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Thank you to those who have supplied details this month.

Our Memorial Service held on 24th June was well attended and a beautiful service. Several people who attended commented on how poignant it was. Our next memorial will be November. All welcome.

A big "thank you" to Wendy and Roger who have updated our website. Please take a look (enter St. Bartholomew's Church, Wednesbury and click on website).

Open Table will be serving their delicious lunch at 1pm on 7th July. Please see Linda or Joyce if you wish to attend.

Forthcoming ideas/events :

Father Mark and team are currently planning a monthly Children's Club which will be run in the Church Hall. It will be run on the first Sunday of the month from 3.00pm till 4.00pm. The hour will consist of a short act of worship, crafts, activities, games, singing etc, and some light refreshments. All supervisory staff are DBS cleared, and we are excited and full of ideas which we would love to share with the children. Please tell families about what we are planning to do, all children welcome. Watch this space for the date when we commence this new initiative.

Mark is also starting a monthly evening Healing Mass. This will be on the first Thursday of the month, (starting the 5th July 7pm), where the laying of hands and anointing will be part of the short service. Please see Father Mark if you require more information.

Wednesbury Carnival, Brunswick Park will be on **14th July** this year. Could you help out at our stalls? Just an hour would be appreciated. Please see Father Mark if you feel you can help. We are sharing stalls with the Baptist and Methodist Churches. There will hopefully be a gazebo for shade, and a prayer tent. We would be grateful for any help and support, setting up on the morning, or "manning" a stall, thank you.

And the following are also "*work in progress*" -

Study Group

Monthly film group

Please speak to Father Mark if you would like more information or would like to help. Thank you.

Would you like to tell our congregation and other readers about something?

Do you have any happy news to announce? (new-borns, anniversaries, birthdays).

Any suggestions for fund raising at church?

Please contact me (Alison) in church, or one of the wardens.

Please turn over....

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Now I'm getting really old
My mind is in a haze.
I simply chose to remember
What I call the good old days.

No phones, no fridge, no lap tops,
Not even a black and white telly.
Our ideas of a "Rave Up"
Were pink blancmange and jelly!



We met our love and "courted",
At least a year or more,
And we saved every penny
Towards our 'bottom drawer'.

We had such simple weddings,
But the memories were there.
And then when children came along
We had no time to spare.



We then got older day by day,
Our children had their own.
And two people loving still
See how their lives have grown.

So now we live in different times,
Our families give us pleasure.
Our "good old days" are still around,
And are here with us to treasure.

Yesterdays
Memories
are tomorrows
Treasures

Please share this newsletter with anyone else you think may find it informative, or let us know and we may be able to deliver copies.

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