

DEANE CHURCH NEWS

NOVEMBER 1990

SUNDAY DIARY

4 EIGHTH BEFORE CHRISTMAS

8.00am Communion

10.30am Family Communion

6.30pm Evensong

11 SEVENTH BEFORE CHRISTMAS

8.00am Communion

10.30am Remembrance Service

6.30pm Family Communion

18 SIXTH BEFORE CHRISTMAS

8.00am Communion

10.30am Family Communion

6.30pm Evensong

25 FIFTH BEFORE CHRISTMAS

8.00am Communion

10.30am Family Service

6.30pm Family Communion



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M I D _ W E E K _ D I A R Y

Communion: Every Wednesday at 10.00am in the Church Lounge
except on November 2nd when it is at Church.

Bonfire Party: Friday, November 2nd from 6.30pm.

Home Groups: Tuesdays, November 13, 27 at 8.00pm
Wednesdays, November 14, 28 at 10.50am,
1.30pm and 8.00pm.

Christian Giving Allocation Meeting: Tuesday, November 6th
at 8.00pm at the Rectory.

Autumn Fayre: Saturday, November 10th at 2.30pm.

Who's Who

Rector	Roger B. Jackson The Rectory 234 Wigan Road (61819)
Vicar	A. Robin Hazlehurst St Andrew's Vicarage Crescent Avenue (651851)
Curate	Michael W. Saunders 281 Deane Church Lane (64313)
Readers	Ken Allan 159 Newbrook Road (63231) Alison Saunders 281 Deane Church Lane (64313)
Wardens	Keith Acton 3 Mallowdale Close (42723) Terry Oakes 14 Salford Road (64362) Stan Wilson 11 Clough Meadow (492034)

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Lay Chairman	Harry Ridyard 918 Wigan Road (651157)
Hon. Secretary	Bob Barton 8 Birchfield Grove (657792)
Hon. Treasurer	Major Crook 6 Manningham Road (62463)

Chairmen of Working Groups

Mission & Unity	Pat Sewell
Pastoral	Roger Jackson
Worship	Stan Wilson
Buildings & Fabric	Harry Ridyard
Social	Brenda Dixon
Overseas Mission	Joyce Sutcliffe

OTHER OFFICIALS

Organist	Jim Needham 130 The Pewfist Westhoughton (922 812692)
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Flowers	Mary Jackson 234 Wigan Road (61819)
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MEMORIAL HALL

Bookings	Ron Morris 13 St Mary's Avenue (62548)
Caretakers	David and Eunice McCormick 34 Junction Road (654503)

What's On

Crèche	under 3 years
Scramblers	3 to 5 years
Climbers	5 to 7 years
<i>Meet in the Memorial Hall Lounge on Sundays at 10.30 a.m.</i>	
Pauline Ridyard (651157)	
Explorers	7 to 11 years
<i>Meet in Church at 10.30 a.m. before going to the Memorial Hall</i>	
Eric Downs (653043)	
Pathfinders	11 to 14 years
<i>Worship in Church on Sundays</i>	
<i>Club Night in the Memorial Hall on Fridays from 7.15 to 9.00 p.m.</i>	
David Dewhurst (651347)	
C.Y.F.A.	14 to 18 years
<i>Meet on Sundays at 7.45 p.m.</i>	
Alan Cheetham (61152)	

LADIES' GROUPS

Meet in the Memorial Hall.

