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BARROW UPON SOAR METHODIST CHURCH

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NOTICES FOR SUNDAY 7 MAY 2023 WEEKLY DIARY

Playgroup meets every day during school term

Sunday 7 May	10.15 am	Rev Martin Swan Steward: Sandra Coffee: Janet
Bank Holiday Monday 8 May	2.00–4.00 pm	Coronation Afternoon tea drop in
Tuesday 9 May	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 4.30 – 7.30 pm	Playgroup Cosmic Theatre School
Wednesday 10 May	8.45 am – 1.00 pm	Playgroup
Thursday 11 May	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 6.30 – 9.30 pm 7.30 pm	Playgroup Barrow Arts Theatre Society Bible Study
Friday 12 May	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 4.00 pm	Playgroup Minimarket preparation
Saturday 13 May	10.00 – 11.00 am 6.00 – 7.15 pm	Minimarket Karate

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Please note some different times during this quarter

Sunday 14 May	10.30 am	Circuit Service at Mountsorrel Rev Andrew Lomax/Rev Martin Swan
Sunday 21 May	10.15 am	Liz Newton Steward: Natalie Coffee: Sandra and Carol
Sunday 28 May	10.15 am	Rev Sandra Marshall Steward: Kate Coffee: Mike
Sunday 4 June	10.15 am	John Pipet Steward: Kate Coffee: Sue and Adrian
Sunday 11 June	9.45 am	Rev Andrew Lomax Steward: Sandra Coffee: Pauline and Trevor
Sunday 18 June	4.00 pm	Cat Jenkins Steward: Natalie
Sunday 25 June	10.15 am	Granville Mercy Steward: Heather Coffee:

The new Sunday morning Coffee Rota is now available – please have a look and see if you can help

BIBLE READINGS FOR SUNDAY ARE:

Romans Chapter 8

Verses 1-9

NEW CHURCH STEWARDS REQUIRED

Sandra Webb and Heather Doda are due to retire as stewards and so we are looking for two new stewards to replace them. Could God be calling you to be a steward?

What does it involve?

Stewards are responsible for ensuring worship happens. This usually means contacting the preacher and seeing what they need, what hymns are requested, if they want readers. Then liaising with Natalie to get the hymns on the screen and contacting a reader from the rota.

On Sundays the stewards open up, set up for worship, help count the collection and do a welcome. As a team, the stewards meet with me 3 or 4 times a year to make plans for worship, talk through ideas and issues.

Additionally, stewards organise local arrangement services – this doesn't mean doing them!

It really isn't onerous, and Sundays are shared out on a rota between the stewards. We are a happy group, and the job is very rewarding.

If you are interested, please talk to me or one of the stewards to find out more. God bless, Rev Sandra



CORONATION AFTERNOON TEA DROP IN

On Monday 8th May you are invited to "drop in" for tea and cakes to celebrate the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III - any time between 2.00 and 4.00 pm – all welcome.

MAY MINIMARKET

Our May Minimarket will be on Saturday 13th May due to the Coronation being on our usual day.

SOUND SYSTEM

There will be a training session at 12.15 pm following the Minimarket on Saturday 13th May for anyone who is interested in learning how to use the sound system. Any queries please see Natalie

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SATURDAY 20 MAY 2023
10.00 am to 12 noon

**Bedding plants, perennials, vegetables, herbs, hanging baskets, tubs
etc**

Tell all your friends – please come along and support us!

INVITATION

We are invited to join with Mountsorrel next Sunday 14th May, for a special Circuit Service which will be led by Revs Andrew Lomax and Martin Swan and will feature the Circuit Choir. It will be followed by a simple Sunday lunch with donations to Christian Aid. Please do support this if you can, and if you have spare seats in your car it would be helpful if you could invite others as a number of our 'regular' drivers will be away. Many thanks, Sandra W

CHRISTIAN AID SIMPLE SUNDAY LUNCH

To book your lunch please contact

Sue Wainwright on 0116 237 6979
or email mountsorrel2310@btinternet.com

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

14-20 May, once again we only have to deliver the envelopes.

If you are able to deliver envelopes, please sign up on the Google document online which you can access by clicking the link below.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1lgnjXiG4D32qivyrJhpfW5KilrIX55ODAiZr3DFviAY/edit?usp=sharing>

Add your name, telephone number or email, and Church to the boxes beside your preferred street/s.
Any number of people can access the document at the same time [you can see what's being typed in] and any additions are saved automatically:

Alternatively, let me know which street you would like to deliver in and I will sign you up I can show you what streets are available or you can view on the link as it is immediately updated when someone adds their name.

Thanks in advance Heather

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, we pray for a vision for your Church in the present age, that we may be communities of good news, rooted and grounded in the love of Jesus. Open us out to the movement of your Holy Spirit, so that our worship is a heartfelt response to the Spirit's love, and we are empowered to live out Our Calling with confidence and grace. Help us to focus on the things that really matter to you and to your people, so that we may be signs and agents of your kingdom.

Ian Howarth, Birmingham District Chair