

THE PARISH OF DEANE

DEANE CHURCH NEWS

APRIL 2002

SUNDAY DIARY

7. EASTER 2

8.00am Communion
10.30am Family Communion
Joyce Mitson
6.30pm Communion
Phil Brew

14. EASTER 3

8.00am Communion
10.30am Morning Prayer
& Baptism
David Dewhurst
Youth Service in the
Scout Hut

21. EASTER 4

8.00am Communion
10.30am Family Communion
Paul Ellis

28. EASTER 5

8.00am Communion
10.30am Family Service
Nola Kilsby



Riverside promenade and gardens at Maldon, Essex (Photo: Ron Gregory)
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MIDWEEK DIARY

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

Joint Parochial Church Council Meeting: on Thursday 11 April
at 7.45pm at St Andrew's

Annual Parochial Church Meeting at Deane in the Memorial Hall
on Thursday 25 April at 7.30pm

WHO'S WHO	WHAT'S ON
<p>Rector:</p> <p>Vicar: Paul Ellis St Andrew's Vicarage Crescent Avenue (651851)</p> <p>Readers: David Dewhurst 11 Braemar Gardens (651347)</p> <p>Nola Kilsby 1386 Junction Road West (492351)</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>CHAIRMEN OF WORKING GROUPS Buildings & Fabrics: Mike Kirkby Worship: Elizabeth Plant Social: Julie Cooper Mission & Pastoral: Ian Gardiner</p> <p>OTHER OFFICIALS Organist: Jim Needham 130 The Pewfist Westhoughton (01942 812692)</p> <p>Flowers: Josie Crompton (655964)</p> <p>Verger: 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) Deane Elizabeth Plant Church News: 25 Kintyre Drive (63730)</p> <p>MEMORIAL HALL Bookings: Julie Cooper 16 Clunton Avenue (660946)</p> <p>Caretaker: Ian Cooper 16 Clunton Avenue (660946)</p>	<p>Creche: under 3 years Rachel Bickerstaffe (657161)</p> <p>Scramblers: 3 to 5 years</p> <p>Climbers: 5 to 7 years Lynda Smith (62093)</p> <p>Explorers: 7 to 11 years Rebecca Unsworth (656700)</p> <p>All meet in the Memorial Hall on Sundays at 10.30am</p> <p>Pathfinders: 11 to 14 years Ian Gardiner (660460)</p> <p>The Memorial Hall Fridays 7.15 - 9.00pm</p> <p>CYFA: 14 to 18 years Fortnightly on Sundays at 8.00pm</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 Pat Sewell (61278)</p> <p>Mothers Union: Second Wednesdays at 2.00pm Janetta Makin (658270)</p> <p>Parents & Toddlers Thursdays at 1.30pm Elaine Cockerham (650347)</p> <p>UNIFORMED ORGANISATIONS Meet in the Scout/Guide Hut</p> <p>Brownies: 1. Tuesdays at 6.30pm Clare Miles 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>

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Initial enquiries for Baptism and Banns of Marriage should be directed to the Revd. Paul Ellis during the period we are without a Rector.

Editor's Page



Annual Parochial Church Meeting

The APGM takes place this year in the Memorial Hall on **Thursday 25th April**. This is the evening when the church wardens and PCC members for the next twelve months will be decided. Please make it a priority that you attend the meeting. Nomination sheets will be at the back of church soon for proposing and seconding candidates. Please consider this prayerfully and seek permission from the person you wish to nominate before you put their name forward.

NB! IF YOU HAVE NOT YET RETURNED YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION FOR THE NEW ELECTORAL ROLL, PLEASE DO SO BY SUNDAY 7TH APRIL AT THE LATEST IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE APGM.



Confirmation 2002

Confirmation this year is on **May 26th at 6.30pm at Deane Church**. If you are an 'older' young person or an adult who regularly attends worship and who would like to be confirmed this year, please speak to Paul Ellis on 651851. A new confirmation course begins in April.

For all who use telephones!

If you ever get irritated when you phone an organisation and have to listen to a recorded message telling you to press 1 for this, 2 for that and 3 for the other, even before you get put onto hold with its dreadful music, you may be amused by the following article which was in The Times recently! We can be thankful that through prayer we have access to God at any time and any place.

If God had voicemail!!!

