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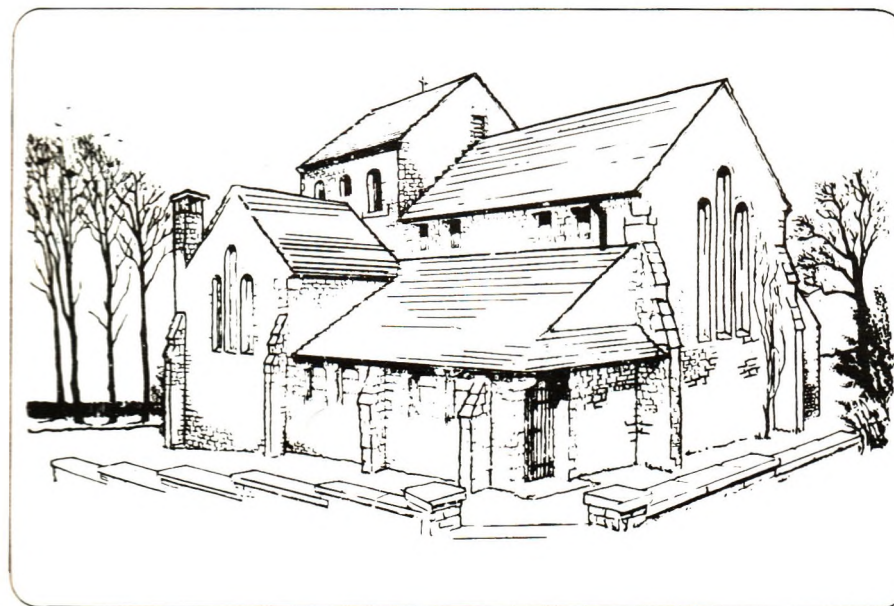
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

As I write this midst all the preparations for Christmas it seems strange to be planning already for Lent and Easter - and yet thinking and planning ahead needs to be done. This is indeed a reflection of life itself. We never 'stand still' and although we often say and feel "when I've achieved that... or organised that... life will be plain sailing" - it rarely is. There is always more to do and the unexpected to cope with.

Our Lenten sermon course is aimed to help us cope with some aspects of this journey through life.

At our 10am Communion Services we shall be seeking to gain more from our worship by exploring in detail the meaning of Holy Communion. A series of six sermons is planned on themes taken from the action of the liturgy - Preparing, Sharing the Peace, Offering, Breaking, Giving, Going. The Communion Service is the main source of spiritual sustenance for many Christians. It is important we make the most of our worship together - to the glory of God, the benefit of others and our individual spiritual growth.

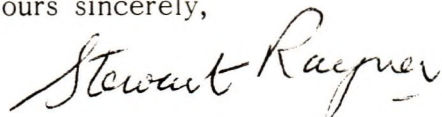
To enable us to keep to our normal pattern of services and fit the sermon course in before Easter - we shall be starting the morning course on the 9th Sunday before Easter which this year falls on 22nd January.

The evening sermon course will again be based on a book. The book, which falls neatly into six chapters, is "Journey to the Centre" by Christopher Bryant (published by Darton, Longman & Todd, 1987 @ £2.95). It is subtitled 'Explorations in the Realm of the Spirit'. Fr. Bryant who died in 1985 belonged to the Anglican Society of St. John the Baptist (the Cowley Fathers) and was widely known as a lecturer, retreat-conductor and author. This course will begin on the Sunday before Lent, 5th February.

As in previous years a Parish Quiet Day is being planned for the first Saturday in Lent, 11th February, and more details will be available from the Church soon.

With every blessing for 1989,

Yours sincerely,



JANUARY DIARY

3rd	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		7.30pm	Ladies Club - Games Evening
		8.00pm	Men's Fellowship - 113 Green Oak Road
4th	Wed	10.45am	Monthly Morning Fellowship -
		8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships - 113 Green Oak Rd and 126 Green Oak Rd.
5th	Thu	8.00pm	Standing Committee - 108 Sunnyvale Road
			Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
10th	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
11th	Wed	2.00pm	Monthly Afternoon Fellowship -
		8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships - 1 Quarry Road & 57 Sunnyvale Road
12th	Thu	8.00pm	Young Adult Fellowship - 43 Rowan Tree Dell
		8.00pm	P.C.C. Meeting - Vicarage
			Contemplative Prayer Group - Totley Grange Drive
16th	Mon	7.30pm	Pastoral Care Committee - Vicarage
17th	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		7.30pm	Ladies Club - Edwin Pocock, Totley Farmer
18th	Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships - 113 Green Oak Rd and 126 Green Oak Road
19th	Thu	8.00pm	Young Adult Fellowship - 10 Twentywell Dr.
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
21st	Sat	10.30am-12noon	Blue Peter - Bring & Buy Sale in the Hall
24th	Tue	12.15pm	Liaison Lunch in the Church Hall
		1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		2.15pm	Ladies Working party A.G.M.-118 Baslow Rd
25th	Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships - 1 Quarry Road and 57 Sunnyvale Road
26th	Thu	8.00pm	Young Adult Fellowship-43 Rowan Tree Dell
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
31st	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		8.00pm	Council of Churches (All Saints)

LADIES WORKING PARTY

The Ladies Working Party Annual General Meeting will be held at the home of Miss M. Gillott, 118 Baslow Road on 24 January, 1989 at 2.15pm

New members will be very welcome.

M.E.Powell

SERVICES IN JANUARY

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am.

1st CHRISTMAS 1 NAMING OF JESUS

Theme: The Incarnation

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Holy Communion (ASB)

Epistle: Galatians 4:1-7 (NEB)

Gospel: St. John 1:14-18 (RSV)

11.30am Cheshire Home Communion

12.15pm Holy Baptism (Charles Douglas)

6.30pm Evensong (BCP)

Old Testament: 1 Samuel 1:20-28 (NEB)

New Testament: St. Luke 2:22-40 (JB)

8th EPIPHANY 1

Theme: The Baptism of Jesus

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle : Acts 10: 34-38 (NEB)

Gospel: St. Matthew 3: 13-17 (NEB)

10am Young Saints

12 noon Holy Baptism (Amy Thompson)

6.30pm Evensong (ASB)

Old Testament: Isaiah 42:1-7 (NEB)

New Testament: St. John 1:29-34 (JB)

15th EPIPHANY 2

Theme: The First Disciples

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: Acts 26: 1,9-20 (NEB)

Gospel: St. Mark 1: 14-20 (NEB)

10am Family Service

3.30 pm Cheshire Home Service

6.30pm Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle : Galatians 1:11-24 (NEB)

Gospel : St. John 1:35-51 (NEB)

WORDS OF CONTEMPLATION

The Fellowship of Contemplative Prayer text for the month is "Call upon me in the day of trouble: I shall deliver thee (I will bring you out) and thou shalt glorify me." (Psalm 50:15)

From this the watchword is: CALL UPON ME

22nd 9 before EASTER - EDUCATION SUNDAY

Theme: Christ The Teacher

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle : 1 Corinthians 4: 8-13 (JB)

Gospel : St. Matthew 5: 1-12 (NEB)

10am Young Saints

6.30pm Evensong (ASB)

29th 8 before EASTER - WORLD LEPROSY DAY

Theme: Christ the Healer

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Holy Communion (ASB)

Epistle : James 5 : 13-16

Gospel : St. Mark 2: 1-12

10am Young Saints

12 noon Holy Baptism (Stephen Parkes)

6.30pm Evensong (BCP)

Old Testament : 2 Kings 5: 1-14 (NEB)

New Testament : St. Mark 7: 24-37 (NEB)

PARISH ROTAS

FLOWERS

<u>January</u>	<u>Altar</u>	<u>Memory Table</u>
1	Ladies Working Party	Mrs. Parsons
8	Ladies Working Party	Mrs. Turner
15	Mrs. Manterfield	Mrs. Simons

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Silver Cleaning

Jan 8 Mrs. Kirton

Jan 22 Mrs. J. Woodhead

PARISH BREAKFAST

Jan 1	Mrs. Job & Mrs. Murrell
8	Mrs. Ruthven & Mrs. Snowdon
15	Mr & Mrs Carter
22	Mr & Mrs. Glynn Waite
29	Mr & Mrs Gerald Waite

LADIES CLUB

Our first meeting of the New Year will be a Games Evening on 3 January at 7.30pm. On 17 January, our speaker will be Mr. Edwin Pocock, well-known Totley farmer and contributor to the Totley independent.

BLUE PETER BRING & BUY SALE FOR KAMPUCHEA

The Sunday School, Brownies and Guides are holding a Bring & Buy Sale in the Church Hall on Saturday 21 January between 10.30am and 12 noon. There will also be a Cake Stall and Refreshments.

Please come along to support us in our efforts to help the people of Kampuchea.

THE CHESHIRE HOME

Many people in Totley know about the Cheshire Home and the great work they do for disabled people. Not so many people know the individual residents of our own local home at Mickley Hall who are, of course, important members of our community.

It has been a long established practice to hold a communion service at the Home on the first Sunday of each month. In addition to that we are now re-starting a short informal service at 3.30pm on the third Sunday of each month. It would be nice if a few more of our congregation could come to that service, especially to swell the singing!

There are also moves afoot to re-start a local support group whose aim would primarily be to help the residents in various ways such as shopping, reading, letter-writing, feeding etc. Money raising would not be a prime consideration, but mainly practical help to improve the quality of life for the residents.

We are aware that quite a few local people already give valuable time and effort in these ways, but if you want to know more about what is going on, please contact Marjorie or Maurice Snowdon at 1 Quarry Road (tel: 362822).

SCHOOL GOVERNORS

The P.C.C. Governors recently came up for reappointment and the following were elected to serve from January 1989, - Mr. Cliff Job, Mr. John Lawry, Mrs. Jane Needham and Mrs. Chris Ridgeway.

TREES

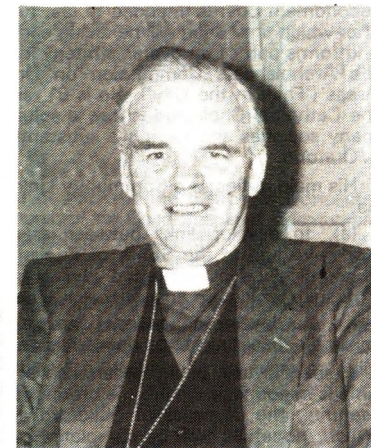
Some felling of the trees to the east of the Church Hall has become necessary due to decay and potential danger, and also for purposes of good management to enable the remainder to live longer. Although we never like to see trees cut down, the P.C.C. have followed the advice of an expert arboriculturalist and the guidance of the Department of Land and Planning.

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A YEAR OF OPPORTUNITIES

Writes the Bishop of Doncaster



I am told that bargains are available at the January Sales although I have always tended to avoid the Sales myself; even more so now that they start on Boxing Day. That does not prevent me from wishing you the best of buys as you crowd into the stores. Clothes and household goods that cost the earth before Christmas are around at half the price. I hope you find them.

Sales always remind me of that glorious God-given invitation in Isaiah 55 - "He who has no money, come buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price." Whatever the shops may have on offer, God provides better bargain opportunities for his people than any salesman.

I believe that God has many bargain opportunities ahead for us, not only in January but right through 1989: opportunities for spiritual growth, for renewed service and care for others, and for the sharing of our faith. So let us make it our business not to miss them.

You will find them in the context of your personal circumstances and in the life of the local christian community; but as far as my comments are concerned I want to emphasise that plenty of opportunities are there for spiritual growth, service and sharing of faith within the wider witness of the Diocese.

Our 75th Anniversary is going to provide us with an opportunity for a corporate act of thanksgiving and affirmation. **Sunday, 30th April** will see a Thanksgiving Service in the Cathedral at 6.30 p.m., and a fortnight later on **Pentecost Sunday** at 6 p.m. the Bishop will be preaching to us all on Radio Sheffield.

Next Year's Diocesan Pilgrimage is to Hexham (British Rail permitting, via the Settle Railway!): on the feast of St. John the Baptist **June 24th**.

Then in the Autumn, we begin our preparation for the Decade of Evangelism. Three major celebratory events are planned. They will take place in the Octagon Theatre on the Monday evenings of **October 16th & 30th** and **November 13th** at 7.30 p.m. Please book these dates firmly in your Parish Diaries, as we want every Parish represented. With the three themes, "Fire for the Journey" "Light for the Journey" and "Food for the Journey", we are praying that God will give us greater vision for the 1990's. We shall be circulating more details in the near future.

This letter is in danger of becoming a Diocesan Calendar, so I shall resist from referring to further events; although there are many other good things in 1989.

It is sufficient for me to say that this coming Year is the year of opportunities: God's opportunities for us. At the end of his first letter to the christian church in Corinth, Paul tells them of his experience: "A wide door for effective work has opened to me". 1989's doors are open for every christian in the Diocese of Sheffield.

WILLIAM
Bishop of Doncaster

Trustee Savings Bank Seconded: Community Links Officer

On the 26th September, 1988 Mr. Brian Shipman, Branch Manager of TSB Heeley, was seconded to work as a Community Links Officer with the 'Faith in the City' unit of the Diocese of Sheffield. This secondment post is intended to last for two years, after which time Brian will be taking early retirement, and forms part of an overall strategy in response to the Archbishop's Commission on Urban Priority Areas ('Faith in the City'). He is 51, sings tenor in the Cathedral Choir and is also a soloist singer for many societies and having a substantial repertoire in Oratorio.

His main duties as a Community Links Officer will be:

(a) to develop links between areas in South Yorkshire and in the South of England which are economically well-resourced and areas in South Yorkshire which are economically under-resourced.

(b) to develop educational and other resources to enable these links to be opened up and to grow.

A specific task being undertaken at the present time is in connection with the production of a video featuring the Dioceses of Guildford and Sheffield which, hopefully, will be completed by the end of 1989. Discussions have already taken place and proposals made for a Synodical Partnership between Sheffield and Guildford Dioceses.

In close consultation with the Faith in the City Development Worker and working with UPA's which are developing projects or ideas, he will seek out appropriate situations for links and enable those involved to develop their thinking on the possibilities for these. Where and when practicable, he will also seek to respond to initiatives from UPA's who come forward with ideas for links and to help them to develop these.

He will also make contact with people, churches, groups and organisations who live in areas with economic and social resources which they feel place them at an advantage to UPA's.

Anyone who would like more information about Brian's work or who would be interested in forming a 'link' can contact him at his office: Brunswick Trinity Methodist Church, 11 Holland Place, Sheffield. S2 4US. Tel: Sheffield 588015 or at his home Tel: Dronfield 416389.

Appointments

The Revd. Philip West, Vicar of St. Alban's, Attercliffe, to be Vicar of Stannington.

The Revd. Alastair Cutting, Assistant Curate, All Saints, Woodlands, to be Assistant Curate at Wadsley.

The Revd. Gavin Wakefield, Assistant Curate, St. James', Anston, to be Priest-in-Charge of Swallownest.

The Revd. Nicholas Wright, Assistant Curate in the Parish of St. Oswald, Abbeydale, Gloucester, to be Assistant Curate at All Saints, Rotherham.

Please pray for Peter Miall to be ordained Deacon in Bolsterstone Church on 6th January, 1989 and to serve in the Parish of Bolsterstone.

New Video

There's a new video about Faith in the City issues just out. Full details are available from the Church Urban Fund, Lambeth Palace, London SE1 7JU. Also fresh into video is the Bishop of Durham, the Rt. Revd. David Jenkins. A 40 minute video giving five introductory talks by the Bishop of Durham plus discussion leaflets for ten and additional notes, cover the theme "Into God's Future", and all for the remarkable price of £10 plus £1.50 postage and packing. Visually the video is of the talking head variety, but - depending on your views about the Bishop of Durham - there should be plenty to discuss afterwards. Full details from "Into God's Future", Carter House, Pelaw Leazes Lane, Durham. DH1 1TB.

Bishop's Working Party in Social Responsibility in the Diocese of Sheffield

The Bishop has asked the Ven. Alan Chesters, Archdeacon of Halifax, to Chair a Working Party which, hopefully, will make recommendations that will both clarify and strengthen the range of activities in the Diocese that can come under the umbrella phrase "Social Responsibility".

The Working Party welcomes suggestions from all interested. They should be sent to The Archdeacon of Halifax, 9 Healey Wood Gardens, Brighouse, Huddersfield. HD6 3SQ, as soon as possible.

Children's Officer

Miss Sally Tate begins work on the 1st January as the new Assistant Director of Education (Children and Youth) in the Diocese. Her main area of work will be to give help and support to all who work with children in the Diocese.

Sally, who is from Boldon in Tyne and Wear, has just finished a teaching appointment at Oakington Manor Primary School in Wembley. The Education Team, and indeed the whole Diocese looks forward to Sally becoming a part of the Diocese's care and concern for children and all those who are involved with them. She can be contacted through the Diocesan Education Office, St. Matthew's House, 45 Carver Street, Sheffield. S1 4FT. Tel: (0742) 754386.



Sally Tate - looking forward to work in the Diocese

Disaster Averted

Last year was quite a year for St. George's Parish Church, Doncaster, for the church won an award of £250 in an energy saving competition, and the congregation were kept warm in their newly heated pews for the first time in many years.

They did not however bargain for the fire which struck the church late one night. Had it not been for the prompt action of a passer-by, and the expert attention of fire crews, there would have been no church left to keep warm. A disaster of the proportions of the fire at York Minster was averted, although because of the damage and the effects of thick black smoke, the church could not be used for a few days until it had been cleaned up. Services were held as usual in nearby St. George's House. St. George's had a narrow escape, but is no stranger to disastrous fires - 123 years previously the old St. George's was completely burnt down, and the present church built to replace it.

Rotherham Holiday Aid

Rotherham Holiday Aid began as an initiative from the Rotherham Branch of CHUG (The Christians Unemployment Group) and is now supported by local Churches, Travel Agents, Health Visitors, Social Workers, and Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council. The aim is to help some of the poorest families in the Borough of Rotherham to have a much needed holiday.

The Public Launch is at the Arts Centre in Rotherham on Thursday 26th January, and it is hoped that the scheme will commend itself to the whole community.

After that date, all Travel Agents in Rotherham will have newly produced leaflets for their customers, so that as people book their holidays, they have the chance to help others in need in their own community to have a break.

Grants will be made from the National Charity - The Family Holiday Association, after application from local Health Visitors and Social Workers. Every penny that is raised through Rotherham Holiday Aid will come back to Rotherham in the form of holiday grants. The Revd. Raymond Draper at The Rectory, Church Lane, Wickersley, Rotherham. S66 0ES. Tel: Rotherham 543111, has more information. What a good and necessary thing Rotherham Holiday Aid is. Every success to this new venture.

Lay Readers' Meeting

Lay Readers in the Diocese are being encouraged by their executive to hold local meetings to pursue matters of shared interest and to get to know each other better. Readers in the Doncaster Area have met many times already and their next meeting is at The Church of the Good Shepherd, Edenthorpe, on Wednesday, 11th January at 7.30 p.m., when Jonathan Redden, himself a Reader in the Doncaster Area will give an illustrated talk. Any Readers from in and around Doncaster are most welcome. Further information from Mrs. Christine Hodgson. Tel: Doncaster 885077.

Mission Doncaster

In connection with Mission '89 Billy Graham Livelink Satellite Relay to Doncaster, June 26 - July 1, there is an audio-visual presentation about the preparations for the Mission at Doncaster Pentecostal Church on Saturday, 21st January at 7.30 p.m.

Notable guest speakers will be at Hallgate United Reformed Church on four consecutive nights, Wednesday 1st - Saturday 4th February at 7.30 p.m. Their theme will be "Freedom in Christ", and all are welcome.

A further series of meetings will follow.

Happy Birthday

At the end of last year the Bishop of Doncaster helped the Church of the Good Shepherd, Edenthorpe, Doncaster celebrate the tenth birthday of its building. The Church built on the same site as the Church Aided School, shared its birthday with one of the young members of the school and congregation, Christopher Smout, seen here receiving a birthday gift from Bishop William. Christopher though will never catch up with the Church, for he is only six years old. He will however remember this particular birthday, and that of the Church.



'Happy Birthday' says Bishop William to Christopher

Church Army

The Church Army Christian Service Scheme makes it possible for committed Christians to give a year of Christian service by sharing in the activities of the Church Army. Whilst the Scheme is primarily directed towards young people aged over eighteen years, there is no upper age limit, provided that they are physically fit and are prepared to work in any part of the United Kingdom and Germany. More details about the Scheme are available from Captain Cliff Moffet CA, Church Army, Independents Road, Blackheath, London. SE3 9LG.

WLD 89

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WORLD LEPROSY DAY 1989

It will be held on Sunday, 29th January. Throughout the world the Christian Church will offer prayers for leprosy sufferers everywhere - here in the UK and Europe as well as in the less developed countries.

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Rev. H. McKee, 19 Woodside Drive, Wrenthorpe W. Yorks. WF2 0NA

Please do phone or write if you would like a visit to your Church or group.

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Any readers who might be interested in applying for either post please write for details to: Mr. P.S. Hose, SCCCC, CVS House, 69 Division Street, Sheffield. S1 4GE. 'Phone either (Sheffield) 759452 or 757310.

Hospital Invitation

All Clergy and Church Workers interested in developing their awareness of health care services, and their skills in Pastoral Ministry within the field of health care in General Medicine and Psychiatry have been invited to an In-service Training Course at the Northern General Hospital, Sheffield on six Thursdays beginning on 2nd February. The Revd. David Equeall, Chaplain at the Northern General and one of the course supervisors, explains that the course will contain Talks, Workshops and Experiential Visits, all centred round the theme "In Sickness and in Health - a Caring Church?" More details from him on Sheffield 434343.

SAVED IN THE DESERT



A PRE-WAR car breakdown in the heart of the Sahara must be one of the least likely examples of the hand of God at work.

But the car driver was a widely-travelled French journalist and lecturer, Raoul Follereau, who was crossing the desert to visit Tamanrasset, site of a monastery founded by his compatriot, the Trappist monk Father Charles de Foucauld. Follereau's life was saved by nomadic Tuaregs, among whom were many lepers.

A decade later, in the darkest years of Nazi persecution, Raoul Follereau was forced to seek asylum in a Lyon convent. Coincidentally (as the agnostic might say) the Mother Superior was proposing to build a leper hospital in the Ivory Coast.

As soon as peace returned, Follereau devoted all his time and effort to the lepers' cause. Over the next ten years he gave 1,200 lectures throughout the world. In 1952 he addressed the United Nations Assembly and sent a personal appeal to the leaders of the superpowers, Eisenhower and Malenkov. World Leprosy Day was established two years later.

But Follereau was still not content. He now asked the world powers to devote the equivalent of one day's expenditure on armaments to the health and education of lepers. The United Nations adopted this principle in 1963.

RIPPLES OF SORROW

LAST JANUARY a man died as a result of a heart attack. The ripples of sorrow move ever outward as even now the news gets around. The ripples rebound from the perimeters of my world, and come back in the form of condolences.

The logical part of me says he is at rest, that his life would not have been worth living if the heart condition had curtailed his one great love, his garden.

The Christian part of me says he is at rest, awaiting the day when we will be together again.

None of this can yet cancel out the sense of loss, the intense pain that comes with someone departing this earthly life.

So for a while I will be selfish, and cry out 'why?' For a while I will trust in God to be patient with me while I work through my grief, and come to terms with it. Acceptance of God's will takes time.

For you see, that man was my father. And I love him.

ANNA McLEAY

AT THE ABBEY

ONE MONTH each year, officers and supporters help with the stewarding of Westminster Abbey. A New Zealand visitor to the Abbey was somewhat surprised to find a grey uniformed figure near the entrance to the building. On seeing the shoulder flash 'Church Army' he commented, 'I knew things were bad in England but to have an official army to guard the Church is quite amazing!'



Just some of the young people who in many parishes throughout the Diocese joined in with worship on Youth Sunday at the end of November. It is hoped that it will become a regular "happening" every year in all the parishes.

A FUNNY THING HAPPENED TO BARRIE BRIGGS ON THE WAY TO THE FORUM....

Several years ago, whilst in holiday and making a return visit to Greece, I gazed at the ruined temple of the goddess Athena. After speculating on what she might think of the modern capital city named after her, and the revenges she might have taken on the 18th century vandals (the military, of course) who wrecked her 2000 year old shrine, I turned to leave the famous Parthenon of Athens.

Descending the footpath from the Acropolis passed the Areopagus where St. Paul made his speech to the 'Men of Athens', thankfully recorded for us by a qualified shorthand writer - how else could it have got in the Book of Acts? - I finally, and leisurely, reached the Ancient Roman Forum or market place, now only a ruin since they didn't build quite as well as the classical Greeks. Sitting on one of the ancient stones with her baby on her knee was a gypsy woman, and, for some reason I had a slight feeling of...anticipation?.... premonition?....I wasn't sure.

The gypsy people of Greece live in the countryside; they are very poor and spend most of the daylight hours doing menial jobs or begging in the cities - especially when tourists are around. The majority of Greeks don't like this, regarding begging for alms as demeaning to the nation. Nevertheless, here was this woman who could have been any age between 20 and 40 years, holding out her hand towards me, her baby in her lap with its legs bound in the ancient fashion.

"Kyrie eleison mu et ma bambina," or something which sounded very much like that. Were my ears deceiving me? Kyrie eleison...me? Many times in our communion services in England had I recited those words, as well as the English version "Lord, have mercy." Asking for mercy and deliverance from whatever troubled me at the time.

"Kyrie eleison mu et ma bambina," she repeated, my muddled brain trying to come to terms with a person using that ancient litany but asking mercy of ME!! I automatically felt in my pocket, found some loose change and placed it in her outstretched hand muttering, equally automatically, the ritual response, "Christe eleison"...Christ have mercy. She completed the litany as our eyes met and her fingers closed over the money, "Kyrie eleison".

I moved on, realising that something had passed between us, but not knowing what, or even if the woman was aware of it. Over the years, though I cannot remember what 'my' gypsy woman and her child looked like, I have thought of them often; related that brief incident to many things I have heard people say and seen them do - until I came to an understanding of what was revealed to me that day.

Recently I was, yet again, reminded of the incident whilst reading a short article about a man called R.M. Benson who was born in the early 19th century. He founded the Society of St. John the Evangelist - more affectionately known throughout Christendom and beyond as the 'Cowley Dads' - a monastic order which one could place about halfway between St. Bernard and St. John of The Cross (that's between a loving, caring and worldly order and one of extreme discipline and asceticism). Father Cary, a follower of Father Benson's, is quoted in the article as inviting us to change our viewpoint and look at the world from Calvary instead of looking at Calvary from the world. In a sermon entitled 'God is Love', Father Benson had this to say:

"We are formed in his own likeness. He must see his love reproduced in us, and so we rejoice in his love. Men fell away from likeness into sin, and so became the object of divine pity - not of mere pity, such as might be given to inferior beings, but of love which might raise a man out of the state of sin to the sweet reciprocation of it."

And later in the same sermon:

"May God give you grace to live in continual experience of the love of God, not as something too great to bear, but as the power whereby we rise to live in the presence of his heart, in the power which is immortal."

This is what I understand St. John to mean in his Gospel when he quotes Christ as saying, "I have made your name known to them and will continue to make it known, so that the love with which you loved me may be in them, and so that I may be in them." (17:26). And also, "...I have sent them into the world, and for their sake I consecrate myself so that they too may be consecrated in truth." (17:18/19)

This is how I came to understand the lesson I learned from the Greek gypsy woman who asked me to have mercy on her and her child. In a very mild way I was being placed on the Cross of Calvary to look at the world instead of gazing up

and asking for salvation for myself. The best I had been able to think of was to give her a little money in exchange for a profound truth - I was by far the richer than she for the encounter, but perhaps she knew that.

Kyrie eleison
Christe eleison
Kyrie eleison

PARISH REGISTER

Holy Baptism

4th December	Lucy Turner
11th December	Lucy Kathryn Ibbotson Craig David Shires Abigail Faye Heath

Funerals

30th November	Dora Shipley(77) 81 Aldam Road
30th November	Ernest Lickiss (71) Mickley Hall
2nd December	Marian Jessie Couldwell (89) Bakewell
8th December	Raymond Victor Hadkins (87) 32 Totley Grange Rd.

Dora Shipley moved to Totley in 1973 from Gleadless following the death of her husband.

Ernest Lickiss was a train driver until contracting M.S. at the age of 39. Despite his illness he was always bright and appreciative and during the last four years at the Cheshire Home contributed all he could, being for a time Chairman of the Residents Committee.

Jessie Couldwell came to Totley in 1952 after long links with St.Oswald's Millhouses - in the Mothers Union and being involved in Guiding and Scouting. She gave active support to All Saints for many years before infirmity restricted her to receiving Communion at home. She moved to Bakewell 2 years ago to be near her family.

Vic Hadkins who spent the last years of his retirement in Totley was born in Mexborough. He was Senior Master of Mexborough Grammar School having taught there for 40 years. He also had a long association with Mexborough Parish Church as a chorister and a choir man. A lifelong concern with the reform of the monetary system led to his being editor of the journal "Social Credit" for 35 years.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

Although locally we shall be keeping this week at the later option of Pentecost to Trinity, there is a United Service in Sheffield Cathedral on Monday 23rd January at 7.30 pm.

BETTY JOHNSTON

"Your life in Christ makes you strong and His love comforts you. You have fellowship with the Spirit and you have kindness and compassion for one another."

This text from Phillippians 2 was used by the Vicar in his funeral tribute. Kindness and compassion were two of Betty's most respected and loved qualities. She gave herself to the service of Christ in the community of His Church; and drew strength from its sacraments.

Many people have described how Betty was the first person to make them feel welcome - in the church, in Totley. Yet Betty's friendship extended beyond words of welcome and some have known her genuine support and concern in times of need and crisis, often unobtrusive and known only to them. Others have described her role as a peacemaker, putting herself out to heal rifts and tension. Perhaps these qualities had developed as she herself had come as a stranger from Belgium, and had endured the hardship of wartime in occupied Antwerp.

Soon after her arrival in Totley, Betty began to involve herself in many of the activities of All Saints, holding office in the Ladies Club, the Ladies Working Party, the Mother's Union, the P.C.C. and Standing Committee. For her the delivery of the Magazine was more than just a regular duty as she took an interest in every recipient on her round, stopped to chat with them and encouraged them in the faith.

Within the wider life of the Church she was a representative on the Dore & Totley Christian Council, and also a staunch supporter of the Children's Society.

Her love of others, her love of God, her love of All Saints - its worship, and its sacraments, will continue to be an inspiration and example to us all.

PASTORAL PROGRESS

Olwen Powell has now completed the six modules of the Pastoral Workers Course -together with the related visits, placements and assignments. She wishes to express her thanks to all those who have encouraged her, particularly her 'support group', not only through the course but through the traumas on the personal side of family sickness and bereavement, unemployment, house selling, car breakdowns(!) etc. In spite of everything, experiencing the guidance of Christ and the loving care of fellow Christians has been a source of great strength and faith.

A LETTER FROM TONY AND PAM LINDSAY

Dear Friends,

Greetings from Sierra Leone and particularly from Bo Diocese.

In our last Link Letter we mentioned that Tony had been requested by the Bishop to raise £25,000 plus towards the building of an Administrative Complex for Bo Diocese. Well, since July 1988 we have been greatly blessed by various local people which now means that:

- a. we need to purchase less bags of cement.
- b. another local builders' merchant has said that he will sell us any building materials at cost price (a fantastic saving) and
- c. there has recently been a devaluation of the Leone to the £1 sterling in our favour. Our new extra building money needed has been reduced down to £11,358 only.

Recent visitors to the Diocese were representatives from the Mother's Union in London to visit the Mother's Union in Bo and Freetown Diocese. We spent a very varied and interesting week whilst they were with us, visiting places and projects with them. On the lighter side, we all thoroughly enjoyed the traditional dancing displays and entertainment, with everyone joining in at the end with Sierra Leone exuberance. We are very grateful for the provision by CMS of a four wheel drive vehicle which has now arrived. At this season, the rains are gradually decreasing and leaving their usual legacy of pot-holes and broken roads, so the 4WD is appropriate just now.

Tony has also recently completed three years of part-time correspondence study for the "Certificate of Christian Studies" for St. John's Theological College, Nottingham. he recommends the course to anyone who wishes to broaden and deepen their knowledge of the Christian Faith.

Pam has one speech therapy patient at Bo Hospital since last week and one or two enquiries that need to be followed up.

The full-time manpower of Bo Diocese has recently had a 'shot in the arm' with the completion of theological training by three new young men, plus one other who has been appointed Youth Worker, all four will be made Deacon possibly towards the end of Advent. Please pray for their future Ministries. Also the Diocese has another three men starting at Theological Hall in Freetown, please pray that they will settle down quickly and be able to absorb the many varied subjects they will need for their future Ministries.

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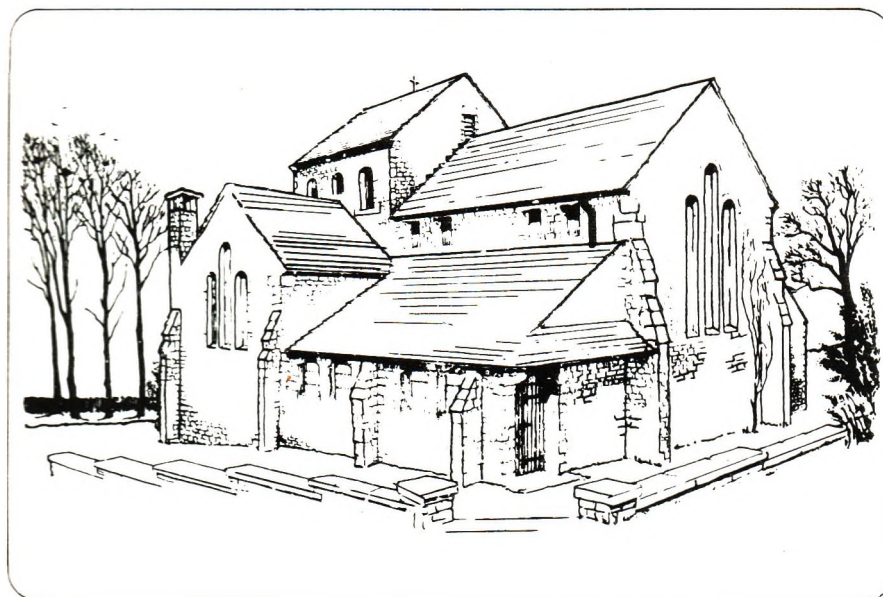
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Recent publicity and discussion has surrounded the film 'The Last Temptation of Christ'. At the beginning of Lent we, as it were, focus on the first temptations of Christ, as He sought in the desert region to work out the pattern of His mission and ministry.

There was the temptation to turn stones into bread. The desert was littered with pieces of rock that looked like bread. Jesus' own hunger put into His mind the temptation that if He could satisfy the hunger of the crowds they would follow Him for all they could get from it. But this had been the way of others. His was the call to self-sacrifice, to using spiritual values and resources to overcome the difficulties in our lives and the problems of our world.

There was the temptation to throw Himself from the Temple in a spectacular demonstration of His power and His Sonship. This however would produce followers lacking true faith and conviction. They would need signs and wonders to keep them convinced. The danger here is in seeking to manipulate God to do what we want - rather than in seeking only His timing and His will. Jesus resisted this temptation too.

The third temptation to control the whole world in return for worshipping Satan, is really a temptation to compromise and to seek short cuts to power and authority. The world will not be changed simply by adopting the way of the world. The Christian faith must strive to promote and demonstrate new standards of love, brotherhood and justice. This path may lead through opposition and suffering, but it is the way of Christ.

We are all concerned for our world and with what we can do to hasten the coming of the kingdom of God. Let us learn from the example of Jesus Christ in the desert and seek to be guided by the same Spirit in all our decisions.

Yours sincerely,



SERVICES IN FEBRUARY

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am.

5th 7 BEFORE EASTER 'Christ the Friend of Sinners'

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Holy Communion (ASB)

Epistle: Philemon 1-16 (TEV)

Gospel: St. Mark 2: 13-17 (NEB)

10am Young Saints

6.30pm Evensong (BCP)

Old Testament : Hosea 14: 1-7 (JB)

New Testament : St. John 8: 2-11 (NEB)

8th ASH WEDNESDAY

10am & 8pm Holy Communion (BCP & ASB)

Epistle : 1 Corinthians 9:24-27 (NEB)

Gospel : St. Matthew 6: 16-21 (NEB)

12th LENT 1 'Temptation'

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle : Hebrews 2: 14-18 (NEB)

Gospel : St. Matthew 4: 1-11 (RSV)

10am Young Saints

12 noon Holy Baptism (Stephanie Anne Elliott)

6.30pm Evensong (ASB)

Old Testament : Genesis 4: 1-10 (NEB)

New Testament : St. Luke 4: 1-13 (RSV)

19th LENT 2 'Conflict'

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle : 1 John 4: 1-6 (JB)

Gospel : St. Luke 19: 41-48 (NEB)

10am Family Service

6.30pm Holy Communion (ASB & Anointing of Sick)

Epistle : 1 John 3: 1-10 (NEB)

Gospel : St. Matthew 12: 22-32 (NEB)

26th LENT 3 'Suffering'

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle : Colossians 1:24-29 (NEB)

Gospel : St. Luke 9: 18-27 (JB)

10am Young Saints

12 noon Holy Baptism (Judith Alison Davis)

6.30pm Evensong (ASB)

Old Testament : Genesis 12: 1-9 (TEV)

New Testament : St. Matthew 16: 13-28 (JB)

PARISH PARTY

A Pancake Tossing Championship will take place during the Parish Party on Saturday, 4 February, in the Church Hall. From 4pm games for small children, 5.15pm Buffet Tea for all, followed by fun and games to 9pm.

PARISH QUIET DAY

Our annual Quiet Day will be held as usual on the first Saturday in Lent (11 February) at the Shrewsbury Chapel and Community Hall.

This event is becoming increasingly popular, reflecting a recent trend towards seeking God in quiet reflection. It is strange how a movement gathers momentum of its own accord, but interest in contemplative prayer has undoubtedly grown in the last decade with monasteries and convents growing in popularity with visitors. Perhaps it is a return to the first century values of the Desert Fathers!

We are very grateful to the Shrewsbury Hospital Trust for allowing us to use the Chapel and Community Hall. The setting is not only ideal but very convenient, and they do seem to like encouraging the people of Totley to find inner peace. We are also very grateful to Bishop Kenneth Skelton who is to lead the day. His wisdom and experience as a priest, theologian and bishop, both in what used to be Rhodesia during the days of UDI and latterly, up to his retirement, in the ancient diocese of Lichfield, will be of benefit to all who attend. Make a note of the date in your diary - 11th February, 1989 - and tell either the Vicar, the Wardens or Barrie Briggs if you would like to attend or simply want to know more about it. You may also like to ask Mrs. Rayner about the Contemplative Prayer Group held each week, though attendance is not at all compulsory every week - just whenever you wish to!

Barrie Briggs.

LADIES CLUB

On February 7th, Ted Brownhill, Show Secretary, will take us behind the scenes at Bakewell Show and on February 21st, the Station manager of Radio Sheffield will talk to us about his work and the role of Radio Sheffield in local broadcasting. Do come along at 7.30pm to hear these very interesting speakers.

LADIES WORKING PARTY

The next meeting of the Ladies Working Party will be held in the Church Hall on Tuesday, February 28th at 2.15pm, to arrange the programme for the year. New members will be very welcome.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The Annual Service is at Christ Church, Dore at 10.30am on Friday, 3rd March. The theme is "Lord teach us how to pray" and the service has been prepared by Christian women in Burma. All ladies are welcome. The Speaker will be the Rev. Hilary Jowett, Chaplain - Nether Edge Hospital.

YOUNG SAINTS

We are very happy to report that the collection for Martin House taken at the "Christmas Celebration" raised £53.64. With the Brownies and Guides, the Bring and Buy for the Blue Peter Kampuchea Appeal raised £210. Thank you all for your support for these worthwhile causes.

MORE THANKS

Elsie and Dorothy would like to thank all the ladies of the congregation who contributed to the recent buffet parties for Mrs. Firth, who was 90 on November 29th, 1988, and for Rex, who was 80 on December 31st. They were both most enjoyable occasions and were much appreciated by everyone who attended.

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ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

The All Saints' A.G.M. is on Thursday, 9th March at 7.30pm in the Church Hall. All members are encouraged to attend. All organisations are requested to submit details of their activities for the Annual Report by 9th February.

MONEY MATTERS

Over recent months there have been a number of Appeals in response to particular world needs. These were Sudan Relief £498, Bangladesh Flood Relief £209, Aid Armenia £182. In addition the P.C.C. followed the annual practice of giving away 10% of All Saints' income - £2000 distributed amongst 22 charities. The Ladies Working Party, through its various fund-raising events, including the Christmas Fayre, has given £550 to 11 charities; and the Ladies Club has likewise distributed £80 of its subscription funds.

Over the Christmas period the Christingle Service raised £357 for the Children's Society, the Young Saints "Celebration of Christmas" raised £53 for the Martin House Children's Hospice, and All Saints' School Carol Service a further £53 for the Bishop's Urban Aid Appeal, which also received a £450 share from the Garden Party.

The donations above amount to £4432 which is slightly more than the £4140 spent on organ repairs during August. We are most grateful to all how have contributed to these causes.

We were also grateful to receive a legacy of £8496 from the estate of the late Jack Burton. By the terms of his will this sum is earmarked as a contribution to some future capital fabric need - be it a new roof, a larger hall kitchen, toilet and disabled facilities at church, a new heating system, a peal of bells....well, there's no harm in dreaming!

In 1989, if we are to keep up this level of charitable giving and meet our everyday running costs, it is still important to consider increasing our own individual contributions. Higher inflation and a change in the law about V.A.T. and charities will increase our outgoings, and the reduction in income tax decreases the amount we receive from covenants.

PASTORAL CARE COMMITTEE

The PCC has authorised the formation of a Pastoral Care Committee. Any queries, or for any information, please contact the Vicar in the first instance.

Sheffield Diocesan News

FEBRUARY, 1989

WE ARE THERE

writes Bishop David



We are there - the Church of England that is with Vicar, Parish Church and Congregation - in every nook and cranny of England. That is our proud and just claim. And we do add that in very many places we have always been there. Over and over again the Parish Church is much the oldest building in the neighbourhood. Nineteen of our Churches get a mention in Domesday Book and a number of others are as old and older.

But I've been having a thoughtful, "emotion recollected in tranquility" re-read of "The Church in the Mining Communities". This little book is sub-titled "A reflection on the experiences of parishes in the Diocese of Sheffield during the Mining Dispute 1984/5". Copies are still available from the Diocesan Office at £1 each, and it deserves both a first and a second read. First time through inevitably you argue with the authors. No one is going to agree with everything they say. But on a second reading you can't help asking searching questions about the parish in which you live or work. What does it mean to be the Parish Church? How can we strengthen the faith of the congregation with policies that touch on baptism, stewardship and liturgical innovation and yet still remain a spiritual home for all parishioners? Does it matter that great sections of the local community are almost entirely absent from the worshipping life of the local Church? In short, is being there enough?

IS BEING THERE ENOUGH?

Another double statistic is running through my head: 80% say they believe in God and 2% go to a Church of England Church on Sunday. What keeps the 78% out? This report shows that in very many mining parishes there was no preaching and teaching directly relating to problems of living through this bitter conflict and at least hints that the congregations were glad that this was so. Might it therefore be true that we clergy lack the skills to relate the Christian Gospel to the real problems that are uppermost in people's minds and hearts? And that our congregations (the 2% that is) collude with us in pretending that religion can be kept safely apart from life? The accusation is constantly made that the Clergy are preaching politics and - it is sometimes added - thus driving people away from the Churches. All the evidence that reaches me suggests that the precise opposite is the truth: Nearly all our sermons are related to problems of personal piety, or matters significant to the internal life of the congregation or issues of current ecclesiastical controversy.

If these are not high on the list of interests of the 78% of believers in God who stay away from Church might this be what keeps them out? Of course we don't know the answer and I am not asking for "politics from the pulpit". But I do believe that the foundation of our decade of evangelism must be a total determination that we must not only be there - but there with a message and a life that relates to the daily concerns of the whole community that makes up the parish.

WE MUST BE THERE WITH GOOD NEWS FOR TODAY

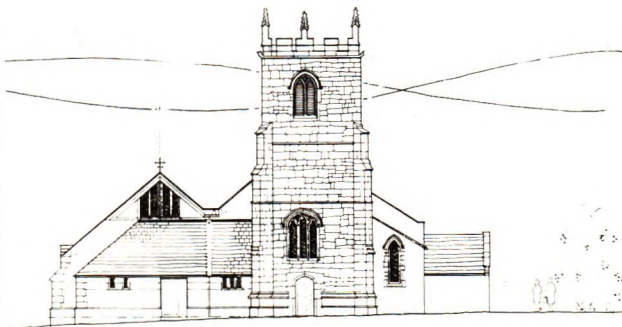
An Ostrich Church is inevitably a Blind Church. And a Blind Church can give neither leadership nor vision to its local community. And an Ostrich Church doesn't hear much either! A major part of our preparation for evangelism must be listening to both our neighbours and to our own hearts. Thus we can learn the real needs of the people of our day. Then we need the courage to so break the Word of God that its unchanging truth can flow in unfamiliar words to bring a healing joy to the multitudes who had long ceased to expect to hear us speaking with them.

DAVID LUNN
Bishop of Sheffield

Growing

Representatives from every parish in the Deanery of Doncaster, along with many others were present at the Blessing by Bishop David, and the Laying by Mrs. Hilda Sibellas, of the Foundation Stone of the new extensions to St. Wilfrid's Church, Cantley, Doncaster.

Extensions at St. Wilfrid's are nothing new, for it was extended and restored in the 19th century and again in 1905 to give more space for the people of a growing parish. The parish has continued to grow enormously, and the present extensions when completed will enable the church to seat 250 people, and provide ancillary facilities. Meanwhile the people of St. Wilfrid's and the parish are enthusiastically and prayerfully raising the £200,000+ necessary for the work. The architect is Mr. Donald Buttress, a recognised authority on the work of Sir Ninian Cooper who was responsible for an earlier restoration and extension.



Following last year's successful

One Day Sale

which raised £454 for the Bishop of Sheffield's £MILLION APPEAL there will be another sale of Ladies Dresses, Skirts, Blouses, Tops and Nightwear, and Children's wear as well - made by the noted South Yorkshire firm of S.R. GENT plc, on SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18th from 9.30 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. at SHEFFIELD CATHEDRAL HALL, off Campo Lane, Sheffield. Admission is 15p and refreshments are available.

Women's World Day of Prayer 1989

On Friday, 3rd March, the Central Sheffield Service for the Women's World Day of Prayer will be held in the Anglican Cathedral at 11.00 a.m. The service has been prepared by the women of Burma, and the speaker is Dr. Christine Dodd, the Adult Education Advisor for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hallam.

Shop-soiled Archdeacon?

