

Diary dates

12th August- 6 for 6.30pm Walk and meal
23rd August- 1.30 for 2pm Morton Stanley Festival.
27th August -7.30pm-9pm At home with the Bevingtons.
5th September- Evening service at St John's.
10th September- 9am-9.30am St John's prays.
14th September -1.30pm Bowls_
15th September -7.45pm DCC at St John's.
25-27 September National Prayer Weekend.
10th October – All Together event at Worcester Cathedral.
20th October- 7.45pm DCC at St John's.
14th November – 9.30am-5pm The greatest Adventure at the ICC.
17th November -7.45pm DCC at St John's.
7th -9th October 2016- Cloverley Church weekend away.

Please pray for:

Gary and April, Garth and Jenny, Richard and Wendy - our Parish clergy and wives.
Those who are mourning.
The Kigezi Water and Sanitation project we are supporting.
For children; that they will be kept safe over the summer holidays and those who usually receive free meals are provided for.
For George his friend Jamie, Ben and Matthew who are going to Christian children's camps in August.
For those receiving exam results.
Persecuted Christians around the world.
For the All Together event at Worcester Cathedral in October.
The Alexandra Hospital and Worcestershire Acute Trust.
For charities reaching out to the lost, lonely and hungry.

Keep praying for

Roy Bush.
Stephen Ward.
Peggy Snellgrove.
Claire and Paul Burnham.
Allison following her ordination.
Maureen following her licensing.

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News from St John's

August 2015

Thought for the summer

As this will be the last 'News From St John's' for the summer, we would like to wish you all a pleasant few weeks, whether or not you are going away on holiday. Rest, in its true biblical sense, is a very special thing indeed, because it comes from the heart of our Saviour, who cares for each one of us. For some of us, this summer will bring change, and our Collect for today sheds light on God's grace in the midst of change and moving forward in his strength. ' Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit, in love and joy and peace, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen.'

James reminds us in verse 1:17 of his wonderful letter: 'Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.'

So, as we approach the rest of 2015, let's find that rest and peace in Jesus, to search for it, to receive it. Every day is a new beginning for a Christian believer, and we never actually stop being a disciple in this life. As Sam Wells once said: 'Remember that God still has good things in store, that the best is yet to come, that the future is always bigger than the past.'

Every blessing,
Gary

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Evening Service's in August

Please note there will be no evening service's at St John's in August. You are most welcome to attend the 6.30pm evening service at St Peter's in Ipsley. The next evening service at St John's will be Holy Communion on the 5th September.

Free 'All Together' event 10th October

A letter from Bishop John is on the notice board inviting us all to a fabulous day of hospitality, worship and learning. We will be refreshed not only with the activities and the venue but with breakfast (available from 9.30am) as well as lunch and afternoon - all free courtesy of a charitable trust.

You can get involved or sit back and listen. The day will be full of practical workshops, activities and talks for families and individuals of all ages. Come and have fun or relax, in the surroundings of this wonderful building. Take in the history, including the Magna Carta exhibition and be inspired and resourced about Kingdom People. To let us know you will be attending, and to help with refreshment provision, please sign up on the sheet in the foyer.

A coach will be going from Christ Church in Matchborough and will be available at an approximate cost of £5 per person. For those who would like to go by coach please contact Christ Church office on 01527 406400 asap to reserve your place.

Bishops Certificate

In the Autumn St Peter's will be hosting the next Bishops Certificate course, information is available on the notice board, please be thinking whether this is something you would like to do. More information will be available nearer the time.

Bowls

Bowls will restart after the summer holidays Monday 14th September 1.30pm

Morning Prayers

The morning prayer meeting at St John's will recommence Thursday 10th September at 9am, this weekly prayer session lasts for ½ an hour and is an opportunity to pray for the needs of the Church, the Parish, our Town and wider. It would be good if those who are around at this time of the day, are able to make these meetings.

Summer Series

Our Summer Worship For Everyone series continues today, come and listen over the next few weeks and hear what the Bible and specifically Paul has to say to us:

Division and Disagreement	Acts 15:30-41	19 th July
Preaching Gospel in the right place	Acts 16:1-10	26 th July
Personal Response	Acts 16:11-15	2 nd August
Paul in prison	Acts 16:16-40	9 th August
Anti Paul Pro Paul	Acts 17:1-14	16 th August
Paul Proclaims	Acts 17:16-34	23 rd August
Corinth Monday matters	Acts 18:1-17	30 th August
Journeys end/Beginning	Acts 18:18-23	6 th September

Refreshments will be served after the service as usual, please stay if you can.

Summer Socials

We have planned activities for the summer, for those who are around, why not come along to the following:

Walk and meal with Maureen and Ann - Wednesday 12th August. We will be meeting 6pm for a 6.30pm start at the Navigation Inn Straford Road, Wotton Wawen B95 6BZ which is set on the banks of the canal. For those up to walking, we shall take a stroll along the tow path before returning to the pub to enjoy a pre-ordered meal.

Morton Stanley Festival – Sunday 23rd August this is a whole family event with craft and community stalls, fun fair, climbing wall, street food festival, bands and choirs, including Redditch Community Gospel Choir, starring our very own Annette and Philip Humphrey – meet up from 1.30pm in the music area, ready in time for the 2pm choir slot. See the flyers in the foyer for more about this free entry festival ran by Redditch Borough Council. See Sharon if you have any queries.

At home with the Bevingtons - games, chat, drinks & nibbles at 54 Lineholt Close, Oakenshaw on Thursday 27th August, 7.30 to 9.30pm, Andy and Dot look forward to welcoming you.