## THE PARISH OF DEANE

# DEANE CHURCH NEWS

#### SEPTEMBER 1994

#### **SUNDAY DIARY**

#### 4 15th AFTER PENTECOST

Theme: Those in Authority

8 am Communion 10.30am Communion 6.30pm Evensong

#### 11 16th AFTER PENTECOST

Theme: The Neighbour

8.00am Communion10.30am Morning Service6.30pm Family Communion

#### 18 17th AFTER PENTECOST

Theme: The Proof of Faith

8.00am Communion

10.30am Family Communion

-6.30pm Evensong

#### 25 18th AFTER PENTECOST

Theme: The Offering of Life

8.00am Communion
10.30am Family Service
6.30pm Family Communion



'Pride of the Walk' Steam Traction Engine, by Ivan J Belcher (AA series cover published by Chansitor Publications Ltd, 16 Blyburgate, Beccles, Suffolk, NR34 9TB; printed in Great Britain by Stott Brothers Ltd, Halifax)

#### MID WEEK DIARY

Communion: Every Wednesday at 10.00am in the Church Lounge.

Prayer Focus: Wednesday September 7 at 8.00pm in the Church Lounge.

March for Jesus: Saturday September 144

Home Meetings: Tuesday September 20 and Wednesday September 21.

Parochial Church Council: Monday September 26 at 7.45pm.

Ordination of the Revd. Charlie Moore: Manchester Cathedral on Thursday

September 29 at 7.30pm.

Rector:

Roger B Jackson

The Rectory

234 Wigan Road (61819)

Vicar:

A Robin Hazlehurst St Andrew's Vicarage Crescent Avenue (651851)

Curate:

Charles D Moore

281 Deane Church Lane (64313)

Reader:

Christine Kilsby

1386 Junction Rd West (492351)

Wardens:

Craig Mochrie

4 Laxford Grove (652324)

Terry Oakes

14 Salford Road (64362)

Les Kilsby

1386 Junction Rd West (492351)

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Lay

Stan Wilson

Chairman:

11 Clough Meadow (492034)

Honorary

Keith Acton

Treasurer: 3 Mallowdale Close (842723)

Honorary

Les Kilsby

Secretary:

1386 Junction Rd West (492351)

CHAIRMEN OF WORKING GROUPS

Finance:

Keith Acton

Pastoral:

Stan Wilson Philip Gore

Worship: Buildings & Fabric:

Mike Kirkby

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)

Covenant

Sid Harris

Secretary:

11 Manningham Road (656355)

MEMORIAL HALL

Bookings:

Keith Holden

3 Beaumont Drive (653075)

Caretakers: David and Eunice McCormick

34 Junction Road (654503)

Creche: Scramblers: under 3 years 3 to 5 years

5 to 7 years

Meet in the Memorial Hall Lounge on

Sundays at 10.30 a.m.

Pauline Ridyard

Explorers:

Climbers:

(651157) 7 to 11 years

Meet in Church at 10.30 a.m. before

going to the Memorial Hall.

Jane Hampson (848433)

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 8.00 p.m. Charlie & Sara Moore (64313)

CHURCH CHOIR

Rehearsals on Sundays at 11.45 a.m.

Jim Needham (0942 812692)

MUSIC GROUP

Rehearsals on Thursdays at 7.30 p.m.

Ray Howarth (652602)

LADIES GROUPS

Meet in the Memorial Hall

Ladies

Alternate Tuesdays

Guild:

at 7.45 p.m. Pat Boydell (61450)

Mothers'

Alternate Wednesdays

Union:

at 2.00 p.m. Janetta Makin (658270)

Parents &

Thursdays at 1.30 p.m.

Toddlers:

Julie Cooper (660946)

UNIFORMED ORGANISATIONS

Meet in the Scout/Guide Hut

Brownies: 1 Mondays at 5.45 p.m.

Janet Madden (665896) 2 Tuesdays at 6.30 p.m.

Lily Jarrett (63511)

Guides:

Mondays at 7.15 p.m.

Carole 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.

Francis Barlow

Beavers:

Thursdays at 5.30 p.m.

Jean Aspinall (63948)

Fridays at 6.30 p.m.

