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BARROW UPON SOAR METHODIST CHURCH

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NOTICES FOR SUNDAY 21 MAY 2023

WEEKLY DIARY

Playgroup meets every day during school term

Sunday 21 May	10.15 am	Liz Newton Steward: Natalie Coffee: Sandra and Carol
Monday 22 May	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 5.00 – 7.00 pm 7.00 pm	Playgroup Playgroup Parents Evening in the Worship area 1 st Barrow upon Soar Guides
Tuesday 23 May	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 4.30 – 7.30 pm	Playgroup Cosmic Theatre School
Wednesday 24 May	8.45 am – 1.00 pm 3.15 pm	Playgroup Fun@Church
Thursday 25 May	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 6.00 – 9.00 pm 6.30 – 9.30 pm 7.30 pm	Playgroup Annual Parish Council Meeting in the Worship area Barrow Arts Theatre Society Bible Study
Friday 26 May	8.45 am – 4.00 pm	Playgroup
Saturday 27 May	6.00 – 7.15 pm	Karate

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Please note some different times during this quarter

Sunday 28 May	10.15 am	Rev Sandra Marshall Steward: Heather Coffee: Pauline & Janet
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:
Sunday 2 July	10.15 am	Rev Sandra Marshall Steward: Kate Coffee: Janet
Sunday 9 July	10.15 am	Local arrangement Steward: Sandra Coffee:
Sunday 16 July	10.15 am	Hutton (Baptism) Steward: Natalie Coffee:
Sunday 23 July	9.45 am	Rev Andrew Lomax Steward: Heather Coffee: Nancy and Bill
Sunday 30 July	10.45 am	Circuit Service at Trinity Methodist Church Loughborough

The Sunday morning Coffee Rota has some blanks – please have a look and see if you can help



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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!

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

DONATIONS TO FOOD BANK

As you may be aware there is a crate just inside the Coffee Bar area for donations to the local food hub, based at Mountsorrel Baptist Church. We have been collecting these and taking them to Mountsorrel as they fill up. Although there is sometimes a queue around the car park dropping off food we have been told that in addition many hundreds of £'s has to be spent to provide enough for all those who need food in our area.

Some time ago it was agreed that donations for drinks etc in the coffee bar would be given to a charity..... the present charity is Charnwood Food Bank – so please support this as you drink and chat and in any other way that you are able, (If you would like to make a personal donation please give in an envelope to Sue, Adrian or Peter the Church Treasurer)

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING

Our Annual Church meeting is on Sunday 4th June after morning service and will be followed by a Bring and Share Lunch. There is a list in the Coffee Bar and we would be grateful if you could sign to let us know what you are bringing to help with catering. Any queries please see one of the Stewards.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of invitation and welcome, for you to command me to love you and my neighbour seems a contradiction, for the very nature of love means it cannot be forced. Help me to hear the imperative in the context of your love for me, freely, graciously and abundantly offered. Through your Spirit may I choose to love you with my whole heart, soul and mind, and to seek to love all people as you love them. Give me the grace to live these two commandments of love day by day. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Sheryl Anderson, Liverpool District Chair