

THE PARISH OF DEANE

DEANE CHURCH NEWS

JULY 2000

SUNDAY DIARY

2. SECOND AFTER TRINITY

9.00am Holy Communion
1.30pm Bolton's Biggest
Birthday Party at the
Reebok

9. THIRD AFTER TRINITY

8.00am Communion
10.30am Morning Prayer
Youth Service in the
Scout & Guide Hut
6.30pm Evening Communion

16. FOURTH AFTER TRINITY

8.00am Communion
10.30am Family Communion
6.30pm Evensong

23. FIFTH AFTER TRINITY

8.00am Communion
10.30am Family Service
6.30pm Evening Communion

30. SIXTH AFTER TRINITY

8.00am Communion
10.30am Family Communion
6.30pm Evensong



*Dancers at Sidmouth Folk Festival, Devon (Photo: Mike Hall)
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MIDWEEK DIARY

Communion: Every Wednesday at 10.00am in the Church Lounge

Prayer Focus: Wednesday July 12th at 8.00pm in the Rectory

Home Groups: Tuesdays/Wednesdays July 4th/5th, 18th/19th

Church Council: Wednesday July 26th at 7.45pm

"Last Night at the Proms": Saturday July 15th at 7.30pm in the
Victoria Hall

WHO'S WHO	WHAT'S ON
<p>Rector: Roger B Jackson The Rectory 234 Wigan Road (61819)</p> <p>Vicar: Paul Ellis St Andrew's Vicarage Crescent Avenue (651851)</p> <p>Readers: David Dewhurst 11 Braemar Gardens (651347)</p> <p>Nola Worsfold 22 Melbourne Road (659099)</p> <p>Wardens: Philip Gore 12 Ellesmere Road (63798) Les Kilsby 1386 Junction Road West (492351) Bryan Shephard 57 Molyneux Road (01942 817288)</p> <p>PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL Lay Stan Wilson Chairman: 11 Clough Meadow (492034)</p> <p>Honorary Keith Acton Treasurer: 3 Mallowdale Close (842723)</p> <p>Honorary Les Kilsby Secretary: 1386 Junction Road West (492351)</p>	<p>Creche: under 3 years Alison Partington (419498) Scramblers: 3 to 5 years Climbers: 5 to 7 years Lynda Smith (62093) Explorers: 7 to 11 years Pat Boulton (655068) All meet in the Memorial Hall on Sundays at 10.30am Pathfinders: 11 to 14 years Ian Gardiner (660460) The Memorial Hall Fridays 7.15 - 9.00pm CYFA: 14 to 18 years Nicola Oakes & Eric Downs (653049) The Memorial Hall, Fridays 7.15 - 9.00pm</p> <p>BELL RINGERS Practice Night Wednesdays at 7.30pm Kenneth Higson & Anthea Morris (63754)</p> <p>CHURCH CHOIR Rehearsals on Sundays at 11.45am Jim Needham (01942 812692)</p> <p>MUSIC GROUP Rehearsals on Thursdays at 7.30pm Ray Howarth (652602)</p> <p>LADIES GROUPS Meet in the Memorial Hall Ladies Guild: Alternate Tuesdays at 7.45pm Edna Barlow (01942 817434) Mothers Union: Second Wednesdays at 2.00pm Janetta Makin (658270)</p> <p>Parents & Toddlers Thursdays at 1.30pm Julie Cooper (660946)</p>
<p>CHAIRMEN OF WORKING GROUPS Buildings & Fabrics: Mike Kirkby Worship: Bryan Shephard Social: Julie Cooper Mission & Pastoral: Ian Gardiner</p> <p>OTHER OFFICIALS Organist: Jim Needham 130 The Pewfist Westhoughton (01942 812692)</p> <p>Flowers: Mary Jackson 234 Wigan Road (61819)</p> <p>Verge: Betty Calderbank 32 Junction Road (655375)</p> <p>Archivist: Rodney Howard 42 Elswick Avenue (652417)</p> <p>Gift Aid Sid Harris Secretary: 11 Manningham Road (656355)</p> <p>MEMORIAL HALL Bookings: Julie Cooper 16 Clunton Avenue (660946) Caretaker: Ian Cooper 16 Clunton Avenue (660946)</p>	<p>UNIFORMED ORGANISATIONS Meet in the Scout/Guide Hut</p> <p>Brownies: 1. Tuesdays at 6.30pm Clare Miles (63355) 2. Wednesdays at 6.30pm Janet Barnsley (01772 322247)</p> <p>Guides: Mondays at 7.15pm Carole Baxendale (419167)</p> <p>Cubs: Thursdays at 6.45pm Wendy Gooding (653277)</p> <p>Beavers: Monday at 5.45pm Liz Yarwood (417639)</p> <p>Rainbows: Fridays at 6.30pm Margaret Latchford (657101)</p>

The Parish Office at the Rectory, 234 Wigan Road (61819) is open on Saturdays from 10.00 to 11.00am to deal with initial enquiries for Baptism and Banns of Marriage.