The Archdeacon of Sheffield, Stephen Lowe, will be the speaker at the Open Church Group's next Open Meeting on THURSDAY, 2nd MARCH at 2.00 p.m. in St. Mark's Church, Broomhill, Sheffield. The title of his talk is: "One year on: Reflections of a shop-soiled Archdeacon." All are welcome. St. Mark's Church can be found near the Royal Hallamshire Hospital on the corner of Beechhill Road and Broomfield Road.

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Social Responsibility Committee Secretary

Nancy Johnson, one of the workers of the Information Network, has been appointed Secretary (part-time) of the Social Responsibility Committee. She replaces the Revd. Raymond Draper, who has resigned due to other commitments.

Her increased responsibilities will include liaison with those who work in social responsibility in neighbouring dioceses, and helping both the clergy and laity in this diocese to explore issues of social concern.

She may be contacted at: 17 Barkers Road, Nether Edge, Sheffield. S7 1SD. Tel: Sheffield 587762.

GOING LIVE WITH BIRTHDAY MESSAGE

To mark the 75th Anniversary of the Diocese this year, Bishop David is hoping to preach in every Parish Church in the Diocese...and all at the same time. He will do so with the kind assistance of BBC Radio Sheffield with an outside broadcast of the Bishop's sermon from a special service at Sheffield Cathedral which could reach an estimated congregation of around 20,000 dispersed throughout the 220 parish churches of the Diocese tuned in to hear the Bishop before continuing with individual services of celebration. Diocesan Communications Officer, the Revd. Roy Arnold says: "We visualise congregations tuned in on individual transistor radios or else through more elaborate relay systems. We might just have to make some special arrangements for parishes out on the Humber fringes of the Diocese. We are most grateful to Radio Sheffield for their help."

It was in the early summer of 1914 - just a few months before the onset of the First World War - that the Diocese of Sheffield came into existence. It was formerly part of the Diocese of York. May 1st is the actual Anniversary of the Diocese and also of Sheffield Cathedral which was prior to that date Sheffield Parish Church.

On Sunday, 30th April the Rt. Revd. Simon Burrows, Bishop of Buckingham in the Diocese of Oxford is to preach at a special Thanksgiving Evensong at the Cathedral. His grandfather was the first Bishop of Sheffield. The second special service - at which Bishop David will preach via the Radio Sheffield wavelengths - will be on WHIT SUNDAY, PENTECOST, 14th MAY. There are also plans for other special services and the Bishop has asked every parish to have either a Parish Party or Coffee Evening ideally on WEDNESDAY, 3rd MAY as a special birthday event for the Diocese of Sheffield and to raise £75 (or more) for the Bishop's £MILLION APPEAL.



Food and Farming

The Diocese has large areas of farm land as well as the industry of town and city, and during 1989 which sees a year of celebration of British Food and Farming, a number of special services have been arranged to which you are invited whether you live in town or country. The Bishop's Rural Advisor, the Revd. John Woods first announced the Diocese's involvement with the year of celebration at one of last year's Diocesan Synods, and he can be contacted for more information. (Barnburgh Rectory, Doncaster. DN5 8NT. Tel: Rotherham 892598). The special services are 30th April at 10.45 a.m. for a Rogationtide service at High Melton near Doncaster: A Lammastide Service at Snaith Parish Church on 16th July at 10.45 a.m., and a mid week Harvest Thanksgiving at Wentworth Parish Church near Rotherham on Thursday, 28th September at 7.30 p.m. There's a Diocesan Harvest Festival at the Cathedral on 15th October at 6.30 p.m.

A Holiday of a Lifetime

is what you are promised if you make a visit to the Holy Land. Following last year's very successful and rewarding visit, Canon Noel Harrison is again organising a small party for the period 21st-29th October (school half-term). The price of £569 includes scheduled air flights, First Class Hotels with full board, our own tour guide and coach for all planned excursions. If you want to know more about the visit contact Canon Noel Harrison at Tankersley Rectory (Barnsley 744140) or at the Diocesan Education Office (Sheffield 754386).

New Centre

When you visit Doncaster, perhaps to go to the market, why not pop into the new Maridon Centre on the corner of Nether Hall Road, to have a look round and a cup of coffee. The Maridon is a Pastoral Centre run by the Roman Catholic Church, and it includes a Religious Education resources room, a small bookshop, a coffee bar and an excellent meeting room for up to eighty people. They hope that it can be used ecumenically and they certainly make visitors very welcome.

Billy Graham: Mission '89

At Priory Place Methodist Church, in central Doncaster, there's an interdenominational Christian Life and Witness Course on Mondays 20th February, 27th February, and 6th and 13th March. All are welcome.

APPOINTMENTS

The Revd. Maurice Preston, Vicar of Rawcliffe, to retire to Abergele at the end of February, 1989.

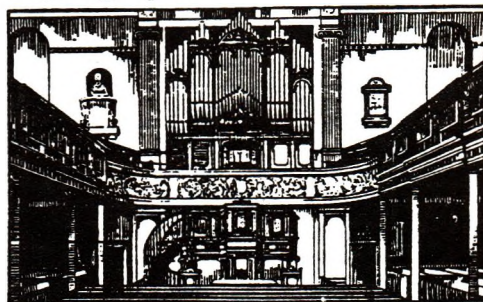
The Revd. Martin Baldock, Assistant Curate in the parish of Christ Church, Nailsea, Bristol, to be Vicar of Brampton Bierlow.

The Revd. Adrian Newman, Assistant Curate in the parish of St. Mark, Forest Gate, to be Vicar of Christ Church, Wadsley Bridge and Hillsborough.

The Revd. Alan Watson, Rector of St. Peter's, Swinton, Manchester, to be Rector of Rawmarsh, Rotherham.

The Revd. Robin Mark, Vicar of Christ Church, Doncaster, to be Priest-in-Charge of St. John's, Middlesbrough.

Piping up...



Sheffield and District Organists' and Choirmasters' Association - SADOCA for short, has started a trend! Over the past couple of years members of the Association have begun to catalogue details of pipe organs in and around Sheffield. They've got up to the first seventy or so (there's a long way to go yet!), and have published a booklet recording details of them - place, specification, history, condition etc. Taking a leaf out of SADOCA's book so to speak, the British Institute of Organ Studies, has since initiated a national survey. (What Sheffield does first...!)

The purpose of SADOCA's newly published survey, apart from an interest in the organs themselves, is to stir some local interest in the instrument which plays such an important part in church and chapel worship.

The Association, as well as the Diocese of Sheffield, is celebrating its 75th year, and now has over one hundred members, with Bishop Skelton, himself an organist, as President for the year.

Amongst the priorities for the coming years are finding ways of encouraging young people to learn to play the organ, and taking steps to preserve organs, especially when they are in poor condition. New members are always welcome, and there's a full and stimulating, not to mention exciting, programme of events throughout the year. Details are available from the Hon. Sec., Ron Scholfield, 1 Willbury Drive, Sheffield S12 2TG. Telephone Sheffield 397273.

Shopping Hours Reform

The Shopping Hours Reform Council, formed last year, has published a booklet entitled "Making Sense of Sunday: a Consensus for Reform" which puts forward specific proposals for reform of existing shopping hours, which the Council believes will be welcomed by many people. If you would like a copy of the booklet or the newspaper which the Council publishes, (and they would be grateful for any response to their proposals), write to: Shopping Hours Reform Council, 36 Broadway, LONDON. SW1H 0BH.

Diocesan Pilgrimage - June 24th, 1989

This year's Pilgrimage, organised by Sheffield Catholic Renewal for the Diocese, is to **HEXHAM** and Cullercoats, and is sure to be packed out. It is possible as you read this that only a few places remain - for booking details contact Mrs. R. Hannam, 36 Highbury Crescent, Doncaster. DN4 6AL - all parishes have been circulated with information already.

The intention of the Pilgrimage is to pray for the Diocese in its 75th Year and its mission to South Yorkshire. There's a Eucharist in Hexham Abbey (founded by St. Wilfrid in 674 A.D.), a visit to Cullercoats, and back, by Metro Train (the Newcastle 'underground'), lots of bracing fresh air, and sand and sea, and hopefully a journey there by British Rail via the Settle-Carlisle Line. What more can you want for £20?



Children in the Way

is the title of a report published by the General Synod Board of Education. It underlines the importance of seeing children as being very much part of the Pilgrim Church of today, with their own special role, and able, as children, to help adults in the Christian Way as well as being helped themselves. (Perhaps the title is suitably thought provoking!)

The Diocesan Education Team have on offer two one day meetings at WHIRLOW GRANGE in which the ideas of the report will be explored. The first is on **Thursday, 23rd February, from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.**, when Mrs. Marjorie Carnelley, one of the authors of the report, will lead a day looking at the various issues raised by the report and exploring some practical ways of implementing its ideas and recommendations.

The second is on **Saturday, 18th March from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.**, a day to think through the idea of the 'Pilgrim Church' and to share ideas about planning 'all age learning' days in parishes. Contact the Revd. Alan Griffiths at the Diocesan Education Office, (Sheffield 754386) if you want to go to either or both. Alan can also be contacted about a **CONFIRMATION PREPARATION DAY** at St. Jude's, Hexthorpe, Doncaster on **Saturday, 25th February**, another day when young people (under 16) from churches all over the Diocese who have been recently confirmed or who are being prepared for confirmation, can come together and be encouraged to feel part of a wider church than that which exists just in their own parish. Last year's day was attended by over 50 young people and a great time was had by all!

Days at Whirlow

3rd - 5th March "When you pray..." A weekend workshop on prayer for busy people led by Sister Michelle of the Order of the Holy Paraclete in Whitby.

23rd - 28th March. Easter at Whirlow

Springs of Hope - Worship, Reflection and Relaxation. A time to wait upon the Lord in His Passion and to celebrate His Resurrection.

Details from Mr. L. Mitchell, The Warden, Whirlow Grange, Ecclesall Road South, Sheffield. S11 9PZ. Tel: Sheffield 363173.

FEBRUARY DIARY

1st Wed	10.45am	Monthly Morning Fellowship - 6 Milldale Road
	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships - 113 & 126 Green Oak Road
2nd Thu	2.00pm	Pram Service in Church
	8.00pm	Standing Committee - 35 Wollaton Road
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
3rd Fri	8.00pm	Mission Committee - Brook Hall
4th Sat	4.00pm	Parish Shrovetide Party in Church Hall
6th Mon	7.30pm	All Saints School P.T.A. Annual Meeting
7th Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	8.00pm	Men's Fellowship - 113 Green Oak Road
8th Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships - 1 Quarry Road and 57 Sunnyvale Road
9th Thu	2.00pm	Young Mums - Vicarage
	8.00pm	P.C.C. Meeting - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Young Adult Fellowship - 43 Rowan Tree Dell
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group
11th Sat		Parish Quiet Day at Shrewsbury Hospital Chapel
14th Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
15th Wed	2.00pm	Monthly Afternoon Fellowship - 99 Prospect Rd.
	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships - 113 & 126 Green Oak Road
16th Thu	2.00pm	Young Mums - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
20th Mon	7.30pm	All Saints' Nursery Playgroup Committee
21st Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
22nd Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships - 1 Quarry Road and 57 Sunnyvale Road
23rd Thu	2.00pm	Young Mums - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Young Adult Fellowship - 10 Twentywell Drive
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
25th Sat	2.00pm	Jumble Sale (Guides) - Church Hall
27th Mon	7.00pm	All Saints' School Governors Meeting
28th Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
MARCH		
1st Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships - 113 & 126 Green Oak Road
2nd Thu	2.00pm	Young Mums - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
3rd Fri	10.30am	Women's World Day of Prayer (Christ Church, Dore)

THINGS YOU PROBABLY DON'T KNOW ABOUT WORLD MISSION

SO FAR SO GOOD . . .

- 1 The Christian Church is growing faster, world-wide, than at any time in history.
- 2 24,000 new members are added to the Christian community, world-wide, every single day.
- 3 1,200 new churches are established around the world every week.
- 4 The Church in Africa grows by 16,400 people every day.
- 5 At the beginning of this century Latin America had 50,000 Protestants. By the end of the century there will be 100 million.
- 6 The Church in Korea has more than doubled in 10 years.
- 7 There are now almost eleven thousand missionaries world-wide sent out by non-western countries. This is double the UK mission force and could triple in size by the year 2000.
- 8 Despite vicious persecution, the Church in China has grown to more than 50 million believers.

... BUT NOT GOOD ENOUGH

- 9 2,236,000,000 people — more than 4 in 10 of the world population — have yet to hear the Good News about Jesus explained in a way that they can understand.
- 10 Of the 12,000 distinct "people groups" — each with their own language and culture — 1 in 4 still do not have a viable church.
- 11 4 out of 5 Protestant Churches in the UK have no-one directly involved in overseas mission
- 12 There are more people selling Avon in the USA than there are missionaries world-wide.
- 13 Only 1 out of every 171 full-time mission workers are active among cultures where the gospel has yet to penetrate.
- 14 Only 1 in 19 of the world's languages have a translation of the whole Bible.
- 15 The rapid growth of the Church in many countries has created a desperate need for Bible teachers, administrators and helpers.
- 16 The only way that 1,700,000,000 people in 45 Communist and Muslim countries can hear the Gospel is through Christian Radio.

NEVER A DULL MOMENT

A book that recently appeared on the Church Bookstall carried the title "101 Things to do during a Dull Sermon" (Monarch Publ. £1.95). It accepts that sermons are great... most of the time, but when the Vicar has had a bad day and the minutes grind by, surviving to the end can be a tough business.

The book was not on the Bookstall for long and we suspect the Vicar bought (or confiscated) it!! However some of the activities can be revealed.

You could begin with the very simple "Twiddle your thumbs" to the more advanced "Twiddle your neighbour's thumbs". More dramatic contact with your neighbour is "Slap your neighbour, see if he/she turns the other cheek. If not, raise your hand and inform the Vicar".

For the agile there is the pew crawl: "Start from the back of the church and try to crawl all the way to the front, under the pews, without being noticed." A similar exercise is to "Blink and squint dramatically and get down on your hands and knees". When those around enquire what the matter is, tell them you have lost a contact lens. Whilst they are searching, crawl quickly towards the door.

For those wishing to remain in their places, you can try a "yawn" and see how contagious it is, or "hum a hymn tune" unobtrusively and see how many people join in. For further confusion "pass a note to someone called Bernie, but first make sure there is no-one called Bernie in your congregation". If you want to be quietly occupied, "try counting the hairs on your head" or "calculate from the Vicar's stipend how much he is making for each minute of the sermon", or "if a day in God's sight is a thousand years, how many years would the sermon be taking?".

There are, of course, several show-stoppers. "If you are at a liberal church, come forward to be 'born-again' towards the end of the sermon, that will really throw things into a tizzy. It may even start a revival!"

If you want to find out the other 90 activities then buy the book - it should soon become obvious to the preacher who owns a copy!

PARISH REGSTERS

Holy Baptism

1st January Charles Johan Alexander Douglas
8th January Amy Rebecca Thompson.

Holy Matrimony

27th December Jonathan Michael Thornton & Diana
Rachel Hill-Wilson
28th December Darryl Lythell & Jacqueline Bingham

Funerals

16th December Leonard Thickett (72) 69 Green Oak Road
20th December Graham Robert Burns (25) 18 Queen Victoria Rd
21st December May Garfitt (91) Green Oak View
5th January Margaret Eileen Openshaw (69) Mickley Hall
5th January Gertrude Elizabeth Lawrence (85) 14 Green Oak
Crescent
9th January Alfred James Holdsworth (82) 14 The Grove

Len Thickett moved to Totley from Gleadless Valley 12 years ago although he still played an active part in Gleadless Valley Club. He began work as a miner, then worked for Gunstones Bread and the Y.E.B.

Graham Burns trained at Derby Agricultural College to go into sheep farming in Wales and then in Derbyshire. A car accident prevented his continuing in agriculture and was eventually to lead to his untimely death.

May Garfitt lived in Totley for many years as a companion/housekeeper before finally becoming a resident at Green Oak View.

Margaret Openshaw lived in Sheffield all her life and had a career in nursing for many years. During this time she had worshipping links with several Sheffield churches, and whilst at Crookes, was prominent in a scheme to offer "open homes" for students. She was a supportive Friend of Whirlow Grange. Since coming to the Cheshire Home last year she was keen to be part of All Saints, and was in church on Christmas morning just three days before she died.

Gertrude Lawrence kept a corner shop "open all hours" in Pitsmoor for much of her life. Compulsory purchase forced her into retirement and she became active in the W.R.V.S. She moved to Totley in 1980.

Alf Holdsworth completed his career in teaching as Head of Springfield School. Active for the social welfare of teachers he was an organiser of the Young Teachers Association, a past president of the local N.U.T. and in these latter years, organising social secretary of the Retired Headteachers Association. He served for a number of years as Vicar's Warden at Holy Trinity, Millhouses.

CONGRATULATIONS

We congratulate Alan Haywood, our organist, on his forthcoming marriage to Judith Green on 14th February at Psalter Lane Methodist Chapel.

COUNTDOWN

All Saints' School are holding an 'Open Evening' focussing on how Maths is taught today. All welcome. Refreshments available - from 7pm - 9pm on Thursday 16th March.

A 'Nearly New' Sale is planned for 3pm in the School Hall on Friday 14th April, and a Jumble Sale for Saturday 15th April at 2pm at Totley Rise Methodist Hall.

EYE SEE

After my eye operation I had, for a little while, to wear a patch over one eye. Without the patch the vision was imperfect and blurred anyway, but with the patch in place to protect the eye, the vision from this particular eye was down to nothing. In this condition I still had one reasonably good eye which meant that I could do most things without too much trouble.

Then I tried to put some toothpaste on my toothbrush and it struck me very forcibly that judging distances with only one eye is difficult. We do need our second eye to get it right.

Isn't this true of many problems in our lives? If we are to see things clearly; if we are to get issues into perspective, we need a second point of view. A second "eye" allows us to estimate distances more accurately. It doesn't give us a view from the other side of the object - that is another matter altogether, but it does help us in our own viewpoint. Perhaps this simple analogy will help us sometimes when we need to see a problem for what it really is and not simply from a "one-eyed" stance!

Maurice Snowdon

ON BEING CALLED POPPLEWELL

Well, what's in a name anyway? And while SMITH, JONES BROWN and GREEN have a sturdier ring to them and less prone to risibility compared to the above, names are really of no profound importance. It is the person bearing the name who really matters.

We know much about the derivation of our native surnames; and our christian name is by virtue of being baptized into the Christian church. It is a sign of the times- due no doubt to the influx of ethnic groups - that some official forms ask for forename, where formerly it was "state christian name."

But what are we to make of such colourful and curious names as GRIGORSKY. HO CHAN LEE and MANUEL DE COLAROS (all fictitious). What we do know, however, is that behind all these sort of names are real people, who like us, have love, dreams, hopes and fears for their families and friends; and are not fully representative of their government's views, just as our government does not speak for all of us, all of the time.

The order of baptism says, "we are inheritors together of the kingdom of GOD" and as such are exhorted to love our neighbours. We remember these teachings when tragedy - in the form of floods, drought, famine - face us. We shall pray and give substantial help to Armenia as we did to the people of Bangladesh, Jamaica etc. It matters not to us, nor to the victims, what each are called. It is our Christian love for our less fortunate members of GOD's family that is of importance.

"He doesn't say much about Popplewell, does he?"

"No, but what's in a name anyway?"

Rex B.

REX QUOTES

Goodness is easier to recognise than to define.

W. H. Auden

The easiest person to deceive is one's own self.

Edward Bulwer Lytton

WORDS OF CONTEMPLATION

The text for this month is "I have blotted out.. your transgressions.. return to me, for I have redeemed you" (Isaiah 44:22/43:25) The watchword is I HAVE REDEEMED YOU.

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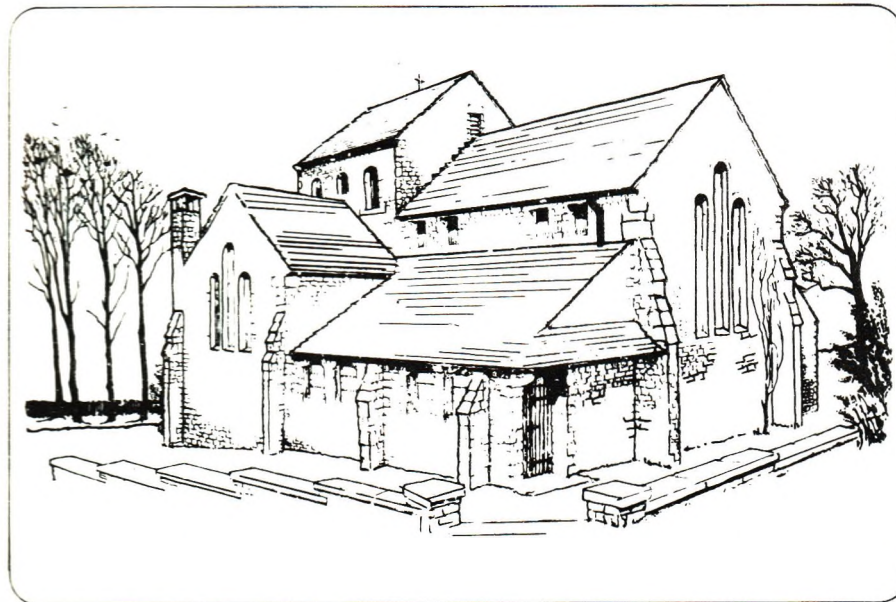
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

This month we again focus on some of the most unusual happenings in history - a mystery that has significance for us all, and about which we are called to make a decision now. I refer to the accounts of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ in Jerusalem around the year A.D.30.

Do we feel the death of Jesus - for his death is authenticated by historical evidence - was but a fruitless sacrifice by a misguided man? A good, upright man who was betrayed by a follower and executed after a mock trial in an age when life was cheap. However Jesus said to his disciples - "The Son of Man will give his life as a ransom for many." Behind his death somehow he claimed was the design of God's redeeming love.

Crucifixion was the most cruel and shameful of all kinds of death, involving unbearable thirst, stabbing pain and a slow lingering death. Yet the man who hung there was entirely innocent and somehow through his action he claimed to take the blame for our sin and all its consequences.

The Cross of defeat became the Cross of love and victory. The power, the teaching of this man had immense effect in the centuries that followed. For the Cross was not the end of the story - rumours, happenings, the appearance of amazing confidence and courage in his earlier despairing followers, a rapidly growing new movement that has never abated from that day. The Cross of defeat became a worldwide symbol of new hope and new life.

This is our faith. There are unanswered questions, but faith that is 100% sure is not faith. Forgiveness, love, new hope, new life are our Easter presents - may we grasp them and value them more deeply amidst the confusion and disorder of our world's life today.

With every blessing for Easter,
Yours sincerely,



PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

22nd January	Stephen David Parkes
12th February	Stephanie Anne Elliott

Holy Matrimony

14th February	(at Psalter Lane Methodist Church) Alan Arthur Haywood and Judith Ann Green
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Funerals

18th January	Lionel Lilley (87) Mickley Lane
1st February	Lucy Palmer (57) 57 Marstone Crescent
9th February	Reginald Broomhead (83) 110 West View
9th February	Dorothy Green (83) Green Oak View

Lionel Lilley had lived on Mickley Lane for 56 years. He had been a senior electrical engineer at Seniors Engineering for over 30 years.

Lucy Palmer was born in Lancashire. By profession she was an ophthalmic nurse and had lived in Totley for the last 9 years.

Reg Broomhead had lived in Totley since his first marriage at All Saints over 50 years ago. He worked for many years as a turner at Laycocks and was a founder member at Abbeydale Hall. A keen gardener, his garden on Mickley Lane won prizes for 14 years in succession in the Council Gardens Competition.

Dorothy Green moved to Green Oak Road 11 years ago, and was a resident in Green Oak View for the last 2 years. She lived in Sheffield all her life and her work included being a sales assistant in Chapel Walk, and a cook at Hunter House Hotel. Until recent years she was a regular communicant at Sheffield Cathedral.

WORDS OF CONTEMPLATION

The text for this month is : 'I AM the truth... and the truth will set you free.' (St. John 14:6 & 8:32)
The daily watchword is - I AM THE TRUTH.

SERVICES IN MARCH

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am.

- 5th LENT 4 (Mothering Sunday)
Theme: The Transfiguration
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Holy Communion (ASB - Shortened)
Epistle: 2 Corinthians 3: 4-18 (TEV)
Gospel: St. Luke 9:28-36 (NEB)

11am Mothering Sunday Service
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
Old Testament: Exodus 3:1-6 (JB)
New Testament: St. Matthew 17: 1-13
- 12th LENT 5 (Passion Sunday)
Theme: The Victory of the Cross
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Colossians 2:8-15 (NEB)
Gospel: St. John 12:20-32 (JB)
10am Young Saints
6.30pm Evensong (ASB)
Old Testament: Jeremiah 31:31-34 (NEB)
New Testament: St. Mark 10:32-45 (NEB)
- 19th LENT 6 PALM SUNDAY
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Philippians 2:5-11 (NEB)
Gospel: St. Matthew 21: 1-13 (NEB)
10am Family Service and shortened Communion (ASB)
12 noon Holy Baptism (Rowena Lucy Scott
Matthew William Hinchcliffe)
- 21st HOLY TUESDAY
7.30pm Ladies Service in Church
- 22nd HOLY WEDNESDAY
8pm 'Fellowship' in the Church Hall
- 23rd MAUNDY THURSDAY
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 11:23-29 (NEB)
Gospel: St. John 13:1-15 (NEB)

- 24th GOOD FRIDAY
12 noon to 3pm Three Hours Devotion
A meditational time to focus on the Cross, with an opportunity to enter and leave on every half hour.
8pm Tenebrae (at All Saints)
United Service for Good Friday evening.
- 25th HOLY SATURDAY
10am Morning Prayer
- 26th EASTER DAY
(Start of British Summer Time)
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
9.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Colossians 3:1-11 (RSV)
Gospel: St. Mark 16: 1-8 (NEB)
11am Family Communion (ASB)
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
Old Testament: Isaiah 12:1-6 (RSV)
New Testament: St. John 20:1-18 (RSV)

CONFIRMATION

The 1989 Confirmation Service for our local group of Churches is to be at All Saints' Church at 7.30pm on Tuesday 14th November.

Young people and adults who are interested in being presented as candidates are asked to contact the Vicar by Easter.

SPRING CLEANING COMES EARLY!

If you want to get a different perspective on All Saints' Church, how about one from the top of a ladder or on a windowsill! Those with a head for heights are invited to take part in the Annual Spring Clean on Friday 17th March from 7.00pm. All welcome!!

However if you are a 'land-lubber' and prefer to keep your feet on terra-firma, then join us on Saturday morning at 10.00am. It is helpful to bring your own duster etc.

As George Herbert put it:

'A servant ... who sweeps a room, as for thy laws,
makes that and the action fine'

JOHN WADE SINGERS

For their next concert the John Wade Singers are presenting Purcell's opera 'Dido and Aeneas' at King Egbert's School on Friday 7th April at 7.30pm. Admittance by programme - £2.50 (£2.00 for OAPs and children) - available from 360820 or members at All Saints. There is an additional performance on the preceding Tuesday (4th April) at Halifax Hall - same prices as above. All proceeds will go to charity - and since their first concert of Nabucco in All Saints in 1984, the Singers have given over £2250 to local causes.

Their future programme includes 'Carmen' in November, and a performance of Verdi's Requiem in Sheffield Cathedral in 1990. If you have ever felt you might like to sing, why not try to see how you get on? Contact John Wade on 360820 to look in on a practice held most Fridays in All Saints' Church Hall from 7.30 to 9.30pm.

MUSICAL DUO

We now have another musical conductor in our congregation in the person of Bert Lowe. Bert conducts the Linden Ensemble and they are singing Stainer's Crucifixion on Wednesday 15th March at St. Chad's, Woodseats at 7.30pm, and Maunder's Olivet to Calvary on Tuesday 21st March at St. Cecilia's Church, Parson Cross. All welcome.

CALLING 'ALL SAINTS' NEWS' DISTRIBUTORS

The Annual Meeting for distributors is on Monday 13th March at 7.15pm in the Crypt Meeting Room. The purpose of the meeting is to collect subscriptions and to iron out any difficulties or changes encountered by the distributors. If you have any particular problem with your round please let Dorothy Firth (364190) know by/at the meeting. Would you also give her an up-to-date list of subscribers for her records - thank you.

LAUGHLINE

When an outspoken young delegate to a conference chaired by the late Dr. Fisher suggested that the Archbishop's generation were now back numbers, Dr. Fisher politely replied, 'Maybe, but back numbers are useful for lighting fires.'

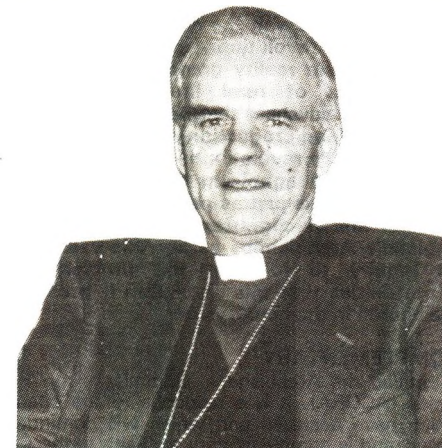
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CROSS and CROWN

The Bishop of Doncaster Writes:-

Have you noticed how, in casual conversation with a new acquaintance, one of the earlier questions asked is nearly always - 'And what do you do?' It is a useful way of making the running and avoiding an embarrassing silence.



I think however it illustrates an underlying attitude which is characteristic of most of us. We assess people's worth by what they **do**: not by what they **are**. It goes some way to explain why, when we feel uncertain about ourselves, we rush into even more activity by way of justification.

It is an attitude that spills over into our christian perceptions. We judge the quality of our own and other people's spirituality by the brownie points we or they are currently scoring.

There is no real excuse for idleness nor are we to be content with incompetence. God forbid when so much is crying out to be done. Yet it is only too possible for busyness to mask a terrible emptiness of spirit.

Of all seasons of the Church's Year, Lent is a reminder that God does not look on the outward appearance, but that he looks on the heart. It is a time to reflect, not so much on what we do, but on what we are in Christ. I have a liking for that descriptive command of Jesus in John Chapter 15, in the wording of some of the older versions, when Jesus says - 'Abide in me'. It is that deep enduring relationship with our Saviour that makes us, individually and corporately, what we are in Christ. We are affirmed and spiritually fed. We learn daily what it means to abide.

And paradoxically what we are in Christ depends not only on who he is, but gloriously on what he has done. I love Easter and its Resurrection emphasis but I love Good Friday too. In the mystery of Christ's death, God has acted in forgiving love.

Let us rest in Christ in this Lenten month. Let us return to the Cross on Good Friday, ready to rejoice in Christ's Risen Life on Easter morning.

As many of you will know Billy Graham is returning to this country in the summer. Although the focal point of his visit will be meetings in London, live transmissions will enable his ministry to be used across the country.

As far as South Yorkshire is concerned, these can be seen in Sheffield, Doncaster and Barnsley between 26 June and 1 July.

I am well aware that some of you may have hesitations about this style of evangelism; and of course it is only one of the ways in which the Gospel can be presented. It is nevertheless an opportunity that should be taken very seriously. I might add that the proof of the pudding is in the eating. Not long ago I had the privilege of chairing an ACCM Selection Conference. One of the most refreshing and vigorous of the recommended candidates was an ex-miner. He came to faith in Christ during Mission Sheffield in 1985!

With best wishes for a Resurrection Easter,

WILLIAM

Bishop of Doncaster

HOW THE CHURCH IS FACING THE NEW RURAL REVOLUTION

Ever since the war, the countryside has been undergoing a revolution - often almost imperceptible, but in reality gradually changing the fundamentals of rural life. Based on the technological advances that have enabled farmers to increase food production steadily throughout the period, this revolution is a quieter one than the sometimes agonising challenges faced in the city: but it is just as profound in its effects on rural life. Recognising this, the Church of England's Archbishops earlier this year set up an inquiry to look at the problems and opportunities that this revolution is presenting the church in the countryside.

COMPLEMENTARY

Entitled the Archbishops' Commission on Rural Areas (ACORA), it is a response to the changes which have occurred and which will continue to occur, and is complementary to 'Faith in the City'. Parishes all over the country are responding to that in their support for the Church Urban Fund, and this is to be welcomed.

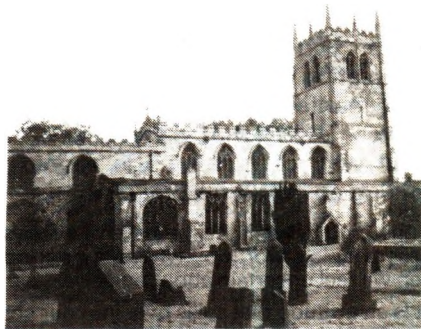
DIFFERENT SCENE

The depopulation of rural areas caused by this agricultural revolution would have left our villages empty and decaying had it not been for a corresponding influx of people who wanted to live in the countryside and yet whose work was essentially urban in nature. At the same time, there are new attitudes towards conservation and a greater perception of the ecological balance needed to ensure an acceptable future for our rural areas as needed for the world itself. At the more immediate level, there has been a re-grouping of public services and changes in the nature of rural transport. The economic changes which have resulted are making the rural scene quite different from what it was a mere generation ago: for many, there is a new prosperity and a new pleasure to be gained from living in the countryside, for others these changes have brought hardship and concern.

ASSESSMENT

It is against this highly mobile background that the Church of England has had to review the nature of its own presence in each village and consider the best use of its ordained manpower. Pastoral reorganisation has led to the grouping of parishes into one benefice and the demonstration of a need for greater lay

participation. Furthermore, village congregations have been faced with a legacy of ancient churches, sometimes with seemingly impossible demands for repair and maintenance. These village congregations are themselves different from those of 20 or even 10 years ago, as the social pattern changes. The time has indeed come to assess the rural Church and to learn about its challenges and how best it can respond to them.



St. Cuthberts', Fishlake, with a small parish population, facing repair bills of £100,000. They still have a long way to go!

SHEFFIELD VISIT

Members of the Commission are visiting every Diocese in England, and Sheffield was the second Diocese to be visited. The visitors to this Diocese met at Barnburgh, near Doncaster with the Revd. John Woods, the Bishop's Rural Advisor, and clergy and laity from rural parishes in the Diocese.

After meetings with Bishop David and Diocesan Officers, they visited the sixteen rural parishes in the Diocese and were extremely grateful for what they saw, heard, and learnt from their visit. They were particularly interested in the impact of the urban situation on the rural situation in a Diocese which only has 10% of its parishes in a rural context - quite the opposite of a Diocese like Lincoln, where urban parishes are in a minority. Rural parishes in our Diocese cover large areas of land, but with relatively small populations, and they present a different range of opportunities and problems than the urban scene.

Not just buildings - but people



Pastoral Tutors

A Diocesan Course for Pastoral Workers and Lay Readers, for laypeople in Rural Parishes has just begun, illustrating the fact that the Diocese and Rural Parishes are not just concerned with buildings but with people.

The two year training course for Pastoral Ministry, and an ongoing discussion of what pastoral care means, has been based on the needs of the Rural Parishes and the gifts of the people who have offered themselves for it.

Co-ordinator for the course, Deaconess Eve Atherfold, working in the Fishlake Group of Parishes, has recently gathered together a group of local Pastoral Tutors (seen here from left to right - Gordon Taylor, Sue Oakley, Beryl Turner, Geoff Hollingsworth, Pat Needham, with Margaret Selby, Diocesan Secretary for Lay Ministry) for the course members and she hopes that as the course develops, the members will not only grow in faith, but will be able to take up an important role in the future life of the Rural Parishes from which they come.

C.M.S. NORTHERN CONGRESS 1989

Liverpool - October 13th - 15th

at Christ's and Notre Dame College, Childwall.

The theme for this year's Congress "THE IMPOSSIBLE DREAM" reflects the challenge of building a great cathedral in modern times. It addresses the missionary challenge of the Gospel in times of economic hardship, and it speaks of progress in Church Unity.

Among the principal speakers will be:-

The Rt. Rev David Sheppard, Bishop of Liverpool and The Rev Dr. John Coleman, former C.M.S. Mission Partner, Middle East.

Sessions will consider the immensity of Christ's command to go into all the world and preach the gospel, - the compulsion and the power He provides for this task, - the way in which individuals are guided to their particular function, - and the joy and fulfilment they experience in performing it.

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Thanksgiving

There will be a Eucharist in Goldthorpe Parish Church on Sunday, 19th March at 3.15 p.m., followed by tea at 4.30 p.m. The Eucharist is an opportunity to give thanks for the Church's work amongst unemployed people in South Yorkshire, and tea to bid farewell to the Revd. Michael Keen, who has been Diocesan Unemployment Officer for the past seven years. The Preacher at the Service will be the Revd. John Packer.

Birthday Party

The Diocesan Education Team are planning to hold a children's event in the Cathedral on **SATURDAY 13th MAY** as part of the 75th Anniversary celebrations of the Diocese. It will take place between **10.30 a.m. and 4.00 p.m.** and hopefully it will take the shape of a big birthday party! It is hoped that as many parishes as possible will be able to bring some of their children (up to the age of 12). Sally Tate, Assistant Director of Education Children and Youth, who can be contacted about this happening at the Diocesan Education Office (Tel: Sheffield 754386), doesn't say whether there will be a massive cake with 75 candles, or not!

New Hobby

The Revd. Mark Williams and Enfys his wife will have to find a new hobby when they leave the Diocese just after Easter, for while they have been at St. James, Norton, Sheffield during the past fourteen years, they have been visiting as many other Nortons as they could find, and recording their visits in their scrap book. It was a hobby which they began fourteen years ago, and their aim has always been to find the church. It was almost doomed to failure at the very start, for with glee they found that there was another Norton in the Diocese of Sheffield near Doncaster, but when they got there, discovered that there was no church! For Norton is in the Parish of Campsall, which has a fine church dedicated to Mary Magdalene. Since then they've been to countless Nortons, Chipping Norton, Blo Norton, Pudding Norton, the list is endless. There is no record of what the natives of all the other Nortons think when they see a car load of people from the North descend on their village, take photos of their church, notice board and village sign, and seek refreshment in a local inn, before returning from whence they came.

Mark and Enfys and their family have spent many an evening looking through their scrap book and photo album, and recounting the many journeys to far parts of England. It's a pity their hobby will have to come to an end as they leave St. James', Norton. But perhaps it won't... for there are Nortons in Norfolk!



Mark and Enfys Williams

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Eastenders and Christian Aid

Michael Taylor, Director of Christian Aid, will be visiting East Sheffield on the weekend of March 18th/19th. Apart from meetings designed mainly for "Eastenders", there will be a meeting on Saturday at Tinsley Methodist Church, Bawtry Road, (very near M1 exit 34) at 7.30 p.m. to which all are welcome. Michael Taylor will speak, and there will be an opportunity for questions and discussion.

Helpful debate



Mrs. Alison Humphreys and Mrs. Janet Vout

The Deanery of Doncaster was recently helped to discuss the subject of the Ordination of Women to the Priesthood, by the introductions given by Mrs. Janet Vout of the Movement for the Ordination of Women, and Mrs. Alison Humphreys from Women against the Ordination of Women. They can be contacted for more information, especially as this whole matter comes up for more detailed debate. Mrs. Janet Vout on Rotherham 363082 and Mrs. Alison Humphreys on Doncaster 852057.

APPOINTMENTS

The Revd. Michael Keen, Diocesan Unemployment Officer to be Employment Development Officer with Christchurch, North Brixton, in the Diocese of Southwark.

The Revd. Mark Williams, Rector of St. James, Norton, to be Rector of Gt. Ellingham w. Little Ellingham, and Rockland All Saints w. Rockland St. Peter in the Diocese of Norwich.

The Revd. Geoffrey Hollingsworth, Assistant Curate at Thorne, to be Vicar of Rawcliffe.

The Revd. Rodney Marshall has been appointed Assistant Clergy In-Service Training Officer and continuing as Vicar of Goldthorpe.

The Revd. Norman Pay, Vicar of St. Hugh's, New Cantley, to be Vicar of St. Leonard & St. Jude, Doncaster.

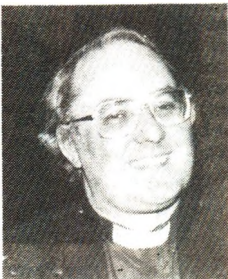
The Revd. Eric Fisher, Rector of Shirland, in the Diocese of Derby, to be Vicar of St. Matthew, Carver Street.

Not Angels, but Anglicans!

The Focolare Movement began just a couple of years before the Revd. Lawrie Jenkins, Vicar of St. Aidan's, Wheatley Hills, Doncaster, was born. Not that he knew about it then. His links with Focolare began in 1972 in Leeds and have grown ever since.

Focolare, meaning the fire in the hearth round which families gather, representing the fire of the Holy Spirit, is an international and ecumenical movement for renewal in the Church founded by Chiara Lubich in 1943. Its members are both lay and clerical, women and men, young and old. Annual gatherings of members take place, and Lawrie has found himself meeting with other members of the movement in Bangor, Hull, Welwyn Garden City and Liverpool. This year was different. The Annual Gathering for the whole of the British Isles and Europe took place just outside Rome overlooking the Pope's Summer Residence (some Americans happened to be in Rome too!). Amongst about 1,000 members of the Movement gathered together, the English Anglican contingent was small, but nonetheless, the Pope in one of his general audiences, with all the members of the Movement present, had special words of welcome for them in his introductory remarks. As he walked around the crowds, he spoke personally with them, saying how good it was to have them there in Rome, all the way from England (He no doubt remembered a saying of one of his predecessors who saw English slaves in the market place in Rome and resolved to convert the English!).

Whilst staying in Rome, Lawrie managed to renew some old friendships, meeting again with friends from Spain, Yugoslavia, Sicily and Malta who had like him managed to make the trip to Rome - only four days long, but a meeting to remember.



The Revd. Lawrie Jenkins

Vineyards in the Desert

John Bouch, Lay Training Officer in the Diocese has written to every parish to introduce a training programme which can be run during the course of a weekend. Set up in response to commonly expressed concerns about the apparent scarcity of leadership skills in Urban Priority areas, the programme gives an opportunity for those taking part, to spend a considerable amount of time together in thinking about how they may more effectively become the Body of Christ. The pattern for the course can be varied to suit local needs and has a wider application than Urban Priority Parishes. Any Parish wanting to know more about this exciting new programme entitled "Vineyards in the Desert", should contact: John Bouch, Lay Training Officer, 42 Cumberland Drive, Ardsley, Barnsley, South Yorkshire. S71 5DF Telephone: Barnsley (0226) 288550.

GOD ABROAD

How much value do we attach to other faiths? Do we reject other faiths as being wrong or at least as being not as right as Christianity?

As Christians, we believe that the Word became incarnate in Jesus Christ. But that this is so does not discount the possibility that the word has been made manifest in many different ways, and has been revealed at different times and places in a way that is understandable and acceptable to the cultures concerned.

Religion has and does often play a significant role in the conflicts which cause so much human suffering and hatred on our planet. Appreciation rather than condemnation is what is needed. We should welcome and embrace others who have a vision of the Truth, for there is only one Truth, and a more complete understanding may be had by giving due consideration to each human glimpse of God throughout time and space.

All faiths are not alike. To think otherwise would be naive. There are major differences both between and within faiths. At a personal level, however, there is a surprising degree of commonality.

Below I list quotes from five individuals, summarising what their faith means to them. Try naming the respective faiths before looking at the answers, which are to be found at the bottom of page 10.

1. My main aim of this life is to lead a peaceful and helpful life, and to serve humanity in any way I can, and not to be a hindrance to anyone. That is the aim of my life, and I try my utmost to achieve this aim.
2. Peace and harmony and tolerance and compassion and generosity: I think these are the things; and I think these are very, very important - and honesty: honesty for yourself and for others, without any discrimination, without colour or creed. And compassion has to extend not only to human beings, but beyond all human beings to all creatures.

3. I wouldn't have said this a few years ago, but I think I'll say it now, that if you reduce the whole of it, as they say, to a few words, it's Love thy neighbour as thyself. That incorporates and takes in the real ethic.

4. I would say that the real characteristics are accepting things, and giving, caring, loving, about everyone, not just about your own family: I think it must include everyone that you come into contact with, that you must care - always to care, that's the important thing.

5. Without my religion, my belief, my faith, I wouldn't be a human being at all: I would be just as useless as a weed in my garden. It's my belief that keeps me up. I walk in the street sometimes, and many people look at me and say a lot of things which they shouldn't say, but I forget all about it, because my religion says, Tolerance, patience, obedience. I take every other fellow as a human being. So my religion is important to me. It is because of my religion that I survive.

The quotes are taken from WORLDS OF FAITH, by John Bowker - a highly readable and informative little book.

Barbara Sellars

SCHOOL NOTES

All are welcome at the All Saints' School Easter Service on Tuesday 21st March at 9.30am in the School Hall. Coffee will be available afterwards - and a chance to see the display of pupils' decorated eggs

The 'Open Evening' focussing on how Maths is taught today is on Thursday 16th March from 7.00pm to 9.00pm.

GARDEN PARTY '89

The Garden Party is planned for Saturday 17th June. It is not too early to take cuttings off your house plants, search the attic for white elephants, thin your bookshelves or look out for other items for the stalls, including toys, pictures, records and videos, nearly-new, unwanted gifts and collectables.

All kinds of helpers also needed - come to the Garden Party meeting on 13th March, 8pm 220 Baslow Road or contact John Sellars on 369370.

LADIES CLUB

The Ladies Club AGM will be held on Tuesday 7th March at 7.30pm, in the Church Hall. As many members as possible are encouraged to attend. The business will be followed by a Sponsored Knit in aid of Arthritis and Rheumatism Research. Sponsor forms are available from Beryl Rayner. Donations welcome.

There will be a Service in Church on Tuesday 21st March at 7.30pm.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

This year's service is at 10.30am on Friday 3rd March, at Christ Church, Dore. All ladies are very welcome. The theme of the service will be on prayer and the address will be given by the Rev. Hilary Jowett.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

All Saints' AGM is on Thursday 9th March in the Church Hall at 7.30pm. All members are encouraged to attend. The Annual Reports will be available in Church at the beginning of March.

JUMBLE SALE

Organised by the Ladies Working Party.

A Jumble Sale is planned for Saturday 4th March in the Church Hall at 2pm. Offers of Jumble to 366772, or bring to the Church Hall on Saturday morning.

The next meeting of the Working Party is on Tuesday 21st March in the Hall at 2.15pm. All welcome.

LAUGHLINE

Before suggesting a potential new convert should embrace the Roman Catholic faith, the priest thought he ought to test her opinion about divorce.

'If your husband ever left you, would you consider marrying again?' he began.

'No thank you,' she replied, 'but it was nice of you to ask.

PARISH ROTAS

Parish Breakfast

5th March	Mrs Smith & Mrs Davis
12th March	Mrs Wright & Mrs Warrender
19th March	Mrs Ibbotson & Mrs. D. Cook
26th March	Mrs. S. Cook & Mrs. Thompson
2nd April	Mrs. Marshall & Mrs. Kirton

Silver Cleaning

5th March	The Brownies
19th March	

GARDENERS' QUESTION TIME

For reasons which are nothing to do with this little story, our garden, in parts at least, had been neglected. Bit by bit we have been tidying up and this included throwing weeds, cuttings and unwanted plants onto a heap to be burned, rotted down, or otherwise disposed of. Inevitably the heap didn't disappear and became sodden and generally messy - probably to wait for sorting out in the Spring.

