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Hello Everyone

Our first Spring Bank Holiday is this weekend and it could just possibly be warmish and fine! Whatever, the weather I am sure that we will all make the best of the long weekend. There is even the World Championship Snooker Final taking place at The Crucible Theatre Sheffield, to watch on TV.

The first news is that the sum quoted last week as the total collected by "Elaines Pennies", was wrong!! We checked it on Friday afternoon before getting the coins changed into notes and found that the early total was very wrong (it had been a very speedy count initially)it should have been £115...amazing. As we spend this money I will update you on what has been bought.

This week we had a very productive Committee meeting. Final details for the Outing were discussed and for those of you who are going, we will meet at 9.15am outside The Methodist church where the coach will collect us before going to Barnby Dunn to collect 8 of their MU members. The deposits for lunch have been paid to the restaurant and meal choices sent. A lady from The Tapestry project called me this week and they are looking forward to welcoming us on the 14th.

The Joy Bags Project is moving forward and we have arranged to have a Coffee Morning in St Luke's Chapel on Wednesday 22nd May at 10.45am, when we will begin assembling the bags. After that, we will know what we are short of and will be able to get what we need thanks to a donation received recently.

Our ongoing collections for the Woman's Refuge have also had items donated this week and we are on track to produce 5 Fresh Start Baskets in time for our June Meeting when the manager and her assistant from the refuge is coming to take to us. It would be wonderful to see members and friends at this meeting or anyone who is interested in the work done at the refuge and beyond.



Saturday 18th May is the DASH Deanery Coffee Morning at The Minster, where there is to be a Produce stall, which can be anything "made". Chris and I are busy knitting more Tea Cosies, Ladybirds and Bees, very colourful and fun. Everyone who has seen them loves them. Anything Crafted and baking also would be most welcome. The reflection for May is the MU Prayer Dairy is about building St Pauls and refers especially to the craftsmen working there. Our crafting is not on this scale but nevertheless valuable in a small way for the wider good.

Reflection

When St. Paul's Cathedral was being built in 1675, different craftsmen were once asked what were their tasks. Their answers included laying bricks, carving stone and other specific undertakings. One man, however, replied that he was helping to build St. Paul's Cathedral. He had a bigger and better vision of what his work was achieving. As we live out the values of Christ by our example, words and actions, let's ask God for a bigger vision of what we too are achieving. Let's rejoice that our specific offerings are contributing to the wonderful task of building God's Kingdom on earth.

Heavenly Father, as we seek first your Kingdom may we reflect the values of your kingdom through the way we listen to the problems of others, care for their needs, and not judge others unkindly. Amen.

We only have 1 birthday this month .. (that I know of). Happy Birthday to Audrey Dunn for May 16th, we hope you have a lovely day.

Love to everyone from Helen on behalf of the committee

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