

DEANE CHURCH NEWS

OCTOBER 1996

SUNDAY DIARY

6. 19th AFTER PENTECOST

Theme:
The Life of Faith

8.00am Communion
10.30am Family Communion
6.00pm United Service at
the Victoria Hall
Preacher: Noel Proctor

13. 20th AFTER PENTECOST

Theme:
Harvest Thanksgiving

8.00am Communion
10.30am Family Service
6.30pm Family Communion
8.00pm A Celebration of Hope
at the Victoria Hall
Speaker: Keith Willis

20. LAST AFTER PENTECOST

Theme:
Citizens of Heaven

8.00am Communion
10.30am Family Communion
6.30pm Praise & Prayer Service

27. 5th BEFORE ADVENT

Theme:
The Creator

8.00am Communion
10.30am Family Service
Preacher: Bob Lunt
6.00pm Family Communion
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MIDWEEK DIARY

Communion: Every Wednesday at 10.00am in the Church Lounge

Home Groups: Tuesdays October 15th & 29th,
Wednesdays October 16th & 30th

Prayer Focus: Wednesday October 23rd at 8.00pm

Harvest Ho - Down: Saturday October 19th at 8.00pm

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)

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)

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)

Dorothy Cox (62889)

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 Tuesdays at 6.30 p.m.
Lily Jarrett (63511)

2 Wednesdays at 6.30 p.m.
Janet Barnsley (665896)

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

Cubs: Thursdays at 6.45 p.m.
Wendy Gooding (653277)

Beavers: Mondays at 5.45 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

21st September, 1996.

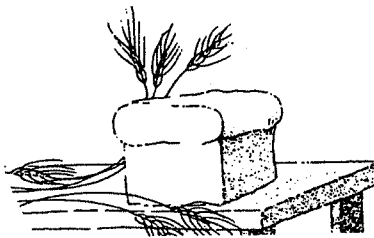
At the risk of appearing repetitive I wish to commend to you once again the "**There is Hope**" mission in Bolton at the beginning of this coming month. All the meetings are to be held at the Victoria Hall, Knowsley Street starting on October 1st and continuing from October 4th-13th. Their aim is to communicate the Christian message in a non-church environment.



Consequently almost all the meetings will not be like church services with hymns and prayers. They are designed for Christians to take their relatives, friends and neighbours to hear and see the Christian message presented in an attractive but challenging way. Each meeting seeks to appeal to different age groups and interests.

There is something for children, teenagers, men, women as well as for those with a taste for music whether it be classical or a West Indian Gospel Choir. And for good measure Noel Proctor, that most entertaining of Irish preachers, will be speaking at the united service on Sunday evening, October 6th when there will be no service in Deane Church.

The final Sunday of the Mission, October 13th, coincides with our **Harvest Thanksgiving** services. In both the Old and New Testament sections of the Bible famines were a recurring experience and of course, they still occur to-day as we are reminded on our T.V. screens.



Sometimes they are caused by natural disasters such as floods, drought or locusts. Sometimes the causes are human as man fights with man in times of war. Famine leads to malnutrition, disease and death caused by shortage of the right kind of food - proteins and vitamins. It is estimated that every night nearly one billion people go to bed hungry. In the face of these uncomfortable facts Christians simply cannot and must not pretend that either these situations do not exist, or that there is nothing we can do about them.

Being content to celebrate our abundant harvest simply by singing traditional Victorian hymns is to be completely out of touch with present day reality. In our main harvest services we shall be using a selection of material produced by Tear Fund showing how our gifts are being used to tackle some of these problems in the so called "Third World". We shall of course be singing some of our well loved harvest hymns and we shall be encouraged to bring traditional harvest gifts, but I wish to encourage you even more strongly to give generously to our annual Harvest Appeal for Tear Fund's ministry to the victims of famine. One of our members, Sylvia Harrison, who is a cook at the Bolton Hospice is offering to bake any number of apple pies and to donate the proceeds of the sale (£1 per pie) to the Harvest Appeal. If you have an abundance of apples on your tree she will be happy to convert them into pies. Gifts of flowers and fruit and help with decorating the Church for Harvest will be appreciated on Saturday morning October 12th from 9.30 onwards, and we will require volunteers to distribute some of the produce locally on the following Monday morning from 10.30 onwards.

