

DEANE CHURCH NEWS

JULY 1996

SUNDAY DIARY

7. 6th AFTER PENTECOST

Theme:
The New Man

8.00am Communion
10.30am Family Communion
6.30pm Evensong

14. 7th AFTER PENTECOST

Theme:
The More Excellent Way

8.00am Communion
10.30am Morning Service
6.30pm Family Communion
Stephen Brook

21. 8th AFTER PENTECOST

Theme:
The Fruit of the Spirit

8.00am Communion
10.30am Family Communion
6.30pm Evensong

28. 9th AFTER PENTECOST

Theme:
The Whole Armour of God

8.00am Communion
10.30am Family Service
6.30pm Family Communion



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MIDWEEK DIARY

Communion: Every Wednesday at 10.00am in the Church Lounge

Prayer Focus: Wednesday July 3rd at 8.00pm

Home Groups: Tuesdays July 9th & 23rd
Wednesdays July 10th & 24th

Church Council: Thursday July 18th at 7.45pm

Licensing of Paul Ellis as Team Vicar at St Andrews on
Friday July 19th at 7.30pm

WHO'S WHO

Rector: Roger B Jackson
The Rectory
234 Wigan Road (61819)

Vicar: Paul Ellis
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)

Pat Boydell
21 New York (61450)

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

Pastoral + Mission: Craig Mochrie
Worship: Philip Gore
Buildings & Fabric: Mike Kirkby
Social: Bryan Shephard

OTHER OFFICIALS

Organist: Jim Needham
130 The Pewfist
Westhoughton (01942 812692)

Flowers: Mary Jackson
234 Wigan Road (61819)

Verge: 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)

Caretaker: David McCormick
34 Junction Road (654503)

WHAT'S ON

Creche: under 3 years
Elizabeth Gardiner (660460)

Scramblers: 3 to 5 years

Climbers: 5 to 7 years
Denise Cox (653326)

Explorers: 7 to 11 years
Jane Hampson (848433)
All meet in the Memorial Hall on Sundays at 10.30 a.m.

Pathfinders: 11 to 14 years
Chris Kilsby (492351)
The Memorial Hall, Fridays 7.15 - 9.00 p.m.

C.Y.F.A.: 14 to 18 years
Charlie Moore (64313)
The Memorial Hall, Sundays 8.00 - 9.30 p.m.

CHURCH CHOIR

Rehearsals on Sundays at 11.45 a.m.
Jim Needham (01942 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.
Brenda Dixon (653333)

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

Parents & Toddlers: Thursdays at 1.30 p.m.
Julie Cooper (660946)

UNIFORMED ORGANISATIONS

Meet in the Scout/Guide Hut

Brownies: 1 Mondays at 5.45 p.m.
Janet Barnsley (665896)
2 Tuesdays at 6.30 p.m.
Lily Jarrett (63511)

Guides: Mondays at 7.15 p.m.
Carole Baxendale (419167)

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)

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.

The Rector writes

29th June 1996

At a recent meeting of the Church Council and its working groups there was considerable discussion about matters affecting our services of worship on Sundays.

1. To begin with there was an uneasiness expressed about the morning service on the second Sunday of the month. For many years this has been loosely based on the 1662 service of Morning Prayer. I say 'loosely based' because we have not chanted all the appointed psalms and the three canticles. Instead we have taken the liberty of using some modern settings of the psalms and worship songs as well as chanting at least one of the canticles. Though I personally favour this combination of the traditional and the new there are those who are not satisfied with it. It has been requested that we either keep strictly to the 1662 order of Morning Prayer, or try the more recent ASB Morning Prayer. Again, I speak personally when I say that I believe this first option would kill the service stone dead, because the majority of the congregation do not favour antiquated language, and they have great difficulty with chanting canticles. Consequently it has been decided to give this second option a try for a limited period over the summer months.

