THE PARISH OF DEANE

DEANE CHURCHNEWS

1992 **SEPTEMBER**

SUNDAY DIARY

AFTER PENTECOST Theme: The Suffering Community

8.00am Communion 10.30am Family Communion 6.30pm Evensong

13. FOURTEENTH AFTER PENTECOST

The Family Theme:

8.00am Communion 10.30am Morning Prayer 6.30pm Family Communion

AFTER PENTECOST

Those in Theme: Authority

8.00am Communion

10.30am Family Communion and Baptism

6.30pm Evensong

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AFTER PENTECOST The Neighbour

8.00am Communion

10.30am Family Service

6.30pm Family

Communion

MIDWEEK DLARY

Communion: Wednesdays at 10.00am in the Church Lounge except on September 16th when it is at the Rectory

Wednesday September 16th at 8.00pm in Church Lounge Prayer Focus: Autumn Home Groups: Tuesday Sept. 22nd and Wednesday Sept. 23rd Bolton March for Jesus: Saturday September 26th

WHO'S WHO

WHAT'S ON

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

Anthony J Woodward

Assistant: 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 Joyce Sutcliffe Roger Jackson Terry Oakes

Buildings & Fabric:

Brenda Dixon

Social:

Pastoral:

Worship:

2D OFFICENTS

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)

Creche:

Scramblers:

under 3 years 3 to 5 years 5 to 7 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'

Alternate Wednesdays at 2.00 p.m.

Union:

Janetta Makin (658270)

Mums and

Alternate Thursdays

Toddlers:

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)

Caror Danemare (02100

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 Rector writes

29th August, 1992.

In the Old Testament lesson (1 Chronicles Ch. 29) for last Sunday (Pentecost X1) we learn that at the time of the building of the first Temple in Jerusalem the people "rejoiced" because they had had the opportunity of giving willingly to the Lord and to His work. In other words they had discovered what many of us are slow to discover, namely, that there is more joy to be had in giving than in receiving.

It has been pleasurable to receive gifts through the post for our Roof Appeal, some from people I do not know, and some from former Church members who have moved away from the district. But it will give me even greater pleasure to chair the meeting on Wednesday September 9th when we shall be giving away £5,696, this year's "global sum", which the Church Council has asked us to allocate to the various missions and charities that we support through our Christian Giving Programme. This meeting will be held at the Rectory and is open to all Church members. You are most welcome to experience with me the joy that comes through giving. I'm so glad that as a Church we are continuing to give to these needy causes, even though we have additional expenses of our own in connection with the work on the Church roof.

MARCH for JESUS

This year's March for Jesus is to be held on Saturday morning, September 26th. It will take the shorter route from Bolton Parish Church along Deansgate to Victoria Square. I must confess that I have never been an enthusiast for marches "demos" and especially "Sermons Walks", for I question their effectiveness as means of Christian witness. I do not doubt that they succeed in communicating something, but I fear that on some occasions they do not communicate what I would wish the Church to communicate to the non-believing world.

However, I was pleasantly surprised by last September's March for Jesus in Bolton. I was very glad indeed to be associated with and to be a part of what by any standards was a most impressive demonstration of:

- 1. the size of the Christian Church in Bolton when we are prepared to do something together in Christ's name rather than being content to plough our own little furrows independently of anyone else. Statistics reveal that regularly there are more people in Christian Churches on Sunday than attend the professional football matches on Saturdays. When you are a member of a small congregation, or of even a larger one, you may be inclined to doubt this statistic, but last year's March for Jesus in Bolton should have demonstrated this fact once and for all.
- 2. the vitality and joyfulness that Christians experience when singing to the Lord. At the start of the march I knew few of the songs, but I certainly knew them by the time we reached Victoria Square! This vitality and joyfulness was infectious. I long for the day when our congregational singing in Deane Church has these qualities. I don't believe it is a matter of whether we prefer to sing ancient hymns or modern songs, but rather a matter of whether we really put our hearts and minds and voices into our singing. So often we hardly open our mouths for fear of what others will think. When we recognise that singing is an important part of our worship directed towards God then perhaps we will "pull out the stops" and sing with heart and mind and voice, and I believe others will follow our example.

