

# THE PARISH OF DEANE

## DEANE CHURCH NEWS

**JULY 2001**

### **SUNDAY DIARY**

#### **1. THIRD AFTER TRINITY**

8.00am Communion  
10.30am Family Communion  
Joyce Mitson  
6.30pm Evening Prayer  
Paul Ellis

#### **8. FOURTH AFTER TRINITY**

8.00am Communion  
10.30am Praise Service  
Granville Spedding  
6.30pm Ignition Service  
at St Andrew's

#### **15. FIFTH AFTER TRINITY**

8.00am Communion  
10.30am Family Communion  
Paul Ellis  
3.00pm More than Gold  
Songs of Praise  
Victoria Hall  
6.30pm Communion at  
St Andrew's

#### **22. SIXTH AFTER TRINITY**

8.00am Communion  
10.30am Family / Parade Service  
Nola Kilsby  
6.30pm Evening Service at  
St Andrew's

#### **29. SEVENTH AFTER TRINITY**

8.00am Communion  
10.30am Family Communion  
Gordon Harper  
6.30pm Evening Service  
at St Andrew's



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### **MIDWEEK DIARY**

Communion: Every Thursday at 10.00am at St Andrew's

Church Council: Thursday July 12 at 7.45pm

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 Kilsby 1386 Junction Road West (492351)</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>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>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>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.**

# The Rector writes

9<sup>th</sup> June 2001

In this my final contribution to the Deane Church News I wish on behalf of Mary and myself to thank you most sincerely for the love and generosity shown to us by so many of you over the years and especially over our final weekend. We were not exactly looking forward to our last Sunday with you, for we knew what an emotional strain it would be for us and for some of you too. In the event it proved to be easier than we had contemplated and this no doubt was an answer to prayer.

It was most encouraging to see the church so full for the evening service. Though I had planned the order of service, it was the surprise innovations over which I had no control which were especially moving. The children of our St Mary's Primary School singing a modern song with actions to celebrate the resurrection of Christ is one which I and they had learned this term. Our kneeling together to be commissioned for our new ministry in retirement, accompanied by the choir singing John Rutter's "Benediction", originally composed for Clare College, Cambridge, was an excellent idea, and for this we wish to thank Paul Ellis and Jim Needham.

The Farewell Party was a most enjoyable occasion and we are especially grateful to Julie Cooper and her Social Committee for their planning of the event. Rebecca Rutter's cake in the shape of Deane Church is a masterpiece. Though I am very fond of fruit cake I have not dared to cut into it yet and when I do I will feel guilty of vandalism! We wish to thank all those who have sent their best wishes on our retirement using greetings cards – well over 100 – and garden vouchers totalling £160. These will come in very useful when we start to plan and stock the above average size of garden at our new home. In addition we received a couple of roses, one of which is appropriately named "Rambling Rector"! I s someone trying to tell me something? For those of you who understandably want to know the contents of those boxes with which we were presented, I can reveal that they contained a music centre and a carriage clock. We also received cheques to the total of £1255. Thank you ever so much for these generous gifts.

I officially cease to be your Rector on July 31<sup>st</sup>. We shall be moving from the Rectory to our new home on Daisy Hill sometime in July. Our address will be:- 17 Bentworth Close, Westhoughton, BL5 2GN. Before we move I will be completing the unfinished business of handing over various responsibilities to others.

During the period when you are without a Rector Paul Ellis and the three Churchwardens will be appointed as sequestrators and as such will be legally responsible for the parish. In effect Paul will become the Acting Rector. Apart from when he is on holiday, Paul is planning to come to Deane once every Sunday – on the first Sunday to our monthly evening service, on the second and fourth Sundays at 8am and at 10.30am on the third Sunday. But do remember that he also has to minister to the relatively large congregation at St Andrew's, Over Hulton.

