

# THE PARISH OF DEANE

## DEANE CHURCH NEWS

**FEBRUARY** 2001

### SUNDAY DIARY

#### 4. FOURTH BEFORE LENT

8.00am Communion  
10.30pm Family Communion  
6.30pm Evening Prayer

#### 11. THIRD BEFORE LENT

8.00am Communion  
10.30am Praise Service  
6.30pm Evening Communion

#### 18. SECOND BEFORE LENT

8.00am Communion  
10.30am Family Communion  
6.30pm Evening Prayer

#### 25. NEXT BEFORE LENT

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



*Middlesmoor, high above Nidderdale in North Yorkshire (Photo: John Edmondson)  
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### MIDWEEK DIARY

Communion: Every Wednesday at 10.00am in the Church Lounge

Home Groups: Tuesday/Wednesday February 13/14

Central Prayer Gathering: Wednesday February 21<sup>st</sup> at 8.00pm in the  
Rectory

Church Council: Thursday February 8<sup>th</sup>

Ash Wednesday: February 28<sup>th</sup> Holy Communion at St Andrew's 7.30pm

WHO'S WHO	WHAT'S ON
<p><b>Rector:</b> Roger B Jackson The Rectory 234 Wigan Road (61819)</p> <p><b>Vicar:</b> Paul Ellis St Andrew's Vicarage Crescent Avenue (651851)</p> <p><b>Readers:</b> David Dewhurst 11 Braemar Gardens (651347)</p> <p>Nola Worsfold 22 Melbourne Road (659099)</p> <p><b>Wardens:</b> Philip Gore 12 Ellesmere Road (63798) Les Kilsby 1386 Junction Road West (492351) Bryan Shephard 57 Molyneux Road (01942 817288)</p> <p><b>PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL</b> <b>Lay</b> Stan Wilson <b>Chairman:</b> 11 Clough Meadow (492034)</p> <p><b>Honorary</b> Keith Acton <b>Treasurer:</b> 3 Mallowdale Close (842723)</p> <p><b>Honorary</b> Les Kilsby <b>Secretary:</b> 1386 Junction Road West (492351)</p> <p><b>CHAIRMEN OF WORKING GROUPS</b> <b>Buildings &amp; Fabrics:</b> Mike Kirkby <b>Worship:</b> Bryan Shephard <b>Social:</b> Julie Cooper <b>Mission &amp; Pastoral:</b> Ian Gardiner</p> <p><b>OTHER OFFICIALS</b> <b>Organist:</b> Jim Needham 130 The Pewfist Westhoughton (01942 812692)</p> <p><b>Flowers:</b> Mary Jackson 234 Wigan Road (61819)</p> <p><b>Verger:</b> Betty Calderbank 32 Junction Road (655375)</p> <p><b>Archivist:</b> Rodney Howard 42 Elswick Avenue (652417)</p> <p><b>Gift Aid</b> Sid Harris <b>Secretary:</b> 11 Manningham Road (656355)</p> <p><b>MEMORIAL HALL</b> <b>Bookings:</b> Julie Cooper 16 Clunton Avenue (660946) <b>Caretaker:</b> Ian Cooper 16 Clunton Avenue (660946)</p>	<p><b>Creche:</b> under 3 years Alison Partington (419498) <b>Scramblers:</b> 3 to 5 years <b>Climbers:</b> 5 to 7 years Lynda Smith (62093) <b>Explorers:</b> 7 to 11 years Pat Boulton (655068) All meet in the Memorial Hall on Sundays at 10.30am <b>Pathfinders:</b> 11 to 14 years Ian Gardiner (660460) The Memorial Hall Fridays 7.15 - 9.00pm <b>CYFA:</b> 14 to 18 years Nicola Oakes (845772) Fortnightly on Sundays at 8.00pm</p> <p><b>BELL RINGERS</b> Practice Night Wednesdays at 7.30pm Kenneth Higson &amp; Anthea Morris (63754)</p> <p><b>CHURCH CHOIR</b> Rehearsals on Sundays at 11.45am Jim Needham (01942 812692)</p> <p><b>MUSIC GROUP</b> Rehearsals on Thursdays at 7.30pm Ray Howarth (652602)</p> <p><b>LADIES GROUPS</b> Meet in the Memorial Hall <b>Ladies Guild:</b> Alternate Tuesdays at 7.45pm Brenda Dixon (653333) <b>Mothers Union:</b> Second Wednesdays at 2.00pm Janetta Makin (658270)</p> <p><b>Parents &amp; Toddlers</b> Thursdays at 1.30pm Elaine Cockerham (650347)</p> <p><b>UNIFORMED ORGANISATIONS</b> Meet in the Scout/Guide Hut</p> <p><b>Brownies:</b> 1. Tuesdays at 6.30pm Clare Miles 2. Wednesdays at 6.30pm Janet Barnsley (01772 322247)</p> <p><b>Guides:</b> Mondays at 7.15pm Carole Baxendale (419167)</p> <p><b>Cubs:</b> Thursdays at 6.45pm Wendy Gooding (653277)</p> <p><b>Beavers:</b> Monday at 5.45pm Liz Yarwood (417639)</p> <p><b>Rainbows:</b> 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.*

## CHARLIE MOORE WRITES.....



We really enjoyed our visits to St. Mary's and St. Andrew's before Christmas and wanted to let you know how much we appreciated the welcome, the lovely 'Bring and Share Lunch' at Deane and just the encouragement of seeing you all.

