

Diary dates

Monday 1.30pm Bowls

Tuesday 10-12noon Parents and Toddlers

Wednesday 1.45pm-2.45pm adult colouring in church.

Thursday 9.30am Holy Communion at St John's

10-12 noon Parents and toddlers

10-12noon Community coffee morning at St John's

7.30pm Dot and Andy Bevington's 'Barnabus study'

16th April – Mens breakfast at Kings Court Hotel 7.45am

17th April – Interfaith walk starting at St Stephen's 12.45pm

19th April – 8pm St John's AGM

21st April – Christian Aid walk

28th April – 8pm Parish AGM and PCC meeting at Christ Church.

4th May – 7.30-9pm Workplace chaplain event –Ecumenical Centre

7th June – Care for the family event Cheltenham

16th June – Parish Prayers 7.30-8.30pm

26th June – Priesting of Allison Davies at Worcester Cathedral.

28th July – PCC meeting at St Peter's

15th September – Parish Prayers 7.30-8.30pm

27th October – PCC meeting at St Johns

1st December – Parish Prayers 7.30-8.30pm

Please pray for:

Garth and Jenny, Richard and Wendy, Ian and Judy

Those who are mourning.

EU Referendum and upcoming local elections.

Those awaiting hospital treatment.

Archdeacon's annual visit to the Parish on 19th May

The Kigezi Water and Sanitation project we are supporting

New activities in the church during the week.

Parents and toddlers

Bowls

JUMP

The Alexandra Hospital and Worcestershire Acute Trust.

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

Keep praying for

Roy Bush.

Claire and Paul Burnham.

Stephen Ward.

Peggy Snellgrove.

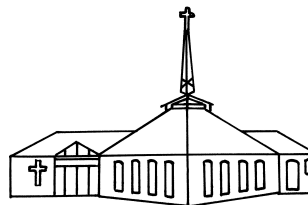
Contacts

Ipsley Rector: Canon Garth Nathaniel g.nathaniel@btinternet.com

Telephone 01527 522847

Churchwardens: Ann 01527 527789 anndonovan49@yahoo.co.uk

Sharon 01527 541492 forrest_s@btinternet.com



St. John The Evangelist

Parish of Ipsley

01527 501092

stjohnschurchredditch@gmail.com

News from St John's

Notices 10th April 2016

I have been helping this week with the children's homework, which was wonderfully on the subject of Biblical and Modern Miracles.

As we read and talked through the Miracles of Jesus - healing of a sick woman, raising a dead girl to life, turning water into wine, exorcising a boy possessed by a demon and Jesus walking on water, it was a great opportunity to talk about how anything is possible with God. The homework asked for a detailed account of these particular miracles, where they happened, who was present and what happened. In reading the Bible and study notes, I learnt some things myself. With the line from the song 'everything was done so you would come' ringing in my ears, I read how each miracle was witnessed only by those people Jesus intended it to be; in each of the miracles there were crowds, but he took certain people aside before the miracle was performed. To be in with a chance of being one of those witnesses the people had to be there in the first place of course. A miracle is defined as 'an unusual and significant event, which requires the working of a supernatural agent and is performed for the purpose of authenticating the message or the messenger'.

Have you witnessed a miracle? has it changed your relationship with God and how you view the world?

Blessings

Sharon

Mens breakfast

Saltway invite you to a men's breakfast on Saturday 16th April 7.45 for 8am at Kings Court Hotel, the speaker will be Peter Hill MRIN. As a 16 year old school leaver Peter spent 13 months on his first ship – voyaging to Arctic and Indian Ocean ports. He qualified as a deep sea Navigating Officer by the age of 20. At 70 he remains qualified by the UK MCA to navigate the largest ships at sea. He has just retired after 10 years regular service as Navigator in UK Sail Training ships. He will speak of hurricanes, ice, angry seas and blue skies! His story is also based on the challenge of living as a Christian at sea. Call Paul Nash on 07776 301469, email: nash926@btinternet.com to book, cost £8.

Inter-faith walk. You may be aware of the development in Redditch of the Interfaith Group, this year's walk on Sunday 17th April will start at 12.45pm from St Stephens Church to the new Redditch Mosque on Jinnah Road (by B&Q). There will be a chance to witness a prayer session, a panel of different faiths talking about common values, and the launch and signing of the Redditch Together Pledge....and some food!...Should finish by 4ish.

AGM and Church Electoral Roll Revision:

Our AGM is coming up on Tuesday 19th April 8pm please do come along. If you are not on the church membership roll known as the Electoral Roll and have been attending St John's for 6 months or more, or live in Greenlands, Woodrow or Wire Hill and would like to be, please speak to Dawn Wilson.

Weekly informal communion

Holy Communion is available Thursday mornings 9.30am at St John's; please do come along.

Redditch Churches – guided walk for Christian Aid Week

There will be a guided walk on Saturday 21st May, around some of the churches in Redditch to raise money for Christian Aid. You can choose the length of walk that will suit you. The shorter walks are stages in the long walk. The options are:
A long walk of 18 miles, a medium walk of 4.5 miles or a shorter town centre walk of 2 miles.

The long walk starts at 8.15am at St Peter's Church in Ipsley. It will also finish at St Peter's, where a cream tea will be served from 3.00pm. For a sponsor form please see Sharon.

Today – Easter 3

10.30am Morning Worship with Rosemary Humphrey,
'Easter Transformation' Acts 9:1-6, 7-20 and John 21:1-19.

6.00pm Evening worship with Vicki Quarton

Next Sunday –Easter 5

10.30am Morning Worship 'Easter Life'.
Acts 9:36-43 and John 10:22-3

6.30pm Evening Worship with Rosemary Humphrey and
Revd.Garth Nathaniel.

The Wisdom House -

Rob Parsons OBE has travelled the world meeting people from all walks of life and from cultures as diverse as New York and Borneo. He has spoken to governments, companies and over a million individuals. He has written fifteen books.

At The Wisdom House you get the chance to spend an evening with Rob as he unpacks some of the life lessons he has learnt from old and young alike, plus a few he has learnt the hard way! Rob Parsons will be speaking on 'The Wisdom House' at Trinity Cheltenham on 7th June 7.30-10pm cost £4, I will be going along and have room in the car for 3. If you can't make the event but would like to see the Wisdom House DVD see Sharon.

NEW - Join Andy and Dot Bevington for 4 weeks in their home 54 Lineholt Close for an evening of prayer and Bible study looking at the character of Barnabas with the latest Jeff Lucas video to help us along. Starting at 7.30 on Thursday April 14th we will spend 4 Thursday evenings looking at ...
1. Living the ordinary life beautifully 2. The power of kindness
3. Healthy Church 4. Navigating conflict.

Drinks and cakes, laughter and chat included!! On April 28th there will be a break so we can attend the parish AGM together instead