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#### April 2016

#### Worship at the Parish Church

- Sunday 9.00am Holy Communion
  - 11.00am All Age Worship
- Wednesday 10.00am Holy Communion

Worship at the Methodist Church (opposite Tesco)

Every Sunday morning10.30am, worship with Rev Andi Smith, visiting ministers and lay preachers.

**Sunday April 3<sup>rd</sup>** 2.30pm 'Sacred Space' at Orton Manor Nursing Home for residents, families and friends. This will then be the first Sunday of each month. New friends welcome. **Sunday April 10<sup>th</sup>** 10.30am Family and Boys Brigade Parade Service.

**Saturday April 16**<sup>th</sup> 3.00pm – 5.00pm 'Messy Church'. A new way for young families to do church together with craft activities, story-telling, song and a tea party.

Sunday April 24th 7.00pm 'Songs of Praise' at the White City Community Centre.

#### **MESSAGE FROM THE VICAR**

I hope you enjoyed Easter. In the church calendar there are, arguably, 4 major festivals: Christmas, Easter, the Ascension and Pentecost. We mark the Ascension, 40 days after Easter, on the 5th May; this is the day Jesus returned to heaven. Pentecost is celebrated 10 days later, on the 15th May; the day that the Holy Spirit was poured out, as it continues to be.

In March we started Quest at our 11.00am Sunday Service. This is designed particularly with school children of primary age in mind. The children stay for the first part of the service before going into groups at the Link. If you want to hear more about this then please contact Gary or myself; alternatively just turn up on any Sunday.

God Bless

Paul

#### WATER ORTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Please remember our village library. We have a wide selection of books and audio books and some computers available for use. We would love to see you on a Friday and Saturday 9.00am - 5.00pm. There are tea, coffee and cakes served on Friday afternoon and children's Rhyme Time at 2.00pm on Friday for the under 5's. Bring your children along for a fun singalong session and get them interested in books at the same time. Hope to see you there soon

#### A MESSAGE FROM YOUR COUNCILLORS

Local Councillor's Surgeries: Ray Payne and David Reilly hold regular public surgeries every Tuesday a.m. 10.30 am - midday in the Parish Church, Robert Lloyd Room and on the last Saturday of the month 10.00am - midday at the Methodist Church.

Dear Friends,

### A quick update on recent developments:

**Car Parking Bays at the Shops.** We have finally secured a commitment from Warwick County Highways to resurface all of the parking bays at the shops, to explore the need for a 20 mph speed limit past the shops, and to look at the design of the Maud Road/ Watton Lane traffic island to make it safer for pedestrians.

**Vesey Bridge.** Hopefully we will soon have better signage to stop lorries driving to Vesey Bridge and having to reverse. I have met with the site managers at W.H Smith from the Midpoint Business Park and they have committed to ensuring that all hauliers accessing their sites are instructed not to come through the village.

**Water Orton War Memorial** - Our first meeting of the working group to explore opportunities to build a new war memorial to compliment the plaque that is displayed within the Church has been set for 7pm on Wednesday April 6th. If you would you like to join us then please drop me an email at davidreilly@northwarks.gov.uk. Our aim is to unveil it to mark the centenary of the WW1 Armistice on 11 November 2018.

**HS2**. Together with John Warren from the Water Orton HS2 Group I gave evidence to the HS2 Select Committee in January. I am pleased to report that the Select Committee again recognised the importance of Water Orton's case. This time they have directed HS2 to: Avoid the incursion of HS2 traffic through the village and to use the haul road as far as practical; to make the design of the bridge over the M42 sympathetic to the local environment; to design the Attleboro Lane balancing ponds to accommodate local wishes; to close the gap in the sound and sight mitigation along Vicarage Lane; and to ensure the welfare of the Primary School children during their move to the new school building. Outside the village commitments have been made to again review traffic management plans on the A446 and at Junction 9 M42 and also at Junction 6 of the M42 in preparation for the building of the new HS2 Interchange Station next door to Melbicks Garden Centre.

**Victorian School Buildings**. We are meeting with the residents of Attleboro and Vicarage Lane at 7pm on Friday 18th March at the school hall to hear local views about what should happen to the existing school site when the new school opens. One option we are exploring is to make a 'public interest' application to Warwickshire County Council for community use of the Victorian school building when the new school opens. We have formed a working group to prepare a business case for a future use of the building. If you would like to be involved or find out more then please drop me an email at <u>davidreilly@northwarks.gov.uk</u>. With kindest regards,

David Reilly and Ray Payne. Water Orton Borough Councillors.

## WOMEN ALIVE

Thursday 7th April at 7.30 p.m.

"Leap Year Concert" with Spectrum, Vocal Harmony Group to be held in St.Peter & St.Paul's Church. Husbands, partners and friends all welcome. Entrance only £1.50 including refreshments.

**Saturday 14th May** - Charity Coffee Morning to be held in the Link 10.00am – 1.00pm. Women Alive Stalls; Jane Roberts' Plant Stall; Water Orton Library's second hand book stall.

Entrance £1.00 to include tea/coffee/biscuits. All proceeds to the following two charities: "Greenfingers "– a charity creating gardens at Children's Hospices and a charity that supports Guillain-Barré Syndrome, a disease that affects the peripheral nervous system.

## Please come and support us

At our meeting on 3rd March we raised  $\pounds 216$  for Prostate Cancer – thank you very much to everyone.

## THE LINK - WATER ORTON COMMUNITY VENUE

As well as our regular classes these are new classes at The Link. TUESDAY 10am–12am Art Class–all ages and abilities welcome *For more info contact* 07774026169

WEDNESDAY

6.00pm-7.00pm 'C Stomp' Barn Dance Fitness For more info contact Dan Longley 07816195635

7.15pm-8.15pm Let's Get Fit! - HITT/Tabata training For more info contact 07887422470

## THURSDAY

1pm - 2.30 pm Little Baby Buntings Mum & Baby Group for 0-18 months

# FRIDAY

6.30 pm – 7.30 pm Ladies only Circuits For more info contact Sarah 07772432485

**One Fit Mama** Starting April 3rd - postnatal exercise class, (babies welcome!) Tuesdays 10.15am - 11.15am

**'Let's get Fit' Club for children**. A new children's fitness club with fun exercise sessions! Wednesdays at the Link Water Orton 3.30pm - 4.30pm 4-7 years, 4.30pm - 5.30pm 8-12 years. Only £30.00 for 6 week block.

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