion, live with love and speak with boldness.
Make us a people of faith.*

Grant your favour upon us & thrust us out into every village, town & city.

*We pray that lives will be changed and heaven will celebrate as sinful,
broken people find a forgiving, loving God.*

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Church website;
www.stjohnsyeadon.org

Facebook;
[St John's Church, Yeadon](https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsChurchYeadon)

Sermon recordings;

[www.soundclick.com/
stjohnschurchsermons](http://www.soundclick.com/stjohnschurchsermons)

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Notice Sheet: Deadline for copy will be **Wednesday** at 10.00pm.
Contact Liz on 0113 2501764 or email church.office@stjohnsyeadon.org

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Diary for 6th January 2019

Sunday	06.01.19 - Epiphany
9.30am	Holy Communion - Preacher Barbara Williams
11.00am	Get It Together Service - Preacher Jen Read
Monday	07.01.19
7.30pm	Mothers Union
Tuesday	08.01.19
9.15am	Caterpillars
2.00pm	Discipleship Group at 6 Henley Crescent
2.00pm	Discipleship Group at 19 Church Crescent
	NO YABS
7.30pm	Discipleship Group at 1 Henshaw Oval
7.45pm	Discipleship Group at 3 Netherfield Rise
Wednesday	09.01.19
	NO YPDG
7.30pm	Discipleship Group at 11 Banksfield Crescent
Thursday	10.01.19
7.00pm	Discipleship Group at Honeysuckle Cottage
7.45pm	Discipleship Group at 8 Grosvenor Mews
8.00pm	Discipleship Group at 14 Windmill Lane
Friday	11.10.19
Saturday	12.01.19
5.30pm	Community Cinema - "Christopher Robin"
Sunday	13.01.19 - Baptism of Christ - "Vision Sunday"
9.30am	Holy Communion - Preacher Rev Richard Walker
11.00am	Contemporary Praise - Preacher Rev Richard Walker

* Discipleship Groups members should check that their group begins this week

WELCOME TO ST JOHN'S! - WE HOPE YOU ENJOY THE SERVICE

- ♦ If you would like us to get to know you, please fill out a "**Making Connections**" card.
- ♦ **Gluten-free wafers** for Holy Communion are available - just ask a sidesperson.
- ♦ A **hearing loop** is in operation. Please use the T switch on your hearing aid.
- ♦ If you find our pews uncomfortable then we can provide a **cushion** - please ask.
- ♦ The yellow **gift envelopes** on the pews are for one-off gifts to the church. Please complete the details on the envelope so we can reclaim the tax on your gift.
- ♦ **Emergency exits** are via the main doors and the door by the memorial plaques.
- ♦ Please join us for **refreshments** in the hall after the service.

Prayer:

Please Pray:

In December please pray for Woodlea Approach, Woodlea Close, Woodlea Drive, Woodlea Grove. Pray that people will feel they can contact us about their troubles & that the Lord will move in many lives.

Prayer Requests;

Please pray for Steve B [heart attack]; X [haemorrhage]; Marlene, Joan & Glenda [pneumonia]; Mandy Dixon [relations with son Josh]; Julia and Chris [house sale]; the Keefes [fund-raising for fertility treatment]; Andrew Dixon [job applications].

In Week 1, please pray for Jude & Steve Amos, Gerald Aves, Margaret Balmforth, Margaret Blakey, Mel Beaumont, Andrew Dixon, Mandy Dixon - all with ongoing problems.

Prayer Phone:

Phone Julia on 07980 631107 before 6.00pm.

