



Diary

Thur 8 th May	Prayer Fellowship Teaching at Peter and Eileen's.
Sun 11 th May	Christian Aid lunch.
Sat 17 th May	Messy Church.
Tues 20 th May	SPICE meeting - thanksgiving families.
Sun 8 th Jun pm	Children's sponsored walk for Tearfund Water Project.
Tue 10 th June 7.30pm	Parish Prayer meeting St Peter's.
Tues 17 th June 6.30pm	SPICE - Fladbury Close work in.
Sat 21 st June 2.30pm	Licensing of Rosie Humphrey at the Cathedral.
Sat 28 th June pm	Car treasure hunt.
Sun 29 th Jun	Ordination of Pastor Gary Noyes at the Cathedral.
Sat 19 th July	Messy Church.
Wed 6 th August	Croquet and chat at Peter and Eileen's
Tue 16 th Sep	Parish Prayer meeting 7.30pm at Christ Church.
Wed 13 th August	Canal Walk and Meal.
Wed 20 th August	'At home' & board games at Dot and Andy Bevington's
Tues 23 rd Sept 7.30pm	SPICE meeting in church.
Sat 27 th Sep 10-12noon	Messy Church.
Sat 27 th September 6pm	Harvest Supper and barn dance in the church hall.
Thu 16 th Oct	WARM Day at Holland House.
Sat 29 th Nov	Messy Christmas 2014.
Tue 2 nd Dec 7.30pm	Parish Prayer meeting at St John's.
Fri 12 th Dec	Cinderella at the Palace Theatre,(booking September)
Sat 5 th Apr	Diocese Children's Training – Worcester.

Please pray for:-

- Gary and April, Garth and Jenny, Richard and Sally, Richard and Wendy.
- Gary as he commences ordination training.
- Those who are mourning.
- Those known to us who are suffering ill health.
- John Beasley as he recovers from his operation.
- 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 and Maureen undertaking ministry training.
- Children's groups, Bowls, Jump and Parent and Toddlers.

Sunday 28th April 2014

A very warm welcome to St John's!

Parish AGM

The Parish Church Council Annual General Meeting will be at St Peter's on Tuesday 29th April at 7.30pm. Do come along and support the administrative function of our church and parish if you can.

Please be thinking of dedicating some time during Christian Aid week to deliver and collect envelopes, further information including a sign up sheet will be available shortly. Also put the date in the diary for the Christian Aid lunch on Sunday 11th May, where we will bring and share, donating what we would normally spend on Sunday lunch.

Pastors Piece

We come together this morning at St John's to worship God, and to rejoice, just as the disciples did on that first Easter when they saw the Lord. We come with that rejoicing in our hearts, and we are called to put aside all that distracts us for whatever reason, and focus on the One who is risen from the dead.

However we might be feeling this morning, we know that the risen Jesus is with us, just as he was with those first disciples in the upper room all that time ago.

A saying of Jesus that comes to me often is this from John 20: 'Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.' We praise God that he can break down our barriers and set us free to worship and love him, just as we were created to do.

Please continue to pray for Bishop John and his two daughters after the death of Denise on Easter Sunday. We know that she passed into God's presence full of faith and in the peace of Christ.

Every blessing,
 Gary

Faith at work in Worcestershire

You may recall a couple of weeks ago Sharon spoke about the work of the Chaplains in the Kingfisher Centre. The Chaplains in Redditch are part of a group of 20 across Worcestershire who listen and care for people in their workplace. The Chaplaincy team are looking for new volunteers, if this is something you would like to know more about, there will be an information evening in the Autumn, Chaplains receive training and there are away days with guest speakers during the year, which are most enjoyable. Before the Autumn and especially during Chaplaincy fortnight June 15th –29th, the team will be spreading the word. If you know of any groups that one of the team can come along and present to or if you are interested in attending the Autumn event, please let Sharon know or email Redditch@faithatwork.org.uk Your prayers for this ministry would also be appreciated.

FOOD BANK SHOPPING LIST - please continue to make donations here or through the collection points at the supermarkets.

UHT or powdered milk

<i>500g sugar</i>	<i>Soup</i>
<i>Fruit juice</i>	<i>Cereals</i>
<i>Tinned Sponge pudding</i>	
<i>Tinned tomatoes</i>	<i>Jam</i>
<i>Tinned Rice pudding</i>	<i>Soap</i>
<i>Tea bag s /Instant coffee</i>	
<i>Instant mashed potato</i>	<i>Pasta</i>
<i>Tinned meat / fish</i>	<i>Rice</i>
<i>Tinned vegetables</i>	
<i>Tinned fruit</i>	<i>Deodorant</i>
<i>Biscuits or snack bars</i>	
<i>Pasta sauces</i>	<i>Toothpaste</i>
<i>Tinned Beans</i>	

Prayer Fellowship Teaching (PFT)

The next meeting will be Thursday 8th May at Peter and Eileen Bishop's.

Card Making

Lynda will be having another card making afternoon on Friday 2nd May, 1pm until 3.45pm if you would like to come along please let Lynda know.

Today – Easter 2

10.30am Morning worship with Pastor Gary Noyes.
'My Lord and My God' .
Readings John 20:19-31 and 1 Peter 1:3-9.

Children's Groups – Barnabas.
Sunday Jump.

6.30pm Evening worship.
Readings Mark 15:42–16:8 and Psalm 30.

Next Sunday – Easter 3

10.30am Worship For Everyone with Vicki Quarton.

6.30pm Evening service and Holy Communion
with Rev Garth Nathaniel.

This week

Monday 1.30pm Bowls.
Tuesday Mother and toddlers.
Wednesday 7.45pm Jump youth group in the hall.
Thursday 9am Parish Prayers at St John's.
10am-12noon Mother and toddlers.

SPICE – Fladbury Close

We will be visiting residents of Fladbury Close in early June asking for any jobs that may need doing on the evening of 17th June. Please put the date in the diary to come and help, any plant donations would also be appreciated.

If you haven't been before and want to know what it is all about and what is involved please speak with Dot, Gary or Lynda.

Walk through the Bible training

If you were at the AGM the other week you will know that I shared with people the possibility of training to do "Walk through the Bible" in schools for children in Y5 and 6. Following that meeting I have been offered £100 towards the training (it costs £300). If you would also like to contribute and/or become part of a supportive praying group that were kept informed about the training and the work in school, please