

# THE PARISH OF DEANE

# DEANE CHURCH NEWS

**MAY 2002**

## SUNDAY DIARY

### 5. EASTER 6

8.00am Communion  
10.30am Family Communion  
Robin Hazelhurst  
6.30pm Evening Service  
Paul Ellis

### 12. EASTER 7

8.00am Communion  
10.30am Morning Prayer  
& Baptism  
Nola Kilsby  
Youth Service in the  
Scout Hut

### 19. PENTECOST

8.00am Communion  
10.30am Family Communion  
Paul Ellis

### 26. TRINITY

8.00am Communion  
10.30am Family Service  
David Dewhurst  
6.30pm Confirmation



*Well stocked plant stall at Sixwold, near Horncastle, Lincolnshire (Photo: Clifford Knowles)  
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## MIDWEEK DIARY

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

Ascension Day: Communion at 7.30pm at St Mary's on  
Thursday 9 May followed at 8.30pm by  
a Joint Parochial Council Meeting

House Groups: Tuesdays/Wednesdays 7/8 and 21/22 May

WHO'S WHO	WHAT'S ON
<p><b>Rector:</b></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>CHAIRMEN OF WORKING GROUPS</b> <b>Buildings &amp; Fabrics:</b> Mike Kirkby <b>Worship:</b> Elizabeth Plant <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> Josie Crompton (655964)</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) <b>Deane</b> Elizabeth Plant <b>Church News:</b> 25 Kintyre Drive (63730)</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 Rachel Bickerstaffe (657161) <b>Scramblers:</b> 3 to 5 years <b>Climbers:</b> 5 to 7 years Lynda Smith (62093) <b>Explorers:</b> 7 to 11 years Rebecca Unsworth (656700) 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 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 Pat Sewell (61278) <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>

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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*

## **HM QUEEN ELIZABETH, THE QUEEN MOTHER**

**1900-2002**

It would seem wrong for any church newsletter not to mark the passing of HM Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother. Ever since her marriage to the then Duke of York in April 1923, she gave a lifetime of dutiful service to the country and the wider world. There are many individuals throughout the country and here in Deane who had the privilege of coming into contact with her, not least all those who are graduates of the University of London, the university of which she was Chancellor for many years. Despite the fact that over 2000 graduates at a time passed before her on graduation days, each one received their own smile from her. In his funeral address the Archbishop of Canterbury spoke of her being like the sun. She had "bathed us in her warm glow. Now that the sun has set and the cool of the evening has come, some of the warmth we absorbed is flowing back towards her."

Part of the following saying by M Louise Haskins was quoted on the funeral programme. They were words used by George VI in his Christmas address to the nation in 1939 and may also be found in St George's Chapel, Windsor, where he and the Queen Mother are now buried.

And I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year, "Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown!"

And he replied,

"Go out into the darkness and put thine hand into the Hand of God. That shall be to thee better than light and safer than a known way."

So I went forth and finding the Hand of God trod gladly into the night.

## **Christian Aid Week 2002**

**May 12-May 18**

### **YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**

**PHIL RAY WRITES:**

"In order to cover the Deane area house to house collection, we need more than 60 collectors. Last year we were 10 collectors short, despite some collectors doing two or more rounds. With everyone's help we can do it.

"While house to house collecting is, for most of us, not the most enjoyable thing to do, there are encouragements. As a collector you will be part of a nationwide group doing exactly the same thing. The effort you put in and the contribution that you can make will bring life and escape from misery for many people around the world.

"Your call on each house also demonstrates to people that there still is a social conscience and that there are organisations that care about poverty and suffering.

"Last year the Christian Aid Week collection in Bolton raised over £28000 which was up by 15% on the previous year. St Mary's contribution to the total was £2626 (up by 11% on the previous year).

"My belief is that our church could exceed £3000 this year with everybody's help. I would be delighted if we could prove it. The starting point is simply to sign up on the list in church or to contact me, Phil Ray, (01204 654232) or Malcolm Hearsay (01204 654938). Thank you in anticipation."

# WORLD WATCH *Prayer Link*

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## Asia

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**INDIA** It is feared there will be more sectarian violence over the site of Ayodhya; February's violence in Gujarat left at least 68,000 people displaced; over 700 died. Pray for Tearfund partners who are responding to this further crisis in the region after last year's earthquake, including EFICOR, the Discipleship Centre and Emmanuel Hospital Association.

