

Welcome to St. John's in Farsley

Sunday 22nd March – The Fourth Sunday of Sunday (**Mothering Sunday**)

Today

Church Open from 8am – 12pm.

When visiting the church for prayer, please follow the advice in the posters on display.

Collect for the day

God of love,
passionate and strong,
tender and careful:
watch over us and hold us
all the days of our life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Diary for the week

Wednesday 25th March

Church Open 9am – 11am

Sunday 29th March – the Fifth Sunday in Lent

Church Open 8am – 12pm

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The Annual Parochial Church Meeting is on the 29th March. Has been CANCELLED

Support at this time If anyone requires any help or support to contact the Church Wardens.

Offers of help If anyone would like to offer help to deliver notice sheets, do any shopping etc for those housebound contact the Church Wardens.

Donations If anyone would like to change their Giving to contact Joel our treasurer or Church Wardens so we can keep our monies coming in. treasurer@stjohnsfarsley.org.uk

Emailed Notice Sheets If you would like to receive a notice sheet via email please pass your details on to Helen. notices@stjohnsfarsley.org.uk

Notices

“All public worship has been suspended.

The Church will be open for private prayer on Wednesday's 9-11am and Sunday's 8-12am. Please adhere to the requisite distancing. At certain times clergy or laity will recite the offices of Morning Prayer or the Eucharist. Prayers will be offered up on behalf of the Parish”.

The Archbishops have called for a day of prayer and action on 22nd March. They suggest we light a candle at home at 7pm, put it on a windowsill, say a prayer (see below), and ring someone who is isolated.

Prayer resources:

- 1.The Archbishop of Canterbury has posted a great 'Exploring Prayer' course on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/archbishopofcanterbury/>
 - 2.At this time when many are feeling isolated because regular activities have closed, try a regular pattern of prayer through the day using the pattern at <https://www.churchofengland.org/faith-action/everyday-prayers>
 - 3.Lectio365 is a great reflective prayer resource. Take a look at <https://www.24-7prayer.com/dailydevotinal>
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Prayer to use when lighting the candle:

Dear Lord,
For all that is good in life, thank you,
For all the love of family and friends, thank you,
For all kindness of neighbours, thank you,
May those who are vulnerable, hungry or homeless, find support,
Many those who are sick, know healing,
May those who are anxious or bereaved, sense comfort.
Bless and guide political leaders and decision-makers, with wisdom,
Bless and guide health workers and key workers, with strength and well-being,
Bless and guide each one of us, as we adapt to a new way of living.
And may the light shining from our windows, be reflected in our hearts and hands and hopes.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Notice sheets from The Church in Rodley and Farsley Community Church are also available. Notices for this sheet to be sent by Wednesday at 9:30am.

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