

# THE PARISH OF DEANE

## DEANE CHURCH NEWS

SEPTEMBER 2003

### SUNDAY DIARY

**7. TRINITY 12**

9.00am Communion  
10.30am Family Worship  
& Parade  
6.00pm Communion

**14. TRINITY 13**

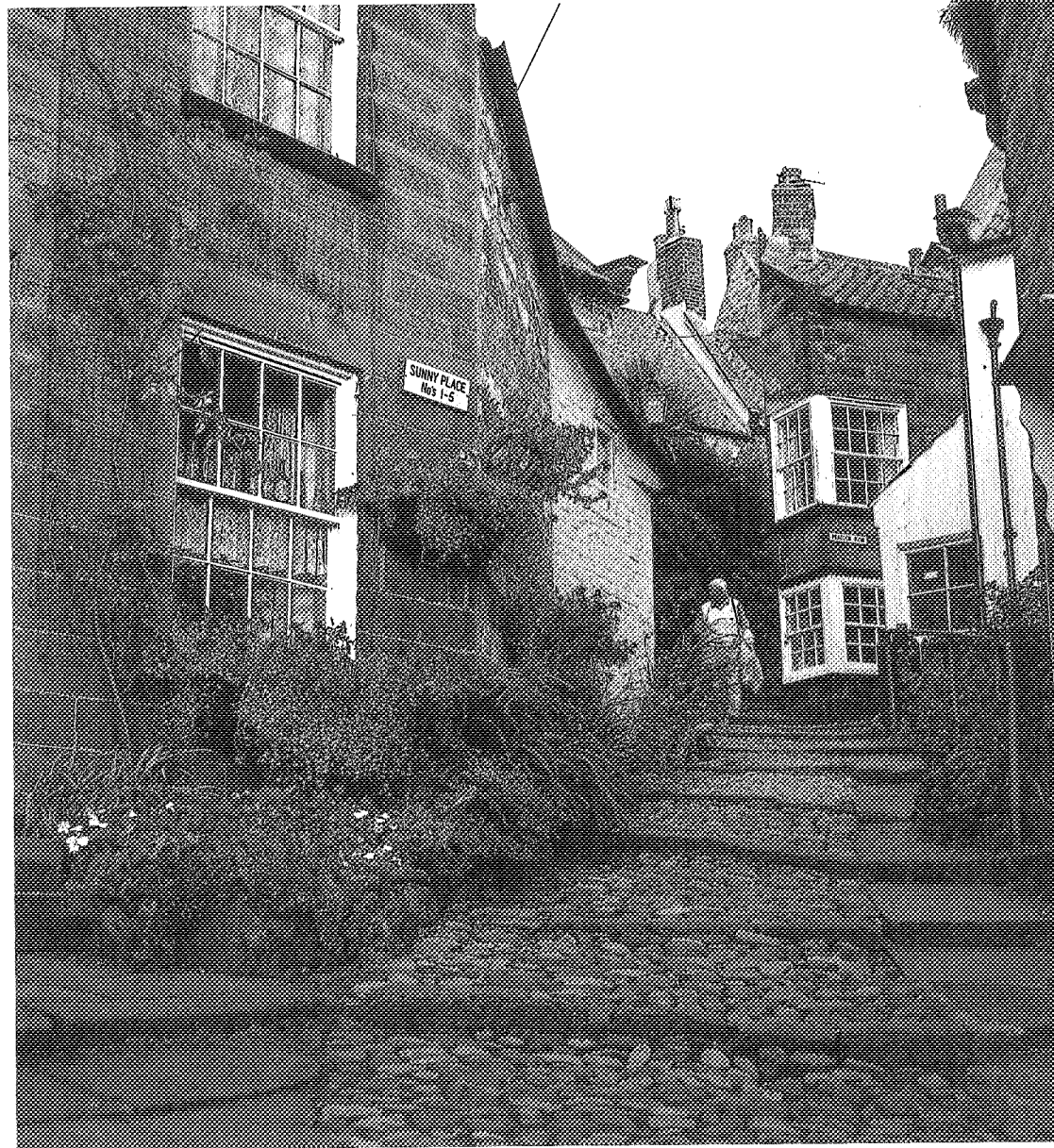
9.00am Communion  
10.30am Baptism  
6.00pm Communion

**21. TRINITY 14**

9.00am Communion  
10.30am Family Communion  
6.00pm Service of the Word

**28. TRINITY 15**

9.00am Communion  
10.30am Service of the Word  
6.00pm Service of the Word



*An old street in Robin Hood's Bay a few miles south east of Whitby  
on the coast of the North York Moors National Park (Photo: St John's Church)*

