THE PARISH OF DEANE

DEANE CHURCH NEWS

OCTOBER 1997 SUNDAY DIARY

5. 20th AFTER PENTECOST

Theme: Endurance

8.00am Communion 10.30am Family Communion 6.30pm Evensong

12. 21st AFTER PENTECOST

Theme: Harvest Thanksgiving

8.00am Communion 10.30am Family Service 6.30pm Family Communion

19. LAST AFTER PENTECOST Theme:

Citizens of Heaven

8.00am Communion
10.30am Family Communion
Pathfinder Service in the
Scout & Guide Hut
6.30pm Evensong

26. 5th BEFORE ADVENT

Theme: Creation

8.00am Communion 10.30am Family/Parade Service 6.30pm Family Communion



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Communion: Every Wednesday at 10.00am in the Church Lounge

Prayer Focus: Wednesday October 8th at 8.00pm in the Church Lounge

Home Groups: Tuesday October 14th and Wednesdays October 1st & 15th

Harvest Hoe Down: Saturday October 18th at 7.30 - 11.00pm in the Memorial Hall

Church Council: Thursday October 23rd at 7.45pm

Christian Resources Exhibition: October 23rd - 25th, 10.00am to 5.00pm daily

in the G Mex Centre

<u>Diocesan Jubilee Extravaganza</u>: Monday October 27th at 7.30pm in the Nynex Arena

WHAT'S ON

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)

Readers:

Christine Kilsby

1386 Junction Rd West (492351)

David Dewhurst

11 Braemar Gardens (651347)

Wardens:

Craig Mochrie

4 Laxford Grove (652324)

Pat Boydell

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

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: Julie Cooper

64 Melbourne Road (660946)

Caretaker: Ian Cooper

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Creche: under 3 years

Elizabeth Gardiner (660460)

Scramblers:

3 to 5 years 5 to 7 years

Climbers:

Denise Cox (653326) **Explorers:** 7

7 to 11 years

Pat Boulton (655068)

All meet in the Memorial Hall on Sundays

at 10.30 a.m.

Pathfinders: 11

11 to 14 years

Ian Gardiner (660460)

The Memorial Hall, Fridays 7.15 - 9.00 p.m.

C.Y.F.A.:

14 to 18 years

Charlie Moore (64313)

The Memorial Hall, Fridays 7.15 - 9.00 p.m.

BELL RINGERS

Practice Night Wednesdays at 7.30 p.m.

David McCormick (654503)

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.

Mothers'

Brenda Dixon (653333) Alternate Wednesdays

Union:

at 2.00 p.m.

Toronto

Janetta Makin (658270)

Parents & Thursdays at 1.30 p.m.

Toddlers: 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.

Carol 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)

....MOORE NEWS..... from Charlie, Sara and Joseph......

As you all know, back in July, Sara and I told you that we had been accepted as Mission partners with the Anglican Mission agency, Crosslinks, and that we would be going on an orientation course in Birmingham. At that time a definite location had not been decided upon....

Well.... the course was very useful in helping us to begin making preparations for working overseas, and now, the location, after several changes has become a lot clearer. So....

WHERE WILL WE BE GOING?

Crosslinks are sending us to the city of Mutare in Zimbabwe, initially on a 3 year placement. Mutare is the provincial capital of Manicaland and is situated in the Eastern Highlands, 8km from the Mozambique border and 263km south-east of the capital, Harare. Manicaland, with a population of 1.54 million (90% of which lives in rural areas) is the most populous of Zimbabwe's 8 provinces and stretches 200km north and south of Mutare and 100km west.

WHAT WILL WE BE DOING?

We have been invited by the Right Reverend Elijah Masuko, Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of Manicaland to work in the Diocese. I will be based in St John's Cathedral, Mutare working as an Anglican Priest, paid the same as, and in equal partnership with local African ministers. My responsibilities will include:

- 1. Involvement in the development and implementation of the Theological Education by Extension programme among lay people in the Diocese- not as heavy as it sounds!.....but with the aim of helping people to grow in their personal faith and be enabled in evangelism.
- 2. Pastoral care of the Cathedral congregation- In view of the worsening HIV/AIDS epidemic in Zimbabwe this would inevitably involve the care of people who are HIV-positive, and those who have been recently bereaved, including children orphaned as a result of AIDS.
- 3. While initially Sara will be caring primarily for Joseph and the new baby (due on 26th November), it is hoped that in due course there may be openings for her to work on a voluntary basis for any organisation providing HIV prevention programmes, training and whole person care.

WHEN WILL WE BE GOING?

After consultation with Roger, Paul and Bishops Christopher and David, it has been agreed that I should resign from my post in the Deane team on 31st December 1997. Following this we will be involved in:

- * Mission education- travelling to partner churches in the north west of England and Northern Ireland.
- * Some further training organised through Crosslinks and the CMS training college at Crowther Hall.
- * Packing up a house as well as our bags! in preparation for moving to Zimbabwe in March 1998, where we will then begin 6 weeks language school before taking up my new job in Mutare.

