

THE PARISH OF DEANE

DEANE CHURCH NEWS

AUGUST

SUNDAY DIARY 1993

1. NINTH AFTER PENTECOST

Theme: The Whole Armour of
God

8.00am Communion

10.30am Family

Communion

6.30pm Evensong

8. TENTH AFTER PENTECOST

Theme: The Mind of Christ

8.00am Communion

10.30am Morning Service

6.30pm Family

Communion

15. ELEVENTH AFTER PENTECOST

Theme: The Serving Community

8.00am Communion

10.30am Family Service

6.30pm Evensong

22. TWELFTH AFTER PENTECOST

Theme: The Witnessing
Community

8.00am Communion

10.30am Family Service

6.30pm Family

Communion

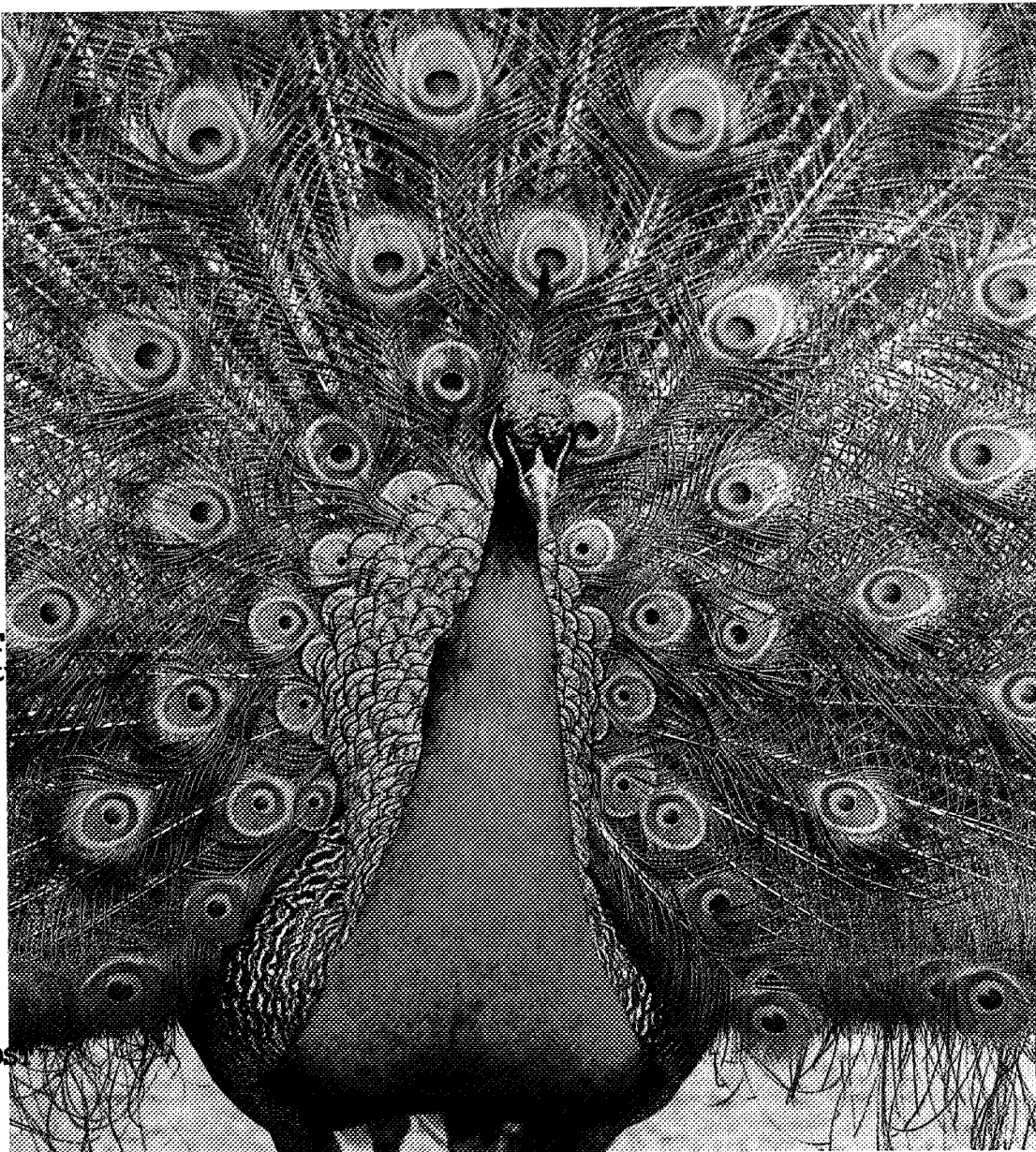
29. THIRTEENTH AFTER PENTECOST

Theme: The Suffering
Community

8.00am Communion

10.30am Family Communion

6.30pm Evensong



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MIDWEEK DIARY

Communion: Every Wednesday at 10.00am in the Church Lounge except on August 11th when it is at the Rectory

Home Meetings Tuesdays and Wednesdays August 10/11 and August 24/25

Prayer Focus Wednesday August 4th at 8.00am in the Church Lounge

Parochial Church Council Monday 16th August at 7.45pm

Coffee Morning: Saturday August 7th 10.00 - 12 noon

THE RECTOR WRITES...