Then we noticed a lovely Christmas Rose in full flower on our rubbish heap. We hadn't realised what we had done and hadn't noticed the plant growing. But there it was - beautiful and strong - a real touch of life and colour in an otherwise drab surrounding.

There is a moral in the story, isn't there! Even if sometimes we feel unwanted or wasted or 'surplus to requirements' God can show us that we have a purpose in life. We can bring beauty and pleasure and strength to otherwise drab surroundings. This is not so much because of what we are, as because of what God can do working in us. So, if sometimes we feel depressed or discarded, let us remember this Christmas Rose. What God has shown us in this simple plant, He can surely show us in our lives. Those who live or work around us may themselves be cheered and encouraged by our being their Christmas Rose - blooming in the most unexpected places.

Maurice Snowdon

ANSWERS to GOD ABROAD quotes on page 7

1. Hinduism 2. Buddhism 3. Judaism 4. Christianity
5. Islam.

MARCH DIARY

1st Wed	10.45am 8.00pm	Monthly Morning Fellowship - 2 Main Ave. Wednesday Fellowships - 113 & 126 Green Oak Road
2nd Thu	2.00pm 8.00pm 8.00pm 8.00pm	Pram Service in Church Standing Committee - 220 Baslow Road Young Adult Fellowship - Rowan Tree Dell Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
3rd Fri	10.30am	Woman's World Day of Prayer - Christ Church, Dore.
4th Sat	2.00pm	Jumble Sale (Ladies Working Party) - Church Hall
7th Tue	1.45pm 7.30pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close Ladies Club AGM and Sponsored Knit - Church Hall
8th Wed	8.00pm 8.00pm	Men's Fellowship - 113 Green Oak Road Wednesday Fellowships - 1 Quarry Road & 57 Sunnyvale Road
9th Thu	2.00pm 7.30pm	Young Mums - Vicarage ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - Church Hall
13th Mon	7.15pm 7.30pm 8.00pm	Magazine Distributors' Meeting - Crypt Pastoral Committee - Vicarage Garden Party Meeting - 220 Baslow Road
14th Tue	1.45pm 8.00pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close Young Saints Leaders Meeting - 6 Milldale Road
15th Wed	2.00pm 8.00pm	Monthly Afternoon Fellowship - 79 Sunnyvale Road Wednesday Fellowships - 113 & 126 Green Oak Road
16th Thu	2.00pm 8.00pm	Young Mums - Vicarage Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
17th Fri	7.00pm	Church Spring Cleaning (the heights)
18th Sat	10.00am	Church Spring Cleaning (lower down)
21st Tue	9.30am 12.15pm 1.45pm 2.15pm	Easter Service at All Saints' School Liaison Lunch - Church Hall Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close Ladies Working Party - Church Hall
29th Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships - 113 & 126 Green Oak Road
30th Thu	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage

COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS or Dandelions and Buttercups

Recently I visited a blind gentleman of 88 years, to present his elder brother's birthday greetings. The brother was unsure of the address (so was I, but I knew the location). A pleasant journey via Ringinglow and the Mayfield Valley was my reward, with glorious views of green fields, brown bracken, trees, and sheep dotting the landscape.

My friend's flat is very clean, but a little spartan. There are none of the knick-knacks with which we love to surround ourselves, and which help to turn a house into a home. The bare walls had no picture, photograph nor calendar. I know these are of no account, under the circumstances, but it struck me very forcibly. It was chilling to realise how much we take for granted what sightless people miss. Into my mind flashed a glimpse of a green field with yellow flowers: dandelions? buttercups? Further thought was prohibited by the continuing conversation.

However the moment stayed with me for some time. Perhaps it was a salutary lesson to remind me not to take any disability suffered by others, particularly blindness, as lightly as I did the scenery while I travelled.

So if you see dandelions and buttercups on a photograph, picture or calendar, or in reality, in colour, count your blessings!

Rex B.

REX QUOTES

The secret of Christianity is not saying what the Lord has done, but in doing what the Lord has said.

Thoughtful rich men consider what they see as the problem of poverty. Thoughtful poor men consider it as the problem of riches.

A happy man or woman is a better thing to find than a five pound note.

Robert Louis Stevenson.

SNIPPET - Children seldom misquote us. They usually repeat word for word exactly what we should not have said.

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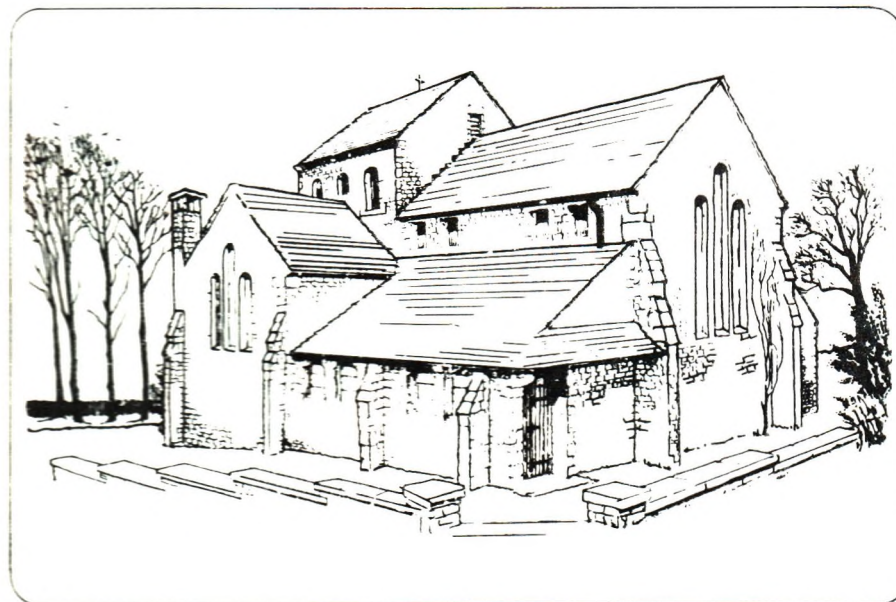
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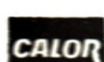
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

In primitive societies where the practice of birthday celebrations goes by default, the older generation often do not know how old they are. Without a regular reminder facts get forgotten and milestones marking our progress through life become indistinct.

Early next month we celebrate two birthdays in the life of the Church. One is the 'Birthday of the Church' on Pentecost or Whitsunday (14th May). We keep it on that day because on the Feast of Pentecost, in the power of the Holy Spirit, the disciples first preached the Gospel to others. The purpose of the Church is to witness. The Latin for Church is "Ecclesia" which means "those who are called out". The Church consists of those 'called by God in order to call others to Him.'

The second birthday is that of the Diocese of Sheffield - inaugurated 75 years ago on 1st May 1914. To a place like Totley which has belonged in succession to the dioceses of Lichfield, Southwell, Derby and Sheffield these celebrations may seem un-noteworthy. But by joining in our Sheffield 'family' celebrations we can be helped to feel we belong to the larger body of the Church, and that we share with so many others in a common purpose within our city and county. A Birthday, too, can help us assess our progress so far and give us new resolve for the future.

Our Totley events will include a Barbecue/Party on Monday 1st May from 6.30pm in the Church Hall and grounds, a 'Celebration' by the Young Saints in the Hall at 11am on 14th May, and a 75th Anniversary Service in Church to coincide with the Bishop's Broadcast Sermon. More details of these last events in next month's issue - but please note the dates now.

With best wishes,
Yours sincerely,

Stewart Rayner



A BISHOP was astonished to hear little Mary say that a person must be brave these days to go to church. 'Why do you say that?' he asked. 'Well I heard my uncle tell my aunt last Sunday that there was a cannon in the pulpit, the choir murdered the anthem, and the organist drowned the choir.'

PARISH ROTAS

Flowers

2nd April
9th April
16th April
23rd April
30th April

Altar

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Mrs.C. Billard
Mrs.B. Waite
Mrs. R. Carter

Memory Table

Mrs. D. Noton
Mrs. E. Coates
Mrs. M. Jones
Mrs. E. Mayson
Mrs. M. Wiggett

Silver Cleaning

9th April
23rd April

Mrs. D. Simons
Mrs. E. Coates and Mrs. Bramall

Parish Breakfast

2nd April
9th April
16th April
23rd April
30th April
7th May

Mrs. Marshall and Mrs. Kirton
Mrs. Best and Miss P. Lee
Mrs. Eager and Mr. Hazelhurst
Mrs. Jockel and Miss Scaife
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Miss T. Powell and Mr. Whitehead

SERVICES IN APRIL

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am.

2nd EASTER 1

Theme am: The Upper Room
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Holy Communion (ASB)
Epistle: 1 Peter 1: 3-9 (NEB)
Gospel: St. John 20:19-29 (RSV)
12.15pm Holy Baptism (Alexandra Firth)
Theme pm: The Bread of Life
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
Old Testament: Exodus 16:2-15 (NEB)
New Testament: St. John 6: 32-40 (JB)

9th EASTER 2

Theme am: Emmaus Road
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Revelation 19: 6-9 (NEB)
Gospel: St. Luke 24: 13-35 (JB)
10am Young Saints
12 noon Holy Baptism (Oliver Fabian)
Theme pm: The Good Shepherd
6.30pm Evensong (ASB)
Old Testament: Ezekiel 34: 7-16 (NEB)
New Testament: St. John 10: 7016 (NEB)

16th EASTER 3

Theme am: The Lakeside
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11 (NEB)
Gospel: St. John 21: 1-14 (RSV)
10am Family Service
Theme pm: The Resurrection and the Life
3.30pm Cheshire Home Service
6.30pm Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Colossians 3: 1-11 (NEB)
Gospel: St. John 11: 17-27 (NEB)

23rd EASTER 4

Theme am: The Charge to Peter
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Revelation 3: 14-22 (RSV)
Gospel: St. John 21: 15-22 (RSV)
10am Young Saints
Theme pm: The Way, the Truth, the Life
6.30pm Evensong (ASB)
Old Testament: Proverbs 4: 10-19 (RSV)
New Testament: St. John 14: 1-11 (NEB)

30th EASTER 5

Theme: Going to the Father
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Holy Communion (ASB)
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15: 21-28 (RSV)
Gospel: St. John 16: 25-33 (NEB)
10am Young Saints
12 noon Holy Baptism (Louise Myers)
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
Old Testament: Deuteronomy 34: 1-12 (RSV)
New Testament: St. John 16: 12-24 (NEB)

WORDS OF CONTEMPLATION

The text for this month is: "Be of good cheer;
I have overcome the World" (St. John 16:33)

The watchword is: I OVERCOME THE WORLD.

PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

26th February

Stephanie Leann Hall
Judith Alison Davis

19th March

Rowena Lucy Scott
Matthew William Hinchliffe

JESUS' PURPOSE

I was particularly struck recently by reading a passage from "Through the Year with David Watson". It contains a quotation from his Pastoral Letters. He writes:-

"What was the purpose of Jesus' coming into the world?

First, he came to save - not to judge. He lived in this sinful lost world for as long as we allowed him to. In the end, it was not that he rejected us because of our faults and failings, but that we rejected him. He suffered and served - and that's what his followers are called to do. So if you are tempted to pull out of your church situation, because you find the faults and failings of others hard to bear - remember Jesus Christ.

Secondly, Jesus came as a wonderful counsellor, perfectly fulfilling the name given to him hundreds of years before (Isaiah 9:6). And when he left the earth physically, he promised that another counsellor would come and be with his people for ever (John 14:16).

Thirdly, Jesus became poor for us - deparately poor - "so that you through his poverty might become rich" (2 Corinthians 8:9) - rich in faith and love, joy and peace, and all those priceless qualities which money cannot buy. Truly to follow Jesus means accepting his lifestyle so that others may live.

Fourthly, Jesus came as the Prince of Peace. In God's eyes the quality of our relationships is more important than the rightness of our particular convictions. As Christians, we are often bad at learning how to disagree; but we do need to remain in harmony. "Make every effort to keep the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace" (Ephesians 4:3). If we cannot experience and demonstrate the reality of this in Christ, what have we to offer to the rest of society, with its fractured relationships? We are to be peacemakers rather than peace-lovers and this is a painful calling, but it's what we should be involved in if we are true followers of Jesus."

No further comment from me seems to be necessary!

Maurice Snowdon

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APRIL, 1989

Bishop David writes:

JESUS' WAY

The parable is at the heart of Jesus' way of teaching: The story is told; the mind and the heart of the listener engaged; the question asked - "Who then was neighbour to him that fell among the thieves?" A message of love is told in a loving way that respects the integrity of the persons involved.



Another parable, the parable of the Grand Inquisitor invented by the Russian novelist, Dostoevsky, highlights the difficulties we Christians have found in following the Jesus way. It is a long story but at the heart of it is this. "In the days of the Inquisition our Lord returned to earth and visited a city where it was at work. There is great joy in that city but the aged Inquisitor has Him arrested. The speech that follows takes place in the dungeon.

"You have come", the Inquisitor tells Jesus, "to spoil our work. In the Wilderness you were offered the three things by which men may be controlled: Bread, Authority and Mystery. You were to make Bread. People will follow him who gives the Bread But you would not! You were to assume Authority. People will obey him who rewards the obedient and punishes the disobedient. But you would not! You were to work some Marvel. People will believe in him who is wrapped in Mystery. But you would not! People were to believe in you out of love and devotion or not at all. We have had to correct your work or there would be fear to believe in you." The story ends like this: "The Inquisitor ceased; and still the Prisoner made no reply, but rose from where He sat, and crossed the Cell and kissed the old man on his bloodless lips. Then the Inquisitor opened the door; "Go" he said. The Prisoner passed into the night, and was not seen again. And the old man? That kiss burned in his heart, but he did not alter his opinion or practice."

All religions face the temptation to achieve their spiritual purpose by evil means. Christians are not exempt and the record of all denominations who have had secular power is dreadful. We can only repent. But in our weakness today, when we have not the power to kill and torture in the name of a loving Christ, we remain constantly tempted to go down another road than that pointed out to us by Jesus. In a world of violence and arrogant certainties I pray that all Christians may be brave enough to follow Jesus' Way. The parable lets the listener make up his own mind.

May God guide and bless us all.

DAVID LUNN
Bishop of Sheffield

BRITISH FOOD & FARMING — A YEAR OF CELEBRATION

1989 was chosen because it is the 150th anniversary of The Royal Agricultural Society of England and also the centenary of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. Agriculture is now the major industry in this country and now produces nearly all our food requirements that can be grown in this climate.

However, this Year of Celebration, is not an occasion to pat ourselves on the back but rather an opportunity to create a better understanding between those who live in our towns and cities and those who live in the rural areas.

For this reason churches, of all denominations, have been asked to participate and in this diocese we too are planning to play our part.

The rural parishes have twinned with urban parishes and it is hoped that as many as possible from our urban parishes will join in the special services which have been arranged.

The next of these is the Rogationtide Parade which will be led by The Bishop of Sheffield and will be held on SUNDAY, APRIL 30th at HIGH MELTON commencing at 10.45 a.m., lunch will be available after this service.

A series of Rural Drives are also being planned. The Drives are planned around the parishes of Bilham and Barnburgh with Melton-on-the-Hill: The United Benefice of Fishlake, Sykehouse, Kirk Bramwith, Fenwick and Moss: The Marshlands: The Deanery of Loughton and the Parish of Greater Snaith.

Booklets for each of these Drives is being prepared setting out the route, the churches you can visit, the places of interest on the route, special events taking place during the summer and details of the local hostellers. These booklets will be available in a pack and will be free to everyone who is interested. It is hoped that during the coming summer and autumn people will come out and follow these Drives and join in the special events which have been organised.

Details of these events will be published nearer the time but further information can be obtained from the Bishop's Rural Adviser, the Revd. J.W.A. Woods, The Rectory, Barnburgh, Doncaster. DN5 7ET. Tel: Rotherham (0709) 892598.

China Bound!

An exciting Youth Exchange is being planned with the Church in China, and the United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel is anxious to promote growth in relationships between the younger generations in the British and Chinese churches, so much so that the Society has agreed to contribute £1,000 - £500 towards a young person going to China and £500 towards the return visit.

The idea for the exchange, the first part of which is about Easter time 1990, came from the Conference for World Mission, the British Council of Churches, and the Friends of the Church in China. It is hoped that the party will be made up of 15 young people (aged 18-25) who are committed to work in their local church. Visits to both urban and rural churches will be part of the programme, as well as some sightseeing. Contact USPG Area Secretary, Edwin Ward on Southwell (0636) 812890 before the middle of April for more information.

Study Project Funding by EIG

More than £15,000 will be made available this year to fund study projects selected under the award scheme launched by the Ecclesiastical Insurance Group in its centenary year. 1989 marks the second year of the Bursary Awards to encourage valuable in-service training for the clergy. Gloucester-based EIG announce that a total of 18 projects, out of the 50 applications received, will now be given funding from the scheme.



The winning projects which, under the scheme, must show potential for real benefits to the Church itself, as well as the community it serves, are once again varied and exciting in scope.

This year, again, our own Diocese has had a winner in the Revd. David James, Vicar and Rural Dean of Ecclesfield, who is awarded a Bursary to prepare training materials specifically for lay people. He wishes to produce practical guidelines, blending both theology and modern counselling techniques.

The EIG Centenary Awards judging panel was headed by the Bishop of Hull, who presented the awards. Commenting on the winners he said: "Again, the judges have been impressed by the number and quality of applications received. This selection of 18 winning projects reflects the Church's determination to continue to address community issues of real concern."

Not a first for Sheffield!

The Editor's desk has been piled high with correspondence from the Doncaster and District Organists and Choirmasters Association about the claim of Sheffield's Association to have been the first to publish a booklet about Sheffield's organs. Indeed Sheffield's Association was the first to publish about Sheffield's organs, but they were well and truly beaten by the Doncaster Association with the idea! For they did the same thing for Doncaster way back in 1969/70, and their booklet was considerably revised and enlarged and updated in 1984. The Doncaster Association's booklet gives loads of interesting information on both organs and organists from the 16th century right up to 1984. Mr. Ted. Whetton, Hon. Sec. of the Doncaster Association can be contacted at 186, Tickhill Road, Doncaster DN4 8QS, for more information.

So sorry, Sheffield, you weren't the first to think of it. Doncaster did it first! Unless anyone knows otherwise!

Appointments

The Revd. Stephen Moseling, Assistant Curate at St. Catherine w St. Alban and St. Paul, Burnley, to be Assistant Curate at Rawcliffe.

The Revd. Laurence Gush, N.S.M., Aston-cum-Aughton All Saints and Ulley Holy Trinity, retired in February.

The Revd. Stanley Mills, N.S.M., St. Andrew, Sharrow, to retire at the end of March.

Quarter of the Way

With only a few weeks to go to the end of its first year, the Bishop's £MILLION APPEAL is on target with a quarter of the amount already given or promised. The £276,000 mark was passed at the end of February, and already one of the projects earmarked for aid - the building of a new church and community centre to replace St. Bartholomew's in the shadow of Sheffield's Kelvin Flats complex - is now in progress. As are extensions to the Church of St. Wilfrid, Cantley, Doncaster, where funding on a grant/loan basis has been promised. The extensions will enable the church to cope with the large increase in population in recent years and to provide for the needs of the community.

The Bishop's Appeal - to finance in large and small ways Church of England and ecumenical building projects throughout the Diocese of Sheffield - was launched in April last year. Since then 1,200 individuals have contributed or covenanted large and small amounts, together with donations from parishes and organisations. And more is promised. The Deanery of Hallam has pledged to raise £300,000 towards the new St. Bartholomew's, Netherthorpe. All this was part of a package of good news delivered to the clergy of the Diocese at recent special meetings, although he was also keen to give a gentle reminder to individuals and parishes which have not yet contributed. "The fact is" said the Bishop "We need the money. And if 5,000 people had responded instead of 1,200 we could have wrapped up the Appeal this year and had a service of thanksgiving".

"The opportunity and the joy of helping one another must inflame and excite every parish" added the Bishop (the Rt. Revd. David Lunn).

Projects all over the Diocese of Sheffield will benefit in part from the Bishop's Appeal and plans are already well advanced for the building of a new (ecumenical) church on the Manor Estate with combined community facilities and it is hoped eventually to build a new parish church to serve the fast-growing area of Swallownest between Rotherham and Sheffield.

Part of the £1 million being raised by the Bishop's Appeal is also pledged as the Sheffield contribution to the Church Urban Fund - the national fund set up by the Church of England in the wake of the Archbishop of Canterbury's "Faith in the City" report. Sheffield Diocese have been asked to contribute a total of £300,000 to the Church Urban Fund, but, in fact, a good percentage of this has already found its way back to Sheffield and South Yorkshire through the Church Urban Funding for projects under way.

Any contributions to the Bishop's Appeal may be sent to the Bishop of Sheffield, Bishopscoft, Snaithing Lane, Sheffield 10.

Pilgrimage to Hexham

24th June, 1989

People travelling with their own transport on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Hexham, and beyond, are asked to contact Mrs. R.J. Hannam, 36 Highbury Crescent, Bessacarr, Doncaster. DN4 6AL. Tel: Doncaster 536196, regarding numbers and for information of times and booklets etc.

TOC H



The Toc H Sheaf Group have arranged a special event in support of the Bishop's £Million Appeal, and a warm invitation is extended to all.

The Musical "SING GOOD NEWS"

A celebration event with songs from the Good News Bible in

St. Mary's Church, Bramall Lane, Sheffield on Saturday, 8th April at 7.00 p.m.

by the ATHERTON INDEPENDENT METHODIST CHURCH CHOIR

COLLECTION FOR THE BISHOP'S APPEAL
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Light in the Darkness: Denaby Miners' Chapel

A shaft of light reaching down into every roadway and heading, part of Cadeby's winding wheel, rings and supports, lumps of coal and a 'miner's lamp' tower...these and much more have been given a home in the Miners' Chapel. All Saints Parish Church at Denaby Main has become the cradle for a very timely and significant development in the story of mining in South Yorkshire. Church and Chapel are in the middle of the village, across the road from the sites of the former Denaby Main and Cadeby Collieries. It is a touching place.

The Unity and strength of a mining community are held in pictures of the Denaby Evictions and the Cadeby Disaster. The equipment brought to rest here after years of torque and tension is a reminder of the mining still going on elsewhere. Perhaps knowing about the past in this uncertain present will create courage and pride for the future. Such a promise is vital in a community that now has little support through local employment. For Reg Davies, Vicar of Denaby, the Chapel says "mining is a worthy, worthwhile and dignified occupation". A Book of Remembrance is being opened. Arrangements for people's names to be entered will be announced. Reg hopes that people who visit here will be inspired about the mining of coal and God's purpose for them now.

The commitment of local people, practical help from people in the industry and the building trade, and the interest of artists and writers mean that everyone can acknowledge all that has happened. Some events call for gratitude, others for sorrow; but the Miners' Chapel is a mark of hope for a new future as it lifts up miners and mining work to God in truth and love. One of the hymns written for the Opening Service has been inspired by Isaiah 43.19, "Watch for the new thing I am going to do...a road through the wilderness...and streams of water there".

Bishop David dedicated the Chapel on Easter Day, 26th March 1989, the day when "from the darkness came light".

Tony Attwood, Coalfield Chaplain

Celebrating Rotherham

All Saints' Church, Rotherham, is itself a celebration. Standing tall at the centre of the town, it is an architectural gem, a marvellous example of the use of man's God-given artistic talents.

It is an ideal place too for the celebration of the artistry of our present times.

Stuart Brindley, Vicar of Rotherham, is organising a number of events in keeping with this celebration theme. The first in the series will be some widely contrasting musical performances, taking place every couple of months.

Full details will be in the Diocesan News as the events come up. In May comes the opening concert. It's by the **Colin Yates Band**, a programme of Big Band Jazz, by one of the finest bands anywhere in the country at the present time. All the musicians live in or near Rotherham and perform regularly at the Arts Centre, where Stuart often listens to them at the end of a busy Sunday.

Wednesday, 10th May at 8 p.m. is the entry for your diary.

Then in July comes the **Rotherham Sinfonietta**, an orchestra of young performers of considerable talent under the direction of Alistair Wood. The town is proud of these youngsters who set such a high standard of musicianship.

That's on Wednesday, 12th July at 7.30 p.m.

In September there will be a concert which is probably a first in any local church. The London-based Asian Music Academy are offering us a concert of Indian Classical Music. The actual date and the content of the programme have not been settled yet.

'We're excited at the prospect of these events', says Stuart Brindley. 'We hope to interest people from far and wide, all over the Diocese and beyond.'

'Celebration is a good antidote to the depression of this area of high unemployment. It is intended as an encouragement to the many who are working so hard to revitalise Rotherham.'

Information about tickets etc. from Stuart on Rotherham 364341.

SEND OUT YOUR SPIRIT

Sheffield Diocesan Decade of Evangelism GET READY!

Bishop David has called the Diocese to a Decade of Evangelism which he will launch at a Diocesan Festival on Sunday, 10th June, 1990 at Doncaster Racecourse.

To help prepare for the Decade, there are to be three evening celebrations at the OCTAGON CENTRE, SHEFFIELD UNIVERSITY, on MONDAYS 16th and 30th OCTOBER and 13th NOVEMBER, 1989. It's hoped that every parish in the Diocese will be represented on each of these evenings. The three themes for the celebrations are: Fire for the journey, Light for the Journey, Food for the Journey, and a competition (details have already been sent to the parishes) has been organised for sketches and songs which can be included in the programme. The deadline date has almost been reached (10th April), but a 'phone call to the Revd. Geoff Anderson, Tel: Sheffield 463487 will get you more information.

Missions to Seamen Scheme

A Voluntary Service Scheme is offered by The Missions to Seamen to Christian students, usually between the ages of 18 and 24; after 'A' level studies or after university before starting work. It is an opportunity to give and learn at seafarers' centres around the world.

Starting in September and normally lasting a year, in some cases two, or exceptionally three, the scheme is often used as a testing ground by those considering entering the church, but just as often young people who wish to devote a year of their life to Christ return home to take up entirely different professions.

The Missions to Seamen was founded in 1856 and was affirmed at Lambeth last year as being the Anglican Church's outreach to merchant seafarers worldwide. It is estimated that two thirds of the world's merchant seafarers are from developing countries. They spend long periods of time away from their families and friends, sometimes a year or more, and modern cargo handling equipment ensures such quick turnround of ships nowadays that often there is little or no time for shore leave. They can experience problems with non-payment of wages, unsafe conditions, poor quality food, and can easily be made to feel insignificant, without value and outside normal society.

The Missions to Seamen seeks to redress this situation by proclaiming God's love by word and deed to seafarers and by promoting their wellbeing in every way through its network of chaplains and seafarers' centres throughout the world. A student assistant joins this network at some of the larger port stations and gives help in ship visiting, conducting sightseeing tours, (clean driving licence required), arranging sporting events, visiting seafarers in hospital, helping with worship, serving in the bar and shop, arranging international telephone calls, arranging video shows and practical work such as gardening and cleaning. He/she is given free board and lodging, pocket money, free travel to and from destination and three weeks' holiday a year.

The nineteen students on the scheme last year were posted to ports including Brisbane, Dunkirk, Fos/Marseilles, Fremantle, Goole, Kobe, Liverpool, Mombasa, New Orleans, Port Hedland, Rotterdam, Seaham, Singapore, Southampton and Yokohama.

Students who go through the scheme often feel a sense of fulfilment at the end of their term of office. As one said: "I certainly learned a great deal from the seamen, a great deal about charity and care for others as well as getting glimpses of problems far deeper than I had ever experienced. I had to find out how to offer myself unconditionally to people rather than imagining that I had something which they needed."

Applications should be sent to the Rev. Glyn Jones, The Missions to Seamen, St. Michael Paternoster Royal, College Hill, London. EC4R 2RL. Tel: 01 248 5202.

If you are interested in the Voluntary Service Scheme or know someone who might be, it's not too early to be thinking about 1990.

LOSSES AND GAINS

Hello everyone from the family across town. Some time ago the thought of leaving Totley would have been horrendous. However God has a way of dealing with our problems, eases the decisions we have to make, and shows us that he is everywhere.

Instead of glorious views we have Industry surrounding us - and the ski runs. Instead of quiet hills we have friendly Bassets, B & Q, the Sportsground and a forge that wakes us up at 6am. Instead of small cosy shops we have large stores within walking distance. Instead of our dear Totley All Saints', open from dawn to dusk, our new local church is handy for Christian Life and Witness Classes, but bolted and barred all day. The people though have the same warm smiles. There are welcoming smiles in the flats, from the Caretakers who take the rubbish away every day, and from the Christian window cleaner who sits on the sill 6 floors up to clean the windows. There is also Hillsborough Park, with lovely walks and very colourful Ducks.

We are all learning to accept our new surroundings. Thank you everyone for your Love, Support and Prayers.

"God grant us the Serenity to accept the things we cannot change, Courage to change the things we can, and Wisdom to know the difference."

Olwen Powell

BEG TO REPORT...

FROM A host of true gems from the Sun Alliance magazine 'First Choice', quoted from claims forms: I wish to advise you that a leek came through the ceiling... To avoid a collision I ran into a car... I blew my horn but it would not work as it had been stolen... I thought the side window was down but it was up as I found when I put my head through it [moral: don't clean the car after all!]... I knocked over a man but he admitted it was his fault as he had been knocked over before [you learn from these things!]...

The car had to turn more sharply than was necessary owing to an invisible lorry... Coming home I drove into the wrong house colliding with a tree I haven't got... My vehicle ran down the bank and onto the railway. I hope this meets with your approval... The guy was all over the road, I had to swerve a number of times before I hit him [patience rewarded]... The pedestrian had no idea which direction to run, so I ran over him [ditto].

CHURCH OFFICERS

At the Annual Meeting on 9th March, the following were appointed to office:

Churchwardens: Cliff Job, Elsie Mayson

Deputy Wardens: Robin Carter, Angela Waite

Deanery Synod Representatives: Harry Powell,
Dorothy Simons.

P.C.C. Members: Rex Beaumont, Joan Beeley, Chris Booth,
John Hill-Wilson, Stella Jockel, John Lawrie, Hazel Ludlam,
David Mabbott, Dudley Nixon, Pauline Perkinson,
Elaine Powell, Irvine Powell, James Powell, Eric Simons,
Sally Scaife, John Sellers, Marjorie Snowdon, Maurice
Snowdon, Joan Stratford, Ann Wiles, Sue Wright.

GARDEN PARTY

Plans are well under way for our Garden Party on Saturday, 17th June at 2.00 pm. Mark it in your diary now.

We plan to start with a Parade, and provide during the afternoon special attractions, games and displays - as well as a wide variety of stalls - and live music from the Woodhouse Prize Band.

It is a "fun-event" but we want to raise money for some good causes as well, so think how you can help stock the stalls, donate prizes and cook up some refreshments. All offers of help to John Sellars on 369370.

The proceeds will be donated to the Bishop's Inner City Appeal, the Leprosy Mission, and the Martin House Children's Hospice.

JOHN WADE SINGERS

The John Wade Singers are presenting Purcell's opera "DIDO AND AENEAS" at King Ecgbert's School, on Friday 7th April at 7.30pm. Admittance by programme - £2.50 (£2.00 for OAPs and children) available from 360820 or members. Proceeds to charity.

ALL SAINTS' SCHOOL PTA

The PTA are having a 'GOOD AS NEW' JUMBLE SALE in the School Hall on Friday 14th April at 3.00pm.

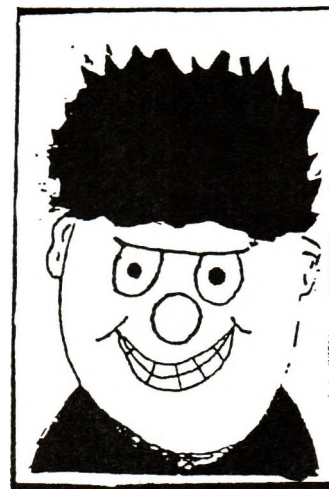
There will also be a JUMBLE SALE in the Church Hall on Saturday 15th April at 11.00 a.m.

If you have any Jumble for collection, please telephone 361839 or 361743.

We hope you will come and support us at either sale (or both!)

ALL SAINTS' SCHOOL NEWS

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YOUNG AT
19 ART 89

Thomas Wrigglesworth
DENNIS THE MENACE
Totley All Saints
Primary School

The Annual Children's Art Exhibition is being held at Graves Art Gallery, Surrey Street from 25th March until 29th April, and is open Monday - Saturday, 10am to 6pm.

The following pupils of All Saints School have work exhibited: Charley Barber, Ruth Bolton, John Coggins, Marcelie Kaid, Sam Norbron, Julia Ward, Jolene Heald, Duwayne Kaid, Juliette Prosser, Katja Alcock, Rebecca Claydon, Simon Dorling, Lucy Ferguson, and Steven Ho.

There is also a group work by the J1/2 children, and a drawing by Claire Ilardi, made when she was a pupil at All Saints and who is now a pupil at King Ecgbert's School. A picture of Dennis the Menace, painted by Thomas Wrigglesworth, when he was a pupil of our school, and exhibited in last year's show, has been chosen to illustrate the poster advertising this year's Exhibition. Thomas too is now a pupil of King Ecgbert's School.

CONCERNED ABOUT PEACE?

You are invited to hear the Rev Dr. Kenneth J. Greet speak on 'THE SEARCH FOR PEACE', at the Victoria Hall, Norfolk Street, on Wednesday 12th April at 7.30pm.

Dr Greet (a Past President of the Methodist Conference) was co-Chairman of the World Disarmament Campaign, and is now its Vice President. He has worked tirelessly for Peace for many years.

This is a Public Meeting, arranged by Sheffield Christians for Peace.

CHRISTIAN AID

As in previous years, there will be a "House-to-House" Collection in Christian Aid Week which this year will be 15th to 20th May.

It is hoped that those who have collected in the past will be willing to do so again, but any additional collectors would be very welcome to help spread the load. Please contact Marjorie Snowdon (Tel. 362822).

The Family Trek will once again be on the May Bank Holiday Monday, 1st May. It will follow the same 15 mile route as last year with the option of shortening it to 12 miles. Application Forms are now available. For these and further details contact Marjorie Snowdon.

LADIES WORKING PARTY

Friday 21st April Silent Auction in the Church Hall, at 7.30pm. Admission 50p to include refreshments.

If you have anything to donate for the auction please contact Mrs. D. Simons (364937) or Mrs. C. Billard (366772).

Proceeds are in aid of the Church of England Children's Society and All Saints' Church Funds.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday 25th April at 2.15pm in the Church Hall.

LADIES CLUB

On Tuesday 4th April, we will have an illustrated talk by Mr. Frazer-Martin, the Silver Steward at Chatsworth House, on Chatsworth Silver.

On Tuesday 18th April, there will be a film show given by Mr. Morley.

The Ladies Club is open to all ladies of all ages in the parish - you are very welcome to come to any of the meetings which start at 7.30pm.

CHILD'S VIEW

A CHILD wrote: A Mummy is someone who sends you to bed when you are wide awake and wakens you up when you are fast asleep'.

A SWEATER is a garment worn by a child when his mother feels chilly.

GOD ABROAD - THOUGHTS

It would appear that the views expressed by the members of the different faiths mentioned by Barbara Sellars in her excellent article last month, are very similar to those in the Christian faith - of loving and caring for each other. Were all members of all faiths to live their lives in this context, we should be well on the way to a happier and more peaceful world.

Man was created in God's image, but we are fallible and subject to temptations which are difficult to assess in our materialistic and complex world of today. There were many materialistic sins in biblical times, and the judgement given then is no less relevant today.

To say we live in a Christian country is one thing, to live as a Christian is quite another. Practising Christians can be, and I believe are, an influence by example to those around them. We need practising Christians in every walk of life; it is just a little harder for those in authority. It can be an onerous task as we realise by the fact that we pray "for all those that are put in authority... that they may order all things in wisdom, righteousness and peace". As Cicero said: "The function of wisdom is to discriminate between good and evil."

Rex Beaumont.

TOPICAL QUOTES

The day, water, sun, moon, night: I do not have to purchase these things with money.

Platus

In Nature there are neither rewards nor punishments - there are consequences.

Robert G. Ingersoll.

To be poor does not mean living in poverty: it means living in a land of plenty, but being denied that which is plentiful.

Martin Luther King

APRIL DIARY

4th Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	7.30pm	Ladies Club: "Chatsworth Silver"
	8.00pm	Men's Fellowship - 113 Green Oak Road
5th Wed	10.45am	Monthly Morning Fellowship - 6 Milldale Rd.
	8.00pm	Wed.Fellowships - 1 Quarry Road and 57 Sunnyvale Road.
6th Thu	2.00pm	Pram Service
	8.00pm	Standing Committee - 74 Main Ave
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Young Adult Fellowship -63 Rowan Tree Dell
7th Fri	7.30pm	"DIDO AENEAS" - King Ecgbert's School
8th Sat	1.30pm	JUMBLE SALE, Young Saints - Church Hall
10th Mon	8.00pm	Garden Party Meeting - 220 Baslow Road
11th Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
12th Wed	2.00pm	Afternoon Fellowship - 108 Sunnyvale Rd.
	7.30pm	Peace Meeting - Victoria Hall
	8.00pm	Wed.Fellowships - 113 & 126 Green Oak Rd.
13th Thu	2.00pm	Young Mums - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
	8.00pm	PCC Communion & Meeting in Crypt
14th Fri	3.00pm	GOOD AS NEW JUMBLE, School PTA -School Hall
15th Sat	11.00am	JUMBLE SALE, School PTA-Church Hall
	2.00pm	Holy Matrimony (Peter Higgott & Jean Piper)
18th Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	7.30pm	Ladies Club "Film Show"
19th Wed	8.00pm	Wed. Fellowships 1 Quarry Road and 57 Sunnyvale Road
20th Thu	2.00pm	Young Mums - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group-Vicarage
	8.00pm	Young Adult Fellowship - 10 Twentywell Dr.
21st Fr	7.30pm	<u>Silent Auction</u> Ladies Working Party - Hall
25th Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	2.15pm	Ladies Working Party - Church Hall
	8.00pm	Young Saints Leaders' Meeting - Vicarage
26th Wed	8.00pm	Wed.Fellowships - 113 & 126 Green Oak Rd.
27th Thu	2.00pm	Young Mums - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Standing Committee
Mon 1st May	6.30pm	PARISH PARTY - 75th Diocesan Anniversary CHRISTIAN AID Family Trek.

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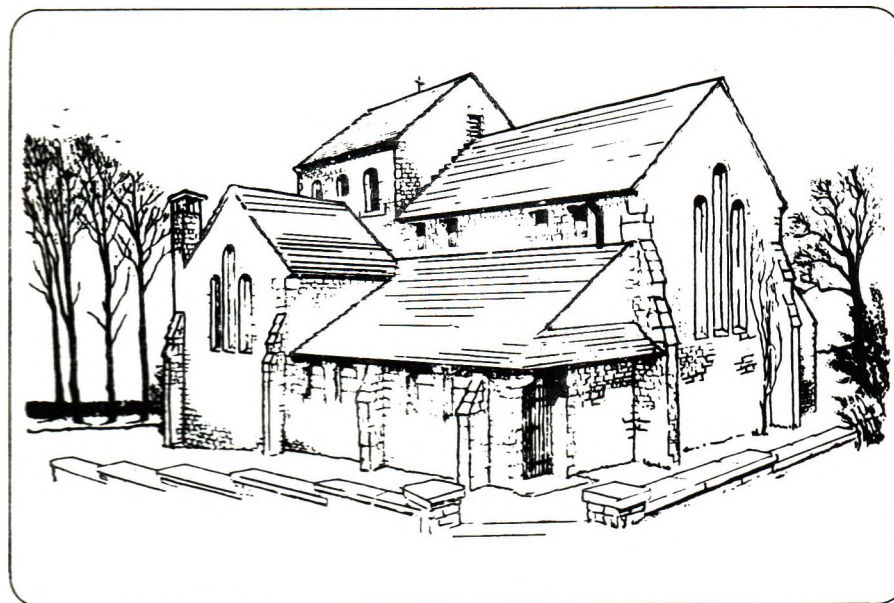
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

On the next page you will find a new symbol of Christian Unity reproduced. Since 1985 and the "Not Strangers but Pilgrims" consultations, a fresh impetus has been given to the movement towards Christian Unity in this country. The British Council of Churches which the Roman Catholic Church has always declined to join, is to be replaced by a new body "Churches Together in England" acceptable to all mainstream denominations. Through 'C.T.E.' all churches will be able to speak as one for the first time.

The scallop shell is an ancient symbol of pilgrimage. Within the shell is the sign of the 'Cross and the Ship' - the first symbol of the ecumenical movement. The ship represents the whole church, the Cross the centrality of Christ to our faith and worship. The new symbol conveys the idea that the path to Christian Unity is a pilgrimage we are engaging in together. Like Chaucer's pilgrims, we come from different backgrounds, with different personalities and gifts, but we journey towards a common goal, and as fellow-travellers we can learn from one another, come to know each other better and grow closer in our relationships.

Many feel that the only credibility the Christian Faith can have with the world at large is to succeed in becoming united. How can the divisions of the world be healed by the Gospel if the Church cannot heal its own divisions? Unity in Christ is the key to mission - and the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity one of the most important observances of the year. This year it coincides with Christian Aid Week - and there is something very appropriate about this. Through our prayers we shall not only be seeking to promote unity among fellow-Christians, but be seeking to identify and become one with those whose life-style and circumstances demand our compassionate response, understanding and practical help.

The Picnic and the Service on Saturday 20th May, the Daily Services during the week, and the Christian Aid collection provide us all with opportunities to join in. Do come and take some part in these efforts!

Yours sincerely,

Stewart Rayner

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

DAILY SERVICES

(Half-hour duration)

Mon. 15 th May	9.15pm	Totley Rise Methodist Church
Tue. 16 th May	7.15am	Dore & Totley U.R.C. Church.
Wed. 17 th May	9.15pm	English Martyrs R.C. Church
Thu. 18 th May	7.15am	Christ Church, Dore.
Fri. 19 th May	9.15pm	St. John's, Abbeydale

PICNIC, FELLOWSHIP & WORSHIP

Sat. 20 th May	4.30pm	Picnic Tea & Fellowship All Saints' Church Hall & Grounds (bring your own food - drinks provided)
	5.30pm	Concluding Service at All Saints' Church.



*Lord God, we thank you
For calling us into the company
Of those who trust in Christ
And seek to obey his will.
May your Spirit guide and strengthen us
In mission and service to your world;
For we are strangers no longer
But pilgrims together on the way to your Kingdom.
Amen.*

WORDS OF CONTEMPLATION

The text for this month is "I will put breath into you
and you shall live".
(Ezekiel 37:5)

The watchword is I WILL BREATHE INTO YOU.

SERVICES IN MAY

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am.

4th ASCENSION DAY

8pm Holy Communion (ASB)

Epistle: Acts 1:1-11 (TEV)

Gospel: St. Matthew 28:16-20 (JB)

7th SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Holy Communion (ASB)

Epistle: Ephesians 1: 15-23 (TEV)

Gospel: St. Luke 24: 45-53 (JB)

10am Young Saints

11.30am Communion at Cheshire Home

6.30pm Evensong

Old Testament: 2 Kings 2: 1-15 (NEB)

New Testament: St. Luke 24:45-53 (JB)

14th PENTECOST - WHITSUNDAY

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10am Holy Communion (BCP) Shortened

Epistle: Acts 2: 1-11 (RSV)

Gospel: St. John 14: 15-26 (JB)

11am "Pentecost Celebration" by Young Saints
in Church Hall

6.00pm Diocesan Anniversary Evensong with live
broadcast sermon by the Bishop of Sheffield.

21st TRINITY SUNDAY

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Family Service

3.30pm Service at Cheshire Home

6.30pm Holy Communion (ASB and Anointing)

Epistle: Ephesians 1:3-14 (NEB)

Gospel: St. John 14: 8-17 (JB)

28th PENTECOST 2

Theme am: The people of God

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: 1 Peter 2: 1-10 (NEB)

Gospel: St. John 15: 1-5 (JB)

Theme pm: The Church's Unity and Fellowship

6.30pm Evensong

Old Testament: 2 Samuel 7:4-16 (NEB)

New Testament : Acts 2:37-47 (NEB)

PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

2 April

Alexandra Elizabeth Joy Firth

Funerals

21 March

Arthur Cooper (80) 138 Baslow Road

30 March

Leonard Auckland (79) 17 Aldam Croft

30 March

John Merrill (80) 55 Green Oak Ave

Arthur Cooper was born at Loxley and lived in Sheffield all his life. He worked in the sales department of the magnetic division of James Neill Tools. He lived in Totley from 1965 to 1973 before moving back again to Baslow Road last year.

Len Auckland move to Totley 13 years ago from the London Road area. He had spent all his life in Sheffield and was a welder by trade.

John Merrill was born on Sharrow Lane. He lived for the last 15 years on Green Oak Avenue and prior to that on Mickley Lane. A keen sportsman, he was in his younger day the trainer for Totley Football Club. He gave 50 years of working service to Sheffield Twist Drills.

CONGRATULATIONS

- to Albert and Kathleen Hides on their Golden Wedding on 10th April. Whenever the weather on a Wednesday morning is kind, Albert always pushes Kathleen to Holy Communion in her wheelchair - and it is always a joy to see them both.
- to Alice Snazell on her 90th Birthday on 19th April. Alice is at Church every Sunday evening. She usually strides up from Marstone Crescent whatever the weather, though sometimes she copies the younger generation and drives up in her car. Alice has kindly consented to open the Garden Party for us on 17th June.

PASTORAL WORK

Like the longer established Readers' Association, the Diocese of Sheffield now has a Pastoral Workers' Association and at their recent A.G.M. Beryl Rayner was elected Chairman for three years and Olwen Powell was elected as a member of the committee. Beryl has also been asked to serve on the Bishop's Ministry Committee.
All Saints' Pastoral Committee continues to meet bi-monthly to review pastoral care within the Church and Parish. A car rota is being organised for Sunday Services - if you need a lift to All Saints', please let us know.

GIVE IT A WHIRL!

Spend Bank Holiday Monday 29th May at Whirlow Grange. Exhibitions, displays, music films, stalls games and refreshments. From 2pm to 5pm - admission 20p children 10p.

BROWNIES

Mrs. Ann Hinchcliffe who has been involved with All Saints' Brownies for the past 22 years is relinquishing the leadership due to other commitments. We owe a deep debt of gratitude to Ann for all the encouragement, enjoyment and instruction she has given to many youngsters on behalf of All Saints'. However, this means the pack of keen Brownies needs a new leader - can you help in this rewarding and important activity.

THANK YOU

In appreciation for the help and support given to them, Irvine and Olwen Powell have presented a set of 'Songs of Fellowship' Songbooks and music editions which are now available for use in worship and fellowship groups.

