28<sup>th</sup> March 9.30am Church work in.

30th March Chrism Eucharist in the Cathedral, with Bishop John; 11am.

20<sup>th</sup> April 7.45pm St John's AGM.

27th April Rev.Garth Nathaniel is made a Canon of Worcester Cathedral; 5.30pm in the Cathedral. All welcome!

16<sup>th</sup> April Pre election Hustings at St John's. 18th April Leading all age worship workshop – St Peter's 10-12.30pm.

**Please pray for**:-Gary and April, Garth and Jenny, Richard and Wendy - our Parish clergy and wives.

The final joint Lent course at St Peter's.

For Garth as he is made Canon of Worcester.

For Ventures camp; for the planning, for those children from St John's attending and for Dot who will be a leader during the week

Those without enough to eat.

Those without clean water to drink.

The Kigezi Water and Sanitation project we are supporting.

Persecuted Christians around the world.

The NHS and other public sector workers.

For our Borough, county council decision makers and MP. For those who manage people within their places of work. For children living in care.

For refugees.

For orphans of war.

For charities reaching out to the lost, lonely and hungry.

Those who are mourning.

Keep praying for

Roy Bush.
Tony Ball.
John Beasley.
Sylvia Czink and family.
Bishop John and family.
Peggy Snellgrove.
Claire and Paul Burnham.

Allison and Maureen preparing for ministry in the Church of England.



# St John The Evangelist

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## News from St John's

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2015

Cloverley The DCC have booked Cloverley for a Church Weekend; 7-9 October, 2016. Please be starting to pray about coming on this; more details will follow later in the year

## Quiz Night this Saturday 28th March 6.00pm - 8pm

After the success of last year's quiz night, Dawn and Terry are going to prepare another lot of brain and memory teasers for us. We will start early so that the children can join in; drinks and nibbles will be provided, but donations of cakes and biscuits would be very welcome. Any questions - see Dawn

#### Thought for the week

As we begin the road to Calvary and Easter Day on this 'Passion Sunday', we begin, I hope, to focus on our own personal preparation for Good Friday and Easter. We will all, of course, be on different journeys in our spiritual lives, but the destination for all of us will be the same as we welcome the risen Jesus into our hearts once again this year.

We are reminded again this morning of that most challenging of Jesus' sayings, in John 12: 'Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. The man who loves his life will lose it, while the man who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life.'

May we know the true blessing of putting God first in all things in our lives as we approach this most holy of seasons.

#### Every blessing, Gary

**LENT STUDIES...** 7.30-9pm in the Huband Room at St Peter's 'LIVING FAITH – This is the last of what has been a very good in-depth look at the Beatitudes. 7.30pm in the Huband Room.

#### Church work in

Please come along and lend a hand in getting the grounds and church ready for Easter,
9.30am-11.30am Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March, come for as little or as long as you are able - the more who come the less others will need to do. - Thank you.

Date for your Diary: Churches Together in Redditch will be hosting a pre- election Hustings on Thursday 16th April from 7.00 pm at St John's. This is NOT a churches only event, but is open to everyone in Redditch. All the candidates will be invited and be prepared to answer questions posed by the electorate. Questions will be pre-submitted ready for the chair, Jim Hidderley, to put to the candidates. Do tell your neighbours. There will be more information, both here and in the local press so look out for instructions on how to submit your questions.



Come and join fellow Christians in Redditch as we walk from Our Lady of Mount Carmel RC church Beoley Road west, St Georges. B98 8LT

## Today - Lent 5

10.30am	Morning Worship and Holy Communion with Revd. Gary Noyes. Drawn in John 12:20-33,		
	Psalm 51:1-12		

6.30pm Evening Praise with Revd. Gary Noyes, Ron Skelton will be speaking.

## Next Sunday - Palm Sunday

10.30am	Worship For Everyone Morning Worship with
	Rosemary Humphrey 'Hosanna'.
	Mark 11:1-11

6.30pm Evening Praise with Mike Palfreyman, Revd. Gary Noves will be speaking

### This week

Monday	1.00pm	Bowls
Tuesday	10-12noon	Parent and Toddlers
	7.30-9.30pm	DCC extraordinary meeting
		at St John's.
Wednesday 7.30-9pm		Joint Lent Course, St Peter's
		<ul><li>final one.</li></ul>
Thursday	10-12 noon	Parent and Toddlers. 7.30pm
		PCC at St Peter's