

Notices 13th March 2024

Dear All,

I would like to start with a huge thank you to everyone who played a part in making last week so special for all the children in the secondary schools in this area. God was moving powerfully in this area and it was such a privilege to be part of that. So far 322 children have done the 3 steps of faith on the AAA pass and 86 have booked a ticket for Friday night. Please do not stop praying, the week's mission may be over but the AAA course starts on Friday night. This will carry on over the next 12 weeks and needs to be flooded with prayer for wisdom for those leading, and open hearts for those attending. Please prayer for the families of those young people as we wait for them to join us in church over the coming weeks.

Ephesians 3 v 20-21 Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations for ever and ever, Amen.

LZ7 and Saintz were amazing. Please remember them in your prayers as they move around the country leading teenagers to Jesus. Also did you see Linz on Songs of Praise last Sunday? If you missed him I'm sure it can be found on BBC iPlayer. It's well worth a watch.

Next Sunday is the 5th Sunday in Lent – Passion Sunday

Our reading will be Hebrews 5 v 5-10 and Nisha will be bringing God's word to us. Please pray for Nisha as she prepares to speak to us.

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Lent Lunches

The Lent lunches dates are 13th and 20th March, 12 noon to 1.00pm in St. Mary's Church Hall. Everyone welcome.

Friday Night AAA event – Parent Zone

As mentioned above, the 12 week AAA course starts on Friday night at Park Road Baptist Church. Would you be able to make a cake for the parents who stay whilst their children attend the course? Also if you would like to help in the parent zone on that night please contact Emma on emma@whitefriarschurch.org.uk or 07957080074.

Prayer Ministry

Nisha has mentioned in church that she is looking for a few volunteers for the after service prayer ministry. Three people have offered to join her but ideally we need a few more to share the honour to talking to God. Would you like to be part of the prayer team? If so, please chat to Nisha and let her know your availability.

Prayers for the New Vicar

We are still praying each Sunday at 9.45am for our new vicar. Please join us in the library before the service.

Message from Rachel Murphy: Women Who Pray

Are you a woman? Do you like to pray? Do you enjoy cake? I am running a prayer group for women, once a month on the weekend over coffee and cake. This will be spirit led and we will pray for whatever is on people's hearts, whether that be a person, the church, the country or the world. There will be no fixed agenda. It will be a completely safe space where women can learn from each other about prayer, scripture, prophecy, words of knowledge and pictures. Each woman brings their own faith, gifts and knowledge. If you'd like to come along or just receive further details (no regular commitment needed) please do get in touch with Rachel rachjmurphy@yahoo.co.uk. Our first meeting will be this Saturday, 16th March at 10am, in Higham Ferrers.

Refreshments

In an attempt to try and preserve the condition of the new carpets in the school the cake/biscuit table will be at the opposite side of the room to the hatch. Hopefully any crumbs that get dropped on the hall floor will not reach the new carpets. This should also make it safer and less of a bottle neck where the scalding hot water is. Parents please supervise your children when they choose their cakes. Thank you.

Refreshments setting up rota

One very kind person has volunteered to join the refreshments setting up rota. We really do need two more people to join that rota. Is this something you could do?

Cleaning Rota

We now only have three people on the cleaning rota. Could you share the load? If five more people could offer to clean you would only be asked to clean the Bridge once every two months!!! Could you give a couple of hours once every two months? Thank you.

If you would like more details about the different rotas and what each job entails, please chat to me on Sunday or email office@whitefriarschurch.org.uk.

A message from Matt Croxon

Kings Arms Project a Christian Charity in Bedford, is recruiting. If you would like more information about these vacancies contact <https://kingsarmsproject.org/vacancies/> or chat to Matt on 07592 590 212 or matt.croxon@kingsarmsproject.org

And finally a message from Andrew Presland

In case it's of interest, the following events will be taking place at my land, Midshires Covert (between Kelmarsh and Harrington), in the coming weeks:

Saturday 30th March, 10am onwards: **volunteering day, together with forest school activities from Fox's Den Forest School** . Details below.



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FOX'S DEN FOREST SCHOOL
PROVIDING FOREST SCHOOL
SESSIONS DURING THE DAY:
OUTDOOR GAMES
BOW AND ARROWS
DEN BUILDING
OUTDOOR ARTWORK
WILDLIFE SPOTTING



VOLUNTEERING DAY AT MIDSHIRES COVERT **SATURDAY 30TH MARCH 2024**

Join us for a morning dedicated to
volunteering and conservation
10 am to 1 pm.
We will be **pruning, planting, and staking.**
All are welcome and bring a spade!

At 1 pm, share food cooked over the fire -
burgers and sausages will be served for all.
Plus - forest school cooking activities for all
children.

"Midshires Covert (also known as Andy P's
land)" on Facebook
Located at Kelmarsh Road, Harrington,
NN6 9ND,
Can be found at "mirror.hockey.sizzled" on
What3Words



- Saturday 4th May, 2pm: the annual **bluebell event**, walking through nearby countryside at Johnson's Covert to hopefully admire the bluebells, followed by free food cooked on the campfire at Midshires Covert.

Please let me know if you have any queries or if you'd like to camp at Midshires Covert at any time. It's a registered 'Nearly Wild Camping' website.

Also, Midshires Covert is on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/250829575354>

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I hope you have a very good week and I look forward to seeing you on Sunday.

With blessings,

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