



Sunday Snippets

Church Electoral Roll

Now is the opportunity to have your name included on the Church Electoral Roll if it has not already been registered. The Roll is being revised and names can be added or removed between now and two weeks before the Annual Parochial Church Meeting which is to be held at 12 noon on Palm Sunday – 9th April – after our Morning Service which, on that particular day, will commence at 10.30am. For entitlement to be included on the Electoral Roll, a lay person must be baptised and over 16 years of age. The Roll is used to determine eligibility to attend, participate and vote at the APCM and for election as a member of the Parochial Church Council as well as to the deanery, diocesan and general synods. A completely new Roll has to be prepared every 6 years, the next time being in 2019. There are forms at the back of the church for those wishing to register and if you have any queries, our Electoral Roll Officer, Brian Bassett or one of the Churchwardens will be pleased to assist.

**ELECTORAL
ROLL FORM**

Thinking of Mavis

Please include Mavis Glanville in your prayers today. Mavis, who has been a regular worshipper in St Edward's for many years, has recently been in Derriford Hospital having not been too well for some time. Within the past couple of days Mavis moved to the residential care home of Amberley House, 171-175 The Ridgeway, Plympton. We know it will please her to hear that so many of us are missing her cheery greeting but that she remains in our thoughts.



Rough and Ready Pruning

Over the past couple of weeks there have been some fairly lengthy traffic hold-ups in the Forder Valley as overhanging branches and unkempt plant growth has been cleared and tidied. However, the finished result is not the most pleasant of sights as the machine that is used hacks rather than cuts the branches, leaving large exposed areas of uneven wood. This has become the accepted method for such clearance work and, amazingly, the trees and shrubs not only survive but recover surprisingly quickly. Gone are the days though when hedging and ditching was almost an art form in which a pride could be taken for the work. Nowadays it's wham, bam and on to the next stretch without a backward glance at the temporary carnage left behind. That's progress!



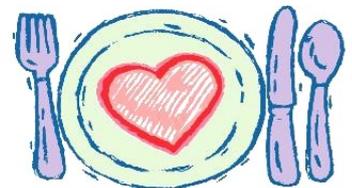
PCC Meeting

This is a reminder for the members of the Parochial Church Council that the next meeting is tomorrow (6th March) at 7.30pm in the Vicarage.



Midweek Service & Lunch

The monthly mid week Communion Service is this Wednesday (8th March) at 11.30am. All are welcome. At 12 noon diners will be assembling in the church hall for the Community Lunch. Bookings for those wishing to partake of this nutritious meal can book through Rev Chris or the Churchwardens.



COMMUNITY LUNCHEON



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Fast for Lent

For anyone who wishes to undertake a fast for Lent that helps the environment, there can be found at the back of the church copies of the Green Anglicans' Carbon Fast. Please take one.



Walking for St Luke's

Brian Soole has organised a team of family and friends to participate in a Men's Only Special walk which is being held to raise funds for St Luke's Hospice on 25th March. A sponsorship form can be found at the back of the church and Brian would be most grateful for your support.



Scaffolding

Scaffolding has been erected in the lower hall car park and around the playground up to the main entrance area. This is to enable the flat roof replacement to be carried out as and when the weather permits.



Police Choir

The Plymouth Area Police Choir is due to sing at Ford Park Cemetery at 7.30pm this coming Friday, 10th March. Tickets costing £6 can be obtained from the cemetery office or ringing 665442 weekdays between 10.00am & 3.00pm



Spring Fair

There have been a number of enquiries as to when we shall be holding the annual Eggbuckland Church Spring Fair. This has been arranged for 2.00pm in the church hall on Saturday, 13th May. Vicki Hocking is already gathering together jewellery for her stall and says she would be particularly grateful for any toiletries and cosmetics that can be spared – perhaps there are some unwanted Christmas presents beginning to gather dust that could help raise funds for church expenses.



Only Joking!

Carlos has a mule which he keeps in a stable but the mule's ears are so long that they brush against the top of the doorway. This upsets it and causes it to kick out dangerously. Carlos therefore decides to build a higher entrance. He is not a very accomplished workman and makes little progress. At the end of the day, his neighbour, Amos, looks in and says, "I reckon that instead of lifting the door frame it would be easier for you to dig out the doorway and make it deeper." "Don't be so daft," replies Carlos. It's the mules ears that are too long, not its legs."

Mike persuades Pete to go to the theatre for the very first time. When the curtain comes down after the first act, Pete gets up and begins to leave. "Where are you going?" asks Mike. "Well, I don't think it's worth the wait," replies Pete. "Look in the programme. It says 'Act 2 - one month later.'"



Help Create an Orchard

Next Saturday, 11th March, from 10.00am-3.30pm, the city's largest orchard is to be planted at Poole Farm, Forder Valley Road. Over 200 local fruit trees will be planted and everyone is welcome to come along and help in this community event. As well as the Poole Farm team, Plymouth environmental action group, Buglife, will be there and Devon Wildlife Trust and Plymouth Community Orchard Network will also be on hand to make this the most wildlife



-friendly orchard in the City. Sue Lake can provide more information if needed.