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### MIDWEEK DIARY

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

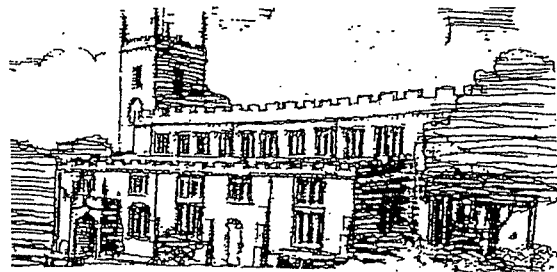
Parochial Church Council meeting at St Andrew's  
on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30am

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>Creche:</b> under 3 years Rachel Bickerstaffe (657161)</p> <p><b>Scramblers:</b> 3 to 5 years</p> <p><b>Climbers:</b> 5 to 7 years Lynda Smith (62093)</p> <p><b>Explorers:</b> 7 to 11 years Rebecca Unsworth (0771 041 8137)</p> <p>All meet in the Memorial Hall on Sundays at 10.30am</p> <p><b>Pathfinders:</b> 11 to 14 years Ian Gardiner (660460) The Memorial Hall Fridays 7.15 - 9.00pm</p> <p><b>CYFA:</b> 14 to 18 years Fortnightly on Sundays at 8.00pm</p>
<p><b>PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL</b></p> <p><b>Lay</b> Stan Wilson</p> <p><b>Chairman:</b> 11 Clough Meadow (492034)</p> <p><b>Honorary</b> Keith Acton</p> <p><b>Treasurer:</b> 3 Mallowdale Close (842723)</p> <p><b>Honorary</b> Les Kilsby</p> <p><b>Secretary:</b> 1386 Junction Road West (492351)</p> <p><b>CHAIRMEN OF WORKING GROUPS</b></p> <p><b>Buildings &amp; Fabrics:</b> Mike Kirkby</p> <p><b>Worship:</b> Elizabeth Plant</p> <p><b>Social:</b> Chris Dewhurst-Taylor</p> <p><b>Mission &amp; Pastoral:</b> Philip Gore</p>	<p><b>BELL RINGERS</b></p> <p>Practice Night Wednesdays at 7.30pm Kenneth Higson &amp; Anthea Morris (63754)</p> <p><b>CHURCH CHOIR</b></p> <p>Rehearsals on Sundays at 11.45am Jim Needham (0161 7235860)</p> <p><b>MUSIC GROUP</b></p> <p>Rehearsals on Thursdays at 7.30pm Ray Howarth (652602)</p> <p><b>LADIES GROUPS</b></p> <p>Meet in the Memorial Hall</p> <p><b>Ladies Guild:</b> Alternate Tuesdays at 7.45pm Pat Sewell (61278)</p> <p><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>OTHER OFFICIALS</b></p> <p><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</p> <p><b>Secretary:</b> 11 Manningham Road (656355)</p> <p><b>Deane</b> Elizabeth Plant</p> <p><b>Church News:</b> 25 Kintyre Drive (63730)</p> <p><b>MEMORIAL HALL</b></p> <p><b>Bookings:</b> Julie Cooper 16 Clunton Avenue (660946)</p> <p><b>Caretaker:</b> Ian Cooper 16 Clunton Avenue (660946)</p>	<p><b>UNIFORMED ORGANISATIONS</b></p> <p>Meet in the Scout/Guide Hut</p> <p><b>Brownies:</b> 1. Tuesdays at 6.45pm Clare Miles (413977) 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*

# The Rector Writes



## Faith in the Face of Adversity

There are those in the fellowship who are going through some very difficult experiences: bereavement, sickness, problems at home, painful memories, and other troubles.

How do they, and we who know and love them, deal with these things? How can life go on when we seem trapped in a living nightmare from which there is apparently no awakening, no future, no hope? There will be times when we all have to endure. It is painful, agonising, whether we bear our own pain or grief, or that of someone close to us.

Jesus knew that living nightmare. He wept. He experienced rejection, slander, betrayal, bereavement and torture, the experience of God turning his face away. Forsaken. It was necessary, part of the plan of salvation.

Without hope there is despair. Cold courage can get you through a day – or even a period of time. But ultimately, *human* courage fails in the face of unrelenting heartbreak, pain and loneliness.

As Christian believers, we *have* faith, we *have* hope. Hope and faith are not warm fuzzy feelings, not an airy-fairy “something good might happen one day” kind of idea, rather “faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see” (Heb. 11v 1).

Do you know that certainty? The human part of us will doubt. But the fact is that *He* does not change. His Word is true. Jesus said “I will never leave you or forsake you” (Heb 13v5).

