

# THE PARISH OF DEANE

# DEANE CHURCH NEWS

APRIL 2003

## SUNDAY DIARY

### 6. LENT 5

8.00am Communion  
10.30am Family Communion  
6.30pm Service of the Word

### 13. PALM SUNDAY

8.00am Communion  
10.30am Family Worship  
& Baptism  
6.30pm Communion

### 20. EASTER DAY

9.00am Communion  
10.30am Family Communion  
6.00pm Songs of Praise

### 27. EASTER 2

9.00am Communion  
10.30am Family Worship  
6.00pm Communion



*Crucifix at St Peter's Chapel, Holy Trinity Church,  
in its beautiful riverside setting at Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwickshire (Photo: © Felicity Howlett)*

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## MIDWEEK DIARY

Communion during Lent: Every Wednesday at 10.00am in  
Deane Church

Communion: Every Thursday at 10.00am at St Andrew's  
Lent Groups on Tuesdays/Wednesdays 1/2, 8/9, 15/16 April  
Joint Parochial Church Council Meeting at 7.30pm on

Wednesday 9 April at St Andrew's  
Maundy Thursday 17 April, Agape Meal at 7.00pm in the  
Memorial Hall

Good Friday 18 April, Service of Meditation in Deane Church  
at 10.30am

Annual Parochial General Meeting at 7.30pm on  
Monday 28 April in the Memorial Hall

WHO'S WHO	WHAT'S ON
<p><b>Rector:</b> Ian Mainey Deane 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> Les Kilsby 1386 Junction Road West (492351) Bryan Shephard 57 Molyneux Road (01942 817288) Eric Morgan 41 St John's Road (01942 814735)</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> Chris Dewhurst-Taylor <b>Mission &amp; Pastoral:</b> Philip Gore</p> <p><b>OTHER OFFICIALS</b> <b>Organist:</b> Jim Needham 6 Poolfield Close Radcliffe (0161 7235860)</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 (0771 041 8137) 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 (0161 7235860)</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</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 (855163)</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 Rector*

# Editor's Page



*A Happy Easter to all members of the church family and all who live in the parish of Deane*

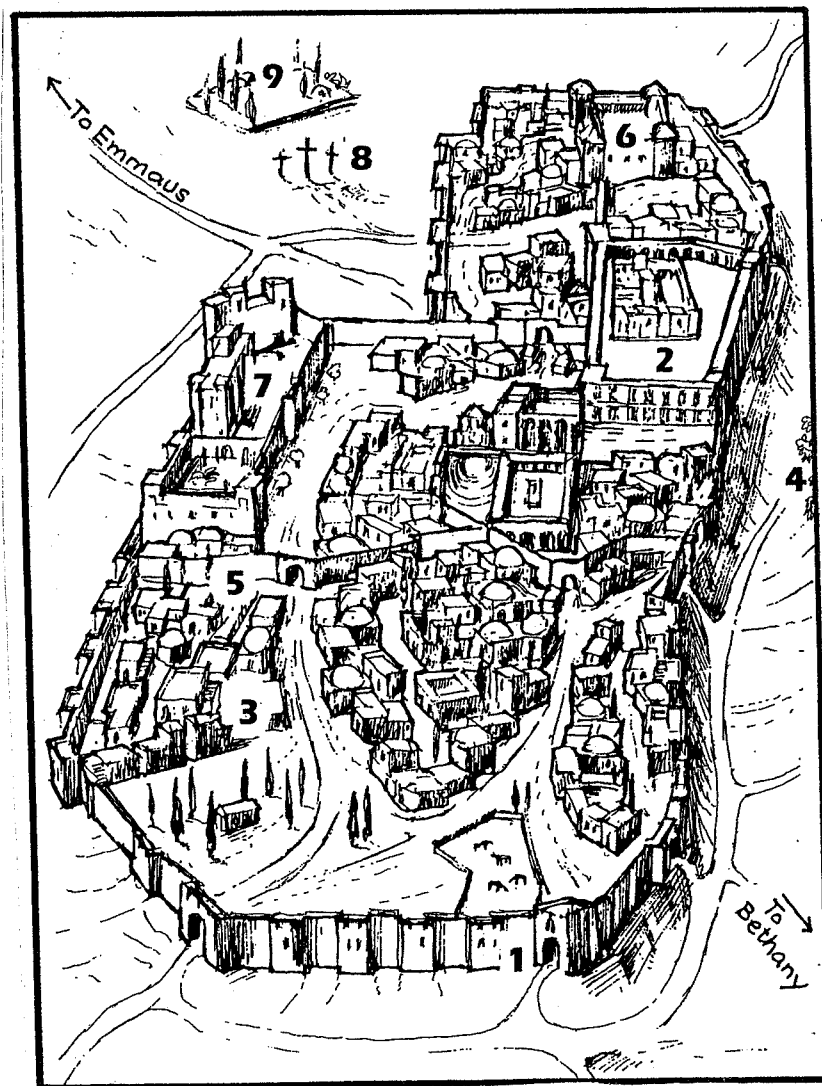
**Easter Day 2003** falls on April 20<sup>th</sup> which is almost as late as Easter can be. As you may know Easter can be any date between March 22<sup>nd</sup> and April 25<sup>th</sup>. Easter Day is on the Sunday on or following the first full moon after the Spring equinox (March 21<sup>st</sup>). This practice is linked to Jewish custom, because in Jesus' day, the Jews fixed the Passover on the first full moon after the equinox, whatever day of the week that was. According to the gospels Jesus was crucified on a Friday afternoon and the day following was both the Sabbath and the Passover. Scholars, trying to establish an exact year for the resurrection, have worked out that the most probable dates are Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April 30 AD or Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April 33 AD.

