

# DEANE CHURCH NEWS

**JUNE** 1992

## SUNDAY DIARY

### 7. PENTECOST

WHIT SUNDAY

GIFT DAY

8.00am Communion

10.30am Family

Communion

6.30pm Evensong

### 14. FIRST AFTER

PENTECOST

TRINITY SUNDAY

8.00am Communion

10.30am Morning Prayer

6.30pm Family

Communion

### 21. SECOND AFTER

PENTECOST

SERMONS SUNDAY

8.00am Communion

10.30am Family

Communion

2.30pm Family Service

3.30pm Procession of

Witness

6.30pm Evening Service

### 28. THIRD AFTER

PENTECOST

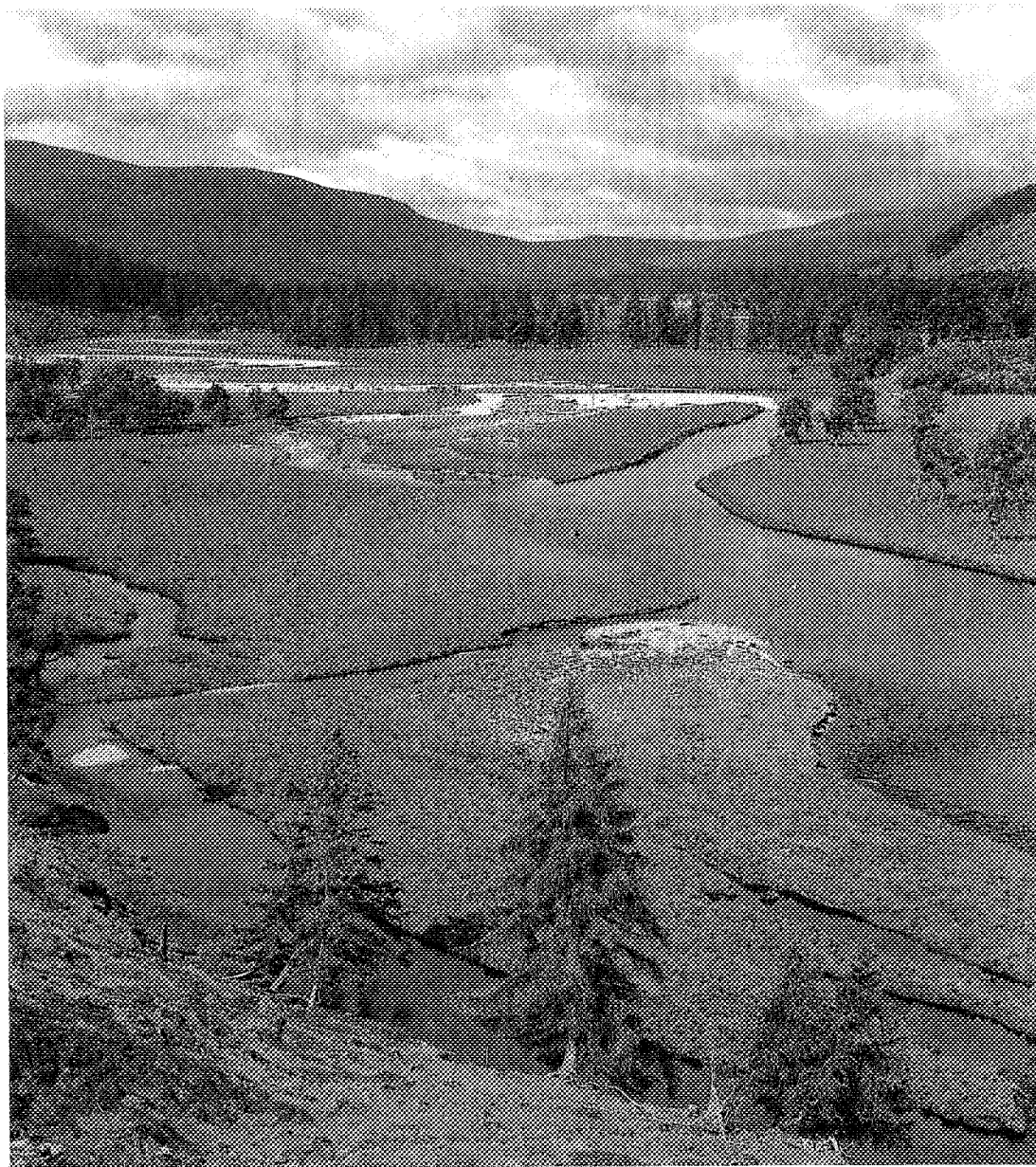
Theme: The Church's  
Confidence in  
Christ

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6.30pm Family

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## MIDWEEK DIARY

Communion: On Wednesdays at 10.00am in Church Lounge, except on June 10th when it is in the Rectory

Home Groups: Tuesdays June 2 & 16, Wednesdays 3 & 17

Prayer Focus: Wednesday June 24th at 8.00am in the Church Lounge

Musical Evening: The Linden Singers led by Norman Cunliffe, Saturday June 20th at 7.30pm.

