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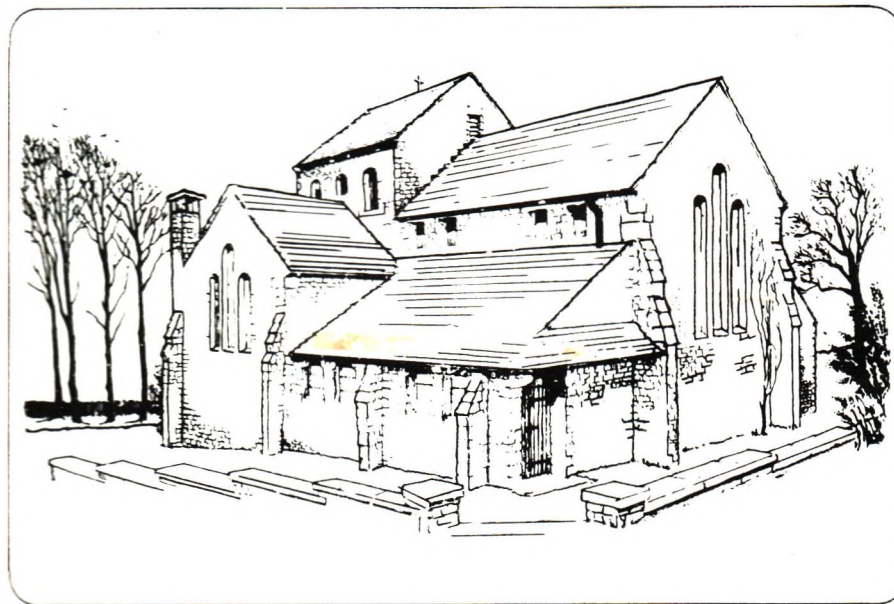
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Entry into a New Year, and the New Decade of 1990's, prompts us all to reflect on similar moments from the past. The year 1940 holds for me my earliest childhood memory - evacuated from the London blitz to a wooden holiday bungalow in a Norfolk seaside village. I had the chance to go back to the village last year - 50 years on. Needless to say there had been many changes.

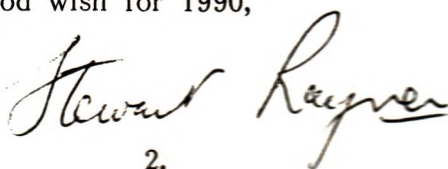
Gone was the station with its short smoky train; gone were the shiny buses with their wooden destination boards. Gone was the chauffeur-driven Rector - he had finally succumbed after 55 years in the same parish. Almost gone was the road from the village to the bungalow due to cliff erosion which had eaten half of it away.

However the bungalow named "Sunrise" was still there. As there was no one in residence at the time, I quickly peeped through the windows. To my amazement nothing had altered - there were the same furnishings and old metal bunk-beds my brother and I had used, the same old kitchen sink and units my mother had worked at, the same books on the shelves. It was indeed a step back into my memories and I felt there could be few everyday places left in England just as they were 50 years ago.

We all like to think there are permanent features in life, but in fact "Sunrise Bungalows" are the exception and most things are subject to continual change. Indeed everything does change. The pattern of life exists through the coming and going of people, events and things, just as even the most solid of objects are known to be made up of an endless movement of particles.

The steadfast Love of the Lord is linked to the ceaseless activity of his Holy Spirit. The eternal changelessness of God is reflected in all 'the changes and chances of this fleeting World'. This New Year let us be assured that whatever change we face all things are working together to fulfil His purposes.

With every good wish for 1990,



SERVICES IN JANUARY

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am.

- 7th EPIPHANY 1
Theme "The Baptism of Jesus"
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Holy Communion (ASB)
Epistle: Ephesians 2: 1-10 (JB)
Gospel: St John 1: 29-34 (JB)
10am Young Saints
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
Old Testament: 1 Samuel 16: 1-13 (NEB)
New Testament: St Matthew 3: 13-17 (NEB)
- 14th EPIPHANY 2
Theme "The First Disciples"
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Galatians 1:11-24 (NEB)
Gospel: St John 1: 35-51 (NEB)
10am Young Saints
12 noon Holy Baptism (Leah North)
6.30pm Evensong (ASB)
Old Testament: Jeremiah 1:4-10 (NEB)
New Testament: St Mark 1: 14-20 (NEB)
- 21st EPIPHANY 3
Theme "Signs of Glory"
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Philippians 4: 10-20 (JB)
Gospel: St John 6:1-14 (NEB)
10am Family Service
3.30pm Cheshire Home Service
6.30pm Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: 1 John 1:1-7 (TEV)
Gospel: St John 2: 1-11 (NEB)
- 28th EPIPHANY 4
Theme "The New Temple"
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Hebrews 12: 18-29 (JB)
Gospel: St John 4: 19-26 (JB)
10am Young Saints
6.30pm Evensong (ASB)