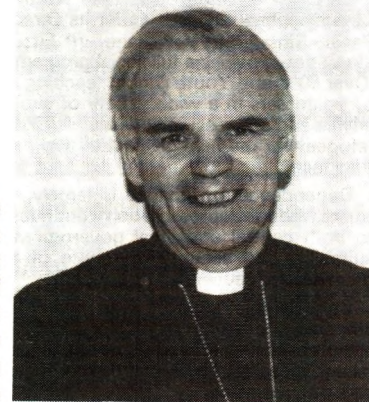
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"TOGETHER FOR PENTECOST"

Writes the Bishop of Doncaster

Congratulations to Doncaster for being chosen as the first Northern Railhead for the Channel Tunnel. It is a significant achievement and augurs well for the future in terms of both investment and jobs. With the coming of the single European Market in 1992 one hopes that the region's skills will be fully recognised. Being a distance away from South Eastern battles over routes we are able to say that it is high time good sensible Yorkshire people were given an opportunity to show the rest of Britain, let alone Europe, their quality.



A single European Market is I suppose something of a misnomer, as the countries participating will be those within the Common Market Group; but by contrast it is increasingly the case for the Churches that there is a single European Market for our common Christian Witness. During May, as it happens, a quite remarkable event is taking place within a Christian context. A European Ecumenical Assembly is being held in Basel from 15-21 May. The Reformed, Lutheran and Orthodox Churches will be there, as will the Anglican Church. For the first time since the Reformation the Roman Catholic Church is to be fully and officially involved with a very substantial representation.

All this is a reminder that we should be aware of our European Christian Heritage and our oneness in Christ with our brother and sister Christians in Sweden or France, in Bochum or Hattingen, in Rome or Geneva.

Do not forget Pentecost Sunday. Don't forget it for the straightforward reason that we need a constant and particular waiting on God for the enabling power of the Holy Spirit. As we prepare for the Decade of Evangelism we should remind ourselves that the first major evangelistic endeavor was prompted on the day of Pentecost, not by human publicity or through training in Evangelism, but by the Holy Spirit. We need publicity, training, preparation. We need not doubt that; but if the Church is to be effective it must be the Holy Spirit's decade, not ours.

I am sure we shall not forget this Pentecost for another and quite special reason. **At 6 p.m. on May 14, there will be a Broadcast Service of Dedication from the Cathedral;** and the Bishop will be using this unique opportunity to preach to the Diocese. So tune in to Radio Sheffield; and as we dedicate our lives in prayer, may God's Holy Spirit take the Bishop's words to speak to us through them.

WILLIAM,
Bishop of Doncaster

Last call for Holy Land

Following last year's highly successful and rewarding visit to the Holy Land, Canon Noel Harrison is again organising a small party for the period 21st-29th October (school half-term). There are a few places still available, and a phone call to Canon Harrison either at Tankersley Rectory (Barnsley 744140) or the Diocesan Education Office (Sheffield 754386) will give you more information.

Ten years on....

Beryl Rayner writes about the Boat People: "Many of us recall recent television news coverage of the 'repatriation' to Vietnam of 'boat people' who had left as refugees - the expressions on their faces were not easy to forget. We may know too of the present plight of thousands still living in cramped conditions in camps in Hong Kong.

We may not be so aware of the excellent work undertaken in Sheffield by the Northern Refugee Centre, opened in 1983 under its Director, Michael Seear. Situated in Yew Lane, off Fitzallen Square, the Centre provides a full social programme including 'Over 60's' and Youth Clubs; teaching is conducted by volunteers in a wide variety of subjects, and its advice and counselling services are highly valued by refugees for the help given with the many problems they face.

Dependence for finance is largely on charitable trusts, though representation continues to be made to both central and local government. The state, suitability and security of tenure of their present premises are causing some concern.

Considerable support was given by individual churches and church members, particularly when the Vietnamese first arrived here, but the response to a recent appeal for £50 each from churches in Sheffield was disappointing.

Representatives of the few churches who did donate were invited to a joyful celebration of the Chinese New Year, and treated with generosity and great hospitality.

I commend to you all the need for our continuing support in prayer and practical financial help in the name of Christ."

Beryl Rayner can be contacted at All Saints' Vicarage, 37 Sunnyside Road, Totley, Sheffield. S17 4FA. Tel: Sheffield 362322.

Choir Courses

A residential course for boy choristers in the age range 8-14 years at Edward King House, Lincoln from 8th to 11th August 1989. The course will have the privilege of singing two services in Lincoln Cathedral. Cost (including food accommodation and music) £48.

Further information and entry forms from RONALD PIKE (Secretary) 26 Roundwood Close, Hitchin, Herts. SG4 0RD (Tel: Hitchin (0462) 50338)

Closing date 10 July 1989 or earlier if all vacancies taken.

Organ recitals at St. George's, Doncaster

The 1989 series of organ recitals has been arranged and they all begin at 7.30 p.m. Programmes are available at the church door on the night priced £2 (usual concession £1).

Recitals include the following:-

Saturday, 13th May	Paul Derrett (Shrewsbury Abbey)
Saturday, 27th May	Michael Smith (Bridlington Priory)
Thursday, 15th June	Dr. Francis Jackson
Thursday, 6th July	Magnus Black
Saturday, 22nd July	John Carnelly (Workshop College)

Health and Wholeness

Hazel Cranwell was a participant in the National Clergy Wives Conference held recently in North Yorkshire and writes about her visit.

"The Clergy Wives Conference at Scargill was attended by Stella Jockel, Jessie Mathews and Hazel Cranwell, who went as diocesan representatives.

Scargill is a pleasant setting for a conference and the meeting, together with eighty very different and powerful women was an amazing, enlightening and uplifting experience. There was a sense in which one no longer felt alone, but of belonging to a sisterhood, especially in Chapel when eighty female voices were lifted in song.

The theme of the conference was "Health" which was looked at from all angles. Some interesting thoughts and new insights emerged. For instance, we often talk about people living longer, but this is not essentially true. What is true is that few young people die from infection and disease and people are living a full life span.

We need to pay closer attention to what we eat and what models of health we present to our children. Women are smoking more and this leads to further increases in lung cancer.

There were very interesting speakers and the conference was well run. The food was not very exciting but company and delightful surroundings made up for this. All three of us felt glad we attended."

One Bishop and his dog, and.....

The people of St. Saviour's, Mortomley are holding a sponsored walk on Saturday, May 6th over 10 miles, beginning at 10 a.m. and finishing at 3 p.m. The money raised is going to the Bishop's £million appeal, and Bishop David and his dog are joining them. If you want to sponsor either the Bishop, or his dog, or any of the other walkers, or even to walk yourself, contact Brian Stennett on Sheffield 848572 for the necessary information.

"CELEBRATING ROTHERHAM"

The first of the concerts under this title is about to take place in *All Saints' Parish Church, Rotherham. Wednesday, 10th May at 8 p.m. is the time.* The Colin Yates Band are the artists.

Colin's eighteen-piece jazz orchestra plays regularly in the Arts Centre, Rotherham, and from time to time in many other locations. His musicians are much in demand for all sorts of occasions.

The programme will be varied, including 'standards' from the old swing band days - Glen Miller, Count Basie, etc. And there will be a cross-section of more modern big band writing too - the sort of thing you can hear on Monday nights on Radio 2.

This kind of concert is probably a 'first' for All Saints'. But we hope the 'Saints will come marchin' in' with their support on the night. 'I can promise you an excellent performance', says the Vicar of Rotherham, the Rev. Stuart Brindley, 'and you'll be helping towards the £600,000 or so we shall be needing for restoration and re-ordering work at this gem of a parish church.'

Admission is only £2. A ticket, available from the Vicar (Rotherham 364341) will ensure you a seat until 7.40 p.m.. Thereafter admission is to allcomers, at the same price.

THE COMMUNITY OF THE RESURRECTION MIRFIELD

Commemoration Day Saturday, July 8 1989

12 noon - Solemn Eucharist on the Front Lawn
Preacher: The Rt. Revd. Timothy Bavin, Bishop Portsmouth.

1.30 p.m. - Picnic Lunch on the Cricket Field
The West Yorkshire Police band will play at the Eucharist and during the afternoon.

5.00 p.m. - Solemn Evensong in the Community Church
Applications for free admission Programmes and for Service Sheets (30p. each) should be sent to:

The Commemoration Day Secretary, House of the Resurrection, Mirfield, West Yorkshire, WF14 0BN
Please enclose stamps for the cost of postage, but not envelopes.

Where have all the Church Football Teams gone?

One of the oldest leagues in this area is looking for new teams. The Sheffield Bible Class League was formed in 1904 with the object of providing football for the Mens Fellowship and Bible Classes of local churches. There has been as many as 24 teams in the league in one session. The present number is 9 and the League are wondering if the membership of the churches are not interested in playing football. They are anxious to hear from any church who has a Youth Club, Boys' Brigade, Scout Troop or group of members who are interested in joining the league next season.

The invitation is for players of adult standard and the league are prepared to offer advice to churches who wish to form a team.

All enquiries from teams in the Sheffield and Rotherham area to be sent to:-
Alan Austin, 198 Longley Lane, Sheffield S5 7JG. Telephone 420342

Flowers at Harthill

All Hallows Church, Harthill will be holding a Flower Festival during the weekend of May 26th to May 29th. The Church will be open from 10.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. each day, and there will be displays and exhibitions, as well as refreshments being available all day. Included in the Festival Weekend is a Spring Fair on Monday 29th May, starting at 2.00 p.m.

Bank Holiday at Whirlow

The Friends of Whirlow Grange are once again organising an Open Day at Whirlow on Bank Holiday Monday, 29th May. There will be something for all the family, with stalls and games as well as the addition of exhibitions, music and videos. It lasts from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and admission is 20p. for adults and 10p. for children. Everyone is welcome!

Appointments

The Revd. Maurice Leeming, Vicar of Bolsterstone and Joint Minister Stocksbridge Christian Centre, to retire at the end of October.

The Revd. Peter Ingram, Assistant Curate with the Maltby Team Ministry, to be Team Vicar of Snaith.

Philip,
the
red-nosed...



Philip Davies (right) shaved off his beard in the Diocesan Office on Comic Relief Day, assisted by the Diocesan Secretary Tony Beck.

Philip raised a tidy sum of money for charity for his efforts - a tidy sum for a tidy face!

75th Anniversary Celebrations

DON'T FORGET

SATURDAY 13th MAY 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL at SHEFFIELD CATHEDRAL. Groups to contact Sally Tate at the Diocesan Education Office (0742) 754386 beforehand for more information.

SUNDAY 14th MAY The Bishop's Birthday Message to the Diocese at 6.00 p.m. on Radio Sheffield.

Welfare - A Moral Issue? A Christian Perspective

The published version of the talks given by Michael Bayley in the Cathedral Hall is now available. For anyone who wants to gain an understanding of the reasons behind the present problems of our health, welfare and benefit systems, this is a must.

Its great strength is the way Christian and theological insights are an integral part of the argument, not added on as an afterthought. It shows why the disagreements between the churches and the government are so persistent and so profound.

Available from: 17 Barkers Road, Sheffield S7 1SD and some bookshops including the Cathedral Bookshop and the Methodist Bookshop in Sheffield. ISBN no. 0 950 2235 30. Price £2.00 + 30p p&p
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The Leprosy Mission

"All Things New"...conjures up feelings of easy comfort but, in fact, these words lie at the heart of what Leprosy Mission is doing among sufferers in countries like Nepal, Bhutan, India and Thailand.

"All Things New"...is the title of an evening of slides showing the paradox of joy springing up in situations of misery and despair. May I come and share the story with your group? If so, I would be glad to hear from you. Please write to: Rev Hugh N. McKee BA, 19 Woodside Drive, Wrenthorpe, Wakefield WF2 0NA.

"All Things New"...for us as well! That's the other side of the story we will share. Do write."

Synod Digest

THE DIOCESE OF SHEFFIELD is to enter into a partnership with the Diocese of Guildford. This was the major decision at the March meeting of Sheffield Diocesan Synod. After an excellent debate voting was 76 in favour of the link, and 22 against with 6 abstentions. Those against the partnership, including at least one unrepentant southerner, were anxious about the possibility of coachloads of folk from the Diocese of Guildford being bussed around Urban Priority Areas "up north". Those in favour, including at least one repentant southerner, urged the partnership on the grounds of increasing understanding at all levels of Church life. An amendment, proposing that partnership costs be split fifty/fifty was rejected.

RURAL ADVISER: YES. There was wholehearted support from Synod members that the appointment of the Bishop's Rural Adviser, be extended for a further 5 year period at the end of the current term in June, 1990. The post is held by the Revd John Woods.

EVANGELISM ADVISER: NOT YET. But a "hold" was put on the appointment of an Adviser on Evangelism (proposed by the Committee for Mission and Unity). Canon Mike West proposed "next business" on this one, with the effect of blocking any further debate for the time being. He did not do this, he said, to wreck the idea of such an appointment, but in order to give Synod members and Mission and Unity, more time to consider the appointment.

UNITY GO-AHEAD. The two Canons (rules and regulations) of the Church of England were noted, as duly promulgated and executed at the last Sessions of the General Synod. Canon B43 regulates a range of matters concerned with the participation of Anglican clergy in the services of other denominations and Canon B44 covers issues arising in areas designated as Local Ecumenical Projects.

Reporting the meeting of SHEFFIELD DIOCESAN SYNOD held in Herringthorpe, Rotherham on Saturday, March 11th, 1989. From the Diocesan Communication Officer, the Revd Roy Arnold.

DECADE DETAIL: The Bishop of Sheffield proposed "that there be a Decade of Evangelism in the Diocese commencing with a Gathering of the parishes at Doncaster Race Course on June 10th 1990", and everyone agreed.

REPORTS were received from the Bishop's Council, from the Diocesan Finance Committee and Professor David McClean and Mr. Leslie Fletcher dealt with questions arising.

QUESTION TIME brought questions on future debate on "Salvation and the Church" (the latest document produced by the Anglican Roman Catholic International unity discussions). It was reported that debate would be encouraged later in the year when a Study Guide would be available. Anxieties about the Maseno North Link were aired and will be debated at some future stage. No progress was reported on the appointment of a new Adult Education Officer for the Diocese, and a question was asked about whether or not members of the Diocesan Staff could or could not be permitted to be elected to Parochial Church Councils. The answer seemed to be that it all depends, but there was obvious difficulties in Diocesan Staff members serving on Diocesan Synod under regulations of the Charity Commissioners.

ELECTIONS: Mr. P.W. Allott was appointed to the Bishop's Council as a lay representative and Mr. David Wilson was appointed to the Diocesan Board of Patronage.

IN THE CHAIR for the first time at the March meeting of Diocesan Synod was the Revd Gordon Taylor, as the new Clerical Vice Chairman of Synod...and very well he did too. The **NEXT MEETING OF SYNOD** will be June 17th 1989 at Snaith.

CHEQUE UP

Presentation of a cheque for £1,000 to the Archdeacon of Sheffield, the Ven Stephen Lowe by Mr. John Ferguson TSB District Manager on 6 February 1989 at the Norfolk Street office, on behalf of the TSB Charitable Foundation towards the expenses of Mr. Brian Shipman who has been seconded to Sheffield Diocese as the Community Links Officer

The photograph (left to right) Dr. Ian S. McCollough, Faith in the City Development Worker, Mr. Brian Shipman, the Archdeacon of Sheffield, Rev Michael Keen, who was Diocesan Unemployment Officer, and Mr. John Ferguson.



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ALL SAINTS SCHOOL NEWS

The Spring Term ended with an Easter Garden Service which was attended by parents, governors and some members of All Saints Church (thank you very much for coming). Miss Hazel Perfect had the difficult task of judging the Children's Decorated Egg Competition, but finally chose the following as winners: Cherry Challis, John Coggins, Katie Herring, Katja Alcock, and Susan Parker. Miss Anna Baldry had the equally difficult task of judging the adults' Cake competition; this was won by Mrs. Barbara Ward with Mrs. Rosemary Bolton in second place. I would like to thank Hazel and Anna again for judging the competitions and their support.

This drawing of the Easter Garden is by Simon Dorling.



As we had been fund-raising for the NSPCC and the Goodwill Children's Village during the term we couldn't get as "carried away" as many schools in the city on Comic Relief Day. However we did have lots of fun on the day with staff and pupils in fancy-dress and raised £142. Almost £100 of this was collected by Simon, William and Robert Dorling who kept on their fancy-dress outfits and collected around the local shops after school.

Joan Stratford.

PARISH ROTAS

Flowers

	<u>Altar</u>	<u>Memory Table</u>
7 May	Mrs Tym	Mrs Pearce
14 May	Mrs. Harvatt	Mrs. Harvatt
21 May	Mrs Jones & Miss Steward	Mrs. Beeley
28 May	Mrs. Bryer	Mrs. Mason
4 June	-	Mrs. Wiggett

Silver Cleaning

7 May	Mrs. A Waite
21 May	Mr Beaumont
4 June	Mrs E Powell

Parish Breakfast

7 May	Miss T Powell and Mr Whitehead
14 May	Mrs Job and Mrs Murrell
21 May	Mrs Ruthven and Mrs Snowdon
28 May	Mrs E Powell and Miss Bird
4 June	Mr and Mrs Carter

CHURCH LIBRARY

The collection of books in the entrance to the Church Hall now contains books for children as well as adults.

The Children's books are aimed mainly at the under 8 year olds, but hopefully some will be of interest to adults and older children too (Birthday/Christmas present ideas?).

Please feel free to look through any of the books on display or in the drawers under the display case.

Borrowing is easy, just a note of your name and book number please, so we know who's got what - Return the book when you've finished with it.

JUNIOR CHOIR NEWS

Congratulations to Valerie Ruthven on obtaining her pale blue ribbon.

Congratulations to Judy Burke on winning 1st prize of a stereo system in a poster competition for No Smoking.

CHILD HELPLINE



Child Helpline established in October 1986 a confidential telephone counselling service for children who are the victims of sexual, physical or mental abuse. Trained volunteer counsellors will listen sympathetically to children needing help. There is now a freefone number for children to call: 0800 919 300

Volunteer counsellors are trained by a specialist in this field. They work on the telephone help line, go into schools and work with teachers, and see to the administration work of the office.

More volunteers are needed to take up training, about 2 hours a week, to be good listeners, willing to give up some of their time, and above all to be concerned and sympathise with the young people who ring.

If you feel you can help contact Child Helpline at:
40 Trippet Lane, Sheffield. Tel: 769696

CLASSICS AT KING ECGBERTS

Anyone interested in New Testament Greek? - No knowledge of foreign languages or any formal qualifications necessary. All welcome.

A new beginners course is planned for September, with classes to be held in the daytime.

Other courses to be offered are: Classical Studies (A level) and Latin (A level and GCSE level).

Further information from John Wade, Head of Classics at King Ecgbert School - Tel 369931 Ext. 141 or (home) 360820.

LADIES WORKING PARTY

Spring Luncheon will be held on Saturday 13th May at 12.30pm in the Church Hall. Tickets £2.25 including coffee, will be available from members of the Ladies Working Party. Coffee Morning with Bring & Buy will be held at the home of Mrs. C. Billard, 59 Sunnyvale Road, on Thursday 18th May 10-12 noon. The Next Meeting will be held in the Church Hall on Tuesday 23rd May at 2.15pm.

GARDEN PARTY TIME

Preparations are well under way for the Garden Party on 17th June, but it will only be a success if everyone plays their part. Here's an A B C of helping!

- A) Offer an item/items for the stalls, or as a prize in the grand Draw which is being organised to coincide with the Garden Party.
 - B) Give a helping hand on the day - in getting the grounds ready, assisting with teas, running a sideshow or assisting on a stall.
 - C) Get the word around to encourage many to come - sell programmes and Draw tickets as far afield as you can.
- If you are not sure who to approach in connection with ABC then contact the Vicar.

Preliminary Competitions include a Children's Poster Competition and a Cake Competition (Men's & Women's categories) - recipe entry from Church at 20p each.

Enter into the spirit of fun at Garden party time - it is all in a good cause - the proceeds are going to the Bishop's Appeal for Inner City Aid, the Martin House Children's Hospice, and the Leprosy Mission. (Did you know there are 5 million children suffering from leprosy today in the poorer countries of the world?)

LIVELINK MISSION

The Livelink Mission involves the relaying by satellite of the Billy Graham meeting at Wembley on 26th June to 1st July to numerous venues throughout the country. One of these is Sheffield City Hall.

All Saints' have arranged for a coach to the City Hall on Wednesday 28th June. Please use it to bring someone with you. Car transport can be organised for all evenings as required though it is easy to get to the City Hall by service bus.

Tickets will be available from Gordon Grayson (360913). Although entry is free, tickets in advance have a seat reservation fee of 25p - and a seat will be kept up to 15 minutes before starting time.

Help is required in different ways with the Mission (contact Gordon) and your prayer support, interest and encouragement will be appreciated.

NEWSLETTER FROM INDIA

From Theodore and Diana Srinivasagam of the Indian Evangelical Mission.

The IEM Board met on 10 January and provisionally designated Theo as the next General Secretary of the Mission from June 1990. So we have been granted study leave in England for up to a year. We cannot organise ourselves to start the leave in March but hope to by May. Please pray that God will guide and provide. We need financial backing and a place to live. The goal of the study will be to see how other Missions do things, and to find God's will for the IEM.

The Methodist Church of India want to send out their own Missionaries. Theo was one of a team teaching them how to go about it. The big student missionary conference was attended by about 500 students and young graduates. 130 committed themselves to be involved in Missions one way or another. Pray for lasting fruit. The tribal believers on our nearest Mission Field, Kandikuppam, have built their first ever church. It is a simple building but a wonderful testimony to the grace of God. The India Missions Association wants to survey the whole of India to find out which groups of people still need to hear the gospel. Theo is Chairman of the Committee organising this. Pray for wisdom and finance.

Thank you for the Christmas cards letters and prayers.

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| 1 Mon | Christian Aid Family Trek |
| | 6.30pm PARISH PARTY for Diocesan Anniversary |
| 2 Tue | 1.45pm Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close |
| | 7.30pm Ladies Club - "Canework Demonstration" |
| | 8.00pm Men's Fellowship - 113 Green Oak Road |
| | 8.00pm Council of Churches AGM |
| 3 Wed | 10.45am Morning Fellowship - 3 Akley Bank Cl. |
| | 8.00pm Wednesday Fellowship - 1 Quarry Road
and 57 Sunnyvale Road |
| 4 Thu | 2.00pm Pram Service |
| 9 Tue | 1.45pm Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close |
| 10 Wed | 8.00pm Wednesday Fellowship 113 and 126
Green Oak Road |
| 11 Thu | 2.00pm Young Mums - Vicarage |
| | 8.00pm Contemplative Prayer Group - 12 Marstone Cr. |
| | 8.00pm Young Adult Fellowship-43 Rowan Tree Dell |
| 13 Sat | 12.30pm SPRING LUNCHEON - Church Hall
Christian Aid Week to 20 May |
| 15 Mon | 7.30pm All Saints' Nursery/Playgroup meeting -School |
| 16 Tue | 12.15pm Liaison Lunch - Church Hall |
| | 1.45pm Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close |
| | 7.30pm Ladies Club - Coffee Evening & Bring & Buy |
| 17 Wed | 2.00pm Afternoon Fellowship |
| | 8.00pm Wednesday Fellowship - 1 Quarry Road
and 57 Sunnyvale Road |
| 18 Thu | 10.00am to 12 noon COFFEE MORNING
59 Sunnyvale Road |
| | 2.00pm Young Mums - Vicarage |
| | 8.00pm Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage |
| | 8.00pm PCC Meeting - Crypt |
| 20 Sat | 2.30pm Holy Matrimony (Justin Rowles &
Amanda Ayling) |
| | 4.30pm PICNIC & SERVICE for Christian Unity |
| 23 Tue | 1.45pm Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close |
| | 2.15pm Ladies Working Party - Church Hall |
| | 7.00pm All Saints' Governors meeting - School |
| 24 Wed | 8.00pm Wednesday Fellowship - 113 & 126 Green
Oak Road |
| 25 Thu | 2.00pm Young Mums - Vicarage |
| | 8.00pm Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage |
| | 8.00pm Young Adult Fellowship - 10 Twentywell Dr. |
| 30 Tue | 1.45pm Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close |
| 31 Wed | 8.00pm Wednesday Fellowship - 1 Quarry Road
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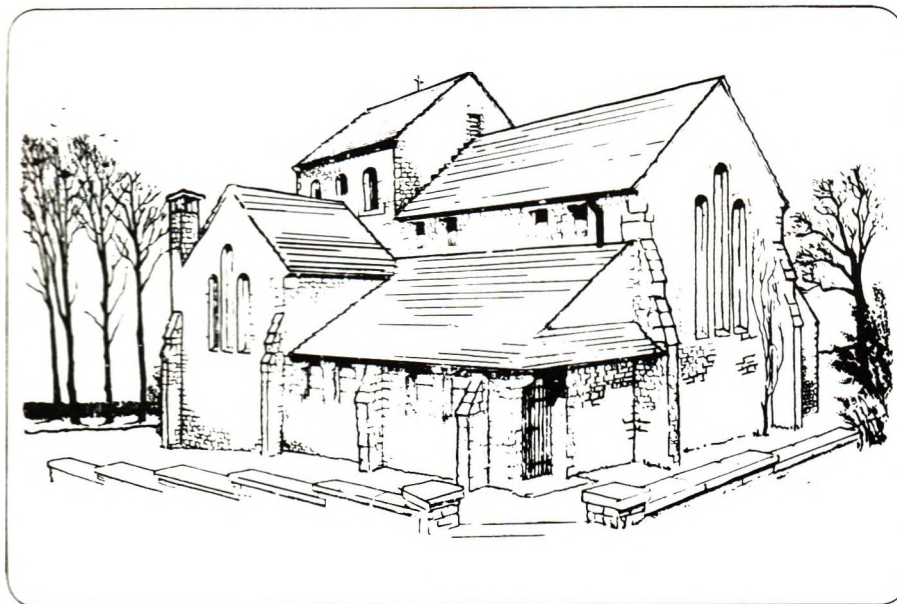
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Later this month Sheffield will be taking part in the Livelink Mission in which the message of Billy Graham at Wembley will be beamed live by satellite to many towns across the country. Due to modern technology he will be speaking to more people in one evening than St. Paul did in all his years of missionary activity. However, many who come will be there because of the personal invitation and encouragement of a friend. At grass roots level the simple sharing of our faith does have an impact which we may never fully realise.

In sharing what we understand of Jesus Christ, our intention is not to score points in heaven on the basis of how many converts we have made. Rather, in the same way that we might share with our friends any good news or good fortune which might come our way, evangelism is the natural expression in everyday life and conversation of something we value and treasure. It follows that the more our faith means to us the more it will become genuinely apparent to others.

I write this on Trinity Sunday. I see the sense of PURPOSE, POWER and PRESENCE of God which our faith can lead us to as a treasure to share. God the Father who made us has a plan for the lives of all He has created. In Jesus Christ, the Son, we see the power of good over evil, of life over death. Through the Holy Spirit we experience the presence and strengthening power of God in all the ups of life and His guidance and comfort.

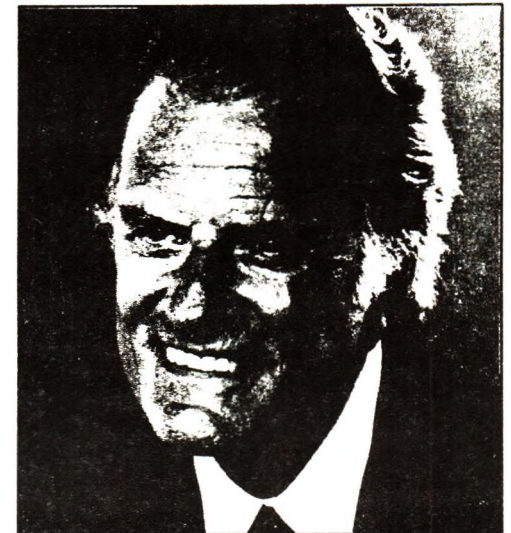
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4th PENTECOST 3

Theme: The People of God

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Holy Communion (ASB)

Epistle: Romans 6: 3-11 (NEB)

Gospel: St. John 15: 5-11 (JB)

Theme: The Church's Unity and Fellowship

6.30pm Evensong (BCP)

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 8: 11-20 (NEB)

New Testament: St. Luke 8: 41-56 (NEB)

11th PENTECOST 4

Theme: The Freedom of the Sons of God

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: Galatians 3: 23-4; 7 (TEV)

Gospel: St. John 15: 12-17 (JB)

10am Young Saints

Theme: The Church's Mission to the Individual

6.30pm Evensong (ASB)

Old Testament: Isaiah 63: 7-14 (RSV)

New Testament: St. Luke 15: 1-10 (RSV)

18th PENTECOST 5

Theme: The New Law

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: Ephesians 5: 1-10 (NEB)

Gospel: St. Matthew 19: 16-26 (NEB)

10am Family Service

Theme: The Church's Mission to all men

6.30pm Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: Acts 11: 4-18 (NEB)

Gospel: St. Luke 10: 1-12 (NEB)

25th PENTECOST 6

Theme: The New Man

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: Colossians 3: 12-17 (RSV)

Gospel: St. Luke 15: 11-32 (RSV)

10am Young Saints

6.30pm Evensong (ASB)

Old Testament: Micah 6: 1-8 (RSV)

New Testament: St. Mark 10: 46-52 (NEB)

WORDS OF CONTEMPLATION

The text and watchword for this month are:

"Be silent before ME" (Isaiah 41:1)

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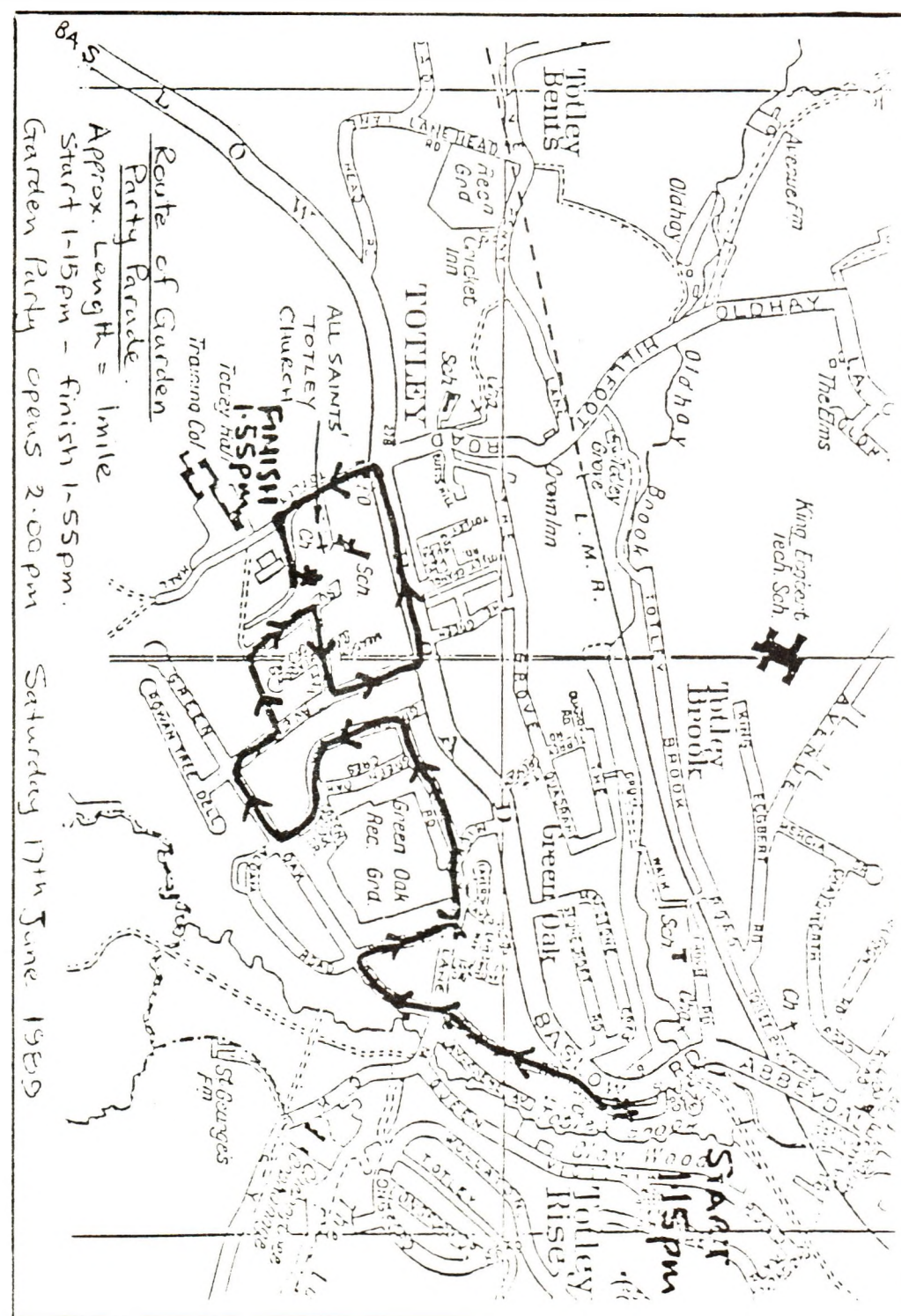
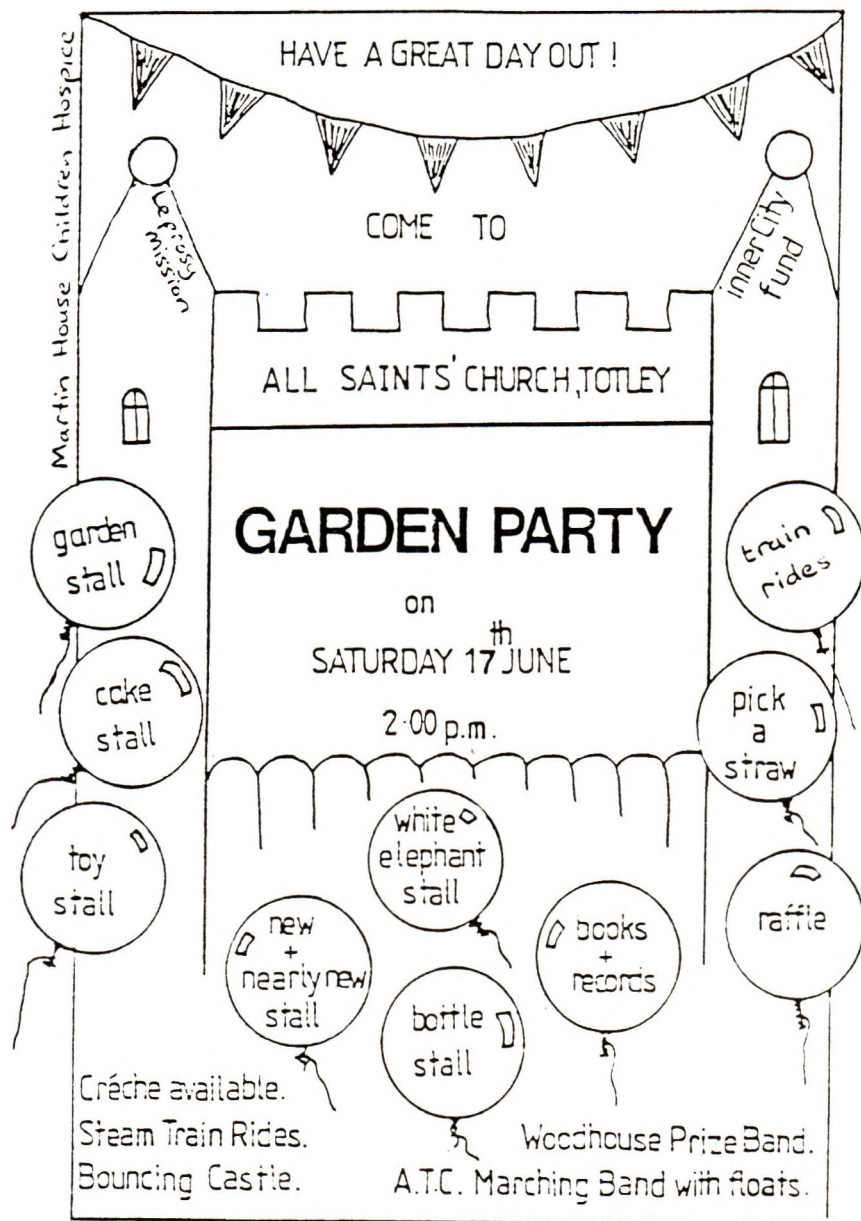
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4 June	-	Mrs Wiggett
11 June	Mrs. Hill-Wilson	Mrs Hall
18 June	Miss Gillott	Miss Gillot
25 June	Wedding	Mrs Parsons
2 July		Mrs Beeley

Silver Cleaning

4 June	Mrs E Powell
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PARISH BREAKFAST

4 June	Mr & Mrs Carter
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2 July	Mrs S Cook & Mrs Thompson



HEARD IT BEFORE?

THE CHARITY Shelter published in its Lent Extra sheet last year a poem sent to it by a homeless woman who turned to a church for help and received none:

I was hungry, and you formed a discussion group to discuss my hunger.

I was imprisoned, and you quietly crept off to your chapel and prayed for my release.

I was naked, and in your mind you debated the morality of my appearance.

I was sick, and you knelt and thanked God for your health.

I was homeless, and you preached to me of the spiritual shelter of the love of God.

I was lonely, and you left me alone to pray for me.

You seem so holy, so close to God.

But I am still very hungry — and lonely — and cold.

JESUS SEES double. He sees us not only as the people we are, but as the people we might become: 'Thou art Simon - thou shalt become Peter.' Would that we all had this double vision about people!

W.E.Sangster

A YOUNG mission worker confided to a friend that he was always looking for guidance from the Lord, and he had come to South America because, when he was considering his vocation, he had suddenly seen a chocolate bar with a Brazil-nut...

'What **would** you have done if you'd seen a Mars bar?' asked his friend.

NOBODY is wrong all the time. Even a clock that has stopped is right twice every 24 hours.

THE GRAND HIGHWAY?



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THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE

Writes the Bishop of Sheffield



The Creeds that start so splendidly with God end with us! 'The resurrection of the body and the life everlasting' proclaims our Christian belief that the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ means that for us death is a gateway to life. But a certain vagueness about what this means can take the edge off this particular piece of 'Good News'.

Astonishingly some Christians - so the pollsters tell us - don't believe in 'life after death' at all. Others so spiritualize the idea that somehow in the future life will be so swept into the Godhead that we lose our identity as surely as does a drop of water falling into the sea. Others again have their visions of the hereafter so earthbound that the future life sinks into an infinite extension of the better moments of this life. And yet others make the absurd attempt to tie into the Christian tradition ideas of reincarnation. For this 'Life' that lies beyond the grave to have meaning for us it must have three distinctive qualities. First it must be clearly the same life on both sides of the experience of death. If in the 'new' life we had no memory or knowledge of the old life it could have no meaning for us. As an exercise in Divine bookkeeping we might count as the same person but without the unifying bond of memory that could have no significance for us.

Secondly we must be able to meet with, and recognise, friends old and new. Surely this is what the phrase 'resurrection of the body' is really about. We become ourself through our meetings with other people. Our 'body' gives us identity and individuality. And that individuality and identity makes it possible for us to enter, even in this earthbound life, into an almost infinite variety of relationships with others. Without those whom we love heaven couldn't be heaven. Without the possibilities of giving and receiving love and affection we wouldn't be human and we wouldn't be 'made in God's image and after his likeness'.

Yet, thirdly, this new life is a 'spiritual' life that escapes from the limitations of our present physical existence. We enter here into matters beyond our experience. We know the constraints of time and space. we cannot imagine growth without change. Most of our relationships are in some sense exclusive and we find it hard to see how it could be otherwise. For most of us our consciousness of the presence of God is so imperfect that we can't grasp what it will be like to 'know even as we are known'.

All this has relevance for the debate about the nature of Christ's Resurrection. The Gospel account of the Risen Christ is curiously different from that given, for example, of the crucified Christ. Gerald Priestland has used the word 'ragged' of these appearances of the Risen Jesus to his disciples. Many in every age would have liked a fuller record. But I've come to see, in the little we have, the mysterious providence of God. For we are told the three things we need to know. Firstly that this is the same Jesus as the Jesus who had travelled with his disciples from Galilee to Jerusalem and had been crucified 'outside the City wall'. The empty tomb, the marks in his hands, the varied greetings to the disciples, all in their different ways make this point certain. Secondly it is made very clear that the Risen Christ remains a person with a real individuality capable of making, sustaining, and renewing friendships. In this way he re-establishes his personal leadership of the Church - it is to be the Church of Jesus Christ. But thirdly, we are left in no doubt that this is a risen, and not a resuscitated, Christ. Despite the all-important continuities the Risen Christ in his spiritual body does transcend time and space and sees the beginning for that relationship with his disciples, however numerous, however scattered, and in whatever bit of time they may be, that is to be the pattern for the Church's life.

Much about the Resurrection still arouses our curiosity. But I believe speculation here to be fruitless. We have been told what we need to know and with that I can be content.

Jesus lives! thy terrors now
Can, O Death, no more appal us;
Jesus lives! by this we know
Thou, O grave, canst not enthrall us.
Alleluia!

DAVID LUNN
Bishop of Sheffield

THE DIOCESE OF SHEFFIELD — CELEBRATING IN OUR 75th YEAR

Places to Visit

The Young Families Department of The Mothers' Union in the Diocese has organised a very lively day for all ages - whether they come alone or as families whether they are church-goers or not. There will be magic shows, side-shows, races, a drama workshop, painting, music making and a local band.

It will be on **Saturday, 10th June** in the grounds of **Barnburgh Rectory** and activities will take place from 10.30 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. Barnburgh is west of Doncaster, turn south off the A635 at Hickleton. Come for fellowship and fun and bring with you your picnic lunch. Drinks and ice-cream will be available.

Flower Festival at St. Peter's Church, Barnburgh and St. James' Church, High Melton, June 23rd-25th. 10.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m.

The smallest parish in the Diocese holds its **Annual Garden party on June 24th**, opening at 3.00 p.m. in the Bishop of Doncaster's garden. Usual Stalls and Teas served from Ann's kitchen. All are welcome. **Hooton Roberts** is on the A630 between Rotherham and Conisbrough.

And why not combine your visit to the Garden Party with a visit to the first miners' chapel, built in 1911 for the miners of Silverwood Colliery, when you will be welcome to the **Flower Festival (June 23rd & 24th)** between 10.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m. at **St. Peter's Church, Whinney Hill** (next door to the old Foster's Supermarket - ask at Foster's Garden Centre on the A630) See the unprepossessing little church transformed into a place of beauty.

St. Simon and Jude, Thurcroft, has it's Golden Jubilee this year, and warmly invites you to: **Friday 23rd to Monday 26th June, Flower Festival** 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.



Clergy Moves

The Revd. Norman Smith, N.S.M., St. Peter, Greenhill, to continue his ministry at St. Mary, South Shore, Blackpool.

The Revd. John Featherstone to be Assistant Curate at St. John the Baptist, Mexborough.

The Revd. June Kellam has been appointed Chaplain's Assistant at the Royal Hallamshire Hospital.

The Revd. Colin John Fletcher, Curate at All Saints, Hockerill, in the Diocese of St. Albans, to be Vicar of St. Hugh, New Cantley.

The Revd. Ken Dagger, Deputation Organiser for the Children's Society, to be Assistant Curate at St. Mary, Lowton, Nr. Leigh, in the Diocese of Liverpool.

Please pray for those to be made Priest in Sheffield Cathedral on 1st July, 1989:

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James Bentley Blackman serving at St. Peter, Hoyland

Jack Davis serving at Owlerton

John Graham Fairhurst serving at Whiston

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Sunday, 25th June 6.30 p.m. Band Concert and Organ Recital by Thurcroft Welfare Band and Mr. Tony Hayden, Parish Church Organist.

Tuesday 27th to Friday 30th June. Exhibition of photos and memorabilia of 50 years of Church and Village Life.

Saturday, 1st July: 50th Anniversary of the Dedication of the Church 12 noon: Celebration Mass: Celebrant Bishop William of Doncaster, and Preacher, the Revd. Peter Wright, Rural Dean. 2.30 p.m. Garden Party 7.15 p.m. Concert in Church by Thurcroft Amateur Theatre Group.

Sunday, 2nd July Family Mass 10.00 a.m. Preacher, the Revd. Stuart Matthews, the former Vicar of Thurcroft, and **6.30 p.m. Songs of Praise.**

All Saints' Church, Owston holds it's **Flower Festival on 7th, 8th, 9th July**, the Church being open each day from 10.00 a.m. The theme this year is "The Living World". Access to Owston is from the Doncaster to Selby Road A 19, opposite Dario's Restaurant. Festival Services include Friday, 7th July, Holy Communion at 7.30 p.m.; Sunday, 9th July Family Service at 11.00 a.m. and Evensong at 6.30 p.m. with the Bishop of Sheffield.

A concert will be given in the church on Saturday Evening at 7.30 p.m. by the Armthorpe Elmfield Band (Musical Director Haydn Griffiths) Admission £1.50 for adults, £1 concessions.

If you are going on the **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Hexham** under your own steam, rather than British Rail's on 24th June, contact Mrs. Hannam, 36 Highbury Crescent, Bessacarr, Doncaster. Tel: Doncaster 536196, to tell her numbers and for information about times and booklets.

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Paul Stanley Bagshaw serving at Woodhouse
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Philip Dobson of Trinity, Bristol to St. Mark, Grenoside

Robert Fitzharris of Lincoln to St. Leonard, Dinnington

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Stephen Wright of Trinity, Bristol to St. Nicholas, Thorne

Michael Burke of Trinity, Bristol to St. James, Anston

David Sherwin of St. John's Nottingham to St. Peter, Conisbrough

Miss Janet Hardy of Trinity, Bristol to St. Paul, Wordsworth Avenue

Mrs. Sue Proctor of Northern Ordination Course to St. Mary, Beighton



Bishop Simon Burrows, Bishop William and Bishop David



Michael Bishop of Guildford

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Sheffield Cathedral was packed to the doors on April 30th. with representatives from almost every parish in the Diocese to mark the occasion of the 75th Anniversary of the Dedication of the Cathedral and the inauguration of the Diocese. Preaching at the service was the Bishop of Buckingham, the Rt. Revd. Simon Burrows, grandson of the first Bishop of Sheffield.

Bishop David welcomed Bishop Michael Adie of Guildford to the service, and spoke of his hopes for the link now established between our two dioceses.

Bishop David led the congregation who had come from far and wide, in an Act of Dedication at the beginning of this Anniversary Year.

O God who has guided and strengthened your Church with the gift of the Holy Spirit: give us the help of the same Spirit in all our life and worship, that we may expect great things from you, and attempt great things for you, and show to the world your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Right Revd. Stewart Cross

Bishop David expressed the thankfulness of the whole Diocese in his words at the Choral Evensong at the Cathedral in thanksgiving for the life and ministry of Stewart Cross, Bishop of Blackburn and former Bishop of Doncaster from 1976-82, who died on 6th April, 1989.

