NOTICES & NEWS

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Worship in Church and Online Preachers and readings for Sunday 11th May

Acts 9: 36-43; Psalm 23.

Revelations 7: 9-17;

John 10: 22-30

Worship in Church: 10.30am

(Junior Church sessions are on the 2nd & 4th Sunday each month at 10.30am

May 11th Rev John McNeill HC

May 18th Karen Burridge

May 25th Deacon Sue Peat

June 1st Alison Jackson

Flowers in church this week have been kindly provided by Mrs E Browning

Weekly Programme

Monday:

Badminton Club 9.30-

11.30am

Carers Coffee Morning 10.30-11.30am

(3rd Mon)

10-12noon

Friendship Club (2ndMon)

BB&GA Anchors/Juniors 5.30-

8.15pm

(termtime)

Welcome Cafe (termtime) 5.30-8.15pm

Monday Makers 7.30-9.30pm

Tuesday:

JellyTotz 10-11.30am Parents & Toddlers (termtime)

Men's Social (2nd Tue) 10-12noon

The Chosen Study Group 2-4pm

(in the lounge)

Welcome Garden

Step"n"Style (termtime) 4-8.30pm

Wednesday:

Welcome Cafe 10-12noon

Supastrikers(termtime) 1.30-2.15pm

Thursday:

Welcome Cafe 10 - 12noon **Craft Group** 10 - 12noon

BB&GA Company 7-10.00pm (termtime)

Friday:

Friday Lunch Club 2nd&4th

Saturday:

Welcome Cafe 10-12noon

(1st & 3rd of month)

Foodbank - The collection crate is available in the church entrance every Church & PFA Events 2024

May 17th Saturday - Plant Sale 10.30am

May 31st Jumble Sale – PFA

June 29th Strawberry Fayre - BB&GA July 12th **Model Railway Exhibition**

Men's Social – Tuesday 13th May

The next meeting will be on the 13th May at 10.00am. Join us for fellowship, coffee and biscuits. All are welcome Our speaker this month will be Nick Butler.

Ladies Friendship – Monday 12th May

The next meeting will be on the 12th at 2.30pm. Come along and enjoy the fellowship of a Games Afternoon.

The Chosen Study Group

We will resume our meetings on Tuesday 6th May, for Season 3.

Why not come and join us?

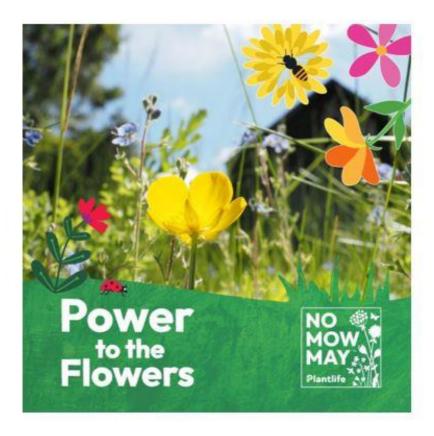
So far with Seasons 1 and 2 we have been introduced to many familiar people such as Mary Magdalene and the disciples as Jesus meets and asks them to join him - and we have seen the depiction of well known stories and miracles - The Wedding at Cana, Simon with the big catch of fish, the healing of lepers, the woman at the well, the feeding of the 5 thousand, the healing of the paralysed man at Bethesda, and many more.

The series gives us the historical context, how life looked at that time and an insight into aspects of life under the Romans which we have found enhances our understanding. While there is some dramatic licence, everything is done with respect for the scriptures.

If anyone is interested but can't make an afternoon meeting, I would be happy to arrange an evening group, to start with Season 1. Please speak to Diana if interested.

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No Mow May



No Mow May is one of the easiest ways to help and connect with wildlife, and the perfect way to start supporting nature in your garden (in May and beyond!).

Join in by letting the wildflowers grow and be part of the No Mow Movement.

But I've already cut the lawn, can I still join in?

Yes! Any time with longer grass will encourage the growth of wildflowers which are great for bees, beetles and other pollinators. Mowing your lawn less frequently can provide enough nectar sugar for ten times the <u>amount</u> of pollinators.

Longer lawns offer birds the perfect foraging spots especially when there are plenty of wildflowers in amongst the grass.

Won't I kill all the insects when I cut at the end of May?

If you can leave some areas long for insects to live in (maybe at one edge of the lawn) then it will certainly help them to survive through June and beyond. However, any extra nectar is good for hungry bees and butterfies, so if you can only do No Mow May it is still a good way to begin to help the wildlife in your garden.

At Hucclecote, we will <u>doing</u> No Mow May with the grass in front of church as part of our commitment to looking after God's creation through Eco Church. Keep your eyes peeled: perhaps another orchid will pop up this year!

Messy Church – St Philip & St James

MESSY CHURCH at St Philip & St James Church, Larkhay Road meet again on Saturday 10th May 4 - 5.30pm. Jesus told a parable about a catch of fish so we will be playing fishy games, decorating fishes of all shapes and sizes, making fish biscuits (don't worry they won't taste of fish!), catching cork fish and lots more. Everyone is welcome.

Please pray for us and encourage families to come. Thank you.



Safeguard Training

The next **Creating Safer Space Foundation Training Course** for all Church Volunteers is being held via Zoom on Thursday 26^{th} June 2025 from 6.30 – 9pm. This is for all volunteers who missed the training in February.

All Church Volunteers who have never attended a Methodist Church Safeguarding Training Course or who have not attended any Safeguarding Training within the last 5 years, are invited to attend the Foundation Training Course.

To book a space, please email <u>safeguarding@gloscircuit.co.uk</u> and the Zoom meeting invitation will be sent to you nearer the time. Debbie Long will also arrange for the latest Creating Space training handbook to be provided.