



The Free Church of England Southern Diocese  
**AUTUMN RETREAT**

to be held  
**Monday 27th October ~ Thursday 30th October 2014**

Come and join us at our new Conference home at  
**High Leigh Conference Centre  
Hoddesdon, Hertfordshire**

Sit back and enjoy the fellowship  
**Conference Speakers and Conference Theme to be arranged  
Wednesday afternoon free for leisure and exploring**  
CONFERENCE COSTS: £205.... BUT WAIT! BE QUICK ....  
**Cost reduced to £165 for all  
FCE Southern Diocese Members**

FOR MORE INFORMATION & BOOKING FORMS CONTACT:  
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**BOOK EARLY TO GUARANTEE YOUR PLACE**

Speakers and full Conference programme will be  
advised as soon as available

After last year's success!

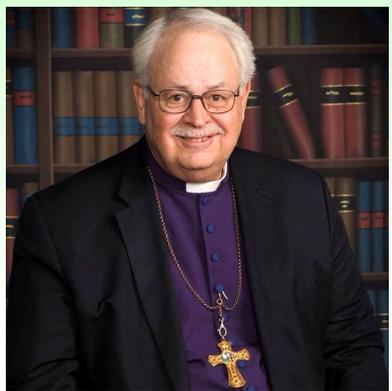
**FAMILIES ARE WELCOME!**

**CHILDREN WILL HAVE THEIR OWN PROGRAMME. PARENTS CAN EITHER JOIN THEM OR JOIN THE MAIN ADULT CONFERENCE. THERE WILL BE TIMES WHEN THE CHURCH FAMILY ALL MEET TOGETHER**

**HIGH LEIGH HAS THE FOLLOWING FACILITIES**

**Woodland Trail, Football Pitch, Putting Green, Games Room, Tennis Court and 40 Acres of Parkland to explore!**

**CONFERENCE:** If you are interested and would like to go to this Conference, please see Bishop Paul as soon as possible.



**BISHOP ROY GROTE**  
This is the Most Revd Royal Grote Jr. of the REC. Some of you may remember his visit to St Andrew's 18 months ago. Bishop Roy is the new Presiding Bishop of the Reformed Episcopal Church. Bishop Roy has undergone an operation on his back to relieve the pain he was suffering. Pray for a complete recovery, and by the way, happy birthday, Roy!



**NOTTINGHAM HERE WE COME!**  
What a lovely day we had in Nottingham last Wednesday for our Riverboat lunch. The boat was called the Prince and we were served with a hot roast beef dinner. The Community Transport bus

accommodated those who couldn't have coped with the steps and thanks are given to Deanne and Mike for organising it, Bishop Paul was thankful that he didn't have to cook.



**NEW TOILET FLOOR**  
The main toilets have all been fitted with a new floor. John Silva and his crew helped take

the partitioning down. The right photo shows Andy of Walsall Carpets adding the finishing touches around the toilet basins. Overall the cost was £1,300. Just think about that when you next spend a penny! A job well done!



**COFFEE & CHAT—FREE**

The Coffee & Chat Shop will be open for business as usual tomorrow and every Monday.

Come and enjoy a chat and a specialised coffee or the best Bishop's Brew in Bentley! Toast is always available with jam or marmalade or just butter.

Numbers per week are averaging at over 30.

This is a free community project compliments of St Andrew's Church and you will, as always, be made very welcome. See ya!

**ST ANDREW'S CHURCH**

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**LAY READER FAMILY PRAISE LEADER**  
**Mr Colin Hunter Mr Nigel Dutton**

**DEACONS**

**Revd Mark Spiers & the Revd Paul Reynolds**

**SUNDAY SERVICES**

**10am ~ Morning Service**

**11:30am ~ Family Praise**

**6pm ~ Evening Prayer**

**Holy Communion 1st am & 3rd pm Services**

**Mid-week activities:**

- **MONDAYS** 10am to 1pm Coffee & Chat
- **TUESDAYS** 9:30am Bentley West Ladies Group
- 10am to 1pm Bishop in Denom. Office
- 7:00pm Bible Study - Church House
- **WEDNESDAYS** 7:30am Prayer Group
- 12:30pm Luncheon Club
- 2:00pm Friendship Club
- 7:00pm Youth Club
- **THURSDAYS** 11:00am Holy Communion
- 10am to 1pm Bishop in Denom. Office
- **SATURDAYS** 10:00am Saturday Workshop

**I'M NORMAL!** It's official, I have it in writing that following my blood sample for uric acid and urine to check my liver, I am told that I am 'Normal'. The receptionist at my doctors thought it highly amusing when I told her that I would be telling my congregation that I am 'officially normal' as I am sure most you would say—recheck the results!

