## **Diary dates**

22<sup>nd</sup> June – 7.45pm DCC meeting.

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

27th June- Blackwell Adventure.

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

30<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm DBS Training for all who work with children and young people.

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. 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 Alexandra Hospital and Worcestershire Acute Trust.

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

Those who are mourning.

## Keep praying for

Kenneth Brazier.

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.

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# News from St John's Sunday 14th June 2015

## Thank you

Many thanks to all who came to help on Wednesday at Fladbury Close, thank you also for the refreshments provided they were much appreciated.

#### Thought for the week

It's a busy time of year, and there is a lot going on; do keep your eye on 'News From St John's' for news of events. I want to particularly draw your attention to a few things: I hope as many people as possible are planning to come to Maureen's licensing service on 20th June, and Allison and Ian's ordination on 28th June. (My friend Philippa Sargent is also being ordained at the same service.) Sign-up sheets in foyer. Please do be praying for them as they take this very important step in their lives. (For those not going, there will be a joint service at St Peter's at 10.30 am.) Also, we are having a special 'Life and Work' evening at St John's on 21st June at 6.30pm. This will be a time of testimony and sharing about how we balance our life and work, (paid or voluntary, retired or working), and I would like as many as possible to come to this. Come prepared to share a testimony about how God has used you, or a song, piece of Scripture, poem, something that has helped you over the years. How we live our Christian lives outside our 'church' time is important to God, because that's where we engage with the world on a daily basis! We are all involved in some way in building God's Kingdom. 'A man scatters seed on the ground. Night and day, whether he sleeps or gets up, the seed sprouts and grows, though he does not know how.' Every blessing,

Gary

#### **Celebrations**

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 next 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.

If you would like to go by coach to Allison's ordination on June 28<sup>th</sup>, there are some seats left on the coach going from Christ Church, the coach will be leaving Christ Church at 9.15am and return after the service. Cost £4 per person. Anyone interested please call Marilyn Bishop on (529095)

**'PRAYER MATTERS'**....Come and join us Tuesday as we pray for the ministry of all our churches in Ipsley Parish; 'When we pray, things happen.' 7.30-8.30pm at Christ Church.

#### **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.

## 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.

#### **Today - 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.

Christian Aid lunch after the service in the hall.

6.30pm Evening Worship with Ron Skelton. George Skelton will be reciting Psalm 1.

#### **Next Sunday - Trinity 3**

10.30am Morning worship with Rosemary Humphrey 'Storm Calmer' Mark 4:35-41.

6.30pm Evening Worship with Revd.Gary Noyes.

This week

Monday 1pm Bowls.

Tuesday 10-12noon Parent and toddlers.

7.30pm-8.30pm Parish Prayers at Christ Church

Thursday 9.00am Parish prayers at St John's

10-12noon Parent and toddlers.

7.45pm PFT at Peter and Eileen's.

Saturday 2.00pm Licensing of Maureen Hughes.

## **Evening Worship**

This evening's service will be led by Ron Skelton - As well as the normal hymns etc., we will be looking at Psalm 1 (If possible please read/meditate on it before you come to the service).

Ron's son George Skelton has learnt Psalm 1 off by heart and will recite it - he would appreciate your support. Helping children to memorise scripture is so important in their lives and for the future of the Church! Ron will give some thoughts on Psalm 1, which is the inspired introduction to the entire book of Psalms.

There will be a time of sharing thoughts, reflections and a time of prayer. We hope as many as possible are able to make it.