Ladies' Guild	<i>Alternate Tuesdays at 7.45 p.m.</i> Carol Tickle (652515)
Mothers' Union	<i>Alternate Wednesdays at 2.15 p.m.</i> Janetta Makin (658270)

UNIFORMED ORGANISATIONS

Meet in the Scout/Guide Hut

Brownies 1	<i>Mondays at 5.45 p.m.</i> Jean Hanley (654010)
2	<i>Tuesdays at 6.30 p.m.</i> Lily Jarret (63511)

Guides	<i>Mondays at 7.15 p.m.</i> Carol Baxendale (62106)
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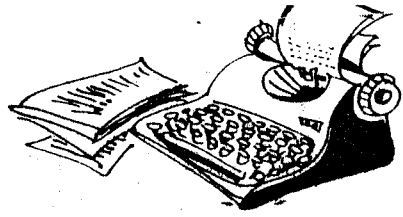
Rangers	<i>Alternate Wednesdays at 7.30 p.m.</i> Judith Bromley (657430)
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Cubs A	<i>Thursdays at 6.30 p.m.</i> Wendy Gooding (653277)
B	<i>Wednesdays at 8.15 p.m.</i> Marjorie Oakes (64362) Pat Boydell (61450)

Scouts	<i>Wednesdays at 7.30 p.m.</i> Richard Newall (654663)
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The Parish Office at the Rectory, 234 Wigan Road (61819) is open on Saturdays from 10.00 to 11.00 a.m. to deal with initial enquiries for Baptism and Banns of Marriage.

THE RECTOR WRITES...



27th October, 1990

One of the joys of taking the morning assembly in our Church School on Wednesdays is that it enables me to get to know, and to be known by many children, the majority of whom have little or no contact with a Christian Church. It is always a heartwarming experience to be greeted by the children when I'm visiting a home in their own street. Sometimes in addition to a greeting, I am offered a sweet, a chip or a potato crisp! My instinctive reaction is to say 'no', because I don't want to deny the child of some of its food. However, I have learnt to say 'yes', for to refuse a child's generosity is to deny them the joy and happiness that comes from giving. This is what Jesus was teaching in the only words of His recorded outside the 4 Gospels:

"There is more happiness in giving than in receiving" (Acts Ch.20 v 35)

Sadly many of us never discover the deep truth of this claim, for we can only test its truth by actually applying it. There are two opportunities for us to do this in November.

Firstly, on Tuesday November 6th at 8.00 pm we have the annual meeting at my home for allocating the Church's giving to missions and charities. The Church Council has already decided that the global sum to be allocated this year is £5,800, but how this is sub-divided is determined by those who attend this meeting. It is done according to certain guidelines which take into account such factors as need and inflation. It really is a joy to be able to allocate this money, and a pleasure to receive the 'thankyou letters' in due course, because we share the task of sending the cheques. So do try to join us on this occasion and discover that there is 'more happiness in giving than in receiving'.

The second occasion for testing the truth of Jesus words is at a more personal level. Later this month our treasurer will be issuing the new sets of Christian Giving Envelopes which come into use on December 2nd. Because he maintains a strict confidence in these matters he never reveals to me who has envelopes, and what people put in them. Nevertheless he has often expressed his surprise and regret that there are still many members who do not use this method of personal giving to God's Church, or who appear to give a mere pittance.

Of course, there are other methods of giving. For instance, Mary and I give through the payroll scheme (Give as You Earn) and through the Charities Aid Foundation. However, these are in addition to our membership of the Christian Giving Envelopes Scheme which we regard as our first obligation. Last year's audited accounts reveal that 82% of our Church's regular weekly income comes through what is given in the envelopes. The loose collections, therefore, only amount to 18%. I want to encourage those of you who don't at present use the envelopes to start doing so by requesting for a set. Then I want to encourage everyone of us to review what we give week by week. With inflation running at over 10% the back page of this publication reveals that for several months now our giving has been falling behind the rate of inflation. Of course I am aware of how crippling some people are finding their mortgage repayments, but I'm also aware that in very many cases wage and salary increases are ahead of inflation. When Christians give as the Scriptures teach us to give in proportion to our income (1 Corinthians Ch.16 v 2) then reviewing what we give should reflect an increase of this order. I can assure you that when you do this you will discover the truth of Jesus' words that there is 'more happiness in giving than in receiving'. Try it and see for yourself!

Roger B. Jackson.



