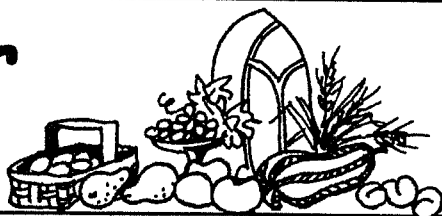


Deane Parish Magazine

October



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October Diary

October 2nd Harvest Sunday

9.00 a.m. Holy Communion (Common Worship)
 10.30 a.m. Family and Parade Harvest Service
 6.00 p.m. Holy Communion

October 9th

9.00 a.m. Holy Communion 1662
 10.30 a.m. Service of the Word
 6.00 a.m. Service of the Word

October 16th

9.00 a.m. Holy Communion 1662
 10.30 a.m. Family Worship with Baptism
 6.00 a.m. Holy Communion

October 23rd

9.00 a.m. Holy Communion 1662
 10.30 a.m. Family Communion
 6.00 p.m. Service of the Word

October 30th

9.00 a.m. Holy Communion 1662
 10.30 a.m. Praise Service
 6.00 a.m. Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving

9.00 AND 6.00 READINGS

October 2nd Trinity 19

Exodus 20:1-4;7-9;12-20 Matthew 21:33-46

October 9th Trinity 20

Exodus 32:1-14 Matthew 22:1-14

October 16th Trinity 21

Exodus 33:12-23 Matthew 22:15-22

October 23rd

Deuteronomy 34:1-12 Matthew 22:34-46

October 30th Last of Trinity

Micah 3:5-12 Matthew 24:1-14

10.30 THEMES

October 2nd Harvest

October 16th Healing Word

October 30th Praise Service

October 9th

October 23rd

Jesus the Healer

Healing Faith



Praise the Lord
 for all the seasons,
 Praise him
 for the gentle spring,
 Praise the Lord
 for glorious summer,
 Birds and beasts
 and everything.
 Praise the Lord
 who sends the harvest,
 Praise Him
 for the winter snows;
 Praise the Lord,
 all ye who love Him,
 Praise the Lord,
 all things He knows.
Mary Anderson

The deadline for copy for the November magazine is the October 16th.

The Rector Writes

I think you would be hard pressed to go on a car journey now and not observe at some location or other, flowers by the side of a road. They are not there to brighten up the roadside but have been placed there because someone dearly loved has died at that spot.

When I lived in Whitehaven there were two such places which still stick in my mind. One was on the western approach to Carlisle. The site was marked by a small wooden cross and some flowers. Although this small shrine had appeared many years ago, the flowers there always seemed to have been changed recently. The other was on the approach road into Whitehaven itself. As you come into Whitehaven from the north the road drops sharply down to the town and the harbour. About halfway down on the left hand side of the road, there was always a bunch of flowers tied to a lamppost. I knew a bit more about this latter site. A young lad had lost control of his vehicle at this point on the descent to Whitehaven and both the driver and passenger were killed.

My thoughts returned to these two sites recently because there were two unrelated articles about wayside shrines on the radio. I think the first article was on the Sunday programme. Apparently these "shrines" are springing up all over the place and one council now feels that they are becoming a hazard in their own right as motorists are distracted by them. Therefore this particular council has now imposed bye-laws regulating them. I was amazed to hear just how elaborate some of these shrines were becoming and I wasn't surprised to learn that a council had had to take action. The second article was on a Thought for the Day on Radio 4. Having observed what I have observed on my travels the commentator for that day, like me, asked why such shrines had become so common. His guess was that today people are struggling to come to terms with death now that they have distanced themselves from mainstream religion and from the church.

He also pointed out that there has been a change in outlook in the way

people are counselled about death. A number of years ago the prevailing wisdom was that seeking to have an on-going relationship with the dead was morbid and needed to be discouraged. Therapists spoke about the need to "let the dead go", to break the emotional bonds with them, because that prevented the bereaved from moving on. The problem with this advice was that "letting go" sounded perilously close to "forgetting", and breaking emotional bonds seemed like learning to be indifferent.

