



St. John's Church

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Going for a song

Over 100 copies of the BBC Songs of Praise hymn books (1997) have been discovered. These green books with gold lettering were published by Oxford University Press and have been barely used. If you are interested in having all or some of them (for a donation to St. Richard's Hospice), please contact John Turner on 01684 576777.

Collect for today

Most merciful God,
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world:
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory;
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 for ever. **Amen.**

Diary Time

Monday 25th Mar.. Chrism Eucharist with Bishop John in Worcester Cathedral; all welcome.
Wed 27th Mar St John's Children's Leaders meet at the Skeltons
Thur 28th Mar Agape Meal -sign up today if you are going
Fri 29th Mar 10.30am Walk of witness starting at the Assemblies of God
Sat 20th April 1-4pm Scalextric fun - Studley.
Sun 21st April St John's AGM, after the morning service.
Thu 25th April Annual Parish Church Meeting at Christ Church.
Sat 27th April 10am-4pm Quiet Day to launch Old Rectory Cottage.
Sat 18th May 10-12noon Messy Church at Woodrow Community Hall.
 10am Quiet Garden Movement gathering.
Sun 19th May 6.30pm JOINT PENTECOST SERVICE AT ST PETER'S.
Thu 27th Jun 7.30p Parish Prayer meeting St Peter's.
Sat 20th Jul Messy Church at Woodrow Community Hall.
W/E 4th-6th Oct Church weekend away - Cloverley Hall.
Wed 23rd Oct 7.30pm Parish Prayer meeting at Christ Church.
Sun 24th Nov 10.30am Christ the King at St John's;10.30am.

A very warm welcome to St John's!

Jump Youth Service this week

Please come along and support the young people from Jump who will be producing a service in the church at 7.30pm this Wednesday. Donations of cake and fizzy pop would be appreciated.

New Church Warden.

Please be praying for a new church warden for St John's, to replace Chris Tennant. Chris will be standing down in April after his 3 year's service, and we need to be praying for the right person, male or female, to be appointed. If you would like to find out more speak with Gary.

Pastors piece

Welcome to Dylan Hirst as he comes for his Thanksgiving service this afternoon. We're thinking about spiritual autobiographies a little bit this morning, and I often wonder what the last chapter might be for us; in our reading today, Paul is quite open about his feelings, and actually says: 'Whatever was to my profit, I now consider loss for the sake of Christ.' Jesus always came first in his life, because he knew that it was only through the cross and resurrection that he could be in God's presence forever.

Here's a question for you: 'What is your greatest personal ambition and anticipation as a Christian believer?' Our answer depends on what we feel about the resurrection! For me, it is everything; on that fact, the Christian faith stands or falls. As we come up to Easter, may we see what the cross and resurrection means for us all.

Every blessing,
Gary

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Telephone 01527 501092. Day off Friday.

Annual General Meeting

St John's District Church Council (DCC) Annual General Meeting will be after morning church on 21st April, and the Parish Church Council, Annual Parish Church Meeting will be on 25th April at Christ Church. Stay after the service and find out what has been happening behind the scenes and vote for your DCC members.

Scalextric

We have booked the Scalextric track in Studley on Saturday 20th April from 1pm to 4pm. This is a great opportunity for the church family (children and the young at heart!) to get together and have some fun. Put the date in your diary and further details will follow.

Electoral Role Revision

This year there will be a full revision of the church Electoral Roll. This means all names are deleted from the current roll and it is started again from scratch. Everyone who would like to be on the roll will need to fill in an application form and return it by March 31st. Forms are available from Dawn.

New member of St John's

Belated congratulations to Dawn and Terry Wilson on the arrival of a baby boy, named Ash, congratulations to sister Eve and grandparents Rosie and Barry.

Church Centre Administrator wanted

Emmanuel URC/Methodist Church in Redditch Town Centre, requires an effective Administrator with a welcoming disposition. Start date 1st June 2013. Hours: 9.00am – 12.30am Mon-Friday.

For more details and an application form call or email

Tel: 01527 65952 or Email admin@emmanuelchurchredditch.org.uk

PRAYER Please pray for:-

- ❖ Gary and April, Garth and Jenny, Richard and Sally, Richard and Wendy.
- ❖ Those who are mourning.
- ❖ Those known to us who are suffering ill health.
- ❖ Those without enough to eat.
- ❖ Those leading and joining in the Parish Lent course.
- ❖ Allison and Rosie as they undertake ministry training.
- ❖ Children's and Jump Leaders.
- ❖ SPICE school clubs

Today – Lent 5

10.30am Morning worship with Richard Bubbers, Pastor Gary Noyes will be speaking on Philippians 3: 1-14 and Isaiah 43: 16-21.

6.30pm Evening Worship with Pastor Gary Noyes, Vicki Quarton will be speaking on Isaiah 35 and Luke 22: 1-13.

This week

Monday

1.00pm Bowls in the hall.

7.30pm Bishops Certificate.

Tuesday

10.00am Parents and Toddlers in the hall.

7.45pm DCC meet in the church.

Wednesday

2.00pm Clergy Chapter at St Peter's.

7.30pm Jump Youth Service in the church.

7 for 7.30pm Parish Lent Course at St Peter's.

Thursday

10.00am Parents and Toddlers in the hall.

9.00am Parish prayers at St John's

7.45pm PFT Group at Peter and Eileen Bishop's

Saturday

10-12noon Messy Church at Woodrow Community Hall.

Sunday

4pm Dedication of Ella Rose Turner; St Johns.

Next Sunday - Palm Sunday

10.30am

Morning Worship Vicki Quarton will be leading and Pastor Gary Noyes will be speaking on Luke 19:28-40 and Psalm 118:19-end

Sunday Jump

6.30pm

Evening worship with Pastor Gary Noyes, Gary will be speaking on Isaiah 5:1-7 and Luke 20:9-19

† EASTER SERVICES †

28th..Maundy Thursday....Agape Meal at St Peter's

(please sign up for the Agape Meal today if you intend to come)

29th...Good Friday...Family Service at 10.30am

Hour at the Cross at 8pm

31st...Easter Day...Family Communion at 10.30am

(No Holy Communion on 24th.)

Easter Praise at 6.30pm

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