As I have said before, we are sorry to be leaving because we have become so attached to God's family in both St Mary's and St Andrew's. We are grateful to God for his faithfulness and all he has taught us through the church family here in Bolton. However as the time now approaches for us to move on we would appreciate your prayers both in the present changes and also as we look forward to serving God in the next phase of our family life and ministry together.

With our love

Charlie, Sara and Joseph.

Charlie,

21st September 1997.

and



FIRST IMPRESSIONS OF CHURCH ARMY LIFE

It is almost exactly a year since my Church Army Selection Conference, and the eleven months between being accepted and moving here passed amazingly quickly. I finally moved out of my house on 1st September, actually leaving at 9 o'clock in the evening! I could not have believed how long it could take sorting everything out, and I'm notorious for being on the last minute.

My study bedroom is small, so it was quite a feat fitting all my belongings into very little space, but I managed it. I am sharing with three others, all in their 20's, and it seems to work very well. Surprisingly, I seem to be the one to play CDs louder than anyone else, but so far they haven't complained, even if my taste in music isn't the same as theirs.

Before the official start of term, we first years had a three day Induction Course to familiarise ourselves with the routines of College life, and to show us how the Diploma Course works out in practice. There are certain parts of the Course that we all have to do, but there is also choice so that each Evangelist-in-training can follow the course which best suits their own ideas for future ministry. We have all had to work out which units we expect to cover over the three years, (this is called 'Pathway Planning) although obviously, it is possible to revise one's plans at a later date.

College terms always begin with a Sunday afternoon Communion service. The first one of the year incorporates a welcome to the First Year Evangelists-in-Training, and family and friends from the 'sending' church invited for moral support. With my Mum, godmother, pre-College supervisor, and seven friends from Deane, I think I probably had the largest Supporters' Club, and it was a great thrill and encouragement for me to have them all there. There was a real feeling of starting a new venture, and the service was made all the more special for me by the fact that the final hymn was my absolute favourite, 'Crown Him with many crowns', which had also been the final hymn in my last service at Deane the previous Sunday.

The College community has Morning Prayer at 8.15am each weekday, Evening Prayer at 5pm on Monday, and Communion at 5pm on Thursdays. We are required to wear uniform for the evening services, which I feel far more comfortable about with than I expected to.

We don't have many lectures in a week, but we are expected to spend as much time again on set "homework", and twice as long again on reading, or assessment work. This is quite a challenge to me, as having been used to working within a strict timetable, I now have to take time to plan out my own schedule. This term I am taking four modules; Introduction to Evangelism, Using the Bible in Theology, Introduction to New Testament Greek, and HRT, (which I was relieved to discover stood for Human Relations Training, and had nothing to do with Hormone Replacement Therapy!)

Considering how much life has changed in the last few weeks, I am amazed at how settled I feel here. What does need to happen, is that I need to make contact with the world outside College, as so far I know very few people who are not part of the College community, and at weekends I have to make the effort to spend some time away from the College environment. Thank you for all the support I have had from so many friends at Deane Church; I am sure the smoothness of the transition has been a real answer to prayer.



IN THE NEWS

Baptism.

On August 24th we welcomed into membership of Christ's Church -

Samuel George Edney Katie Alice Healy 3 Yew Close, Deane.

Katie Alice Healy Katie Alice Hodgkinson 42 Cow Lees, Westhoughton.

6 Mossland Grove, Hunger Hill.



Terry and Irene Ashley, Fred and Madge Keating, Mac and Janetta Makin have all written to express their thanks to the many who have recently sent cards and good wishes on the occasion of their Golden Wedding anniversaries. We were sorry to hear that Janetta was ill at the time.

Bob Lunt, our Link Missionary with the South American Missionary Society writes to tell us that at the end of September he completes the second of his two visits to Argentina where he is working with five local translators of the Old Testament books of the Bible. He is greatly encouraged by the quality of their work. He especially asks us to pray for Isidor the longest serving translator who is quite ill with suspected TB or a tumour.

On the home front his wife Margaret, takes up a second curacy post in Rayleigh, Essex, where she will have special responsibility for a daughter Church. The family moves house in the middle of October. (Copies of the full text of his letter are in Church).

<u>HELP!</u>

DO YOU.....want to help get...
GREG back in the CONGREGATION!?
AMI back in the church FAMILY!?
CATH back in the CATHEDRAL!?



THEN......come and help with Deane Church CYFA on Fridays, 7.15-9.00pm

CYFA exists for young people aged 14-18+yrs. CYFA meetings are a time to meet one another, have fun and explore the Christian faith. To be a helper/leader no previous experience of youth work is required- only a willingness to help others grow in their friendship with God and each other.

....this is an URGENT REQUEST

Dorothy Cox has left to join the Church Army, Charlie and Sara Moore will be leaving at the of the year to join Crosslinks. Unless the remaining members of the team have more support CYFA will not be able to continue. If you are interested in helping with CYFA and would like more information please give Charlie Moore a ring on 64313.