The Rector writes

24th June, 2000.

Common Worship

In the May issue of this publication I referred to the new set of Church services which are to be published in the late autumn for use as from January 1st 2001. From that date the A.S.B. will have passed its "use by date" and the only services authorised for use in the C of E will be those in the BCP (1662) and those in Common Worship. As promised, a flier has been inserted in this issue of the Deane Church News so that you are more fully in the picture.

The Worship Committee is about to give consideration to which of these new services we should be using at Deane with a view to making recommendations to myself and the PCC who are ultimately responsible for making decisions. Because the standard edition of the new service book will cost £15 each I suspect that many churches will find themselves unable to afford such an outlay, and will prefer to make use of some of the alternatives like separate booklets and/or producing one's own electronic edition. However, I am sure that I will not be the only person wishing to have my own personal copy of the standard edition. There is a pre-publication offer whereby we can order packs of 20 copies of the standard edition of Common Worship for £10 instead of the usual price of £15. The order has to be placed and paid for by July 31st. If you are interested in this offer please place your order using the form in Church. Would this be an acceptable Christmas present?

Marriage in Church after Divorce.

For many years this has been a contentious issue over which our C. of E. has been more or less equally divided. There are those who favour a more liberal policy of allowing such marriages to take place in Church under certain circumstances and there are those who are anxious about the effect of further relaxing the Church's teaching on the indissolubility of marriage. What is agreed almost unanimously is that if an adulterous relationship caused the break up of the first marriage then this new relationship should be barred from having a second marriage in Church. The new Bishop of Middleton will be coming to Deane on Tuesday July 4th to address the Deanery Synod on this subject with special reference to the guidelines issued in a recent report from the House of Bishops. Members of the congregation are welcome to attend this meeting in the Church Lounge as observers, but they may not participate in the debate or vote.

Gift Aid

One of the most encouraging pieces of information in Phil Ray's excellent report on this year's Christian Aid Week is the fact that about 200 people in our area were willing to indicate that they were taxpayers who wished what they gave in their envelope to be regarded as "Gift Aid". Since their total donations amounted to about £600 this means that Christian Aid will be able to claim something of the order of an additional £200 from the Inland Revenue.

It never ceases to amaze and disappoint our Gift Aid Secretary, Sid Harris, how reluctant and slow some members of our congregation are to make use of this new ever-so-simple method of enhancing what we give to our Church and other Charities. You don't have to indicate how much you plan to give, but it is essential that you give in a way which can be verified to satisfy the Inland Revenue if and when they do a spot check on our accounting system as they are planning to do sometime in July. This means we have to make use either of the envelope scheme or give by bankers' order. Gift Aid Declaration forms are available in Church, and you can rest assured that Sid Harris will keep your confidence.

Roger B. Jackson.

Deane Church News web site is <http://website.Lineone.net/~deane.parish>.

BITS & PIECES

Andrew Oakes is looking for people to sponsor him in his attempt to complete the Coast to Coast cycle ride from St. Bees in Cumbria to Robin Hood's Bay in Yorkshire. He hopes to cover the 190 miles over 4 days from August 7th – 10th staying at youth hostels overnight which do not offer the comforts of a 4 star hotel. Andrew at 14 years of age will be the youngest on the course and he is cycling on behalf of Bolton Hospice. There is a sponsorship form in Church and it will be especially encouraging to him if there is good support from Church members.



The Social Committee are organising a party to go to "**The Last Night of the Proms**" with the Hallé Orchestra at the Victoria Hall on Saturday July 15th at 7.30 pm. The concert aims to raise funds for the Bolton Hospice. Further details and the booking list are in Church.

The Church Library.

There has recently been an overhaul of the contents of the book trolley. A large number of older books have been removed and others repositioned – books of and about prayer and Bibles and Bible study books have been put on lower shelves with fiction and biographies placed now on the top shelves. A number of books have been given to the Church for borrowing. Are you an "Eddie Spotter" counting the number of the green and red haulage vehicles on your travels? Then you might like to read "**Only the best will do**". Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be one of Saddam Hussein's prisoners of war? Then read of the experiences of Sheila Barlow and her children in "**Stepping through my nightmares**". Do you remember Lisa Potts – the nursery assistant who shielded her little ones from a machete wielding attacker? The account of her ordeal is in "**Behind the smile**". Other books include "**How green was my Curate**". By Fred Secombe (the brother of Harry); "**The Street children of Brazil**". – similar work to that in Embu; "**Order! Order!**" – a biography of the late George Thomas who was Speaker of the House of Commons; "**The Diane Modahl story**". And there are many more. If you have any newish books of a Christian nature which you can give please let Mary Jackson have them. Thankyou.