Christian Aid



Some of us are reluctant to give our financial support to the charities because we suspect that much of what is given never reaches its intended destination. In some cases this is undoubtedly true and we are justified in withholding our support, but this is no reason for failing to support those charities whose published accounts reveal that they are good stewards of what is entrusted to them. The relief agencies, Christian Aid and Tear Fund, together receive well over £2,000 each year from us because we are confident that their administrative costs, in what are big operations, are kept to a minimum. In 1989 Tear Fund received nearly £14½ million. We set out below how each pound of this was spent.

23 Pence in every pound was spent on overseas development Community development tackles the root causes of poverty; social welfare helps the deprived and disadvantaged; community healthcare prevents disease through health education and early diagnosis; water improvement provides clean water and basic sanitation; agricultural development improves crops and livestock; job creation brings training and hope to the unemployed.

11.5 Pence in every pound was spent on overseas relief Revolution in Romania, hurricanes in the Caribbean, typhoons in South East Asia, drought - and floods - in the Indian sub-continent, famine in Ethiopia, earthquake in Indonesia, civil war in Lebanon, Just some of the places where emergency supplies of food and clothing, medical supplies, building materials and other equipment were provided, together with counselling and rehabilitation.

25 Pence in every pound was spent on children's ministries Every day 40,000 children under five die of preventable disease - eight million are abandoned on the streets each year. Through its Partners in Childcare programme Tear Fund supports more than 21,000 children in poor countries providing education, healthcare and adequate food, and a further 15,000 receive daily nutritious meals which help them to develop.

7.5 Pence in every pound supported Tear Fund's workers overseas Nearly one hundred qualified personnel working alongside national Christians in 21 countries share their skills and train others as doctors, nurses, midwives, physiotherapists, accountants, engineers, mechanics, agriculturists, builders and foresters. Another 14 young graduates are spending a year overseas gaining work experience and testing themselves for the future.

9.5 Pence in every pound was spent on overseas evangelism and christian education Strengthening and building up national churches across the world is vital to the success of Tear Fund's ministry. During the past year 281 potential Christian Leaders in 31 countries were given scholarships, mostly for theological training. Other grants were made in the areas of Christian literature, media, evangelistic training and church development.

11 Pence in every pound was spent on home and overseas administration Administrative costs are kept under very tight control. Home administration includes the management and processing of money, the provision of computer services, Tearcraft and home personnel recruitment. Overseas administration includes the handling of relief, development and Christian education grants, project evaluation and the recruitment of overseas personnel.

12.5 Pence in every pound was spent on fundraising and education This part of Tear Fund's ministry includes the provision of a wide range of materials for churches, individual supporters and young people, supported by our team of voluntary representatives, with the aim of deepening and extending their understanding of and responsibility for Christian mission, and encouraging committed prayer and financial support for our work overseas.

THANKSGIVING On Sunday September 30th, we gave thanks to God with those parents for the birth of their children:-

Huw and Elizabeth Gulliver for their son Hefin James
Frank and Pauline Menzies for their daughter Stacey Louise
John and Pamela Scammell for their daughter Johanna Claire
Bryan and Elaine Shepherd for their daughter Lauren Michelle

BAPTISM On Sunday October 21st we welcomed into membership of God's Family through baptism:-

Thomas Hampson, 60 Green Meadows, Westhoughton.
Andrea Jane Popplewell, 4 Lenora Street, Deane.
Johanna Claire Scammell, 3 Crossford Drive, Ladybridge.

ATTENDANCE AWARDS have been given to:-

Sarah Latchford for 120 attendances in Explorers and in the Climbers section to:-

Hayley Peavoy for 50 attendances
Andrew Oakes and Wendy Whittaker for 75 attendances
Michelle Bradshaw, Jonathan Cheetham, Emma Crook and Jamie Parker for 125 attendances
Alexander Hilton and Mark Oakes for 150 attendances
Yvonne Biney for 175 attendances
Elizabeth Valentine for 200 attendances

NEWS FROM THE ORGANISATIONS

Pauline Ridyard reports on the Diamond Jubilee of our Guide Company. I was present at the 60th birthday party wearing several hats - as an ex girl guide in the 40's, as a Brownie Leader in the 50's and still carrying the torch as Tawny Owl in the 90's.