## Africa

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**ETHIOPIA/ERITREA** The peace process continues well despite tension arising from the issue of which country should control the Eritrean port of Assab. Pray also for the Kale Heywet Church water programme; many staff have recently been ill.

**SOMALIA** Years of drought have combined with devastating political insecurity to create an ongoing food shortage, severely affecting thousands of children; pray for a Tearfund team beginning to meet this need.

**PAKISTAN** Religious minorities continue to suffer persecution from extreme Islamic groups. Pray for those bereaved after last month's grenade attack during an Islamabad church service, and for 45 left injured including Tearfund's Nic Parham and Ian McClelland. Remember Ayub Masih, a Christian facing execution for alleged blasphemy; his appeal is due at the Supreme Court shortly.

**SOUTHERN AFRICA** Social, economic and political unrest in Zimbabwe has reduced harvests, cutting exports to surrounding countries. Drought and corruption have reinforced the food shortage crisis. In Malawi, people have already starved to death; in Zambia, 1.3 million need urgent assistance. Pray for Tearfund partners as they distribute relief, including the Evangelical Association of Malawi. Pray for signs of hope in Zimbabwe.

## Central Asia/The Middle East

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**AFGHANISTAN** US forces are still fighting alongside Afghan troops to drive out al-Qaeda militants; more British forces have arrived. Pray that war will not spread, and for Afghans still suffering: dozens of people in a remote region west of Kabul have died after an outbreak of scurvy, a disease linked with malnutrition.

**ISRAEL/PALESTINE** Last month, the United Nations Security Council passed a resolution calling for the first time for a Palestinian state alongside Israel. With Palestinians praising the move, and Israel welcoming this 'balanced' resolution, continue to pray for a breakthrough, and for an end to escalating violence.

## Latin America

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**ARGENTINA** The peso has slipped to a record low amid gloomy predictions that the country's worst ever economic crisis will deepen further. President Duhalde says that without immediate IMF help, Argentina faces more unrest – pray this will be averted, and for Tearfund partners Sacdem and Kairos as they assist many.

**COLOMBIA** Lilia Gongora of Tearfund partner the Latin American Theological Fraternity is part of a team going to Caguan, formerly part of the FARC guerrilla 'clearance zone'. Pray, as the team bring supplies and support on behalf of the Colombian Evangelical Alliance, for peace in this government-reclaimed area.

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### Common Worship

Genesis 8v20-9v17  
Ezekiel 36 v24-28  
Numbers 11 v24-30  
Isaiah 40 v12-17, 27-end  
Genesis 6 v9-22 & 8 v13-19

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### Bible readings

1 Peter 3 v13-end  
1 Peter 4 v12-14 & 5 v6-11  
Acts 2 v1-21  
2 Corinthians 13 v11-end  
Romans 3 v22b-31

John 14 v15-21  
John 17v1-11  
John 7 v37-39  
Matthew 28 v16-end  
Matthew 7 v21-end

May 5/Easter 6  
May 12/Easter 7  
May 19/Pentecost  
May 26/Trinity  
June 2 /Trinity 1



# Bits and Pieces

## Confirmation

Please come and support the young people and adults of the parish who will be confirming their faith in Jesus Christ at the Confirmation Service which is to take place in Deane Church on Sunday 26 May at 6.30pm.

## Ascension Day

There will be a service of Holy Communion for Ascension Day on Thursday 9 May at 7.30pm in Deane Church.

## Deepest Sympathy

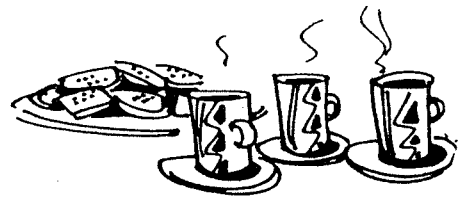
We send our heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Carol Wheeldon who died at Easter after a very brave struggle with cancer. Carol set the finest example of Christian courage, trust and bravery. Deane Church was full for her funeral on Tuesday 9 April.

## Summer House Groups

Summer House Groups will meet in May on alternate Tuesdays and Wednesdays: May 7/8 and 21/22. The Tuesday groups meet at 1 Winton Grove, Ladybridge and 902 Wigan Road. The Wednesday group meets at 4 Laxford Grove, Ladybridge. The groups will be continuing their study of Jesus' parables which they began in Lent.

