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**Welcome to our services today!**

**The United Benefice of**

**St John the Baptist Littleworth,**

**St John the Baptist Tixall**

**and St Mary the Virgin Ingestre**

**Rector: Rev Adrian Stone**



**SUNDAY 26TH MAY 2013**

(Trinity Sunday)

**COLLECT FOR THIS SUNDAY**

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|   |   | Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith,to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 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. |

**TODAY**

8.00am Holy Communion Littleworth

 (Adrian/Wendy/Keith)

9.30am Holy Communion Littleworth

(Adrian/Wendy/Keith)

11.15am Holy Communion Ingestre

 (Adrian/Keith/Wendy)

6.00pm Evening Worship Littleworth

 (Paula)

7.00pm SNP for Young People

**Bible Readings**

Romans 5:1-5 Pew Bibles pg 1132

John 16:12–15 Pew Bibles pg 1084

**We invite you to join us for refreshments after the services**

**OPEN DOORS**

**Your Deanery needs You! -** Can you make tea and serve it with a smile? Would you like to go to the County Show, but think the admission is a bit high? If you can offer the Deanery 3 hours on either **Wed 29th May or Thu 30th May** to make and serve refreshments, we will give you free entry to the Show as a "thank you".  We are looking for **help between 10 - 1 or 1 - 4 on both days**. You will be asked to make refreshments and serve them with a smile, keep the marquee tidy and wash up the teaspoons. Once you have done your 3 hours you will be free to look around the show.Contact the Revd Elaine Evans 01785 252874 if you are able to help.

**PCC Meeting -** The next meeting of the PCC will be on Monday 3rd June at 7.30pm. This is an open meeting for all members of the congregation who wish to attend so there will be a single agenda item 'The Future of the Youth and Children's work at St John's'. Please make every effort to attend this important meeting.

**Christian Aid -** The Christian Aid collection raised a total of £1079. This consisted of £549.67 from the Coffee Morning and Sale, £479.33 from envelopes and an anonymous donation of £50. Just over £200 in the envelopes was Gift Aided, so Christian Aid will get an extra £50. (Last year's house to house raised about £700). Thank you to everyone who has contributed to this great total. Doreen Ashley, WFG

**GROWTH GROUPS -**  Our newly formed growth groups will be meeting together for the first time in the next few weeks. If you have said that you wish to be a member of a group the leader of your group will be in touch with you to let you know the date and time of the first meeting. One group will meet on Tuesday and the other two groups will meet on Thursday. If you would like to join one of the groups please let either: Adrian, Ian, Kay or Wendy Pitt know and you can join one of the groups.

**John Young** - There are 2 further events run by the John Young Foundation. The first is Tuesday 18 June at Sandon Hall led by Dr Jane Gledhill - Our Journey with God. The second is on Wednesday 3 July at Colwich Abbey led by Revd Chris Thorpe. Both cost £12.50 and include tea/coffee, but a packed lunch is required.  For all enquiries please contact the Foundation on 01785 258428.
**CELEBRATINGESTRE** - Ingestre Festival committee is holding another Festival in August this year to commemorate the completion of Ingestre Hall in 1613. It is the 400th anniversary of the Hall and the ‘Celebratingestre’ Festival will focus on the fascinating history of the Hall and the later Church of St Mary the Virgin (1676) which adjoins the Hall. To achieve this a wide range of events and exhibitions is being arranged, all of which will illustrate or relate to the history and heritage of Ingestre Hall and Church in some way. More information to come. Anne Andrews

**ACTIVE AGE!! (mainly for the over 50's) -  'Active Age' sessions of gentle exercise lasting 30mins will be led by Keri Lees on Tuesdays from noon to 12.30pm. Each session will last about 30 minutes and there will be a charge of £2.00 per person per session. Everyone is most welcome and if you would like to come along 'just to see what happens’ there will be no charge for a first-time visitor to the Group. These sessions will not be held during School holidays (including half terms). If you have any queries please see the notices in the foyer or ask Liz Clarke.**

**Ingestre and Tixall News** - Saturday June 8th 2-4pm Cream Tea & Local History Display in aid of Tixall Church. Friday June 28th World Famous Harpist Catrin Finch at Ingestre Church.

*St John’s Weekend – 21-23 June – display your skills at the ‘St John’s has got talent’ on the Friday evening (entry forms available soon) and your presence is requested for the Saturday and Sunday event ‘at home’ – put these dates in your diary.*

**DEEP WELLS**

**Our Vision Prayer**

**OPEN DOORS AND DEEP WELLS**

Open the doors of your church, Lord,

that we might welcome those you lead to us,

and go out to those you lead us to.

Deepen the wells of your church, Lord,

that we might draw from the life of your Spirit and light of your Word.

Teach us to pray, Lord, that your kingdom may come

and your will be done, now and always. Amen

**Bible Readings for this week**

Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12–15

Space for notes:

**Daily Prayer**

**Holy God, faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth, and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.**

**Please pray for these people who have asked for your prayers:**

May Jones, Joe, Terry Alcock, Eddie Ashcroft, Paul Davies, Gwen Shelley, Eileen Pegg, Brenda Bromley, Marian Tudor, Trudie Allsop, Marie-Jean Nixon, Elaine Dunn, Joan Poole, Annette Haddy, Jack Hayward, Melvyn Moss, Grace Cannell, Margaret Otter

Pray for preparations for the St John’s Weekend 21-23 June – what talent can you share on the Friday night?

**If you would like urgent prayer or to go on this list for the next 4 weeks -** Or to join our prayer chain if you are not already on it, please contact our prayer chain co-ordinator:

Helen Dart – Tel 07738 350470 or email hr.dart@gmail.com

**For other prayer requests please refer to the monthly prayer card**

**Bible Readings for Next Week**

Galatians 1:1-12 Luke 7:1-10

**WHAT’S ON THIS WEEK**

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| **Tuesday** | Open doors  | 10.00am-12.00noon | Church |
| **Tuesday** | M+Ms  | 10.00am-12noon | Hall |
| **Tuesday** | Active Age | 12.00noon-12.30pm | Hall |
| **Wednesday** | Open doors  | 10.00am-2.00pm | Church |
| **Wednesday** | Prayer Meeting | 10.30am-11.30am | Lady Chapel |
| **Wednesday** | Eucharistic Service | 2.00pm-3.00pm | Church **[John 16:12-15)** |
| **Wednesday** | YCUK Y6-Y8 | 6.15pm-7.15pm | Hall |
| **Wednesday** | YCUK Y9-Y11 | 7.30pm-8.30pm | Hall |
| **Wednesday** | Music Group | 7.00pm-9.30pm | Church |
| **Thursday** | TISOS | 1.00-3.00pm | Hall |
| **Thursday** | Style Dance | 5.30pm-8.00pm | Hall |
| **Friday** | Richmond Fellowship | 10.00am-1.00pm | Hall |

If you know of any other activities during the week,

 please let Maryann know so that they can be included in the weekly sheet.

**Next Sunday**

 8.00am Holy Communion Littleworth

 9.30am All Age Service Littleworth

 11.15am Holy Communion Tixall

 6.00pm Holy Communion Littleworth

Bible Readings: Galatians 1:1-12; Luke 7:1-10

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 (for **EMERGENCIES ONLY** **- phone 999)**