## 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)

**Honorary Assistant:** Anthony J Woodward  
6 Barrisdale Close (654863)

**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** Craig Mochrie  
**Chairman:** 4 Laxford Grove (652324)

**Honorary** Keith Acton  
**Treasurer:** 3 Mallowdale Close (42723)

**Honorary** Peter Marron  
**Secretary:** 18 Milverton Close (492643)

### CHAIRMEN OF WORKING GROUPS

**Mission & Unity:** Michael Saunders  
**Pastoral:** Joyce Sutcliffe  
**Worship:** Roger Jackson  
**Buildings & Fabric:** Terry Oakes  
**Social:** Brenda Dixon

### OTHER OFFICIALS

**Organist:** Jim Needham  
130 The Pewfist  
Westhoughton (0942 812692)

**Flowers:** Mary Jackson  
234 Wigan Road (61819)

**Verger:** Betty Calderbank  
32 Junction Road (655375)

**Archivist:** Rodney Howard  
42 Elswick Avenue (652417)

### MEMORIAL HALL

**Bookings:** Ron Morris  
13 St Mary's Avenue (62548)

**Caretakers:** David and Eunice McCormick  
34 Junction Road (654503)

## WHAT'S ON

**Creche:** under 3 years  
**Scramblers:** 3 to 5 years  
**Climbers:** 5 to 7 years  
Meet in the Memorial Hall Lounge on  
Sundays at 10.30 a.m.  
Pauline Ridyard (651157)

**Explorers:** 7 to 11 years  
Meet in Church at 10.30 a.m. before  
going to the Memorial Hall.  
Eric Downs (653049)

**Pathfinders:** 11 to 14 years  
Worship in Church on Sundays  
Club Night in the Memorial Hall on  
Fridays from 7.15 to 9.00 p.m.  
David Dewhurst (651347)

**C.Y.F.A.:** 14 to 18 years  
Meet on Sundays at 7.45 p.m.  
Alan Cheetham (61152)

### LADIES GROUPS

Meet in the Memorial Hall

**Ladies** Alternate Tuesdays  
**Guild:** at 7.45 p.m.  
Pat Sewell (61278)

**Mothers' Union:** Alternate Wednesdays  
at 2.00 p.m.  
Janetta Makin (658270)

**Mums and Toddlers:** Alternate Thursdays  
at 1.30 p.m.  
Alison Saunders (64313)

### UNIFORMED ORGANISATIONS

Meet in the Scout/Guide Hut

**Brownies:** 1 Mondays at 5.45 p.m.  
Jean Hanley (654010)  
2 Tuesdays at 6.30 p.m.  
Lily Jarrett (63511)

**Guides:** Mondays at 7.15 p.m.  
Carol Baxendale (62106)

**Rangers:** Alternate Wednesdays  
at 7.30 p.m.  
Judith Ashcroft (657430)

**Cubs:** A Thursdays at 6.45 p.m.  
Wendy Gooding (653277)  
B Wednesdays at 6.15 p.m.  
Marjorie Oakes (64362)  
Pat Boydell (61450)

**Beavers:** Thursdays at 5.30 p.m.  
Susan Ash (62657)

**Rainbows:** Fridays at 6.30 p.m.  
Margaret Latchford (657101)

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.

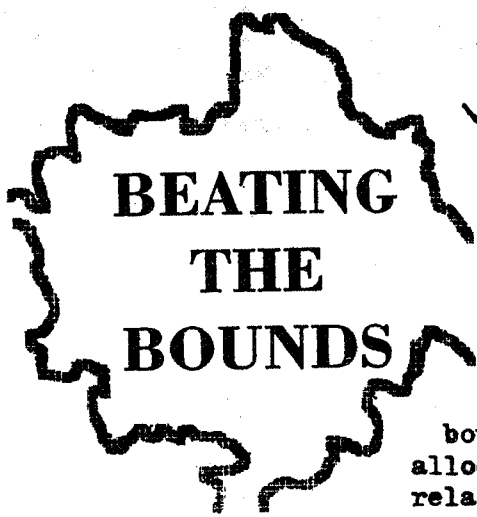
# MIKE SAUNDERS WRITES . . .

I hope that over the last month most of you will have noticed display boards at the back of church and so you will have at least heard of "THERE IS HOPE". The idea of THERE IS HOPE is that some 36 churches, in the Bolton area will, in their different ways, encourage people to think about the Christian faith and we will show that we are all working together by using the same logo. The idea is to encourage us to become more mission oriented in this Decade of Evangelism.

