

## **Diary dates**

Monday- 1.30pm Bowls.

Tuesday-10am Parent and toddlers.

Wednesday- 7.30pm Pilgrim Course at St Peter's.

Thursday- 9.30am Holy Communion at St John's followed by coffee morning.  
10am Parent and toddlers.

25<sup>th</sup> January – SPICE Meeting 7.30pm

27<sup>th</sup> January – Wave Youth Service at Christ Church 7.30pm

28<sup>th</sup> January – Messy Church 10am Woodrow Community Hall.

28<sup>th</sup> January – 10.30-12noon Redditch Holocaust Memorial Day

31<sup>st</sup> January -1.30pm Standing Committee meet

7.30pm – Children's Leaders Meeting

9<sup>th</sup> February – 7pm – Children's Leaders social

14<sup>th</sup> February – 7.30pm DCC meet in church

23<sup>rd</sup> February – 7.30-9.30pm PCC meet at Christ Church.

28<sup>th</sup> February – 5pm Children's social – Pancakes at Jane and Karl Smith's

25<sup>th</sup> February – 10-12noon Messy Church in Woodrow.

27<sup>th</sup> April – Parish AGM 7.30pm Venue TBA

14-20<sup>th</sup> May – Christian Aid Week.

## **Please pray for:**

Garth and Jenny, Richard and Wendy, Ian and Judy.

Our Licensed Lay Ministers Maureen, Rosie and Vicki.

Ann Ball and family.

Those suffering with ill health.

The Kigezi Water and Sanitation project we are supporting.

Messy Church – planning for January.

Open the Book.

4 U Club.

Our Nation- for the Prime Minister, the government & Members of Parliament for wisdom as they prepare for Britain to leave the EU

Those looking for work.

Charities reaching out to the lost, lonely and hungry.

## **Keep praying for**

Ann Ball. Nancy Borthwick Jane Smith

Sylvia Czink Peggy Snellgrove

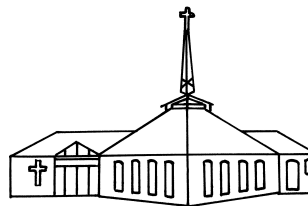
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# St. John The Evangelist

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Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2017

Dear St John's,

The PCC and DCC of each church within our Parish have taken up the opportunity to use 'PCC Tonight' resources from Anglican evangelical mission agency CPAS, to help churches better be able to fulfil the mission of God in their communities. Yesterday St John's DCC met for the morning and having evaluated what works and what could be improved, we have formulated new terms of reference and codes of conduct for the DCC and Standing Committee. These guiding principles will be available shortly and may encourage you if you are considering standing for DCC.

The DCC using the PCC Tonight materials will next review church life with a focus on 3 areas; worship, mission and community.

At this year's St John's Annual General Meeting, we will be implementing the decision made at the last AGM, that all Council posts will be due for election, please be thinking and praying if election to the DCC is for you.

Blessings

Sharon and Ann

### **Christian Aid**

The regional organiser for Christian Aid has managed to secure a slot at TESCO Redditch for a charity collection on Friday February 10<sup>th</sup>.

Tony Pitt a local resident is trying to organise collectors to help with this if anyone is willing to help shake a bucket for an hour or so on that day please can you contact Tony by telephone or use the following email [dickim@globalnet.co.uk](mailto:dickim@globalnet.co.uk). The day would last from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. so 8 hours in total, and we need at least 2 volunteers per hour, so 16 people in total. The same opportunity came up 2 years ago and more than £450 was raised on that one day.

### **SPICE meeting 25<sup>th</sup> January 7.30pm in church**

All are invited to the first SPICE meeting of the year, come along and hear what has been happening and have input to future events. If you can't make the meeting but have ideas you would like considered please see Rosie.

### **Parish AGM 7.30pm 27<sup>th</sup> April – venue TBA**

Please put in the diary the date of the Parish AGM, all welcome.

### **The Wave Youth Service 27<sup>th</sup> January**

For young people aged 11-18 years of age, the Wave Youth Service takes place at Christ Church the last Friday of each month at 7.30-8.30p.m. It is run by the youth for the youth, Christ Church Youth Workers are also in attendance.

### **Bromsgrove and Redditch helping refugee's**

The next collection of warm clothes including coats to go to refugees in France, Greece and Serbia, will be at St Lukes church hall on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February, if you prefer, bring in for Sharon to drop off. Thank you

### **Café –Radiate Redditch - creating the warmth of community.**

Following the successful drop in café over Christmas at the Ecumenical Centre, manned by church volunteers and members of the community, a free meal, a friendly welcome, good company and encouragement to anyone who feels they need it, will now take place on the second Monday of every month in the form of a cafe- 6pm onwards for a cuppa and chat, food served at 6.30 finishing at 7.30pm. Anyone wishing to volunteer can contact Ecumenical Centre 01527 65952.

### **Today 15<sup>th</sup> January – Epiphany 2**

10.30am Morning Worship with Vicki Quarton  
'What are you looking for' Isaiah 49:1-7 and John 1:29-42

6.30pm Evening praise with Revd.Richard Harding. John 7:1-52,  
'Hunger and Thirst'

### **Next Sunday 22nd January – Epiphany 3**

10.30am Holy Communion and Healing Prayer with Revd.Garth  
Nathaniel Isaiah 9:1-4 and Matthew 4:12-23.  
'The promise of the Kingdom'

6.30pm Evening worship with Rosemary Humphrey.

### **Chaplain to the Queen**

Buckingham Palace has announced that the Revd Georgina Byrne, Residentiary Canon at Worcester Cathedral has been appointed as a Chaplain to the Queen.

Georgina said:

"I feel extremely privileged to have been honoured in this way. The letter from Buckingham Palace arrived, like a very special gift, just before Christmas and I've been smiling ever since."

### **Spectacular exhibition**

Threads through Revelation is a spectacular display of textile art, showing many images from the book of Revelation, the last book in the Bible. On Tour Now!

Threads through Revelation is visiting cathedrals across the country for the next three years. The exhibition is travelling to:

Exeter Cathedral: 19th Oct - 19 December 2016

**Worcester Cathedral: 7 January - 27 February 2017**

Norwich Cathedral: 2 March - 15 April 2017

Peterborough Cathedral: 4 July - 8 Sept 2017

Salisbury Cathedral: 11 September - 5 Nov 2017

Ripon: 26 February - 13 April 2018

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