Rainbows:

Margaret Latchford (657101)

# The Rector writes

27th August.1994

"TOO BUSY NOT TO PRAY"

This is the title of a book which several members of our Church Family have encouraged me to read and have further suggested that it form the basis of this Autumn's home group programme. I have listened to this advice and am very happy indeed to go along with this suggestion. The author of the book is a Bill Hybels, the senior Pastor of the remarkable Willow Creek Community Church in USA. His experience is a very familiar one. Like most of us he found that there was so much going on - work, school, family, sport, Church - the list is never ending. In each of these areas someone always seems to be wanting something from us. As a result time for God and with God in prayer is difficult to find. We believe we ought to pray; we know we ought to pray, but we dont and this leaves us with a niggling guilt feeling. Bill Hybels found a way out. He says "I did something absolutely radical; I actually prayed". In his book he shares what prompted him to take what for him was a life-changing step and he shows how we might embark upon the same adventure.

The Autumn Home Group Programme will consist of a series of 6 sessions beginning on Tuesday/Wednesday September 20/21 and then continuing at fortnightly intervals throughout October and November. Because we shall be using an appropriate Bible passage as the basis for discussion it is not absolutely essential that you read this relatively small book. However, if you do read it, then you are bound to benefit from doing so, and therefore each group will be supplied with a copy in the hope that it can be passed around and read between the fortnightly meetings.

Prayerless people cut themselves off from God's presence and power. This usually results in that familiar feeling of being overwhelmed, overrun, beaten down, pushed around and defeated. Surprising numbers of people are willing to settle for lives like that. Don't be one of them. Nobody has to live like that. Prayer is the Key to unlocking God's presence and power in our lives.

I want to invite you to come and discover with me and others what prayer is about and what it can mean in our lives. Especially I wish to encourage

(1) those of you who, for whatever reason, have never been to a home group before.

(2) those of you who were members but again for reasons best known to yourselves have 'dropped out'

(3) those of you who are members of the existing groups.

There will be the usual 'signing on' lists in Church for you to indicate which day and time is most convenient. Please add your name to the lists sooner rather than later.

Overleaf you will find details of a varied and balanced programme of autumn activities. Do make a note of them in your diaries to minimise clashing with other activities. However, let us not fall into the trap of being so busy with these activities that our times of prayer are either crowded out or overlooked altogether. Though I must confess to failing to have a daily Quiet Time on many occasions nevertheless I have discovered that when I have got my priorities right at the beginning of the day I have been able to achieve so much more in the midst of a busy schedule.

Roger B. Jackson.

### DATES FOR YOUR AUTUMN DIARY

PRAYER FOCUS is the monthly gathering when we meet to pray for God's work in our parish and beyond. But it's not all "hands together and eyes closed". We begin with Praise and for this we sing hymns and songs. We usually have a short exposition of Scripture followed by prayers relating to the Bible passage and it's application. Then each month we tend to focus on a particular topic.



At the meeting on <u>Wednesday September 7th at 8.00pm</u> in the Church Lounge Stephen Brook will be giving an illustrated talk about the work he is engaged in a Setubal in Portugal and so our prayers will focus on God's work in Portugal. The remaining dates for Prayer Focus are October 12th, November 9th and December 14th.

# Shelter THE NATIONAL CAMPAIGN FOR HOMELESS PEOPLE

have planned a public meeting in the Town Hall on <u>Wednesday September 14th at 7.00pm</u> entitled BOLTON NEEDS HOMES.

The main speaker will be Sheila McKechnie, Director of Shelter. She will be supported by Conservative M.P. Peter Thurnham and Labour Councillor Brian Iddon.

On the two previous occasions there has been an impressive turn out of about 2,000 people from many different Churches in our borough. This year's march takes place on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>September 24th</u>, assembling at the Town Hall Precinct at 10.30am. In preparation for this major act of united witness there will be a meeting of praise and prayer at St. Peter's Church Halliwell on Friday September 16th at 7.30pm.

# MARCH for JESUS

THE COMMISSIONING OF LEADERS AND TEACHERS in our children's and young peoples' organisations will take place in the context of the Family/Parade service on <u>Sunday September 25th</u>.



