



Sunday Snippets

Bible Society

Last Sunday's presentation by Susan Wingrave of the Bible Society outlined the excellent work that is undertaken world-wide in distributing Bibles, especially to those desperate to own one. What was also abundantly clear was Susan's enthusiasm and love for her work which she obviously finds most fulfilling. To date, donations for the Society from our members total £35.20 of which £24.50 have been gift aided.



Bulb Planting

There were a dozen helpers for last weekend's bulb planting in the churchyard. This was an encouraging turnout and additional work was undertaken clearing growth from around gravestones in part of the north section of the churchyard. There remains plenty of work outstanding and it is hoped the weather and number of volunteers will be equally good when the 'Greenfingers' gang next meets.



Christmas Fair

With all that is happening as the lead up to Christmas gathers momentum, it is easy to forget that our Egguckland Church Christmas Fair in the hall will be held on Saturday, 26th November at 2pm. Please keep this date free if possible and support us. Further details will be appearing in Snippets throughout November.



Helen's on the Scrounge – Again and Again!

The one redeeming feature with appeals from Helen Soole is that what she is seeking is never for herself. Last year church members donated dozens of boxes of mince pies for church and community events and Helen is looking for something like 50 boxes this year for festivities such as the Village Christmas Lights Festival and Christingle. The pies will be used by the refreshments team and will help generate funds to help cover expenses and for charitable giving.



Light Party

There is to be an alternative Hallowe'en event tomorrow with a Light Party in church from 6-8.00pm. Craft activities and food will be laid on in the hall and help is needed in both venues. Would

volunteers please contact any of the following: Margaret Hall, Michelle Taberner, Rev Chris or Julian Payne for further details.



Shoe Boxes

Filled shoe boxes for the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child should be brought to church by no later than next Sunday, 6th November if at all possible. Any queries, please speak to Glenda Davies.



Helen is also asking for donations of old compact discs (cd's) for use in the Children's Zone at the Village Festival. They will be used to make snowmen and reindeers on the craft table.



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Only Joking

On arriving at the Pearly Gates, a taxi driver was welcomed by St Peter who studied the driver's entry in the Big Book, then gave him a silk robe and a golden staff and told him to proceed into Heaven. Next in line was a church minister. St Peter looked at his entry in the Big Book, then gave him a cloth robe and a wooden staff and told him to proceed into Heaven. The Minister, clearly miffed, asked: "Why did you give that mere taxi driver a silk robe and a golden staff while I, a noble preacher of the Lord, only warrant a cloth robe and a wooden staff? Surely I rate higher than a taxi driver?" "Well," St Peter explained, "here we are interested in results. You see, when you preached, people slept. But when he drove his taxi, people prayed!"

A man was terribly overweight so his doctor put him on a diet. "I want you to eat regularly for two days, then skip a day and repeat the procedure for two weeks. The next time I see you, you should have lost at least five pounds." When the man returned, the doctor was amazed to find he had lost two stone. "Well done," he said. "Did you follow my instructions?" "Yes," said the man, "but I thought I was going to drop dead on each of the third days." "What, from hunger?" "No, from skipping."

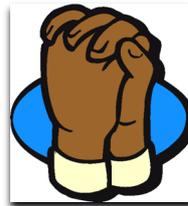


November Parish Magazines

Unfortunately printing of the Parish Magazines has been delayed again this month. It is hoped they will be available by next Sunday. Some of the October magazines were found to have been produced with alternate blank pages. If you found you had one of these, then take a replacement copy from the rack at the back of the church.



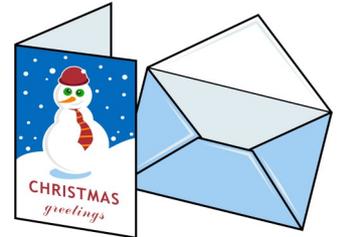
Prayer Sheets



The Prayer Sheets for November have been printed on time and are available at the back of the church. Please take one and use it to help your prayers for the community and the world.

Charity Christmas Cards

Cards for Good Causes will be on sale in the Plymouth Guildhall foyer beginning next Tuesday, 1st November until Friday, 17th December. Sales times daily from Monday to Saturday are 10am to 4 pm. There is a very good selection with between 30 and 40 national and local charities represented and an impressive minimum of 70 pence in every pound from the sale of the cards going to charity.



APOLOGY



The editorial board of this news sheet wishes to apologise to the Rev Chris Routledge for using his one and only wedding joke in the last issue. They are sorry for any inconvenience this might cause for future weddings.