Those times would appear to be over. I think most people now recognise the need that many bereaved people have for continuing to relate to loved ones who have died. But how do you do it?

Many people now have very little or no church connection, and yet they continue to believe that death is not the end, but that there is something beyond, even if they do not know what this is. That's why I guess many people with absolutely no church connection whatsoever, apart from attending hatches, matches and dispatches (baptisms, weddings and funerals) still want some kind of religious service for their departed loved one. So with ashes scattered they gravitate to the one place available for ritual acts, the place of death.

For Christians the answer is more straightforward, for the Christian is able to call on traditional religious resources. If God is both the God of the dead as well as the living, then in our prayers, and in Holy Communion, we draw closer to God and so to our dead. The Christian faith teaches that those who die in the faith of Christ go on to live for eternity in the presence of God, and that if we die in the same faith we too will live for eternity in the presence of God, and with those who have also died in the faith, including our loved ones.

So what does the wayside shrine have to tell me? It strikes me that it is a symbol of a society that is neither entirely secular nor conventionally religious, a society which does not know who to turn to in times of sorrow and difficulty. We need to proclaim in life and in word that Jesus is the hope of the living and of the dead. His life, death and resurrection bear witness to that.

October 31st - All Hallows Eve

Modern Halloween celebrations have their roots with the Celtic peoples of pre-Christian times. In those days, on the last night of October, the Celts celebrated the Festival of Samhain, or 'Summer's End'. The priests, or Druids, performed ceremonies to thank and honour the sun. For there was a very dark side to all this: Samhain also signalled the onset of winter, a time when it was feared that unfriendly ghosts, nature-spirits, and witches roamed the earth, creating mischief. So the Druid priests lit great bonfires and performed magic rites to ward off or appease these dark supernatural powers. Then the Romans arrived, and brought their Harvest Festival which honoured the Goddess Pomona with gifts of apples and nuts. The two festivals slowly merged.

When Christianity arrived, it began to replace the Roman and Druid religions. 1 November - All Saints' Day - was dedicated to all Christian Martyrs and Saints who had died. It was called 'All Hallows' Day'. The evening before became an evening of prayer and preparation and was called 'All Hallows' Eve', The Holy Evening, later shortened to 'Halloween'. For many centuries, however, fear of the supernatural remained strong. During the Middle Ages, animal costumes and frightening masks were worn to ward off the evil spirits of darkness on Halloween. Magic words and charms were used to keep away bad luck, and everybody believed that witches ride about on broomsticks. Fortune telling was popular, and predicting the future by the use of nuts and apples was so popular that Halloween is still sometimes known as Nutcrack Night or Snap-Apple Night. Today, Christians have learned to turn to prayer instead of charms to overcome the powers of darkness. And the deeper, true meaning of All Hallows' Eve, should not be forgotten. As Christians, we all draw closer to Christ when we remember and give thanks for our loved ones and for others who have gone before us through the gates of death.



Whatever the Weather

Our world is warming up. Increases in global temperatures and rising sea levels are leading to more severe weather events, such as droughts and floods. It is the poorest that will be hardest hit.

Although Pendo has no watch, she's aware that time is ticking away. Every year the situation deteriorates. Years back as a child, food was rarely short in her Tanzanian village: Pendo's parents grew enough maize to feed their four hungry children. Now as a married woman and seven months pregnant, Pendo knows she may not be able to do the same for her children. One reason for this is climate change.

The focus of our harvest services and appeal this year will consider affects climate change is having on the Tuareg nomads in Niger. Effects that we have seen graphically displayed on our television sets this summer.

