

SEDLSCOMBE WITH WHATLINGTON

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Sedlescombe Players. Members are asked to make a note of the follow-up meeting which will take place in the Village Hall (Committee Room 2) on Monday 29 January at 7.30 pm.

Thursday Club. Nearer home on Thursday, 1 February, when Mr M Betts will talk about 'Historic Hastings'. Village Hall, 10 am.

Sedlescombe Sports Association. We hope to start running a Bonus Ball Club to enable us to help finance the new Pavilion. In order to do this, I need 49 people who will be issued with a number 1-49. You pay £1 per week and if your number comes up on Saturday, you win £25 and £24 goes into the Fund. If you are interested, please ring me on 870533. Rosemary.

Bookings Secretary. A big, BIG thank you to Jacqui Post who has taken on the job of Bookings Secretary. Jacqui is a long term resident of Sedlescombe and has a history of community involvement. She has also cajoled her husband,

Dennis, into taking on the role of Lettings Manager. We are very fortunate indeed to have a husband and wife team to run this important aspect of village life. Jacqui and Dennis can be reached on 870350 for all future bookings/maintenance queries.

A big thank you also to the people who put their names forward for the duty manager roster. We didn't need to call upon all of the volunteers this time but.....
Sedlescombe V.H.M.C.

Lent Study Group
An ecumenical study group is being arranged for Lent, on Wednesdays for five weeks beginning on 28 February at 7.30 pm at Chapel Hill Church. The material, entitled 'Can we build a better world? - learning from William Wilberforce' has been prepared by York Courses. This year is the 200th anniversary of the abolition of Slavery, for which Wilberforce campaigned long and hard. But are there still people in slavery today? Come to the group to find out. Each participant should have a study book costing £2.25 so

please let Margaret Smith, Chapel Hill Church secretary, know of your intent to take part by phoning 870431 by 11 February.

Sedlescombe Garden Society Plant Market

ADVANCE NOTICE of the annual Garden Society Plant Market to be held on Saturday, 12th May, at 10:30-1:00 in the Sedlescombe Village Hall. This market, sponsored by BLACKBROOKS GARDEN CENTRE will, as always, feature a huge assortment of garden and house plants, both

flowers and vegetables, supplied to home gardeners and commercial nurseries. Any profits go to the Garden Society whose members will be on hand on the day, not only to sell, but to give advice and gardening information about the plants on offer. So put the date (May 12th) in your diary now.

John Galster. We were sorry to learn that John Galster died suddenly on Tuesday, 23 January in the garden of his home. We extend our love and condolences to Gladys and his family and friends.

From Fr. Stephen:-

Many of you will already know that I am leaving my post as your parish priest as I have a new appointment in the Horsham episcopal area. I am to be the Priest-in-Charge of Turners Hill and also Chaplain at Worth School, which is run by the Benedictine order. I do hope all will appreciate that it is with much sadness that my family and I prepare to leave Sedlescombe, where we have been so happy for the past four years. This has been a wonderful place to begin my priestly ministry and I would like to thank you all so much. I am sure, too, you will appreciate that this appointment, which is into stipendiary ministry, will provide the security which our family needs.

My love and prayers,
Your parish priest,
Fr. Stephen.

