



Sunday Snippets

30th September 2018

National Prayer Weekend

The completion of the local National Prayer Weekend events will take place today with PRAY LEIGHAM - Songs of Praise and Refreshments at 3pm in Leigham Hall. We are hoping that members of the local community will come out in some force and it would be great if our church members from Estover and Eggbuckland could be there to join them in what could well be a new start at Leigham. Then at 6.30pm PRAY



EGGBUCKLAND – Prayer for Eggbuckland community at St Edward's Church.

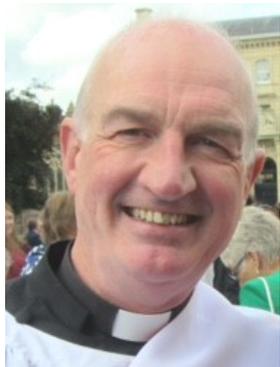
PCC Meeting

Members of the Parochial Church Council are reminded that they are due to meet in St Edward's tomorrow evening (Monday) at 7.30pm.



Carl's Celebration

How pleasing it was to be able to welcome our friends from Christ Church to last Sunday's Service celebrating Rev Carl's completion of Curacy. He must have been encouraged by the turnout and it was good news to hear that Carl is likely to be with us for at least the next 12 months whilst he waits to see in which direction he is eventually guided. In the meantime we will make the most of having him in our Parish with all the support he is able to provide.



BBC TV Documentary – The Debt Saviours: Friday, 5 October (at) 9pm – BBC2

Christians Against Poverty founder, John Kirkby CBE, writes: "Would you believe me if I told you that the BBC is dedicating an entire hour of prime time TV to share stories of the Church bringing hope to some of the poorest people in the UK? I can't quite believe it but that is exactly what is about to happen. On Friday 5 October at 9pm, Christians Against Poverty (CAP) and some of our 600



partner churches are the subject of the BBC2 documentary, The Debt Saviours. The programme profiles the work of the UK Church caring for the poor and rescuing people from debt across the UK. What will God do as over two million people from local communities including yours witness this positive expression of faith, possibly for the first time? Don't miss this unique chance to join with thousands of churches across the country, believing that God can use this programme for his glory."

Communal Prayer:

Lord,
We thank you for this incredible opportunity for people all over the UK to see how the Church and Christians Against Poverty are helping those in desperate need. We pray that people would be inspired as they see your body – your people – at work, bringing your light and life to the darkness and loneliness that those in UK poverty are facing. We ask that you'd enable those struggling with debt, poverty and its causes to find the help they need and that you'd help us, your Church, to reach out in compassion to the poorest people in our communities. We pray that this BBC documentary means more people will find a way out of their debt through CAP. We thank you for all their staff who are working to make this happen and pray your blessings over the work of their hands. Show us how to love those around us and teach us how to help each other.
Amen.



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Get Well Soon

We were sorry to hear that our church member and former member of the choir, Mildred Bickle, suffered a fall this week resulting in a broken ankle and severe bruising. Mildred is having a period of rehabilitation in the Greenacres Care Home, Pearn Road where she is expected to remain for some weeks. We pray for her comfort and healing.



Join Us for Light Party 2018

A free event for children of all ages, including crafts, food, sweets, treats and disco with our very own DJ Graze! Come in super hero fancy-dress or 'dressed in light' to compete for a prize (no scary costumes, please!). This will all take place at St Matthew's Primary Academy, Wednesday, 31st October, from 5-7pm. For tickets, book online at www.ticketsource.co.uk/date/553432. Tickets are said to be selling very fast so book soon to avoid disappointment.



Greenfingers

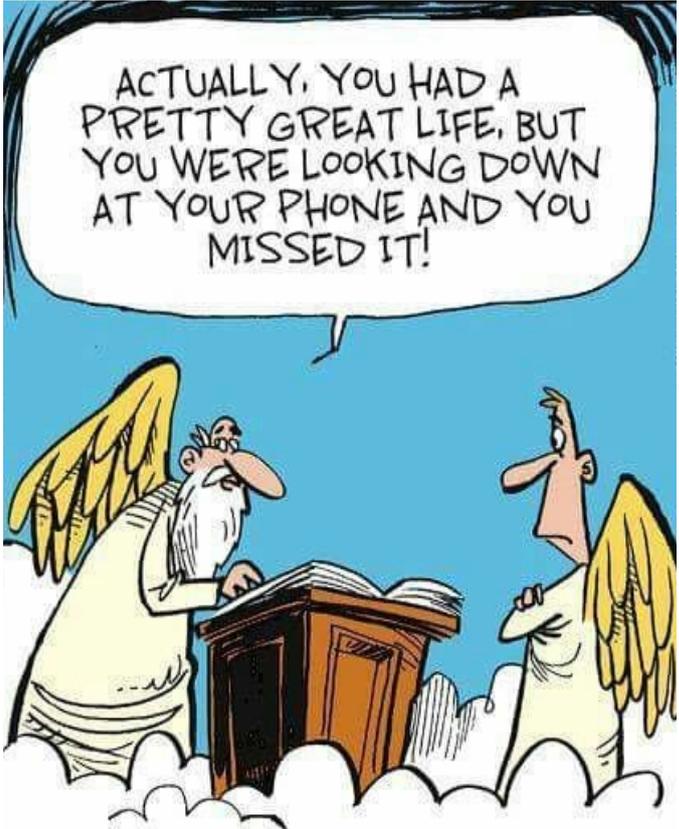
The Greenfingers Gang is due to meet in the churchyard for



another tidying up session in two weeks' time – Saturday, 13th October from 9am. Fine weather ordered!

Parish Magazines

Regrettably there will be no October Parish Magazines available until next Sunday.



Only Joking!

The ashes of a famous general are due to be flown home for burial but it's discovered that all the airlines are fully booked. Eventually, a helicopter is found to take the urn home. Next day the newspaper headline reads: 'The Whirly Bird Gets the Urn.'

Harry is strolling through a cemetery when he comes across a man weeping over a grave. "Why did you have to go?" sobs the man. "Why? Why?" Harry stops to offer some words of comfort. "I'm so sorry for your loss," he says. "Is this your wife's grave?" "No," sniffs the man. "It belongs to her first husband."