Nowadays we are having to depend increasingly upon the ministry of retired clergy and in our parish we are fortunate in being able to call upon Joyce Mitson at Deane and John Hurst at Over Hulton. Joyce will be concentrating on ministering to the elderly and housebound, preparing parents for the baptism of their children and visiting the bereaved. So long as I remain in good health, I hope to be able to continue to serve the Lord whenever and wherever I can be of use. However it is my intention to observe the normal Church of England practice of not returning to Deane except by the specific invitation of Paul during the interregnum, and of my successor once he/she is appointed. This is a good rule for it helps us to recognize that my ministry here has come to an end and that you will have a new leader. In fairness to my successor I trust you will understand this. In the meantime I join with you in prayers about the appointment, for the patrons, for the parish representatives, Les Kilsby and Bryan Shephard and whoever is God's choice. May the Lord bless you and them.

Roger B Jackson

# *Bits and Pieces*



## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

### **Ladies Guild**

July 10<sup>th</sup> Afternoon Trip

July 24<sup>th</sup> Kath Wood is speaking on "Support Dogs"

### **Future Dates for Prayer Focus**

Tuesdays June 19<sup>th</sup>, July 17<sup>th</sup>, August 28<sup>th</sup>

Thursdays September 20<sup>th</sup>, October 18<sup>th</sup>, November 15<sup>th</sup>, December 6<sup>th</sup>

### **Autumn Home Groups**

September 11/12 and 25/26

October 9/10 and 23/24

November 6/7 and 20/21

December 11/12

**More than Gold Songs of Praise      Sunday July 15<sup>th</sup> at the Victoria Hall**

### **PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF VENUE**

The More than Gold Songs of Praise which was to have taken place at the new Bolton Arena will now be held at the Victoria Hall. This is because the cost of equipping the Bolton Arena with seating would have made the cost of the tickets too costly.

## **CONFIRMATION**

Jason and Rebecca Unsworth confirmed their faith and were confirmed in the membership of the Church in the Confirmation Service conducted by the Bishop of Bolton at St Chad's Church, Tonge Fold on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June.

## **THANKSGIVING**

We gave thanks with Andrew and Gaynor Critchley of 11 Saltergate for the adoption of their daughter Hannah Sheree on June 17<sup>th</sup>.

## **NEWS OF BOB LUNT AND THE SOUTH AMERICAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY**

Bob has written to tell us that his work to help translate the Bible into Wichi is in its final stage and by August 2002 the new Wichi Bible will have been printed, dedicated and launched. Bob left the UK on June 6<sup>th</sup> to spend seven weeks in Argentina working on the finishing touches, footnotes, illustrations, cross-references, glossary, maps etc. Bob asks for our prayers for the final months of the project and also for his family in what will be a busy time for them all.

## **CHARLIE and SARA MOORE**

Charlie and Sara still have no definite news whether they will be granted a permit to return to Zimbabwe to work for the Lord there. They were told early in June that they would hear "tomorrow", but there was still no news by the time this newsletter went to print. Do pray for Charlie and Sara and their children during this difficult time.

## **THE NEWSLETTER ITSELF!**

As many of you know, during the interregnum Elizabeth Plant will be the editor of this Newsletter. If you have items you wish to be included please contact her as early as possible and preferably by the second Sunday in the month. Her address is 25 Kintyre Drive Ladybridge BL3 4PE, telephone Bolton 63730, email [eplant@supanet.com](mailto:eplant@supanet.com)

# WORLD WATCH *Prayer Link*

## Asia

**SRI LANKA** 2 June is the Worldwide Day of prayer for Children at Risk. Remember millions of children trapped in prostitution. Pray for Tearfund partner Lanka Evangelical Alliance Development Service, educating people about the dark realities of abuse.

## Africa

**IVORY COAST** Child slavery is rife in the cocoa industry. 60% of youngsters are sexually experienced by the age of 16; 14% of teenage girls infected by HIV/AIDS. Pray for greater protection and openness.

**SIERRA LEONE** After releasing 88 child soldiers to an aid agency in Makeni, RUF rebels say they will demobilise a further 400 youngsters following a pact with the state-backed militia. Pray for children forced to commit atrocities; for aid agencies helping traumatised war victims, including five Tearfund partners.

**BANGLADESH** With potentially violent elections looming, monsoon rains threaten many areas too. Pray for all affected, for those bringing relief including Tearfund partners Koinonia and HEED, aware that north and south-eastern regions may suffer like low-lying areas.

