

Diary dates

Monday- 1.30pm Bowls.

Tuesday-10am Parent and toddlers.

7.30pm DCC meet in church

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

4pm Woodrow Community Group meeting in the library

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

10am Parent and toddlers.

23rd February - 7.30-9.30pm PCC meet at Christ Church.

27th February - Card making at Lynda's 1pm

25th February - 10-12noon Messy Church in Woodrow.

28th February - 5pm Children's social - Pancakes at Jane and Karl Smith's

1st March - Ash Wednesday

3rd March - Women's World Day of Prayer 2pm Oasis and 7.30pm St Peter's

7th March - Children's leaders meeting 8.00pm

27th March - Card making at Lynda's 1pm

27th April - Parish AGM 7.30pm Venue TBA

14-20th 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.

Womens World Day of Prayer in Redditch

Compassion and other charities forced to close in India

Those suffering with ill health.

The Kigezi Water and Sanitation project we are supporting.

Messy Church.

Open the Book.

4 U Club.

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

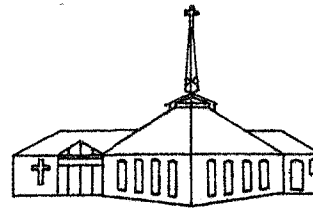
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Sunday 12th February 2017

Dear all,

The Bible readings we have had in morning prayers over this last week have been quite difficult passages. Especially the readings from the prophet Joel. Joel prophecies of judgement, and God calling His people to repentance, leading to restoration and renewal.

Wrapped up in these prophecies I find a fascinating call "Let the priests, who minister before the Lord, weep between the portico and the altar. Let them say, "Spare your people, Lord. Do not make your inheritance an object of scorn, a byword among the nations. Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?'" Joel 2:17

Are you grieved by the things you see in our world today? Are you pained by the greed, and the anger, and the pain that is all around us? Then take heart and weep and cry out to God to spare our nation and world. "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, have mercy on us and heal our land."

#Thy Kingdom come.

With every blessing,

Canon Garth Nathaniel

Card Making

Do you enjoy craft, or would like to give it a try? join Lynda Adams at home for card making 1pm-3pm on 27th February and 27th March, cost £3 to cover refreshments and materials, please let Lynda know you will be going.

Women's World Day of Prayer

There will be 2 services held in Redditch on Friday March 3rd. The afternoon service is at Oasis Church at 2.00pm and the evening service is at St Peter's Church at 7.30pm. WWDP is unique in its breadth and the unity and friendship it creates, it is the largest ecumenical movement in the world, the only one in which Orthodox and Protestant, Catholic and Evangelical come together to worship; covering 170 countries and territories.

Touchstones Ball

How does a night out, with gorgeous food, entertainment, good company with some familiar faces sound? and even better, by buying a ticket to the Charity Ball you will be helping to raise money for Touchstones Child Bereavement Support. Take a look at the flyer on the board in the foyer or see Vicki or Rob Quarton for more information.

Foodbank.

Thank you for your continued support. There is a good stock on most things at the moment after Christmas, but these items are running low. Tinned Meats (meatballs, stew, curry) Tinned Meat (ham, corned beef) Fruit juice (long life carton) Custard Sponge puddings Tinned fruit Sugar Basic Toiletries, toilet rolls, razors, shaving foam, deodorant.

Compassion

The Indian government have revoked the charitable status of over 11,000 organisations including Compassion India. No other support has been put in place and this leaves 1,000's of people abandoned. Pray that this situation is quickly changed.

Wednesday in Woodrow

If you are a resident of Woodrow and would like to hear about plans for the area, pop along to the library this Wednesday 4pm, see Rosie for more information.

Today - Third Sunday before Lent

10.30am Morning Worship with Revd Garth Nathaniel Deut 30:15-20 and Matthew 5:21-37 'Living with Integrity'.

6.30pm Evening Worship with Maureen Hughes.

Next Sunday- Second Sunday before Lent

10.30am Morning Worship with Maureen Hughes and Rosemary Humphrey Leviticus 19:1-2,9-18 and Matthew 5:38-48, 'Living graciously and generously'.

6.30pm Evening Worship with Revd Richard Harding.

Evening service on the Holy Spirit

Revd. Richard Harding continues a series of talks on the Holy Spirit this evening "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. .. 'From within him will flow rivers of living water'". Sunday evening services offer a quieter time of reflection lasting an hour starting at 6.30pm, do come and join us.

Collect for the week:

Eternal God,
whose Son went among the crowds
and brought healing with his touch:
help us to show his love, in your
Church as we gather together, and by
our lives as they are transformed into
the image of Christ our Lord.
through Jesus Christ your Son our
Lord, who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one
God, now and for ever. Amen.