## *Jerusalem at the time of the Crucifixion and Resurrection*

Have you ever tried to work out the geography of the events in and around Jerusalem at the time of Jesus' death and resurrection? The drawing below of Jerusalem in the first century AD may help you. The present day walls of Jerusalem now cover a wider area to the north and enclose the site of the crucifixion and Jesus' burial. Both places are now to be found in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre which is well inside the present day city walls.

### *Key to Plan of Jerusalem*

- 1 Gate into Jerusalem
- 2 The Temple
- 3 The Last Supper was held in a house like one of these
- 4 The Mount of Olives
- 5 The High Priest lived within the walls of Jerusalem
- 6 The Antonia Fortress where Jesus was interviewed by Pontius Pilate
- 7 Herod's Palace
- 8 Golgotha
- 9 Site of Jesus' tomb



# WORLD WATCH *Prayer Link*

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## Central Asia/Middle East

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**AFGHANISTAN** Fighting and insecurity remain a threat to the work of Tearfund's Disaster Response Team and Tearfund partners as they help the neediest people. Pray for their safety, and for their vital work as spring offers new opportunities for progress.

**IRAQ** Saddam Hussein and his regime are a threat to the well-being of his own people and those of surrounding nations – as is any war to remove him. Pray for all calculating the impact of the next step. Pray for all who are fearful of the future.

## Asia

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**PAKISTAN** The National Council of Churches in Pakistan and the Catholic Church have issued a joint statement expressing strong concerns about potential war in Iraq. They urge Christians worldwide to join in prayer and fasting; pray too for Pakistan's Christian minority, already living in fear from extremist Islamic groups.

**BURMA** March 9th is a global day of prayer for Burma. Its military government still heavily suppresses human rights, including religious liberties, despite recent indications of wanting to build a more open society. Pray for democracy to come. Pray for Tearfund partners, and all those helping local communities.

## Latin America

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**COLOMBIA** Trade unions have been engaged in several years of opposition to government attempts to privatise certain state-owned utilities. Some of their leaders and those who support them have received death threats; last month this included a family living in London. Pray that intimidation will end, and that human rights are protected.

**BRAZIL** The new government has pledged to help 1.5 million of Brazil's poorest families with a monthly income to buy basic foods. Over a quarter of the population currently live on less than a dollar a day. Pray that those in charge of the world's tenth biggest economy can assist the poorest people without threatening financial stability and without external interference.

## Africa

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**D R CONGO** After three years of civil war, some areas are too insecure to receive humanitarian aid. Pray for Tearfund partners working in the Ituri region, helping homeless people who have fled violence.

**IVORY COAST** Civil war continues: thousands of people may flee the country this year, putting huge pressure on neighbouring countries to host them. Pray for peace and stability, not least so that the poorest people in the world's top cocoa-producing nation can benefit from this month's Fairtrade Fortnight initiative.

**SUDAN** Peace talks continued in January, and are due to resume again this month. Pray that the international focus on Iraq will not reduce the pressure for peace, and that agreements made will be kept and strengthened.

**SOUTHERN AFRICA** Rainfall has been erratic: some areas have been flooded, others still face drought. Prospects for the harvest due in the next few weeks are poor. Pray for Tearfund partners – and all aid agencies – as they continue to meet the needs of the estimated 14 million people facing severe food shortage.

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## Common Worship

April 6/Lent 5	Jeremiah 31 v31-34
April 13/Palm Sunday	Isaiah 50 v4-9a
April 20/Easter Day	Isaiah 25 v6-9
April 27/Easter 2	Acts 4 v32-35
May 4/Easter 3	Acts 3 v12-19

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## Bible Readings

Hebrews 5 v5-10	John 12 v20-33
Philippians 2 v5-11	Mark 11 v1-11
1 Corinthians 15 v1-11	Mark 16 v1-8
1 John 1 v1 to 2 v2	John 20 v19-end
1 John 3 v1-7	Luke 24 v36b-48

# Bits and Pieces



## *Christian Aid Week 2003*

Christian Aid Week this year is May 11<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>. Make a note of this in your diaries now. It is hoped that as many people as possible will be able to take part in the house to house delivery and collection of envelopes. Lists for volunteers will be opened in church soon after Easter. Please pray that even more people than last year will offer to help in our parish with this most important Christian work. More details will be available next month.