The Pastoral Committee have asked me to share with you their desire to improve and strengthen our ministry to those parents who make enquiries about baptism for their children. Their idea is that each family should be offered the friendship and support of an "**Honorary Godparent**" who would be the link person between the Church family and the natural family of the child until at least he/she becomes old enough to start in the Climbers section of our Sunday School. It is envisaged that it would involve going on an initial home visit with one of the clergy, probably sitting with the family at the Thanksgiving and Baptism services and then visiting the home on birthday and baptism anniversaries. Craig Mochrie would be very interested to hear from any who wish to consider serving in this way.

Roger B. Jackson.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS



THANKSGIVING

On Sunday July 28th we gave thanks to God with Michael and Paula Small of 10 Fenhill Avenue for the birth of their third child, Laura Jayne.

ATTENDANCE AWARDS have been received recently by the following children in the Climber's:-

For 25 attendances: Matthew Bates, Lucy Hampson, Rachel Gallagher, Adam Parton

David Pensose, Abbie Smith, Rebecca Smith.

For 50 attendances: Claire Gardiner, Ross Shephard, Leona Thomson.

For 75 attendances: Andrew Bateson, Daniel Bickerstaffe, Nicholas Calderbank, Mark Haldon
Emma Martindale, Luke Slater.

For 100 attendances: Craig Parton, Ben Vickers, Natalie Whittle.

For 125 attendances: Rachel Glover, Lois Hodgkinson, Oliver Hodgkinson, Rachael Kirkby,
Lauren Shephard.

Climbers is the section of Sunday School for 3-7 year olds. We meet in the lounge part of the Memorial Hall every Sunday morning from 10:30 a.m.-11:45 a.m., apart from the 4th Sunday which is Family Service in Church. We enjoy singing, playing musical instruments, having discussions and prayers before going into separate classes for a story and activities. Our new Autumn programme has just begun and we would welcome any new children who would like to join us.

We are in the process of reviewing our policy of giving attendance awards to the older children in the Explorer's section, but in the meantime the following children reached their attendance targets in the last school year.

For 40 attendances : Andrew Bates, Elizabeth Cox, Bethany Dewhurst-Taylor,
Sarah Gardiner, Daniel Penrose, Matthew Schindler, Adam Smith,
Rebecca Waite, Anika Whittle.

For 80 attendances : Tim Atkinson, Victoria Calderbank, Louise Scammell, Elizabeth Simpson.

For 120 attendances: Edward Cox, Stephenie Horridge, Melanie Smith.

For 160 attendances: Joanne Cheetham, Gary Parker.

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We express our sympathy to Joyce Owen and her family at the death of her husband, Glyn.

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Several members of the Church Family are in hospital at present or have been recently discharged. They include **Arthur Baird** and **Neil** the baby son of **Kevin and Gillian Popplewell** who has undergone major surgery in the first week of his life at the Alderhay Childrens Hospital in Liverpool.



**WE
APPRECIATED**

Dorothy Wallwork in her letter probably echoes the thoughts of the others when she writes to express her thanks for the visits she received in hospital, together with the gifts of flowers, and plants and get well cards, and above all the thoughts and prayers of the church members.

And finally belated **CONGRATULATIONS** to **Eric and Mildred Downs** who quietly slipped away to Holland to celebrate their 40th Wedding Anniversary, and to **Harold and Doreen Lend** who attended the morning service exactly 50 years to the day when they were married in Deane Church

BITS & PIECES



PHARISEE is the title of a new musical about Nicodemus which will be launched for a national tour at the Victoria Hall on Tuesday, October 29th at 8:00 p.m. It will be directed by its author and composer, Roger Jones, who is a very gifted Christian musician. It is to be warmly recommended to those who are not engaged in the Autumn Home Groups which meet on Tuesday evenings. Tickets can be reserved at the office in Victoria Hall, Monday and Friday 9:00 a.m.- 4p.m. or by post through Reg Perry (telephone, 526862)

FLOWER ROTA

Every weekend throughout the year the floral decoration on the main communion table is provided by a member of our church family, sometimes to celebrate a birthday or wedding anniversary, sometimes in memory of a loved one. During this month a list will appear in church. If you wish to be responsible for providing the flowers please place your name in the most appropriate vacant space. Once again we wish to express our thanks to the small team of ladies who use their God-given skills to decorate our church in this way.