Few policy makers or academics now deny the realities of global warming. Sir David King the UK government's chief scientific adviser describes it as a far bigger threat to the planet than terrorism. Greenhouse gases, such as Carbon Dioxide, are naturally present in the atmosphere and create a blanket over the earth. The blanket traps the sun's rays and keeps us warm. This 'enhanced greenhouse effect' occurs when increased greenhouse gases are released into the atmosphere, causing the blanket to thicken and temperatures to rise unnaturally. This in turn leads to climate change.

Human activity is largely responsible for these changes in climate. Humans have increased their levels of production and consumption and so greenhouse gas emissions have increased. Since 1750, the time of the industrial revolution, the levels of carbon dioxide on the atmosphere have increased by 31%. Rich nations produce 25 times more carbon dioxide per head of population than poor countries. Climate change could spell disaster for international development.

Floods and droughts have already affected millions of people in developing countries, and with climate change, the frequency and intensity of these will worsen. **Developed countries have a far greater ability to adapt to climate change than developing coun-**

tries. And within poor countries there is a huge disparity between the capacity of rich and poor people to cope with climate extremes. Very often poor people live in areas where the risk of extreme weather conditions is highest, and with climate change these risks will be radically increased.

To slow climate change and to eventually stabilise the climate, emissions of greenhouse gases must be reduced to well below their 1990 levels and this needs action on a global scale. We urgently need to find a fair and just long-term solution to this problem.

We have all contributed to climate change, and we can all help to become part of the solution. We can do that easily by making some simple lifestyle changes. **Here are some simple suggestions.**

- Don't fill the kettle full; if everyone boiled just enough water for their cuppa, we would save enough electricity to run almost all the streetlights in the UK.
- Put lids on your pans when cooking to conserve heat/cook food.
- Wash up rather than use the dishwasher
- Turn off the lights when you leave a room
- Turn down your thermostat by just a degree - it could save you 10% on your energy bill
- Switch off electrical appliances at the mains rather than leaving them on stand-by.
- Unplug your mobile phone chargers when not in use - 95% of the energy used by chargers is when the phone is not even plugged in.
- Switch to low energy bulbs - they use 80% less energy and last 8 times longer
- Consider switching to a renewable energy supplier.
- Have a shower rather than a bath
- Wash your clothes at a lower temperature /have a full load.
- Recycle your rubbish
- Think when you could walk, cycle or use public transport.
- If you cannot avoid the car, use it efficiently - 45 mph is the most economical speed and get it checked regularly for fuel efficiency.
- Could you take the train rather than the plane for your holidays?

Embu Street Children Update

Deaconess Jessie Njaga and Canon Johnson Maringa, send Greetings to everyone at Deane Church along with an up Date on the Project.

As the update is too long for the DCNL we have put copies at the back of Church so **Please Take One!**

As you read the update you will realize that money is always needed to support the project and give the children a life away from the streets If you know anyone who is doing a sponsored run, walk or anything else you can think of, and they would like to raise money for the children, please get in touch with Chris or myself.

We would like to thank CYFA and Pathfinders for money they raised recently. We would also like to thank everyone on behalf of the children and staff at St Stephens for the money you have so freely given. This includes people from our own church and other churches. Believe me, every penny you give goes to the children and really does make a difference.

Thank you also to all the 'Knitter's'. I couldn't believe how busy you had all been. The items will arrive in Embu any time now.

If you have time, take a look at the back of church at the wooden cross that was made by one of the children for you on one of our visits. † says 'Thank You to St Mary's and friends. No more are we street children'

In the Name of Jesus we truly Thank You

Sheila and Chris Dewhurst-Taylor

Telephone 598889

FROM THE REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

We are now at the point of submitting our preliminary application to the Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC).

Our plans and ideas will be considered at the October meeting (the Sept meeting had too full an agenda for our proposals to be considered) Following this meeting, the DAC will set up another meeting in church and invite English Heritage, The Conservation Officer for Bolton, and any other relevant bodies. Members of the Redevelopment Committee will also attend this meeting.

