



HINTON ST MARY THE MOSAIC.

March 2015

GARDENS OPEN PLANT STALL

As the start of the gardening season fast approaches, please remember GARDENS OPEN PLANT STALL when dividing, thinning etc. your plants and shrubs.

If you have any extra or unwanted plants and shrubs, we would love to sell them on THE PLANT STALL this June. It would be very useful if each plant could be marked with a plant label stick showing name, colour and possible height.

This year we are also going to have a section of the stall for house plants, second-hand gardening books, ceramic and terracotta garden pots. If you have any indoor plants that can be divided and potted up or unwanted gardening books or pots, please let us know and hopefully we can find a good home for them via THE PLANT STALL.

More details will be given in further issues of The Mosaic, but in the meantime, if you have any queries please call either Anthea Harding 471 896 or Pauline Sherwood 471 843.

A NOTE FROM HSM NEWSPAPER BOY:

I wanted to take the opportunity of writing a thank you to all the occupants of the houses that I have been delivering newspapers to for the past 4 years, I have now passed my round onto my brother Sam who stood in for me when I broke my arm so most of you will already have met him. I decided it was time to let Sam earn some pocket money whilst I move on to other things.

I have enjoyed my round, even in the snow and rain! But wanted to say an extra thank you for the Christmas bonuses I received over the years which I have saved and put towards driving lessons which I will have started when this goes to print.

Hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year.

Please note Tom sent this in December it was only the doddery old editor that failed to put it in last month. Thanks Tom good luck learning to drive!

"For collection from Michaelmas Cottage, Free - or for a donation to Open Gardens' - 150 new red bricks, 2 bags charcoal, 2 bags building sand.

Please ring Tony on [01258 471851"](tel:01258471851)

Comedy Night Raises £800 for Good Causes



Organisers of the bi-annual Stand-up Comedy Nights at The Exchange would like to thank everyone that came to our October 2014 show and helped us raise £800 for our two good causes for the night. Yewstock School and the Hupenyu Hutsva Children's Home in Zimbabwe were delighted to each receive £400. Yewstock will be using the money towards it's hydrotherapy pool and Hupenyu Hutsva are going to invest in new school uniforms for the children.

These shows have been running for the past 8 years and have so far raised almost £15,000 for local and overseas good causes.

Our next show is on **Saturday March 21st** and our two charities for the evening are Shillingstone Seniors' Club, celebrating it's 50th year this year, and the Sudanese Development Project in Cairo.

There will be 4 acts, plus a compere, to keep you entertained-all from the national comedy circuit. Tickets-at £12 each, are on sale at The Exchange and the show starts at 8pm. Acts are compere- **Geoff Whiting**, plus **Cerys Nelmes, Jonny Emmett, Craig Leggo** and headline act, Cornish born comedian **Matt Price**.

WANTED

If you have any unwanted plastic flower pots could you let me know.

I am particularly interested in litre size ones, but any sort will be welcome.

Please let me know if you can help and I will come and collect them.

Ruth Ash 472523

Curates Corner

Being a teeny weeny bit irreverent...

The season of Lent has begun, and can you believe all the hype? Radio stations started playing all the Lent carols weeks ago and I'm so sick of them by now! Entire aisles in Tesco devoted to selling Lent decorations and the children won't stop bugging me to go and visit Lenty Claus, dressed in his purple suit and handing out ash to all the repentant girls and boys.

The commercialization of Lent has got to stop. This is supposed to be a sacred time of preparation and confession, drawing us closer to God as we look forward to Easter and the celebration of resurrection and new birth.

It just seems like this time of year is so frantic, all the Lent parties to go to, all the Lent concerts and special events. How are we ever going to get to them all? I'm not even going to have time to go out and buy any new Lent clothes. And when are we going to find time to decorate our Lenten Tree?

Join me in decrying the secularization of Lent! Remember the rationale for the period of time. This year, let's not give in to the consumerist pressure we always feel, but rather remember the Lents of days gone by, when times were simpler. Remember, Lent isn't Lent till it happens in your heart.

Rev'd Lydia

March Services at St Peter's

March 1st Holy Communion with Baptism

March 8th BCP Holy Communion

March 15th Family Service for Mothering Sunday

March 22nd Holy Communion

March 29th Palm Sunday

All services start at 10am. All welcome!