Those of us who knew <u>Carole Smith</u> of our evening congregation were saddened to hear of her sudden and untimely death. We offer our sympathy to those of her relatives and friends who, because their lives were closest and their love deepest, are finding her tragic death particularly hard to bear. I know from personal experience at the death of my own father the long delay between his death and the eventual inquest was very hard, especially for my mother. She felt that the wounds of bereavement were opened up again when she had thought they were on the way to being healed. I commend her family to your prayers.

Roger B. Jackson.

BITS & PIECES

It is a sure sign that <u>Home Groups</u> have become an established part of our Church life that people have been asking me when they start again. And the good news is that we don't have to wait much longer! They start again on September 22/23 and meet fortnightly thereafter.



We will be looking at the first letter of St. John and to guide us in our discussions we will be using a superb Bible study guide in the Lifebuilder series. Unfortunately copies of this book cost £1.75 but I trust that you will feel it is money well spent. A little nearer the time they will be available in Church and also at each of the groups.

If you would like to join one of our Home Groups then you can either just turn up at one of the meetings or preferable sign up before hand using one of the blue coloured "handouts" available in Church.

The Social Committee have planned the following programme for the autumn.

Saturday October 3rd a Safari Supper with 5 delicious courses served at 5 different venues and costing only £5. The maximum number of travellers on the safari is 50 so book now. If you have no transport of your own, worry not, it can be provided. Saturday October 24th Prom Praise at the Manchester Free Trade Hall. Seats are still available for the afternoon and evening performance providing you do not delay in signing the list on the notice board in Church.

Friday December 4th Annual Dinner/Dence at Deans Colf Club.

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Monday December 28th A Theatre trip to "Les Miserables" in Manchester. There is a booking list in Church.



At the present time the **Church Lounge** at the Memorial Hall is cleaned in turn by 3 small teams of volunteers. Several of these have either given up or have given notice of their intention of doing so. Consequently we need to replace them. The duty is done on a Friday morning or afternoon and it comes round every 6 weeks.

Mary Jackson wishes to thank those who have helped in this way and will be glad to receive offers of help as soon as possible. Are there any volunteers from those who regularly use the lounge and expect it to be clean and tidy for their own use?

The Mothers Union meet this month on Wednesday afternoons September 9th and 23rd.

The Ladies Guild meeting on Tuesday evenings have arranged the following programme;

September 1 Mock Auction September 15 Members Night

September 29 Harvest Supper.

REGULAR CHRISTIAN GIVING

Thank you to all who contribute to God's work through our Church by their weekly giving.

	Planned Giving Envelopes	Loose Collections	Totals	
July 5 12 19 26 Weekdays	£438:81 534:85 692:99 506:21	£79:90 84:17 105:82 139:49 60:02	£518:71 619:02 798:81 645:70 60:02	
	2,172:86	469:40	2.642.26	

In the corresponding period last year the amount given was £2828 which represents a disappointing decrease of 6.5% in the level of giving even before we consider inflation.



IN THE NEWS

THANKSGIVING

On Sunday August 23rd we gave thanks with the following parents for the birth of their sons:

David and Tricia Howarth for Robert

Michael Small and Paula Cooper for Michael

Bryan and Elaine Shephard for Ross



BAPTISM

On Sunday August 16th welcomed into membership of our Church Family at Deane: Jennifer Leigh Carroll, Daniel Carl Farrow, Lucy Hampson, Lauren Victoria Kelly, Anthony Dada Yakiah, Daniel Dada Yakiah and Joseph Dada Yakiah.



ADMISSION TO COMMUNION

Ten members of our Pathfinder group have been preparing to be admitted to communicant membership of our Church in the controlled experiment authorised in our diocese for admitting young people to communion before confirmation. We welcomed the following at two services in August:

Louise Bickerton, Sarah, Cullen Matthew Dewhurst, Sarah Latchford, Rebecca Rutter, Sarah Smethurst, Rebecca Smith, Sarah Valentine, Kathryn Winter and Alex Young.