31st July, 1993

Those of you who have been praying that we might be able to appoint a successor to Michael Saunders can now thank God that your prayers have been answered. I am very happy to announce that Charles David Moore has accepted my invitation to join us in the early autumn.

Charlie (as he prefers to be called) is an Irishman from Belfast. After studying architecture in Scotland at the university of Dundee he then moved to England to work for a firm of architects in London who have had a lot to do with the prestigious development at Salford Quays. It was through his membership of St. Mark's Church Kington (adjacent to the Oval Cricket Ground) that he met his wife, Sara, and where he also experienced God's call to serve in the ordained ministry of the Church of England. He has been trained at the largest of our Anglican Theological colleges - St. John's, Nottingham from where Tony Woodward also joined us several years ago.

Sara, whom Charlie married two years ago, is English though she was born in Zimbabwe where she spent much of her childhood. She is a qualified psychiatric nurse, and will be looking for a post which brings her into close contact with younger people who have psychiatric problems. They plan to be moving into the clergy house in Deane Church Lane at the end of August in preparation for Charlie's ordination at Michaelmas. Though I haven't received written confirmation of this I understand that the new Bishop of Manchester will actually conduct the ordination service in Deane Church in the evening of Sunday September 26th. Can the historians among you confirm whether or not this is the first ordination to take place in the long history of our ancient Church? The ordination will come 'hard on the heels' of the Mission the final service of which will be in the morning of the same day. It will also be a prelude to the Flower Festival which will be the major activity the following weekend. All these events require a considerable amount of planning and preparation, and it will help enormously if people respond to appeals for voluntary help sooner rather than later.

I have received a most interesting letter this week from New Zealand. It comes from Jim and Judith Cornish who are coming to the UK for the World Championship Triathlon event on August 22nd. Jim will be one of the oldest competitors in this gruelling event which involves swimming 1.5 kilometres in Rivington Reservoir, cycling 40 kilometres to Manchester and then running 10 kilometres around the city centre. Jim is in his early 60's and on previous occasions he has taken part in similar events in New Zealand and Hawaii. Together with his wife, they have run marathons in Honolulu, London and New York (where our own Harold Lever was a competitor at a similar age). Having booked a room at the Forte Posthouse Hotel in our parish they have written to me enquiring the times of our Sunday services on August 15th. As he has been a lay reader for 43 years I have invited him to take part in the Communion service that morning. I was most impressed that in planning their itinerary they were anxious not to overlook the importance of meeting with the Church Family wherever they found themselves on a Sunday. What a contrast with one of our Church families who on being encouraged by me to attend a particular Church in a South Coast holiday resort replied "Roger, you don't understand, we are not going on a 'busman's holiday'; we need a break from Church like everything else". For people going abroad I have details of some of the Christian Churches in the main holiday centres. Mary and I have always been welcomed when we have joined one of these congregations and it has been encouraging to them especially in those Islamic countries where the Christian presence is minimal.

Roger B. Jackson.

MONEY MATTERS

Every year we are inundated with requests for donations to missions and charities, both Christian and humanitarian, but all of which are most deserving causes. If we responded to every request none of them would receive anything substantial from us and consequently it is important that we should have some principles to guide us as we distribute the "global sum" which the Church Council budgets for our Christian Giving Programme each year. This "global sum" is calculated on the formula of 12% of the previous year's income plus 33% of the proceeds from the Autumn Fayre. In addition individual members and Church organisations will often make donations which pass through the Church accounts and then there are the special appeals at Lent, Harvest and Christmas. Set out below are the 8 principles recently approved by the Church Council, and they will be applied by those who attend the Open Meeting for apportioning the global sum. This will be held at the Rectory on Monday August 22nd at 8.00 pm.

1. Because we are a Christian Church the majority of our giving should go to Christian organisations rather than those which enjoy a wider public appeal. Last year the division was 95% - 5%
2. Because the needs are infinitely greater in the developing world than even the most deprived in the UK the majority of our giving should go overseas. Last year the division was 64% - 36%
3. Because Christ was concerned for the "health of the whole man" i.e. physical and mental as well as spiritual our giving should not be restricted to the "spiritual". Last year the division was 88% (spiritual) - 12% (other)
4. That support for the relief work should be channelled through the 2 main Christian relief agencies:-
 - i) congregational giving through TEAR fund Last year £2,070
 - ii) our Church's appeal to the parish through Christian Aid £1,672
5. Because the support we offer should be prayerful as well as financial we need to limit our donations to a realistic number in which we can take an intelligent interest.
6. Because we live in inflationary times (the levels of which are often much greater abroad than in the UK) we should endeavour to increase the amount we give each year by at least the UK level of inflation so that in real terms what we give this year is not less than what we gave last year.
7. Having determined what missions and charities we support we should continue that support for a period of say 3 or 5 years and then review the situation.
8. We should set aside a small amount of the "global sum" for contingencies - i.e. special 'one off' appeals which may arise during the year.