Thank you for calling My Father's House. Please select one of the following options:

Press 1 for Requests

Press 2 for Thanksgiving

Press 3 for Complaints

Press 4 for Angels

"I'm sorry, all of our angels are busy helping other sinners right now. However your prayer is important to us and will be answered in the order received. Please stay on the line, you are 10,364th in the queue."

If you would like to speak to:

Gabriel, Press 1

Michael, Press 2

For a directory of other angels, Press 3.

1 To find out if a loved one has been assigned to Heaven, press 5, enter their national insurance number, then press the pound key.

2 For reservations at My Father's House, please enter J.O.H.N., followed by 3v6

3 For answers to nagging questions about dinosaurs, the age of the earth and where Noah's Ark is, please wait until you arrive here.

4 Our computers show that you have already prayed once today. Please hang up and try again tomorrow.

5 This office is closed for the weekend to observe a religious holiday.

6 Please pray again on Monday after 9.30am. If you need emergency assistance, contact your local vicar. Thank you!

WORLD WATCH *Prayer Link*

Africa

LIBERIA Refugee camps around the capital Monrovia are struggling to cope with thousands fleeing renewed clashes between the government and rebels which began last July. Up to 200,000 people died in civil war five years ago; pray that similar conflict may be averted.

SUDAN The Sudan Ecumenical Forum is organising a Special Service for Peace, Justice and Reconciliation this month at St George's Cathedral, Southwark, supported by aid agencies including Tearfund. Pray for all working for peace including a number of Tearfund partners.

ZIMBABWE The world is watching as, after 22 years in power, President Mugabe faces elections this month. Pray that they will be administered justly and that all fear and oppression will finally end.

D.R. CONGO The eruption of Mount Nyiragongo in January left 100,000 displaced in and around Goma town. As part of its response, Tearfund is helping re-equip health centres which were partially destroyed. Pray for Tearfund partners, including DOCS (Doctors On Call for Service), who are assisting people trying to recover from this devastating event.

Europe/The Middle East

MACEDONIA The government has asked 1,000 NATO peacekeepers to stay on beyond the end of their mandate on 26 March. Pray that the fragile peace between government forces and rebel ethnic Albanians can be strengthened, and for aid agencies including Tearfund partners AGAPE and Ithus Remedium Clinic.

ISRAEL/PALESTINE The violence in the Middle East, which has claimed more than 1,000 lives since the Palestinian intifada (uprising) began 18 months ago, shows no sign of abating response. Continue to pray for a breakthrough, and for an end to the 'tit for tat' violence which is wearing down both nations.

Latin America

BRAZIL The government has agreed on a package of austerity measures including spending cuts after Brazilian share prices fell by 30 per cent last month. Pray for those worst affected and for the growing level of violence in Brazilian cities to be cut - Tearfund partner Associacao Noemi are directly involved in prison ministry.

BOLIVIA Social unrest is rocking the nation; government policy now prohibits the authorised sale of coca leaves in some traditionally agreed markets. Violent confrontations between farmers and the armed forces have resulted in numerous deaths. Please pray for fair, wise and rapid solutions that support the livelihoods of the poorest.

Common Worship

Bible readings

April 7
April 14
April 21
April 28
May 5

Easter 2
Easter 3
Easter 4
Easter 5
Easter 6

Acts 2 v14a, 22-32
Zephaniah 3 v14-20
Genesis 7
Genesis 8 v1-19
Genesis 8v20-9v17

1 Peter 1 v3-9
1 Peter 1 v17-23
1 Peter 2 v19-end
1 Peter 2 v2-10
1 Peter 3 v13-end

John 20 v19-end
Luke 24 v13-35
John 10 v1-10
John 14 v1-14
John 14 v15-21



Bits and Pieces



Welcome to the New Archdeacon of Bolton

A Service of Collation and Welcoming of Revd John Applegate as the new Archdeacon of Bolton will be held at 3pm on Sunday 28th April in Bolton Parish Church. All members of the congregation are warmly invited to the service. No tickets are required.

John has a wide experience of both the Church of England and the Manchester Diocese. He was ordained Deacon in 1984 and Priest in 1985. He began his ministry at Collyhurst and moved to Broughton, Salford where he is presently Team Rector of the Broughton Team. Serving as Area Dean since 1997, John has already contributed much to the work of the diocese.

Thanksgiving

On Sunday 17th February we gave thanks with Mark and Karen Kinwood-Bailey of 12 Knutshaw Crescent for the birth of their twin son and daughter, Tobias and Tabitha.