The Ladies Guild have planned a "Games Evening" on Tuesday July 11th and their guest speaker on July 25th is Vera Dudley of Deane United Reformed Church.

WORLD WATCH *Prayer Link*

Children at Risk

GLOBAL MARCH FOR JESUS As people around the world celebrate Jesus as Lord and think of the needs of children on 10 June, pray that the church will take a lead in working for their protection, nurture and development.

CHILDREN Pray for those who are abandoned, abused and despairing. Pray for Tearfund partners in the Children at Risk programme, that they might bring the love of God and renewed hope as they build on the strengths of thousands of needy children.

Asia

INDIA Millions are threatened by drought and suffering following the devastating heat-wave. Pray for good monsoon rains next month, and remember too those affected in Pakistan and Afghanistan, where there is great concern about the government's ability to provide the necessary help.

SRI LANKA The devastating civil war has reached a new level of crisis, with Tamil Tiger forces threatening significant advances. Pray that there might be a route to genuine peace. Pray for Tearfund partners working for reconciliation and change in the midst of this uncertainty.

Africa

SIERRA LEONE As the UN struggles to restrain the rebels and encourage disarmament, pray for those with power, and Tearfund partners working for peace and justice and relieving suffering.

ZIMBABWE Violence and threats of violence increase as the country awaits elections. Pray that democracy, stability and justice may prevail, and for Christian leaders needing wisdom and courage.

HORN OF AFRICA Rain is due in Ethiopia this month; renewed fighting between Ethiopia and Eritrea threatens further disaster. Pray for peace, pray for good rain, pray that the threat of famine that hangs over millions may be lifted.

UGANDA The tragic mass murders have left many suspicious of the church; pray that the love of Christ will shine through.

Latin America and Europe

PERU Please remember the people and Christian leaders of Peru following the rerun presidential election on 28 May.

SERBIA The peace accord between NATO and the Yugoslav government to end the Kosovo war was signed one year ago. The return of the ethnic Albanian refugees to Kosovo precipitated an equal and opposite

refugee crisis with ethnic 'non-Albanians' fleeing Kosovo.

Pray for these 'non-Albanian' refugees in Serbia and Macedonia, unlikely to return home soon, and receiving very little humanitarian assistance from either the Yugoslav or Macedonian governments or the international community. Please pray for Tearfund, seeking the most appropriate ways to respond.

This monthly prayer guide is written by Tearfund's Prayer and Campaigns Team as part of World Watch Prayer Link. It is published by mail, e-mail and on the Tearfund website www.tearfund.org

Further information on Tearfund's prayer resources is available from the **Supporter Enquiries Team** on 0845 355 8355, e-mail enquiry@tearfund.org

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CHRISTIAN ACTION WITH THE WORLD'S POOR

MONEY MATTERS



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

	Planned Giving Envelopes	Loose Collections	Totals
May 7th	£841.32	£87.69	£929.01
14th	732.23	184.32	916.55
21st	700.70	72.09	772.79
28th	780.10	146.42	926.52
Standing Orders	472.00		472.00
Weekdays		210.80	210.80
	----- £3,526.35 =====	----- £701.32 =====	----- £4,227.67 =====

In the corresponding period last year the total amount given was £3,469.

The treasurer also acknowledges with gratitude a gift of £50 in memory of Alice Newton. Before moving to live with her daughter Doreen in Bradshaw, on the death of her husband, Bill, Alice had been a member of Deane Church for over 50 years. She made many friends in the Mothers' Union and Ladies' Guild.

This year's Lent Appeal raised a total of £476, being the contents of 4 6 boxes. This has been equally divided between Crosslinks in support of Charlie and Sara Moore serving the Lord in Zimbabwe and Christian Aid in connection with their imaginative "Count your Blessings" project which some of us used and found both helpful and challenging.

Christian Aid

This year's Christian Aid Week house-to-house collection exceeded all expectations with a record total of £2,303.14 compared with last year's figure of £1,910. This increase was achieved with about the same number of collectors. Thankyou to all who donated and to all the brave people who collected from door-to-door. Thankyou also to the "behind the scenes crew" who counted out the envelopes and slips and who helped with opening the envelopes and counting their contents.

The additional bonus this year to Christian Aid is the tax reclaimed from the 200 or so people who completed the "Gift Aid" declaration on the envelope. This will subsequently increase the final total by a further £200.

For those interested in figures the total consisted of £90 in charity vouchers, £147 in cheques, £435 in bank notes, £837 in £1 coins £70 in £2 coins, £600 in silver, £126 in bronze (some weight!). The increase was also reflected in the number of foreign coins, but at least we appear to have flushed out of the system the halfpence coins.

Thankyou everybody once again for this magnificent effort and if next year we can cover the remaining rounds it will even be possible to exceed this year's total.

Phil Ray.