**LESSONS LOG**

17th August—Psalm 133 or 67; Genesis 45:1-15  
Isaiah 56:1,6-8; Romans 11:1-2a,29-32; Matthew 15:21-28  
**am Mark; pm P-Paul, L-Bishop (HC)**

24th August—Psalm 124 or 138; Exodus 1:8-2:10  
Isaiah 51:1-6; Romans 12:1-8; Matthew 16:13-20  
**am L-Colin, P-Paul; pm Mark**

**31st August—6pm SONGS OF PRAISE**

## WEEKLY PRAYER UPDATE

- Lord, we pray for **Pamela, Chrissie**, and great grandson **Finley**.
- Lord, we put the following friends and congregation into your hands: **Mary, Julie, Jean, Hilary, Pam** and **Elizabeth**.
- We bring **Betty & Colin** before you, Lord. Keep them safe.
- Lord, thank you that **Arlene** is keeping much better.
- Please pray for **Iris** and **Alan** with Alan's deteriorating health.
- Thank you, Lord, **Dan's Nan, Dot**, is much better. May it continue.
- Pray for **Audrey** who battles on with her mobility difficulties.
- Lord, we pray for **Carole** that she improves following an operation.
- Pray for **Doris** who continues to suffer with her sciatica.
- Thank you, Lord, for the worship team of **Nigel, Colin, Paul** and **Mark** who look after all the services while Bishop Paul is away.
- Pray for **Jean's** husband, **Al** as he continues to battle against cancer. Lord, help Jean not to worry too much. Pray for them both.
- Continue to pray for **Doreen** and **Jimmy's Ukrainian family**.
- Pray for **Steph**. She had her cancer operation recently and Peter reports that she has coped very well. She will now have to face a period of Radiotherapy.
- Pray for **John Haynes** as he has been quite poorly again and had another week in hospital. Everything is fine with his heart, but an infection has caused other problems. Thank you for your prayers.
- Pray for **Kate**, a relative of John Haynes, who has been told she has to fight against cancer for the fourth time. Remember too, **Phil**, her husband.
- Pray for Colin Hunter's nephew, **Christopher**, and give thanks he has been on holiday last week.
- Pray for the **Revd Robert Leone** and his ministry to the 'ex-pats' in Poitou Charentes, Western France. He leaves England to set up a permanent home in France in a few weeks time. Please pray for the congregation at Christ Church, Broadstairs and their minister, the Revd Alan Harvey who is 89 years old. He will particularly miss Robert and Sarah's support.
- Please continue to pray for **Daniel Choe, Grace** and all the members at Emmanuel Church.
- Pray for **Thelma** who has not been too well recently and pray for **Brian** too.
- Pray for **Pete**, the partner of Margaret's niece, Amy. He has suffered a bleed on the brain and now in the QE. Pray for a complete recovery from the operation.
- Continue to pray for **Lewis Robinson**, who is the grandson of June's sister, Janet, following treatment in hospital for Crohn's disease. It was good to see him at our recent Summer Fayre. He looks much better now that he's eating more.
- Pray for Dan's friend, **Tom**, who lost his dad due to cancer last week. Pray also for his best mate, Jagdeep, as he returns from India on Monday.

### BE A PRAYER WARRIOR!

*Do you feel you have a burning desire to offer God something, but because of infirmity or age or distance, doing things is difficult? Then why not join our growing number of Prayer Warriors. All you have to do is pray for all those mentioned above and your own family and friends every day. Let Bishop Paul know you are doing this and just watch the results!*



### A DAY OUT AT THE ZOO

I think the last time I visited Dudley Zoo was in celebration of the Denominations 150th anniversary in 1994. Then churches from all over the country gathered there. I remember organising a Marquee in the castle's Keep and the long queues to get fish and chips. We were about 600 in number then. Last Friday, I thought it



would be nice to visit again. But, if you want to go, be warned, it is not a cheap day out. First of all they told me they had made a mistake when they said it would cost £29 for one adult and three kids, which I was relieved but then told the cost was actually £43! The Zoo was generally in good

shape and all the animals were in a good condition and some were adorable, like this baby giraffe (Sue,



you would have wanted to take him home!) We also got up really close to a Tiger where only a piece of glass separated us. I was also thankful that the chair lift was working because the land train wasn't. Amazingly enough I managed to get Matthew, Emily and Daniel out of the Zoo, despite there were some very similar likenesses to many of the monkey species. Mind you they did get their own back on me saying that the large red Orangutan bore an uncanny resemblance to me! Oh well, I suppose they have a point!



## ST ANDREW'S CHURCH BENTLEY

### WEEKLY NEWS & PRAYER SHEET

### NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

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