



Sunday Snippets

11th August 2019

Inappropriate Grave Adornments

Visitors to the bottom part of the western end of the churchyard can hardly have missed seeing some recently dug graves



that have been covered in gaudy knick-knacks some of which would seem to be rather more

appropriately placed in a children's play park. The adornments are no doubt put here with the best of intentions but are out of keeping in such a location. There are regulations with which to comply and these have to be imposed. This can be extremely upsetting for all concerned, especially when emotions are raw. If anyone is in any doubt as to what can or cannot be placed on graves, our Parish Administrator and Churchwarden, Julian Payne, will be pleased to advise.

Hard Hit Holidaymakers

Spare a thought and say a prayer today for the unfortunate holidaymakers who have been, or were hoping to have been, under canvas this weekend.

Predictions of the stormy weather put paid to just about every outdoor event in the South West as organisers decided that caution was preferable to potential disasters. Nature's muscles were also flexed in Cornwall where a mini earthquake reminded us just who is boss. We can only hope that the fireworks this coming week will be confined to the pyrotechnics that are being ignited on Mount Batten Pier by the participants in the

National Competition on Wednesday and Thursday and which will be witnessed and enjoyed by tens of thousands of spectators given a couple of fine evenings.



South Entrance Door

At long last and after a lengthy delay for a whole variety of reasons, work on the installation of an automatic opening glass door to the south porch has been given the go-ahead. Life is never simple when permission for alterations or new installations is sought in churches and on this occasion there were complications with obtaining the Faculty as well as unexpected architecture's delays. Work should now start very shortly and we have to thank members for three generous substantial donations as well as some fund-raising through church refreshments to ensure that the £12,000+ can be covered.



Library Service Discontinues

The Plymouth City Library which has been operating an outreach service on Mondays for the past couple of years or so in our church hall and, more latterly, in church, has decided to discontinue offering this amenity due to lack of demand.



Church Clock



All the indications are that the inner workings of the church clock will be re-installed at the end of August. Prior to that, it is intended to arrange for the plant growth on the outside of the tower to be removed.

Church Hall

The railings to the front entrance door of the church hall should be fixed this month, well in time for the official opening on Saturday, 14th September.





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Police Presence in Village

The Devon & Cornwall Police Force is looking to have a friendly social presence in Eggbuckland by starting a 'Cuppa with a Copper' time in the church hall on Friday evenings between five and seven o'clock. The initiative started on Friday of this week. There is also the exciting possibility of them running a youth club here in the foreseeable future but plans for that are at a very early stage. In the meantime, any member of the community who would like to drop in for a cuppa and a chat with a local Bobby at the times mentioned will be warmly welcomed.



New Control for Screens

The latest of the IT innovations that our whiz kid JP has introduced is a new presentation software package for services in church which can be operated by a smart phone. This means that the information on the screens in church can be controlled by any individual with the requisite phone thus ending the dependency on just one or two operating from the rear pew control panel. No doubt Julian will be delighted to offer instruction to anyone interested in further details.



Leigham Hall

The Youth Group is now meeting at Leigham Hall on Thursday evenings. On Saturday, 17th August there is to be a Mayflower drop-in Day between 10.30.am and 3.15pm for members of the community to submit subject suggestions for murals on part of the hall exterior. This is in connection with, and will be financed as part of the Mayflower commemoration events next year.



Magazine Deadline

It is pleasing that most of the material for the September Parish Magazine has already been submitted before today's deadline. Any additional items should be sent to Pat Whatty as soon as possible.



Only Joking! - Some Favourite One Liners

Today at the bank, an old lady asked me to help check her balance. So I pushed her over.
 I told my girl friend that she drew her eyebrows too high. She seemed surprised.
 I'm so good at sleeping I can do it with my eyes closed.
 My boss told me to have a good day.....so I went home.
 A woman walked into a library and asked if they had any books about paranoia. The Librarian said, "They're right behind you."
 The other day my wife asked me to pass her lipstick but I accidentally passed her a glue stick. She still isn't talking to me.
 What do you call a guy with a rubber toe? Roberto.
 I couldn't understand why the cricket ball kept getting larger. Then it hit me.