But I wonder how many people will have managed to read past the last sentence. If our committee is representative of the Church a lot of us are ill-at-ease about "Mission" and almost panic stricken by the word "Evangelism"! Well the good news is that evangelism is not about knocking on doors, and it is not about trying to be like Billy Graham. So don't panic, you are not about to be asked to do something which is impossible!

No, what mission is about is showing God's love in the world, and the ways in which we best show God's love, are the ways which come naturally to us. So please don't turn off when you hear people talking about THERE IS HOPE or mission or even evangelism. But rather think about ways in which you CAN show God's love, ways which aren't embarrassing!

What's more there can be no doubt that the need for God's love in our area is very great. I was horrified to discover that of the 3,300 people who live on the Chip Hill and Sutton estates, only 3 are members of our church. We are far too complacent. We think about the 217 people who come to church on a typical Sunday and we forget about the 12,000 who stay away. Please pray for the Pastoral and Mission and Unity working groups as they consider how best to respond to these needs and please support the activities they arrange by bringing your friends to hear someone share the good News about Jesus. After all that's what the word "evangelism" means, sharing the good news about Jesus.



## BEATING THE BOUNDS



The Diocesan Boundary is approximately 137 miles long. Some of it passes through the Wythenshawe Estate near the airport; some on the wild Pennine and Rossendale Ways; some down the middle of the river Mersey! Each of the 19 deaneries is responsible for walking a section of the boundary on Saturday June 27th. Deane Deanery has been allocated a 9 miles stretch which has been divided into 3 relatively easy sections from Scot Lane End, Blackrod to Lever Park via Little Scotland and Adlington.

The object of the walk is to do something together as a diocese and at the same time to raise through sponsorship the remaining £50,000 that the diocese requires to complete its contribution to the Church Urban Fund. Though as a parish we have already paid our share in full we are still encouraged to participate in the fun day. Sponsorship forms and further details are on the Church notice board.

# BITS & PIECES

## JOURNEYING ON

Travel, they say, broadens the mind, It certainly has the effect not only of informing, but often of dispelling some of the illusions and even prejudices that previously governed ones' opinion. To see pictures, again whilst helpful and interesting, cannot quite match up to being in a place and catching the feel and atmosphere.

For many people a visit to the Holy Land would be taken with a certain amount of reserve, if not outright cynicism. The overlay of centuries of tradition and the inevitable mix of legend and fact, together with the trappings of modern tourist facilities, can be off-putting, but it never quite smothers the deeper feelings that arise when standing and walking in those places that have always been just names in the Bible, or places where our Lord Jesus Christ himself walked and talked.

It is in the journeying together on the Emmaus road that hearts are warmed and things become clearer, not in the standing still and looking sad. At the end of this journeying the discovery comes that Christ is there all along. We become very much the poorer for forgetting this.

Ron Morris.

Footnote: The Rector would be very interested to know what level of interest there would be for a parish holiday and tour of the Holy Land in September 1993. Please contact him to let him know without any firm commitment at this stage.

THE PARISH WEEKEND HOUSEPARTY at Rhos-on-Sea was a most enjoyable and friendly one. The weather was mixed as was the party from the youngest in his first year to the oldest in her ninetieth year. All the staff were most helpful and the food they served us was very good. The various games and competitions were keenly contested, but played in a sincere and meaningful way. The Saturday evening entertainment was varied and enjoyable and many otherwise hidden talents came to light. Our thanks are due to Brenda Dixon and her "crew" for organising the social side and to David Dewhurst and those who assisted him with the spiritual side of the weekend. I for one returned to Bolton feeling better for the time away together and I'm sure I am not alone. We are looking forward to next year.

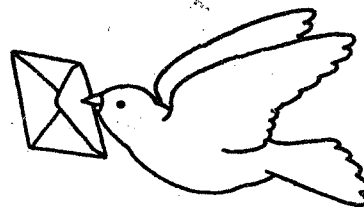
Barbara Woodfield.

THE LADIES GUILD have two visiting speakers this month:-

Mrs. Cotton on "Flight to Freedom"	on June 9th.
Mrs. Hawthorne on "Oberammergau"	on June 23rd.

## NEWS FROM THE LUNTS

Margaret completes her year's study at Crammer Hall Theological College, Durham. Though it has stretched her mentally she has enjoyed it. This experience has led her to believe that God may be calling her to serve in the ordained ministry of our Church. Bob is in Argentina at present for a 2 month stay during which he is hoping to see the New Testament in the Mataco language published in time for the 70th birthday celebrations of the Church in Northern Argentina. In addition he will be spending most of his time with the two Argentinians working on the translation of the Old Testament. This has proved harder than anticipated because one of the translators simply fails to reply to letters. After an awkward first term at their respective schools their daughters Alison and Margaret have settled in well and are making excellent progress.



