

Be Still Day - Churches Together in Worcestershire

Saturday 7 September, 10am - 3.30pm

Droitwich Methodist Church, Worcester Road, WR9 8AN Deepening our relationship with God through Silent Prayer - led by Magdalen Houlihan. This event is free, but donations of £5 invited to cover expenses. Please bring a packed lunch. To book your place please contact Max Jourdiere on mandcjourdiere@gmail.com or 01886 812259.

Foodbank Update

The Foodbank are having a collection next Saturday 3rd August at ASDA in Bromsgrove (we are hoping to be at Tesco in Redditch later in the year). Volunteers are needed for 2 hour slots to give out shopping lists, or to sort the food as it is donated. This is usually the best way to get large quantities of food into the Food Bank store as we need 3 tonnes of food before we can open! Please fill in a form that is on the table in the foyer and return it to the address on the form. This is mainly for contact details so that a time slot can be organised. Any questions please see Barry.

Summer Socials

Please give thought to what social meetings we might enjoy over the summer, Ann and Maureen have volunteered to arrange a meal and walk. If you aren't able to do the walk you can always meet up for the meal only. More information will follow, the date will be 28th August, sign up at the back or speak with Ann and Maureen.

Diary

Sun 18 th Aug	4.00pm	Thanksgiving for Alice Baker in church
Sat 24 th Aug		Wedding of Roy Bush and Zami Sawu.
Wed 28 th Aug		Meal and walk
Mon 2 nd Sept		Launch of Redditch Food Bank
Sat 7 th Sept		Be Still Day - Droitwich
Sun 15 th Sept		Thanksgiving for Isabella Cronin
Wed 18 th Sep		Training for Alpha leaders and helpers.
Thur 19 th Sept	7.30pm	Living Faith - Bishop Michael Nazir Ali.
Sat 21 st Sep		Midlands day of renewal.
Wed 25 th Sep		Parish Alpha Course starts
Sun 29 th Sept	4pm	Thanksgiving for Michael White in church.
W/E 4 th -6 th Oct		Church weekend away - Cloverley Hall.
Sat 12 th Oct		DCC Away Day Inkberrow
Wed 23 rd Oct	7.30pm	Parish Prayer meeting at Christ Church.
Thur 21 st Nov	7.30pm	Living Faith - Matt Summerfield.
Sat 5 th April 2014		Diocese Childrens Training - Worcester.



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Notices Sunday 28th July

A very warm welcome to St John's!

Prayer this week

Please be praying for the young people and their leaders who are away on Christian Holiday this week. Our church youngsters Aidan, Anna, Hannah, Liam, Megan and William headed off yesterday to Pinewood Venture in the Cotswolds; to make new friends and have lots of fun.

On Friday morning 10 of the older JUMP group who meet Wednesdays in the hall set off for Soul Survivor - Stafford. With 6,000 people on site it is sure to be a memorable festival and so far all seems to be going well. By 3pm Friday in plenty of time for the first session, most tents had been erected. Yesterday morning the crowds were entertained and taught by Matt Summerfield, who will be joining us here at St John's in November!

Pastors Piece

August will soon be upon us, and we are beginning to think about our autumn programme here in St John's, not least our two remaining 'Living Faith' evenings that have been planned. It was a delight to welcome Barry Haigh from Zambia in May, when he spoke in a challenging way about Overseas Mission, and we look forward to hosting Bishop Michael Nazir-Ali on 19th September, when he will be speaking on 'Discipleship'. He was Bishop of Rochester for 15 years, and also the first non-white diocesan bishop in the Church of England. We welcome Matt Summerfield on 21st November, who is Director of Urban Saints, (Crusaders), and he will be looking at what evangelism means in the modern world. These are great opportunities to hear and meet some of the people who give shape and direction to the church of today, so put it in your diaries now!

Every blessing,

Gary

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The Collect of the day

Almighty God,
who sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your Church:
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love and joy and peace;
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

DCC Meeting. The DCC met on 22 July and discussed items including:

- Arrangements for Jump members to attend Soul Survivor at Stafford
- Standing Committee fabric report including work required to replace the stolen lead from the church roof and repairs required to the lightning conductor installation
- Diocesan Synod and Churches Together reports from Maureen
- Report on PCC Awayday 6/7/13 and feedback from DCC members on issues discussed
- Finance report which shows a similar position to the situation 2 months earlier; no major changes up or down; we are still facing an annual deficit of £6,000
- Overseas Mission: DCC members to consider which projects they would like us to consider supporting as part of St John's tithed giving; ideas to submitted and discussed at a meeting after the summer holidays so we can agree a way forward
- Reflections on the DCC Awayday 22/6/13 and agreed next steps which will be communicated to the wider church
- Agreed dates for future meetings and next DCC Awayday

Cloverley - 4th-6th October

There are still places left for Cloverley the church weekend away. Good food and accommodation in beautiful grounds with people you know or would like to know better. If you have already booked, it is time to think about paying for your place, which I would like to be completed by mid September. If you have questions or think you have a problem, see Barry because I only have solutions.

Today – Ninth Sunday after Trinity

- 10.30am Worship for Everyone and Holy Communion.
Vicky Skelton will be leading and Ron Skelton speaking on Daniel 6:1-23. 'God is in the Jungle'.
- 6.30pm Evening service with Pastor Gary Noyes, Gary will be speaking on Psalm 95.

Next Sunday: Trinity 10

- 10.30am Worship for Everyone with Pastor Gary Noyes and April Noyes. 'God is on the Mountain Top' Luke 9:28-36.
- 6.30pm Holy Communion and Prayer for Healing with Revd Richard Harding and Pastor Gary Noyes 'Soulless Wealth' Psalm 107:1-15, Mark 6:45-52 and Luke 12:13-21.

What's on this Week:

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| Monday | 9.00am | Parish Prayers at St Peter's. |
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| Wednesday | 9.00am | Holy Communion at St Peter's.
Soul Survivor group return home. |
| Friday | 9.00am | Parish Prayers at St Peter's. |
| Saturday | 9.00am | Prayer for the work and ministry of St John's.
Foodbank collection at Asda
Venture leaders and young people return. |
| Sunday | 4.00pm | Thanksgiving for Brooke Senior |



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.