"GOING WITH GOD" and "TURNING POINTS"

These titles relate to two important **Study Courses** for 1990. The first has been produced by the **Diocese of Sheffield** to equip Christians for the 1990s as we **concentrate** on a Decade of evangelism. It draws on the **life of Moses** to focus on six characteristics of God - 'A God to be worshipped', 'A God who calls', 'A God of purpose', 'A God of power', 'A God who rescues' and 'A God of justice'.

The second course is a series of five studies produced by the "Not Strangers but Pilgrims" Inter Church Process working towards Christian Unity. The weekly themes which are being taken up by national and local radio during Lent are 'Turning Around', 'Turning the Other Cheek', 'Turning Point', 'Turning Upside Down' and 'No Turning Back'. This course is seen as an opportunity for local churches of different denominations to find practical ways of moving from co-operation to full commitment to one another.

The first course will begin in mid-January and is to be linked to a set of Daily Study Notes and a morning Sermon Series commencing on Sunday 14th January. Home Study Groups are planned to start that week on Monday evening, Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday and Thursday evenings. If you can't go consistently at the same time - feel free to move amongst the groups. Full details on church notice sheets - or contact the Vicar.

The second course will be organised ecumenically during Lent. Those wanting to take part please look out for leaflets in Church at the end of this month, and if you can offer your home for a group - please contact Marjorie Snowdon (362822).

"A DAY IN THE LIFE OF SHEFFIELD"

Come and see what was happening within Sheffield on the 20th September 1989. You might see yourself! Two photographs of pupils at All Saints' School busy working are amongst 300 selected for an exhibition out of 1300 specially taken on that day for the Sheffield Photographic Society. The Exhibition can be seen at the Cutler's Hall this January on Monday 8th (6pm - 9pm), Tuesday 9th (10am-6pm) Wednesday 10th (10am-9pm), Thursday 11th (10am-6pm)

WORDS OF CONTEMPLATION

The text for this month is "Fear none of them for I AM with you, and will keep you safe" (Jer. 1:8)

The watchword is "I...will keep you safe"

THE TRUTH REVEALED

On the 3rd and 4th February, at the Totley site of the Polytechnic, there will be a seminar entitled "The Truth Revealed", aimed at helping Christians confronted by Jehovah's Witnesses and the New Age Movement. It is organised by the Dore & Totley Christian Fellowship in association with the Reach Out Trust.

All welcome.

BEETLES

The two meetings of the Ladies Club are on the 2nd & 16th January.

The first is a Games Evening where everyone can try their luck at a beetle drive and other games.

Roger Butterfield of the Sheffield City Wildlife Group will give a talk at the second meeting on the work of the group and its various projects around the city.

...AND ON TV

'There's a paratrooper coming down now. Let's see if he's going to land'

— Tony Blackburn

'I must apologise to the deaf for the loss of subtitles'

— Angela Rippon

'There's a sight to take your breath away — the smell of hyacinths'

— Peter Seabrook

Speaking out of turn

The average British man, it's estimated, in an average day, speaks an average of 54,976 words. The problem is that by the time this average man arrives home at night after a day in the office or factory he's spoken his share and his average housewife has hardly begun hers!

Questionnaire

A booklet about the various groups and organisations connected with the Church is to be compiled. It is intended for those new to the Parish, but may be of interest to anyone as their circumstances change. This is your chance to bring your group to the attention of others. You may even attract a new member or two!

Please would the Secretary or Chairperson or whatever of each group collect a form from the back of Church.

Completed forms should be returned to the Vicar or Jenny Fairweather before or at the next Forum Meeting on 13 February.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Ladies Working Party

will be held at
220 Baslow Road
on Tuesday 23 January
at 2.30pm
New members will be very welcome.

