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Greetings

I hope this finds you well, as we are here.

On May 1st we celebrated the feast of Philip and James at our weekly Friday Eucharist as we did six years ago to the day here at SPB when we opened for business. Time seems to have flown by and we are still here! Thanks to all who have made it possible, especially the two grant making bodies. The 'Friends of SPB' have also played an important part in seeing the house has continued to be available to all who use us.

Our Mardi Gras party on Shrove Tuesday well attended again; with a slight change to the usual format with looking at our theme for a Lent course held here taken from the film 'Chocolat', of course we had chocolate in the meal that evening!

A reminder about dates for up and coming events, '**June 26th 'Mid-Summer Madness'** a four course Dinner with coffee at £12 each, also to be musically entertained, in the garden. Tickets will be available from 1st June, from your parish rep. or me.

Other 'Friends' events in the year are, 12th December 'Coffee and Buy' morning.

With regard to the house programme there is our Individually Guided Retreat, Aug 22nd-31st, still some places available, October 23rd-25th a Preached Retreat: 'Prefer Nothing to the Love of Christ' - Reflections from the rule of St Benedict. Rev'd Norman Boakes. Also, 'O Come let us adore him'.

3 After dinner talks leading up to the season of Advent commencing with dinner at 7.00pm., on Thursday, 12th, 19th, & 26th Nov. Lastly, December 5th Quiet Day for Advent

I hope you have a good summer and look forward to you being with us on one (or more!) of our events here at SPB

God bless and,

**all good wishes,**

*Deacon David Rogers, Warden*

(PS I am e-mailing our letters to all who can receive this way from now on.)