



Moving on

The Archdeacon of Dudley, the Venerable Fred Trethewey, has decided to step down from the role after twelve years in post. Fred will be retiring from full-time ministry at the end of September to take up a part-time pastoral role as Priest-in-Charge of Christ Church, Brittany, France.

PFT Group

PFT group meets on Thursday – 16th May. 7.45pm at Peter and Eileen's –857209. "God saved you by His grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it" – Eph2v8,9. PFT group will be devoting one meeting per month solely to prayer – particularly for our church. Please join us and share your heart for St John's. The next PFT prayer focus will be on Thursday 30th May.

Diary Time

Mon 20th May Prayer Ministry Team meet in church.
Tue 21st May DCC meeting in the church.
Wed 22nd May Churchwardens (Ann and Barry).
commissioning service in Kidderminster.
Thur 23rd May 7.30pm Living Faith - Barry Haig.
Wed 5th June 7.45pm Children's leaders meeting at the Skelton's.
Sat 15th June 9.30-2pm BROTHER NICHOLAS FROM GLASSHAMPTON.
Tue 18th June SPICE at Fladbury close - all welcome.
Friday 21st June 6.30pm Marriage Blessing for Andrew and Sharon
Brazier; at St John's church.
Sat 22nd June DCC Awayday at Inkberrow.
Thu 27th Jun 7.30pm Parish Prayer meeting St Peter's.
Sat 29th Jun Richard Bubbers priesting service at Cathedral.
Sat 6th Jul PCC/DCC Away Day Together.
Sat 20th Jul Messy Church at Woodrow Community Hall.
Sun 21st Jul P.M. Church family at Warwick Park.
Mon 5th Aug Woodrow Fun Day.
Sat 24th Aug Wedding of Roy Bush and Zami Sawu.
Thur 19th Sept 7.30pm Living Faith - Bishop Michael Nazir Ali.
W/E 4th-6th Oct Church weekend away - Cloverley Hall.
Wed 23rd Oct 7.30pm Parish Prayer meeting at Christ Church.
Thur 21st Nov 7.30pm Living Faith - Matt Summerfield.
Sat 5th April 2014 Diocese Childrens Training - Worcester.

Notices Sunday 12th May

A very warm welcome to St John's!

Wash and Nosh for Dosh - we need you!

Next Sunday St John's children will be offering to clean, shine and serve, all for money contributions towards Christian Aid Week, which starts today. Please bring along anything you would like cleaned such as silver, ornaments, shoes and your car! if you are able to stay for the ploughmans lunch please can you put your name down on the sheet in the foyer. This is only so we get a rough idea of numbers we are catering for - we will be anticipating more! We hope you will be able to support our young people in their quest to raise money for Christian Aid 2013 - thank you

Thank you from Nightstop

A very big Thank You from Nightstop for the food donated over the last couple of weeks. It was very welcome especially the nappies and toiletries. Some clients have children when they find themselves in need. So keep on donating and make it part of your regular giving. Just think, if everybody gave one item every week, a family could be fed for that week. I took enough to fill two trollies this week, lets do it again. Barry.

Pastors Piece

Last Thursday was Ascension Day, which is a very important festival in some countries; I always think that without the ascension of Jesus, there would be no Pentecost, and without the sending of the Holy Spirit, there would be no mission, local or international!
We continue our 'Building the Kingdom' series this morning, and focus on 'Intimacy with God.' This means friendship with God through our close relationship with Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit. We all need to reflect sometimes, and realise that we must keep our eyes on Jesus: on his love, his wisdom, his faithfulness, and his friendship. He is the vine, and we are the branches; we are not independent, and we derive our life and our strength only from him. Put quite simply, without him, we can do nothing! (John 15)

Every blessing,
Gary



This enterprise is the "Make Poverty History" of our time, that Rob Quarton spoke about last week and there are 4 aims:

AID: keep it coming in the short term

LAND: let poor farmers grow crops for their food, not fuel for the West

TAX: make companies pay their taxes to countries from which they benefit

TRANPARENCY: governments and companies to be open about their activities. Today there will be a Walk of Witness to highlight the campaign, starting at 2pm: one leg will be led by Revd Dick Johnson from Matchborough, and can be picked up along the bus route through Winyates, Church Hill and Easemore Road (town);

The other will start from Crabbs Cross, led by Jim Hilderley, along Evesham Road through Headless Cross and the Kingfisher Centre.

The walks will converge at St Stephen's for refreshments from 3.30pm.

Following the walk or if you would like to just join in at this point there will be a:

Christian Aid United Service 4.00 pm at St Stephen's:

This service will be a celebration of the Walk and a commissioning of those involved in the fundraising for Christian Aid in the week following.



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.
- ❖ Rob and Jo Adams.
- ❖ Sylvia Czink and family.
- ❖ June Young and family.
- ❖ Allison and Rosie as they undertake ministry training.
- ❖ Children's and Jump Leaders.
- ❖ SPICE.

Today – Sunday after Ascension

10.30am Morning worship with Vicki Quarton, Pastor Gary Noyes will be speaking on 'Intimacy with God' John 15.

Childrens groups - Listening and talking to God.
Sunday Jump

6.30pm Evening worship with Pastor Gary Noyes, Vicki Quarton will be speaking on John 15.

Next Sunday: Pentecost

10.30am Morning worship with Rosie Humphrey, Pastor Gary Noyes will be speaking on Acts 2:1-21 and John 14:15-27

Wash and nosh for dosh - after the morning service

6.30pm Parish Pentecost service at St Peters, no service at St Johns. Please come along.

This week

Monday	1.00pm	Bowls in the hall.
Tuesday	10.00am	Parents & Toddlers in the hall. Standing committee at the Vicarage.
Wednesday		Jump Youth Group in the hall. Worship For Everyone team meet.
Thursday	10.00am	Parents & Toddlers in the hall. Gary at Governors meeting Woodrow
	7.45pm	PFT at Peter and Eileen Bishop's
Saturday	10-12noon	Messy Church at Woodrow Community Hall.
	10am	Quiet Garden Movement gathering.
	7.30pm	Redditch Choral Society at St Stephens.

Diocese Training

Vicky Skelton went recently to the Diocese children's training course. The main points to feed back were: children's groups need to have the 3 F's

1. Faith
2. Fun
3. Friendship

There were lots of ideas and resources as well as yummy cakes! The next one will be on 5th April 2014, Vicky recommends it to all.

Living Faith lectures - WHO WILL YOU INVITE?

Leaflets are available in the foyer or by email (see Simon or Karl) please take a quantity and hand them to people you know who will be interested, there are also posters available.

The first of the talks is just a couple of weeks away, lets fill the church!