Many parishes and individuals in the Diocese have cause to be thankful for the part that he played in their lives during his time here. Michael King, Tower Captain of All Saints, Darfield near Barnsley, reports that a half-muffled peal of their eight bells was rung after the news of his death, for Stewart Cross was a bell-ringing Bishop. When he first arrived in the Diocese, after the dedication of the rehung ring of six bells at St. Nicholas, Bradfield, he joined in with the opening celebratory session of ringing. Several years later, having dedicated two new treble bells at Darfield, he climbed the tower steps and rang one of the new bells, with members of the local company at the ropes of the other seven.

As we express our privilege in having had Stewart as part of our lives, we extend our love to Mary and their family.

The Bells and Rural Drives

If you have decided this summer to go rural and discover the beautiful parishes of South Yorkshire, by sending to the Bishop's Rural Advisor, the **Revd. John Woods**, at the **Rectory, Barnburgh, Near Doncaster, DN5 7ET**, Tel: Rotherham 892598, for a pack of Guides, Maps and Information (at no cost, while stocks last), and you happen on your travels to hear the church bells of Barnburgh, High Melton, Hooton Pagnell, Hickleton and Marr ringing, you are most welcome to follow the sound and then meet the ringers and see the bells being rung. In the information pack you will find all kinds of information, including places and events of interest and local hosteliaries. Why not get out and about this summer!

ASB 2000

The Liturgical Commission of the Church of England is now beginning to look again at The Alternative Service Book with a view to a major revision around the year 2000. As part of the preparation for this, it is anxious to discover from the Church what the feelings are about the ASB 1980, which has now been in use for the last nine years.

The Diocesan Liturgical Committee has already written to the clergy and Parochial Church Councils asking for their views and in addition has arranged two meetings to which all are welcome. Both start at 7.30 p.m. and are on **Monday, 3rd July** at All Saints, Woodlands, Doncaster and **Tuesday, 4th July** at the Cathedral, Sheffield.

Run the straight race Forward to 1990

The plans for the Diocesan Celebration on Sunday, 10th June, 1990 on Doncaster Racecourse, which will be the climax of our 75th Anniversary Year, and also the launching pad for our decade of mission, are now beginning to take shape.

The Reverend Derek Turnham has agreed to act as Executive Officer for this event, and at first will be acting in a part-time capacity, moving into a full-time role later in this year, or early next.

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BILLY GRAHAM MISSION '89

JUNE 26th - JULY 1st 1989

Billy Graham is returning to London for what is perhaps his most ambitious Mission yet.

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The evenings at Earls Court, from June 26 - July 1, will be broadcast live by Satellite to over 200 centres in the U.K. and as far as N. Africa.

Within the diocese Christians have been preparing and training for counselling and follow up for those who will respond to the message. All are urged to **COME** and **BRING** friends, neighbours and family.

Local Centres include: Sheffield - City Hall. **Doncaster** - Odeon Cinema.

Barnsley - Bethel Community Centre. St Mary's Church. Odeon Cinema at 7.30 p.m. for 7.45 p.m.

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Holy Baptism

9 April

30 April

Oliver Michael Fabian

Joseph Michael Stringer

Louise Katharine Myers

Holy Matrimony

15 April

Peter Higgott & Jean Piper

Funerals

17 April

20 April

24 April

4 May

Ernest Taylor (75) 27 Aldam Road

John Samuel Osborn (78) 3 Green Oak Cres

Mary Agnes Hellyar 85 Sunnyvale Road

Henry Edwin Cotterill (61) 3 Newfield Cr. Dore

Ernest Taylor, born in Dore, was one of a large family, moving to Totley in his childhood. Well-known in Totley, he worked all his life at Totley Brickworks.

Jack Osborn was brought up in Attercliffe, moved to Woodseats at the time of his marriage and came to Totley 20 years ago. For much of his life he was manager of a Curtaining and Soft Furnishings department.

Agnes Hellyar came to Totley 21 years ago. For many years with her late husband, she had been licensee of the "Wellington" in Darnall. In recent years she has been a popular member at Green Oak Day Centre.

Ted Cotterill lived for 25 years on Sunnyvale Road before moving a few years ago to Dore. He had his own firm of Mechanical Services and had done a lot of work for the University of Sheffield.

DORE & TOTLEY LUNCHEON CLUB CELEBRATION

A coffee morning (with home made biscuits) is to be held at the United Reform Church Hall on Tuesday 11 July, 10am to 12 noon, to celebrate the 15th anniversary of the opening of the club. There will be a Corn Dolly demonstration by Mr & Mrs. Marsden. All are welcome, especially past and present helpers.

GOOD WISHES TO BILL & BETTY

Bill and Betty Nall will be moving shortly to Oswestry and we wish them every blessing in their new home. Betty was born in Sheffield but Bill, from Rochdale, came to Sheffield for his Wartime Service as a chemist and stayed on to make a career with the Ministry of Defence. Prior to coming to Totley 12 years ago they were active members at Holy Trinity, Millhouses where they had assisted with Sunday School and Youth Work. They have been loyal supporters of All Saints' and Betty, who was a social work assistant, represented All Saints' at the Liaison Lunch and on the Dore and Totley Christian Council, being its Secretary for many years. They welcome callers at their new home - 11 Nant Lane, Morda, Oswestry, Shropshire.

Choral Festival Evensong

On Saturday, June 17th, there is to be a Three Choirs Festival in St. John's Church. The choirs of St. John's, All Saints Totley and Christ Church Dore are uniting to sing Choral Evensong. This Festival used to be an annual event so the celebration of the 75th Anniversary of the Sheffield Diocese seemed to be a good opportunity to revive it. We have been very fortunate in persuading Mr. John Cooke of the Royal School of Church Music to conduct the Festival. Paul Green will be the organist and the preacher will be Bishop Kenneth Skelton. We have an exciting programme of music which includes "Zadok the Priest" and a lovely setting of the "Magnificat" and "Nunc Dimittis" by T. Tertious Noble.

Evensong will be sung at 6.00pm and we do hope you will enter the date in your diaries and come along to support your local Choirs.

LADIES WORKING PARTY NOTES

Jumble Sale - Friday 30 June, at 7pm. Jumble to be left in the Church Hall from 2pm onwards, please.

Gifts of Cakes, Needlework and Nearly New will be greatly appreciated for our stalls at the Garden Party.

Next Meeting is on Tuesday 27 June at 2.15pm in the Church Hall.

GREETINGS FROM NOTTINGHAM

Mick & Tricia Woodhead and family have written to say they've settled in well, College is great, and there is an "Open Day" at St. John's College on Saturday 10 June starting at 2pm to which students' home parishes are invited.

Details from Mick (tel. 0602 256036) if interested.

DIOCESAN CELEBRATION EVENSONG

We were privileged to be able to attend the Diocesan Celebration Evensong in the Cathedral on 30 April. For a Diocese to be 75 years old may not sound all that long but since the Sheffield Diocese was created in 1914 a great deal has happened for which it was very appropriate to thank God. Totley has not been in the Sheffield Diocese for all that time of course but since the occasion was a looking forward as well as a looking back it was very important that we and all the other parishes in the Diocese joined in.

The sermon was preached by Bishop Burrows of Huntingdon, a grandson of the first Bishop of Sheffield, and was a challenge for the future, raising questions as to whether we are ready, as a church, to face the future. Acknowledging that ways and customs have changed enormously in the recent past the bishop pointed out that today's experience shows that we must expect considerable changes in the future. Bringing the questions right home, are we as a church here in Totley ready to face the challenges of today and tomorrow? It is a question we all need to face squarely.

Another look to the future in the service was offered by the presence of the Bishop of Guildford - visible evidence of the forging of the link between the two dioceses which is now taking place.

The service was a blend of old and new - some 1662, some 1928, and some ASB. The music too reflected this with some special items from the cathedral choir and hymns old and new for all to sing. All this was a happy compromise in a diocese which represents as many different views about everything as does the Church of England at large. Truly it was a magnificent occasion and we were happy to make the most of it. As the Bishop so rightly pointed out, not all of us will be around to celebrate the centenary.

Marjorie and Maurice Snowdon

ST. LUKE'S HOSPICE - SUMMER FAIR

- to be held in the grounds at Little Common Lane, off Abbey Lane, S11 (50 Bus Route), on Saturday 10 June 2pm to 5pm. Stalls, Amusements, Refreshments, Raffle (1st Prize generously donated by H.M. the Queen Mother). Admission free.

ECOLOGY

A book has been published recently, called: Doing our bit, a practical guide to the environment and what we can do about it. Price £1.65. (ISBN 870596 20X) Published by Brown and Brown, Keeper's Cottage, Westward, Wigton, Cumbria. CA7 8NQ. Also - for "people who care about the environment" - Sainsburys now stock ECOVER washing products which are 100% bio-degradable and therefore ecologically safe.

MARTIN HOUSE HOSPICE

A Concert in aid of the Hospice and sponsored by Totley Probus Club, will be given in ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, on Saturday 15 July at 7pm, by the DORE MALE VOICE CHOIR. The Soloists will be Master James Walkden (treble) of Dore, and Mr. G. Swindells (baritone) of Sheffield. Tickets - £2 each - can be obtained from:

Mrs. J. Hastings (890053), N Brearley (369212)
or members of Totley Probus Club.

CHESHIRE HOME

As many people in All Saints' already know we have been able to bring one or two people from the local Cheshire Home to the 10am Service on the second, fourth and fifth Sundays in the month. It has been a privilege to be able to do this and we have been grateful for the help and support of other members of the congregation. Inevitably however we shall be unable on some occasions to undertake this trip so we are looking for someone to offer to do the occasional stint. Since it involves driving the Cheshire Home bus and there are one or two things to know about it, the Home does keep a list of "authorised drivers". There is nothing very difficult about this but it needs a little forethought. Becoming "authorised" would permit driving help to be offered on other occasions from time to time if the person concerned were willing.

If you might be interested or would like to know more do have a word with one of us.

Marjorie & Maurice Snowdon

JUNIOR CHOIR NEWS

The Choir is now in the capable hands of Sally Scaife and Stella Jockel. Thanks to Olwen for all her hard work and enthusiasm over the years.

LADIES CLUB

There are two very interesting meetings at the Ladies Club this month. On 6 June, Bob and Jane Arkley are bringing their puppets; and on 20 June, the Ideal Homes Roadshow will demonstrate some of the new products from this year's Ideal Home Exhibition. All ladies are welcome to join us at either or both of these talks at 7.30pm in the Church Hall.

NEWSLETTER FROM SOUTHERN AFRICA

I am now over half way through my work as a Project Trust volunteer at this school for physically handicapped children in Umtata. I have had many opportunities to get to know the people and places of South Africa.

The first was when I helped transport the children back to their homes for the Christmas holiday; some to very isolated parts of Transkei.

The second opportunity came when we were sent on 6 weeks' leave for the Summer holiday. We began by sampling South African life in Durban then hitch hiked to Lesotho where we went on a 3 day pony trek in the wildest parts of the country. Next I hitched to Cape Town to join the other volunteers. We went to Midnight Mass led by Desmond Tutu on Christmas Eve and climbed Table Mountain at 3am to see the sun rise on New Year's Day - a truly wonderful experience.

Then I went North to Jo'burg - past the mine heaps of the Transvaal, where a Sheffield knife grinder called Samuel Marks established many of the gold and diamond industries. Sheffield's steel is famous even in the Transkei, and so back at school I have made a display on Sheffield and the origins of the steel industry.

The new school year began with new classes and new subjects to teach. While bringing the children back to school I fell ill with typhoid. After several weeks in hospital I have now returned and am coping with science, hobbies, art, singing, table tennis and pottery.

My future plans include working with an organisation called "Operation Hunger" to help feed the growing population of rural Transkei, and finding more ways to help the children whom I find absolutely fantastic and well worthwhile teaching. Once again I would like to thank my sponsors for making these experiences possible.

Jeremy Bezant, Ikhwezi Lokusa Special School

TOTLEY ALL SAINTS' PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP AND CHILDMINDERS

This group has been in existence for many years and meets at the Nursery/Playgroup building on the site of the Church School. However it is for any parents and youngsters in the area - not just the School parents. There are plenty of indoor and outdoor toys available, and on a fine day it is very pleasant to sit outside in beautiful surroundings. So come along on alternate Thursday afternoons in term time between 2pm and 3.20pm and meet with other parents.

There are facilities for making drinks. The Toy Library is also open on Thursday afternoons, with lots of educational toys for you to borrow for the small charge of 20p per week. The dates for the remainder of the Summer Term are 15th and 29th June and 13th July.

The local Childminders meet on the alternate Thursday afternoons.

For further information please contact:

Joan Stratford (Headteacher)	361934
Linda LeBrun (Parent & Toddlers)	365357
Wendy Edwards(Childminders)	350967

TOTLEY BANK HOUSE - GRANTOWN ON SPEY

It is with mixed emotions that we write this as we leave our much loved All Saints, which has meant so much to us, in Fellowship and the community as a whole. I appreciated the opportunity of going on the Pastoral course, and hope to put many of the things I have come to understand into operation. There is an Episcopal Church next door to the Guest House. We feel that God is working his purpose out in that He has guided us to buy the house in Scotland. Now we must go to "pastures new" but will remember our years at All Saints with affection. We look forward to being with you again in September for Tessa and Darren's wedding. Thanks to all our friends at All Saints especially the Junior Choir. God bless you all.

Irvine, Olwen & David.

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CONGRATULATIONS

To Christopher and Margaret Watson, now in Newcastle, on the birth on 25 April of their twins, Alex and Lewis, brothers for Rosalyn.

IN PERSPECTIVE

Occasionally the calm even tenor of religious life and thought is shattered by the odd explosion, some would say whimper depending on the depth of feeling aroused by these outburst. I refer to Bishop Jenkins' Easter thoughts and views on the resurrection, and Salman Rushdie's novel, "The Satanic Verses". Certainly the Bishop's words are almost forgotten, though at the time they exercised our minds which is good; that it did not affect our faith whatever views we hold is even better. I did not expect otherwise, we are not that sort of people. What is annoying is those people who rush into print at the drop of a hat (preferably belonging to a newspaper editor) pontificating on matters spiritual, and whose private lives may not be above reproach. We have no time to indulge in such luxury, we try to lead a Christian life guided by the Scriptures. I think what really matters is the life we pursue here on earth, so that we shall be worthy of our Lord's sacrifice. It is no use to think of the winning post until we are under starter's orders with the race to run. The poster on a Sharrow church is in no doubt about the end - it reads: "the end is not death, it is God".

R.B.

WHAT THE BISHOPS SAY

Are we to run a society in which there is no God, nothing beyond what you can count, what you can eat and measure?

Bishop of Birmingham

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Bishop Joost de Blank.

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Archbishop Heder Camera.

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R B

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1 Thu	2.00pm	Pram Service
	8.00pm	Standing Committee - 74 Main Ave
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
5 Mon	8.15pm	Mission Committee - Crypt
6 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	7.30pm	Ladies Club, "Puppets"
	8.00pm	Men's Fellowship - 113 Green Oak Road
7 Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 113 Green Oak Road
8 Thu	2.00pm	Young Mums - Vicarage
	7.15pm	Garden Party Meeting - Church Hall
	8.00pm	PCC Meeting - Crypt
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
13 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	8.00pm	Young Saints Leaders Meeting - Vicarage
14 Wed	2.00pm	Afternoon Fellowship - Meadow Grove Rd.
	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 1 Quarry Rd
15 Thu	2.00pm	Young Mums - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
17 Sat	2.00pm	GARDEN PARTY
	6.00pm	FESTIVAL SERVICE (Three Choirs) at St. John's
20 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	7.30pm	Ladies Club, "Ideal Homes Roadshow"
21 Wed	3.00pm to 4.30pm	All Saints School Children's Book Fair School Hall (To Fr 23 and Tue 26)
	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 113 Green Oak Rd
22 Thu	2.00pm	Young Mums - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group
24 Sat	2.00pm	Holy Matrimony (Bernard Lawrence & Rachel Hukin)
	5.00pm	Holy Matrimony (John Hatfield & Julia Watkins)
	4.30pm	All Saints School PTA Treasure Hunt.
	6.00pm	" " " " Barbecue. Adults £2 Children £1
26 Mon		LIVELINK MISSION RELAYS to 1 July
27 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	2.15pm	Ladies Working Party - Church Hall
28 Wed		Coach to Livelink Mission
29 Thu	11.30am	Holy Matrimony (Michael Hudson & Sonya Lewis)
	2.00pm	Young Mums - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
30 Fri	1.30pm	All Saints' School Sports Day
	7.00pm	JUMBLE SALE (Ladies Working Party)

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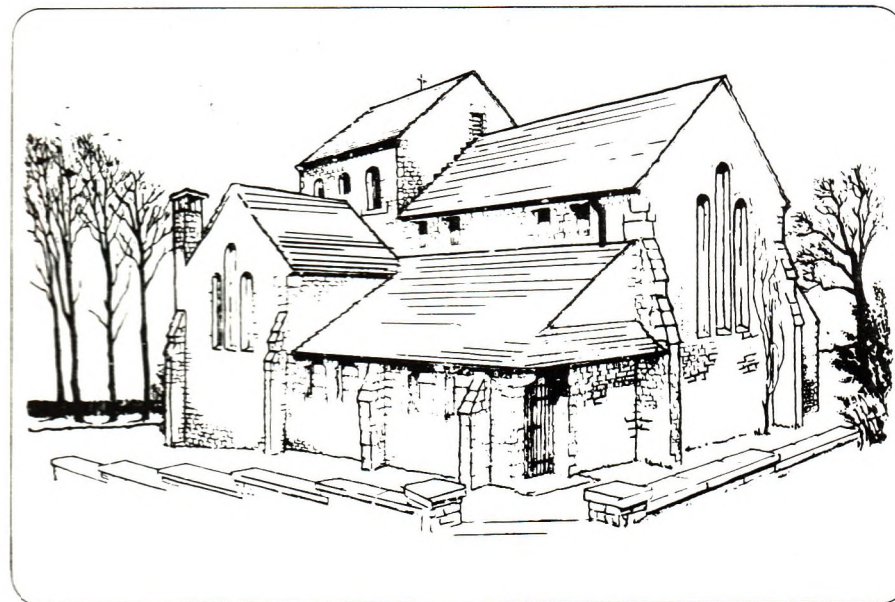
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Over this last month we have witnessed on our television screens the amazing scenes of protest by the people of China followed by the horrifying massacre. In a couple of months we shall no doubt be reminded of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the start of the Second World War which included within it both holocaust and Hiroshima.

One effect of the Second World War was a determination that these things should not happen again. People should not be slaughtered because of their political or religious beliefs, their racial or national ties. Sadly so many events since, and the events of China last month, show how far the world is from this ideal.

Yet I believe the future will show that those who died for freedom, justice and democracy did not give up their lives in vain. We can look back on the many martyrs in the early years of Christianity. At the time some may have wondered why they were wasting their lives in this way. Yet nothing anyone does is lost on future generations. Every act and thought has its effect. The more significant the action the more influential it will be. There is a sense therefore that the peaceful protests in China were made for us and future generations.

As we think of the tragic outcome of recent events, let us remember that the crucifixion was the prelude to resurrection and the ultimate purposes of God can never be defeated.

Yours sincerely,

Stewart Rayner

GARDEN PARTY

Our thanks to all who helped and supported the Garden Party on 17th June - the proceeds amounted to £1,000 and will be given to the Bishop's Appeal for Inner City Aid, the Martin House Hospice and the Leprosy Mission.

PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

21 May Jacob Daniel Schofield

Holy Matrimony

20 May Justin Howard Kingcombe Rowles and
Amanda Alice Ayling

Funerals

23 May Emily Davy (85) 84 Aldam Way
2 June Constance Victoria Alice Stansfield (94)
5 June Arthur Edward Wood (79) 26 Stonecroft Road

Emily Davy lived at Heeley and Woodseats before moving to Totley 13 years ago. She was caring and understanding to family and friends and will be missed by them.

Arthur Wood came to Totley about 30 years ago after working in India for Stead's supplying parts to the jute manufacturing industry. He had since been in steel manufacture in Sheffield.

Connie Stansfield See pages 8 and 9 for the Vicar's Address, though he has since had it pointed out that he omitted one well-known aspect of Connie's life - her hats!



THE difficulty of walking in the middle of the road is the considerable danger of being knocked flat from either side.

— KEN SHARPE

TRUE love does not say, 'Because I love you, you must do and be what I want'. True love says, 'I love you because you are you, and I wish you well, even if that 'well' does not include me'.

DOROTHY ROWE

SERVICES IN JULY

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am.

2nd PENTECOST 7

Theme: The More Excellent Way

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Holy Communion (ASB)

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 12:27 - 13:13 (NEB)

Gospel: St. Matthew 18:21-35 (JB)

10am Young Saints

11.30am Cheshire Home Communion

12-15pm Holy Baptism (Holly Sumner and Thomas Marsh)

6.30pm Evensong (BCP)

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 10:12-11:1 (NEB)

New Testament: Romans 8:1-11 (JB)

9th PENTECOST 8

Theme: The Fruit of the Spirit

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: Galatians 5: 16-25 (JB)

Gospel: St. John 15: 16-27

10am Young Saints

12 noon Holy Baptism

6.30pm Evensong (ASB)

Old Testament: Ezekiel 37: 1-14 (JB)

New Testament: St. Luke 6: 27-38 (NEB)

16th PENTECOST 9

Theme: The Whole Armour of God

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: Ephesians 6: 10-20 (RSV)

Gospel: St John 17: 11-19 (JB)

10am Family Service

3.30pm Cheshire Home Service

6.30pm Holy Communion (ASB & Anointing)

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:3-10 (NEB)

Gospel: St Mark 9:14-29

23rd PENTECOST 10

Theme: The Mind of Christ

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: Philippians 2: 1-11 (NEB)

Gospel: St John 13: 1-15 (NEB)

12 noon Holy Baptism

6.30pm Evensong

Old Testament: 1 Samuel 24:9-17 (NEB)

New Testament: St Luke 7:36-50 (JB)

30th PENTECOST 11

Theme: The Serving Community

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Holy Communion (ASB)

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:1-10 (NEB)

Gospel: St John 13:31-35 (JB)

6.30pm Evensong (BCP)

Old Testament: 1 Chronicles 29: 1-9 (NEB)

New Testament: St Matthew 20: 1-16 (NEB)

WORDS OF CONTEMPLATION

The text for this month is: "Come back to ME.....MY Love is unfailing.... I AM patient with you. I will take you and bring you to Zion." (Jeremiah 3: 12&14)

The watchword is: MY LOVE IS UNFAILING

SEA SUNDAY

On 9 July we are asked to remember seafarers and the church's ministry to them. The Missions to Seamen is the Anglican Church's ministry to seafarers and offers the hand of friendship regardless of their race or creed. There are centres in over 300 ports where seafarers can go to meet local Christian people and other seafarers. They can renew contact with their families and seek help with problems relating to their living and working conditions. The Missions to Seamen is one link in the chain of God's loving concern for all His seafarers.

ALL AGE FAMILY WALK

The Young Saints are organising a Family Walk on Saturday 15 July, meeting at Bakewell Station Car Park at 2pm. The walk will be along a level trail suitable for pushchairs or wheelchairs - an easy walk suitable for small children and the elderly. Please bring a picnic tea. All welcome.

CONCERNED FOR THE AGED

Are you interested in finding out about Confusion, Dementia, Alzheimer's Disease? An information day on "Dementia" will be held on Tuesday 18 July. Apply to Jane Bailey, Age Concern, 10 Carver Street, Sheffield - 757964.

TO BE ORDAINED AT BO

Tony Lindsay, our CMS Link Missionary in Sierra Leone, is to be ordained deacon at St. Paul's Pro-Cathedral in Bo on Sunday 2 July. Tony will continue his work as Administrator for the Bo Diocese and also be attached to St. Paul's as a non-stipendiary deacon.

FIRST TIME IN ALL SAINTS'

The wedding on 24 June between John Hatfield and Julia Watkins will mark a 'First' in the history of All Saints' in that it will be conducted by a woman. The Rev. Jane Keiller, the groom's sister, will perform the ceremony. Jane, who worked for six years at Holy Trinity, Cambridge, is at present Diocesan Deacon in Oman.

BROWNIES

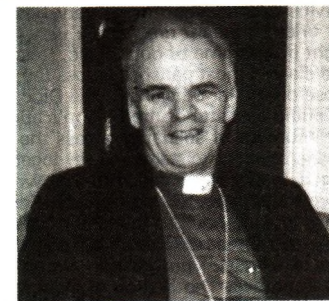
There is a very real possibility that our Brownie Pack will have to close and the new Brownies concerned transfer to other Packs, unless a new leader and helpers can be found by September. The Pack has been run by Mrs Ann Hinchcliffe for 22 years and we would, as a Church and Community, be very sad to see this happen. It is work which requires a commitment and enthusiasm but one which is also very rewarding.

Can you, or do you know anyone who could, train to take

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*"Almighty and everlasting God.....
hear our prayer which we offer
for all your faithful people;
that each in his vocation and ministry
may serve you in holiness and truth.."*



The Bishop of Doncaster writes:-

This month a group of men and women start their ministry in the Diocese as Deacons. As they exercise that ministry in their parishes, they will be acutely aware of the pristine whiteness of their clerical collars. If my own early experience is anything to go by they will also be under the impression that all and sundry have eyes fixed on their distinctive attire. (It hardly needs to be said that in reality the passing population's eyes are more likely to be focussed elsewhere!)

Another group are beginning their ministry as Priests; conscious of the humbling privilege of presiding at the Lord's Table over the eucharistic feast.

We all need praying for; but our newly ordained Priests and Deacons are in particular need of prayer. We remember them on the day of their ordination but we must continue to do so in the opening years of their ministry. What happens to them, what they learn and what they experience, will in large measure shape the future direction of their service for the Kingdom of God.

Do not forget to pray for the other clergy in the Diocese either. I don't ask this out of false sense of clerical importance. Clergy are part of the laity, members of the baptised community. Nevertheless if the clergy fail to be what God wants them to be, the life of the Church in the wider community is seriously hindered. We must pray that those ordained to the sacred ministry continue to be effective pastors and teachers, prophets and servants; above all faithful practitioners of the presence of God.

We are delighted that Bishop Ian Harland is to be the new Bishop of Carlisle. It can be said with suitable modesty that his many years in the Sheffield Diocese provided him with good preparation. We were greatly blessed through him and so will the Diocese of Carlisle be. Our love and best wishes go with him, Sue, and the family as they move in the Autumn.

On a much sadder note Graham Bewley, Vicar of Kimberworth, and previously Vicar of St. John, Park, died in May after a long and difficult illness. It is sometimes said that the Church of England doesn't produce clergy who are characters in the way it used to. That is not entirely true. If ever there was a character Graham was one; but a character for Christ. Outspoken, loving, committed, with a passionate concern both for evangelism and social justice, he made a lasting impact on anyone who knew him. On reflection I do not associate sadness with Graham. He has entered into the joy of his Lord. Gill, Rachel, Claire and Andrew will be in our prayers.

WILLIAM, Bishop of Doncaster

CELEBRATING ROTHERHAM

Following the tremendous performance given by the Colin Yates Big Band at the first of our 'Celebration' events in May, here is news of Event No. 2.

The Rotherham Sinfonietta, under the baton of Alistair Wood who is a Music Adviser to the Rotherham Education Department, will give a concert of 'Summer Music' in All Saints' Parish Church, Rotherham, at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 12th July. Admission £2. Everyone to pay at the door, please.

The third event will be Indian Classical Music in September. More about that another time. Any further information from Rev. Stuart Brindley on Rotherham 364341.

Radio Link-Up

Ready co-operation from BBC Radio Sheffield was the key to the success of our 75th Birthday Celebration Service on Pentecost Sunday (writes the Diocesan Communications Officer, the Revd Roy Arnold). Radio Sheffield provided us with public service broadcasting at its very best even though, for once, it meant dropping a very popular Sunday night programme of pop music. Reception was loud and clear in most parishes across the Diocese and for those on the far outskirts of the Diocese we provided an audio cassette of the Bishop's address. I felt that the moment of solidarity across the Diocese as the Bishop asked us to stand and say together the Apostles Creed was very significant. His word was one of encouragement for the present and the future, while looking back to the history of the Diocese not only over the past 75 years but also the much longer tale of Christian progress in South Yorkshire over the centuries. The Bishop of Doncaster, in his brief address spoke of the need for us all to continue our journey of faith and he gently invited those listening, and not involved in the life of the Christian Church, to remember the welcome always open to them at their parish church.

Many parishes across the diocese listened to the whole of the service on a beautiful Maytime evening, while others "opted out" after the Bishop's address.

Pentecost Sunday had been a special communication day in other ways because as well as the spoken word in the broadcast service every Anglican at church for Whitsun received a special letter from the Bishop and an update on the Bishop's £Million Appeal.

Youth in the City... Saturday 8th July

Youth Groups in the Diocese are invited to get to Clifton Park in Rotherham in an unusual and interesting way, raising money by sponsorship as they go for the Bishop's £Million Appeal and their own funds. A picnic in the park at 2.00 p.m. will be followed by a concert from 'City Vision', a walk to Rotherham Parish Church and a service at 4.30 p.m. It'll be a day to remember. More details from the Revd. Alan Griffiths at the Diocesan Education Office. Tel: Sheffield 754386.

APPOINTMENTS

The Revd. John Alec Smith, Vicar of St. Barnabas & St. Mary, Sheffield, to be Team Rector of the North Chippenham Group, in the Diocese of Bristol.

Dss. Eve Atherfold has been appointed part-time Diocesan Adult Education Officer and will continue to serve in the Fishlake Group of Parishes.

The Revd. Cyril Roberts was appointed Surrogate for the granting of Marriage Licences from 3.05.89.

The Revd. Patricia Needham, Parish Deacon at St. Peter's, Warmsworth, to be Parish Deacon at St. Chad's, Woodseats.

The Revd. Michael Fermer, Vicar of Brightside with Wincobank to be Vicar of Loscoe in the Diocese of Derby.

The Revd. B.J. Ruddock, Rector of St. Peter's, March in the Diocese of Ely to be Diocesan Unemployment Officer in the Diocese of Sheffield.

Just published

The Revd. Tom Dixon's first curacy was at St. Mary's, Bramhall Lane, Sheffield in the mid 1930s. Hard days in the city. He returned to work on the Manor for five years in the 1950s. He retired from St. Martin's, Gospel Oak in London in 1978 and set to work on his book 'Operation Skyscraper' which he completed before his death a year later. The book, just published by Churchman Publishing Ltd. at £3.95 is an account of 10 years of massive demolition and rebuilding, of the immense social upheaval it caused, and the efforts of the small Anglican congregation, in co-operation with the Roman Catholic Priest and local organisations, to maintain and rebuild some semblance of community life. Readers will find some references to his Sheffield experiences in the book, and there are still some people with Manor connections who remember him.

Calling all missionary supporters

Is the day over for voluntary missionary societies? Should they unite anyway? Should the diocese be the Chief Partner in mission across the world?

At the **Annual Meeting of Church Missionary Society** in the Diocese, Bishop David will be helping to answer some of these questions. In the **Cathedral Hall, Wednesday 12th July at 7.30 p.m.** All welcome whether C.M.S. members or not.

Time Gentlemen..and Ladies, Please Diocesan Office Opening hours

From the 1st July, The Diocesan Office at St. Matthews House, 45 Carver Street, Sheffield will be open from 9 a.m. to 4.45 p.m. including over the lunchtime, from Monday to Friday. These times allow the office to be staffed throughout those hours and enable visitors to be adequately dealt with.

Guests in Birmingham



Five people from the Readers' and Pastoral Workers' Course recently spent 48 hours as guests of the parish of St. Cuthbert's, Castle Vale in Birmingham.

The parish has 34 tower blocks and some low-rise housing, and a population of about 14,000. Although only 8 per cent are of Caribbean origin, the congregation of 70 is half black and half white. Parishioners acted as hosts. On the Saturday, visits were made to a Sikh gurdwara and the Polish Catholic Centre, and then to the Bull Ring shopping centre, teeming with Birmingham's multi-racial population.

In the evening, there was a barbecue for Christian Aid. Members of the group were given a real opportunity to experience a multi-racial society and to think about South Yorkshire's minorities.

Signs of hope in the midst of hate and fear.

Inner-city Belfast was the place where a group of eight from the Readers' and Pastoral Workers' Course in our Diocese, spent five days in May. They had gone to discover how Christians there live out their faith. The Revd. Sue Oakley reports on how they came away uplifted by the people they had met.

"Our base was the Columbanus Community of Reconciliation on the Antrim Road, and from there we visited parishes and projects working in inner-city communities. Another ecumenical community - Cornerstone - was our first visit. Here we were shown that the mere fact that Catholics and Protestants can live happily together can be a powerful witness for reconciliation to a divided community.

As we visited Church of Ireland parishes (Anglican) in Glencairn and Whitecock, the Shankill Road Mission (Presbyterian) and St. Peter's Cathedral (RC) in the midst of the Divis Flats, we met ministers and congregations struggling with many problems similar to those in our own parishes - but with the added dimension of fear and violence. One minister described the privileged position of the clergy in being free to speak out against violence and racketeering without fear of reprisals (he referred to his dog-collar as bullet proof!).

In areas where unemployment was very high (more than 75% in some places) the churches and projects were involved in schemes to provide employment and also community care, youth clubs, literacy work etc. - even health education. They are working to restore self-esteem and confidence to areas individuals and communities which had lost heart in the troubles. Although some of the schemes worked across the community divide, ecumenical relationships - because of the hostility between the two communities - had to be handled with great sensitivity and were usually only on an individual and informal basis).

The situation in Belfast is one with no easy answers and the fear that each community has of the other is very real (something brought home to us by our Catholic driver being terrified of driving us into a Protestant parish). Though the road blocks, armed soldiers walking down ordinary streets, barbed wire and high fences everywhere shocked us at first it was even more shocking to find ourselves getting used to them. But what impressed us most were the signs of hope, courageous and patient people working towards reconciliation and sharing God's love and peace in very practical ways with people surrounded by hate and fear."

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Thanks.....and an invitation

Mrs. D. Chipp of **St. Helen's Church at Thurnscoe** writes that for many years they have had a mention in the Diocesan News for their **Annual Art Exhibition and Craft Demonstration**. And for many years people have been flooding in as a result of the publicity. Many of them, one time residents of Thurnscoe, have travelled long distances to meet with old friends, and there have been many happy reunions each year - which all helps to create a very pleasant atmosphere for the craft demonstrations, guided tours of the church and of course refreshments.

This year will be no exception, and all readers whether residents from Thurnscoe or not, are welcome to **The Sunday School, High Street, Thurnscoe**, on **Saturday July 8th**, from 10.00 a.m. - 8.00 p.m. and on **Sunday July 9th**, from noon until 6.00 p.m.

More light on the work of The Mothers' Union

During this month, Sheffield will be the scene of a Media Awareness Project workshop for training leaders from the Dioceses of Bradford, Sheffield and Wakefield. Now in its second year, this ecumenical project (known as MAP) is the brainchild of "Christians in the Media". This committee felt that there was a need to reinforce the knowledge which the public has about the good and the bad influences that the many forms of the media have upon it. The Mothers' Union was found to be the most suitable Christian organisation, with a grass-roots network, able and willing to act as the central agency for the programme. The MAP Trainer for the workshop is Cindy Kent, who first became known in Sheffield in the 1970s when she worked for Radio Hallam.

Strawberry Teas

Between the record breaking Silverwood Pit and the newly privatised Rotherham Engineering Steels, St. Leonard's Church is an oasis of green just off the A630. Thrybergh Annual Garden Party begins at 2 p.m. on Saturday, 15th July and welcomes all visitors and passers-by. There's the usual stalls AND Strawberry Teas!

Good News from Rotherham.... and not so good

Rotherham Holiday Aid, the project that aims to help disadvantaged families in the Borough of Rotherham to enjoy a holiday, recently announced good news - that £5678 has been allocated by the Family Holiday Association to enable many Rotherham families to have a family holiday together this year. "This is tremendous news" said the Chairman of Rotherham Holiday Aid, the Revd. Raymond Draper, Rector of Wickersley. "I hope it will encourage all those who have supported us since our launch in January this year."

But the bad news is that funds for this year have now run out, even though the need is still urgent. An appeal has gone out, in and around Rotherham, and the Treasurer at AA Travel, 1 All Saints' Square, Rotherham, S60 1PW is hoping for a generous response. The project is an idea worth copying elsewhere.

54 YEARS ON

The Revd. Bernard Croft, an old boy of the Diocese, now retired and living in York, visited Sheffield during the month of our 75th Anniversary celebrations. He reflects about his visit:

"It was Whitsun Week 1989. From the bus station I made my way to the Cathedral where I had been made deacon. Earlier that day I had gone out to Woodhouse, the place where I was born in 1910, and where I had been confirmed by Bishop Burrows who was to ordain me eleven years later. Four years older than the Diocese, I can claim to have been born in the Diocese of York to which I returned in 1986 and where in York itself I have made my retirement home.

Inside the Cathedral I read the memorial tablet to Bishop Burrows again and thought back to that Trinity Sunday morning when he had taken his ordinands down to the cathedral in two taxis. Looking down the nave from the chancel I could see three or four people at prayer in different pews. It brought to my mind John Russell Darbyshire, Vicar and Archdeacon of Sheffield, another key figure in my own calling. One of his chief concerns as Provost was to make the cathedral a place for private as well as public prayer. The story goes that when asking the then head-verger one day whether he noticed many or any people making use of the church for this, he had received the reply "Yes, Sir, I've caught one or two of 'em at it." Like Bishop Burrows, Provost Darbyshire was a true man of God; preacher, scholar, musician and poet.

I came out of the cathedral into the bright sunshine with a renewed sense of thanksgiving for it and for the much more modest church in that typical parish of the Sheffield Diocese where I had spent my younger days. And for those men who had served them so well - and I could not leave without a thought and prayer for their successors who shoulder similar burdens with a faith as brave and prayers as strong."

St. James' Parish Church, Braithwell, near Rotherham

You may be too late for **St. James' Flower Festival** on Friday 30th June to Sunday 2nd July from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., with a Sunday Evening Thanksgiving Service and various entertainments throughout the three days, but you certainly have plenty of time to make plans to visit the **Annual Church Fair** on the Playing Fields, Braithwell on **Saturday, 15th July** at 2 p.m. till 5 p.m. There's Stalls and Sideshows and even a Brass Band! Everybody is welcome. More details from the Revd. Charles Grice tel: Rotherham 812665.

75th BIRTHDAY GARDEN FETE

Bishop David is inviting everyone to come to Bishopscoft on **SATURDAY, 22nd JULY from 10.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.** for all the fun of the fair at the **75th Birthday Garden Fete**. Attractions include Morning Coffee, Lunches, Afternoon Teas, and a variety of Stalls, Games and Competitions with prizes. You are invited to come and go as your programme allows, and you will only have to pay once - 25p. for adults and 10p. for children. Proceeds are for the Bishop's Appeal and Car Parking will be free. There are still one or two spaces left in the garden if Deaneries or Parishes wish to join in by producing a stall or sideshow. The Revd. David Warner, of Wortley and Thurgoland Vicarage, Park Avenue, Wortley, Sheffield. S30 7DR. Tel: Sheffield 882238 is the person to contact with offers of help.

Bishopscoft is to be found at the top of Snaithing Lane, Sheffield 10.

Oh crumbs!

You may have heard of people being forced to "eat their words" but members of Holy Trinity, Millhouses, Sheffield actually tucked into large slices of the Diocese of Sheffield on Pentecost Sunday at a special party to mark the diocesan 75th Birthday. A large cake in the shape of the Diocese of Sheffield was a feature of their party. Icing of various colours (and marbling inside the cake) represented Steel and Coal and Agriculture as the main industries of the Diocese. By Monday only one Deanery was left to be eaten: Snaith and Hatfield which, in a grand ecumenical gesture, was polished off (well almost) by members of Abbeydale Council of Churches who were gathering up the fragments which remained.

Wedding Flowers

St. Katherine's Church at Loversall, near Doncaster is having a Flower Festival on the theme of 'Holy Matrimony' on Saturday, 8th July 10 a.m. - 3.30 p.m. & 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. and Sunday, 9th July from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. with services at 10.45 a.m. and 6.15 p.m. On the Saturday from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. refreshments are available in the W.I. Hut with Tombola, Cakes, Plants and Raffle. All are welcome.

Awake...

Churchfolk across the Diocese of Sheffield are becoming more and more awake to the Bishop of Sheffield's £million Appeal. At **All Saints', Wath-on-Dearne** the Vicar recently handed out 135 pound coins and was flabbergasted at the returns when they came in. Each parishioner was urged to use his or her talents to increase their pound capital. Marmalade, cakes, coffee and even trifles were among the money-making edibles, while others offered services such as lace-making and sharpening lawn-mower blades. The consequence of it all was a huge cheque for £1886 handed over to the Bishop of Sheffield, who has said that he will always be prepared to publicly accept such donations if he is available.

Meanwhile at **St. Oswald's, Millhouses** the Swans took to the water recently. Slightly older than cygnets, the Swans were a team of over-50s swimmers whose sponsored swim (75 lengths...one for each year of the Diocese of Sheffield) brought in a good sum for the Bishop's Appeal.

If you have any news of Appeal events in your parish, please send in the details to the Diocesan Communications Officer, the Revd Roy Arnold, St. Oswald's Vicarage, 2 Bannerdale Road, Sheffield S72DL.

over the leadership, or be of any assistance? Ann or the Vicar would be pleased to hear from you as soon as possible.

Thank you.

ENTERING INTO THE RAMP AGE!

We are pleased with the sloping pathway avoiding the Church Hall steps. It was "opened" by Mrs. Kathleen Hides in her wheelchair on her way back from Holy Communion - and we are grateful to Alf and Kathleen for their contribution to its cost. We are also pleased that our friends from the Cheshire Home can now join us for coffee in the Hall after services.

ALL SAINTS' SCHOOL NEWS

The School Concert is to be held on Wednesday 12 July at 2pm and on Thursday 13 July at 7.15pm. Church members are very welcome, but as we have problems fitting everyone in at the Evening Performance, we would be grateful if those who are free to come in the afternoon could do so.

The Concert consists of two musical plays: "The Wizard of Oz" by the Infants; and "The Pied Piper of Hamelin" by the Juniors. The Concert lasts for about an hour and refreshments are served at the end.

The Leavers' Assembly will be on Friday 21 July at 9.30am in the School Hall.

Mike Goater, Schools Adviser, who has taken part with children from All Saints' School at Family Services, is to start ordination training in September as a non-stipendiary clergyman, continuing his present work in education but with a special interest in Church Schools.

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

There will be a Coffee Morning/ Bring and Buy at the home of Dorothy and Eric Simons, 220 Baslow Road, on Wednesday 18 July, 10.30am to noon.

LADIES WORKING PARTY

Mrs C Billard wishes to thank those who supported her Coffee Morning on 18 May.

There will be no meetings in July and August.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 26 September in the Church Hall at 2.15 pm.

On 28 September there will be a musical evening by the Linden Emsele in the Church Hall at 7.30pm.

In preparing this address, I fell to thinking of what Connie might want to have said to us on this occasion. Whatever it might have been it would have contained words of encouragement, words of care and concern, words of determination - all said with a twinkle in her eye, and no doubt with a humorous anecdote at her own expense.

I also thought that of all those present here today, I am perhaps the least appropriate person to be speaking, having only come to know Connie after her 90th birthday. She had already given 50 years of service to this church following the move to Totley from her native Lancashire. I am the last in a line of incumbents of All Saints to have benefitted from and valued her wisdom, her wit, and her support.

Her service to individuals, to the community and city, and to this church was given willingly, and out of great concern for those she served. It was carried out with great enthusiasm and determination. She was a founder member of the W.V.S. in Sheffield in 1937, and following the outbreak of war was the 'Rest Center Organiser' for the city during its trauma of blitz and bombing. She was a member of the Inner Wheel for 50 years, and a member of the Standing Conference for Women.

Her work for the Church included both Diocesan and parochial activities. She gave 30 years of service to the Moral Welfare Committee and the P.C.C., as well as helping, supporting, and 'baking' for all the everyday events of parish and community life.

All this voluntary activity stemmed from her genuine concern, interest in and love for people - and I am sure Connie would prefer to be remembered most for her friendship and her faith which touched the lives of so many individuals from all walks of life, who have cause to be thankful to her.

With her own family today - her daughters, her grand and great-grandchildren, those here from All Saints who knew her as part of our Church family - a mother to us all - express our gratitude for all that she has been, and rejoice at the new life she has entered into in the kingdom of God.

Her parting words to us might have been words of encouragement -

- to go on growing in our Christian Faith
- to go on offering our friendship, love and interest to all

and simply - to go on, and not give up!

Connie's deep faith came from her continuing Christian commitment; her lively mind, eager to question and think through her beliefs; and also the strength she knew from her personal relationship with God.

This is our way forward too, - to be committed; to learn and grow; and to enter into a deeper relationship with God through prayer and obedience.

From this strong foundation, Connie was able to offer genuine friendship and good counsel to others. She made herself available as a confidante and guide.

Our Christian faith should also inspire us to follow her example, and thereby bring hope and encouragement to others.

From the experience of her advanced years she would have exhorted us not to give up - in the spirit of this poem which she wrote out year after year in her new diary:-

Age is a quality of mind.
If you have left your dreams behind
If hope is cold
If you no longer plan ahead
If ambitions all are dead
Then you are old.

But if you make of life the best
And in your life you still have zest
If love you hold
No matter how the years go by
No matter how the birthdays fly
You are not old!

Finally she might perhaps have left us with the concluding verse of our Bible Reading from I Corinthians 15 :-

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, stand firm and steady, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing in the Lord your labour is not in vain."

So today we give thanks for Connie's life, we mourn her loss but we celebrate, too, that eternal life which she has entered and to which we too are called - our inheritance of The Kingdom of God.

THE RAIN IN SPAIN

This title came to mind when I was listening to Thora Hird's desert island discs. The song is from "My Fair Lady", the screen adaptation of Shaw's Pygmalion, where the professor transforms a cockney flower girl's strident voice to one of polished culture. Thora told of her visit as a child to her aunt, who kept a corner shop. The aunt gave Thora watercress sandwiches and exhorted her to "eat em all up, they're good for you, lots of iron in 'em", in a typical northern voice. When the shop door bell rang, Thora's aunt brushed aside the curtain dividing the house from the shop, and spoke in a most mellifluous voice. So Thora thought her aunt had one voice for watercress sandwiches but needed a different one for customers.

In the early days of Primitive Methodists, preachers who were of homely stock, whose prayers and sermons were couched in earthy fiery dialect, earned for themselves the title of "ranters". They caused wry amusement to any educated elders but were endured with tolerance and understanding. Similarly when we pray we should not worry too much about disjointed phrases, lengthy pauses or grammatical errors. Our Lord will listen with tolerance and understanding too. (Of course practice makes perfect, and there is always someone in need of our prayers!)

R.B.

A SELECTION OF PROVERBS

Books are the gardens of the learned. (Arabian)

To know how to read and write is to have four eyes.
(Albanian)

Doubt is the key to all knowledge: he who doubts nothing knows nothing. (Zimbabwean)

It's easy to become a monk in one's old age. (Ethiopian)

A JUDGEMENT OF PROVERBS

Proverbs are always platitudes until you have personally experienced the truth of them.