BITS & PIECES

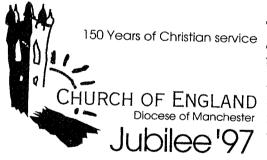


Our <u>Harvest Thanksgiving</u> services will be held on Sunday October 12th. Though we will require traditional harvest gifts for decorating the Church and distributing after the weekend we are especially encouraged to make a generous donation to our annual Harvest Appeal which once again will go to Tear Fund for their relief work in the most needy areas of the world. Leaflets giving details of the appeal together with special envelopes will be available in good time before the weekend.

The Social Committee has organised another Harvest Hoe-Down on the following Saturday evening in the Memorial Hall. Tickets cost £3.50 for adults and £1.00 for children.



.....needs your help at their Charity shops in Farnworth, Little Lever and Chorley Old Road. If you are free any day from 10.00 am to 1.00 p.m. or from 1.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m., or if you can help on an S.O.S. basis casually, then please offer your services by phoning the campaign office on 520040. The money raised in the shop goes directly towards helping the patients in the hospice.



This jubilee year of celebration reaches a climax with the visit of the Archbishop of Canterbury who will conduct what is billed as an "Extravaganza" in the Manchester Nynex Arena. Already 8,500 tickets have been sold for what promises to be an evening of fun and celebration on Monday October 27th from 7.30 p.m. Tickets costing £2 are now available together with a number of free tickets for children.



Spring Harvest is a holiday with a difference. During the Easter School holiday period several Butlins Holiday camps are taken over by this Christian Organisation to provide an action packed holiday which is suitable for both families and single people, both young and old. The party going from Deane has increased year by year as they join with many thousands of others. A group is planning to go to Minehead next year from April 13th-18th. If you are interested contact Julie Cooper (660946) or Elizabeth Gardiner (660460).

The 1998 Church Diaries are on sale this month and they are still at the old price of 75p.

PLEASE PRAY FOR AFGHANISTAN

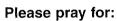
'For he shall give his angels charge over you, to keep you in all his ways' Psalm 91:11

Afghanistan is a rugged, land-locked country with a history of successfully resisting colonization. In 1978 the Soviet Union invaded but was unable to conquer the mujaheddin ('holy warriors') and withdrew ten years later.

The fall of the communist government in 1992 signalled the beginning of a violent power struggle between the rival mujaheddin groups in which over 1,000,000 have been killed and 500,000 left handicapped.

The Taleban Islamic movement first appeared in October 1994 and by September 1996 had taken control of Kabul and declared Afghanistan a 'completely Islamic state'. Fighting flared north of Kabul in May 1997 when an opposition group under General Masood challenged the Taleban in the plains some 100 km north of Kabul. They then pushed the Taleban back to within several kilometers of Kabul.





The people of Afghanistan living 'on the edge'. Praise God for the many answers to prayer which the Tear Fund team sees daily. Pray that they will know God's protection as they trust in him and continue the Food for Work and Health Education programmes.

- The Women's Programme which has been given permission to go ahead. Pray that this commitment will be honoured by the local authorities.
- The Afghan people, weary of the ongoing conflict pray that a lasting cease-fire can be negotiated and that a government is set up which is acceptable to all parties.

- Those who have been widowed and orphaned by the ongoing war. Pray that they will be aware of God's love for them in spite of the fragility and hardships of their lives.
- The forces of violence and destruction to be pushed back and for the 'light of the glorious gospel of Christ' to shine (2 Corinthians 4:4).









Thank you to all who have contributed to God's work through our church.

	Planned Giving Envelopes	Loose Collections	Totals
August 3	£666.39	£ 73.48	£739.87
10	536.24	86.53	622.77
17	574.09	93.30	667.39
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In the corresponding period last year the amount given was £3,759

Tom Stokes' Countdown to the Millennium.

Moves are afoot to replant the six rose beds adjacent to the Churchyard path between the lychgate and the porch. Men, together with their spades, are invited to join a working party on Saturday October 11th at 10.30 am. The aim is to dig up the old rose bushes and perennials and having cleared the beds to dig in compost and bone meal.

November '97,	Plant daffodils and tulips for spring next year.
May '98	Remove the daffodil and tulip bulbs after flowering and prepare the soil for
	a mixture of seeds.
July/August '98	Visit a rose field to choose and purchase patio or florabunda rose bushes.
November/December '98	Plant these rose bushes with more fertiliser.
Autumn '99	Prune these rose bushes carefully for an excellent display in the year 2000.

The cost of these rose bushes should be in the order of £3.50. About 60 bushes will be required and donations for a bush(s) in memory of loved ones will be appreciated by Tom.

The Ladies Guild have invited the Rev'd Michael Saunders to pay a return visit to Deane on Tuesday evening October 7th. On October 31st their guest speaker is Mr. Drew Evans whose subject is "The Lion Club of Bolton". They extend an open invitation to their meting on November 4th when Mr. Granville will give an authentic Victorian Lantern Slide Show.

The Mothers' Union meets on Wednesday afternoons October 8th and 22nd.

<u>And finally</u> – remember to put your clocks back one hour and enjoy that extra rest before coming to the Family/Parade service on Sunday October 26th.