# BBC

Songs of Praise programme to be televised on Sunday October 9th will be recorded at the Old Trafford ground of Manchester

United on <u>Sunday September 25th from 200 - 5.00pm</u>. Tickets to enter the ground are free. The Social Committee has ordered 50 tickets and they have kindly provided a 33 seater coach to take you to and from the ground. They are subsidizing the cost of the coach so that people are only being asked to pay 50p each.

<u>Charlie Moore</u> will be ordained priest on Michaelmas Day, <u>Thursday</u> <u>September 29th at 7.30pm</u> in Manchester Cathedral. If you are planning to attend please sign the list on the notice board in Church indicating whether you can offer places in your car or if you would like a 'lift'. The Bishop of Manchester encourages us to pray for Charlie and the three ladies to be ordained in the same service.

"Almighty God, we praise you for those whom you have called to the ordained ministry of your Church from age to age. May they whom you would use to-day know Your will. Give them understanding of the tasks that await them. Strengthen them as they fulfil your calling, and keep them humble and faithful in Your service; for the glory of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ". Amen.

"YOUNG PROPLE AND THE CHURCH" is the title of a programme planned by the Bolton Archdeaconry Laity Development Group on Saturday October 1st from 9.30am - 12.45pm in Bolton Parish Church Hall. Following the success of last year's subject "The Church and the Elderly" it has been considered worth considering the needs of our young people. Apply by signing the list in Church.



HARVEST THANKSGIVING will be on the first Sunday in October and whilst we don't wish to discourage traditional gifts we would certainly want to positively encourage support for the annual Harvest Appeal for Christian Relief Work overseas.

The next evening outing to Borg Castel is planned for Friday October 7th.

These outings have been very popular and fully subscribed in the past. We travel by coach to Borg Castel near Salmsbury.

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Christian Resources Exhibition at G-Mex October 12-14th.

This is the 5th such exhibition to be held in the North of England and since the 6th will not be until October 1997 it ought not to be missed by those who want to be up to date with every type of resource available to Christians and the Church. They are many exhibitors with practical demonstrations together with a varied lecture programme at different times of the day. Further details are available in Church.



Following two very successful <u>Saturday afternoon Rambles</u> the Social Committee have invited Ken Higson to lead another on <u>October 22nd</u> leaving the <u>Memorial Hall at 1.00pm</u>.



The All Souls, Langham Place Orchestra conducted by Noël Tredinnick will be presenting another of their Prom Praise concerts in the Manchester Free Trade Hall on Saturday October 22nd. Details on the Church notice board.

The <u>next Joint Evening Service</u> with our St. Andrew's congregation will be held at Over Hulton on Sunday, October 30th at 6.30pm.

The annual <u>Parish Dinner/Dance</u> will be held once again at the Deane Golf Club on <u>Saturday December 3rd</u>.

# MONEY MATTERS



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

July 3 10 17 24 36 Weekdays	Planned Giving Envelopes  £417.13 £626.14 £611.17 £622.70 £620.22	Loose Collections £91.28 £60.91 £147.78 £107.79 £115.84 £114.82	Totals £508.41 £687.05 £758.95 £730.49 £736.06 £114.82 £133.75
Standing Orders	£133.75  £3,031.11	£638.42	£3,669.53

In the corresponding period last year the amount given was £3,334.



The annual meeting for determining the distribution of monies to missions and charities through our <u>Christian Giving Programme</u> will be held on Monday September 12th at 8.00pm at the Rectory. This year the amount to be distributed from the global sum budgeted by the Church Council is f6,147.

In addition to this figure there are sums which have been given throughout the year and specifically earmarked for particular charities (eg the Lent and Rwanda Appeals).

# BITS & DIECES

THANKSGIVING On Sunday July 31st we gave thanks with the following parents for the birth of their children.

Mark and Lesley Bannister of 6 Wyndham Avenue for their daughter Laura Jane Elizabeth.

Andrew and Paula Small of 20 Harrop Street for their daughter Gemma Marie

Ian and Susan Simpson of 5 Langside Drive for their son Andrew John.



THE LADIES GUILD have invited Mrs. Oakland to speak on the subject of "Names" at their meeting on Tuesday September 13th. A fortnight later, on September 27th they celebrate harvest with a "Jacob's Supper".

THE MOTHERS UNION plan to meet on the Wednesday afternoons September 14th and 28th.