Depending on how these meetings go and any changes to the plans they propose will determine when we will be able to present the plans to the full PCC and ultimately the congregation. We will keep you informed.

Nola Kilsby – Chair of the Redevelopment Committee.

A prayer for those leaving home this autumn

Autumn is a time of separation for many people, as students start university and new jobs begin. This is an ancient Celtic prayer sung by pilgrims and their families at the time of parting, a prayer for blessing and for protection in the months ahead.

Till I come back
Life be in my speech,
Sense in what I say,
The bloom of cherries on my lips,
Till I come back again.
The love Christ Jesus gave
Be filling every heart for me,
The love Christ Jesus gave
Filling me for every one.
Traversing corries, traversing forests.
Traversing valleys long and wild -
The Shepherd Jesu be my shield,
The Shepherd Jesu be my shield.
(*From Carmina Gadelica*)

Notice Board

TODDLER GROUP
Memorial Hall
Tuesdays
9.15—11.00 a.m.
During term time

Ladies' Guild October
4th Harvest Supper
18th Mr Towson
A Little Bit of Rubbish

Christmas Cards

Do you remember last year's white Christmas when we came to church in the snow? Christmas cards will soon be available in church with a photograph of a snowy Deane Church.

**Bolton Support Group of the
Children's Society**
Coffee Morning
Saturday 22 October,
10am – 12 noon,
Bolton Parish Church Hall
Churchgate
Tickets £1 including refreshments
from Edna Barlow.

Stan and Carolyn Wilson's new address in
2 Lower Austins, Lostock, BL6 4LX Tel:669484

Operation Christmas Child

Deane will again be collecting shoe boxes filled with small gifts for children overseas this Christmas. Do start collecting your gifts now: pencils, crayons, pens, toys, gloves and hats, toys, sweets etc, etc. More details and leaflets available soon.

HARVEST FESTIVAL SUNDAY OCTOBER 2ND

We shall be decorating the church on Saturday October 1st at 9.30 and dismantling and distributing the goods on Monday October 3rd at 9.30. We would very much appreciate your help on both days—the regulars are not getting any younger. So, before you put this magazine down, why not put a date in your diary to turn up on one or both days? If you know anyone who is sick, housebound or elderly who would appreciate a gift of fruit or flowers, please let a church official have details.

WHO'S WHO and WHAT'S ON

Rector: Ian Mainey 61819
 Vicar: Paul Ellis 651851
 Readers: David Dewhurst 651347
 Nola Kilsby 492351
 Wardens: Les Kilsby 492351
 Bryan Shephard
 01942 817288
 Craig Mochrie 652324

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Lay Chair: Jane Hampson 848433
 Honorary
 Treasurer: Alan Cheetham 405829
 Honorary
 Secretary: Les Kilsby 492351

OTHER OFFICIALS

Organist: Lisa Atherton 840741
 Flowers: Josie Crompton 655964
 Archivist: Rodney Howard 652417
 Gift Aid

Secretary: Les Kilsby 492351
 Deane Mag: Elizabeth Plant 63730

MEMORIAL HALL

Bookings: Julie Cooper 660946
 Caretaker: Ian Cooper 660946

BELLRINGERS

Kenneth Higson 63754
 Anthea Morris 63754

CHURCH CHOIR Lisa Atherton

Rehearsals 2nd & 4th Sundays 12 noon

MUSIC GROUP

Beccy Rutter 01942 814946

Rehearsals 3rd Sunday 12 noon

DEANE LUNCH AND LEISURE

Wednesdays 12 noon to 2.30 p.m.

Julie Cooper 660946

YOUNG PEOPLE

Parents and Toddlers :

Jean Mainey 61819

Tuesday 9.15-11.00 Memorial Hall

Scramblers: 3 to 5 years

Climbers: 5 to 7 years

Lynda Smith 62093

Explorers: 7 to 11 years

Elaine Cockerham 650347

All meet in the Memorial Hall on 2nd
 and 4th Sundays at 10.40 a.m.

