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NOTICES FOR SUNDAY 25 AUGUST 2024

WEEKLY DIARY

Playgroup meets every day during school term time

Sunday 25 August	10.15 am	Wilhelmina Tan/Liz Newton Steward: Natalie Coffee: Mike and Pauline
Bank Holiday Monday 26 August		
Tuesday 27 August	4.30 – 7.30 pm	Cosmic Theatre School
Wednesday 28 August	8.45am – 1.00 pm	Playgroup back
Thursday 29 August	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 6.30 – 9.30 pm	Playgroup BATS
Friday 30 August	8.45 am – 4.00 pm	Playgroup
Saturday 31 August	6.00 – 7.15 pm	Karate

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday 1 September	10.15 am	Rob Newton Steward: Phillip Coffee: Adrian and Sue
Sunday 8 September	10.45 am 11.00 am	Circuit Service at Trinity Methodist Church OR Barrow upon Soar Churches Together at the Millenium Park
Sunday 15 September	4.00 pm	Harvest Festival with Rev Sandra Marshall Steward: Soo
Sunday 22 September	10.15 am	John Pipet Steward: Tilly Coffee:
Sunday 29 September	10.15 am	Rev Michael Lees Steward: Natalie Coffee:
Sunday 6 October	10.15 am	Anne Temple Steward: Janet Coffee:
Sunday 13 October	10.15 am	Katy Brookes-Duncan Steward: Soo Coffee:
Sunday 20 October	10.15 am	Victor Poon Steward: Simon/Sandra Coffee:
Sunday 27 October	10.15 am	Rev Sandra Marshall – Holy Communion Steward: Phillip Coffee:

BIBLE READINGS FOR SUNDAY

1 Kings Chapter 8 verses: 1, 6, 10-11, 22-30, 41-43

John Chapter 6 verses 56-69

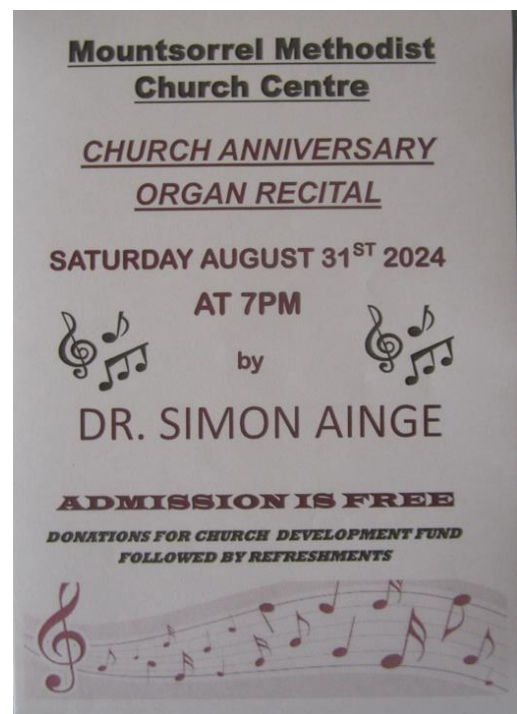
RIDE AND STRIDE – SATURDAY 14th SEPTEMBER 2024

Thanks to the three ladies who have volunteered to run the registration table for the Ride and Stride. Peter is walking – if you would be willing to sponsor him please have a word.

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Holy God, you are our greatest treasure, may we search you out in the darkness of our pain and in our light-filled joy, and in the everyday ordinariness of our lives. When we do not, or cannot, or do so without enthusiasm, touch us again with the flame of your love and enliven us. You made us to be like you, to bear your love and to be your faithful witnesses, may all that we are, and do and long to be, give you glory and praise. Amen.

Helen Cameron, District Chair, Northampton District



A FUNNY FOR THE BANK HOLIDAY



A rabbit hops into a pub and asks the bartender, "Could I get a pint of beer and a Ham and Cheese Toastie?"

The bartender is taken aback but serves the rabbit his order. The rabbit enjoys his beer, devours the toastie, and then leaves.

The next night, the rabbit returns and once again requests a pint of beer and a Ham and Cheese Toastie. Word has spread, and the pub is buzzing with curious patrons. The bartender serves the rabbit, who eats and drinks before heading out.

By the third night, the pub is packed to the brim. As the rabbit walks in and orders his usual, the crowd falls silent in anticipation. The bartender hands over the pint and toastie, and the room erupts in applause as the rabbit finishes his meal and exits.

On the fourth night, there's standing room only. People have travelled from far and wide just to witness this unusual guest. The bartender is making more money in a week than he

did all last year.

But when the rabbit walks in and asks for his usual, the bartender's face falls. "I'm sorry, my friend," he says, "but we're all out of Ham and Cheese Toasties."

The rabbit looks shocked, and the pub goes so quiet you could hear a pin drop. The bartender nervously offers, "But we do have a very nice Cheese and Onion Toastie. I promise you'll love it."

The rabbit eyes him carefully. "Are you sure?" he asks.

With a grin, the bartender replies, "I wouldn't steer you wrong. Trust me, you'll love it."

"Alright," says the rabbit, "I'll have a pint of beer and a Cheese and Onion Toastie."

The pub bursts into cheers as the rabbit enjoys his meal, waves to the crowd, and leaves... never to return.

A year later, the pub is in decline. The bartender, who has only served a handful of drinks that night—most of them to himself—calls last orders. As he is cleaning up, he notices a small white figure hovering above the bar.

"Who are you?" he asks.

"I'm the ghost of the rabbit who used to visit your pub," comes the reply.

The bartender's eyes widen. "I remember you! You made this place famous. Every night, you'd come in for a pint of beer and a Ham and Cheese Toastie. People came from miles around just to see you."

"Yes," the rabbit says. "But I also remember that last night when you ran out of Ham and Cheese Toasties. You gave me a Cheese and Onion Toastie instead."

"That's right," the bartender recalls. "But then you never came back. What happened?"

"I died," says the rabbit.

The bartender gasps. "No! How?"

The rabbit pauses before replying, "Mixin' me toasties."