ATTENDANCE AWARDS

The following children have recently reached their respective attendance targets and received book prizes:

Climbers for 25 attendances: Thomas Young

for 50 attendances: Rebecca Waite and Anika Whittle

for 100 attendances: Angela Cheetham

for 150 attendances: Andrew Oakes and Gary Parker

Explorers for 40 attendances: Amy Atkinson, Emma Bateson, Matthew Cox,

Anna Davenport, Victoria Entwistle, Richard Harrison, Mark Oakes and Andrew Woodward

for 80 attendances: Jonathan Cheetham and Elizabeth Valentine for 120 attendances: Matthew Kilsby and Martin Wagner

NEWS OF FORMER CURATES

Mark Russell-Smith (1975-1977) has been appointed Priest-in-Charge of the Parish of Slaidburn in the Trough of Bowland to the East of Lancaster. This is a small parish in a delightfully attractive area and he will combine the job with that of Diocesan Links Officer for the Diocese of Bradford. Presumably this means that he will be encouraging parishes in the diocese to take a more active interest in God's work in those parts of the world with which Bradford has links.

<u>Frank Sudworth (1978-81)</u> who is the Vicar of Christ Church, Upper Armley, Leeds has been given the additional responsibility of being the Rural Dean of Armley in the Diocese of Ripon.

Tony Woodward (1981-1984) has now received medicaL clearance to return to the full-time ordained ministry and it is hoped that he will be appointed to a parish in the not-too-distant future. In the meantime he is giving valuable assistance to our Area Dean, Denis Gatenby (another former Curate 1956-1960) in ministering on those parishes in our Deanery which are vacant at the present time.







First our thanks to all who have helped with the recent house to house collection and leaflet distribution. Your efforts have raised over £2,250 which together with the surprise cheque from DEANE ST. MARY PRIMARY SCHOOL raised by various sponsored events has swelled the Appeal to over £50,000.

The response to the Appeal continues to be very encouraging and as a result of the excellent publicity material produced we have been approached by people wishing to hold events on our behalf, e.g. the LADYBRIDGE PATIENTS GROUP are holding a CONCERT featuring THE ECCLES BOROUGH BAND on SUNDAY 25th, OCTOBER at 2.30 p.m. in Church and on FRIDAY 13th NOVEMBER, THE NEW ROSEMERE OPERATIC SOCIETY are holding a CONCERT in the ALBERT HALL. Both of these groups are sharing the profits with us. Our grateful thanks to them and we hope they will be both well supported.

AUCTION

WHEN FRIDAY 18th SEPTEMBER, 1992.

viewing from 4.00 p.m. AUCTION COMMENCING 7.00 p.m.

WHERE MEMORIAL HALL

WHAT NO CLOTHES PLEASE but we already have:-

A studio apartment in BENALMADENA (Costa del Sol) for 2 weeks each year for life - more details from Stan.

A PENNY BLACK STAMP: PARROT CAGE: BRAND NEW GHETTO BLASTER AND MUCH MORE.

<u>HELP</u> Please contact Don Morgan, Bob Benyon, Stan Wilson or Sid Harris with offers of help.

WHY We need help in collecting items on Wednesday and Thursday evening (16th and 17th Sept.) and on Friday afternoon to prepare the hall and at the actual Auction on Friday Evening.

<u>Please do volunteer to help</u> and ensure the success of this years main FUND RAISER FOR THE ROOF. Stan Wilson -Appeal Chairman

A final thought from Ron Morris on STIMULATION

Such situations as the Roof Appeal can act like a blood transfusion. They can pull us together in a new and invigorating way and they can stimulate the involvement of others who have hitherto been standing on the touch line.

Perhaps the congregation may be pictured in the Deane Sermons Walk. There are those whom we don't see at all; there are those who stand at the street corner and watch; there are those who walk alongside the procession using the pavement; and there are those who are in the road, actually in the procession.

It is one way which God can stimulate His people. I trust we shall all see it that way and allow the Holy Spirit to use us where and how He wants.

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