

Welcome

Welcome back from honeymoon to Roy and Zami, we hope you had a lovely time and wish you both much joy for your future together.

Redditch Food Bank Update Some changes

Plans for the food bank are now well advanced. We have about 1.6 tonnes of food stored at Oakland, however more food is still needed.

1. Anne from the Trussell Trust who has been advising us and providing the training is seriously ill in hospital in Sheffield. Please pray for her, her family and colleagues.
2. This means that the new opening date for Redditch Food Bank is Sept 16th..
3. We are asking all churches and other organizations that can assist to consider a regular food collection either week by week (or monthly) and for special collections at Harvest and Christmas. Local businesses will also be contacted. If you have any suitable links and can help or want more information please contact Barry Humphrey

Messy Church

For those who normally help with Messy Church a further date has been arranged for this year –Saturday 7th December

Website

For recorded sermons, copies of notices and information on St John's and other Churches in the Ipsley Parish visit www.ipsley.org.uk.

Diary

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 10-12noon	Messy Church
Sat 21 st Sep	Midlands day of renewal.
Sat 21 st Sep	Big Bible Study.
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.
Sat 13 th Oct 4.00pm	Thanksgiving for Carter Harris in church.
Wed 23 rd Oct 7.30pm	Parish Prayer meeting at Christ Church.
Thur 21 st Nov 7.30pm	Living Faith - Matt Summerfield.
Sat 7 th Dec 10-12noon	Messy Church
Sat 5 th April 2014	Diocese Childrens Training - Worcester.



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Sunday 8th September

A very warm welcome to St John's!

Cloverley

The final planning for the Cloverley weekend is taking place and more information will be available soon. In the meantime it would be very helpful if those who have not paid yet could see Barry. Thank you.

This evening

Please note there will not be an evening service at St John's today; you may wish to go across to St Peter's, where you will be warmly received.

Pastors Piece

Most of us have had a break over the summer, which is good, and now September is here, and lot is happening in St John's between now and Christmas. Here are just a few things: Alpha starts on 25th September; are you bringing a friend?

Messy Church is continuing on Woodrow; We are away as a church family at Cloverley in October, learning what it really means to be an effective church;

Rosie is away on placement until November, as is Allison, but for a bit longer, and Maureen starts

her training at Queen's Foundation; We have our 'Living Faith' evening with Bishop Michael Nazir-Ali on September 19th; Also, we start a new series this morning and

in the evenings based on the theme 'Proclaim Afresh', and looking today at what Jesus said about the true cost of being one of his followers.

Please continue to pray for the work of St John's here in this part of the Ipsley Parish...it will only happen as we look outside ourselves, and obey God's call to PROCLAIM AFRESH the incredible hope that we have in Christ, the hope that people will never hear about unless we tell them!

'Anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.' (Luke 14:27).

Every blessing,

Gary

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This Sunday will be my last week at St. Johns for several months as next Sunday (15th) I start my first ministry placement.

I have to undertake 80 hours of supervised training, and 30 unsupervised hours in a parish outside my own, and as a result I am going to serve under the Rev'd Diane Hayward-Wright at Cookhill, and the parish of Inkberrow. During this time I will take an active role in the ministerial leadership of the church, be trained in how to serve as a deacon and take part in church life and activities in this parish. At the end of the training I will then have to produce a report on one aspect of mission and write a case study on a pastoral situation I have been involved in.

The parish of Inkberrow is very different to St John's as it is a rural parish and has 4 churches within it. I will mainly be serving at the churches at Cookhill and Inkberrow during the placement, but will also take part in leading some services at Kington and Dormston. The worship tradition is generally more formal and liturgical than the more informal style of worship at St. John's, and they celebrate the Eucharist most weeks. Therefore the placement is going to offer me many new things to observe and learn to support my training.

I am naturally quite excited and nervous about the time ahead, partly as this will be the first time I have worshipped anywhere outside of St Johns for any length of time since 1988 when I first moved to Redditch. I therefore ask for the churches prayer support throughout my placement and during this new stage of my ministerial journey. Megan will continue to attend St John's while I am away, so I also ask that people continue to pray for, and support, both Megan and Bob during this time, for which I am very grateful.

I send my love and best wishes to you all for the forthcoming months, and look forward to worshipping with you again sometime after Christmas.

God Bless. Allison

ALPHA

Do you have questions about the Christian faith? Would you like to look at the basics again? If so, Alpha is for you. Or you could bring a friend who would like to know more.

There is a preliminary meeting on 25th September at Christchurch, Matchborough beginning at 7.00pm. Coffee and cake will be served and there will be a short talk after which you can sign up for the course if you feel that this is for you. In subsequent weeks the sessions will start at 7.00pm with a cooked meal followed by a talk and discussions.

Do have a word with Gary or Ann if you are interested - or if you would like to help (as a leader or assistant leader, cooking, or setting up)

The meeting for helpers will be on 18th September at 7.30pm.

Today – Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.30am Morning worship with Vicki Quarton. Pastor Gary Noyes will be speaking on 'shocking'
Luke 14:25:33 and Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Sunday Jump
Children's Groups - Exodus 2:1-25

6.30pm Please note there will be no evening service at St Johns today.

Next Sunday: Trinity 16

10.30am Morning worship with Pastor Gary Noyes, Vicki Quarton will be speaking on 'Connecting' Luke 15:1-10 and Psalm 51:1-10.

4.00pm Thanksgiving for Isabella Cronin.

6.30pm Evening worship with April Noyes.

This week:

Monday		Bowls in the hall
Tuesday	10.00-12noon	Parents and toddlers
Wednesday	7.45pm	Jump in the hall
Thursday	10.00-12noon	Parents and toddlers PFT at Peter and Eileen's



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.
- ❖ Jo, Grace, Sophie and Lydia Adams.
- ❖ Lynda and Geoff Adams
- ❖ Eileen and Rob Truman
- ❖ Peggy Snellgrove.
- ❖ Sylvia Czink and family.
- ❖ June Young and family.
- ❖ Allison and Rosie as they undertake ministry training.
- ❖ Children's groups, Bowls, Jump and Parent and Toddlers .
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- ❖ Planning for Cloverley.