Prayer Email:

julia.chantrell@ntlworld.com

Prayer Text:

Text Julia on 07980 631107

Your prayers and prayer requests are much appreciated. It is wonderful that we can support one another in this way. However, would you please make sure that you obtain the permission of those you are requesting prayer for, before posting your request by email or Facebook or in any other way. Sometimes people prefer to keep their situation known only to close family or friends, and we want to respect their wishes. Thank you. Richard and Julia

Forthcoming Events:

12.01.19 - Family Film Night

The first film of the New Year at our community cinema will be "Christopher Robin." This is on Sat 12th Jan at 5.30pm in the hall. Entrance is free, with complementary popcorn for the kids and tea/coffee for adults. All welcome.
The Cinema Team

13.01.19 - Vision Sunday

Join us for this special Sunday, when we prayerfully look ahead to the programmes and events that will help us fulfil the Lord's vision for our church. 2019 will be our 175th anniversary and the focus will be "Rebuilding the Foundations for Growth." Come along to find out more.
Richard

14.01.19 - PCC Meeting

21.01.19 - Discipleship Group Leaders Meeting

Can we please have at least one leader or representative from each of our small groups at our next leaders meeting. There will be an overview of the Lent programme, as well as the opportunity to share how things are going in our groups. We'll meet at the home of Mavis Hood.
Mavis & Richard

23.01.19 - Safeguarding Training

On Weds 23rd Jan at 7.45pm, we will provide a free basic safeguarding course for all who work with children, youth or vulnerable adults at St John's. The course is available online, so you can do it by yourself at home. But it will be more beneficial if we are able work through the material together, discuss it and answer any questions people have. So, please book yourself in for this session by adding your name to the list on the noticeboard. Nearer the time we will send you further details. If you are not able to make this date, then

please let us know and we will show you how to access the course at home. If you work with children, youth or vulnerable adults in the church then you MUST complete this course one way or another. It's not difficult, it is very informative, but it is essential. So, please sign up or get in touch. Thank you.

Fiona Pullan (Church Safeguarding Officer) and Richard (Vicar)

26.01.19 - Day of Prayer for St John's Church

At the start of the New Year, I am asking everyone to pray for the life of our church. We have some big challenges ahead, but also lots of opportunities and God promises to bless us, if we rely on him. And prayer is how we rely on God. Church will be open on Sat 26th Jan from 11am to 6pm for you to come and pray by yourself. There will be displays to guide you in your prayers, and you can come and go as you wish during the day. At 5pm, we will gather to pray corporately for an hour, meeting in the chancel. So, please make it a priority to come to church at least once this day, to add your prayers and your faith to the offering we will bring to our God at that start of 2019.
Richard

06.02.19 - Knit & Natter

Please feel free to join us from 1.00pm - 3.00pm on Weds 6th Feb. Bring your craft with you (it doesn't have to be knitting) and enjoy being creative whilst chatting with friends. It'll be in the church hall, with tea and coffee provided, and all for FREE! Unfortunately this is not suitable for young children.
Andrea & Carolyn

09.02.19 - Men's Breakfast

All men are invited to join us at the Woolpack Pub at 8.15am (for an 8.30pm start) on Sat 9th February. We are promised a great breakfast (£7 each) and our speaker will be Nigel Fawcett-Jones, a police officer in West Yorkshire, who is also the UK Rapid Response coordinator for the Billy Graham Association. As such he has been involved in supporting victims of the 2017 Manchester bombing, Grenfell, the terrorist attacks in Barcelona and Paris, and further back in 2005, Hurricane Katrina. He will bring us some fascinating and input and insights. Please sign up on the noticeboard to let us know you are coming.
Daniel Read, Steve Amos, Robin Stubbs and Chris Edmondson

10.02.19 - Making St John's a Great Place for Children & Youth

If you are involved in our children and youth ministries at St John's or if you are a parent whose children take part in those activities, then we would like to invite you to join us for a discussion on how we might help our church to be an even greater place for them in the future. This will take place at 12.45pm on Sun 10th Feb in the hall. We suggest that you bring lunch for yourself and your children and, once everyone is settled, we'll talk through some of the current difficulties, our ideas for improving things and how we might all play our part in making St John's a great place for our children and youth. Please let us know if you are coming to this.
Anita & Richard

Information:

Prayer Before Services

Following on from our Prayer Weekend, we would like to encourage people to come early on a Sunday to pray for God's blessing in our church services. Before the 11.00am service, you may meet with others in the Prayer Lounge from 10.40am onwards. This room is used as the vestry before the 9.30am service, but you are welcome to pray in church or in the downstairs hall. Praying beforehand is a wonderful way of preparing our own hearts to worship God, but it is also an important means of supporting all those ministering in various ways during our services. All welcome.