Plans are now well in hand, and many of the displays, pew ends and window sills have been sponsored. If you are still planning to sponsor any of these floral arrangements please do it as soon as possible to enable the necessary printing to be done.

A reminder of the main events and times :-

CHURCH OPEN TO VIEW

Floral Theme: THE CHURCH YEAR

Friday 1st October	12 noon - 6.30pm
Saturday 2nd October	9.30am - 5.30pm
Sunday 3rd October	12 noon - 6.00pm

Admission £1.00 Accompanied children free

HISTORICAL DISPLAY AND REFRESHMENTS throughout the weekend in the Memorial Hall.

QUIZ NIGHT In the Memorial Hall on Friday 1st October at 7.30pm.
Tickets £1.00 which includes a pie and pea supper.

CONCERT In the Church on Saturday 2nd October at 7.30pm. Given by the Bolton Youth Choir, the Bolton Chamber Orchestra and a Brass Quintet.
The Mayor and Mayoress of Bolton will be in attendance.
Tickets £2.00

SUNDAY SERVICES 3RD OCTOBER

8.00am	Holy Communion
10.30am	Harvest Family Service
6.30pm	Harvest Family Communion Celebrant : David Bonser, Bishop of Bolton

The preacher at the main services will be Michael Seward, Canon Treasurer of St Paul's Cathedral, London.

HELP REQUIRED



**WE NEED
YOU**

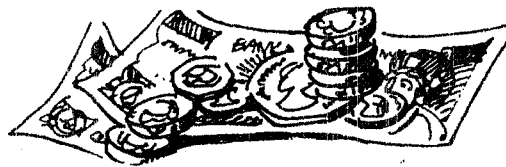
A great deal of help will be required with stewarding and security in the Church, with refreshments in the Memorial Hall, with car parking and with keeping the Church and grounds tidy. When lists are being prepared, do please volunteer to assist in as many ways as possible.

The aim of the weekend is to celebrate the success of last year's Roof Appeal and to be the culmination of this year's two weeks of Mission in April and September. Let us all together ensure a successful and happy weekend as we express our thanks to God through the talents and skills of the Horwich Floral Art Group in depicting the Church Year through the beauty of flowers.

Stan Wilson
Festival Chairman



CHRISTIAN GIVING



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

	Planned Giving	Loose Collections	Totals
June 6	£ 513.95	£ 66.89	£ 580.84
13	493.50	73.62	567.12
20	690.09	278.13	968.22
27	472.70	50.83	523.53
Standing Orders	51.25	-	51.25
Weekdays	-	81.52	81.52
	<u>£2221.49</u>	<u>£550.99</u>	<u>£2772.48</u>

In the corresponding period last year the total amount given was £2942. On Sermons Day, June 20th, in addition to the £968.22 that was given in Church a further £65.33 was received in separate donations and during the procession of witness.



IN THE NEWS

Thanksgiving On July 4 we gave thanks to God with the following parents for the birth of their children; Richard and Elaine Beadle of 13 Brampton Road for Ellis Richard Simon and Elaine Cockerham of 3 Punch Lane for Lydia

Sympathy We wish to express our condolences to Joyce Hayes and her family on the death of Cyril. He had been a member of our church choir for over 50 years, and it was only when he was stricken down with a stroke nearly 13 years ago that he was forced to retire. Many of us are full of admiration for Joyce for the way in which she has so faithfully looked after her husband during the past trying and frustrating years. We are also very sorry to hear of the death of Doreen Owen's father, William Peet of Morris Green.

Appreciation We express our appreciation of the service rendered by Jean Hanley who retires this month from the position of Brown Owl of the Monday Evening Brownie Pack - a post she has held for many years - for some of which she has also served as a District Commissioner. Thank you Jean. We welcome as her successor Janet Madden who will share the leadership in tandem with Michelle Wright.

One of the highlights in the Ladies Guild is their Annual Coffee Morning to be held in the Church Lounge on Saturday 7th August from 10.00am to 12 noon. They extend a open invitation to join them both on this occasion and on the previous Tuesday, 3rd August at 7.45pm for an evening of "Edible Art Work and Sugar Craft".

Sounds interesting but slimmers should beware! August is obviously a busy month because in addition to an Evening Outing on 17th August they have invited Mrs J Hughes to speak about "Childrens' Hospices" on August 31st. The Mothers Union hold two branch meetings on Wednesday afternoons 11th and 25th August. In addition they have planned a Rummage Sale (jointly with the Ladies Guild) on Tuesday 24th August.

COFFEE MORNING