We were grateful for various people's hospitality including Roger and Mary – coping with all our comings and goings whilst we were in Bolton! We also know that we are indebted to many of you for the faithful support and prayer you have given us, as a family, in many ways over the last 3 years. What would we do without your letters, your kindness, and Bryan's brilliant help as Prayer Letter Distributor etc?

One person said to us "I know what I do is not very much". But every part we play is precious and important. It reminds us of the story of the child whose father was involved in building some amazing Cathedral. When it was completed and everyone was admiring it, they were a bit surprised when the child said "Oh, I helped build that.... I took my daddy sandwiches everyday when he was working on it. What she said was perfectly true and we all need to be reminded that our contribution to God's work is vital and important.

So thank you once again and we hope to see you again. We are spending the end of January and most of February fulfilling Church visits and commitments in Ireland.

Much love Charlie, Sara, Joseph and Amana (and growing bump).

## SOCIAL EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY.

### **Thursday February 22<sup>nd</sup> – Ten Pin Bowling Night.**

This was a very popular event last time so book your place by placing your name on the list on the notice board.

### **Thursday March 8<sup>th</sup> – "South Pacific" by St. Philips A.O.D.S.**

The booking list is in Church. Transport can be arranged if required.

### **Saturday March 10<sup>th</sup> – Easter Egg Bingo.**

Tickets costing £1.25 for adults and 75p for children are available now. This includes the cost of refreshments. Bingo tickets are purchased on the night.

**Thursday April 5<sup>th</sup> – "A Different Way Home" by the Bolton Little Theatre.** For parties of 10 or more tickets cost £5 each. Once again book your ticket by placing your name on the appropriate list in Church. Arrangements can be made for those requiring transport.

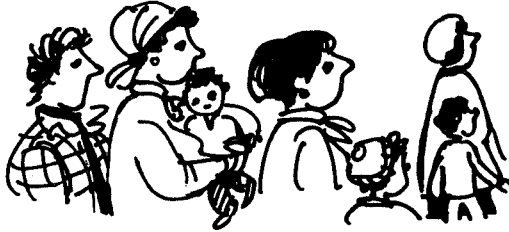
# IN THE NEWS



## Thanksgiving

On Sunday December 31<sup>st</sup> we gave thanks with these parents for the birth of their children:

Darren and Donna Cottenden of 18 Knightswood for Alex John  
Lee Knowles and Natalie Sneyd of 2 Cranberry Drive for Luke Simon.



The new leader of the Parents and Toddlers Group is Elaine Cockerham assisted by Susan Burke. Elaine takes over from Julie Cooper who has faithfully led this Thursday afternoon since Mike and Alison Saunders left us in 1993.

We express our sympathy to the family and many friends of Dorothy Wallwork who died suddenly whilst staying with her family over the Christmas period. Dorothy was a former leader of the Ladies Guild.

Visiting Preachers this month are Mark Curtis who will speak at our next Praise Service to be held on Sunday February 11th at 10.30 am. Mark is a member of the Little Lever Fellowship and has recently been commissioned as an evangelist with the Passion for Jesus Ministries. Mark is known to those who attend the monthly Youth Service held in the Scout and Guide Hut at which he has spoken on a number of occasions. On the following Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup> we are to have a visit from Bob Lunt. For several years Bob has been our Link Missionary in South America where he has just completed what could be described as his life's work, namely translating the Bible into the Wichi language of the native Indians in N. Argentina. Bob will be speaking at all the services on that Sunday.

## THANK YOU!



### Hilda Freestone writes:

"A big thankyou to everyone for your prayers and offers of help during my husband's recent illness. It is sometimes difficult to remain positive and prayerful when you are wondering what is going to happen and can't see a way forward. The knowledge that Christian friends are praying for healing and strength to face up to whatever may happen in the future has been a great comfort".

Eric Downs writing from Hyde (to where he and Mildred have moved now that they feel it is safer since Dr. Harold Shipman is locked away!) writes:

"I am rather overwhelmed at the gifts you have sent me as a leaving present. I am sorry that at the end the move was so quick that it even took us by surprise. So much so that we were unable to take a proper leave of everyone.

