

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 fulfilment 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 13 May		Start of Christian Aid Week
Mon 14 May	7.30pm	Parish Prayers @ St Peter's Allison Davies @Bishop's Advisory Panel Pilgrims Progress @ Palace Theatre Tickets £10
Tue 15 May	10.00am	Open The Book @ Tenacres School
Fri 18 May		An Audience with Jonathan Viera @ Palace Theatre
Sat 19 May		Rosie Humphrey @ LLM Selection
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 1 July		Ordination service at Worcester Cathedral
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 6th May, 2012
Easter 5



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

CELEBRATE ST JOHN'S' 4-6 May 2012

It has been a wonderful weekend, of teaching and fellowship!

A huge thank you to:-

- Martin Cavender who has been leading us over the weekend.
- Val Cole for leading our worship on Friday and Saturday.
- Dan and the team from Christ Church for leading our children's work.
- Karl and Jane for their most excellent catering, assisted by Chris and Lucy.
- Dot and Andy for compering our entertainment on Saturday evening and to everyone who took part.
- Gary & April for their organisation
- Everyone who came.

Next Sunday evening we shall be welcoming Julian Davey to lead and speak at our evening service. For many years Julian served as non-stipendary priest in the parish and worked as a GP on Winyates. We are very much looking forward to welcoming him back to St. John's.

Pastor's Piece

We welcome Martin Cavender to our service this morning, as he continues to talk to us about what real discipleship means to us. We are called to be like those first disciples, who said, (in Acts 4:20) 'For we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard.' God gave them the courage to be his witnesses in the world, and he will give us that same courage today. **Praying together** is something that can be sadly lacking in our churches here in Ipsley, and Garth is calling us all to be at the **Parish Prayer Time at St Peter's on 14th May at 7.30**. Please aim to be there, as this is part of bringing an overall vision to what God is calling us to be in this part of Redditch! Remember: 'Jesus is risen; he is risen indeed! Alleluia!'

Every blessing,

Gary

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Church News

Coffee Drop In On Woodrow

Now open! Coffee Drop In at What's Your Point, Bryant Place, Bengrove Close, Woodrow. It is open 12.30pm - 2.30 pm on Thursdays and you can drop in for a "cuppa a nibble and a natter" - very reasonable prices. It is run by the community for the community and as part of the community it would be lovely if church people popped in occasionally and got to know some of the locals. Ann D and Dot will be there. This is very much at the heart of SPICE - making relationships and building up trust - being Jesus with local people. This is a new initiative run by What's Your Point and we have been supporting it all along.

SPICE Open Evening

....with Gary, Dot, Professor Michael Taylor, Revd. John Paxton (Diocesan Social Responsibility Officer) and others. Come and find out more about SPICE, and St John's involvement with the community.

Messy Church

We are planning to run Messy church on Woodrow from September but we need your help! If you are interested in taking part please speak to Dot or Rosie. We also want supplies of empty boxes, like Jaffa cake boxes and cardboard tubes from wrapping paper and kitchen roll BUT NOT TOILET ROLLS!!!!!! We are also on the look out for unwanted board games, packs of cards, table top games & similar. If you have any donations please pass them on to Rosie.

New Curate

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.

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 4

10.30am Morning Worship with shortened Holy Communion with Pastor Gary Noyes and Martin Cavendish
6.30pm Holy Communion with Prayer for Healing with Pastor Gary Noyes.

Events this week

Tue 8 May 10.00am Morning Fellowship @ 49 Oakenshaw Road
10.00am Parents & Toddlers in the Church Hall
7.45pm Home Group at The Vicarage, 29 Sheldon Road
Archdeacons Visitation @ The Ark Alvechurch
Wed 9 May 9.00am Open The Book @ Matchborough First School
9.00am Open The Book St Thomas More School
Clergy Chapter 12-2pm
7.30pm JUMP
7.45pm Bible study group at 77 Bromfield Road.
Thur 10 May 10.00am Open The Book @ Woodrow First
10.00am Parents & Toddlers in the Church Hall
12.30pm Coffee Drop In @ Bryant Place (Until 2.30pm)
7.45pm Woodrow Fellowship @ Rob & Jo's.
Alpha @ 49 Oakenshaw Road
8.30pm Men's prayer Group @ St. John's.
Sat 12 May 7.00pm in3d Christian Aid concert @ Huband Room, Tickets req.

Next Sunday - Easter 5

10.30am Morning Worship led by Martin Thompson.
Pastor Gary Noyes will be speaking on 1 John 5:1-8 & Acts 10:44-48.
6.30pm Evening Worship with Dr. Rev Julian Davey
Revelation 3:14-22 & Psalm 45.

Christian Aid

Please sign up to collect or fundraise - please see sheet in the Foyer.

PRAYER

Please pray for:-

- ★ Gary & April, Garth & Jenny, Richard & Wendy & their families.
- ★ Gordon & Jean, as they begin their married life together.
- ★ Those known to us who are suffering ill health.
- ★ Those with financial worries.
- ★ The Big Lunch Jubilee Celebration
- ★ Alpha Course on Thursday evenings and 'Youthalphalpha' continuing today.
- ★ SPICE
- ★ Open The Book Easter break.
- ★ Messy Church
- ★ Allison Davies at Bishops Advisory Panel Monday 14th May