



## ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

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### **Sunday 2nd September 2018**

Our world and our lives change at an ever-faster pace, but how does the church respond to this change? Are new ways of being church possible? If so, what might they look like?

Those are the questions that mission shaped intro will help you answer. In just five evenings, and available in three locations in the diocese this autumn, mission shaped intro is a must for people who want to see their church thrive in new ways.

Evesham: Saturdays starting in October - contact Sarah Hewitt

Redditch: Mondays at The Bridge, Headless Cross, starting 1st October - contact Glenn Redding

Stourbridge: Wednesdays at St Thomas' Church, Market St, starting 19th September - contact Andrew Sillis or Tom Fish.

Mission shaped intro (msi) helps people to reconnect with the communities they are called to serve and to re-imagine the forms of church that are needed for the 21st century. It takes you on a creative and reflective journey looking at the need for new ways of being church.

Note: If you're thinking of doing the year-long mission shaped ministry (msm)course, msi would be a great taster. Full msm courses are currently planned for Evesham starting in January and in two or three other locations starting in autumn 2019.

The Sunday evening service starts today, following the summer break, with Holy Communion. These quieter services are relaxing and informal, why not give one a try.

**More tea Please!** Our very first Afternoon Tea Service will be held on Thursday 13th September 2.30-4.30pm! We shall be 'Remembering School Days'.

This event is perfect for bringing friends to who are less familiar with a church setting, or who do not have much opportunity to go out.

If you would like an invitation to pass on to someone please see Rosie, Ann or Lynda. Please confirm your attendance to Barry.

**Card Making** This will be at Lynda's house on Monday 10th Sept, 15th Oct, 12th Nov and 10th Dec. 1 - 3pm. Small charge of £3 for materials, refreshments included. Please let her know if you are coming.

**Invitation for all** Jennie and Jason's wedding is after the main service at 1pm on 9th Sept. All members of St. John's are invited. If you can help with food there are some sign up sheets in the foyer.

**Thanks** Thank you for your prayers for my new job, I will be working from the Ecumenical Centre Monday-Friday as Hospitality and Outreach Worker. Today I will be attending a Commissioning Service at Emmanuel Church, who are the employer and look forward to seeing you next week. Sharon

**Healing Service** The first monthly parish Healing Service will be held on Thursday 27th September 2018 at 7pm at St. Peters

**White Christmas** If you have booked a ticket for White Christmas, please can Rosie have your money ASAP £16 concessions, £17 for non-concessions.

**Children's Groups** Next Sunday is the start of the new year for Sunday children's groups, some young people will be moving up from Explorers to Pathfinders, please pray for the transition, that all will settle in and enjoy their new groups and that new children will come along too.

**Parents and Toddlers** The children who attended last year and have now moved onto school were given a Bible before they finished for the summer. Please remember in your prayers the parents and pre school children who will be new to the group or returning next week, as well as Eileen and other volunteers as they start a new year.

## Services

### **Today - Proper 17**

10:30am      Worship for Everyone with Amanda Worley  
                    Summer series                      Real Lives - 7

6:30pm      Holy Communion with Revd. Richard Harding  
                    *Matthew 18:21-35*                      'Jesus -Extreme Forgiver'

### **Next Sunday - Proper 18**

10:30am      Morning Worship with Garth Nathaniel  
                    *Isaiah 35:4-7a & Mark 7:24-37*

6:30pm      Evening Worship

## Diary dates

**Thurs 9:30am** Holy Communion - St. John's, followed by coffee morning.

**Tues 4th Sept 7:45pm** DCC Meeting - St. John's

**Fri 7th Sept 7pm** Bellingring re-starts - St. Peter's Church, Ipsley

**Sun 9th Sept 1pm** Jennie & Jason's Wedding - St. John's

**Mon 10th Sept 1-3pm** Card Making - Lynda's house

**Sun 23rd Sept 6:30pm** Churches together service - St. Peter's

**Thurs 27th Sept 7pm** Parish Healing Service - St. Peter's

**Tues 6th Nov 7:45pm** DCC Meeting - St. John's

## Lectionary Readings WB 28 Aug - 3 Sept

Mon 1 Thes 4.13-end; Ps 96; Lk 4.16-30

Tues 1 Thes 5.1-6, 9-11; Ps 27.1-8; Lk 4.31-37

Wed Col 1.1-8; Ps 34.11-18; Lk 4.38-end

Thurs Col 1.9-14; Ps 98.1-5; Lk 5.1-11

Fri Col 1.15-20; Ps 89.19b-28; Lk 5.33-end

Sat Col 1.21-23; Ps 117; Lk 6.1-5

**Skittles Evening** There is to be a skittles evening at Beoley Village Hall on Saturday 8th September adults £3. and children £2. There is a bring and share food table, 6.30 for 7pm start. All welcome, neighbours and friends. Jaqui Street.

## **Collect for the week**

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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 forever. Amen

**Call Ann D (for prayer chain) in the first instance on 01527 527789.**

Please pray for:

- ❖ Garth and Jenny, Richard and Wendy, Ian and Judy.
- ❖ Licensed Lay Ministers - Maureen, Rosie and Vicki.
- ❖ Church Warden - Barry Humphrey.
- ❖ Parish Warden - Andrea Mortimer.
- ❖ The Kigezi Water and Sanitation project we are supporting.
- ❖ Graeme and Jackie Russell - Community Missioner in Christ Church.
- ❖ Jennie and Jason as they prepare for their wedding
- ❖ Those looking for work or starting new jobs
- ❖ Those starting a new school in September
- ❖ MP Tracey Crouch - Minister appointed to tackle loneliness
- ❖ Chaplains of the Kingfisher Centre visiting and supporting shop workers.
- ❖ Parish Prayers: : Bartestree Close Matchborough, Cheswick Close Winyates Green, Kempsey Close Woodrow, Woodcote Close Winyates.

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