Aldous Huxley

PARISH ROTAS

Flowers

	<u>Altar</u>	<u>Memory Table</u>
2 July		Mrs Beeley
9 July	Mrs Rayner	Mrs Billard
16 July	Mrs Manterfield	Mrs Partington
23 July	Miss Taylor	Mrs Beeley
30 July	Mrs Jockel	Mrs Phillips
6 Aug		Mrs Smith

PARISH BREAKFAST

2 July	Mrs S Cook	Mrs Thompson
9 July	Mrs Smith	Mrs Davis
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23 July	Mrs Billard	Mrs Houldcroft
30 July	Mrs Brown	Miss Taylor
6 Aug	Mrs Marshall	Mrs Kirton

SILVER CLEANING

2 July	Mrs.Gray
16 July	Mrs.Carter
6 August	Mrs.Billard

THE STORY is told of St Francis that when he sent his Friars out to the villages and cities of his world he told them, 'Preach the gospel everywhere. Use words if necessary'.

PRAYER is never a device for getting what we want from God; it is always the means of obtaining what God wants for us. It is necessary to ask not in order to make up God's mind but to make up our own.

LEWIS MACLACHLAN

SUCCESS consists of getting up just one more time than you fall.
OLIVER GOLDSMITH

HAS ANYONE A BETTER ANSWER?

A JEW fell over a precipice. As he fell he clutched the branch of a little tree which was growing from the side of the cliff. In his despair, as he hung there, he started to pray. 'If there is anybody up there, come and help me'.

Well, a voice did come from heaven, and it beamed out, 'Don't worry, I shall answer thy plea. Just let go, and the palm of My hand will support thee and bring thee up'. There was a long pause. Then the Jew prayed again and asked, 'Is there anybody else up there?'

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JULY DIARY

3 Mon	7.00pm	All Saints' School Governors Meeting 7.30pm - Parents Meeting Meeting
4 Tue	1.45pm 7.30pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close Ladies Club
5 Wed	10.45am 8.00pm	Monthly Morning Fellowship - 6 Milldale Rd Wednesday Fellowships
6 Thu	2.00pm 8.00pm	Pram Service Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
10 Mon	8.00pm	Standing Committee - 35 Wollaton Road
11 Tue	10.00am	to noon. Dore & Totley Lunch Club Coffee Morning - United Reform Church Hall.
	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
12 Wed	2.00pm 2.00pm 8.00pm	All Saints' School CONCERT Afternoon Fellowship - 182 Warminster Road Wednesday Fellowships
13 Thu	2.00pm 7.15pm 8.00pm	Young Mums All Saints' School CONCERT Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
15 Sat	2.00pm 3.00pm 7.00pm	Parish Walk (organised by Young Saints) from Bakewell Holy Matrimony (Nigel Poole & Jane Allen) Concert in aid of Martin House Hospice - St. John's Church
18 Tue	10.30am 12.15pm 1.45pm 7.30pm	to noon. Coffee Morning/Bring & Buy in aid of Children's Society - 220 Baslow Rd. Liaison Lunch - Church Hall Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close Ladies Club - Strawberry evening
19 Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships
20 Thu	2.00pm 8.00pm 8.00pm	Young Mums PCC Meeting - Crypt Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
21 Fri	9.30am	All Saints' School - Leavers' Assembly
22 Sat	3.30pm	Holy Matrimony (Ian Brown & Louise Oxley)
25 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
26 Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships
27 Thu	2.00pm 8.00pm	Young Mums Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
29 Sat	3.00pm	Holy Matrimony (Adrian Tolson & Alison Rayner)

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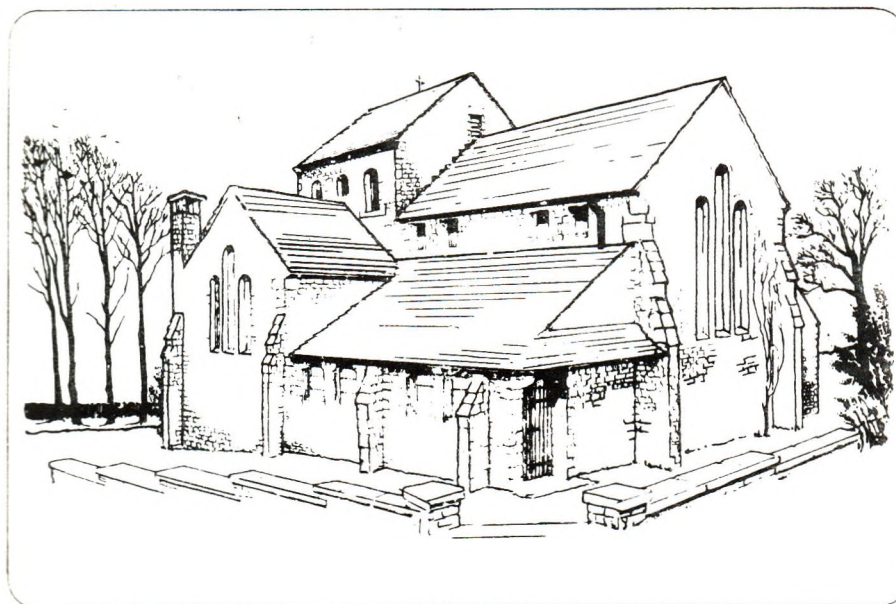
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

August is the traditional holiday month and many will be going off on some kind of break away. Part of the preparation and packing is deciding what we really need to take - usually trying to reduce our baggage to a minimum weight to avoid excess at the airport or having to carry heavy cases across railway stations. If you undertake a cycling or walking holiday only the key essential items of clothing and equipment can be packed. If it is a more leisurely holiday by car we can put in most of what we like. Even then it may be wise to ask - is it really needed? Cars can break down!

This can remind us about the journey of life we are all engaged on. We are here on earth for a purpose; our life has meaning and a goal, and the things we possess should be those which can help us to fulfil that purpose and reach that goal. Often we tend to let our homes get cluttered up with things we do not need for our "journey", and we waste valuable time looking after them or tidying them from one cupboard to another. Going on a self-catering holiday makes us realise how little we really need to live on day by day and how much more time we thereby have for recreation. Simplicity and the sharing of our possessions are hallmarks of Christian discipleship.

The message of the Bible is that material possessions are an encumbrance to spiritual growth. The liveliest Christians of our generation are amongst the poorest of the world's population. The so-called Third World is reminding us of insights of our faith we have neglected. Man's life does not consist of the things he possesses.

We are all guilty of possessing too much, of allowing material things to impede our spiritual progress. Let us give some thought this holiday month to how we can adjust the balance, and so travel light on our journey to God.

Yours sincerely,



SERVICES IN AUGUST

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am

- 6th PENTECOST 12 (Transfiguration)
Theme: The Witnessing Community
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Holy Communion (ASB)
Epistle: 2 Corinthians 5:14 - 6:2 (NEB)
Gospel: St John 17:20-26 (JB)
11.30am Cheshire Home Communion
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
Old Testament: Micah 4: 1-5 (RSV)
New Testament: St. Matthew 5: 13-16 (JB)
- 13th PENTECOST 13
Theme: The Suffering Community
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Acts 7:54 - 8:1 (RSV)
Gospel: St John 16:1-11 (TEV)
6.30pm Evensong (ASB)
Old Testament: Acts 20: 17-35 (TEV)
New Testament: St Matthew 10:16-22 (JB)
- 20th PENTECOST 14
Theme: The Family
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Family Service
3.30pm Cheshire Home Service
6.30pm Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Ephesians 5:25 - 6:4 (JB)
Gospel: St Mark 10: 2-16 (NEB)
- 27th PENTECOST 15
Theme: Those in Authority
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Romans 13: 1-7 (JB)
Gospel: St Matthew 22: 15-22 (JB)
6.30pm Evensong
Old Testament: 1 Kings 3: 4-15 (RSV)
New Testament: St Matthew 14: 1-12 (NEB)

PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

2 July Holly Georgina Sumner
Thomas David Marsh

Holy Matrimony

24 June Bernard Livingstone Lawrence & Rachel Monique
Hukin

24 June John Peter Hatfield & Julia Watkins

Funerals

15 June John Leslie Wyatt (70) 1 Aldam Road
16 June Janet Mary Raven (51) 31 Lemont Road
20 June Jack Carlton (46) 12 Sunnyvale Avenue
30 June Elsie Williams (85) 59 Meadow Grove

Les Wyatt was born in Pitsmoor and came to live in the prefabs 30 years ago before moving to Aldam Road. He was a British Rail loco driver.

Janet Raven was born and brought up in Hathersage, moving to Totley about 21 years ago. She was a Senior Clerk at Pearl Assurance having given 35 years' service to the Sheffield Office.

Jack Carlton was Deputy Branch Accountant for General Accident in Sheffield. Having worked for G.A. in different parts of the country, he moved to Totley about 9 years ago.

Elsie Williams was born on Totley Hall Lane and lived all her life within a short distance of her birthplace. She watched the Church being built from the cottage at the top of the Drive, was a faithful worshipper at All Saints' and gave practical expression of her Christian faith in her unassuming kindness and caring help within our community.

TRIP TO LONDON - 14 OCTOBER

All Saints' School Parent Teacher Association are organising a day trip to London on Saturday 14 October 1989.

We have booked 2 coaches and have some seats still available at just £5 per seat. If you would be interested in spending a day in London at such a bargain fare please contact:

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CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

The Coffee Morning on 18 July at the home of Dorothy Simons raised £233 for the Children's Society.

GUIDES

We are very grateful to Annette for her 11 years service as Captain of All Saints' Guide Company. We are sorry she is unable to continue; regrettably this means the Guide Company has closed unless a new leader can be found.

We are delighted to have found a new leader for our Brownie Pack. Mrs. Margaret Scholey will be running the Pack when they re-start on 27 September.

To ensure a future for the Guide Movement in the Parish we would appeal for anyone who feels able to undertake to train as a Guider to contact the Vicar as soon as possible.

TOTLEY - DORE LINK

From 7 August the M17 Little Nipper bus will be working a revised route with an increased frequency. The bus will now continue beyond Totley Brook to Dore Village. Much pressure has been exerted over many years to get our local service and this link - in order to keep it make sure you use it!

GROUND AROUND

We are grateful to those who responded to the opportunity to become Church Groundsmen/women. A copy of the rota for the coming weeks is reproduced below. (Dates indicate Saturdays, but select your own day from that week). If there is anyone else who would like to spend a couple of hours (once a year will do) tidying the Church grounds, removing cans, weeds and rubbish, please contact the Vicar or Joan Beeley. Our thanks to those who have already done their turn for this year.

5th August	Mr. Filleul	12th August	Mr & Mrs. Glyn Waite
19th "	Mr. Booth	26th "	Mrs Jockel

2nd September	Mr & Mrs. Lawry	9th September	Mr. J. Powell
16th "	Mr. R. Meadows	Taylor 23rd "	Mr & Mrs. Glyn Waite

7th October Mrs. Wiles, Mr and Mrs. Lawry

DAY TO DAY QUOTES

We know nothing of tomorrow our business is to be good and happy today.

Future comes one day at a time. Dean Acheson

Today's burden is often tomorrow's blessing.

The greatest labour saving invention of today is tomorrow.

WISDOM FROM BEFORE CHRIST

(from "Winged Pharaoh" by Joan Grant)

Think of this life....Which days spring to your mind? The days of strife, the days of sorrow, the days when you learned something to make you wiser.

....You may learn patience through many lives as a plough man or as a woman working in the fields; yet those lives will not hasten to be remembered, for they distil their wisdom quietly as a violet spreads her fragrance while she shelters under her leaves. It is easy to remember those times when, heralded by trumpets, you knocked upon the gates of death with uplifted sword scarlet from your enemies; or when you crept towards them through a land of famine when only the vultures hungered not. But for each of these, a hundred times have the gates of death opened smoothly before you, swinging wide on their hinges as you walked through them and knew their sweet familiarity as the doorway of your home. And this you remember not: for it is the sound of the mighty waterfall, and not the quiet river sliding between its banks; the day of the great storm when the arrows of lightning are loosed upon mankind that you remember, and not the gentle evenings when you walked alone in the dusk.

GARDEN PARTY THOUGHTS

The colourful floats of happy, gaily dressed children, the fancy dress parade, the marching music of the band combined to make a gallant start to the Garden Party. I thought of the loving efforts of probably harrassed mums and marvelled at what we will do for love. We are told that love is never selfish and thoughts of some reward for loving would be an insult. To see the happiness that love gives is reward enough.

As well as thanking the mums for a good start to the day, thanks are also due to those who carried on the good work: the "setters up", the "takers down", the donors, the stall holders, the kitchen staff. Their expression of love in aid of charities of which few have personal contact is a special kind of love. We are not wasting our time at Totley All Saints as we remember the following words of Samuel Johnson:

Keep love to yourself and it dwindles,
Share it and watch it grow.

Rex B.

Sheffield Diocesan News

AUGUST, 1989

Get Ready Get Set Get Praying



August is the best month of the year for reflection and for good resolutions: Let us all make some time this month to reflect on that faith, hope and love which must undergird evangelism.

FAITH: "Go, make disciples" Jesus tells us. We **have** a gospel to proclaim. A Christianity of which 'Mission' is not part is hardly thinkable. Yet there is a harsh judgement from Jesus on the Pharisees' evangelists: "who travel over sea and land to make one convert...and make him twice as bad as they are themselves" (Matt. 23.15). There is an infinite variety in the way, in obedience to Jesus, we make disciples. The root always of evangelism must be a faith which links the revelation of God in Jesus and the world in which we live. And here the Advertisers and Businessmen are blind guides to us. Irrespective of the quality or usefulness of what they have to sell they devise a campaign designed to part us from our money. They needn't believe in what they are selling! Our August reflections should be on the reality and truth of our faith. And those of us who are called to preach and teach must make sure that there is coherence, breadth and truth in our preaching and teaching. I'm certain that the effectiveness of evangelism is closely linked to the strength of a Church's faith. But to put a profound and complex matter into shorthand - that can be a 'liberal' faith, an 'evangelical' faith, a 'catholic' faith or, indeed, any presentation of Christianity that comes from the heart and truthfully presents the Gospel of Christ.

HOPE: We need to keep asking the same question. Is my Church a place where salvation - that is health, wholeness and life - is to be found? Is it a place of Hope? I'm certain that the congregation is the key to evangelism. Where worship is a tedious chore, where nostalgia reigns, where there is no expectation for tomorrow, where there is no hope, of course there can't be evangelism! But again this doesn't mean there is a simple model for a congregation. The self-evident truth that many people - including good Christians and many who seem to long to become Christians - will travel miles to avoid the cheerful brightness of the so-called 'live' Church needs to be remembered. Worship preaching, and human fellowship, all touch profound levels of our personality: these things cannot be simplified to a single blueprint. But there is all the difference in the world between those who meet in hope, confident that God has brought them together to serve and meet with their Risen Lord and those whose worship is hope - less.

LOVE: Jesus, as he meets with people, can be angry, sad, and even rejected. But he is never indifferent and always there is love. The saddest sights are a Church which does not seem to care about the people of its neighbourhood, and a community that is either against, or indifferent to, the Church in their midst. Could the people of our parish - or even the younger people of our parish - possibly think that we don't love them?

Reflection leads to prayer and we rise from our knees ready for action: Get Ready, Get Set, Get Praying this August.

DAVID LUNN, Bishop of Sheffield.

What to do during August..... and September

ST. MARY'S CHURCH AT TICKHILL are in the final stages of the preparations for their Flower Festival and Son et Lumière from Thursday 24th August to Monday 28th August inclusive. The Flower Festival with the theme "Turning Leaves" tells the story of the Church from the earliest times to the present, and is from 10 - 7 p.m. daily, with the Son et Lumière each evening at 8 p.m. (programmes £2). Refreshments are available. For block bookings /coaches please 'phone Doncaster 743700 for more details.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, MOSBOROUGH invites visitors to their Flower Festival anytime from Saturday 26th August to Saturday 2nd September between 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. Morning Coffee and Afternoon Teas are served, and there's also a Mini-Market from 10 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday 26th August. During the week special events are organised at 7.30 p.m. including a visit by Beighton Male Voice Choir on Tuesday 29th August. Detailed information is available from Jean Wilson on Sheffield 471318.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, ABBEYDALE, Sheffield is celebrating for a whole week beginning Sunday 3rd September, as the congregation move back into the church building which has not been in regular use for almost six years. During that time worship has taken place in the Church Hall and later after major restoration, in the basement room of the main church building - the Parish Room. Building work is now nearly completed and the Bishop of Sheffield will be at the 10 a.m. Family Service on Sunday 3rd September. There are special services every night that week at 7.30 p.m., including choirs, music and praise.

The Church is situated at the Junction of Machon Bank and Empire Road - entrance on Machon Bank, almost opposite Drake's Office Equipment Building, which was previously Abbeydale Cinema. Everyone

is welcome and further details are available from Rev. Malcolm Alfatt on Sheffield 550719 or Carol Kay on Sheffield 589819.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, SPOTBROUGH holds a Craft Fair 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Saturday 9th September which includes Stalls, Morris Dancing, Children's Fancy Dress, Games and Refreshments, and in the evening a Barn Dance with music by Reels on Wheels. In the Church on both Saturday and Sunday, 9th and 10th September, there's a Flower Festival and visitors are very welcome.

THE PEOPLE OF CHRIST CHURCH, BRAMPTON BIERLOW don't do things by halves, just by big numbers, for they're celebrating their Church's 134th Birthday on Saturday/Sunday 16th/17th September. And they're celebrating with a weekend of worship and workshops on "Music in Worship". Workshops include Drama, Traditional and Modern Church Music, Flowers in Workshop and Banner-making (for the 5+'s). The Workshops are on the Saturday concluding with a Service of Praise; and Festival Eucharist and Evensong and Entertainment on the Sunday. Further details are available from Jose Beaumont on Rotherham 877394 or Elizabeth Dodson on Rotherham 876567.

500th Birthday

Sheffield Cathedral is marking the 500th Anniversary of Thomas Cranmer's Birth with the following: All are most welcome. A series of services at 11.00 a.m. on **Sunday mornings in August and September** at which Cranmer's own liturgies and their Prayer Book successors will be used, and **A Cathedral Open Lecture**, when Canon Professor James Atkinson will speak on "Cranmer's Theology and its contribution to the Church of England" in the **Cathedral Hall on Wednesday 16th August at 7.30 p.m.**

BUT VICAR, IT WOULDN'T GO THROUGH THE CHURCH DOOR!

David Benson, Vicar of Thorne, really didn't expect the tractor to be able to get through the church door at St. Nicholas' Church, even though his own son, Steven, who drives it daily for his living, is pretty skilful at the wheel!

The tractor, kindly loaned by Mr. David Chappell of Boston Park Farm, took part recently, along with the people of Thorne in a special service to give thanks for their agricultural heritage and to pray for all those who work on the land.

Photo by Mrs. Margaret Benson



Summary of Sheffield Diocesan Summer Synod, Saturday, June 17th, 1989 at Snaith ... the Revd. Roy Arnold, Diocesan Communication Officer reporting.

Synod Digest

A STRONGLY WORDED MOTION from the Deanery of Attercliffe condemning Government plans to introduce the Community Charge (Poll Tax) next year was narrowly defeated (by one vote, 28 to 29) at the Summer meeting of Sheffield Diocesan Synod. Declaring total opposition to the Poll Tax and branding it as a "fundamental attack on the less well-off in our society, on Local Government, democracy and civil liberties" the motion drew sharp criticism itself and also support. Attempts to tone it down or even block a vote being taken were resisted by Synod but the motion was ultimately defeated. The Bishop of Sheffield said that in one respect, he felt sure the Poll Tax could provide a distinct boost to answerability in Local Government but he found it, nevertheless, iniquitous and the proposed charge should ease the burden of the rich while increasing the tax burden on the poor. It would be absolutely necessary to keep a close watch on the rights of the poor.

A STRATEGY FOR PAROCHIAL BUILDINGS is to be the aim of the Diocesan Pastoral Committee. The topic was given an introductory airing at the summer Synod by the Provost of Sheffield, the Very Revd. John Gladwin. His report was well received although the Bishop pointed out many of the pitfalls along the way. How many church buildings do we need in the Diocese of Sheffield? Which must be saved? Which need adapting? Which should be got rid of or made redundant? These will be some of the questions tackled in future months by the Pastoral Committee.

WORLD STUDENT GAMES. The Archdeacon of Sheffield, the Ven. Stephen Lowe, must have thought his luck must have run out when coming to the microphone to ask for a special grant of money, just after Synod had been having one of its periodic moans about the "excesses" of General Synod spending and increases being asked for by the Diocese. As it happens the Archdeacon - in asking for £3,000 over the next two years (£1,500 in 1990 and £1,500 in 1991) to provide financial support for chaplaincy work at the World Student Games in Sheffield and South Yorkshire - scored an easy win and took the Gold. Other finance will be supplied for this work by the World Student Games Company, other denominations, and the Central Board of Finance of the Church of England. The work of chaplaincy is being overseen by Sheffield Council of Churches.

FINANCE MATTERS. Financial moans and groans were given an airing after the Diocesan Secretary, Mr. Tony Beck, had presented his Forecast of 1990 Diocesan Income and Expenditure. Given the last word on this subject for the time being, Mr. Leslie Fletcher, Chairman of the Diocesan Board of Finance, warned Synod members about being too ready to vote yes to new proposals. Earlier he had presented the Report of the Finance Committee, which was received, and Mr. Michael Chadwick of Watson Wheatcroft, Chartered Accountants moved the adoption of the Annual Report and Accounts for 1988. The same firm were duly appointed auditors for 1989.

REPORTS from the Bishop's Council and a wide range of Diocesan committees were received. Dr. Margaret Lyons urged the need for balance in the numbers of Clergy and Laity as Chairman of Diocesan Committees, having noticed a tendency for a clergy take-over. Adwick-le-Street Deanery Synod asked if there were any plans for Churches to give help following major incidents involving death and injury. The Archdeacon of Sheffield answered that several matters were in hand on this issue following the Hillsborough Disaster in the wake of which he specially thanked clergy and Laity who had been so ready with their help.

THE NEXT MEETING of the Diocesan Synod is Saturday, November 18th, at Walthef School, Sheffield.

Parentline

Sheffield Parent Lifeline was one of the first ever telephone help lines started way back in 1978. It aimed then, as it still does to offer understanding and a compassionate listening ear to anyone who is finding the demands of being a parent too much for them.

For many years, Parent Lifeline has been associated with Organisations for Parents under Stress, and over the past year or two, with increasing publicity available in the national media, it has been felt that potential callers would find it easier to locate the

service if all affiliated groups had the same name. So the name has been shortened to PARENTLINE, but the same service is offered to parents under stress, whenever they need to talk something over with others who are parents themselves and understand the pressures.

The crisis line number remains the same Sheffield 726575 and the hours 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 7.30 p.m. to 7.30 a.m., seven days a week. The office in C.V.S. House, Division Street, Sheffield is open every weekday morning for anyone who would like to speak to someone personally.

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Ted Day 1905-1989

Ted Day who died in Doncaster on May 29 had worshipped at St. Jude's, Hexthorpe, where he had lived and where he had been churchwarden for twenty one years up to 1982. Ted was well known for his interest in local history and was co-author of several books on the subject. His knowledge of, and deep commitment to the life of the church was equally extensive, and he always used his talents in the service of his church. Although an elderly bachelor, Ted always saw the importance of the church's work with children and was a loyal supporter of the Junior Church. Ted lived his faith and was trusted for the soundness of his advice and respected for his honesty. St. Jude's and many other people are thankful for his life. May he rest in peace and joy.

The Revd. John Selwyn Hall

Rector of St. Helen's Thurnscoe since 1983, he died on 24th May, 1989 at the age of 45 years.

He served his title in Christ Church, Doncaster from 1967 to 1970 and a second curacy at St. Mary's Barnsley. He became Vicar of Staincross, then of St. Helen's, Athersley. For a short time he assisted at Parson Cross before moving to Thurnscoe.

John overcame his nervous disposition by his great love for people. He would go to great lengths to help those in distress. The friendships he made while training at Lichfield have continued to this day. Everybody appreciated his sense of fun and his zest for living. He obtained a B.Sc. degree from the Open University.

John always seemed to be searching for something beyond himself and his parish. Let us hope that he has now found that elusive object of his search. Our love to Valerie, his wife, and to John's parents and family. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

Father Charles Sunderland 1905-1989

Father Charles Sunderland was widely known, loved and respected throughout the Diocese, having been ordained here in 1947 and having served the whole of his ministry in this Diocese first in Goole, then in Sheffield. During those many years in full time ministry many people came to know and trust him, and he was hardly less than full time when on his retirement he moved to live in the Parish of Parson Cross and began yet again to make new friends. Prior to that he had served at St. Catherine's, where the new church had been built in his early days there. There were few people on Parson Cross who did not recognise the description of the elderly priest with white hair who walked everywhere. He was a man of prayer, and of great sympathy and action, joyfully visiting a tremendous list of those in need, those handicapped and those who sought his care. He will be remembered with great thankfulness for his priestly ministry and for his way of life, which has been an example and an encouragement to all who have known him throughout his life. Rest eternal grant to him, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon him.

Appointment

The Revd. Peter Tarleton, formerly with H.M. Prison Service in the Diocese of Liverpool, has been appointed Senior Chaplain at H.M. Prison, Lindholme.

Thanks

Gill, Rachel, Claire and Andrew Bewley wish to convey their heartfelt thanks to the many friends in the Diocese who have shown such care and loving concern during Graham's illness. It has been a great source of strength during this difficult time and since his death. We value your continued prayer support and may God bless you all.

It's a Long Way...to £20,000 The Long Walk September 13 - 24

The Revd. Richard Atkinson, Team Vicar of St. Swithun's Manor and the Revd. Bill Bazely, Team Vicar of St. Bartholomew's, Netherthorpe plan to walk the 214 miles from Sheffield to our link Diocese of Guildford to raise money for the new church and community centres for their parishes. People who live in the parishes will be walking too, and the target is to raise £20,000 in eleven days. Richard and Bill and the people of their parishes suggest that The Walk is more than just an event for Manor and Netherthorpe, for it is a sign of partnership between church and community, with support coming from both church congregations and the surrounding neighbourhoods. Even though the new church centres are being built partly with the help of the Bishop's £Million Appeal, they point out that the people of Manor and Netherthorpe are not just sitting back and relying on money from outside, they are doing something themselves as well. The Long Walk coincides with the National Church Urban Fund Week (17th - 24th September) and already the building projects at Manor and Netherthorpe have attracted some support from the Church Urban Fund.

When Bill and Richard reach Guildford, via Derby, Coventry, Oxford and Reading, they will take with them greetings not only from their parishes, but from the Diocese, for the Diocesan Synods of Guildford and Sheffield have agreed that there should be a link up in some way, and The Walk confirms that link.

WILL YOU SPONSOR THEM ON THIS EXCITING PROJECT? IF SO CONTACT either The Revd. Richard Atkinson, St. Swithun's Vicarage, Carey Road, Sheffield. S2 1JP Tel: Sheffield 398360.

or The Revd. Bill Bazely, St. Bartholomew's Vicarage, 73 Burgoyne Road, Sheffield. S6 3QB Tel: Sheffield 336977.

Adult Education Officer

The Diocesan Education Committee has appointed Deaconess Eve Atherfold, who serves in the Fishlake Group of Parishes, as part-time Adult Education Officer for the Diocese. She will continue to be attached to her group of parishes and comes to her new post with considerable experience in teaching and in parish life. At her home, with husband John, she has converted a barn for use as a base for day conferences and visits, a facility which will enable her to welcome people to her rural home to gain some insights into rural life. Eve can be contacted at Padley House, Hawkhouse Green, Moss. Doncaster. Tel: Doncaster 700452.

MARCHING FOR JESUS ACROSS THE NATION

Last year over 4000 people took part in the March for Jesus in Sheffield City Centre. This year the organisers hope to double that number for the 'March for Jesus' at noon on Saturday 16th September. The 'March' in Sheffield will be linked with 44 similar marches taking place at the same time in centres across Britain, from the Shetlands to Jersey and involving about ½million Christians. The purpose of the 'March' is to proclaim Jesus as Lord, and that His growing Church is here to bring His love into our land.

During the six weeks leading up to 16th September two Torch Marches one from John O'Groats and the other from Lands End will set off to converge on London. The torches will be carried by Christian leaders of all backgrounds as the Torch March passes through their area. The purpose of the walk will be to pray for each part of the country in turn and to symbolise the spread of the Gospel, for it is proposed that young people will light their own torches from the Torch March Flame and run with the light back to their own villages and parishes.

The young people's Torch Run is part of the international TARGET 2000 GREAT COMMISSION TORCH RUN which began on Easter morning 1988, when a torch was lit on the Mount of Ascension outside Jerusalem. For 18 months its flame will be carried to every continent, representing the spread of the Gospel, past, present and future. It represents young people committed to reaching the world by the end of the Century.

The Torch March will be passing through Sheffield on or around the 5th September - walking north to south on the A61.

ENGLISH CHURCH CENSUS

On October 15th every one of the 38,000 churches in England will be invited to take part in a comprehensive survey of churchgoing. The Census will measure trends in churchgoing, and explore some of the factors which influence the religious life of England. Church membership and attendance data will be collected, and analysed by age and sex, as well as by denomination, churchmanship and location, showing how trends in our changing society are reflected in the churches.

A national census of church attendance was organised around the year 1850, giving returns for one particular Sunday. Copies of the results then are available from Record Offices.

DRAMATIC ENDINGS TO THE SUMMER TERM AT
ALL SAINTS' SCHOOL

The penultimate week of the Summer Term was Sheffield Arts Week, which made life even more hectic than usual at the end of the school year. Our own productions of the Wizard of Oz (performed by the Infants) and the Pied Piper of Hamelin (by the Juniors) took place on two days during that week. Thank you to all the members of All Saints' Church who attended; many of you have told me how much you enjoyed it. The confidence and self-assurance of the children always astounds me, and certainly this is one part of the English section of the new National Curriculum which our pupils will pass with "flying colours".

The J4 children also performed with pupils from King Ecgbert's School in a Drama demonstration called "Living Pictures". This took place by the Bandstand on the Moor on one morning and was repeated on another morning in King Ecgbert's School. We also joined with King Ecgbert's School and its feeder schools to put on Art Exhibitions with work from each others' schools.

Our Sports Day on Friday 30 June had to be postponed because of rain, and was held on Monday 3 July in glorious sunshine. Again a very enjoyable time was had by all.

At the time of writing the Leavers' farewell barbecue and the Leavers' Assembly are still to be held. I am sure we will all enjoy hearing from the J4 children their memories of our School. (We usually find them fairly amusing too!) Mr. Michael Goater who is the adviser for King Ecgbert's and Silverdale Schools will be giving the talk at that service.

I would like to thank the staff of the school who give me such loyal support and work so hard. At present they have much extra work to do with the implementation of the National Curriculum. However they believe, as I do, that the children who are pupils in our school at the moment must be given the same opportunities as past pupils. It has been hard work producing our musical plays at this time - but when we saw the happy faces of our pupils at the end of the Concert, we knew that it was all worthwhile.

Joan Stratford.

MOORISH PROVERB

Every beetle is a gazelle in the eyes of its mother.

CMS LINK LETTER FROM BO

Dear Friends,

Time is passing quickly now we have been here for just over 14 months and in less than a year will be seeing you all again in person.

The building site work has reached the slow boring stage after the excitement of floating the whole floor area. We borrowed the local Ministry of Works motor mixer, employed an extra 12 labourers and worked seemingly non stop. We are now into the block making stage, and need 6000 blocks in 3 weeks before the walls can be started, hopefully before the rains really start. We've only had a few heavy showers but between times the sun is very hot and it is unpleasant and humid.

We had a very exciting time on Easter Sunday as 21 adults and 1 child were baptised. Then the adults and 4 others were confirmed and we all shared the Holy Communion together. To me, Adult Baptism was a new experience and witnessing a young man called Lansana made it more special. We met Lansana when he went to Pam for Speech Therapy. He started asking Pam about her faith which led us to introduce him to Bishop Michael as they are both Mende speakers and Lansana's parents are Muslim. It was good to watch him grow and gradually join the Adult Baptism / Confirmation class at St. Paul's Cathedral Church, Bo. The result was his Baptism and Confirmation and the start of his new life in Christ. Lansana's stammer has also improved.

Tony & Pam Lindsay

("Part 2" of Tony & Pam's letter will be included in next month's magazine).

BLOWING IN THE WIND

The Balloons in the 'Race' from the Garden Party on 17 June set off in glorious weather heading westwards. The label advertised the Billy Graham 'Livelink Mission' and also asked anyone finding it to ring back to Totley by 20 June. Eight replies were received, and we give them below:

Oban (Scotland)	295 miles	Mrs.E.Maltby
Glenarm (N.Ireland)	225 miles	Paul Elliot
Anglesey	115 miles	Christine Eagar
Alsage (Crewe)	48 miles	Emma Hawke
Stafford	46 miles	A. Jackson
Keighley	44 miles	Kerry Spivey
Glossop	20 miles	Helen Antony
331 Baslow Road	150 yards	Mrs. Beryl Rayner

PARISH ROTAS

Flowers

	<u>Altar</u>	<u>Memory Table</u>
6 Aug		Mrs Smith
13 Aug	Mrs Waite	Mrs Hardy
20 Aug	Mrs Holding	Mrs Collison
27 Aug	Mrs Heap	Miss Bird
3 Sept	Mrs E Powell & Mrs Ibbotson	Mrs Gray

Silver Cleaning

6 Aug	Mrs. Billard
20 Aug	Mrs Bryer

Parish Breakfast

6 Aug	Mrs Marshall	Mrs Kirton
13 Aug	Mrs Best	Miss Lee
20 Aug	Mrs Eager	Mr Hazelhurst
27 Aug	Miss T Powell	Mr Whitehead
3 Sept	Mrs Job	Mrs Murrell

A CHRISTIAN VOICE IN POLITICS

An opportunity for local Christians to be active in shaping society and to speak out against social evils is provided by the Hallam Branch of the Sheffield Christian Constituency Movement. In today's secular, permissive society, to set aside the Christian moral code puts Christianity and democracy under threat.

The branch is non-Sectarian and non-party political.

Its objects are: to establish links with MPs, local councillors and others in positions of power to influence them about Christian standards of morality to encourage and urge to action those who share Christian views.

Further details about the work of the Branch and about meetings can be obtained from:

The Secretary, 29 Endcliffe Glen Road, S11 8RW. Tel.665304

WORDS OF CONTEMPLATION

The text for this month is:

"Come with ME by yourselves to some lonely place where
you can rest"

(Mark 6:31)

The watchword is COME WITH ME

IN THE CRUCIBLE

I picked up and read Robert Warren's new book "In the Crucible" because of the local interest in St Thomas' Crookes. I am now sure that it is a very important contribution to a deeper understanding of contemporary church life.

The book records the principal events which have contributed to the "miracle of St. Thomas". This is not only the complete rebuilding of the church (and paying for it) but also the dramatic growth of the congregation and its outreach to young people. On a normal Sunday more than 1000 people worship at one or other of the four main services.

Dramatic though they are, it isn't the achievements that are important, but rather the principles which have been followed in allowing the Holy Spirit to lead. First and foremost has been the importance of prayer by the whole church both individually and corporately. Each step has been checked scripturally to ensure that the answer to prayer has been of God rather than of man. To use a phrase of which Robert Warren is fond, they sought "God's Agenda". With confidence that God would show the way ahead when it was necessary, they were able to step out in faith often quite unaware of the eventual outcome. Looking back there is thankfulness that God's grace has indeed been sufficient. Looking forward it is exciting to await what will unfold in God's purposes. The book is relevant to Totley. Not that we should expect to imitate or follow the pattern that has been right for St. Thomas'. It is relevant in helping us ask whether or not we are fully aware of "God's Agenda" for us. We cannot dictate to God what it ought to be, but we can prayerfully and earnestly continue together in seeking out God's will and purpose in this place. It might be a much more exciting and important destiny than we have yet perceived. Reading "In the Crucible" might very well encourage us and open up new horizons.

Maurice Snowdon.

LADIES WORKING PARTY

The Jumble Sale on 30 June raised £82. Thanks to all who helped erect tables, sort jumble and man the stalls.

There will be no meeting in August.

The September meeting will be on Tuesday 26 Sept at 2.15pm in the Church Hall.

On 28 Sept there will be a musical evening by the Linden Ensemble in the Church Hall at 7.30pm. Price £1 to include coffee and biscuits. Tickets will be available from members of the Ladies Working Party.

AUGUST DIARY

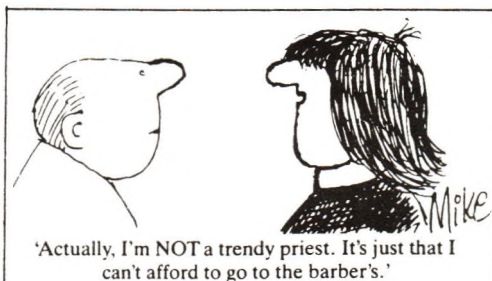
1 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
2 Wed	10.45pm	Morning Fellowship - 2 Main Avenue
	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 113 Green Oak Road
3 Thu	2.00pm	Pram Service
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
5 Sat	5.00pm	Holy Matrimony (Mark Gill & Jayne Rowe)
8 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
9 Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 1 Quarry Road
10 Thu	2.00pm	Young Mums - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
12 Sat	3.00pm	Holy Matrimony (Eric Tainturier & Lauren Frith)
15 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
16 Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 113 Green Oak Road
17 Thu	2.00pm	Young Mums - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
22 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
23 Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 1 Quarry Road
24 Thu	2.00pm	Young Mums - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
26 Sat	3.00pm	Holy Matrimony (Donato Anobile & Joanne Ashmore)
29 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
30 Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 1 Quarry Road
31 Thu	2.00pm	Young Mums - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage

TIMES PAST

In his or her lifetime, the average Western professional will spend three years in wasteful meetings, four years being interrupted, five years waiting in queues, six years eating and seven years in the bathroom. One year is spent looking for things, eight months spent in opening advertising mail shots and six months waiting at red traffic lights.

IT COMES TO ALL

'MY grandfather would look through the obituary columns and say to me, "Strange, isn't it, how everybody seems to die in alphabetical order".'



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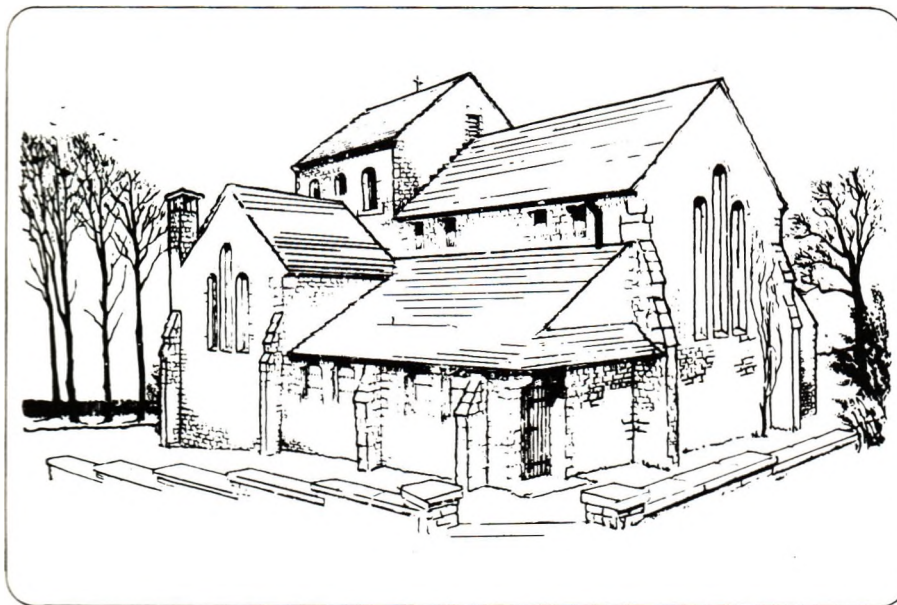
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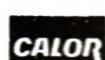
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

All denominations of the Church are planning to make the last ten years of the second millenium a time of special effort and oturchase. The year 2000 provides a symbolic target, so a "Decade of Evangelism" is being embarked upon. Without our own diocese this will be officially launched at the Diocesan Eucharist at Doncaster Racecourse on Sunday 10th June 1990.

The Bishop is asking us to prepare for 1990 by prayer and study this Autumn. This can be done on an individual basis, within groups, and centrally as a diocese. It means we can all take part in some way whatever our situation.

For individuals a 40-Day Bible Study Booklet for the period 8th October - 17th November guides our thoughts about our journey through life and our response to the call of Christ to reach out to others for his sake. These booklets (30p each) will be available from All Saints' by the middle of the month.

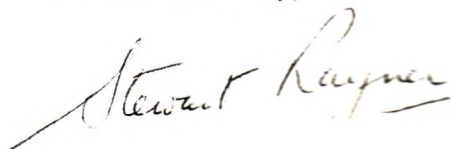
For groups there is another study booklet (20p each) suitable for four separate study sessions.

Centrally for all churches in the diocese there will be three evening events on Mondays 11th & 30th October, and 13th November at the Octagon Centre. The themes for the evenings will be "Fire for the Journey" (Bishop Pat Harris), "Light for the Journey" (Bishop Roy Williamson) and "Food for the Journey" (Bishop Tim Bavin). Each evening will also include worship, music and drama. Please contact me soon for tickets for these events.

We are asked to use and come to know by heart the following prayer:

Send out your Spirit into all Creation
and fill the world with your glory;
Fire us with your power
Light us with your word, and
Feed us with your living bread.

Yours sincerely,



A WORD IN TIME



NUMBERS

UNITED Nations statistics show that for every doctor in the world there are 556 soldiers.

NEW STATESMAN & SOCIETY



2.5 million people in Britain look out over a garden gnome.
MORI

PARISH ROTAS

Flowers

3 Sept

10 Sept

17 Sept

24 Sept

1 Oct

Silver Cleaning

3 Sept

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1 Oct

Parish Breakfast

3 Sept

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17 Sept

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1 Oct

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SERVICE IN SEPTEMBER

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am.

- 3rd PENTECOST 16
Theme: The Neighbour
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Holy Communion(ASB) and Holy Baptism)
Georgina Higgs & Daniel Fawcett)
Epistle: Romans 12:9-21 (RSV)
Gospel: St. Luke 10: 25-37 (RSV)
11.30am Cheshire Home Communion
4pm Holy Baptism(Joanne Eastwood & Laura Van Hoof)
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
Old Testament: Deuteronomy 15: 7-11 (NEB)
New Testament: St. Luke 16: 19-31
- 10th PENTECOST 17
Theme: The Proof of Faith
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: James 1: 16-27 (NEB)
Gospel: St Luke 17: 11-19)JB)
10am Young Saints
6.30pm Evensong (ASB)
Old Testament: Jeremiah 32: 6-15
New Testament: St. Luke 7: 1-10 (JB)
- 17th PENTECOST 18
Theme: The Offering of Life
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: 2 Corinthians 8: 1-9 (NEB)
Gospel: St. Matthew 5: 17-26 (NEB)
10am Family Service
3pm Holy Baptism (Robert Edward Bratherton)
(David Richard Bratherton)
3.30pm Cheshire Home Service
6.30pm Holy Communion (ASB and Anointing)
Epistle: 1 Peter 4:7-11 (NEB)
Gospel: St. Matthew 25:14-30 (JB)

- 24th PENTECOST 19 - HARVEST FESTIVAL
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 (JB)
Gospel: St. Matthew 6: 24-34 NEB)
10am Young Saints
6.30pm Evensong (ASB)
Old Testament: Deuteronomy 26:1-11 (TEV)
New Testament: St Matthew 13: 18-30 NEB)

CMS LINKLETTER FROM BO (Part 2)

The country's economy needs more prayer. In the Lean Season before the rains start food is limited in the markets. The staple price of rice has quadrupled and food costs generally have doubled in the last 6 months. Also, workers salaries have still not been paid. For example, our Watchman's salary has not been paid by the Ministry of Works since August 1988. It is good that he has a night job otherwise he would be in serious trouble financially. Recently his third wife gave birth to his first son, a very happy occasion in his family. Pam has been helping at a small unit for mentally handicapped children. The Unit sometimes does not open at all because of staffing problems. Please pray for its continuation as it is the only such facility in Bo. There is a need for local interest and support and the Town Chairman is trying to get a support group together - but it's a slow job. Members of the Mothers' Union met recently for a training course & Pam was invited to join in. Members of the different branches don't meet often because of distance and transport difficulties. The course leader was Sheila Masper from Mary Sumner House and everyone enjoyed her course. Our neighbour, Hannah, felt that there should be a Bible Club for the children or Bo during the vacations. Pam helped with craft groups, making visual aids and is secretary to the committee. The response was very encouraging and the activity will be continued with 2 more weeks in the Summer vacation. Please pray for helpers and materials and for guidance as we meet to decide the content and theme of the weeks.

Join us in praying that the Spirit of Christ will continue to flow through the hearts and minds of those involved in these various activities.

God bless to all, and look after each other.

With our love,

Tony & Pam Lindsay

MORE WISDOM FROM BEFORE CHRIST
(from "Winged Pharoah" by Joan Grant)

Then I went to the place where true prayers are answered, though the time has not yet come for their fulfilment upon Earth.

Here it is where those who are living in a land of famine eat until they hunger no longer; and the parched quench their thirst from cool streams.

Here the arms of women who have wept for their barrenness are no longer empty, for each pillows a child's head in the crook of her elbow; and lonely children are cherished and know themselves beloved.

Here do the blind see through the dark curtains of their lids; and the deaf hear sweet music and listen to the voices of their friends.

Here do the lame glory in swift running; and the dumb find words smooth upon their tongues.

Here do children find their broken toys mended and their lost pets returned to them.

Here dwellers in deserts make gardens where, in a night, flowers spring from the soil, and they rest beneath shade trees that they have planted; and they who are benighted in a forest find themselves in an encampment of friends.

Here those who sleep on storm-riven ships are rocked by the smooth swells of placid seas; and ships becalmed upon wide oceans cleave through the water with a following wind.

Here the poor sculptor sees his statue shining before him unflawed by his clumsy chisel; and the musician feels the strings of his harp rippling under his fingers like a field of corn in the North Wind.

Here does pain turn to peace, and fear to quietness; and lovers find that death or the distances of the Earth can make no barrier between them: for here they are together, to the rejoicing of their hearts.

A BUDDHIST PRAYER

May all beings, large or small, weak or strong, visible or invisible, born or to be born, be happy and at peace; let none deceive nor despise another, nor feel anger no ill-will. Let all cultivate a boundless goodwill towards all the world.

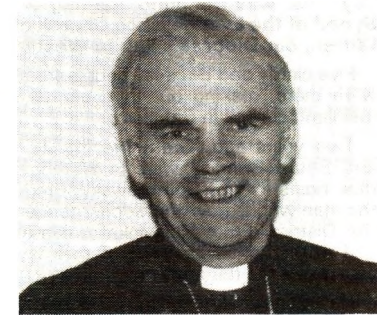
The only common thing about commonsense is the delusion that it is common.