(The full text of their recent letter appears on the Church Notice board)

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## SPOTLIGHT ON .....

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# Scripture Union

Our speaker at the main services on Sermons Day, June 21st is Mr Andrew Graystone, the recently appointed Regional Co-ordinator for the Scripture Union's Northern area. We supported Scripture Union through our Christian Giving Programme last year with a donation of £200. We shall support them with our prayers in this month's "Prayer Focus" on June 24th when we shall see a short video "What's God Like?". In addition to producing Bible Reading notes which many of use use, they also publish teaching materials for the leaders of our childrens' and young peoples' organisations. In the North of England S U has over 30 staff members. Some are employed in those who lead School Christian Unions, some are Frontier Youth Trust workers patiently encouraging hard pressed volunteer youth workers and some are engaged in children's and family evangelism. The opportunities which Scripture Union has for sharing and teaching the Christian Faith are many, but often a shortage of resources both in finance and personnel mean that many opportunities cannot be seized.

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## SPOTLIGHT ON ..... THE P C C

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At the Annual Church Meeting in Holy Week a new Parochial Church Council was appointed to serve for the coming year. Its members are - the clergy, wardens and Deanery Synod representatives (Stan Wilson, Peter Marron and Craig Mochrie) all of whom are ex-officio. The elected councillors are: Nathan Biney, Chris Dewhurst-Taylor, Brenda Dixon, Harold Lever, Eric Morgan, Sheila Morgan, Pauline Ridyard and Joyce Sutcliffe. In addition, Tony Wood ward has been co-opted and Philip Gore is a member by virtue of his membership of the C of E General Synod.

The Council meets about 7 times a year, sometimes in full session with the members from St Andrew's and sometimes separately. Then every councillor serves on a sub-committee or working group. These meet about 4 times a year and their membership includes church members who are not councillors.

Terry Oakes is chairman of the Buildings and Fabric Committee whose members include Keith Acton, Ian Gardiner, Mike Kirkby, Ron Morris and John Tudor.

Michael Saunders is Chairman of the Local Mission and Unity Committee who members include Peter Marron, Maureen Edwards, Doreen Owen, Norman Hayes, Pat Sewell and Phil Ray.

Joyce Sutcliffe is chairman of the Pastoral Committee whose members include Nathan Biney, Eric Morgan, Sheila Morgan, Eric Downs, Hilda Freestone, Chris Kilsby, Mary Jackson, Brian Pearce and Freda Powner.

Stan Wilson is chairman of the Roof Appeal Committee whose members include Sid Harris, Don Morgan and Judith Valentine.

Brenda Dixon is Chairman of the Social Committee whose members include Chris Dewhurst-Taylor, Sheila Acton, Edna Barlow, David Dewhurst, Trevor Marsden and Carolyn Wilson.

Roger Jackson is chairman of the Worship Committee whose members include Philip Gore, Harold Lever, Craig Mochrie, Pauline Ridyard, Dorothy Cox, Ray Howarth, Jim Needham and Eleanor Woodward.

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The Crompton Charity The Rector has received an anonymous letter from a group of "old church members" expressing their complaints about the administration of this ancient charity. Since the Trustees would appreciate any positive suggestions as to how this might be improved, he would welcome such contributions on behalf of the Trustees. So please reveal your identity and make your suggestions without fear of recrimination!



## CHRISTIAN GIVING

Thank you to all who have contributed to God's work through our Church by their regular giving

	Planned Giving Envelopes	Loose Collections	Totals
April 5	£619.29	£115.09	£734.38
12	589.59	111.25	700.84
19	641.05	244.54	885.59
26	471.75	157.60	629.35
Weekdays	-	198.15	198.15
	<u>£2321.68</u>	<u>£826.63</u>	<u>£3148.31</u>

In the corresponding period last year the amount given was £2431 which was a very low figure. Compared with April 1990 when the amount given was £2713 the increase in the level of giving over this 2 year period is an annual rate of 8%.



## IN THE NEWS

Confirmation At the annual service conducted by the new Bishop of Bolton on May 3rd the following people publicly confirmed their faith in God and were then confirmed in their membership of His Church:

Pat Ashton, Janice Cranshaw, Marie Morris, May Morris, Neil and Deborah Mc Caughtrie, Susan Proudlove, Frances Walker and Stephen Willford

Attendance Awards have been gained by Bethany Dewhurst-Taylor for 25 attendances at Climbers and to Richard Marron for 120 attendances at Explorers.

**THANK YOU!**

Bamidele Murewa has written to express his appreciation to those families who received him into their homes for a meal during his short stay with us during his Easter vacation from his College in Bristol. He says how sorry he was that his stiff-neck caused him to have to stay in bed for several days and so miss several appointments.



Congratulations to Adam Murphy and Janice Cranshaw whose wedding takes place on June 6th.

