

Diary dates

10th June 6pm - SPICE at Fladbury.
17 June - Climate Change event London
20th June - 2pm Licensing of Maureen Hughes.
28th June - Ordination of Allison Davies.
25-27 September 2015 - National Prayer Weekend
10th October - Kingdom People at Worcester Cathedral.

Please pray for:

Gary and April, Garth and Jenny, Richard and Wendy - our Parish clergy and wives.
Churchwardens Ann and Sharon who will be admitted to office this Thursday.
St John's Baptism course.
For JUMP leaders preparing for Soul Survivor.
For Ventures camp; for Dot and St John's children attending.
The Kigezi Water and Sanitation project we are supporting.
Persecuted Christians around the world.
The NHS and other public sector workers.
For those who manage people within their places of work.
For children living in care.
For refugees.
For orphans of war.
For charities reaching out to the lost, lonely and hungry.
Those who are mourning.

Keep praying for

Roy Bush.
Tony Ball.
Stephen Ward that he will get on better with his neighbour, he will find something to do each day and he will stay calm.
John Beasley.
Peggy Snellgrove.
Claire and Paul Burnham.
Allison and Maureen preparing for ministry in the Church of England.



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News from St John's

Sunday 31st May 2015

An evening of reminiscence -23rd June

2015 is the 25th anniversary of the opening of St John's Church. Anyone who has any special memories, photo's and memorabilia or would like to come along and hear from those who were around in the early days, is invited 7.30 for a 7.45pm start.

Thought for the week.

It's good to remind ourselves sometimes just how blessed we are here in St John's with so many people who are willing to offer their gifts in service to God. As I said in my Annual Report this year, we just couldn't offer what we do here without our dedicated volunteers, and we praise God for each other. St Paul said, in 1 Corinthians 12.4: 'There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all people.'

All these are given for the common good, and, on this Trinity Sunday, we can see that the Trinity is reflected amongst us in the diversity and unity of spiritual gifts. For example, we pray especially today for Sharon, our newest Churchwarden, and for our new DCC as they walk alongside me in caring for God's church in this part of Ipsley Parish. (Ann has also done great things as the sole Churchwarden during the past year.)

So we praise God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit...may he inspire, uphold and challenge us to think more deeply, to act more kindly, and to love more widely.

Every blessing,

Gary

Celebrations

Two of our congregation will be coming to the end of a long period of training into ministry. Maureen Hughes will be licensed as a Lay Minister (Saturday 20th June) and Allison Davies will be ordained Deacon (Sunday 28th June 10.30am) at Worcester Cathedral. A celebratory bring and share lunch for Maureen and Allison will take place, lunchtime on Sunday 28th June in St John's Hall. Please note there will not be in a service at St John's on 28th June, but there will be a joint service at St Peter's for those not going across to the Cathedral. There will shortly be sign up sheets in the foyer, for a lift to either service as well as for the bring and share lunch.

Trustee of Two Pennies Money Advice

Two Pennies Money Advice is an independent local money advice agency working in the county of Worcestershire from premises in Worcester and Redditch. They are currently looking for new trustees to strengthen their governance structure. Anyone interested can contact for further information karen@twopennies.org.uk

Blackwell Adventure

Following the success of our trip to Blackwell Adventure with the children of St. John's last year, this year we have booked another afternoon of fun for everyone. All children, their friends and family are warmly invited to come along on Saturday 27th June from 4-7pm. This time we have booked the outdoor heated swimming pool (with life guards) anyone who wants to swim will need to pay £2.50. After that we have a designated picnic/bbq area so even if you don't want to swim you are invited to bring along some food and join in. After eating we have booked the obstacle course for anyone to have a go at. So it should be lots of fun and we'd love to see you all there. For more details see Vicky Skelton.

June events from Churches Together in Redditch

On the morning of Saturday 13th June there's a Ladies' Breakfast with author & pastor Leah Boden (hosted at Redditch Baptist Church) titled 'Identity, Worth and Joy' cost £3 to include continental breakfast. Telephone 01527 66049 to book your place.

On the evening of Monday 22nd June 7pm for 7.15pm there's a men's Barbecue with Christian business man Rob Barnett (hosted at the Why Not Inn, Astwood Bank). Contact Paul Nash by 17th June on 07776301469 or nash926@btinternet.com

Today – Trinity Sunday

- 10.30am Morning Worship with Maureen Hughes. Revd.Gary Noyes will be speaking on 'Romans 8:12-17 and John 3:1-17.
- 6.30pm Evening Worship with Mike Palfreyman. Revd.Gary Noyes will be speaking.

Next Sunday –Trinity 1

- 10.30am Worship for everyone with Marilyn Bishop. 'Crowd puller' Mark 3:20-35.
- 6.30pm Evening Worship and Holy Communion with Revd.Garth Nathaniel.

This week

- Monday 1pm Bowling.
- Tuesday 10-12noon Parent and toddlers.
7.45pm Children's leaders meeting.
- Thursday 9.30am Parish prayers at St John's
10-12noon Parent and toddlers.
7.45pm PFT at Peter and Eileen's.

SPICE AT FLADBURY 2015!!

We shall be getting together as a church again at Fladbury Close, Woodrow, on **10th June at 6pm**. Not only is this a great time of fellowship together, but also an opportunity to be of practical service to those who live in our community. If you can manage an hour or so that evening, please speak to Gary. (More details to follow.)

The Quiet Garden Movement

"Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest"
(Mark 6:31)

The Quiet Garden Movement encourages the provision of a variety of local venues where there is an opportunity to set aside time to rest and to pray. For venues across the UK including places with accommodation visit <http://www.quietgarden.org>