

ENTERTAINMENT TO MAKE YOU THINK

In3d "Finding Hope Beneath The Service"

Paul Douglas, Alison Douglas & Danny Villarreal will be bringing a blend of folk, blues, jazz, improvisation and spiritual songs enhanced by multimedia at 7.00pm on Saturday 12th May in the Huband Room at Ipsley church. Tickets £5 (£2.50 for under 16's) to include drinks. Fairtrade refreshments also on sale Proceeds to Christian Aid Tickets available from the church office 516351

Pilgrims Progress

In 1662, two thousand ministers (including John Bunyan) left their positions in the Church of England, refusing to follow the Book of Common Prayer in their services. Three hundred and fifty years on from the 'Great Ejection' (as this became known) Saltmine is delighted to be performing Bunyan's classic tale of a man who refuses to be satisfied with existence in this world **but** prefers to seek salvation and spiritual fulfillment in the Heavenly Realms.

Saltmine's aim is to provide your congregation with a show they can invite non-Christian friends and family to, whilst also serving as an inspiration for anyone on the challenging Christian journey. **The Pilgrim's Progress** will be performed at the **Palace Theatre, Redditch** on **Monday 14th May at 7.30pm**. Tickets are £10, and concessions and groups (10 or more) are £9. Tickets can be booked by calling **01527 65230**. They can also be booked online at www.redditchpalacetheatre.co.uk.

An Audience With Jonathon Viera

On Friday 18th May Jonathan Viera will be appearing at the Palace Theatre. During the evening he will sing a range of music and share his story. Jonathan has appeared at a wide range of events, both Christian and secular. It would be great to make this event a sell out! Book your tickets through the Palace Theatre booking office. Tickets £12.

St. John's Diary

Sun 29 Apr	4.00pm	Thanksgiving for Harley Daly @ St. John's
Mon 30 Apr	7.45pm	DCC @ St. John's.
Thur 3 May		Alpha Course
Fri 4 - Sun 6 May		'Celebrate St John's Weekend' with Martin Cavender
Sat 12 May	7.00pm	in3d Christian Aid concert @ Huband Room, Tickets req
Sun 13 May		Start of Christian Aid Week
Mon 14 May	7.30pm	Parish Prayers @ St Peter's
		Pilgrims Progress @ Palace Theatre Tickets £10
Fri 18 May		An Audience with Jonathan Viera @ Palace Theatre
Wed 23 May	7.45pm	Open Meeting for SPICE.
Thur 24 May		Churchwardens Admission to office @ Halesowen.
Sun 3 June	10.30am	Parish Service followed by The Big Lunch @ Ipsley Rectory
Sun 8 July	12 noonish	Proposed Picnic to Warwick Park.
Sun 15 July	12 noonish	Children & Prayer Partners Lunch in the Hall
Fri 14 - Sun 16 Sept		Warm Prayer Weekend - BOOK ASAP!



St. John's Church
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Sunday 22nd April, 2012
Easter 3

Welcome to St John's. A special welcome to all visitors.

CELEBRATE ST JOHN'S' 4-6 May 2012

Saturday of the weekend at home 7:00 - 8:00pm ish we are having a **St John's have Got Talent** evening. We need people to share their talents. or lack of them, for an evening of fun and friendship. 2-3 minutes of whatever you do - please see Andy or Dot and start practising. Music, poetry, sketches etc - we need to know in advance what you are doing and roughly how long it will take. If you would like to do something but don't know what, mention your name and we can put you in touch with others happy to do something too - and give you some suggestions!

Jump Cafe Service

Jump will be leading our evening service this evening in the hall. If anyone can donate a cake, a packet of biscuits or other 'nibbles' for the cafe church this evening, please put them in the box in the foyer or bring with you! All donations gratefully received by the Jump team!

Pastor's Piece

Please be praying for the small Alpha Course that we are running over the next 10 weeks at Ann Donovan's home; it's great to be doing another one of these, (the last was 3 years ago!), and this kind of course has proven to be of great help to people as they grow in their knowledge of what Christianity is all about, and get to know the person of Jesus better. Last Thursday, for example, we looked at our purpose in life, truth and reality in a confused world, and how there is nothing irrelevant about Jesus; in fact, he transforms the whole of our lives, if we are prepared to give him a chance!