When as Christians we try to be “strong”; when we “take our courage in both hands” – the nightmare goes on. When we are “weak” and our resolve and courage fail – then His power (strength) is made perfect – in our weakness (2 Cor. 12v9). Doesn’t that seem an upside down sort of situation? But – “my thoughts are not your thoughts and my ways are not your ways....” (Isaiah 55v8-9), and yet despite these words, our faith wavers!

Strong faith does not appear overnight – it is not a one-off injection that gives lifetime immunity. Rather faith is an ongoing experience of learning and use. In the Christian life part of the training is trial. Just like muscle, faith has to be exercised and used, ready for the time it is needed – ready for the next trial or test. If we waver, our faith gets weak and flabby – just like unused muscle. Jesus doesn’t waver – His resolve is immovable, he will be with us. We *will* have trials, but be assured of this – for those who put their faith and trust in Jesus, the pains of sorrows experienced here, will seem as nothing compared with the joy of meeting Him and all our loved ones in the Lord. All our tears will be wiped away, there will be joy and happiness for eternity. That is our assured hope.

The question is, do you want *your* courage or *His* power – to live your life with all its ups and downs? Do you want a comfortless, hopeless experience now, or a life lived here and now in the strength and truth of His promise?

Ian Mainey

# WORLD WATCH *Prayer Link*

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## Asia

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**BANGLADESH** Treacherous monsoon conditions hampered rescue efforts, and more than 500 people died after an overcrowded ferry capsized on the Meghna river last month. Pray for Tearfund partners Koinonia and Heed, responding to recent flooding which affected over three million people in 20 provinces.

**NEPAL** The government and Maoist rebels have still to set a date for resumed peace talks. Over 7,000 people have died since 1996 when rebels began fighting to replace the monarchy with a communist republic. Pray for lasting peace, and for Tearfund partners UMN and INF, as they undergo major organisational changes.

## Africa

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### **ETHIOPIA AND ERITREA**

Tearfund's response to the food crisis is now in full flow thanks to the continuing generosity of Tearfund supporters to the recent appeal. Please pray for our partner churches as they support and work with about 200,000 of the most needy people in the region.

**SUDAN** Although peace talks broke down last month when the government refused to suspend Islamic law in the capital Khartoum during the transitional government period, hope still remains that a just and lasting peace agreement can be achieved this month.

### **BURUNDI**

Nearly 200 people have died in rebel attacks on Bujumbura; an estimated 20,000 are now homeless. Tearfund's Disaster Response Team has left the country; pray for Tearfund partners the Anglican Dioceses of Bujumbura, Matana and Gitega and Scripture Union.

### **LIBERIA**

The UN says many thousands of people in and around the capital Monrovia now lack access to safe water, food and health care; outbreaks of cholera have been reported. Liberia's president Charles Taylor says that he will not leave office until international peacekeepers arrive; pray for a just and peaceful solution to the crisis.

## Central Asia

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### **AFGHANISTAN**

A Tearfund partner is going through major changes which include relocating its main office from Peshawar, Pakistan to Kabul. Pray for Hamid Karzai's government, still facing many challenges, including reasserting its authority beyond Kabul.

### **IRAQ**

Although coalition troops are likely to remain for some time, Britain's most senior representative in Iraq believes that the new Iraqi Council will give a sense of hope and a voice to the Iraqi people. Pray that it will be so, and a new vision of democracy and peace can be realised.

## Latin America

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### **BRAZIL**

President Luis Inacio Lula da Silva's attempts to reform the pensions system have led to large-scale strikes by public service workers in the capital, Brasilia. Pray that social and economic reforms will benefit the needy; many in Lula's party oppose the reforms, which economists claim will rescue Brazil from bankruptcy.

### **ARGENTINA**

President Kirchner launched a nationwide food programme to combat rural poverty and hunger last month. Food shortages now affect over half the population. Pray that relief funds will enable supplies to be targeted towards those in greatest need, including young children and pregnant women.

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## Common Worship Bible Readings

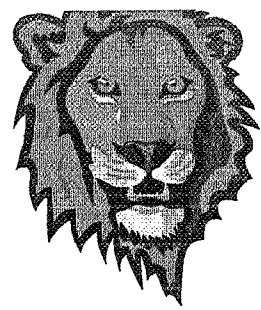
September 7/Trinity 12  
September 14/Trinity 13  
September 21/Trinity 14  
September 28/Trinity 15  
October 5/Trinity 16

Proverbs 22 v1-2&8-9&22-23  
Proverbs 1 v20-33  
Proverbs 31 v10-31  
Esther 7 v1-6&9-10 & 9 v20-22  
Job 1 v1 & 2 v1-10

