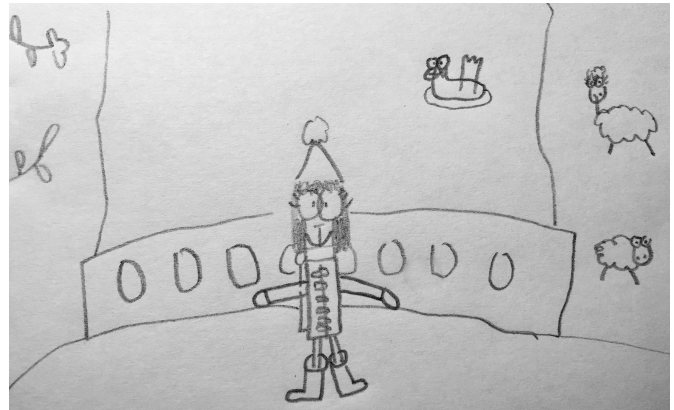


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**Sunday, 5 November 2017**

Yesterday Abi and I had the opportunity to go to Compton Verney, a glorious estate in Warwickshire. The purpose of our visit was to see exhibitions including *'The Lost Words'* - an amazing combination of poetry and pictures focusing on nature, and *'Inside Stories'* by Quentin Blake - in which he shared the journey from rough outline to finished sketches for some of his most well known illustrations. We also visited the Textile Fair and marvelled at talents of the artists who were exhibiting, which included skills such as intricate embroidery, felting, fabric printing, mixed media and knitting.



In our own church those taking part in the Network course have been looking both at our own strengths and giftings, what others see in us and comparing the two. It is very encouraging to see the range of gifts we have within the church family and it is a wonderful reminder of our different skills and talents.

At St. John's we are also part of the parish of Ipsley and we shall have the opportunity to worship together at the morning service on Sunday 19th November at 10:30am. The service will be at Christ Church and members from all three churches will be contributing with their gifts and talents. We would encourage you to come along to that service, especially as we will not be meeting at St. John's on that morning. The joint celebration will be followed by a lunch, which will be provided. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer if you are able to stay for lunch, by Sunday 12th October, so that the caterers will know how many they will be providing for.

**God's various gifts are handed out everywhere; but they all originate in God's Spirit. God's various ministries are carried out everywhere; but they all originate in God's Spirit. God's various expressions of power are in action everywhere; but God himself is behind it all. Each person is given something to do that shows who God is: Everyone gets in on it, everyone benefits. All kinds of things are handed out by the Spirit, and to all kinds of people! The variety is wonderful: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 The Message**

God bless

**Rosie**

### **Repairs to the hall**

Hirers and users of the hall are being advised it will be unavailable for use from Monday 30th October for up to 2 weeks, during which time the floor is having essential repairs. Some of the groups who usually use the hall have taken up the offer of using the church, so in order to accommodate them, you may see slight changes to the table and chair layout in the church. The Sunday morning service on 12th November will include the older children; a crèche will be put on for scramblers.

### **Garth**

Garth is at home and recovering well. Jenny is better as well. Please continue in your prayer support for the family.

### **Parish Service and lunch**

There will be a service 10.30am at Christ Church on 19th November for all 3 churches in the Parish and afterwards a lunch will be provided. The lunch, which is open to all and free will incorporate baked potatoes with choice of topping and salad along with a delicious pudding. In order for us to cater for those attending, there is a sign up sheet available in the foyer, please let us know if you will be staying after the service. Please do think about coming along, we have been very blessed at past services by worshipping together. Children's groups will run on the day, with our own leaders involved too. If you would like a lift or have space in your car please speak with Sharon or if you know someone needs a lift speak with them directly to arrange.

### **Christmas Fayre**

It's that time again for us to think about donating items for the chocolate and bottle tombola's for the Christmas Fayre, which takes place on Saturday 2nd December. All proceeds taken on the day are used for the local community, so please give generously. Also do put the date in the diary and come and join in.

### **Foodbank -Admin Volunteer Required:**

Redditch Foodbank are looking for an administration volunteer to work up to three hours per week, based in Winyates. These hours can be carried out any weekday except Thursday (times negotiable). Most of the tasks will involve data entry so you must be computer literate and accurate. If you are interested please contact Sarah Barcham on 07847618539 or email [info@redditch.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@redditch.foodbank.org.uk)

### **Sylvia Laight**

It is with sadness we have heard of the passing of Sylvia Laight, please keep Sylvia's family in your prayers.

### **Operation Christmas Child**

Can you please return filled shoe boxes by next Sunday morning 12th November thank you.

## Services

### **Proper 26**

10:30am Worship for Everyone with Vicki Quarton

*Micah 3:5-12 & Matthew 23:1-12*

‘What lies beneath’

6:30pm Holy Communion with Ian Evans

*Colossians 3 1-17*

### **Next Sunday - Proper 27**

10:30am Remembrance Sunday Service with Ian Evans and

Rosie Humphrey

6:30pm Evening Worship - Taize with Rob Quarton

## Lectionary Readings

Week beginning 6th Nov - 12th Nov

Mon Wsdm 1.1–7 or Titus 1.1–9; Ps 139.1–9 or 24.1–6; Lk 17.1–6

Tues Wsdm 2.23–3.9 or Titus 2.1–8, 11–14; Ps 34.1–6 or 37.3–5, 30–32; Lk 17.7–10

Wed Wsdm 6.1–11 or Titus 3.1–7; Ps 82 or 23; Lk 17.11–19

Thurs Wsdm 7.22–8.1 or Philemon 7–20; Ps 119.89–96 or 146.4–end; Lk 17.20–25

Fri Wsdm 13.1–9 or 2 Jn 4–9; Ps 19.1–4 or 119.1–8; Lk 17.26–end

Sat Wsdm 18.14–16, 19.6–9; or 3 Jn.5–8; Ps 105.1–5, 35–42 or 112; Lk 18.1–8

## Collect for the week:

Almighty and eternal God, you have kindled the flame of love in the hearts of the saints: grant to us the same faith and power of love, that, as we may rejoice in their triumphs, we may be sustained by their example and fellowship; 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 forever. 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.**

### **Diary dates**

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

**Thurs (repeated following Monday) 7:30pm** Giftings course - St. John's

Thurs 9th Nov - The Influence of Passion

Thurs 16th Nov - The Promise of Ministry

Thurs 23rd Nov - What should I do?

**Sunday 19th Nov 10:30am** Joint Parish service with lunch - Christ Church

**Sat 25th Nov 10 - 12pm** Messy Church - Woodrow Community Centre

### **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.
- ❖ Garth and Jenny as Garth recovers from his operation.
- ❖ The Kigezi Water and Sanitation project we are supporting.
- ❖ Graeme and Jackie Russell as he fulfils the role of Community Missioner in Christ Church.
- ❖ Parish Prayers: : Tredington Close, Woodrow; Haseley Close, Matchborough; Quilbury Close, Winyates; Larkfield Road, Greenlands; Fernwood Close, Wirehill;

### **Please keep praying for:**

Nancy Borthwick

Sylvia Czink

Peggy Snellgrove

Vicki and Rob Quarton & family on the passing of Vicki's father.

The family of Isabel Stephens

The family of Sylvia Laight

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