

The Collect of the Day

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill them; 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

Worcester Diocesan Chaplaincy for Agriculture and Rural Life

A county Harvest Festival will be taking place on Sunday 6th October at Worcester Cathedral at 6.30pm. Preacher: The Archdeacon of Worcester The Venerable Roger Morris. Light refreshments will be served after the service.

HIGHER EDUCATION. Several of our young people will be returning or going to college/university this week: Annabel Worley—Bath University; Joanna Quarton -Cardiff University; Sam Quarton—Nottingham University and Sarah Thompson - Bourneville College. We wish them all well in their studies.

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

Sat 21 st Sep	Big Bible Study at Worcester Cathedral.
Tues 24 th Sep	DCC in church
Wed 25 th Sep	Parish Alpha Course starts.
Fri 27 th Sep	Burial of Ashes for Ivy Binks; 3pm at Redditch Cemetery; GN officiating.
Sun 29 th 10.30am	HARVEST SERVICE
Sun 29 th Sept 4pm	Thanksgiving for Michael White in church.
Thur 2 nd Oct 7.30pm	PCC at St John's.
W/E 4 th -6 th Oct	Church weekend away - Cloverley Hall.
Sat 5 th Oct	Festival of healing in Worcester Cathedral.
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 Children's Training - Worcester.



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Sunday 15th September

A very warm welcome to St John's!

This Week

'Bishop Michael Nazir-Ali is paying St John's a visit on Thursday evening at 7.30 to deliver the latest 'Living Faith' lecture. This a rare opportunity to hear Bishop Michael, and we anticipate that he will have some controversial and interesting things to say about 'Discipleship'. We look forward to seeing you this Thursday evening, (19th), at 7.30 for 7.45.'

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.

Pastors Piece

Please pray for Garth as he has had to travel to Pakistan to be with his mother, who is seriously ill. Pray also for Jenny and the boys, and for those who will be stepping into various things whilst Garth is away.

We welcome Isabella Cronin for her special service here in St John's this afternoon, and our best wishes go to Maureen, as she and others receive their authorisation as Authorised Lay Ministers from the Bishop of Worcester at the Cathedral this evening. God is good, and we each receive his blessing and grace in so many different ways in life. However lost we may sometimes feel, we are precious to God, and he knows our every move and thought. In Jesus, the Good Shepherd, he has found us, and has brought us back to the place where we belong; every reason to keep putting our trust in him.

Every blessing,

Gary

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Saturday morning 'Praying for St John's' returns on 21st September 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!

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.

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.

Messy Church

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

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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.
- ❖ Planning for Cloverley.



Today – Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

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

Children’s Groups - Moses

4.00pm Thanksgiving for Isabella Cronin

6.30pm Evening worship with April Noyes..

Next Sunday: Trinity 17

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

Sunday Jump

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

This week:

Monday		Bowls in the hall
Tuesday	10.00-12noon	Parents and toddlers
Wednesday	7.30pm	Alpha training at Christ Church Governors meeting at Woodrow
Thursday	10.00-12noon 7.30pm	Parents and toddlers Bishop Michael Nazi Ali at St John’s
Saturday	9.00am 10-12noon	Morning Prayer at St John’s Messy Church Midlands Day of Renewal Big Bible Study

The Big Bible Study

The Big Bible Study is back! This completely free event on Saturday 21st September gives Christians from all denominations a chance to come together and explore different approaches to studying the bible.

The day will be led by Bishop John, Archbishop Bernard Longley (RC Archbishop of Birmingham) and the Revd Keith Judson (Heart of England Baptist Association Regional Minister). See poster in the foyer for more information.