

# Sunday Snippets

## Whitsuntide

It's almost difficult to believe that we have reached Whitsun weekend already – Whit Sunday (Pentecost) being the 7th Sunday after Easter. For Christians its significance is the descent of the Holy Spirit on the disciples of Jesus after his Ascension. They began to speak in the many languages of the people assembled, a sign that they should spread the Christian message throughout the world. The significance of Whitsun for those dependent on tourism in our region is that they should now gear up in earnest for what they hope will be a successful summer season. They receive a little boost at Easter and then all goes quiet until this weekend when they hope to hear voices in many tongues!



## Spring Fair

For those who may not have heard, we raised £840 for church funds at our Spring Fair last Saturday. For various reasons, there were not quite as many customers as on some occasions but those who came spent freely and we were delighted with the outcome. Once again, thanks to everyone who gave, helped and spent.



## Garage Repairs

The hall garage, in common with many domestic garages, does not house a vehicle but has become an extremely useful storage area. It contains chairs, children's toys, ladders, Christmas trees, books and all manner of items left over from the last Fair and in readiness for the next. Unfortunately the up and over door has been damaged and requires repair or replacing and the appropriate action is imminent. There is a second door that has not been used for some long time and this is being bricked up and a conventional entrance constructed. In addition, some roof repairs are necessary so these will be carried out shortly. In all, we can anticipate a not insignificant bill but it is work that cannot be put off and when completed the churchwardens should sleep a little more soundly.



## Glenda in Hospital

Our Choir Mistress and Organist, Glenda Davies, underwent surgery at Derriford Hospital on Thursday. The latest we have heard is that all went according to plan and we pray that Glenda is now on the road to recovery. She is at present in Stonehouse Ward.



**A New Afternoon 'Fun' Growth Group**  
 On the first Thursday of each month from 3.00-4.30pm, Steve Colcombe and Vicki Hocking are hosting a gathering for fun and fellowship at Vicki's house, 6 Orchard Avenue. This is a chance to get to know Christ and other members in an informal and relaxed environment. Why not go along on 4th June to see what's on offer?





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### Prayer

Bob Hall is instigating some prayer initiatives – website, prayer cycle and prayer chain – and full details will be found in the June Parish Magazine which should be available next Sunday. The monthly prayer cycle is a list of names to be distributed and particular people can then be prayed for on specific days. The names on the church electoral roll will form the basis of this but any others can be added upon request. Anyone who wishes to become a member of the prayer chain or wants to submit a prayer request should contact Vicki Hocking – 787475.



### Would you like to help?

There are two opportunities for church members to help with social events. The first, on Friday, 3rd July from 3.30pm - 6.30pm is at the Summer Fayre at St Edward's School. Helen Routledge is seeking the names of anyone able and willing to help out on a stall or with refreshments. The more helpers, the more stalls. Please let Helen know if you can help – Tel: 781564 or 07980 667557.

### Fancy some Gentle Exercise?

On Monday mornings there is the opportunity for less able people of all ages to join in gentle exercise sessions to music at Miles Mitchell Village Hall between 11.00am and noon. The cost is £3 per session and for further information you can

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The second opportunity is on Saturday, 11th July at the Community Fun Day in Hayes Field. Our church is having a tent to publicise the work of St Edward's and among other things it will contain tables and chairs. Volunteers are needed to assist with all the setting up and to be on hand during or for part of the day. Please let one of the Churchwardens or Rev Chris know if you can be available.

### Only Joking!

A man buys a parrot but discovers it's extremely foul mouthed and bad tempered. The bird keeps shouting obscenities and the man is forced to lock it in his garden shed to try to shut it up. This doesn't work and he can still hear the bird from the house. In desperation he takes the parrot and locks it in a cupboard but the bird still keeps screaming and swearing. The neighbours begin to complain and as a last resort the man puts the parrot in the fridge. Amazingly, the bird suddenly shuts up so the man takes it out and puts it on its perch. The parrot then apologises for his dreadful behaviour and begs forgiveness. "Certainly," says the man. "As long as you don't behave like that again." "I won't," says the parrot, casting a nervous glance at the fridge. "By the way, what did the chicken do?"