The difficulty that we experienced in contacting former members is reflected in the fact that only 35 attended what turned out to be an excellently planned programme. Captain Carol Baxendale and her fellow leaders and guides had decorated the H.Q. with old photographs, uniforms and other memorabilia which brought back many happy memories. For me one of the highlights was the acting by the present generation of guides of a modern pantomime and of a tableau of the past 60 years.

The evening concluded with a buffet meal and camp fire songs in which both young and old could share in that ageless bond which guiding provides.

Congratulations to the guides and their leaders for their splendid efforts. May there be a continuing commitment to enable them to celebrate 70 years of guiding at the turn of the century!

THE LADIES GUILD have planned a Fashion Parade on November 13th and have invited Mrs Sykes to share their Christmas thoughts on November 27th. In addition there will be a jumble sale on November 6th at 6.00pm.

THE MOTHERS UNION'S meetings this month are both to be held in the Church Lounge on Wednesday afternoons November 7th and 21st.

THE MISSION SUPPORT GROUP have one meeting on Monday, November 21st.

THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE have planned a Bonfire Night Party on Friday, November 2nd. Tickets which cost £1 for adults and 50p for juniors include the cost of supper.

THE ANNUAL DINNER DANCE will be held once again at Deane Golf Club on Saturday, 1st December. Tickets are now available at £9.00.

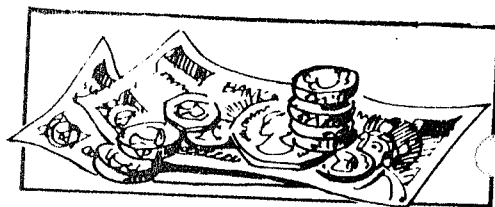
THE NEW ENGLISH ORCHESTRA, whose principal conductor is Nigel Swinford, a member of St. Peter's Halliwell, is made up of professional musicians all of whom are professing Christians. They seek to provide concerts of the highest professional standard so that the audience has a thoroughly enjoyable evening. The Independent's music critic noticing the evident joy and unity of the performers commented recently "their performance provided a refreshing change from the bored expressions customarily seen on the platform".



The orchestra, accompanied by their singers and dancers, have been invited to take part in the Opening Celebrations of the 1991 Salzburg International Music Festival, marking the Bicentenary of Mozart's death. Their next performance at Manchester's Free Trade Hall is on Friday, November 30th at 7.30 pm. Details of the programme and how to obtain tickets are on the notice board in Church.

CHRISTIAN GIVING

Many thanks to all who have contributed to God's work through our Church.



	<u>Christian Giving Envelopes</u>	<u>Loose Collections</u>	<u>Totals</u>
September 2	£414.16	£54.13	£468.29
9	434.70	82.07	516.77
16	520.75	62.63	583.38
23	562.11	184.18	746.29
30	410.15	129.89	540.04
Weekdays	-	122.35	122.35
	<u>£2341.87</u>	<u>£635.25</u>	<u>£2977.12</u>

In the corresponding period last year the amount given was £2852 and therefore this year's giving is only 4% higher than last year's.

In addition a further £324 was donated to the Church Urban Fund during CVF week by individuals.

This year's Harvest Appeal for Tear Fund's work in Honduras raised the record sum of £503. In the main this represents the contents of 130 envelopes together with loose donations, the balance from the Harvest lunch and from donations in respect of soft fruit from the Rectory garden in the summer.

COME YOURSELF AND BRING
YOUR FRIENDS

AUTUMN
FAYRE

Saturday 10th Nov. '90.
2-30pm.