**ZIMBABWE** This year Zimbabwe faces a food deficit of 700,000 tonnes; there are no government plans to address the issue. Trust and cooperation between different groups has been severely eroded; pray for Tearfund partners like the Evangelical Fellowship of Zimbabwe, facing huge spiritual and financial challenges.

**SUDAN** The government's alleged 'scorched earth' policy is driving thousands from their homes, amidst claims that the government is earning \$1 million a day from foreign oil exploration. Pray for peace and stability.

## The Middle East/Europe

**THE MIDDLE EAST** In an area of high conflict and tension, aid agencies are working to rebuild children's lives. Pray for Tearfund partners Stephen's Children in Cairo and Near East Boys' Homes and Cedar Home Orphanage in Beirut, bringing love and practical assistance to children living at the edge of society.

**UNITED KINGDOM** With the General Election set for 7 June, the Global View 2001 alliance has found that global issues of poverty and injustice concern many prospective voters. Pray for Tearfund's CONNECT! Westminster campaign, raising awareness, helping Christians engage more fully in debate.

## Latin America

**COLOMBIA** Film showing an attack on a town involving several child soldiers is believed to be rebel training material. Over 1 million children are victims of conflict. Pray for all assisting them, including Tearfund's Children at Risk facilitator Debora De Arco, identifying new partners, challenging the church to take a greater role.

**CENTRAL AMERICA** Many people remain landless and homeless nearly three years after Hurricane Mitch; land ownership remains very unequal. Pray for all assisting marginalized groups seeking justice including Tearfund partner Association for a More Just Society, working with ethnic and indigenous groups.



### Common Worship

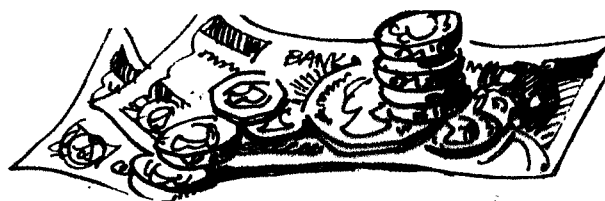
July 1 <sup>st</sup>	2 Kings 2 v1-2,6-14
July 8 <sup>th</sup>	2 Kings 5 v1-14
July 15 <sup>th</sup>	Amos 7 v7-17
July 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Amos 8 v1-12
July 29 <sup>th</sup>	Hosea 1 v2-10
August 5 <sup>th</sup>	Hosea 11 v1-11

Galatians 5 v1,13-25
Galatians 6 v1-16
Colossians 1 v1-14
Colossians 1 v15-28
Colossians 2 v6-19
Colossians 3 v1-11

### Bible Readings

Luke 9 v51-62
Luke 10 v1-11,16-20
Luke 10 v25-37
Luke 10 v38-42
Luke 11 v1-13
Luke 12 v13-21

# Money Matters



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

	Planned Giving Envelopes	Loose Collections	Totals
May 6 <sup>th</sup>	£793.93	£93.89	£887.82
May 13 <sup>th</sup>	£725.81	£192.10	£917.91
May 20 <sup>th</sup>	£664.36	£191.90	£856.26
May 27 <sup>th</sup>	£720.51	£91.10	£811.61
Standing Orders	£429.50		£429.50
Weekdays		£163.76	£163.76
	----- £3334.11 -----	----- £732.75 -----	----- £4066.86 -----

In the corresponding month last year the total amount was £4228 – a fall of 3.8%. It is to be hoped that this is only a “blip”.

**The Treasurer** also acknowledges with gratitude the following donations:-

In memory of Don Sewell      £377.50

In memory of Ellen German      £50

In memory of Muriel Bradley      £130

Anonymous gifts of £104 and £50

**Bolton Hospice** has written to thank those who made contributions for the purchase of soft toys at Easter. A total of £61.50 was raised by members of Deane Church.

## *Special Prayers and Visiting during the Interregnum*

We know that a good deal of visiting is carried out by members of the congregation and it is hoped that this will long continue! However the Readers, David Dewhurst and Nola Kilsby, are anxious that no one is forgotten. Therefore if you or anyone known to you would appreciate a visit from David or Nola please do not hesitate to contact them. Likewise if you know of anyone who should be included in the prayers at the 10.30am service, please put the details on a piece of paper and hand it to David or Nola before the start of the service.