May God bless us this week as we live in the light and power of the resurrection. 'While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said: 'Peace be with you.' (Luke 24:36)
Every blessing,
Gary



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Training

Evangelism

Bromsgrove Deanery Day – Saturday 28th April 2012 Sharing our Faith led by the Diocesan Advisor on Evangelism the Rev'd David Sherwin at Christ Church, Matchborough

Do you find it hard to share your faith with other people?

Are you stuck for words when trying to explain

Christian ideas in our secular society?

Then come to a morning (10:00 – 12:30) and/ or afternoon session (1:30 – 4:00) You can come for the whole day or just one session so we can learn and share ideas with others. Bring your own lunch.....Tea and coffee provided. **Book now! Booking is essential Contact:** 01527-831575 rosemary.sumner723@btinternet.com or, stating day/ morning/aft.

Church News

We are now able to confirm that the Revd. Richard Bubbers will be joining the parish as curate in July 2012. Richard will be ordained deacon in Worcester Cathedral on Sunday, July 1st, at 10.30am
Hazel Charlton will be ordained deacon at the same service.

Youthalpha begins in Pathfinders this Sunday - please pray for the children as we challenge them to consider if Christianity is boring, untrue and irrelevant.

Congratulations

Gordon & Jean, who joined us recently, will be getting married at St John's on Saturday 28th April @ 2.30pm. They would love anyone from their new church family to join them. Following the ceremony there will be a reception. Please be sensitive to the fact that the reception will be primarily for invited guests, and pray for Jean & Gordon as they begin their new life together.

Jubilee Celebrations On Sunday 3rd June (Spring Bank Holiday week) there will be a parish celebration service (and lunch) from 10.30am in the **Ipsley Rectory** garden if the weather is fine, otherwise at **Ipsley Middle School**. *(Please note this change of alternative venue!)* The day will end at 5.00pm. Sign up with Lynda or Sharon if you plan to attend.

Prayer Partner Lunch

All children and prayer partners should have received an invitation to our prayer partner event on Sunday 15th July after the morning service. Please can they let the children's leaders know if they will be there so we can check that prayer partners and their children will both be there on the day. If you can't make it we would like to encourage you to make another date to get together in the summer.

Today - Easter 3

10.30am Holy Communion with Prayer For Healing with Pastor Gary Noyes and Rev Garth Nathaniel.
Acts 3:11-19 & Luke 24:36-48 read by Sarah JH
6.30pm JUMP Cafe service in the Hall

Events this week

Mon 23 Apr	1.30pm	Short Mat Bowls in the Hall
	7.45pm	Woodrow Team Meeting in the Upper Room.
Tue 24 Apr	10.00am	Morning Fellowship @ 49 Oakenshaw Road
	10.00am	Parents & Toddlers in the Church Hall
		Gary Deprived Communities Meeting @ The Old Palace.
	6.00pm	Wedding Rehearsal - Gordon & Jean.
Wed 25 Apr	9.00am	Open The Book @ Matchborough First
	9.00am	Open The Book St Thomas More Team
Thur 26 Apr	10.00am	Open The Book @ Woodrow First
	10.00am	Parents & Toddlers in the Church Hall
	4.00pm	What's Your Point Meeting
	7.45pm	PCC AGM @ St John's
		Men's prayer Group @ St. John's.
Sat 28 Apr	10.00am	Sharing Our Faith session 1 @ Ch Ch (Until 12.30pm)
	1.30pm	Sharing Our Faith session 2 @ ChCh (Until 4.00pm)
	2.30pm	Wedding of Gordon & Jean @ St John's

Next Sunday - Easter 4

10.30am Morning Worship led by Vicki Quarton
Pastor Gary Noyes will be speaking on Acts 4:1-12 and John 10:11-18
6.30am Evening Worship with Pastor Gary Noyes.
Exodus 16:4-15 and Revelation 2:12-17

PRAYER

Please pray for:-

- ★ Gary & April, Garth & Jenny, Richard & Wendy & their families.
- ★ Those who are away, that they will return renewed and refreshed.
- ★ Those known to us who are suffering ill health.
- ★ Those with financial worries.
- ★ Our personal discipleship.
- ★ JUMP as they prepare for the Cafe service this evening.
- ★ The Big Lunch Jubilee Celebration
- ★ Alpha Course on Thursday evenings and 'Youthalpha' beginning today.
- ★ SPICE
- ★ Open The Book - as the teams start going back into schools again after the Easter break.

