



Collect of the day

Almighty God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
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.

Geoff Adams 70th Birthday

A reminder we are all invited to take part in the celebrations for Geoff Adams 70th birthday next Saturday at Mappleborough Village Hall. The fun starts from 4pm; there will be food and music, with the evening finishing around 9pm. If you haven't done so already can you let Linda know for catering purposes, you will be attending. Although your company is enough, if you would like to bring a gift, Geoff has requested a monetary donation be made towards the upkeep of materials for the worship band at St Johns – thank you.

Diary

Sat 22nd Feb	Walk through the Bible at Christ Church.
Sat 29th Mar	Messy Easter.
Sat 17th May	Messy Church.
Sat 19th July	Messy Church.
Sat 27th Sep	Messy Church.
Sat 29th Nov	Messy Christmas 2014.
Sat 5th Apr	Diocese Children's Training - Worcester.

Sunday 19th January 2014

A very warm welcome to St John's!

Walk Through the Bible

Often we look at small passages in the Bible and apply them to our daily lives, but how often do we lose our way? Walk Through the Bible Ministries bring the Bible to life and offer a most enjoyable way to learn about the Old and New Testaments. On Saturday 22nd February we will be 'walking through the Old Testament' at Christ Church from 9.30 – 4.00pm and the cost is £14 per person (please see Gary if payment causes a problem), which includes the event workbook but please bring lunch; drinks will be provided. Children between 11 and 16 years attend free when accompanied by an adult but won't receive a workbook. It is not considered helpful for under 11s. Booking forms will be available shortly.

Pastors Piece

Something that I read this week, which was connected with our theme of 'Come and See' today, struck a chord with me. Sarah-Jane Marshall, who works for the London Institute for Contemporary Christianity, mentioned Edmund Burke's famous quote: 'All that is necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing.' And as she sees herself a 'saved-by-grace-and-trying -to-be-good-in-response' kind of person, we can connect this with our own spiritual response to Jesus' invitation to us, to 'Come and See.'

Jesus meets with us as whole people who he has created, and loves, and wants to have a relationship with, and it is when we respond to his invitation to 'come and see', that our life really starts to have that true meaning that God always intended for us, and we will find that God always gives us more than we ask for.

Every blessing,

Gary

About Worcester CASH

Worcester CASH was formed in 2002 to respond to the serious growth of debt in the UK and to help people deal with the demoralising and stressful effects of debt. Worcester CASH is a Christian charity committed to providing a service to persons living in Worcestershire who are in conditions of financial hardship

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4 WEEKS STARTING THIS TUESDAY 21st JANUARY 2014.

10.00a.m. to 12.00 a.m.

INCLUDING:-

WRITING A BUDGET

MAKING YOUR BUDGET WORK FOR YOU

PRIORITISING BILLS and PAYMENTS

HINTS and TIPS ON SAVING MONEY

PREPARING FOR UNIVERSAL CREDIT

WHAT TO DO IF YOU'RE IN DEBT.....

Please contact Petula Taitt, Money Adviser at Two Pennies Money
Advice to book your place:- 01905 27001 petula@twopennies.org.uk

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Today – 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

10.30am Morning worship led by Rosemary Humphrey 'Come and See'. Pastor Gary Noyes will be speaking on John 1: 29-42 and 1 Corinthians 1:1-9.

6.30pm Evening worship led by Pastor Gary Noyes. Alison Davies will be speaking on Ezekiel 2:3-4 and Galatians 1:11-end.

Next Sunday - Epiphany 3

10.30am Morning worship and Holy Communion with Revd Garth Nathaniel and Pastor Gary Noyes.
'Come as you are'
Matthew 4:12-23 and 1 Corinthians 1:10-18.

6.30pm Evening worship with Pastor Gary Noyes, Maureen Hughes will be speaking on Ecclesiastes 3:1-11 and 1 Peter 1:3-12.

Next week

Monday 1.30pm

7.45pm

Tuesday 10.00am

10-12noon

Wednesday 7.30pm

Thursday 10.00am

Saturday 9.00am

Bowls.

DCC meeting.

Parents and toddlers.

Two pennies money advice.

Life Worth Living course at Matchborough.

Parents and toddlers.

Prayer in church.

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.
- ❖ Gary, April and family.
- ❖ Kathleen Powell and family.
- ❖ 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.