"PAINT YOUR WAGGON"

The Christmas decorations at the "Waggon and Horses" Millhouses are colourful seasonal pictures produced by the pupils of All Saints' School. If you fancy a drink or a meal out during the Twelve Days of Christmas - why not call in and see these original paintings!

THE PIT

A man fell into a pit and couldn't get himself out.

A SUBJECTIVE person came along and said, 'I feel for you, down there'.

An OBJECTIVE person came along and said, 'It's logical that someone would fall down there'.

A PHARISEE said: 'Only bad people fall into pits'.

A NEWS-REPORTER wanted the exclusive story on his pit.

CONFUCIUS said, 'If you had listened to me, you would not be in that pit'.

BUDDHA SAID, 'Your pit is only a state of mind'.

A REALIST said, 'That's a PIT'.

A SCIENTIST calculated the pressure necessary (p.s.i.) to get him out of the pit.

A GEOLOGIST told him to appreciate the rock strata in the pit.

A TAX-MAN asked if he was paying taxes on the pit.

The COUNCIL INSPECTOR asked if he had a permit to dig a pit.

An EVASIVE person came along and avoided the subject of his pit altogether.

A SELF-PITYING person said, 'You haven't seen anything until you've seen MY pit!'

A CHARISMATIC said, 'Just confess that you're not in a pit'.

An OPTIMIST said, 'Things could be worse'.

A PESSIMIST said, 'Things will get worse'.

JESUS, seeing the man, took him by the hand and lifted him out of the pit.

KENNETH D. FILKINS

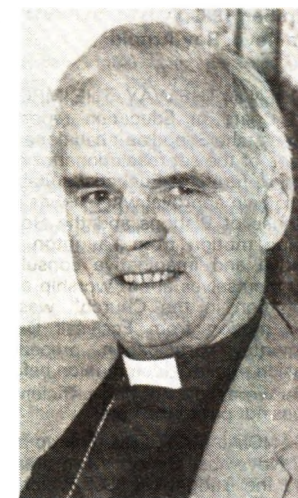
JESUS never asks us to go anywhere he has not gone,
To face anything he has not faced,
To love anyone he has not loved
Or to give anything he has not given.

AS Tertullian said, in the early centuries after Christ, Christianity spread because Christians outlived, outloved, and outdied the pagans.

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JANUARY, 1990

THE EARTH IS THE LORD'S



The Bishop of Doncaster writes:

We are all going green these days; both Government and Opposition, and politicians of every hue, are keen to tell us how green they are. Commercial firms aren't far behind either. Aerosols claim to be ozone-friendly. Fast food chains are leaving their additives behind. As for the rest of us, we are getting more litter conscious (at any rate I devoutly hope we are) and moving if we can to lead-free petrol.

The Church of England was recently accused of getting onto the ecological bandwagon. As it happens I am glad to say that we were on it long ago; indeed before the bandwagon itself entered general public awareness in this country. I still have my copy of an excellent report - 'Man in his Living Environment', produced in 1970 by the Board of Social Responsibility as a contribution to European Conservation Year. 'The ecological attitude is still far too unfamiliar even amongst scientists' says the Report. 'It is markedly absent amongst those responsible for the development of industrialised urban society. They too easily plead immediate economic gain and in the process impoverish the earth and destroy what is irreplaceable.' Things are changing; but sometimes one can't help wondering by how much.

God is course has always been ecologically green. Genesis 1 bears eloquent testimony to that: 'God saw everything he had made; and behold it was very good.' Sadly by contrast humanity has shown ungreen tendencies from the beginning. I don't pretend to understand the mystery of the Fall, although I think we realise only too well the extent to which sin is reflected in our attitude to God and in our attitude to each other. I am not so sure though that we are sufficiently aware that it is also reflected in our attitude to creation. If it is true therefore that we need to be reconciled to God and to each other through Christ's redemptive triumph over sin on the Cross; it is also true that God has a redemptive purpose for his whole created order.