The **1997 CHURCH DIARIES** are published this month and will be on sale once again at the old price of 75p. Last Autumn for the very first time we were not able to sell all the diaries so fewer have been ordered this year.

The **LADIES GUILD** have invited Mrs. Betty Connor on October 8th to give a talk entitled "Paper's Palace." On October 22nd, Alan and Audrey Rushton, our Deputy Mayor and Mayoress will reminisce on their year as the civic leaders in our borough. This will be after their return from visiting their elder daughter Judith who is doing a years voluntary service with an overseas aid agency in Nicaragua, one of the poorest countries of the world.

The **MOTHER'S UNION** plan to meet on Wednesday afternoons October 2nd, 16th, and 30th

NEW FROM PARENTS AND TODDLERS

Our new term began at the beginning of September and as some of our members have now left to start primary school it was a pleasure to welcome Nicola Field, Jake Mitchell and Matthew Bell. Matthew is one of our youngest members being just 4 months old - he is brought by his grandma, Mavis Bell. This is Mavis' second time around at Toddlers as she used to bring her grand-daughter Grace. It's lovely to have her back again.

Since my last report, we have been fortunate enough to have Lynda Smith's assistance at the activity table. Being a teacher and mother of two girls she is very experienced in the area and I appreciate her help.

Our new venture "Tea and Chat" has been a success with Mums and Grandmas alike - especially the first aid talk. More talks are being planned for the Autumn/Winter period.

Please feel free to pop in and have a coffee with us any Thursday afternoon between 1:30 and 3 p.m., meeting members of the church family would be very encouraging for those mums who attend our church and know very few people.

THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE report that tickets for the Harvest Ho-Down on Saturday October 19th, are selling fast, so get yours now before the chance passes.

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>
August 4	£ 555.47	£ 83.66	£639.20
11	512.90	91.88	604.78
18	629.75	87.11	716.86
25	495.95	110.77	606.12
Standing Orders	133.75		133.75
Weekdays		152.98	152.98
	<u>£2,327.29</u>	<u>£526.40</u>	<u>£2,853.69</u>

In the corresponding period last year the amount given was £2,962

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CHRISTIAN GIVING PROGRAMME

At its meeting at the beginning of the year our Church Council budgeted to give to missions and charities, both in this country and abroad, a global sum of £7,008.00. This is how the money will be allocated.

OVERSEAS MISSIONS AND AGENCIES

Church Mission Society £760.00, Crosslinks £770.00, South American Missionary Society £770.00, Bible Society £340.00, Church's Ministry amongst the Jews £340.00, International Church Society £185.00, Missions to Seamen £90, and Study Link (formerly known as EFAC Bursary Scheme) £340.00

HOME MISSIONS

Church Pastoral Aid Society £770.00, Church Army £185.00, Universities and Colleges Christian Fellowship £185.00, and Scripture Union £190.00, Bolton "There is Hope" Mission £1000.00, and Subsidy for Alpha Courses £338.00

LOCAL AND NATIONAL SOCIETIES AND CHARITIES

Children's Society £300.00, Bolton Samaritans £110.00, Bolton Deaf Society £110.00, Bolton Hospice £185.00, Simeon Trustees £40.00

In addition to those figures, gifts from individuals and church groups pass through the church accounts for specific missions and charities together with the proceeds from the Lent, Harvest and Christmas Appeals are also sent so that the total ~~gain~~ ^{given} is considerably higher than the global sum of £7,008.00.

One of the overseas agencies mentioned above is **STUDY LINK**, until recently known as the Evangelical Fellowship of the Anglican Communion Bursary Scheme. Though we have donated to this scheme for many years it is several years since we provided hospitality for one of the bursars. This year we are to have as our guest the Rev A. Jacob Ayeebo from Ghana who is studying at Crammer Hall, Durham. He will spend the fortnight before Christmas in our parish. As we already have links with Ghana through the Biney family, we look forward to this additional link with the Church in that country.

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enabling you to enjoy that extra hour in bed before coming to church on Sunday morning October 27th.