2. For a couple of years or so there has been what is called the "Pathfinder Service" held in the Scout and Guide H.Q. on the second Sunday morning of the month. Initially this was designed for the benefit of the young people in our Pathfinder group who found the 1662 Morning Prayer in Church particularly difficult. It is an informal service with lots of modern songs and a series of guest speakers. Though this was never designed for adults, in point of fact this service is now attracting more adults than younger people! Consequently it would perhaps be more accurate to call it the "Alternative Service". Though there is obviously a danger that this development could lead to a polarisation within our Church Family we clearly need to ask ourselves why some adults are preferring this to what happens in Church on that Sunday. Does it say something about those who attend or does it say something about what happens in Church?

3. Because we are an Anglican Church the majority of our services are liturgical in the sense that they are structured to follow a form as set out in both the 1662 Prayer Book and the Alternative Service Book 1980. It is a characteristic of the Church of England which I, like many others, find attractive, and it is one of the reasons why I am an Anglican. However, liturgical services are by no means the only way to worship Almighty God. Many Christians find a less structured 'Praise and Prayer' service very helpful. On the third Sunday evening in July my colleague, Charlie Moore is planning such a service.

4. The remaining area of discussion concerned the monthly Family/Parade service. We are now using a simplified order of service on laminated cards. When the ages of those attending range from a few months old to 95 years we are attempting the impossible if we seek to communicate to and satisfy the spiritual needs of all those present. But for whom is the service intended? Is it primarily for the children, in which case ought it to be renamed "The Children's Service" or is it for the whole family, bearing in mind that there are usually twice as many adults as children present on these occasions?

The Worship Working Group under Philip Gore's chairmanship will be very interested to have your opinions and ideas on these matters. What, I believe, is very important is that in our Sunday services we are not primarily concerned with entertainment but with worship. Whilst we are meant to enjoy Christian worship we must never lose sight of the fact that it is Almighty God to whom our thoughts and prayers are directed, and it is His honour and glory that we must seek.

Roger B. Jackson.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS



BAPTISM On Sunday 16th June we welcomed into membership of our Church Family the following children:

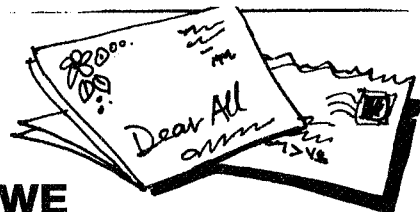
Joseph Thomas Moore, 281 Deane Church Lane, Deane
Daniel James Threadgold 26 Baysdale Avenue, Ferncrest.
Lewis Edward Whittaker 43 Winterfield Drive, Beaumont Rise.

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ATTENDANCE AWARDS have been received by the following children in

Climbers for 25 attendances:	Thomas Yarwood.
75 attendances	Jessica Cooper, Alicia Harrison
100 attendances	Stuart Haldon.
Explorers for 120 attendances	Andrew Oakes.

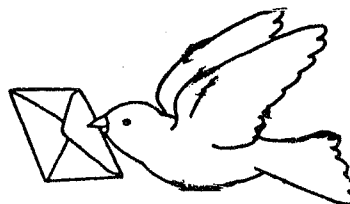
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Marguerite Morris and her two daughters Anthea and Ethne wish to thank all those who attended Ronald's Funeral service. They appreciated the many cards with comforting messages which were so kindly sent to them.

**WE
APPRECIATED**

SYMPATHY We express our sympathy to the many friends of the late **Ellen (Nellie) Woodward** who died on the Spring Bank Holiday. In recent months she had become very weak and frail, having considerable discomfort with her breathing. For many years she taught at our St. Mary's Primary School and since retirement she travelled extensively to the far ends of the earth. We were shocked to hear of the very sudden death on the same day of another Church member, **Alan Smith**. Our thoughts and prayers are for Gillian and her two young daughters, Rebecca and Erica who are members of our CYFA group.