## Ladies Guild

May 11 Saturday Coffee Morning  
May 14 'A Load of Rubbish' Mr Tomkinson  
May 28 Slides on Lancashire Mr E Marsden



## An Invitation to Coffee

The Ladies Guild wish to invite all members of the church family to a Coffee Morning on Saturday 11 May from 10am to 12 noon in the Memorial Hall. Everyone will be most welcome.

## Baptism

On Sunday 14 April we welcomed into the church family through Baptism Chelsea Anastasia, daughter of Duane Nicholson and Sharon Barlow of 16 Melbourne Road and Jacob Stephen, son of John Jackson and Michelle Brooks of Herman Farm, Wigan Road.

## Church Wardens and PCC Members 2002-2003

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting had not taken place when this newsletter went to print. The names of those elected to serve for the next twelve months will be given in the next newsletter.

## Queen's Jubilee weekend

It is hoped to hold a celebration bring and share lunch in the Memorial Hall after the morning service on Sunday 2 June. A bouncy castle has been ordered for the children. Look out for details in church or in the next newsletter.

## Can You Help?

The uniformed organisations have hired the Precinct Canopy on the edge of Victoria Square on Saturday 18 May to raise funds for the Headquarters. If you have any suitable items for sale, books, unused gifts etc please telephone 61450 to arrange for collection.

## Ring out those Bells! Eric Morgan writes:

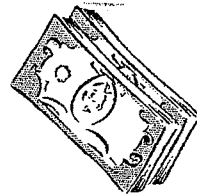
"At the Queen Mother's funeral on April 9 the tenor bell of Westminster Abbey tolled 101 times before the service. Afterwards half muffled bells rang for two and a half hours in celebration of her life. Over the years Westminster's bells have rung for many coronations, weddings and funerals. At Deane bells have rung since 1541, but the future is in doubt. You may have noticed the silence on many Sunday mornings as you walk down the church path. The simple reason is the shortage of ringers at Deane. There are eight bells in the tower, but only five people to ring them. What we need to secure the future is an infusion of new talent.

If you can count up to eight, then you are welcome to join us for an introduction to the tower. The other requirements are to be able to raise your arms above your head and to be agile enough to climb the short ladder to the ringing room! Simple and nothing to be afraid of! Training is FREE. All that is asked in return is a small amount of time each week. Change ringing, the name given to playing tunes on the bells, is unique to this country.

A short history of the Deane bells can be found on the Deane website [www.deaneparish.info](http://www.deaneparish.info)

For more details please contact any of the ringers, Ken Higson (Tower Captain) 01204 63754, Anthea Morris, Harold Lever, Eric Morgan or Ian Gardiner."





## Money Matters

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

	Planned Giving Envelopes	Loose Collections	Totals
March 3	£786.05	£85.31	£871.36
March 10	£486.65	£131.11	£617.76
March 17	£837.14	£102.30	£939.44
March 24	£821.41	£139.58	£960.99
March 31	£867.42	£154.32	£1021.74
Standing Orders	£429.50		£429.50
Midweek		£44.30	£44.30
TOTALS	£4228.17	£656.92	£4885.09

The Treasurer also acknowledges with thanks gifts of £100 and £12.

## The Lord's Prayer

A few months ago there was an article in the newsletter about the Pater Noster church in Jerusalem whose website ([www.christusrex.org](http://www.christusrex.org)) gives the Lord's Prayer in 1207 languages. The Deane newsletter gave a version in Welsh. For the benefit of any parishioners with Scottish connections who may be feeling deprived, here is the Lord's Prayer in Scottish Gaelic!

Ar n-athair a tha air nèamh:  
gu naomhaichear d'ainm.  
Thigeadh do rìoghachd.  
Dèantar do thoil air an talamh, mar a nithear air nèamh.  
Tabhair dhuinn an ar fiachan,  
amhuil mar a mhaitheas sinne d'ar luchd-fiach.  
Agus na leig am buaireadh sinn, ach saor sinn o olc.  
Oir is leatsa an  
rìoghachd agus an cumhachd agus a'ghòir gu siorruidh.  
Amen.