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SEPTEMBER, 1989

Pray for the Peace of the World

Says the Bishop of Doncaster



Fifty years ago this month Britain went to war with Nazi Germany. Those of us who were around at the time can still recall the prim and slightly ineffectual voice of Neville Chamberlain making the announcement and the mixed sense of apprehension and unreality with which we listened to the broadcast.

If 1939 is memory for the older generation; for everyone else it is only history. Being of the generation that experienced the war I am only too glad that it *is* history and that we have lived since 1945 through the longest period of peace in Europe that Europe has ever known.

We are wise if we do not forget that the memories of an older generation are memories of reality. The Middle East, Afghanistan and the recent Iranian-Iraqi conflict are terrible evidence that wars still happen; and that in a fallen world peace isn't necessarily a natural condition. That means, in my judgment at least, that we have to have adequate defence both for our own protection and for the protection of others. And it also means a willingness to address the causes of war - the dark forces at work in any society.

We must do what we can to influence governments and institutions and the kind of people who hold the key to change, whether it is industrialists or trade unionists or teachers. We can campaign for personal morality or corporate behaviour; and we should.

The problem is that unless we are engaged ourselves so much of what we say or do is either gesture or empty phraseology. Talk of maintaining moral standards of affirming justice and peace has no meaning unless it has meaning for us where we happen to be. It is little use pontificating about personal morality if I falsify a tax return; or calling for a just society if I take advantage of the person next door. Peace like charity begins at home.

Christians also have the particular responsibility of giving peace a God context. It is God who is the God of peace who made the supreme act of reconciliation in sending his Son to reconcile the world to himself. In that supreme act of reconciliation nations can be reconciled; men and women can be reconciled; and you and I can be reconciled to each other.

I shan't be surprised if we are treated to a number of articles in newspapers and to a variety of radio and television programmes reminding us of what happened half a century ago. Indulge in nostalgia, either first or second-hand, if you will; but never forget the reality. Thank God for continuing peace in Europe and pray that Europe will never know war again; and pray for the peace of the world.

I hope Parishes have their representatives ready for our three Celebrations on October 16, October 30 and November 13 at the Octagon Theatre in Sheffield, as we move into our preparations for the Decade of Evangelism. Pilgrimage is a vogue word in christian circles these days and it is none the worse for that. Pilgrims need fire, light and food for the journey. God willing we shall find all three; and a vision of his future for us.

WILLIAM
Bishop of Doncaster

FIRE, LIGHT, FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY...

OCTAGON THEATRE — 7.30 p.m.

MONDAYS 16th and 30th OCTOBER and 13th NOVEMBER

German Link

A one and a half hour service with a breakfast of coffee and open sandwiches - all starting at 8 o'clock on a Saturday morning. Then a session which went on for a good bit of the rest of the day. That was the June meeting of the District Synod of the Evangelische Church of Hattingen-Witten, our Diocese's link in Western Germany.

Five clergy and three lay people from this Diocese were there, making our third annual contact with mainland European Christians.

Two years ago, Grant MacIntosh, Nick Jowett and Stuart Brindley were in Hattingen. Last year their hosts - Klaus Sombrowsky, Fred Sobiech and the man who is now the Superintendent Minister of the District, Ernst Voswinkel - came to Sheffield and Rotherham with three of their laypeople. This year it was the third get-together.

Having got to know each other pretty well, we felt the time had come this year to do a bit of serious study together. Three of the clergy from our side had prepared papers to present over there, all under the general heading of 'Knowing God'. Grant's sub-division of the subject was 'Knowing God in Faith', Stuart's 'Knowing God in Worship' and new-comer to the group Richard Pamplin's was 'Knowing God in the World'.

In preparation for this we had all visited three Churches in Sheffield Diocese to talk with clergy and lay-people about the themes. Each of us had chosen a parish which could be described as 'evangelical' - Conisbrough, Crookes, Fulwood - one which is 'catholic' - Cantley, Goldthorpe, Greenhill - and one which would be more difficult to categorise - Broomhill, Maltby, Manor.

Presenting the problems of holding all these strands together in one Church brought both amazement and hope for our German friends! Clearly, we did not fight shy of presenting some of the problems - how to cope with the different views on the ordination of women, for example.

Though we thoroughly enjoyed our discussions, there is no doubt about the tiredness we felt at the end of the week. This was no holiday, despite the generous hospitality of our hosts!

Without exception, the District Synod and many of the individual parishes voted for the formal establishment of a District-Diocesan link with Sheffield. European unity must not be simply an economic affair nor a matter only for politicians. Anglo-Lutheran talks have already taken place and there is the so-called 'Meissen' statement which has been approved by both Churches.

Sheffield could be in the vanguard of its implementation!

Church Army Family and Supporters Day

The Church Army Day for our area is on Saturday, 30th September from 10.30 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. at St. Michael's Church Centre, Edgebank Avenue, Woodside, Bradford 6. Please contact Capt. Roy Wheatley on Bradford (0274) 607486 to say if you are going, or to enquire about the programme for the day.

United we stand...

is the theme of an evening organised by Women Against the Ordination of Women in Sheffield Cathedral Hall on Tuesday, 12th September at 7.30 p.m. Speakers are John Gribben C.R., and Katherine Heidt from Texas, USA. Further details are available from Mrs. Alison Humphreys. Tel: 0302 852057, or Mrs. Pat Miller. Tel: 0302 535412.

Clergy Golfers

For the first time this year, the Diocesan Clergy were represented at the Ecclesiastical Insurance Inter-Diocesan Clergy Golf Tournament at Frilford Heath in July. The Team comprised of the Vicar of Hatfield, John Sweed; the Vicar of Barnby Dun, Tom Harris; Grant MacIntosh, Vicar of St. John's, Abbeydale and the Vicar of Woodlands, John Hawley. The team narrowly missed a high handicap prize, but John Hawley managed to come third in the single handicap competition. It was a great day, it was a tough course...and they will be going again next year on July 4th.

Maltby's History

Clifford Auckland, before his retirement had spent all his priesthood by choice in the Don Valley, and for thirty years was Vicar of Maltby. With his wide knowledge of Maltby and its people, it was fitting that he should set to work to record the history of what was once a small village, but is now a large township. The 160 pages of his book "The Growth of a Township", just published by Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council, Department of Libraries, Museums and Arts, is compelling reading, for it is a story concerned with people and their reaction to the world in which they lived.

The book is available priced £3.90 in Rotherham Libraries, local bookshops, and at the Cathedral Bookshop. It would make an ideal gift for anyone who knows Maltby, or who would like to know South Yorkshire better. The first edition of 500 copies was a sell-out, but a second edition is available early this month.

BISHOP'S GARDEN PARTY

Bishop David, just before being interviewed by Radio Sheffield, joined by the Revd. David Warner, Co-ordinator for the Bishop's Garden Party



Bishop David's garden has attracted a great deal of attention recently, firstly with the publication of his little book about his garden in preparation for visitors who came to his garden open day, and then with the Garden Party at the end of July. The Bishop himself has become a star of television and radio, taking every opportunity to publicise his £Million Appeal, and explaining the need for resources both nationally and within the Diocese, for new church and community buildings.

Celebrating Rotherham

The third in our musical series at All Saints' Church, Rotherham, is something really special.

'We have a mixed community in and around our parish, including large numbers of people from North India, Pakistan and Kashmir', writes the Vicar, Stuart Brindley. 'In addition there are thousands of people from the sub-continent in communities in the vicinity. We want to offer especially to them some of the best of their own music.'

Through a long line of happy coincidences, All Saints' have a unique opportunity to present a concert of Indian Classical Music, to be performed by some star students of the world-renowned Ravi Shankar.

Ravi Shankar's school in Delhi must be the equivalent in Indian terms of the Menuhin School in this country, (Stuart's son is a solicitor in London. One of his clients runs the Asian Music Academy there. He is a friend of Ravi Shankar and has interested Pandit Ravi in Rotherham's enterprise.) The students are touring England with a new dance drama in October. In the summer they will have been in Russia. In-between they are in Rotherham!

The trio consists of 29-year-old Partho Sarathy, who won the All India Radio top prize when he was 17, playing the sarod, and Subhendra Rao (sitar) and Abhiman (tabla).

The concert is on Sunday, 17th September, at 3 p.m. Admission is only £2. Tickets available from the Church or by phoning the Vicar on Rotherham 364341.

It could open up a whole new musical world for you!

Whirlow Grange Conference Centre

"Little boys should be seen and not heard" (Victorian precept). "Friends of Whirlow should be seen, heard and welcomed" (1989 word of wisdom!) FRIENDS and other friends are invited to a Miscellany of Music, Games and Dancing (preceded by a brief A.G.M. and a light buffet supper) on Thursday, 12th October 1989 from 7.30 p.m. till 9.30 p.m.

Appointments

The Revd. John H. Martin, Vicar of St. George's, Littleport w. St. John's, Little Ouse and St. Matthew's, Littleport in the Diocese of Ely, to be Vicar of Attercliffe and Priest-in-charge of Darnall.

The Revd. Michael H. Sabell, Sheffield Diocesan Chaplain to the Deaf, has been appointed Diocesan Chaplain to the Deaf in the Diocese of Lichfield.

The Revd. David J. Goss, Team Vicar at Gleadless Valley to be Rector of Gleadless Valley.

The Revd. Alan N. Davis, Team Rector, Maltby Team Ministry, has been appointed Archbishop's Officer for Urban Priority Areas.

The Revd. Kevin J.F. Barnard, Team Vicar of William Temple District, Manor, to be Vicar of Bolsterstone.

The Revd. John B. Thomson, Assistant Curate of Ecclesall has been appointed Tutor at St. Paul's College, Grahamstown, South Africa.

Mission '89 in Doncaster

The Revd. John Hawley reports that the recent Mission relaying Billy Graham to the Odeon Cinema, went extremely well with over 1,000 people attending on each night, and at least 400 responses.

Octagon Evenings

PENTECOST 1990 marks the launch of our Diocesan Decade of Evangelism, under the general title of "SEND OUT YOUR SPIRIT".

This autumn we shall be preparing ourselves for this launch, hoping to raise our vision in three evenings at the Octagon Theatre, Sheffield:

Monday, 16th October at 7.30 p.m.
"Fire for the Journey"

Monday, 30th October at 7.30 p.m.
"Light for the Journey"

Monday, 13th November at 7.30 p.m.
"Food for the Journey"

Each evening our worship of God will be helped by music and drama written and presented by people from all over the diocese, and from all our varied traditions. Add to this three impressive speakers, and the evenings promise well. Filled with enthusiasm, challenge and surprise, words associated with Anglican worship at its best, these three evenings at the Octagon Centre should send us all out looking forward to Pentecost 90.

Wath upon Dearne Flower Festival

Not surprisingly, All Saints Church has chosen "For all the Saints" as the theme for the Festival, with twenty saints from twenty centuries. It's from Friday, 22nd September to Monday, 25th September. The Church is open from 10.30 a.m. and refreshments and souvenirs are available.

St. Mary's Rawmarsh, Rotherham

celebrates its 150th year of the consecration of the present building with a Festival Week-end on 8th-10th September. The Bishop of Doncaster is at the Patronal Festival on Friday 8th at 7.30 p.m., there's an Open Day and Exhibition from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. on the Saturday with Victorian Teas, and on Sunday 10th a previous Rector, Canon Charles Richardson is at the Eucharist at 10.30 a.m.

Meanwhile, Christ Church, Dore, Sheffield

is celebrating 160 years with a Parish Picnic and cutting of the Birthday Cake on Saturday, 16th September at 2.30 p.m. in the Junior School Field. That same evening, Dore Male Voice Choir are giving an Anniversary Concert in the Church. The weekend before, the Flower Festival "Te Deum" - Thanksgiving, sees the Church open from 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. on Friday, 8th September, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. on Saturday 9th and 1.30 p.m. - 5.30 p.m. on Sunday, 10th September. More details from Rev. J. Froggatt on Sheffield 363335.

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Send out your Spirit

Keep your eye open for the daily Bible Study Notes prepared by David Jeans to stimulate our thinking and our prayers through the six weeks covered by the three fortnightly evenings at the Octagon Centre. DAY ONE of the Notes is Sunday, 8th October.

Bishop's Talks

Bishop Stewart Cross had many friends in the Diocese, and readers may like to know that Preston Parish Church has just re-issued a set of three cassettes of five talks given by him in 1984. One of the talks entitled 'Grasping nettles' tackles the question of suffering and has added poignancy given his own suffering and death earlier this year.

To order the set of cassettes, contact the Revd. Michael Higgins, 13 Ribblesdale Place, Preston, Lancashire. PR1 3NA, enclosing £10 cheque payable to Preston Parish Church.

"Value for People"

— One World Week 22-29 October, 1989

One World Week is now in its 12th year and its intention is to provide a focus for development education in the churches. It is not a fund raising week, but urges people to be more aware, test their own attitudes, and increase their understanding about peace, justice, development and environment in the world. Many churches in the Diocese are already involved in One World Week, but if yours is not and you would like to know more, resources are available from the South Yorkshire World Development Education Centre, Burngreave School, Earldom Road, Sheffield S4 7EJ. Tel: Sheffield 739216.

The Diocesan Development Representative, Roy Barry at 20 Beechill Road, Sheffield S10 2SB Tel: (0742) 665738 is available to offer any help he can to support parish initiatives in this field.

'An End of Summer Treat'

Visitors from the towns in the Diocese and other Rural Parishes will be especially welcome to the rural churches in the Deanery of Wath this first weekend in September. Seven ancient churches on a circular route easily accessible from Sheffield, Rotherham and Doncaster; each church open with local churchpeople on hand to guide you round; each church with special events and/or displays - flowers, bells, vestments, farming of yesteryear, organ recitals, brasses, refreshments; each church manned from 11.00 - 19.00 both Saturday and Sunday, 2nd/3rd September. Start at Barnburgh or Marr or Frickley - full details in Rural Drives leaflets (Copies from Barnburgh Rectory, Doncaster. DN5 7ET) or phone Pontefract 643756.

Creative Mission... Tools for the Job

The Missionary Societies and Christian Aid are co-operating in an educational day on Saturday, 23rd September from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Wickersley Church of England Primary School. Members of parishes interested in the world-wide mission of the Church will be able to spend time to learn, experience and share ideas and know-how on bringing mission alive in their home parishes. Details are available in the parishes, but Roy Barry Tel: Sheffield 665738 will tell you more. The day is organised under the auspices of the Diocesan Mission and Unity Committee.

Key Job...With Faith in the City

A South Yorkshire clergyman has landed a key job in the Church of England as the Archbishop of Canterbury's Officer for Urban Priority Areas; in effect the executive officer charged with overseeing the ongoing work begun by the Archbishop's famous 'Faith in the City' report. The Revd. Alan Davis, Team Rector of Maltby says "I am looking forward to the job very much. I thought that the 'Faith in the City' report was excellent and I am thrilled at the prospect of being able to take it all forwards into the future".

Mr. Davis succeeds Prebendary Pat Dearnley who has held the office since 1980.

For most of his life as a clergyman, Mr. Davis has worked in Urban Priority Area parishes. Before Ordination he worked for the Dunlop Rubber Company and then, after studying for his A levels at Night School, went on to St. John's College, Durham. He served three years in the Royal Air Force and one year as a Youth Leader before going back to the books at Lichfield Theological College. He was ordained at Birmingham but eventually moved to the Diocese of Sheffield where he has served ever since: at Shiregreen and at St. Paul's, Wordsworth Avenue. He became Team Rector of Maltby in 1980 pioneering there the work of team ministry.

Alan and his French wife - Fran - have three children: Dominique (22), Richard (21) and Chantal (18). "We agreed that if we had daughters they would have French names and any sons would have English names" he comments. They also have a cat called Hovis, noted in Maltby Parish, for having a paw in the production of the Parish Magazine as a regular columnist.

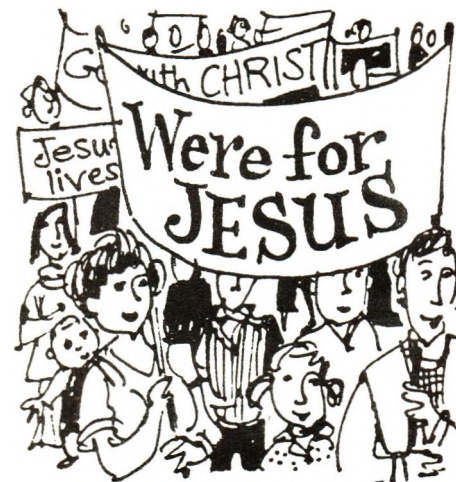
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THOUSANDS WILL MARCH FOR JESUS

ON SATURDAY, September 16, tens of thousands of Christians are expected to gather in 44 centres. As they assemble around midday they will be linked to each other by land line; they will pray for the nation, praise God and proclaim the Christian gospel. Then, at 12.45, they will all take part at the same time in a march of witness.



Marches are being organised in Shetland, Guernsey, Belfast and 41 towns of Wales, Scotland and England. 'March for Jesus across the nation' is part of an eighteen month, worldwide Torch Run, in which a flame of witness is being carried through every continent. Saturday 16 will be the culmination of six weeks during which Christian leaders have taken part in a prayer walk across Britain.



'LIGHT IN THE CITY'

'LIGHT' is the theme of the Church Urban Fund Week which runs from 17 to 24 September. That carries on the theme begun in the Church Urban's Fund's inaugural service in Westminster Abbey 18 months ago.

There, representatives from each Church of England diocese took back a candle, lit by the Archbishop of Canterbury, to their own cathedral, to pass on the light to each parish. This month, in churches and homes of every parish in England, a million candles will be lit.

They will demonstrate the commitment to put light into our inner cities. They will also help that to happen - by raising further money towards the Urban Fund:

ON THE MARCH THROUGH SHEFFIELD

Sheffield is to be one of the 44 centres organising a "March for Jesus" at 12 noon on Saturday 16 September (see page 7). Churches are asked to proceed in groups - please see notices in Church for final arrangements.

"LIGHT IN TOTLEY"

Our keeping of Church Urban Fund Week (see page 7) will include the sale of CUF Candles. Please buy one at £1 each in aid of the Bishop's Appeal for the Inner City. If you are coming to the Candlelit Harvest Supper on 22 September bring your candle with you.

MUSICAL EVENING IN THE CHURCH HALL

The "Linden Ensemble" conducted by Bert Lowe will be presenting a musical evening on Thursday 28 September at 7.30pm in the Church Hall. All are welcome. Tickets available from members of the Ladies Working Party - price £1 including coffee and biscuits.

OUTING TO EPWORTH RECTORY

The Dore & Totley Christian Council are organising a visit to Epworth Rectory on the afternoon of Sunday 15 October - all welcome. John and Charles Wesley were born at the Rectory; 2 of the 19 children that Susanna Wesley brought up and taught there. Some people in Epworth disliked the Rev. Samuel Wesley's high church opinions and twice set fire to the Rectory. John acted as his father's curate for a while and later returned to preach at Epworth Market cross.

The coach leaves Totley Rise Methodist Church at 1pm, but you are welcome to join in a picnic at the Church at 12.15pm (bring your own food). We shall return by 6pm for evening services. Cost for coach & admission £3.50 adults, £2 children. Ticket application forms at Church.

THESE I HAVE LOVED

Note the date now! On Tuesday 24 October at 7.30pm in the Church Hall there will be a presentation of Prose and Poetry, a miscellany chosen and presented by Leonard Brightmore of the Mickley Hall Cheshire Home. He will be supported by a few friends and we are sure this will be a pleasant social evening. Coffee & biscuits will be available at the interval at a small charge.

Apart from the pleasure of the programme this represents an opportunity to get close to some of the Cheshire Home residents and to get to know each other better. Do try and come and bring your friends along as well.

PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

23 July James Martin Owen

Holy Matrimony

29 June Michael Hudson & Sonya Lewis
15 July Nigel Anthony Poole & Jane Elizabeth Allen
22 July Ian David Brown & Louise Clare Oxley
29 July Adrian Mark Tolson & Alison Clare Rayner
5 Aug Mark Antony Gill & Jayne Linda Rowe
12 Aug Eric Tainturier & Lauren Marion Frith

Funerals

11 July Stanley William Smith (60) 2 Aldam Close
18 July Dorothy Johnson (72) 15 The Grove
19 July George Ashmore (84) 7 Aldam Close
7 Aug Charles John McEwan Burgess (46) 132 Green Oak Rd.
9 Aug Margaret Alice Clare (68) 5 The Grove

Stan Smith was born at Kiveton, and at an early age gave exceptional service as a young officer at the close of the Second World War. He worked for 20 years in Alexandre's the Tailors at different branches across the country, before setting up his own Gents' Outfitters in the Sheaf Market. He had lived in Totley for the past 13 years.

Dorothy Johnson was born in Walkley and for many years kept a corner shop in Crookes. Going with her family to Australia in her 50's, she found new work there as a social welfare worker, before returning to live in Totley about 10 years ago.

George Ashmore was born in the Park district of Sheffield. He was in the RAF during the War and then worked as a tool-setter at Laycocks. He came to Totley about 13 years ago.

Charles (Mike) Burgess was killed accidentally in a freak climbing fall last month. He was born in India and brought up in Ireland. Joining the Army he rose to the rank of Captain in the R.E. and his duties included instruction in ski and mountain manoeuvres in the Alps, and climbing expeditions to the Himalayas and the alps of New Zealand. Leaving the Army after 16 years service, he gained a 1st class degree in Sociology, and was completing his Ph.D. He came to Totley about 5 years ago and was a principal research officer for MSC. A very experienced climber, he was training officer for the Edale Mountain Rescue Team.

Peggy Clare was born in Sharrow, moving to Totley about 40 years ago. She trained as a teacher in Sheffield and taught at a number of schools including both All Saints' School and Totley County School. She had to leave the profession at an early age because of ill-health that has restricted her activity for the past 30 years. She was an accomplished pianist and enjoyed planning and nuturing the delightful garden behind her home.

HARVEST

This year we are having a Candlelit Harvest Supper at 7.30pm on Friday 22 September. Supper will be Fish & Chips and Apple Pie, followed by entertainment. Tickets £2 Adults, £1.25 Children. Profits to the Church Urban Fund - please bring your CUF candle along.

The Harvest Display will be a token representation of the fruit & colour of God's creation, as an expression of God's goodness to us. Harvest Gift Envelopes will be available for us to show our practical concern for those in other parts of the world whose needs are so much greater than ours.

COFFEE & CRAFTS

All Saints' Parent & Toddler Group will be holding a Coffee & Crafts afternoon in the Church Hall on Saturday 30th September from 2 to 4pm. Cakes, plants and a varied selection of crafts including wooden goods, soft toys and knitted goods will be available. Come along and have a cup of tea or coffee and buy your Christmas presents early! Admission 20p.

ALL SAINTS' SCHOOL

The following children have recently passed their Bronze award for sailing: Davina Otter, Eve Pearson, Katja Alcock, Susan Parker, David Flint and Andrew Needham. John Hill took part in the course but unfortunately was ill on the afternoon of the exam. Hopefully he will take it at a later date. The children were accompanied by Lynne Holdsworth.

LADIES CLUB

On 5 Sept. a talk and slide presentation "Zambia - a country of contrasts" will be given by Christine Smith, who has spent 2 years working with VSO at a mission hospital in Zambia. On 19 September the speaker will be Stephanie Evans the Poll Tax Officer for Sheffield.

JUNIOR CHOIR NEWS

September is a time of new beginnings for our members, when the Juniors start in new classes and some go to new schools, and we return to Choir practices refreshed from our Summer break, enthusiastic and ready to tackle a busy but exciting programme of work. This will include Harvest, Cathedral Choir Festival in October, and Christmas, as well as our general commitments to Weddings, services and ribbon awards. It is nice to look back at the events of our year, to remember friends, achievements and social events and to give thanks for our collective fellowship at All Saints.

Congratulations to Valerie Ruthven & Elizabeth Heap on attaining their Junior Awards (Pale Blue Ribbon) to Christine Riley for Intermediate Award (Dark Blue) and the post of Deputy Corner, and to Brian Ruthven for Senior Award (Red) and promotion to Head Boy.

Welcome to Lisa Goodrich and Christine Sellars as Probationers, and welcome back to Carolyn Job in the post of Deputy Corner. Our total membership is now 12.

Farewell to Elizabeth Heap, Helen and Gillian Job and thanks for the loyal service to our Choir. Congratulations to Gillian on becoming a Server. Special thanks to Helen for her help teaching the younger members of the team. In June we said goodbye to Mrs O Powell. We wish her well in her new life in Scotland and thank her for her understanding, encouragement and dedication to the Choir over the years.

Social Events Our social calendar has included our own Choir Festival last October at Sheffield Cathedral, Christmas Praise, Pentecost Praise, 75th Diocesan Anniversary Celebrations, the Garden Party and the 3 Choirs Festival. The Choir gains a great deal from these events. The Juniors would like to thank the Adult Choir, members of the Congregation, and their own parents for their continued support without which these special events would be impossible.

Special thanks to Mrs. S. Jockel for her support, time and hard work; to Alan Haywood, Rev. Rayner, Dorothy and John Hill-Wilson and the Church Wardens for their "behind the scenes" help.

Lastly I would like to give my personal thanks to all the members of the Junior Choir for making me so welcome as the new Junior Choir Mistress.

Sally E. Scaife.

SEPTEMBER DIARY

2	Sat	3pm	Holy Matrimony (Martin Taylor & Carolyn Ridge)
5	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Cl.
		7.30pm	Ladies Club - "Zambia"
		8pm	Men's Fellowship - 113 Green Oak Rd.
		8pm	Young Saints Leaders - 6 Milldale Rd.
6	Wed	10.45am	Morning Fellowship - 3 Akley Bank Cl.
		8pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 1 Quarry Rd
7	Thu	2pm	Pram Service
		8pm	Standing Committee - 74 Main Avenue
		8pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
9	Sat	12 noon	Holy Matrimony(David Fox & Heather Ludlam)
11	Mon	2pm	Holy Matrimony(Stuart McLeod & Paula Ferris)
12	Tue	12.45pm	Liaison Lunch - Church Hall
		1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Cl.
13	Wed	8pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 1 Quarry Rd
14	Thu	2pm	Under 5s(Young Mums) 43 Rowan Tree Dell
		8pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - 12 Marstone Cr.
16	Sat	12noon	SHEFFIELD CITY MARCH
		3pm	Holy Matrimony(David Randle and Kathryn Norman)
18	Mon	7.30pm	All Saints' Nursery/Playgroup Committee
19	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		7.30pm	Ladies Club - "Poll Tax"
20	Wed	2pm	Afternoon Fellowship - 36 Meadow Grove Rd
		8pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 113 Green Oak Rd
21	Thu	2pm	Under 5s (Young Mums) - 43 Rowan Tree Dell
		8pm	Parochial Church Council - Crypt
		8pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
22	Fri	9.30am	All Saints' School Harvest Festival
		7.30pm	CANDLELIT HARVEST SUPPER
23	Sat	3pm	Holy Matrimony (Darren Whitehead & Tessa Powell)
26	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Cl.
		2.15pm	Ladies Working Party - Church Hall
27	Wed	8pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 113 Green Oak Rd
28	Thu	2pm	Under 5s (Young Mums) - Vicarage
		7.30pm	LINDEN ENSEMBLE - Church Hall
30	Sat	2-4pm	Coffee & Crafts - Church Hall
		3pm	Holy Matrimony (Paul Chadburn & Rachel Carter)

WORDS OF CONTEMPLATION

The text for this month is "I have put my words into your mouth" (Jeremiah 1:9)

The watchword is MY WORDS IN YOUR MOUTH

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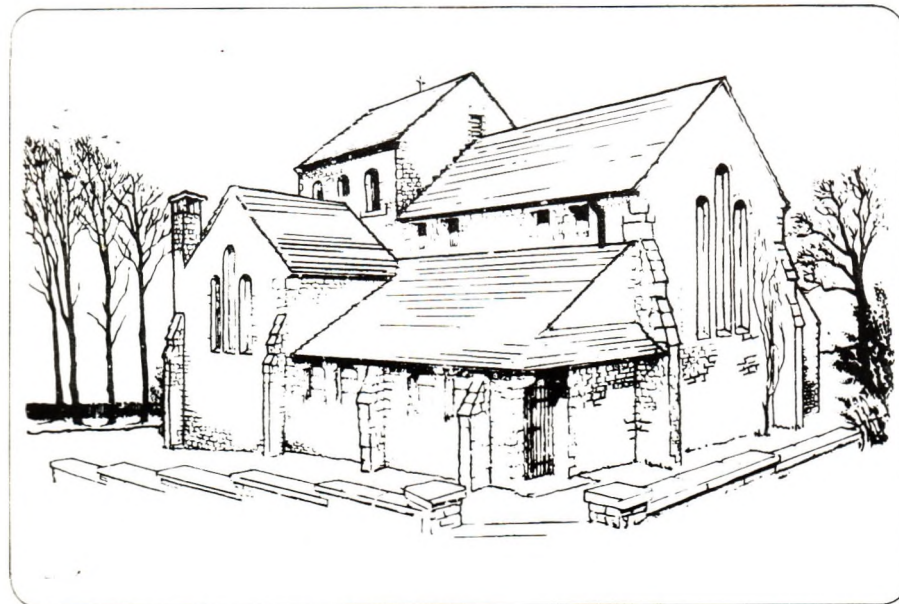
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

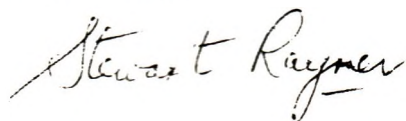
I must admit to being a great lover of our ancient English Cathedrals. I feel myself drawn to their atmosphere and beauty, their history and their worship. These feelings were certainly heightened by a year as a student living in the Cathedral Close at Durham in a room a few yards from the rear entrance to the cloisters. I was in that great Norman Cathedral every day and somehow felt part of the momentous events those walls had witnessed, linked, too, with the historical personages of its past. Each cathedral has its own special associations, like Worcester with its links with King John, Charles I and more recently Elgar.

Yet in addition to famous visitors to our cathedrals, I gain greater encouragement from the unknown craftsmen who laboured to build them. The main Norman body of Durham Cathedral took over 40 years to build, almost two working generations by the life-span of the age, and without the advantage of electric power and accessible scaffolding. Many gave a lifetime's skill to something they never saw completed. It was the vision that was important to them. In our age when we so often seek immediate results we have something to learn from those craftsmen of the past. As we look to the future, it is the vision directing our lives that in a sense is vital, rather than anything tangible to show in the present. This should encourage us.

Perhaps this is also true of Cathedral worship. I have attended inspiring Choral Evensongs when only a few people have been present. Yet this heightens the sense that our worship is primarily directed towards God rather than manwards. This indeed may highlight our whole approach to life - with God as our primary relationship and our need to serve Him first and others through and in Him.

As Christians we need to renew our vision and steadily work for its achievement. We need to focus on God and let all else be seen and experienced as part of that perspective, content to let its fulfilment, its timing and the completion of His purposes rest with Him.

Yours sincerely,



IN SO FAR AS YOU DID IT TO THE LEAST OF THESE.....

Last year we set up "Attercliffe Deanery Aid", a fund to help relieve poverty in this part of Sheffield. It was one response to the changes in Social Security legislation which replaced "single payments" with loans which those on benefit income can ill afford to repay. The response was immensely encouraging and the very considerable sum raised has been invested to provide a permanent income; thus avoiding a constant (and in the end, debilitating) fund-raising drive.

However, the relatively small investment income needs supplementing in view of the very considerable demands which confront us. So we are asking you to consider giving a part of your own income by way of a regular standing order to "ADA". This money would be passed on directly by way of grants to applicants. We feel that this will not only provide us with a much more viable disposable income, but will also serve to do a certain amount to redistribute income from those of us enjoying relative affluence. We felt last year, and still feel now, that there is a profound immorality in cutting taxes (the richer you are, the bigger the cut) while at the same time making life much more difficult for the poorest in our society, who have little hope of a changing situation to sustain them, by insisting that they repay any money they need to borrow for the basic necessities.

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Text for this month: "Take my yoke upon you and learn of Me, for my yoke is easy and my burden is light"

(Matthew 11:29-30)

Watchword is "TAKE MY YOKE UPON YOU"

SERVICES IN OCTOBER

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am

1st PENTECOST 20

Theme: Endurance

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Holy Communion (ASB)

Epistle: Romans 8: 18-25 (RSV)

Gospel: St Luke 9:51-62 (NEB)

10am Young Saints

11.30am Cheshire Home Communion

12.15pm Holy Baptism (Sylvia Lloyd, Jake Holt)

6.30pm Evensong (BCP)

Old Testament: Genesis 32:22-30 (RSV)

New Testament: St. Matthew 7: 13-27 (NEB)

8th PENTECOST 21

Theme: The Christian Hope

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10am Holy communion (BCP) Preacher: Alan Isaacson.

Epistle: Acts 26: 1-8 (NEB)

Gospel: St Luke 18: 1-8 (JB)

10am Young Saints

6.30pm Evensong (ASB)

Old Testament: Ezekiel 12:21 - end - NEB)

New Testament: St John 11:17-27 (NEB)

15th PENTECOST 22

Theme: The Two Ways

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Family Service

3.30pm Cheshire Home Service

6.30pm Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: 1 John 2:22- end (JB)

Gospel: St Luke 16: 1-9 (NEB)

22nd LAST AFTER PENTECOST (Week of Prayer for World Peace)

Theme: Citizens of Heaven

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: Philippians 3:7-21 (JB)

Gospel: St John 17: 1-10 (JB)

10am Young Saints

12 noon Holy Baptism (Rebecca McManus & Stephanie Worth)

6.30pm Evensong (ASB)

Old Testament: Isaiah 33: 17-22 (RSV)

New Testament: St. matthew 25:1-13 (NEB)

29th 9 BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Theme: The Creation

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Holy Communion (ASB)

1st Reading: Genesis 2:4-9, 15-25 (NEB)

Gospel: St John 3: 1-8 (NEB)

10am Young Saints

6.30pm Evensong (BCP)

Old Testament: Genesis 1: 1-3, 24-31 (NEB)

New Testament: St John 1:1-14 (RSV)

Wednesday 1 November - ALL SAINTS' DAY - Day of Prayer

10am Holy Communion (BCP)

8pm Holy Communion (ASB)

PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

3 Sept. Georgina Sarah Rayner Higgins
Joanne Siobhan Eastwood
Laura Alice Van Hoof

Holy Matrimony

26 August Donato Anobile & Joanne Ashmore
2 Sept Martyn David Taylor & Caroline Ridge
9 Sept. David Fox & Heather Ludlam
Stuart Allan MacLeod & Paula Louise Ferris
16 Sept. David Shaun Randle & Kathryn Margaret Norman

VISIT OF CMS AREA REPRESENTATIVE

Alan Isaacson, CMS Area Representative for the dioceses of Bradford, Sheffield & Wakefield will be preaching at the 10am Service on Sunday 8 October. He will be available for questions in the Church Hall over coffee after the Service, and he will have literature available.

PRAISE AID

Mission Sheffield are holding a 'Praise Aid' in the City Hall on 24th, 25th and 26th October.

DORE & TOTLEY U.N.A. "Brazil: Ecological & Human Disaster"
Steve Catchpole -Oxfam Organiser - Totley Rise Methodist Church
8.00pm 25th October.

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7.11.89 "Fellow workers with God"
5.12.89 "The effect of the fall on our work"
2. 1.90 Ladies Night (Social evening)
6. 2.90 "Goals"
6. 3.90 "Motivation & Commitment"
3. 4.90 "Being in authority"
1. 5.90 "The role of women in work & family"
5. 6.90 Planning evening
3. 7.90 Ladies Night (Social evening)

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8 Oct	Mrs.Ibbotson	Mrs.D Cook
15 Oct	Mrs. S. Cook	Mrs. Thompson
22 Oct	Mrs. Smith	Mrs. Davis
29 Oct	Mr & Mrs. Filleul	
5 Nov	Mr & Mrs.Gerald Waite	

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	<u>Altar</u>	<u>Memory Table</u>
1 Oct	Mrs.Hazleburst	Mrs Parkin
8 Oct	Mrs Simons	Mrs Wilson
15 Oct		Mrs Hinchcliffe
22 Oct	Mrs Mayson	Mrs Parsons
29 Oct		Mr Haywood
5 Nov	Mrs Waite	Mrs Dixon

Silver Cleaning

1 Oct	Mrs Mayson
22 Oct	Mrs Jockel
5 Nov	Mrs Wiles

LOOKING AFTER NUMBER ONE

(The following letter is reproduced in full. Comments please).

The Editor,

Dear Sir,

Recently, on behalf of third world christian writers, Christian Aid published a book entitled "The Road to Damascus". The basic thrust of the book suggested that Western Christians & Churches had become hard and uncaring towards those less fortunate, in their pursuit of wealth & comfort. Indeed the book went on to imply that the western churches gave tacit aid & succour to governments that encouraged individuals to look after number one, and damn the rest.

A familiar sour grapes cry? Not a bit of it. Right on cue comes this little gem from the Sheffield Diocesan Synod, I quote "A strongly worded motion from the Deanery of Attercliffe condemning Government plans to introduce the Community Charge (Poll Tax) next year was narrowly defeated by one vote (28 to 29) at the Summer meeting of Sheffield Diocesan Synod. Declaring total opposition to the Poll Tax and branding it as a 'fundamental attack on the less well-off in our society, on Local Government, democracy and civil liberties' the motion drew sharp criticism itself and also support. Attempts to tone it down or even block a vote being taken were resisted by Synod but the motion was ultimately defeated." After the Bishop of Sheffield had made known his own reservations concerning the Poll Tax, the middle class churchmen still closed ranks, and protected their pockets.

Whilst most of us surely understand the need for a more equitable means of collection of local revenue, taxation has always been based, (in recent years at least) on a person's ability to pay and that surely is in line with christian thinking. At least it was, until we were in receipt of the new doctrine as proposed by this current Government.

Yours faithfully,
Robin Carter.

JOHN WADE SINGERS

The John Wade Singers are presenting a concert version of Bizet's CARMEN at All Saints' Church on Friday 24 November and Saturday 25 November at 7.30pm. For tickets (£2.50 Adults £2.00 Children & OAPs) phone John Wade (360820) or Cliff Job (360122). The proceeds of the Concert are to go to the Hallam Community Physiotherapy Appeal.

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LADIES CLUB

On Tuesday 3 October, Dr Mary Neal will give a talk about her experiences working with Mother Teresa in India.

All ladies of the Parish are invited to meetings of the Ladies Club. Meetings are held in the Church Hall and begin at 7.30pm. The meeting on Tuesday 17 October will be a JUMBLE SALE. Please bring any Jumble on the night.

YOUNG SAINTS' HALF-TERM COFFEE MORNING

Old and young are welcome to the Young Saints' Coffee Morning in the Church Hall on Wednesday 25 October from 10.30 to 12 noon. Cake Stall - Bring & Buy - Children's Activities - Raffle.

THESE I HAVE LOVED

On Tuesday 24 October at 7.30pm in the Church Hall, Leonard Brightmore of the Mickley Hall Cheshire Home will present a miscellany of Prose and Poetry. Coffee and biscuits will be available at the interval for a small charge. Do come along and bring your friends for what promises to be a pleasant social evening.

LADIES WORKING PARTY

There will be a SILENT AUCTION on Friday 13 October at 7.30pm in the Church Hall. Admission 50p.

The meeting on Tuesday 24 October will be at 2.15pm in the Church Hall.

Advance notice --- CHRISTMAS BAZAAR -- Saturday
25 November

ONE WORLD WEEK 1989. October 22nd to 29th

The theme for One World Week this year is 'Choose Value for People'. We all know that many people in this world are terribly undervalued while others are apparently overvalued. How do we value people? This question is as relevant to members of our own British society as it is to the Third World.

This year's get-together on behalf of the Dore & Totley Council of Churches, is to be held in All Saints' Church Hall at 7.30 pm on Saturday, at which we will take a look at this question in a serious but enjoyable way. So please come along and bring a friend - everyone is welcome.

The evening will include light refreshments, meaningful games and some entertainment. The Traidcraft stand which Ken Filleul is running will be open during the evening to give us the opportunity to show our valuation of Third World craftsmanship.

D. Nixon.

HUMAN RIGHTS IN SOUTH AFRICA & BRAZIL

The structure of apartheid is an offence against human rights. The worst abuses of these rights in South Africa are now partly hidden by the reporting restrictions of the South African Government. In Brazil, murder, torture and violence against peasant farmers and rural workers documented by Sem Terra, the Landless Peasants' Movement, hardly get a mention on the inside pages of Britain's newspapers. The Churches in South Africa and in Brazil are in the forefront of the struggles of people for their human rights.

On Friday 20th October, these issues will be highlighted by two women with intimate knowledge of South Africa and Brazil. Anne Booth-Clibborn and Sister Michael Mary Nolan will be the main contributors at a meeting in the Schoolrooms of 'Carver Street Wesley' Church (These are situated behind the Church on Rockingham Lane), at 7.30 pm.

The meeting is organised jointly by CAFOD, Christian Aid and the Rotherham and Sheffield Councils of Churches as a contribution to this year's celebration of One World Week. Please come to the meeting and encourage others to come too.

ALL SAINTS' SCHOOL PTA - TRIP TO LONDON

There are still a few seats available for the Coach Trip to London on Saturday 14th October. Price £5 per seat. Interested ? Contact: Barbara Ward on 361743

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for details of times, and tickets.

M.O.T.

"Pristine, Immaculate, Absolutely Unmarked". The used car dealers' jargon accurately described the two 30year old Anglia 105Es I saw near Loch Ness. They carried two Eire families on holiday, and fully merited the superlatives, for inside, outside and under the bonnet were perfection, Many hours of painstaking care and dedication must have been spent to maintain such a high standard. One could only stare in disbelief, provoking expansive smiles of satisfaction from the owners - surely inadequate compensation for their efforts. No M.O.T. problems there !!!

However I got the impression that it was almost their religion. Lewis Mumford said, "If you fall in love with a machine, there must be something wrong with your love-life. If you worship a machine, there must be something wrong with your religion."

In the context of our faith, we mere mortals can only aspire to have our faith, thoughts and deeds to be "Pristine, immaculate and absolutely unmarked". The superlatives are for Saints, that's why they're Saints - we can but try. Our faith will suffer a few "knocks", "paintwork chipped", perhaps "starting problems", or "becoming rusty"; but we can always renew our faith by prayer, dedicated church going, and self-criticism. Then our M.O.T. will have no qualms for us.

R.B.

RELIGION

Christianity promises to make men free:
it never promises to make them independent.

Dean Inge.

Religion is a way of walking, not talking.

Dean Inge.

I can't talk religion to a man with bodily hunger in his eyes.

George Bernard Shaw.

The Church exists for the sake of those outside it.

Archbishop William Temple.

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP - EDUCATION REFORM ACT 1988

Many people have asked me recently "What difference will the changes in the Education Act make in a Church School with regard to Collective Worship?". The answer is that it isn't going to make very much difference at all. Indeed it is much easier for us - the decisions about worship in a voluntary aided School are made by the Chairman of the Governors and the Headteacher, who have to take into account to whom the School belongs. So obviously we plan Christian daily Acts of Worship in our School as we are a Church of England School. However we do not make our worship Anglican - it is very ecumenical, though we sometimes hold services in All Saints' Church.

In County Schools, the Headteacher is responsible for the organisation of collective worship and these daily acts of worship are to be wholly or mainly of a broadly Christian character but must not be distinctive of any denomination. The word "mainly" may be taken to mean that during a term the majority of the acts of worship (not all) may be broadly Christian. The guidelines note that an act of collective worship of a broadly Christian character need not contain exclusively Christian materials. Many Christians quite wrongly believe that all County Schools must now have Christian Assemblies, and this is not the case. Indeed with other members of the Education Committee of the Sheffield Council of Churches I have spoken to clergy and other interested parties about what the Act really says, not what many Christians think it says !

Finally, I hope that our pupils know that they are in a Church School, but not in the way shown in the cartoon alongside this article!

Joan Stratford.

OCTOBER DIARY

2 Mon	7.30pm	Pastoral Care Committee
3 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Cl.
	7.30pm	Laides Club - "Mother Teresa" - Dr.Mary Neal
	8.00pm	Men's Fellowship -113 Green Oak Road
4 Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships - 113 Green Oak Road & 57 Sunnyvale Road
5 Thu	2.00pm	Pram Service
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
	8.15pm	Standing Committee - 74 Main Ave.
10 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	8.00pm	GROUPS FORUM - Church Hall
11 Wed	11.00am	Monthly Fellowship - 2 Main Ave.
	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships - 1 Quarry Road & 126 Green Oak Road
12 Thu	2.00pm	Under 5s - Vicarage
	8.00pm	PCC meeting - Crypt
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
13 Fri	7.30pm	Silent Auction (Ladies Working Party) - Hall
15 Sat	1.00pm	Outing to Epworth Rectory (from Totley Methodist Church)
17 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	7.30pm	Ladies Club - Jumble Sale
18 Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships - 113 Green Oak Road & 57 Sunnyvale Road
19 Thu	2.00pm	Under 5s - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
24 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	2.15pm	Ladies Working Party - Church Hall
	7.30pm	Prose & Poetry - Church Hall
25 Wed	10.30am	Young Saints <u>Coffee Morning</u> - Church Hall
	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships - 1 Quarry Road & 126 Green Oak Road
	8.00pm	U.N.A. "Brazil" Totley Rise Methodist Church
26 Thu	2.00pm	Under 5s - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
28 Sat	7.30pm	One World Week meeting - Church Hall
30 Mon	7.00pm	All Saints' School Governors ' Meeting
31 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	8.00pm	Young Saints Leaders' meeting - Vicarage
1 Nov		ALL SAINTS' DAY OF PRAYER (10am - 8pm)
	9.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - Vicarage
2 Nov	2.00pm	Under 5s - Vicarage
4 Sat	1.30pm	Holy Matrimony (Peter Hill & Caroline Moore)

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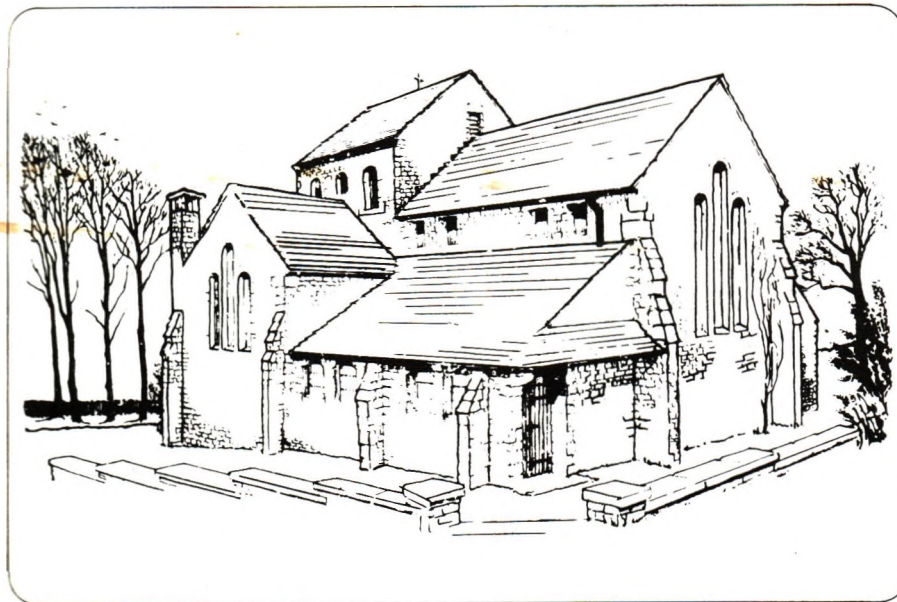
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Elderly residents in a previous parish used to recount their memories of the "passing bell". This referred to the ancient custom of ringing the Church bell to inform the community when anyone died - so many times for a man, a woman or a child. This practice is immortalised in those lines of John Donne :-

Any man's death diminishes me,
Because I am involved in Mankind;
And therefore never send to know for whom the bell tolls;
It tolls for thee.