Bob Lunt who has recently been licensed as a Reader to serve in the Essex parish where his wife, Margaret, is serving as a curate. "On July 2nd I revisit Argentina for an 8 week stay. Because of financial restrictions this will be my only visit this year. I shall be taking our daughter Alison with me as she will have just completed her GCSEs. She is looking forward to the reunion with her God-parents for whom she will be taking Marmite, curry powder and Blu-tack as requested! For me, it will mean giving a close eye to every detail of the Bible text which our Argentinian translators Isidro, Juan, Yolande and Ponciano having been working on since my previous visit to them last summer. The Bible Societies are reasonably satisfied with the quality and progress of the project for making the Old Testament as well as the New Testament available for the impoverished Indian tribes people in N. Argentina".

(copies of the full text of Bob Lunt's letter are available in Church).s

MORE DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES.



Prayer Focus on Wednesday evenings from 8.00 - 9.30 on July 3; August 7; September 25; October 23; November 20; and December 4.

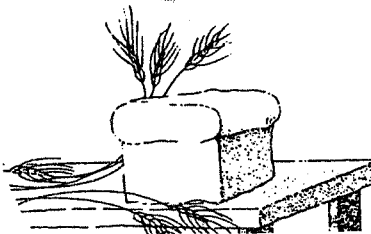


Home Groups meet fortnightly on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings and on Wednesday mornings on:
July 9th/10th; and 23rd/24th;
September 17th/18th;
October 15th/16th;
November 12th/13th; and 26th/27th;
December 17th/18th.



The Church Council meets on July 18th; September 9th; November 4th and December 9th.

The Working Groups (Sub Committees) meet during the weeks beginning August 12th or 19th; October 21st.

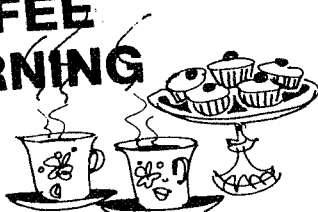


HARVEST THANKSGIVING is on Sunday October 13th.



October 1st, 4-13th Details of the main events during this period were published in the previous issue of the Deane Church News.

COFFEE MORNING



Saturday August 3rd organised by the Ladies Guild in order to raise money for the Charities they support. Gifts of items for the wide variety of stalls will be most welcome, but most of all your presence will be appreciated if you drop in for a coffee and pick up a bargain. Remember the more you spend the more can be given to the charities.

MONEY MATTERS



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

	<u>Planned Giving</u>	<u>Loose</u>	
	<u>Envelopes</u>	<u>Collections</u>	<u>Totals</u>
May 5	£ 681.34	£ 90.33	£771.67
12	453.05	94.92	547.97
19	658.31	87.02	745.33
26	548.65	89.13	637.78
Standing Orders	133.75		133.75
Weekdays		106.02	106.02
	<u>£2,475.10</u>	<u>£467.42</u>	<u>£2,942.52</u>

In the corresponding period last year the amount given was £2,987

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We wish to thank all those who gave donations in lieu of flowers in memory of the late Ron Morris. A total sum of £280 has now been received.

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Thankyou too to those who volunteered to assist in the house-to-house collection during Christian Aid Week. From that section of our parish for which we were responsible we collected £1682. Even though this includes a most welcome donation from the Thursday afternoon Mums and Toddlers group the final figure is down on last year's total of £1836. This can be explained in part by the fact that we had fewer volunteers this year. St. Andrews collected £1085 in the Over Hulton area so that as a parish we collected £2767. As new estates are being built in the Deane end of the parish the need for more volunteer collectors will be even greater next year. Phil Ray and Malcolm Hearsey will welcome helpful ideas and suggestions.

The Ladies Guild programme for this month includes a Beatle Drive on July 2nd, an illustrated talk by Mrs. Whittle on "China Painting" on July 16th and on July 30th Mrs. Conroy will speak about "Women's Rescue".

The Mothers' Union have their fortnightly meeting on Wednesday afternoons July 10th and 24th. Members are especially encouraged to attend a service at St. James, Daisy Hill on Sunday afternoon July 14th at 3.00 pm. when Valerie Coward will be commissioned to the office of the Deane Deanery Presiding Member.