

A UK first coming to Worcester 19th-27th July

WIFYS, the UK's first-ever non-competitive international youth singing festival, comes to Worcester this summer. Organised by **Sing UK** in association with the **European Choral Association - Europa Cantat (ECA-EC)**, the city will play host to 11 choirs from 10 different countries - Belgium, Poland, Spain, the Czech Republic, Austria, Russia, Hong Kong, Germany, Lithuania - and the UK. Street singing, concerts in Worcester city and around the county, singing at church services and a Welcome Concert will delight singers and audiences. The climax will be the final night's **Gala Concert** in Worcester's magnificent cathedral, with all four of the week's distinguished international conductors, directing the young singers in performance. The programme will include the **World Premiere** of a specially commissioned work from UK composer **Bob Chilcott** (*Five Days that Changed the World* with words by Charles Bennett), which will be conducted by the composer - and will involve all 400 young singers! *With the festival being the first event of its kind in the UK, they have taken as their theme, 'Peace & Unity between Nations', to reaffirm the continuing mission of ECA-EC, and their own shared aspirations - to work towards a more peaceful world through the engagement of young people from different nations coming together to sing. To find out more go to www.singuk.org or call 01905 611427.*

Diary

Fri 19th Jul- 27th July International Youth Singing Festival.
Sat 20th Jul 10am Messy Church at Woodrow Community Hall.
Sun 21st Jul P.M. Church family at Warwick Park.
Sun 4th Aug 4.00pm Thanksgiving for Brooke Senior
Sun 18th Aug 4.00pm Thanksgiving for Alice Baker in church
Sat 24th Aug Wedding of Roy Bush and Zami Sawu.
Mon 2nd Sept Launch of Redditch Food Bank
Sun 15th Sept Thanksgiving for Isabella Cronin
Wed 18th Sep Training for Alpha leaders and helpers.
Thur 19th Sept 7.30pm Living Faith - Bishop Michael Nazir Ali.
Wed 25th Sep Parish Alpha Course starts
Sun 29th Sept 4pm Thanksgiving for Michael White in church.
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.

Telephone 01527 501092. Day off Friday.



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Notices Sunday 7th July

A very warm welcome to St John's!

Prayer date

Prayer for St John's....9am 13th July in church; we are aiming to form a regular prayer support time for the work and ministry of St John's; please come and pray with us!

Messy Church

The next Messy Church in Woodrow Community Centre is Saturday July 20th 10am-12noon. If you have any lidded tubes like pringle tubes and plastic bottles like small coke bottles with a top we would appreciate them to make musical instruments. Please bring next week.

Pastors Piece

Thanks to everyone who took the time, thought and prayer in completing the recent initial survey on worship here in St John's. The DCC will now evaluate the trends and suggestions/comments that came out of it, and then link it with the results of the DCC Awayday that we had at Inkberrow.

We will then let you know what comes out of this exercise, and how we feel that the Spirit of God is leading us. As you know, this is all part of the review of the life and work of St John's that we are undertaking throughout 2013. As one person helpfully commented: 'The graces of the Spirit like kindness and mercy are vital, but we must also have His power if we are to see people set free, healed and changed.' We are in the presence of a holy God, who brings us into his presence today through Word and Spirit, that we might be released to worship in spirit and in truth.

Every blessing,

Gary

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The Collect of the day

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
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

Midlands Day of Renewal in the Holy Spirit

Saturday 21st September

All Saints' Warwick- A day for those seeking the refreshing and renewing of God's Holy Spirit, and seeking more in their Christian life. See the poster on the notice board in the foyer.

Alpha - can you help

'The Parish Alpha Course will start on September 25th, and a training evening for group leaders and helpers will be on September 18th. If you feel that you would like to help in either of those capacities, please see Gary as soon as possible, so that a team can be established before the summer break.'

Jamboree

Open the Book are having a lunch time jamboree here at St John's, this Tuesday July 9th 12 noon until 2.00pm to celebrate another year of assemblies. If you would like to join a team in September, please come along to the meeting, enjoy the lunch, find out more and sign up if you feel this is what God wants you to do. If you pray regularly for us, are free and would like to come along to hear how things have gone, do join us. Dot

Church Family at Warwick Park

After the morning service on 21st July, we will be going across to Warwick Park for an afternoon of fun and leisure. If you haven't been to Warwick Park before, there is plenty to do from water fun, walks, boating on the river, ball games for those more active amongst us as well as plenty of ice cream. Bring a deck chair, picnic rug, lunch and a change of clothes if planning to get wet. If you need or can offer someone a lift please speak with Sharon. If you would like directions please pick up a leaflet from the dispenser in the foyer.

Today – Sixth Sunday after Trinity

10.30am Worship For Everyone with Dot Bevington 'Go and Grow'
Mark 4:1-9 and 14-20.

6.30pm Holy Communion and Prayer for Healing with Rev Garth Nathaniel, Pastor Gary Noyes will be speaking on
Mark 6: 7-29 and Genesis 29: 1-20.

Next Sunday: Trinity 7

10.30am Morning Worship with Maureen Hughes, Pastor Gary Noyes will be speaking on Luke 10:25-37 and Colossians 1:1-14.

6.30pm Evening service with Pastor Gary Noyes, the readings will be
Mark 7: 1-23 and Genesis 32:9-32.

What's on this Week:

Monday	9.00am	Parish Prayers at St Peter's. Bowls in the hall.
	7.30pm	Baby loss support group - Ecumenical Centre
Tuesday	9.00am	Parish Prayers at St Peter's.
	10-12noon	Parents and toddlers in the hall.
Wednesday	9.00am	Holy Communion at St Peter's.
	7.30pm	Jump in the hall.
Thursday	9.00am	Parish Prayer's at St John's.
	10-12noon	Parents and toddlers in the hall.
	6.30pm	PFT at Peter and Eileen Bishop's
Friday	09.00am	Parish Prayers at St Peter's.
Saturday	09.00am	Prayer for the work and ministry of St John's Marriage of Eleanor Quarton and Joshua Morgan.



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.
- ❖ Peggy Snellgrove.
- ❖ Sylvia Czink and family.
- ❖ June Young and family.
- ❖ Allison and Rosie as they undertake ministry training.
- ❖ Children's and Jump Leaders.
- ❖ Bowls and parents and toddlers groups.
- ❖ Ventures and Soul Survivor.