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NOTICES FOR SUNDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2023

WEEKLY DIARY

Playgroup meets every day during school term

Sunday 26 February	10.15 am	Local Arrangement Steward: Natalie Coffee: Sandra
Monday 27 February	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 6.00 pm 6.30 – 9.00 pm	Playgroup Babington Charities meeting in the Welcome Coffee Bar Guides
Tuesday 28 February	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 4.30 – 7.30 pm	Playgroup Cosmic Theatre School
Wednesday 1 March	8.45 am – 1.00 pm 2.00 pm	Playgroup Gardening Club
Thursday 2 March	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 2.00 pm 7.00 – 9.60 pm 7.30 pm	Playgroup Circuit Leadership Team meet in the Welcome Coffee Bar Barrow Youth Theatre meet in the Hall Bible Study
Friday 3 March	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 12.30 pm 4.00 pm	Playgroup Churches Together Lent lunches in the Trinity Rooms Minimarket preparation
Saturday 4 March	10.00 – 11.00 am 6.00 - 7.15 pm	Minimarket Karate in the rear Hall

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday 5 March	10.15 am	Rev Sandra Marshall - Baptism Steward: Heather Coffee: Sue & Adrian
Sunday 12 March	10.15 am	Andy Benbow Steward: Sandra Coffee: Janet
Sunday 19 March	10.15 am	Local Arrangement Steward: Natalie Coffee: Pauline & Mike
Sunday 26 March	10.15 am	Colin Lamb Steward: Kate Coffee: Trevor & Pauline

BIBLE READINGS FOR SUNDAY ARE:

- Genesis Chapter 2: verses 15-17; Chapter 3:1-7
- Romans Chapter 5: verses 12-19
- Matthew Chapter 4: verses 1-11

FOR LENT

Sue and Adrian have received copies "Be Transformed" a Lent booklet from All We Can which can be used at home or in a group. The studies encourage us to look at ourselves and our communities, and to be

changed by a renewing of our minds, in light of the teaching of Jesus. They will be in Church on Sunday, please take a copy.

FOOD HUB UPDATE

Since December we have regularly been taking donations put in the basket in the Welcome Coffee Bar to the Food Hub at Mountsorrel where it is sorted and repacked for distribution to those in need in the Soar Valley. Last week I was talking to a volunteer and enquired the areas of need both for donations and who they were helping. The simple answer was "everything" and "everyone". All non-perishable items are needed and help is needed across all parts of our communities.

The Food Hub is also in need of money to make purchases to fill the gaps each week, currently they are spending about £700. We agreed at the recent Church Council that the donations for drinks would be given to the Food Hub. Also that the drinks served at Minimart would be free in exchange for a donation. Thank you if you have been giving goods or money. We know this is a difficult time for all but if you are able, please continue to support the Food Hub as much as you can. Adrian and Sue

FUN@CHURCH

In March we will be making "bug houses". Please can you collect any small plastic bottles, jars, containers of any shape. We will fill them with bamboo sticks to encourage the creatures, probably bees, to make them their home.

We had 25 children at Fun@Church in January. It would be super to have that number in March, but it means we need a lot of small bottles etc. Please can you help. Kate, Janet, Heather or Mike would love to receive them or place them in the corner of the Welcome Coffee Bar for us to collect. Thanks Kate

STAMPS FOR RNIB

Thank you everyone for collecting the stamps for RNIB. I have emptied the box and sent it off. It will make about £15 for them. Let's carry on and collect another full box. Please cut the stamps off the envelopes leaving about 1cm of paper around them. Thanks Kate

BOOK THE DATES

Caroline Sharpe
Singer, Choir Director, Organist



SATURDAY 18th MARCH 2023

CAROLINE SHARPE SINGERS IN CONCERT

Followed by refreshments

Tickets £5 each available from Mike Morley or Janet Thompson



SATURDAY 25TH MARCH 2023

11.00 am to 3.00 pm

Local crafters with a great range of items for every taste!

Refreshments – Raffle

ADMISSION FREE

Queries for stalls to Natalie please

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PRAYER FOR TODAY

Holy God, may our hearts be warmed by your Spirit as we read your word and reflect upon it. May we be ready to answer your call and live lives that help other people to know that they can be saved to the uttermost. Amen.

Graham Thompson, President, British Methodist Conference 2022/2023