James 2 v1-10&14-17  
James 3 v1-12  
James 3 v13 to 4 v3&7-8a  
James 5 v13-20  
Hebrews 1 v1-4 & 2 v5-12

Mark 7 v24-37  
Mark 8 v27-38  
Mark 9 v30-37  
Mark 9 v38-50  
Mark 10 v2-16

# Bits and Pieces



## *Jungle Jamboree 2003!*

A big 'thank you' to all who helped to make the children's holiday club a great success. About fifty children aged 5 to eleven attended the Jungle Jamboree in the first week in August. The week ended with a disco on the Friday evening and a special service in church on the Sunday morning. If you were not there, you missed a great occasion. Special thanks go to Karen Greenhalgh who organised the arrangements at Deane and also to Mark Attwood and the many helpers from St Peter's, Halliwell and further afield without whom the Jungle Jamboree could not have taken place.

Let us pray that the children remember not just the fun they had during the week, but also the good news they learned about Jesus and that each one in time makes their personal commitment to Christ.

## *Wholehearted Sympathy*

We send our heartfelt condolences to Roman, Susan and Martin Wagner following the tragic death of Stuart in a road accident while on holiday on the Greek island of Kos in July. Stuart was a fine young Christian. He had just taken his A Levels at Canon Slade and was to have started university in the autumn. He ran in the London Marathon at Easter when he and his brother Martin raised over £2000 by sponsorship for the RNIB. Deane Church was full for his funeral on July 31st.

## *Ladies Guild*

September 9  
September 23

Members Night  
Religious confessions of a night porter!

## *Harvest*

This year's Harvest Festival will take place on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October. Put the date in your diaries now.

## *Operation Christmas Child*

It is not too soon to start collecting small gifts to go in shoeboxes for the annual Operation Christmas Child Appeal. Small toys, pencils, crayons, hats, gloves, wrapped sweets and toiletries all make good presents for children who may receive no other gift.

## *Keith and Sheila Acton write:*

"We want to thank everyone who contributed to making Claire's and Andrew's wedding day so special. We will all treasure the happy memories for a long time."

## *A Big Thank You*

The Gardiner and Shephard families would like to say a big 'thank you' to all those people who sponsored them in the recent Manchester to Blackpool Bike Ride. They know that there were a few doubting Thomases (Ian Mainey in particular and themselves at times!!) but they all made it and raised the fantastic sum of £2050 for the Christies Against Cancer Appeal.



## **Hidden books of the Bible! Answers are in bold!**

I once made a **remark** about the hidden books of the Bible. Merely by a **fluke** it kept people **looking** so hard for the **facts**, and for others it was a **revelation**. Some were kept in a **jam** especially since the names of the books were not capitalised. But then the **truth** finally struck home to various **numbers** of readers. For others it was a hard **job**. It should be a **most** fascinating few moments for you. **Yes there** will be some really difficult ones to spot, others will need brains like **judges** to help them. I admit **it** usually takes a minister to find one of them. There will be loud **lamentations** if it is not found. One lady says **she brews** a cup of tea to help her concentrate. See how well you can **compete**. Relax, for there are sixteen books of the Bible hidden in this paragraph to find!

# Money Matters

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

	Loose Collections	Planned Giving Envelopes	Totals
July 6	£91.42	£691.70	£783.12
July 13	£210.26	£514.21	£724.47
July 20	£121.44	£669.74	£791.18
July 27	£138.71	£577.79	£716.50
Standing Orders		£800.50	£800.50
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Totals	£561.83	£3253.94	£3815.77
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The Treasurer also acknowledges with gratitude a legacy of £500 and a donation of £60.

## *The Lord's Prayer in Wichi*

As part of the occasional series printing the Lord's Prayer in other languages, here it is in Wichi, as translated by Bob Lunt and his team from SAMS (South American Mission Society) for the Chaco people of North Argentina.

Dios ta olhamel Ojcha ta lhe puleye,  
is chik oyen t'amajcheta ey.  
Is chik Aniyatyaj in'oyejen.  
Is chik o'woye amet honhatena,  
malhyej ta o'woye ta ipuleye.  
W'en n'ohomche olhak fwalana.  
Taynat n'oyejen otes,  
malhyej ta olhamel otayhtejen letes  
iyhaj ta iwoyej n'oyehen m'ak ta ni'isa.  
Yej ch'anlhaye chik ikaln n'ohiche n'olhelhtshayaj,  
mat fwayhat n'oyejen hap ahattaj.



## *Hidden books of the Bible! A Puzzle for You!*

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Answers are under Bits and Pieces. Thanks to Bob Benyon who provided this puzzle!

