

### Diary dates

16<sup>th</sup> June - 7.30pm Parish Prayers at Christ Church

17<sup>th</sup> June - Climate Change event London

20<sup>th</sup> June - 2pm Licensing of Maureen Hughes.

23<sup>rd</sup> June - An evening of reminiscence

27<sup>th</sup> June- Blackwell Adventure.

28<sup>th</sup> June - Ordination of Allison Davies.

25-27 September 2015 - National Prayer Weekend

10<sup>th</sup> October - Kingdom People at Worcester Cathedral.

### **Please pray for:**

Gary and April, Garth and Jenny, Richard and Wendy - our Parish clergy and wives.

St John's Baptism course.

Bible Explorer for Year 6 at Woodfield Middle School led by Dot.

Conversations at Fladbury Close on Wednesday.

JUMP leaders preparing for Soul Survivor.

For Ventures camp; for Dot and St John's children attending.

The Kigezi Water and Sanitation project we are supporting.

Persecuted Christians around the world.

The NHS and other public sector workers.

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.

Stephen Ward that he will get on better with his neighbour, he will find something to do each day and he will stay calm.

John Beasley.

Peggy Snellgrove.

Claire and Paul Burnham.

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



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### News from St John's

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2015**

A testimony by a deceased Christian Rwandan man read by the Archdeacon this week on 'what makes a disciple', we hope you find it inspiring!

I'm a part of the fellowship of the unashamed. The die has been cast. I have stepped over the line. The decision has been made. I'm a disciple of His and I won't look back, let up, slow down, back away, or be still.

My past is redeemed. My present makes sense. My future is secure. I'm done and finished with low living, sight walking, small planning, smooth knees, colourless dreams, tamed visions, mundane talking, cheap living, and dwarfed goals.

I no longer need prominence, prosperity, position, promotions, plaudits, or popularity. I don't have to be right, or first, or tops, or recognized, or praised, or rewarded. I live by faith, lean on His presence, walk by patience, lift by prayer, and labour by Holy Spirit power.

My face is set. My gait is fast. My goal is heaven. My road may be narrow, my way rough, my companions few, but my guide is reliable and my mission is clear.

I will not be bought, compromised, detoured, lured away, turned back, deluded or delayed.

I will not flinch in the face of sacrifice or hesitate in the presence of the adversary. I will not negotiate at the table of the enemy, ponder at the pool of popularity, or meander in the maze of mediocrity.

I won't give up, shut up, or let up until I have stayed up, stored up, prayed up, paid up, and preached up for the cause of Christ.

I am a disciple of Jesus. I must give until I drop, preach until all know, and work until He comes. And when He does come for His own, He'll have no problems recognizing me. My colours will be clear!

## **Celebrations**

As the testimony on the front of the notices reads, to be a disciple of Jesus Christ requires COMMITMENT and we will shortly be celebrating a time where two of our congregation have recently been on a journey of commitment, leading into Licensed Lay Ministry (Maureen Hughes) and Ordination as Deacon (Allison Davies). To celebrate these journeys, it would be lovely if as many of the congregation as possible, are able to join Maureen, Allison and their families during the special services on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June (Maureen) and Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June (Allison) at Worcester Cathedral. To help ensure all can attend that are able, there will be no service at St Johns on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June, if you are not able to get across to the cathedral, you may wish to attend the morning service at St Peter's. **After the service on the 28<sup>th</sup> June, there will be a bring and share lunch for both Maureen and Allison in the church hall here at St Johns. If you would like a lift to the services, can offer a lift or would like to sign up for the lunch please use the sign up sheets in the foyer.**

## **SPICE AT FLADBURY 2015!!**

We shall be getting together as a church again at Fladbury Close, Woodrow, this **Wednesday at 6pm**. Not only is this a great time of fellowship together, but also an opportunity to be of practical service to those who live in our community. If you can manage an hour or so it will be great to see you.

## **Parish Prayer Meeting**

The next Parish Prayer Meeting is on Tuesday 16th June at Christ Church. It starts at 7.30 pm and lasts one hour.

Everyone is welcome to come along and meet with other people from across the Parish to pray for our mission and outreach activities.

## **Blackwell Adventure**

Following the success of our trip to Blackwell Adventure with the children of St. John's last year, this year we have booked another afternoon of fun for everyone. All children, their friends and family are warmly invited to come along on Saturday 27th June from 4-7pm. This time we have booked the outdoor heated swimming pool (with life guards) anyone who wants to swim will need to pay £2.50. After that we have a designated picnic/bbq area so even if you don't want to swim you are invited to bring along some food and join in. After eating we have booked the obstacle course for anyone to have a go at. So it should be lots of fun and we'd love to see you all there. For more details see Vicky Skelton.

## **Today – Trinity 1**

10.30am Worship for everyone with Marilyn Bishop.  
'Crowd puller' Mark 3:20-35.

6.30pm Evening Worship and Holy Communion  
with Revd.Garth Nathaniel and Revd.Gary Noyes.

## **Next Sunday –Trinity 2**

10.30am Morning worship with Vicki Quarton, Revd.Gary Noyes  
will be speaking on 'Parable Teller' Mark 4:26-34 and  
2 Corinthians 5:6-10.

6.30pm Evening Worship with Allison Davies.

## **This week**

Monday	1pm	Bowls.
	7.45pm	Standing Committee at the Vicarage.
Tuesday	10-12noon	Parent and toddlers.
Wednesday	6pm	SPICE at Fladbury
Thursday	9.30am	Parish prayers at St John's
	10-12noon	Parent and toddlers.
	7.45pm	PFT at Peter and Eileen's.
Saturday		Ladies breakfast-Redditch Baptist Church.

## **An evening of reminiscence -23<sup>rd</sup> June**

2015 is the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of St John's Church. Anyone who has any special memories, photo's and memorabilia do please come along 7.30 for a 7.45pm start.

## **June events from Churches Together in Redditch**

On the morning of Saturday 13th June there's a Ladies' Breakfast with author & pastor Leah Boden (hosted at Redditch Baptist Church) titled 'Identity, Worth and Joy' cost £3 to include continental breakfast. Telephone 01527 66049 to book your place.

On the evening of Monday 22nd June 7pm for 7.15pm there's a men's Barbecue with Christian business man Rob Barnett (hosted at the Why Not Inn, Astwood Bank). Contact Paul Nash by 17<sup>th</sup> June on 07776301469 or nash926@btinternet.com