11 to 14 years

Memorial hall Fridays 7.15-9.00 p.m.

14 to 18 years

Karen Greenhalgh 64340

Memorial Hall Thurs 8.00 to 9.30 p.m.

UNIFORMED ORGANISATIONS

Meet in the Scout/Guide Hut

Brownies Tuesday 6.45

Ann Calderbank 398206

Brownies Wednesday 6.30

Elizabeth Valentine 651692

Guides Monday 7.15

Carole Baxendale 419167

Cubs Thursday 6.45

Mike Ash 436036

Beavers

Liz Yarwood 855163

Rainbows Friday 6.30

Margaret Latchford 657101

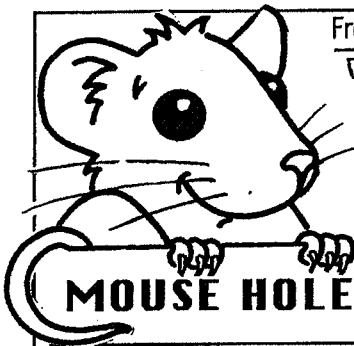
LADIES' GROUPS

Meet in the Memorial Hall

Ladies' Guild—alternate Tuesdays 7.45

Brenda Dixon 653333

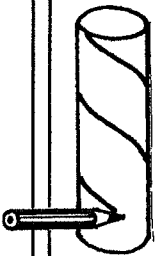
From my home in the church I learn about all sorts of things...



MOUSE HOLE

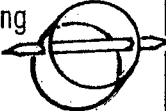
♫ Pitter-Patter ♫ ♫ Raindrops ♫

Make a simple rainstick that makes the sound of falling rain. ♫ ♫ ♫

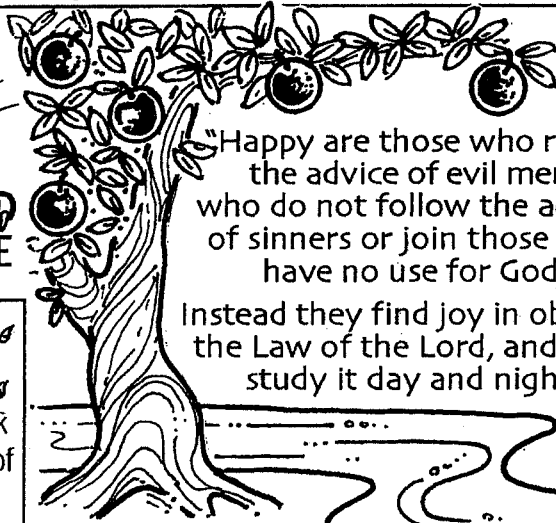


Draw a spiral around and down a cardboard tube. Push wooden cocktail sticks through the

tube following the spiral pattern.



Cut the sharp ends off the sticks. Sticky-tape a circle of paper over one end of the tube to seal. Put a handful of dried lentils in the top and seal that end too. When you turn it upside down it should sound like its raining! ♫
TIP: For more rain join several tubes together.



"Happy are those who reject the advice of evil men, who do not follow the advice of sinners or join those who have no use for God.

Instead they find joy in obeying the Law of the Lord, and they study it day and night.

They are like trees that grow beside a stream, that bear fruit at the right time, and whose leaves do not dry up.

They succeed at everything they do."

Psalm 1:1-3

We are like the tree and God is like the stream.

The water from the stream gives the tree life, it helps it grow and produce good fruit. God gives us life, through his Holy Spirit he helps us to grow as Christians, able to do good things for God and for others.

Read
Galatians
5:22-23

Fruit Trees

Look under the trees and see if you can find their fruit...like acorns from Oak trees or 'conkers' from Chestnuts.

Take a few and plant them in a pot, leave outside, make sure you water them, and in the spring you should see the tiny shoots of a new tree.