Nicola Oakes tried very hard to persuade us to come back to receive your present at a Youth Service, but I wasn't kidding when I told her that my emotions would lead me to blubbing! My bladder is too close to my eyes! Over the 27 years in Bolton all I have endeavoured to do is encourage people to live their faith and to help and be a friend, especially to the succession of young people. Thank you to all and best wishes for the future".

# WORLD WATCH *Prayer Link*

## Africa

**HORN OF AFRICA** Give thanks for a peace treaty between Ethiopia and Eritrea signed last month, giving hope to people devastated by war and famine. Pray for Tearfund partners, including the Kale Heywet church in Ethiopia and Kale Hiwot church in Eritrea, who help people displaced by conflict and threatened with famine.

**BURUNDI** Peace prospects are slipping away as violent clashes continue to claim more than 100 lives a month. Pray especially for Bishop Bernard Ntahoturi of the Diocese of Matana, a Tearfund partner, and all church leaders who speak out for peace, both here and worldwide.

**SUDAN** Emergency feeding was resumed for 500 malnourished children in Maluakon recently; indications for 2001 suggest a worsening food security situation, with no harvest until autumn. Pray for Tearfund's Disaster Response Team, and those who fight injustice and oppression, and challenge the forces that fuel war.

**D.R. CONGO** Two years of fierce conflict leave many still trying to escape the fighting, including over 2 million internally displaced people. Pray for the implementation of the Lusaka peace accord and for international co-ordination of relief efforts; also for Tearfund partners, seeking to assist victims of conflict.

## The Middle East

**ISRAEL/PALESTINE** The inauguration of a new United States president this month may have massive repercussions on whether conflict continues unabated. Pray for all seeking peace.

**IRAQ** Saddam Hussein continues his battle against sanctions. Pray for the international community as it looks at the implications of these, and for all suffering as a result of resources being used as a weapon of politics.

## Latin America and Europe

**PERU** Despite President Fujimori's sudden resignation, an interim government consisting of opposition parties has made strong attempts so far to stabilise the country and prepare for new elections in April. Pray for all countries facing elections this year, that democracy would result in stability and positive change.

**UNITED KINGDOM** At the closing Jubilee 2000 rally, Chancellor Gordon Brown pledged that the UK would no longer benefit from debt payments from 41 of the world's poorest countries. Pray that this year will bring new momentum to the worldwide debt campaign, and further encouragement to those who work for justice.



### Common Worship

February	4 <sup>th</sup>	Isaiah Ch.6 v 1-8;
	11 <sup>th</sup>	Jeremiah Ch.17 v 5-10
	18 <sup>th</sup>	Genesis Ch.2 v 4b-9, 19-25
	25 <sup>th</sup>	Exodus Ch.34.v29-35
March	4 <sup>th</sup>	Deuteronomy Ch.26 v 1-11

### Bible Readings

1 Corinthians Ch.15 v 1-11	Luke Ch.5 v 1-11
1 Corinthians Ch.15 v 12-20	Luke Ch.6 v 17-26.
Revelation Ch.4	Luke Ch.8 v 22-25
2 Corinthians Ch.3 v 12- Ch.4 v 2	Luke Ch.9 v 28-43
Romans Ch.10 v 8b-13	Luke Ch.4 v 1-13.

Note: All 3 lessons will be read at the early morning communion service and normally only two at the other services.

# MONEY MATTERS



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

	Planned Giving Envelopes	Loose Collections	Totals
Dec 3rd	£868.27	£134.59	£1002.86
10th	625.16	125.66	750.82
17th	749.29	163.48	912.77
24th	967.66	217.58	1185.24
25 <sup>th</sup>		193.13	193.13
31 <sup>st</sup>	498.77	81.69	580.46
Standing Orders	429.50		429.50
Weekdays		74.74	74.74
	<hr/> £4,138.65 <hr/>	<hr/> £990.87 <hr/>	<hr/> £5,129.52 <hr/>

In the corresponding period in the previous year the total amount given was £4,177. This represents an increase of 22.8% in the level of giving for which we give thanks to God. The treasurer wishes to acknowledge the following anonymous donations of £110, £25, £10, £10 and £10 totalling £165 made in December.

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The recent **Christmas Appeal** has produced a sum of £465.66 which is being sent to Tear Fund to enable them to support a Community Health Programme in N. India where there are few doctors and clinics. In one village there have been no more deaths of children since volunteer health workers have been trained to teach parents how to take care of their children. In another village a mother, whose mother-in-law had previously advised her son to take another wife because she had lost all her children at birth, has now given birth as a result of the teaching she had received through a Tear Fund sponsored project.

Contents of 66 envelopes	£390.75
Loose donations	17.76
Christmas card savings	18.95
Carol singing parties to the residential homes	20.00
Tax to be recovered through Gift Aid donations	18.20
	<hr/> £465.66

This total is well below last year's figure of £633 largely due to a marked fall in the number of envelopes returned – 66 as compared with 94.