Our responses to our awareness of that purpose for the created order may well have differences of emphasis. I hesitate to suggest that any of us have a precise blueprint of what the well-intentioned green christian ought to be saying or doing. It is clear enough, for example, that the deforestation of the Amazonian rain-forests and the unacceptable methods of animal slaughter are to be condemned; but it doesn't necessarily follow that we should abandon coffee drinking, or that we should all become vegetarians.

What we surely have to do is to recognise that care for the environment is much more than contemporary social fashion. It is part of our christian stewardship as it always has been. Loving our neighbourhood and caring about the neighbourhood of others is a very positive way of witnessing to God's love. As we approach the Decade of Evangelism, it is part of the wholesome background to any sharing of faith.

Look around you in 1990. God grant that you may see and show in what you do that the earth is the Lord's; and that through Jesus Christ, God has a saving purpose for those who put their trust in Him.

WILLIAM
Bishop of Doncaster

Synod Digest

A summary of the meeting of Sheffield Diocesan Synod, meeting in Sheffield on 18th November, 1989, by the Revd. Roy Arnold.



CHILDREN IN THE WAY, THE IMPORTANT General Synod Board of Education report, got a warm welcome at the Synod as it had done in the deaneries. Only one of the set resolutions for discussion - that relating to forms of Eucharist suitable for children - failed to gain approval when it was defeated both in the House of Bishops and the House of Laity. A following motion from Laughton Deanery urging "sensitive and imaginative consultation with the young themselves about worship and their general participation in the Church" was carried but a further motion from Ecclesall Deanery on "full sacramental participation preceding a mature profession of faith" (communion before Confirmation in other words) did not find sufficient Synod support and was not put to the vote.

FINANCIAL MATTERS took up much of the time at the November Synod. Main area of debate was around the Budget for 1990 which was eventually approved...a total amounting to £2,964,290. Along the way two motions - one from Wath and one from Doncaster Deaneries - seeking to trim the Budget were given a good airing but were eventually defeated. "This Budget does require a large increase in quota payments" warned Mr. Leslie Fletcher, Chairman of the Diocesan Board of Finance, but he pointed out that £25,000 had already been trimmed

from the Budget and that it covered no new work: just the continuance of the work of 1988 and 1989. "It is just that that work is costing more" he said. This plus an increase requirement from the General Synod, plus more needed to cover the cost of Community Charge costs by the clergy were factors involved in the Budget increases. An attempt to register disapproval of the General Synod's handling of its affairs (especially with regard to Church House, Westminster) by the Revd. D. Drye (Doncaster) was not carried.

REPORTS from the Diocesan Stewardship Adviser, Mr. Douglas Hurley about his work, and one from the Revd. Stuart Brindley (Rotherham) on the visit of a group from Sheffield Diocese to Hattingen-Witten in West Germany, were warmly received.

AN ADVISER IN EVANGELISM (part time) is to be appointed. A full time appointment - as urged by the Deanery of Hallam - was narrowly defeated. Shortage of time defeated discussion of Ecumenical Structures in South Yorkshire and on the future of the Diocesan Link with the Diocese of Maseno North in Kenya.

CHURCH ACTION FUND (a special fund set up several years ago to further the general work of the Church) may now be used, according to merit, for applications from Church-aided schools. At present most grants from this Fund go to support the work of parish churches for major items of repair etc.

IN THE DEANERY SYNOD ELECTIONS 1990, it was agreed by the Diocesan Synod, that the current membership of two persons per parish (with one extra for parishes having an Electoral Roll over 300) should be the agreed figure for 1990.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE DIOCESAN SYNOD will be March 10th, 1990.

80 Year Honours

In the Autumn of 1909, a young probationer treble, K.D. Kingsley, joined the Choir at St. George's Church, Doncaster under the direction of Wilfred Sanderson and with the bonus of a choral scholarship to Doncaster Grammar School.

At the end of last year Ken Kingsley clocked-up 80 years singing at St. George's, and as part of his celebration chose the music for the day on the Sunday of his anniversary.

A very distinctive touch was added to the occasion by Magnus Black, the present organist who wrote an anthem, which was sung on the day, in honour of Ken's long and distinguished service.

Advertising for a Happy New Year!

