

Diary dates

Thurs 9:30am Holy Communion - St. John's, followed by coffee morning.

Monday 24th July 1pm Card making at Lynda's house.

Wednesday 2nd August 3 - 5pm(ish) Walk to Arrow Valley Lake.

Wednesday 9th August 6:30 - 9pm BBQ at Rob & Vicki Q's house.

Wednesday 16th Aug 6pm Canal Walk, Navigation Pub, Wootton Wawen

Sunday 20th Aug after service Warwick Park - Picnic and games.

Wednesday 30th Aug 7:30 - 9pm Games & nibbles at Ann's house.

Sunday 10th Sept Presentation of ALM certificate to Mike Palfreyman at Worcester Cathedral.

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.
- ❖ Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Trust as they put plans for re-organisation in place.
- ❖ Garth and Jenny as they wait on news for Garth's operation.
- ❖ Mike Palfreyman as he completes his training and waits for his Licensing as Lay Reader.
- ❖ School teachers and pupils as they take a break over the summer.
- ❖ The Kigezi Water and Sanitation project we are supporting.
- ❖ The appointment of a Community Missioner for Christ Church.
- ❖ Volunteers from St. John's and the Parish taking a break over the summer.
- ❖ Those suffering with ill health.
- ❖ Parish Prayers: : Hampton Close, Woodrow; Maxstoke Close, Matchborough; Ardens Close, Winyates; Netherfield, Greenlands; Dursley Lane, Winyates Green;

Please keep praying for:

Ann Ball & family Nancy Borthwick Sylvia Czink Peggy Snellgrove

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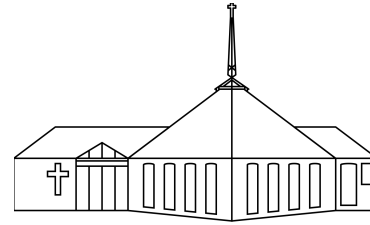
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Sunday, 23 July 2017

Dear All,

How do we know that we've really forgiven God? What are the signs in our life that we've done that? There are three things:

1. Forgiveness is a conscious choice, an act of the will. We make a conscious choice to forgive or not to forgive. When we make that choice to forgive – totally – we know it in our hearts.

2. When we have resolved to trust and praise God without getting our answers – even when our prayers aren't answered. Like Job we say, 'Though he slay me, yet will I trust in him' (Job 13:15, KJV). Job said those words during the greatest trial of his life. And his breakthrough, which finally came, was worth waiting for.

3. When you have inner peace without outward evidence that God is there.

It is my sincere prayer that you will be encouraged to totally forgive God for whatever He has allowed to happen in your life that has led to your anger, hurt, frustration or disillusionment. Ask yourself if you are better or worse off by angrily claiming that God has a lot to answer for. Unforgiveness impoverishes our life, can make us into an unpleasant person, and we are empty of inner peace.

But the good news is, there is a better way to live. By your setting God free, you will be free.

"My chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose went forth and followed Thee."

Blessings as you learn to forgive God,

Canon Garth Nathaniel



Getting together over the summer

If you have an idea of something we can join in with or organise ourselves, would like to come and need a lift, or you can't get out but would like to host (with help) people to come to you, please let Sharon know.

Canal Walk

Join Ann and Maureen for a canal walk 6pm Wednesday 16th August and after at the Navigation Pub Wootton Wawen, for an optional bar meal, or if the walk isn't possibly, why not join us for the meal. Sign up on the sheet on the table in the foyer.

St Nicholas Park -Warwick

Warwick Park- fun after the morning service on 20th August, bring something to sit on, a picnic and money for an ice cream, pitch and put or children's fair and change for the car park.www.stnicholaspark.co.uk/parking.php St Nicholas, Banbury Road, Warwick satnav CV34 4QY

Bored? Come and play some fun board games

Indoor games and nibbles 7.30-9pm Wednesday 30th August at Ann's house, board games available.

Look Local

Wednesday 2nd August 3 - 5pm ish. Walk to Arrow Valley Park- meet up at St Johns car park for a guided walk to Arrow Valley, bring a picnic and change for a drink or ice cream from the café.

BBQ Fun

On 9th August 6:30 - 9pm, Rob and Vicki would be happy for you to bring some food to cook on their party size BBQ.

Worcestershire Wellbeing Hub

Worcestershire Health and Care NHS have teamed up with charity Community First Herefordshire and Worcestershire to provide a local link to wellbeing support in Worcestershire. People over the age of 16 who are experiencing low mood, anxiety or stress and feel that they would benefit from support from local community providers can call 01905 766124 email whcnhs@nhs.net or access the directory online at www.hacw.nhs.uk/wellbeinghub

Services

Proper 11

10:30am Worship for Everyone with Holy Communion led by Garth Nathaniel *Genesis 37:1-4* 'A Hero Rises', with Baptism of Courtney Medows and Bella & Corteny Green

6:30pm No evening Service

Next Sunday - Proper 12

10:30am Worship for Everyone with Vicki Quarton *Genesis 37:3-24* 'Do You Know Why You Were Born'

6:30pm No evening Service

Lectionary Readings

Week beginning 24th July - 30th July

Mon Ex 32.15-24, 30-34; Ps 106.19-23; Mt 13.31-35

Tues Ex 33.7-11, 34.5-9, 28; Ps 103.8-12; Mt 13.36-43

Wed Ex 34.29-end; Ps 99; Mt 13.44-46

Thurs Ex 40.16-21, 34-end; Ps 84.1-6; Mt 13.47-53

Fri Lev 23.1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34-37; Ps 81.1-8; Mt 13.54-end

Sat Lev 25.1, 8-17; Ps 67; Mt 14.1-12

Collect for the week:

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Also remember members of St Johns prayer Healing Ministry team are available most Sunday mornings and a prayer chain is available everyday, to pray in confidence for you or someone you know. Call Ann Donovan (for prayer chain) in the first instance on 01527 527789.

Card Making

You are invited to card making at Lynda's on Monday 24th July 1pm, please see Lynda if you would like to go thank you.