Church Flowers: Sheila Acton writes:

"We have always been proud of the fact that a fresh flower arrangement is provided each week, but this is becoming increasingly difficult due to lack of helpers. Ladies (or in fact gentlemen) would not be expected to be expert arrangers and they would only be called upon every four to six weeks."

If any one thinks they may be able to help they should speak to Sheila in church or telephone her on 842723.

Thank you for your old mobile phones

Gillian Gregory wishes to thank everyone who helped with her project to collect old mobile phones for recycling. She collected a total of 89 units which have now been sent to the Samaritan's Purse International Charity. This is the charity which organises the Operation Christmas Child Appeal. See below on this page for news of the number of shoe boxes collected in 2001.

Situations Vacant! Can you help?

As reported in the March newsletter **Keith Acton**, the honorary treasurer, feels the time is right after ten years to hand on the post to someone else. As yet no successor has been found. If you think you may be able to serve in this capacity, Keith would be pleased to talk it over with you on 842723.

Similarly our **Child Protection Officer, Mike Barnes**, thinks the time has come to pass on his duties. His is an important and new post in all churches and schools. The duties are mainly administrative ensuring that all who come into contact with young people, for example as Sunday School teachers, have the necessary police checks etc. In the first instance, please speak to one of the wardens, if you are interested in finding out more.

Finally in this section there are still vacancies for leaders and helpers with all the children's and young people's organisations, in particular there is no designated CYFA leader for the older teenagers. If you think you could help, you should speak to **Ian Gardiner** on 660460.

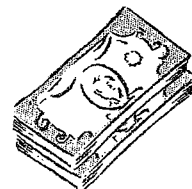
News from Franklin Graham, son of Billy Graham

Franklin Graham, the President of Samaritan's Purse, has announced that over 5,200,000 filled shoe boxes were donated for the Operation Christmas Child Appeal in 2001. People from Europe, Australia and across North America contributed to this record-setting amount. The figure of 5.2 million is one million more that was collected in 2000. Operation Christmas Child is the world's largest children's Christmas project. The gift boxes were distributed to children in more than 90 countries including the Moslem nations of Afghanistan, Uzbekistan and Tajikistan. For some children these were their first ever Christmas gifts. Thank you to all at Deane who contributed to this most successful international project.



Money Matters

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



	Planned Giving Envelopes	Loose Collections	Totals
February 3	£883.79	£95.44	£979.23
February 10	£563.08	£95.39	£658.47
February 17	£734.45	£49.03	£783.48
February 24	£763.87	£113.63	£877.50
Standing Orders	£429.50		£429.50
Midweek		£119.81	£119.81
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TOTALS	£3374.69	£473.30	£3847.99
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The Treasurer also acknowledges with gratitude donations of £10 and £5.

The Churchyard: Tom Stokes writes:

"On behalf of the congregation, I wish to thank Mr W Calderbank for his dedicated work in keeping the lawn near to the church porch so neat and for various other tasks around the church building and churchyard over several years.

"You may have noticed that the azaleas near to the church path have been cut back severely. This was done by Bolton Corporation who now mow the closed part of the churchyard. These azaleas were given in 1952 by Mr T Clarke, who was then the Head of Bolton Parks, and were originally in eight pots which were used as decorations for the Deane Church Quincentenary celebrations in 1952. They were later transferred to the two beds near the church door. They have never been pruned before. I hope sincerely that they will revive, but it will be a long time before they produce the lovely display of flowers which has welcomed us each spring for the past 49 years.

"The roses have been pruned and given a feed of Growmore fertiliser. We must watch out for Blackspot and Mildew in April and May, and spray stems and leaves with fungicide. Then we need to look out for green and black fly on the rose buds and spray them with insecticide."

Congratulations and Many Happy Returns to Tom who celebrated his 89th birthday in March!



A Quick Quiz for the School Holiday

- 1 Who provided the tomb in which Jesus' body was put after the crucifixion?
- 2 Who met the risen Jesus near the tomb and thought he was the gardener?
- 3 Where were the two disciples going who met Jesus on the road and only recognized him when he broke bread?
- 4 Who was the doubting disciple who could not believe that Jesus had risen until he saw him for himself?
- 5 Who was chosen as the twelfth apostle to take the place of Judas Iscariot?



Answers: 1 Joseph of Arimathea, 2 Mary Magdalene, 3 Emmaus, 4 Thomas, 5 Matthias