



## ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

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**Sunday 30th September 2018**

Dear All,

Tonight as I sit here to write, my heart is filled with joy at what God is doing in our midst, and gratefulness at His faithful promises. I have just come back from St Peter's where we had our firsts healing service, in which we had team members from all three churches. What a joy and privilege to see teams of people offering prayer ministry to those who came seeking it. My prayer is that the work of God will continue to grow. Glory to God.

This last week leading up to the service has been one of the hardest since my coming to Ipsley. Spiritually hardest that is. I have been aware of the spiritual battle that has raged in the lead up to the service. The enemy has not been pleased and many a team member has been under attack in one guise or another. But we prayed God's victory into each and every one. Praise the Lord for his mercies have indeed been new every morning.

To all I say, be on your guard, do not give the enemy the opportunity to attack. Peter reminds us, "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour." 1 Peter 5:8

Be blessed in Christ,

**Garth**

Canon Garth Nathaniel

**Card Making** This will be at Lynda's house on Monday 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.

**Birthday Celebrations** You are all invited to Stephen's 50th Birthday meal at the Foxlydiate Pub on Wednesday 5th December.

**WARM Day** The next WARM day is on Thursday 11th October at Holland House, Cropthorne (10.00 - 4.00). The speaker is Rev Robert Latham and his Subject is 'SOLD OUT? Seeking the authentic walk with the Holy Spirit' Cost is including lunch. Please see Rhoda Lingard if you wish to have a lift or for booking.

### **Communications and Administration Officer (Part-Time)**

Faith at Work in Worcestershire (FWW) has a growing ministry of helping churches reach out to those at work in Worcestershire with the Love of God through Workplace Chaplaincy. We need someone to take a lead in all aspects of communication with church and business partners; someone who has experience in maintaining websites, social media and printed materials; someone who can be self-reliant and work on their own initiative, as well as provide administrative support to trustees and our part-time Development Officer.

Based at our newly established office at Top Barn Business Centre (WR6 6NH) you will work 8 hours per week, worked on regular hours (to be decided by negotiation). Starting pay £10 - £12.50/hour, depending on experience.

For a detailed job description and an application form please contact [dickjohnson@faithatwork.org.uk](mailto:dickjohnson@faithatwork.org.uk) or phone 07946 655450.

Deadline for applications: Monday October 22nd at 12:00 noon

Registered Charity: 1176881

### **Churches Together In Redditch Dates**

Tuesday 2nd October at 7pm at St Stephen's Church, there will be the monthly Prayer for Redditch (P4R) meeting of worship & prayer.

Tuesday 16th October at 7:30pm at St Peter's, Ipsley - Churches Together in Redditch Annual General Meeting; several roles will be up for re-election or new nominations; all are invited to attend.

## Services

### **Today - Proper 21**

- 10:30am Morning Worship with Vicki Quarton  
*Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29 & Mark 9: 38-50*
- 6:30pm Evening Worship with Mike Palfreyman

### **Next Sunday - Proper 22**

- 10:30am Worship for Everyone with Rose Humphrey  
*Genesis 2:18-24 & Mark 10: 2-16*
- 6:30pm Holy Communion with Revd. Richard Harding

Saturday 20th October, 10am to 4:30pm at Worcester Cathedral, the Worcester Anglican Diocese will be hosting a Festival of Healing and Wholeness (supported by our parent organisation, Churches Together in Worcestershire)

### **Diary dates**

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

**Fri 7pm** Bellringing - St. Peter's Church, Ipsley

**Mon 15th Oct 1-3pm** Card Making - Lynda's house

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

### **Lectionary Readings WB 25 Sept- 01 Oct**

Mon Zech 8.1-8; Ps 102.12-22; Lk 9.46-50

Tues Zech 8.20-end; Ps 87; Lk 9.51-56

Wed Neh 2.1-8; Ps 137.1-6; Lk 9.57-end

Thurs Neh 8.1-12; Ps 19.7-11; Lk 10.1-12

Fri Bar 1.15-end or Deut 31.7-13; Ps 79.1-9; Lk 10.13-16

Sat Bar 4.5-12, 27-29 or Josh 22.1-6; Ps 69.33-37; Lk 10.17-24

**Mayoral Civic Service** Juliet Brunner, Mayor of Redditch, invites the whole congregation to attend and celebrate with her at the Mayoral Civic Service to be held on 7th October 2018 at 10.30am St Stephen's Church Redditch.

**Afternoon Tea Service** The next Afternoon Tea Service will be on Thursday 11th October. Invitations will be available soon. Please start thinking about who you could invite.

### **Collect for the week**

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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 Audrey (for prayer chain) in the first instance on 01527 61505.**

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.
- ❖ Those looking for work or starting new jobs
- ❖ Those who have started a new school
- ❖ MP Tracey Crouch - Minister appointed to tackle loneliness
- ❖ Chaplains of the Kingfisher Centre visiting and supporting shop workers.
- ❖ Parish Prayers: : Munsley Close Matchborough, Illshaw Close Winyates Green,

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