## *Christian Giving Envelopes. Can You Help?*

The Christian Giving Envelopes for May 2003 to May 2004 have now arrived from the printers. In past years Pat Boulton put these into named envelopes for all who use this method of giving. The Treasurer is looking for a volunteer to take over this important, but not burdensome, task. If you could help this year, please have a word with the Treasurer, Keith Acton, in church or on 842723.

## *Resurrection Rock*

The staff and pupils of St Mary's CE Primary School invite you to attend their performance of Resurrection Rock on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 10am in Deane Church. Everyone will be most welcome.

## *London Marathon*

Martin and Stuart Wagner are running in the London Marathon on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April, raising funds for the RNID (Royal National Institute for the Deaf.) They would welcome donations or offers of sponsorship from members of the Deane Church family. If you would like to support the RNID in this way, please speak to Martin or Stuart in church or on 652833. Good luck to them both for the run!

## *Friends First!*

Would you like to meet more people and particularly those who share your faith? If so, you might be interested in Friends First, the very successful information service which assists single Christians of all ages to meet friends and potential partners in an informal and pressure free way. For more details look at [www.friends1st.co.uk](http://www.friends1st.co.uk) or telephone 0121 427 1286 or email [info@friends1st.co.uk](mailto:info@friends1st.co.uk) or write to PO Box 8377, Harborne, Birmingham B17 9TE.

## *Baptism*

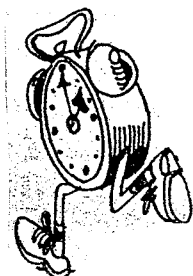
On Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March we welcomed into the church family through baptism Luke Anthony, the son of Kristina and Ian Hodgkinson, and Rachel Olivia, the daughter of Tracey and David O'Brien.

## *Annual Parochial General Meeting*

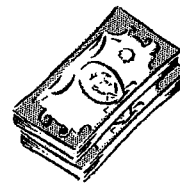
The APGM takes place this year on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall. Please make it a priority to attend.

## *Service Times are Changing!*

Don't forget that from Easter Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> April, Sunday services are starting at 9am, 10.30am and 6pm. After consultation with the whole church family, it has been agreed that the 8am communion service will be starting at 9am and that evening services will begin at 6pm rather than 6.30pm.



# Money Matters



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

	Loose Collections	Planned Giving Envelopes	Totals
February 2	£95.24	£636.53	£731.77
February 9	£134.27	£681.02	£815.29
February 16	£99.74	£655.84	£755.58
February 23	£123.25	£562.10	£685.35
Standing Orders		£549.50	£549.50
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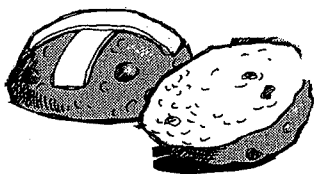
The Treasurer also acknowledges with thanks an interim payment from a legacy amounting to £10,000 from the late Elsie Pierpoint.

## Did You Know?

*Easter Island* got its name because it was sighted by the first Europeans on Easter Sunday 1722. Dutch sea captain Jacob Roggeveen and his sailors had celebrated Easter as best they could on board their two ships when in the late afternoon of Easter Day 1722 a lookout spotted land where according to charts no land should be! Captain Roggeveen and his crew waited until dawn on the following day before going ashore where they found the natives praying to the sunrise. The people of the island were friendly and showed them round their land and let the sailors go close up to the giant statues which have since made the island famous. As the ships sailed away that evening and Captain Roggeveen began to write his log recording the visit, he realised that he had not found out what the inhabitants called their island. Thus it was that he himself named it Easter Island because it was first seen on Easter Day.



*Hot Cross Buns* can now be found in the shops all year round. However in the past they were only eaten around Easter and especially on Good Friday. Hot Cross Buns, as we know them today, have been made since the 18<sup>th</sup> century, but there is evidence that similar cakes were made as far back as Saxon times. Housewives used to get up early on Good Friday to make Hot Cross Buns. It was said that a bun made on Good Friday would never go bad and so one bun each Easter was kept for months or even a year. If someone fell ill, part of this bun was broken off and given to the invalid. It may even have done some of them some good, since a mouldy bun would have contained penicillin!



*Easter Trees* are common Easter decorations in several European countries. In Sweden twigs and branches are cut and brought into houses a week or two before Easter so that they will be in bloom on Easter Day. Other branches are put into deep flower pots and decorated with wooden eggs or blown eggs. In Holland families pick branches and spray them with gold or silver paint, and hang them with sweets and nuts. In Germany birch branches are brought indoors and decorated with Easter eggs. In Switzerland branches of flowering fruit trees are brought into homes and decorated with ribbons and painted eggs.

