

## The Collect of the Day

Almighty God,  
you have made us for yourself,  
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:  
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,  
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city  
where we shall see you face to face;  
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.



Saturday morning 'Praying for St John's' has restarted at 9am in church. Please make this a firm date in your diaries, and join us in this activity, the most important thing that we do as a church!

### Bottle tops

Sue Palfreyman would like any bottle tops from plastic milk containers please bring them in and leave in the foyer or hand to Sue. Many thanks.

### Diary

Tues 24 <sup>th</sup> Sep	DCC in church
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Parish Alpha Course starts.
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Burial of Ashes for Ivy Binks; 3pm at Redditch Cemetery; GN officiating.
Sun 29 <sup>th</sup> 10.30am	HARVEST SERVICE
Sun 29 <sup>th</sup> Sept 4pm	Thanksgiving for Michael White in church.
Thur 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct 7.30pm	PCC at St John's.
W/E 4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Church weekend away - Cloverley Hall.
Sat 5 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Festival of healing in Worcester Cathedral.
Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct-5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Creation a celebration-Emmanuel Church.
Thur 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct	WARM day at Holland House.
Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	DCC Away Day Inkberrow.
Sat 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct 4.00pm	Thanksgiving for Carter Harris in church.
Sat 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Farewell in the Cathedral for Bishop David, as he leaves to become Bishop of Manchester.
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct 7.30pm	Parish Prayer meeting at Christ Church.
Thur 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov 7.30pm	Living Faith - Matt Summerfield.
Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec 10-12noon	Messy Church
Sat 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2014	Diocese Children's Training - Worcester.



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**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**

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

### *ST JOHN'S HARVEST SERVICE; 29TH SEPTEMBER.*

We will be having a member of nightstop coming to tell us about their work; please bring non-perishable goods, which will be donated to nightstop. (A local charity committed to homeless young people)

**WARM Day** will be held at Holland House, Crothorne on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October (10.00 - 3.00). Rev. David Runcorn, lecturer and former Lee Abbey Chaplain will speak on 'Listening to what the Spirit is saying - and growing ears that can hear.' The cost is £14, including lunch and booking is through Robert Latham on 01905 748711.

### Pastors Piece

Please be praying for our church family, as many of us prepare to go to Cloverley Hall, in Shropshire, for our Church Weekend Away on the first weekend of October. Pray also for Garth, as he prepares to teach the main sessions, especially as he has had to go to Pakistan to be with his mother. The theme will be based around John 15, so you may want to set aside time to read it through slowly, pray about it, and ask God how it speaks to you personally. Even if you are not coming to Cloverley, it would be good to read it. Jesus said many challenging things, and he wants us to think these things through for ourselves, in the power of the Spirit. Life can be complicated, but that is exactly why Jesus calls us to follow him! 'I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.' (John 15:5)

Every blessing,  
Gary

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## We need:

Friendly people to welcome members of the congregation as they arrive, or to set out and serve tea/coffee.

.....or you could train to run the sound desk or video projector.

Could you give lifts? We have three ladies who live near the church but cannot get here without lifts or expensive taxis. It would be wonderful if we could have a 'pool' of drivers who could offer lifts on a fairly regular basis or who would be willing to be called upon occasionally.

If you think you could help in any of these ways, please have a chat with me.

Ann.

### Invitation to Creation: A Celebration'- 8<sup>th</sup> October-5<sup>th</sup> November.

Emmanuel Church is proud to present

#### *'Creation: A Celebration'*

tapestry exhibition  
by Sue Symons

at the Ecumenical Centre, Redditch

from 8<sup>th</sup> October to 5<sup>th</sup> November 2013

For opening times, please see the letter on the notice board in the foyer or visit

<http://www.emmanuelchurchredditch.org.uk/events.html>

call 01527 65952 for bookings or further information



## 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, Rosie and Maureen undertaking ministry training.
- ❖ Children's groups, Bowls, Jump and Parent and Toddlers.
- ❖ Planning for Cloverley
- ❖ Parish Alpha course.

## Today – Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

10.30am Morning worship and Holy Communion with Pastor Gary Noyes, & Revd Richard Harding. 'Perplexing' Luke 16:1-13 and Amos 8:4-7.

Children's Groups - Moses

6.30pm Evening worship with Pastor Gary Noyes, Vicki Quarton will be speaking on God is ...love. 1 John 4:7-21

## Next Sunday: Trinity 18

10.30am Morning worship and Harvest Service with Maureen Hughes, Pastor Gary Noyes will be speaking.

6.30pm Taize style evening worship with Rob Quarton

## **This week:**

Monday		Bowls in the hall
Tuesday	10.00-12noon 7.45pm	Parents and toddlers DCC at St John's
Wednesday	7.00pm	Alpha at Christ Church
Thursday	10.00-12noon	Parents and toddlers
Friday	7.00-8.00pm	The Poverty Gap - Churches Together
Saturday	9.00am	Morning Prayer at St John's

## Churches Together event

On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September Churches Together in Redditch and Churches Together in Bromsgrove are hosting an Open Forum with Sajid Javid, MP for Bromsgrove and Economic Secretary to the Treasury, on the subject of "The Poverty Gap, National and International" The event will be held at Bromsgrove Methodist Centre, Stratford Road, Bromsgrove between 7pm and 8pm. Mr Javid will answer questions that have been presented to him during this period and there may be opportunity for follow up questioning. This is a unique opportunity to find out more about tax systems and government policies which affect people on a day to day basis. Parking is in council car parks and there is a charge.

## 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