These words express a feeling of corporate identity with all that happens around us - especially at key moments. The death of someone else reminds us of our own death leading us to ponder the true purpose of our lives.

Likewise the Baptism of a child should underline the significance of our own baptism and our growth in the Christian Faith. A recent discussion of the Church Council encouraged both the occurrence of Holy Baptism in main Sunday Services and also congregational participation when held at other times. The "Occasional Offices" - baptisms, weddings and funerals have always been seen by the Church as public events - occasions for members of a community to support one another and also enable individuals identify with the meaning of the event in their own lives.

Identifying with others not only at 'rites of passage', but in many other circumstances, enables us to express true concern. We ponder - "It could be my son that is chronically ill; my daughter who has disappeared; my husband just made redundant; my mother knocked down; my relationship that has failed." So we are led to a more caring and sympathetic response to others.

As we rejoice with those who rejoice and weep with those who weep we fulfil our Christian calling to be members of one another.

Yours sincerely,

Stewart Rayner

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THE FORUM

The first Forum was held in the Church Hall on Tuesday 10th October at 8pm. Every group/organisation of the Church was represented. Some of us found that there were people present whom we did not know, so the first quarter of an hour was spent in introductions and in giving a brief account of the organisations which we represented. We then entered in our diaries all events which are planned to take place in the next 6 months. An open discussion followed when anyone was free to pass comments, criticise or make suggestions.

We felt that a meeting of this kind, held 3 or 4 times a year, would be very useful. It would provide an opportunity to get to know each other better, to avoid planning events where the chosen dates clashed, and it would enable us to support each other in our activities.

We chatted about next year's Garden Party to be held on 16 June.

The next Forum meeting will be on Tuesday 13 February at 8pm in the Church Hall.

Elsie Mayson.

FOR CHRISTMAS gifts, crafts, toys, games, refreshments, Father Christmas, cakes and more... call in at All Saints' School PTA CHRISTMAS FAIR on Friday 1 December from 2.30pm (until 4.30pm approx.) in the School Hall.

SERVICES IN NOVEMBER

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am

1st ALL SAINTS' DAY

10am Holy Communion (BCP)

Day of Prayer

8pm Holy Communion (ASB)

Epistle: Revelation 7:2-4, 9-17 (RSV)

Gospel: St Matthew 5: 1-12 (NEB)

5th 8 BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Theme: The Fall

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Holy Communion (ASB)

1st Reading: Genesis 3:1-15 (NEB)

Gospel: St John 3: 13-21 (RSV)

10am Young Saints

11.30am Cheshire Home Communion

6.30pm Evensong (BCP - said)

Old Testament: Genesis 4:1-10 (NEB)

New Testament: St Mark 7:14-23 (NEB)

7pm All Saints Praise

12th REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY (7 before Christmas)

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10.10am SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

11.00am Act of Remembrance (War Memorial)

10am Young Saints

6.30pm Evensong (ASB)

Theme: O.T. Forerunners of Christ - Abraham

Old Testament: Genesis 22 1-18 (NEB)

New Testament: St Luke 20: 9-17 (JB)

19th 6 BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Theme: O.T. Forerunners of Christ - Moses

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

1st Reading: Exodus 6: 2-8 (NEB)

Gospel: St Mark 13: 5-13 (NEB)

10am Family Service and Holy Baptism

3.30pm Cheshire Home Service

6.30pm Holy Communion (ASB & Anointing)

Epistle: Hebrews 3:1-6 (TEV)

Gospel: St John 6:25-35 (RSV)

26th 5 BEFORE CHRISTMAS (Sunday before Advent)

Theme: The Chosen Remnant

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10am Holy Communion (BCP)

1st Reading: Isaiah 10:20-23 (RSV)

Gospel: St Mark 13:14-23 (NEB)

10am Young Saints

6.30pm Evensong (ASB)

Old Testament: 1 Kings 19:9-18 (RSV)

New Testament: St Matthew 24:37-44 (NEB)

WORDS OF CONTEMPLATION

The text for this month is:

"This is MY resting place for ever; here I will make
MY home, for such is MY desire".

Psalm 132 v 14 (NEB)

The watchword is: MY resting place...MY home...MY desire.

PARISH ROTAS

Parish Breakfast

5 Nov	Mr & Mrs. G. Waite	
12 Nov	Mrs Billard	Mrs Houldcroft
19 Nov	Mrs Brown	Mrs Beeley
26 Nov	Mrs Marshall	Mrs Kirton
3 Dec	Mrs Best	Miss Lee

<u>Flowers</u>	<u>Altar</u>	<u>Memory Table</u>
5 Nov	Mrs Waite	Mrs Dixon
12 Nov	Mrs Coates & Mr Johnson	Mrs White
19 Nov	Mrs King	Mrs Monfredi
26 Nov	Mrs E Powell	Mrs B Clarke
3 Dec	Miss Taylor	Mrs Cooke

Silver Cleaning

5 Nov	Mrs Wiles
19 Nov	Mrs Parkin
3 Dec	Mrs Ludlam

PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

17 Sept Daniel Mark Fawcett
Robert Edward Bratherton, David Richard Bratherton
1 Oct Sophie Elaine Lloyd, Jake Jeremy John Priestley-Holt

Holy Matrimony

23 Sept Darren Paul Whitehead & Tessa Gail Powell
30 Sept Paul Chadburn & Rachel Harriet Carter

Funerals

11 Aug James Clayton (72) 36 Green Oak Road
18 Aug Ronald Arthur Ashbury (73) 12 Rowan Tree Dell
20 Sept Sarah Carter (91) 76 Green Oak Crescent
26 Sept Norman Calverley (72) 14 Totley Grange Drive
29 Sept Ivy Bartram (74) Mickley Hall
4 Oct Phyllis Cross (80) 51 Aldam Road

Jim Clayton was born in Nether Edge and lived for over 20 years at the top of Heeley Bank Road before moving to Totley. A bricklayer and builder by trade, he saw service in the Royal Signals during the War - at Dunkirk, in Burma and other areas of action. He enjoyed dancing, and was a member of Heatherfield Club.

Ron Ashbury was married at Totley in 1940 and lived in Meersbrook and Parson Cross before finally settling for 23 years in Rowan Tree Dell. He worked as a general turner in the steelworks.

Sarah Carter was born in Handsworth just before the end of the last century. She lived in Totley for about 40 years, then moved South, working for many years in a shop in Yeovil before returning to Tideswell and in recent years back to Totley.

Norman Calverley was born in Uppertorpe and lived in Firth Park before coming to Totley where for a number of years he produced hair lacquer in his garage on Chatsworth Road and supplied it to hairdressers over a wide area. In more recent years he was an accountant with the Hinkley Group and was a well-liked member of Abbeydale Golf Club.

Ivy Bartram was born in Pitsmoor but lived for many years at Norton Lees, working as a hairdresser in Woodseats. She bravely endured a long period of hospitalisation before coming to the Cheshire Home about 2 years ago.

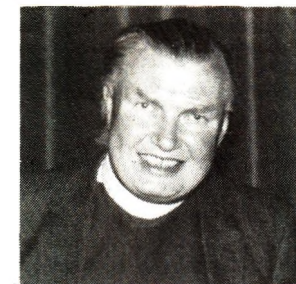
Phyllis Cross was born in Tinsley, lived for 20 years near the Prince of Wales Road and latterly at Jordanthorpe before coming to Aldam Road about 15 months ago.

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WORKING TOGETHER IN CHRIST

The Bishop of Sheffield writes:



Forgive some autobiography! "To live is to change", said Cardinal Newman, "and to be perfect is to have changed often". I've changed more than once in my attitude to Church Unity and now I'm changing again.

I strongly supported the Anglican-Methodist proposals of 1968 and have no doubt that the Church of England's failure to support them was a tragic error. Indeed, I am sure that when the religious history of this country this century comes to be written that will be seen to be the greatest missed opportunity. But from that failure I have learned three truths. The first is simply that I believe those proposals attached too much importance to "institutional union". As a few of you will remember the Scheme was in two stages: the first brought about a unification of ministries and the second was going to ensure that there was a really united Church. We were told repeatedly that we must not go for Stage One unless we were ready for Stage Two as well. I think that was a mistake. The second is more important: in matters of religion we can agree to differ but we can rarely, if ever, agree to compromise. Let me illustrate what I mean. I believe that the proper person to celebrate Holy Communion is a priest ordained by a Bishop. Most Methodists (and some Anglicans!) would consider such a statement close to superstition. And though Roman Catholics would agree with me they couldn't - if they are loyal to the Popes - agree that I was a Bishop and the people I ordained priests. None of us are likely to agree that we have been wrong in our historical beliefs in areas such as this. There aren't mid-points at which a deal can be struck. Yet we can live and work together united by our obedience to Christ our Lord. Thirdly, I came to believe that for England, and the Church of England, talk of unity that ignores Rome would be, in the end, destructive.

These were some of the reasons that made me believe that the Covenant proposals of 1980 onwards were a misguided journey into a cul-de-sac.

And I have to admit when the "Inter-Church Process" first began to trundle along my enthusiasm was distinctly muted. I feared we were about to be hi-jacked by the enthusiasts into another Covenant debacle. But I was wrong. I see now that by seeing each other as indeed 'Churches together in pilgrimage' the proposals we now have do make it possible to move from "ecumenism as an extra, which absorbs energy, to ecumenism as a dimension of all that we do, which releases energy through the sharing of resources".

These proposals, to which the Roman Catholic Church is fully committed, make it possible for the Churches of this country to work together in Christ. Faced as we are with a situation in which Christians are a minority and there is growth in both secular unbelief and non-Christian religions we must have a simple way of speaking for Christ together and for working together. These proposals are particularly important in what they could do for Christianity in South Yorkshire.

I'm hopeful that they will clear away a good deal of ineffective ecumenical clutter and replace it with a simple structure that recognises both the reality of our divisions and that faith in Christ as our Saviour which we have in common.

I dare to hope that the fruit of this "Inter-Church Process" will be a real working together of all the Churches in the Decade of Evangelism.

DAVID LUNN
Bishop of Sheffield

FIRE, LIGHT, FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY...

OCTAGON THEATRE — SHEFFIELD UNIVERSITY — 7.30 p.m.
MONDAYS 16th and 30th OCTOBER and 13th NOVEMBER

No Ivory Towers

Sheffield Theological Society, which meets monthly on Mondays at 5.30 p.m. in Lecture Theatre 6 on the Lower Ground Floor of the Arts Tower at the University of Sheffield (Western Bank), prides itself on the quality of its speakers and the breadth of their expertise. This coming season of the Society's meetings will be no exception. On the theme of "Theology, Theologians and Current Issues", meetings will be as follows:

Monday, 16 October

Dr. Andrew Lincoln *Dept. of Biblical Studies*
Matthew: A Gospel for Teachers?

Monday, 13 November

Dr. David Pailin *University of Manchester*
Herbert of Cherbury, A Hick before his time?

Monday, 11 December

Professor James O'Connell *University of Bradford*
Theological Reflections on the Situation in Northern Ireland

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Monday, 22 January

Dr. Haddon Willmer *University of Leeds*
The Poor in the New Testament and Today

Monday, 12 February

Dr. Richard Bauckham *University of Manchester*
Christology for Today

Monday, 5 March

The Revd. J.M. Turner *Halifax*
Peter Taylor Forsyth (1848-1921)
Prophet of Holiness

Meetings have a break at 6.30 p.m. to enable those who have evening engagements to leave. For those who can stay questions and discussion continue until 7.00 p.m.

The annual subscription to the Society is £3.00 and visitors can attend each meeting for 60p. Students who are full time attend free.

Appointments

The Revd. Peter F. Gascoigne, Assistant Curate, Wath-upon-Dearne, to be Rector of St. Helen's, Thurnscoe.

The Revd. Stephen J. Raine, Assistant Curate, St. Mary the Virgin, Cottingham, to be Vicar of Christ Church, Dunscoft.

The Revd. Michael J. Morgan, Vicar of Longford in the Diocese of Coventry, to be Rector of Norton, St. James.

The Revd. Susan Hope, Parish Deacon, St. Thomas, Wincobank, to be Parish Deacon-in-Charge of Brightside w. Wincobank.

The Revd. Timothy P. Parker, Assistant Curate, St. Thomas, Kimberworth, to be Assistant Curate, St. Thomas, Wincobank.

The Revd. George Grant Macintosh has been appointed Rural Dean of Ecclesall.

Sheffield Area Bereavement Forum

Following a Conference held earlier in the year at Whirlow Grange on "The Pain of Loss", the Sheffield Area Bereavement Forum was inaugurated. The broad aims of the Forum are to improve the co-operation and quality of service to the bereaved and those experiencing loss in the Sheffield area.

The disaster at Hillsborough has given the Forum a special relevance as there is much to learn and many ways to improve co-operation. It is, however, appreciated that losses occur every day and each one is special to the person concerned. Those working to help the bereaved can certainly benefit from shared training and support. Membership of the Forum is open to all those for whom it is a part of their work or interest: individuals, voluntary organisations, statutory services, clergy etc. The Forum meets at least twice each year, and the latest Day Conference "REFLECTING ON THE COUNSELLING AND SUPPORT SERVICES AFTER THE HILLSBOROUGH DISASTER" will be on Tuesday, 31st October 1989 at Whirlow Grange Conference Centre, and will look at the experience of people who were involved and make proposals about how services should be deployed in a major accident plan.

Further information and application form for the conference, as well as information about the Forum can be obtained from: S.A.B.F., 22 Ashgate Road, Sheffield S10 3BZ. Ansaphone (0742) 684377 or Jocelyn Wilson, 363 Fulwood Road, Sheffield S10 3BS. Tel: (0742) 662066.

Cathedral Mice

A group of 30 7-8 year olds from Hatfield Travis 'First School spent three days at the end of June enjoying the educational facilities of Coventry Cathedral. In many ways the highlight of their visit was the evening when they had the Cathedral to themselves after lock up time and were given the freedom to go anywhere. It inspired this poem by a group of them:

Coventry Cathedral at night
Dark and silent.
Big and alone.
Coventry Cathedral at night.
Tiptoeing quietly on the marble floor.
Like little mice
Scurrying, pattering,
Zigzagging into unknown places
Exploring everywhere.
A ten pointed star in the Chapel of Unity
The Dove of Peace fast asleep.
The Head of Jesus crowned with
thorns looking down sadly.
The big window sleeping over the
Bethlehem font.
Over us all the giant tapestry,
Matthew, Mark, Luke and John
Protecting Jesus and us.

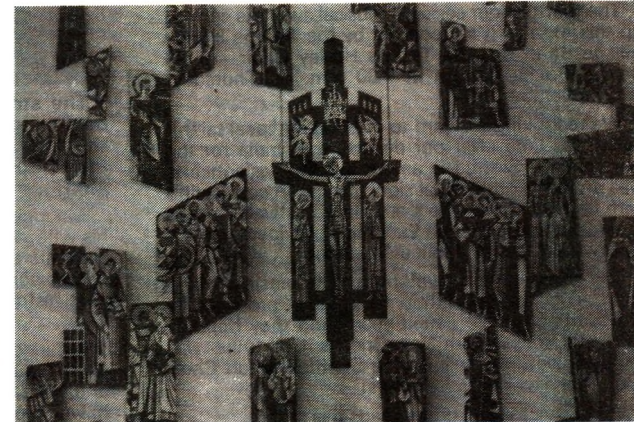
Christ Church, Fulwood, Sheffield

is celebrating its 150 years and everyone is welcome to come and hear Prebendary Dick Lucas and celebrate the anniversary on Wednesday, 4th October at 8.00 p.m.

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FOR ALL THE SAINTS



From All Saints' Intake, Doncaster

The Bishop of Doncaster Writes:

The Communion of Saints was a phrase that mystified me as a child. It seemed to be a reference to those translucent figures in the windows round the church all taking it into their heads to have a Communion service together. They had little connection with the rest of us worshipping in the pews.

Those brought up in the Catholic tradition take the Saints more seriously than I ever did and that is undoubtedly a plus. Stories of the lives of some of those remarkable early Christians are a reminder that the Church's history and tradition have been a continuing witness to the Gospel.

There is a danger either way nevertheless in envisaging Saints as a rarified breed; for sainthood is not confined to those who have been given that designation by the Church. Every Christian is a saint, set apart for the service of God.

All Sainttide is more than a celebration of a small list of select individuals. It is an affirmation of the whole company of the people of God in heaven and on earth: the Church Triumphant and the Church Militant in communion with their risen Lord.

This awareness ought to be a source of encouragement to any Christian community. Even in the smallest of congregations, as they worship, the worshipping few are part of the worshipping many. Out in the wider community our witness is enhanced by the witness of the saints in heaven. That verse in the Letter to the Hebrews in which the writer tells his readers that they are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses is primarily concerned with emphasizing that our eyes are on the men and women of faith who have preceded us, not that their eyes are on us. Together with them we bear witness to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

So our witness has a heavenly connection; and as we prepare for Advent that is worth recalling. It is possible that earlier generations heard a little too much on the subject of heaven. Sermons on pie in the sky were a questionable antidote to the grimness of conditions in which they had to live. One might add that life for a good many people is far from easy in contemporary Britain; to say nothing of the poverty and suffering in other parts of the world which defies our western European imagination. Yet without the heavenly connection what real hope as a Christian to offer? It is the eternal love of God, revealed in Christ that makes sense and gives meaning to twentieth century time.

The General Synod returns at this November's Session to the subject of the Ordination of Women to the Priesthood. The Revision Committee has looked at the proposed legislation and it will present the fruit of its labours. After the General Synod has dealt with the Revision Stage, the legislation will come to the Dioceses for their consideration. I can only ask for your prayers that the Synod will show grace and sensitivity in its debating, and wisdom in its response.

WILLIAM
Bishop of Doncaster

Appointment

The Revd. A. N. Attwood to be Rural Dean of Adwick le Street and continuing as Coalfield Chaplain in the South Yorkshire Coalfield with Sheffield Industrial Mission.

Celebrating Rotherham

The fourth in our series of musical events is coming up this month. It's a concert by the Thorpe Hesley Village Band and the Thorpe Hesley Choir - in All Saints' Parish Church at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday, 16th November.

We're looking forward to celebrating 'local talent' again this time after our departure to India for the last concert. Slotted in among the regular concerts was an event of unusual significance. In connection with the Rotherham Folk and Jazz Festival, we had the music for our Parish Eucharist provided recently by Dave Brennan's Jubilee Jazz Band.

The congregation loved them. The musicians had such a good time that they have promised a 'Celebration' concert next year - and they hope to get a star soloist from New Orleans itself to be with them. In between will be the Sheffield Bach Choir and other excellent performers.

We'd love to see you! Perhaps this month.

Full House for WAOW Meeting

Mrs. Alison Humphreys reports:

It was standing room only in Sheffield Cathedral on the evening of Tuesday, 12th September when over 300 people from across the diocese came to demonstrate their concern about the issue of the Ordination of Women to the Priesthood. They came, also to be informed so that they should feel better able to discuss the matter with others. The subject is so complex, touching on all aspects of our faith, that the speakers, John Gribben, C.R., and Cornelia Oddie had a demanding brief. It was a beginning, though, and made everyone mindful of the need for learning and prayer in the coming months as the time for decision in the Church of England draws nearer.

The Changing Face of Coal

Electricity Privatisation is having a dramatic effect on the Coal Industry. Two people from British Coal and the National Union of Mineworkers will be explaining why at a Training Day for Staff and Members of Churches on **Thursday, 16th November, 9.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.** This is to take place at St. Andrew's Methodist Church Hall, Wheatley, Doncaster.

The Bishop of Sheffield, in our Coalfield Diocese, will be present to suggest some moral implications of these major changes.

After lunch the subject will turn to safety procedures, including the response of local churches. Hopefully, this will never be of immediate relevance, but it is important to emphasize that clergy in colliery parishes are named on the emergency call-out list. The day will conclude with a visit to the Doncaster Mines Rescue Station.

**Full details and booking form from:—
The Revd. Tony Attwood, Coalfield Chaplain,
5, Daw Wood, Bentley, Doncaster. Tel. 875904.**



Book Now!

The story of Whirlow Grange from its early beginnings to the new vision of recent years is the theme of Maurice Snowdon's newly published book "Whirlow Grange: A history of the Sheffield Diocesan Conference Centre".

Maurice's own contribution, along with Marjorie his wife, to the development of Whirlow during the six years that he was Warden, ideally placed him to gather some of the insights about Whirlow, as its past history is assessed and the future is grappled with.

Maurice's book is about the House, but it's even more about the people who have influenced Whirlow, and have been influenced by the many things that have happened within its walls.

It has been a fascinating story, and more will unfold, as Maurice points out, as the present Whirlow Grange continues to be, as was always the intention, "a meeting place between man and God: a place where the Holy Spirit can and will work in peoples lives". Profits from the sale of the book will go to the Bishop's £Million Appeal, and it is available from Whirlow Grange, Ecclesall Road South, Sheffield. S11 9PZ, or from Maurice Snowdon at 1, Quarry Road, Totley Rise, Sheffield, S17 4DA priced £2.50 including postage, or from SPCK Cathedral Book shop and other good bookshops.

St. Oswald's celebrates

St. Oswald's, Millhouses, Sheffield celebrated its 75th Anniversary on 31st October, and one of the first happenings in a year long programme of thanksgiving takes place in church on Tuesday 14th NOVEMBER at 7.30 p.m.

"CELEBRATION AID" is an evening of Praise and Thanksgiving featuring the Salvation Army Citadel Band and the Mission Sheffield Choir (Chesterfield Branch).

Admission is by programme (£1.50 each - children 70p) which are available from Mary and Hugh Ebbins (Tel.: Sheffield 552847). Proceeds will be shared between the Bishop's £Million Appeal and the Salvation Army.

Award Day

The Revd. Geoff Hollingsworth of Rawcliffe, near Goole went to Lambeth Palace during October to receive from the Archbishop of Canterbury, a scholarship award from the Davey Memorial Trust of the SPCK. Each year two awards are made nationally for post graduate research, and Geoff's award is to enable him to study for an M.A. in Theology at the University of Hull, which he will begin in October 1990, part-time for two years. Geoff was obviously delighted with the award, and much appreciates the support of SPCK.

Leading Lights

At the end of September and Church Urban Fund Week, there were many celebrations nationally, within the Diocese and in the Parishes.

One of the representatives of the Diocese, Mrs. Stella Allen of St. Thomas and St. Margaret with Wincobank, went to Coventry cathedral for the thanksgiving service for the Fund. She reports how moved she was to be part of a huge congregation from all over England, packed into the cathedral. Amongst many other things she learnt that the Fund is not purely for the building and rebuilding of churches, but also to help the needy, the homeless, drug addicts, and to provide counselling for the training of the unemployed as well as very many more worthwhile projects. Of the target of £18 million, since April 1988 £12 million has been pledged. Indeed something to be thankful for!

Meanwhile in Sheffield Cathedral about sixty Parishes, represented by groups of both adults and children, brought gifts amounting to over £6,000 for the Bishop's £Million Appeal (part of which goes to The Church Urban Fund). The Cathedral resounded to children's voices as they presented the gifts and lit their Church Urban Fund candles which they had brought from their parishes. Following the short service, children and those not so young, including Tony Davis, Development Adviser to the Bishop, who had co-ordinated the evening, were entertained in the Cathedral Hall by "Swamp Circus" presenting their new circus show. A very worthwhile evening.

It was the same story in the Parishes, including Rawcliffe. The Vicar the Revd. Geoff Hollingsworth is always asked "Where's that?" "Is it in our Diocese?", to which the answer is a firm "Yes." At the end of September, the two local schools at Rawcliffe and Rawcliffe Bridge presented a concert in the Parish Church of St. James with the theme of 'Light in the City', looking at Light and Hope. It consisted of songs by the choirs, and drama and readings, and every family present received a candle which had been beautifully transformed by the ladies of the church into floral arrangements. The candles were lit and the children holding them formed a cross shape in the church. The lights were dimmed, it was going dark, the candles shone, as did the faces

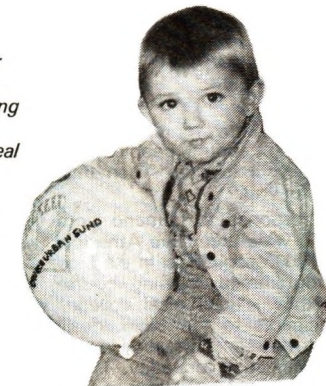
St. Andrew's Sharrow, Sheffield

On the occasion of their Patronal Festival St. Andrew's presents "The Apple, Anger and The Ark" Wakefield Mystery Plays. Performances in the Church on Thursday 30 November at 7 p.m.; Friday 1st December at 7 p.m. and Saturday 2nd December at 4 p.m. Tickets Adults £2: Children £1. Please send cheques (payable to St. Andrew's PCC (Drama a/c) and s.a.e. to Mrs. B. Bennett, 12 Hardwick Crescent, Sheffield S11 8WB.

The productions represent a good opportunity for St. Andrew's to engage in a collective act of fellowship and worship and provides the opportunity for an evangelical event at the time of our Patronal Festival. We look forward to seeing many friends and guests from throughout the Diocese on what should prove to be a fascinating occasion.



Your never too young to start supporting the Bishop's £Million Appeal Alex White clutches his CUF Balloon.



of the children holding them, and everyone reached for their handkerchiefs, but they also gave generously and £120 was raised..... and all from a small rural village. The local newspaper picked up the story, and Rawcliffe is now in print as it deserves to be.

At St. Paul's, Wheatley Park, Doncaster, Harvest coincided with Church Urban Fund Week, and so the church decided to get together with members of the community to make its Harvest Thanksgiving a week of celebration of the gifts and talents in the locality. There were displays and demonstrations on every conceivable 'gift' including Crafts, Music, Arts and Do it Yourself! St. Paul's is an Urban Priority Area, but has no doubt that people there have talents to share. As a respondent told the original Archbishop's Commission "Faith in the City": "Don't ask what the Church can do for the inner city; ask what the inner city can do for the Church". It is the experience of St. Paul's that it can do a lot!

St. Mary's Church, Rawmarsh

Organist required for Sunday Services 10.30 a.m. Sung Mass, 6.30 p.m. Evensong & Benediction and Choir Practice. £500 p.a. plus fees (av. £750 p.a.) Contact: Fr. A. Watson, The Rectory, High Street, Rawmarsh, Rotherham S62 6NE. Tel Rotherham 527160.

Still piping up!

WALES PARISH CHURCH celebrated the 50th Anniversary of Harold Prestidge as their organist on Sunday, 29th October. He was presented with a writing case to mark the occasion and to say thank you very much for such faithful service given in a most caring way.

NSM

Saturday, 9th December, 1989 is **Vocations Day** for those considering Non-Stipendiary Ministry, organised by the Northern Ordination Course. It is to be held at the Chaplaincy Centre, Huddersfield Polytechnic from 10.15 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Further details and booking forms are available from: The Secretary, Northern Ordination Course, Brighton Grove, Manchester. M14 5JP or from the Diocesan Director of Ordinands, the Revd Canon Trevor Page, 393 Fulwood Road, Sheffield S10 3GL Tel: Sheffield 305707.

Seeking?

Want to know more about the Bible but find that there aren't enough people to make up a group with you in your locality? Then this might be just the thing for you.

In response to demand from individual people over a wide area, Eve Atherfold, newly appointed Adult Education Officer in the Diocese, has announced a programmed learning course, produced by a well-known theological college, which introduces participants to the Bible, dealing with questions about its history, the way in which it is written and its significance for today. This first course (lasting for ten weeks) will give a good insight into the teaching and contents of parts of the old testament.

Anyone who is interested in taking up this exciting new opportunity, and is willing to use 4 hours each week in personal study and 1 hour in meeting together in a group, and spend £15 in the process, should contact Eve Atherfold at Padley House, Moss, Doncaster DN6 0DL Tel: Doncaster 700452, who will gladly pursue it further with you.

Centenary Celebration

Church Pastoral Aid Society is coming to the end of the centenary year of its ministry among women, and the final major event is at Bradford Cathedral on Thursday, 9th November from 11.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. when there is a programme of teaching and worship, drama and testimonies with Angela Mills and Margaret Cundiff, and Ida Glaser of the CPAS Asian Project in Newcastle. Contact Mrs. Kath Laycock, 33 Leaventhorpe Lane, Bradford. BD8 0EG Tel: 0274 883441, for more information

Bible Promotion in Sheffield City Centre

On Saturday, 9th December, during the Christmas shopping rush, there will be a presentation of the Bible to the people of Sheffield, by means of displays and literature. This event is being set up by church members of all denominations working together.

Look out for it in Fargate, Sheffield.

Christmas Celebration

This year's musical celebration from **St. Francis' Church** will be a Christmas special to include songs from Graham Kendrick's "The Gift" - a happy party atmosphere to celebrate the arrival of God's Son on earth.

We welcome everyone to our evening on 16th December, 1989, starting at 7.00 p.m. and finishing at 8.30 p.m., The Church of St. Francis of Assisi, Nostell Place, West Bessacarr, Doncaster.



DO YOU PUT A CANDLE IN THE WINDOW?

How do you celebrate Christmas, Collop Monday, Ascension Day, Lammas Day in your family?

Marjorie Freeman, wife of the Archdeacon of Doncaster has, in her latest book, compiled a selection of customs, readings, prayers and recipes for the main festivals of the Church's year, so they can be marked by individual Christians and families in their own homes. From this mixture of ideas, illustrations and suggestions you can choose those which are appropriate to your situation. The book begins with January 1st ('the naming of Jesus') but it can be started and used from any time in the year. An excellent present for Christmas!

"We always put a Candle in the Window"
NS/CHP £3.50 from SPCK Bookshop or by post from Church House Bookshop, Great Smith Street, London SW1P 3NZ.

From Kenya to Sheffield

1990 will see visitors from our link diocese of Maseno North and Nambale arriving in the Sheffield diocese.

In May/June there will be a YOUTH VISIT of 8 young people and 2 leaders spending 4 weeks in parishes here and learning about life in our part of the world.

The Revd. SIMON OKETCH, formerly vicar of Kagemega and now youth chaplain for Maseno North, will be staying for 6 months and experiencing what it is like to work in parishes here.

Any parish interested in having 2 young Kenyan visitors (for 12 days) or anyone just wanting to learn more about our link with the church in Kenya - come and find out more on Monday, 20th November at Handsworth Parish Centre at 7.30 p.m.

For further details please contact Ron Stevens, 67 Den Bank Drive, Sheffield. S10 5PF. Tel: Sheffield 305475 - and let him know if you are coming.

Martin House - A Hospice for Children

A CHRISTMAS FAYRE in aid of Martin House will be held in SHEFFIELD CATHEDRAL HALL on SATURDAY, 25th NOVEMBER from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. There are gifts galore, toys, books, cakes, toiletries, handicrafts, Bric-a-brac and refreshments. Admission is only 10p. Anyone able to help should contact Jill Hastings on Sheffield 890053.

Martin House is being extremely well used by many families who are finding its support and care invaluable.

Saint Cecilia's, Parson Cross, Sheffield

Those who avidly read the adverts columns of the Church Press may have been surprised recently when they came across the enclosed advert, placed there by the Parish of Saint Cecilia's

We offer you...

The fellowship of our parish community at Saint Cecilia's, Parson Cross, Sheffield - and the opportunity to share prayer and Parish Life - AND THE CHALLENGE TO KNOW YOURSELF AND YOUR VOCATION IN LIFE.

We invite you to consider serving God and your neighbour in parish involvement in the spirit of this Anglican house served by two Secular Priests and a Church Army Captain.

We welcome you for a long or short stay.

Write for details to:

The Rev. Canon Geoffrey K. Bostock
Saint Cecilia's Priory, Chaucer Close
Sheffield. S1 9QE. Tel: Sheffield (0742) 321084

Father Geoffrey Bostock explains some of the background of the Parish and hopes for response to the advert from home and away!

"In the middle 1930's a Religious Community for Men in the Church of England - the Society of the Sacred Mission - the Kelham Fathers - came to the new estate of Parson Cross, Sheffield to begin part of their outreach and mission among the people who were being moved into Parson Cross from all places of Sheffield.

The Society of the Sacred Mission saw very much their work to be the work of prayer and action and from those days - fifty years ago - we pattern our ministry and our prayer at St. Cecilia's. The Kelham Fathers were very quickly joined by a Religious Community for Women in the Church of England - the Community of Saint Mary the Virgin - The Wantage Sisters. Other friends of the Community came to join with Father Roseveare and in our early annals people like Lady Mabel Smith and Lady Ferrers were very active in the work and ministry of the Mission Team here at Parson Cross. The Kelham Fathers ministered in this parish for very nearly 25 years. Father Richard Roseveare was appointed to be Bishop of Accra in 1952 - after a serious illness he returned to England and died here in 1972.

Today Saint Cecilia's is still a power to be reckoned with in the community on Parson Cross. Our outreach today is very much through our Family Social Club and through the regular prayer and disciplined way of life of priests and people in this parish.

Our staff today is but a pale reflection of those early days of ten priests and ten sisters. Today there are but two priests and one Church Army Captain whose prime responsibility is for young people in the parish. At the moment we try to maintain the prayer through the day using the Divine Office as our basis for prayer and our work among young people is growing very quickly. Our register suggests that about 150 children come into contact with us each

week. We have access to the schools and on all occasions of holiday we try to mount Holiday Clubs for the young people.

In Bible terms, the harvest is plenty but the labourers are few and we would wish to look ahead from a very wonderful fifty years to the future. Those early days of Father Roseveare were such that men and women felt the call of God to share in the life here with the Kelham Fathers. We believe such is the case looking ahead to our fifty first and sixtieth and seventieth year. The community, committed to the way of the Lord should be no weaker than in those early days - should be no less enthusiastic than the days of the Kelham Fathers. Our aim is unchanged - our aim is to proclaim Christ to the people of Parson Cross where so many of our social problems are to be found spoiling people's lives. The work began fifty years ago, we believe must go forward engaging men and women of our own age to work together in this mission.

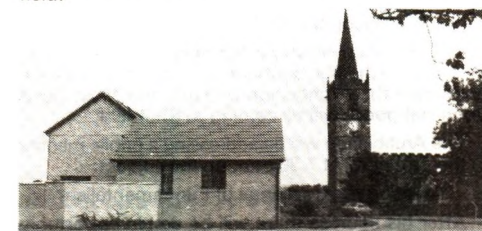
We reach out to the Community at Parson Cross through our Family Social Club and plans are in the making for the building of a Day Centre for the mentally ill, for children of single parent families and for our work among young people."

It's a FIRST!

The Northern Province Parsonages Committee Secretaries meet each year in conference, and for Brian Cook from our Diocese it was a good conference. Not only because it was a very practical meeting for those who deal with parsonage housing, but because Sheffield Diocese came away with a First!

Each secretary had been asked to take plans and photographs of two recently built new houses in their diocese. These were then judged by all the secretaries, and Sheffield came 1st in the shape of Wath Vicarage, and 3rd with Christ Church, Gleadless.

Pity the competition organised at the conference was only informal, and there weren't any prizes - but it just shows how Sheffield Diocese can lead the field!



Wath-upon-Deane Vicarage - handy for church!

White Roses all the way

The Yorkshire Agricultural Society will be holding its Harvest Thanksgiving Society in Ripon Cathedral at 2.30 p.m. on Sunday, 1st October, 1989. White Roses are not really necessary and everyone is welcome!

For Sale

Good Black Cassock 62", £30 o.n.o. Phone Barnsley 203553.

Send out your Spirit

By now nearly everyone will know that there is to be a Diocesan Eucharist on Sunday, 10th June, 1990 at Doncaster Racecourse at which Bishop David will officially launch the Diocesan Decade of Evangelism. As part of the preparation for the launch of the Decade, there are three meetings in the Octagon Centre, Sheffield University at 7.30 p.m. (on Mondays, 16th and 30th October and 13th November). The themes of the evenings are "Fire for the Journey", address by Bishop Pat Harris; "Light for the Journey" with Bishop Roy Williamson; and "Food for the Journey" at which the speaker will be Bishop Timothy Bavin. Each evening includes worship, music and drama, and every parish it is hoped will be represented by at least six people.

The meetings do not stand in isolation and in order that they are built on and surrounded by prayer and Bible Study, a series of Bible Study notes, for individual use, and for group use, along with a prayer card are available from: The Revd. A.G. Richards, The Vicarage, 27 Tynker Avenue, Beighton, Sheffield S19 6DD. Tel: Sheffield 487635.

Open Church Group Meeting

"THE HUMANITY OF CHRIST AND OUR DOCTRINE OF GOD"

The Bishop of Durham, the Rt. Revd. David Jenkins, will be speaking to an open meeting of the Open Church Group on Tuesday, 31st October at 2.15 p.m. in St. Mark's Church, Broomhill, Sheffield.

Parking will be very limited. Be warned!

Everyone welcome for this opportunity to dig down into what Christians believe about God, and the implications for that belief of the full humanity of Christ.

The meeting will end at 4 p.m. to leave plenty of time for discussion.

Not too Late!



*The Cathedral Church of
St. S. Peter & Paul - Sheffield*

The Cathedral Sheffield S1 1HA
Telephone: 0742 753434

The 75th Anniversary celebrations for the Diocese and the Cathedral continue on Monday, October 2nd when the Archbishop of York, the Most Revd. John Habgood, will be coming to Sheffield.

The Archbishop will be addressing a public meeting in the Cathedral at 7.30 p.m. on the subject:

"Meeting the Challenge of Fundamentalism"

After his address there will be ample opportunity to question and debate with the Archbishop.

Coffee and Light refreshments will be served in the Cathedral Hall afterwards.

Singing Supper

The Diocesan Readers' Association has organised a concert given by the Church Choir and Soloists at St. Mary's Church, Worsbrough on 18th November at 7.30 p.m. Proceeds are for the Bishop's Appeal and tickets which include supper cost £2.50. It's a bargain, and the tickets are available from the Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. Balme, 1 Wrens Way, Birdwell, Barnsley. S70 5SQ. Tel: Barnsley 281185.

The Coal Industry and the Church

The Revd. Tony Attwood, Coalfield Chaplain with Sheffield Industrial Mission looks at the Coal Industry and the Church over the past eighty years, and asks readers to look ahead to a strong partnership in changing times.

A UNIQUE PARTNERSHIP

How times change! Three or four generations back many of the deep mines were just being sunk. Wherever Collieries were planned around Doncaster, arrangements were made to build a mission church. In 1912 the then Archbishop of York opened the Church of Ascension in Maltby by saying "it is given in profound gratitude for the services which our miners render to the whole community". Along with the development of the Coalfield a new co-operation between the industry, the community and the church was born. In few other situations has there been such long-standing potential for close ties between people's work, their beliefs and daily life.

Today ministers and priests of different churches are in touch with many people at local pits. We are working together to take seriously the necessary provisions of the Emergency Scheme. If they are needed, the staff of the local churches should know who to see, where to go and what they might do to help. This is just one of the ways in which we are taking part in building the relationships that will strengthen our communities for generations to come. The Archbishop's wish is still the aim, that people "should have every opportunity for fulfilling a truly human life".

In all the activities of the mining industry there are many, many people and events to commemorate. People's life and work in coal can be recognised more widely here and further afield. This is not to look back, but rather, to find hope for the future. We are going to need technical skills, human understanding and community solidarity as never before. What could we do to mark the **unique partnership** of industry, community and the churches since the formation of the Coalfield Church Extension Committee in 1910? How can we look ahead to new ways of working together during the next 80 years? Any thoughts, ideas, suggestions? - please let me know at 5 Daw Wood, Bentley, Doncaster. DN5 0PU. Phone: Doncaster 875904.

Whilst the Bishop of Sheffield commends a week-end next year co-ordinated by Tony.

COAL AND OUR 75 YEARS

"There is an interesting parallelism between the Coal and Doncaster and the Diocese. Indeed it was that rapid and sudden development that finally convinced people that a new Diocese of Sheffield was really needed. And although these last few years have seen a dramatic decline in the number of pits, yet I believe that there is a future for Coal as there is a future for the Diocese of Sheffield. So from 5th-7th May, 1990 in St. George's Church, Doncaster (and as a splendid prologue to the Doncaster Festival) there is to be a Coalfields' Exhibition (and much else) including a service on the Sunday at 3.00 p.m. Rev. Tony Attwood will tell you more and gratefully receive offers of interest and help."

TOTLEY ROUND UP

The Dore & Totley Christian Council Chairman's Effort raised £457 from the sponsored walk around the seven churches in the Council. Our thanks to all who walked and all who helped in the organisation. The photographic competition was won by Mr. Artindale.

BIBLE READING NOTES

Now is the time to consider ordering Bible Reading Notes for 1990. If you have never used notes to aid your Bible reading, how about making an early New Year Resolution to start the decade off on the right foot?

For details contact Vivien Filleul (360872) (for Bible Reading Fellowship notes)

or Dudley Nixon (352663) (for Scripture Union notes).

SILENT PRAYER

Like the shade of outspread wings
let quietness comfort me,
Like morning dew on gossamer
let silence rest upon me.

Still my mind and calm my thoughts,
use my emptiness,
Lead me, show me, speak to me
in peace and quietness.

May my spirit lift in stillness
like the soaring of a dove,
May silence fill my mind and soul
and feed my heart with love.

Let buds of faith unfold
like blossom in the sun,
In prayer and contemplation
may thy will be done.

Sue Wright.

LOVE QUOTES

Love is like back ache, it doesn't show up on X-rays, but you know it's there.

George Burns

Whatever recipe for life you follow, the most important ingredient is love.

Never marry but for love; but see that thou lovest what is lovely.

William Penn

FIRST BIRTHDAY

It is now 1 year since the Pram Service (now the Under Fives Praise Service) was first started. To celebrate, the Mums and Under Fives are holding a birthday party on Thursday 2nd November. There will be a free lunch for Mums (or Dads!) and children from 12.15 for 12.30pm. This will be followed by "Under Fives Praise". Games and birthday celebrations will continue into the afternoon.

Come and join in the fun!

For more information 'phone Beth on 365512.

LADIES CLUB

On 7 November there will be a JEWELLERY PARTY where you can buy some Christmas presents or perhaps something to treat yourself.

The second meeting in November is on the 21st, when Janet Crowther will give us a demonstration of the art of Quilling or Paper Filigree. Come along and have a go yourself! The Christmas meal will be held on 12th December at the Fleur-de-Lys.

SHEFFIELD PEACE WEEK

Peace Fair, Sheffield Town Hall, Saturday 18 November.

During the week a series of public meetings and discussions organised by CND, Oxfam, the Greens and others....

Green Christians & Peace Makers in a Threatened World.

Speaker: Rev Jonathan Clatworthy. Tuesday 21 November, 7.30pm TV Room, Octagon Centre. Organised by Sheffield Christians for Peace. Details: Margaret, 585715.

CARMEN

The John Wade Singers are presenting a concert version of Bizet's CARMEN at All Saints' Church on Friday 24 November and Saturday 25 November at 7.30pm. For tickets (£2.50 Adults £2.00 Children & OAPs) phone John Wade (360820) or Cliff Job (360122). The proceeds of the Concert are to go to the Hallam Community Physiotherapy Appeal.

LADIES WORKING PARTY

Donations in kind for the stalls at the Christmas Bazaar on Saturday 25 November would be gratefully appreciated. (See separate notice.)

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs C.Greenhoff, 38 The Quadrant, at 2.30pm on Tuesday 28 November.

NOVEMBER DIARY

1	Wed		ALL SAINTS' DAY OF PRAYER (10am to 8pm)
2		12.15pm	Under 5s Celebration Lunch - Church Hall
		2.00pm	Under 5s Praise - Church
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Young Adult Fellowship - 10 Twentywell Dr.
		8.00pm	Standing Committee - 220 Baslow Road
4	Sat	1.30pm	Holy Matrimony (Peter Hill & Caroline Moore)
6	Mon	6.30pm	All Saints' School PTA Bonfire
7	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		7.30pm	Ladies Club Jewellery Party
		8.00pm	Men's Fellowship - 113 Green Oak Road
8	Wed	11.00am	Monthly Morning Fellowship - 2 Main Ave
		8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships- 1 Quarry Rd & 126 Green Oak Road
9	Thu	2.00pm	Under 5s - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
		8.00pm	PCC Meeting - Crypt
14	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		7.30pm	CONFIRMATION SERVICE at All Saints'
15	Wed	2.00pm	Afternoon Fellowship - 4 The Crescent
		8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships - 57 Sunnyvale Road 113 Green Oak Rd.
16	Thu	2.00pm	Under 5s - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Young Adult Fellowship - 43 Rowan Tree Dell
20	Mon	7.30pm	Nursery/Playgroup AGM - School
21	Tue	12.15pm	Liaison Lunch - Church Hall
		1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		7.30pm	Ladies Club - "Quilling"
22	Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships - 1 Quarry Road and 126 Green Oak Rd
23	Thu	2.00pm	Under 5s - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
24	Fri	7.30pm	"CARMEN" John Wade Singers - All Saints' Church
25	Sat	2.00pm	CHRISTAS BAZAAR in Church Hall
		7.30pm	"CARMEN" John Wade Singers-All Saints' Church
28	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		2.15pm	Ladies Working Party - 38 The Quadrant
29	Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships - 57 Sunnyvale Road and 113 Green Oak Road
30	Thu	2.00pm	Under 5s - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Young Adult Fellowship - 10 Twentywell Dr.

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1 Fri 2.30pm All Saints' School PTA CHRISTMAS FAIR -Sch



MOST of us are sufficiently wise and cautious to stay far enough from crucifixions until they are over, and then generously and graciously vote the victims a place among the honoured dead.
BILLY GRAHAM

WE ALL know we make mistakes...Once you admit it you have an enormous weight taken off you, because you are talking about reality. All the problems in life come from trying to live out a fantasy that you are different from what you really are.
JOHN CLEESE

The Seven Last Words of the Church:
"We never did it that way before."

"A number of buttons have been found among the coins in recent collections. In future, please rend your hearts and not your garments."



REMEMBER that Christians are not meant to use the Sword of the Spirit to carve one another up.

DON'T resent growing old. Many do not have the opportunity of doing so.

DON'T look for the perfect church. You'll never find it. And even if you did, you couldn't qualify for membership.

THE ELDERLY PARISHIONER stood on the church steps, thanking the vicar. "It was a wonderful sermon you preached today" she said, "Everything you said applied to somebody or other I know."

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