Diary dates

Monday 22nd May 1pm Card making at Lynda's house.
Tuesday 23rd May 4pm Gardening - Fladbury Close, Woodrow.
Thursday 9:30am Holy Communion - St. John's, followed by coffee morning.
Saturday 27th May 10-12 noon Messy Church - Woodrow community rooms.
Sunday 28th May No evening service, all welcome at St. Peter's
Saturday 17th June Fun Day - St. John's.

Please pray for:

- Garth and Jenny, Richard and Wendy, Ian and Judy.
- *Licensed Lay Ministers* – Maureen, Rosie and Vicki.
- *Wardens* – Barry Humphrey and Sharon Forrest.
- Those studying for exams.
- Those suffering with ill health.
- The Kigezi Water and Sanitation project we are supporting.
- Open the Book, as we continue to be welcomed in schools.
- 4 U Club, for children in this Bible group in school.
- Charities reaching out to the lost, lonely and hungry including the monthly outreach in the Ecumenical Centre and Church Urban Fund.
- General election 8th June.
- Parish Prayers: Edgmond Close, Winyates; Furze lane, Winyates Green; Bishopstone Close, Matchborough; Washford Drive, Park Farm; Meriden Close, Matchborough;

Please keep praying for:

Ann Ball & family	Nancy Borthwick	Jane Smith
Sylvia Czink	Peggy Snellgrove	

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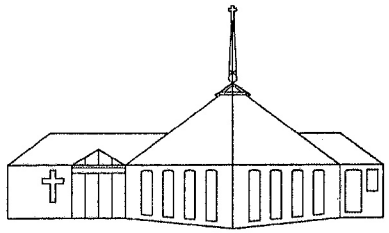

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Sunday, 21 May 2017

Dear All,

It is Ascension Day this coming Thursday. There will be a communion service celebrating Ascension day at St Peter's at 7 pm. Jesus ascended to the Father, with the promise that He would send His Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit when He came would empower the Church to be a witness to God's saving grace. The disciples waited for Pentecost when they would receive this promise.

Join us as we launch our 10 Days of prayer campaign, entitled "Thy Kingdom Come." Will you commit yourself to praying regularly through these days leading up to Pentecost, for the preaching of the Gospel in this land. Use the "Pray for 5" cards to remind you to pray for 5 persons you know, to be saved. Join the Parish on "30th May" from 7:30 – 9:30 pm at Christ Church for praying together through the use of prayer stations. St Peter's Church is open from 10 – 5 for prayer every day through these 10 days. Do drop in for a time of quiet prayer at the prayer stations. Or pray where ever you are.

Then on Pentecost (4th June) we will host the Parish Pentecost Celebration at St John's Greenlands at 10:30 am.

Praying with you,

Canon Garth Nathaniel

Pray for 5

As part of the Archbishop's wave of prayer we are encouraging folks to think of 5 people to pray for in the run up to Pentecost.
Use a list, or a piece of cord/wool around your wrist as a reminder to pray each day.

Plea for blankets and sleeping bags

Blankets and sleeping bags are urgently needed by the big hearted volunteers of Bromsgrove and Redditch Welcomes Refugees to help those fleeing war torn parts of the world.
The appeal comes after one of the camps in Northern France was gutted by fire with tents, sleeping bags, blankets and possessions all lost.
Volunteers are so desperate they've been crocheting blankets themselves, helped by a workshop at the Old Needle Works in Britten Street.
They can be contacted at: info@brwr.uk (website http://brwr.uk)

St. John's Fun Day - Saturday 17th June 2 - 4pm

Helpers needed for stalls and games!
Donations:

- Jam jars or similar containers with lids - empty or filled. Suitable for children.
- Small toys for Bran Tub
- Bric a brac and Prizes for Tombola
- Books and jigsaws
- Plants
- Sweets - packets and individually wrapped - check dates!!!

Dress code - bright colours - lime green, bright yellow, bright orange, etc., Feel free to come in fancy dress

Fladbury Close work-in date change

Due to bad weather the work in will now be on Tuesday 23rd May 4-6pm
Many hands make light work!
Please pray for Tuesday afternoon.

Faith Walk - This afternoon

Walkers are invited to gather at the ruins of Bordesley Abbey (B98 8HY) the first known place of worship in Redditch (parking at the Abbey Stadium) at 2:30pm setting off for the town centre for refreshments at St Stephen's Church where the discussion will take place, between 3 - 5pm. All ages are welcome and more details are available on 07946 655450.

Services

Easter 6

10:30am Morning Worship with Vicki Quarton *Acts 17:22-31* and *John 14:15 - 21* 'Are we bridge builders?'

6:30pm Evening Worship with Richard Harding *Matthew 18:21-35* and *Colossians 3:12-17* 'A forgiving heart'

Next Sunday - Easter 7

10:30am Holy Communion with Garth Nathaniel & Maureen Hughes *Acts 1:6-14* and *1 Peter 4:12-14* 'A Living Prayer' with baptisms of Stanley, Evie & Emily Round.

6:30pm Evening Worship at St. Peter's - No service at St. John's.

Evening Service

Please note there will be no evening service at St John's on 28th May. St. Peter's have a service at 6.30pm where you will be most welcome.

Ascension Day Service

There will be a Parish Ascension Service 7.30pm on 25th May at St. Peter's, please do come along if you can. If you would like a lift please see Sharon.

Pentecost Service - 4th June

We will be welcoming members of St. Peter's and Christchurch to our Worship For Everyone Parish Pentecost service here at St. John's.There will be an opportunity for pre-school children to have some time out of the service in the hall. Anyone who can help with welcoming or refreshments on this day please see Sharon.

Baptism

We are pleased to be welcoming Sarah and Christopher Round, their family and friends during the morning service on 28th May, when their children Stanley, Evie & Emily will be Baptised.

Card Making

Lynda's next card making session will be this Monday at 1pm. Please bring £3 for materials.