

## **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, cost is £3 per person, see Vicky Skelton if interested.

## **We must know some happy people in our diocese**

In it's sixth year the *Independent on Sunday Happy List* is now being prepared, and they are seeking nominations. The Happy List is their antidote to all those rich lists, wealth lists, and celebrity lists, and celebrates 100 people who give back; those who, without thought of personal gain or recognition, make Britain a better, more well-adjusted, and happier place. Your nomination could be anyone whose motive is increasing human happiness, rather than feathering their own nest. But not celebrities. All they need are a few details, and the reason you're nominating them. They will do the rest.

Send your nominations by email to [sundayletters@independent.co.uk](mailto:sundayletters@independent.co.uk), (no attachments, please) or by post to: *IoS Happy List*, Letters editor, Independent on Sunday, 2 Derry Street, London W8 5HF.

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## **Diary Time**

Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> April 8.00pm	Prayer Ministry team meet in church
Tue 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2pm	Cloverley Planning Team meet
Thu 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2pm	Clergy Chapter
	7.30pm Clergy/Readers meet
Thu 18 <sup>th</sup> April 7.45pm	PFT meeting at Peter and Eileen Bishop's
Sat 20 <sup>th</sup> April 1-4pm	Scalextric fun - Studley.
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> April	St John's AGM, after the morning service.
Thu 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Annual Parish Church Meeting at Christ Church.
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> April 10am-4pm	Quiet Day to launch Old Rectory Cottage.
Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> May 3-4.30pm	Welcome the new Pastor at Assemblies of God
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup> May	Christian Aid Week
Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> May 10-12noon	Messy Church at Woodrow Community Hall.
	10am Quiet Garden Movement gathering.
Sun 19 <sup>th</sup> May 6.30pm	JOINT PENTECOST SERVICE AT ST PETER'S.
Thu 27 <sup>th</sup> Jun 7.30p	Parish Prayer meeting S Peter's.
Sat 20 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Messy Church at Woodrow Community Hall.
Sat 24 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Wedding of Roy Bush and Zami Sawu
W/E 4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Church weekend away - Cloverley Hall.
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct 7.30pm	Parish Prayer meeting at Christ Church.

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**Sunday 31st March 2013**



**A very warm welcome to St John's!**

**† EASTER DAY SERVICES †**

**Easter Day...Family Communion at 10.30am**

**Easter Praise here tonight at 6.30pm**

## **Diamond wedding anniversary**

Congratulations to Gerry and Dorry on the occasion of their Diamond Wedding Anniversary this week!



## **Pastors piece**

**A Happy Easter to all at St. John's!**

**CHRIST IS RISEN; HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!**

Easter Sunday is a very special day, because without the fact of the resurrection, there would be no Christian faith, and no hope of eternal life with the God who made us and loves us and cares for us. We praise God today that through the mighty resurrection of Jesus, the old order of sin and death has been completely overcome, and all things are made new. Through Jesus, the chains of past things have been broken, and we are now filled with faith and hope. A new day has dawned, and the way to life now stands open!

As God has delivered us, let's each of us pray for that determination to die daily to sin, and live life to the full, knowing that it is only by God's Spirit that we can live in the joy of his risen life.

Every blessing,  
Gary

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Redditch Nightstop are thankful for St John's donations during Harvest Time. Due to exceptionally high demand their food bank stock is running very low at the moment and they only have enough food to last a month at the current rate of demand.

If you could help by giving any sort of tinned food, tea coffee, toiletries, cartons of milk, packets of rice or pasta, all donations are very gratefully received.

Donating is easy, at Tesco Redditch there is a charity bin behind the cashiers for toiletries, or you can bring items into church and put them in the box in the foyer.

Who is able to receive a food parcel?

- Individuals who are homeless
- Families who might be experiencing difficulties in obtaining their benefits, for example their income support has been suspended whilst being reviewed
- Individuals who are awaiting job seekers allowance to process through the system and might be short of funds for a short period
- Individuals and/or families who might have had to leave their family home at very short notice and being unable to return
- Those on a low income and facing a particularly short-term difficult time
- Anyone facing hardship

Telephone 01527 66036 or visit 9-5pm at the Ecumenical Centre in Redditch.



### **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.
- ❖ Allison and Rosie as they undertake ministry training.
- ❖ Children's and Jump Leaders.
- ❖ SPICE school clubs



### **Today – Easter Day**

10.30am Family Communion with Pastor Gary Noyes, Gary will be speaking on John 20:1-18.

6.30pm Easter Praise with Pastor Gary Noyes.

### **Next Sunday - 2nd Sunday of Easter**

10.30am St Johns as Easter People, Reconciled and Resurrected. Reconciling and Resurrecting? Acts 5.27-32.

6.30pm Holy Communion and for Healing, with Pastor Gary Noyes and Revd Garth Nathaniel. Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12 and Luke 24:13-35.

### **Electoral Role Revision - forms to be in today**

*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 today. Forms are available from Dawn.*

### **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.

### **Just giving**

A new campaign launched by Local giving.com in partnership with Birmingham & Black country Community Foundation (BBCCF) is urging people to 'spring' into action and support their local community or voluntary group, by offering to match every £10 donated each month for a year. If you go into the website and type in your postcode you will see groups close to you, in Redditch this includes Touchstones, run by Vicki Quarton.

### **For Sale**

Various sewing and paper craft accessories for example sewing/cross stitch and card making magazines, books, needles, bobbins, wool, cross stitch frames, tapestry frames, tapestry thread etc. Most items foc, some with a small charge. Telephone Roy bush 01527 500647 to view.