



ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST
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Sunday, 26 November

Angels on the loose

At the back of church you will find Christmas cards containing details of Christmas services at St. John's. Please take one and display the angel in your window - you never know what conversations will come if it! Take a couple more invitations, so that you can pass them on to friends/neighbours.



GLORY TO GOD IN
THE HIGHEST AND
ON EARTH PEACE

We also need these invitations to be delivered to as many houses as possible on Greenlands, Woodrow and Wirehill. Some lovely people have already signed up, but there are plenty more volunteering opportunities. Please see the sheet to see what roads are available to be covered. The invitations need to go out **THIS WEEK**, as the Christingle service is next Sunday! I know it may be hard for some of you to resist, but please do not sort your invitations into colours. The idea is that where possible neighbours receive different colours. The cards have been counted into 10's to help you to work out how many to take. We have printed just under 1400 invitations, which is no where near enough to cover the whole area. If we run out and further supplies are required, please contact Barry or Rosie.

As you deliver, pray God's blessings on each house. Smile at anyone you see, you never know what conversations may arise!

Why bother delivering invitations?

Lots of people do not know that there is a church on Greenlands, especially if they have recently moved into the area. It is a good way of raising the profile of the church, and getting some exercise. Some people may attend another church, but they will still appreciate knowing that there is a local church. Even if they cannot make any of the Christmas services, they may come some other time.

We appreciate that some people will not be able to take part in delivering. Please can you pray for those who are, and the homes that will receive the invitations.

Many thanks

Rosie

Christmas Fayre - Sat 2 - 4pm

Please do join in with this traditional Christmas Fayre with prize every time bottle and chocolate tombola, cake sale and white elephant stalls. Refreshments will be served, bring a neighbour or family member or come and meet up with folk from St Johns, all money raised is used for the community teas.

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

Foodbank Collection at TESCO

The next collection is on Thursday November 30th, Friday 1st and Saturday 2nd December as part of the national event. Can you help by coming along and giving out lists of foods needed? We can join with folk at St Peters who are providing a team between 9.00-13.00 on Friday 1st Dec or you can join with another team if the other dates are better.

Many thanks for all your food donations. Town Centre Carols:

Town Centre Carols

The annual Town Centre Carols will take place on Saturday 16th December at 11am on the mezzanine level above Primark & The Works.

Stephen Ward's birthday

Stephen and friends including folk from St Johns will be celebrating Stephens birthday with a meal at the Foxlydiate Arms, Birchfield Road, Webheath on Tuesday 5th December 6.30pm. If you would like to come along please let Stephen know.

Services

Proper 29 - Christ the King

10:30am Holy Communion with Richard Harding
'Church as living stones - building community (love and character)' *Ephesians 4:1-31*

6:30pm Evening Worship with Mike Palfreyman

Next Sunday - Advent 1

10:30am Morning Worship - 'Being who you are called to be'
Isaiah 64:1-9 & Mark 13:24-37

4:00pm Christingle Service with Ian Evans & Vicki Quarton

Lectionary Readings

Week beginning 20th Nov - 26th Nov

Mon Dan 1.1-6, 8-20; Canticle: Bless the Lord; Lk 21.1-4

Tues Dan 2.31-45; Canticle: Benedicite 1-3; Lk 21.5-11

Wed Dan 5.1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Canticle: Benedicite 4-5; Lk 21.12-19

Thurs Dan 6.12-end; Canticle: Benedicite 6-8a; Lk 21.20-28

Fri Dan 7.2-14; Canticle: Benedicite 8b-10a; Lk 21.29-33

Sat Dan 7.15-27; Canticle: Benedicite 10b-end; Lk 21.34-36

Collect for the week:

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; 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

Tues 28th Nov 7:30pm DCC Meeting - St. John's

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

Sat 2nd Dec 2-4pm Christmas Fayre - St. John's Hall

Sun 3rd Dec 4:00pm Christingle Service - St. John's

Sat 16th Dec 11am Carols in the town centre, mezzanine level above Primark & The Works

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: : Astley Close, Woodrow; Elvington Close, Matchborough; Granby Close, Winyates; Highland way, Greenlands; John's 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

Linda Beasley

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