We are not careless, but we've lost our organist - to a post advertised in the Diocesan News. So, it is our turn to look for an Organist! From January, we will need an Organist for our Sunday Services and Choir Rehearsals. 9.45 a.m. Family Communion; 6.30 p.m. (monthly) Evensong, £450.00 p.a. plus fees (av. £500.00) contact David Reeves, 493 Herringthorpe Valley Road, Rotherham S60 4LB (363526) or Ian Vearcombe (377847). John Stuart, our present organist, will give you the inside story! (587501).

John Oddy

Many across the land, including this diocese mourn the sudden death on 17th October of Canon John Oddy. He was for some years Vicar of Ardsley and Rural Dean of Wath serving for some time as secretary to the Diocesan Evangelical Union. He moved to be Chaplain to the Anglican community around Toulouse and Bordeaux. He then undertook a term as an A.C.C.M. secretary. He died in the post of Vicar of Roxwell, Diocesan Director of Ordinands and Canon of Chelmsford.

His prop-forward figure served him well on the rugby field in college days, but gave a lie to the idea of the need for a with-it image to be a success among young folk. He was greatly loved by young people up and down the country. John lived and died in the service of his master Jesus Christ, we who knew and loved him thank God for that privilege. J.W.S.

Yorkshire Historic Churches Trust

The Yorkshire Historic Churches Trust was formally launched last May and the trustees now have a small amount of money available for distribution in the form of grants. The closing date for applications to be considered by the trustees is 31 March, 1990. Application forms will be available from mid-January from Dr. David Smith, Secretary, YHCT, Crowham House, Market Place, Marsham, North Yorkshire. HG4 4EA.

DAYSTAR 1990



*FIRST THOUGHT OF IN THE
DIOCESE OF SHEFFIELD
then taken up by the
worldwide church!*

Bishop David, way back in 1987, during the Episcopal Visitation that year, knew that the Diocese of Sheffield must make the last ten years of the 20th Century a Decade of Evangelism. He also knew that we needed a great gathering for all of us, from which to step out into that decade.

A great deal has happened since 1987 and "The Decade of Evangelism" has become important for the whole church, not just our corner of it! And DAYSTAR 1990 has been born.

God-Given

Bishop David in his letter to the parishes commends JUNE 10th, 1990 to their prayers and action "The name DAYSTAR 1990 has, I believe been given to us by God. I welcome it very strongly - and some of the reasons for that I've spelt out in the Christmas Meditation in December's issue of the Diocesan News".

The Revd. Roy Arnold, Diocesan Communications Officer could not believe his luck, and his sudden promotion when he read the Bishop's words - for it was from him, as he was day dreaming in his study one day that the name first came.

Inspiration

The logo has been produced and already it has stimulated some thought amongst at least one group within the Diocese. At an all-age learning event at St. Francis Church, West Bessacarr, the logo, newly released was used to give inspiration for their banner-making on the theme 'Send out your Spirit O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.' The Revd. Derek Turnham, Executive Officer for DAYSTAR 1990 reports that for some considerable time, a team of about fifty people have been beavering away at the arrangements for the day - from music to transport, from worship to fun and festival, and a whole host of other things in between. And Bishop David has written to clergy and parishes outlining his hopes for this launch of the Decade of Evangelism.

Memories

DAYSTAR 1990 is not a copy of Pentecost '84, but those with memories of five years ago will remember the 15,000 people gathered from all over the Diocese, on that glorious June day worshipping. They'll remember too the hundreds of buses bringing people to the racecourse, and even the story of one bus driver who was so spellbound by it all that he later sought instruction in the faith. And they'll remember that new feeling of encouragement and confidence given to so many individuals and parishes.

And the purpose of DAYSTAR 1990? To round off the 75th Anniversary Year of the Diocese, and to launch us confidently into the Decade of Evangelism.

Music Makers

Sally Rhodes, co-ordinator of the music for DAYSTAR 1990, and the worship planning group have chosen the communion setting 'The Torn Curtain' by Roger Jones for use in the Eucharist. It is an easy to learn setting which will appeal to a wide range of ages and church backgrounds, and Roger Jones himself will be at Doncaster to conduct the musicians. To help parishes learn the setting, music, cassettes, and leaflets have been made available and can be obtained from Sally at The Vicarage, Mortomley Lane, High Green, Sheffield. S30 4HS. Tel: Sheffield 848231.

Octagon Memories

For those who would like a permanent reminder of the evenings at the Octagon Theatre in October and November last year, the Revd. Alan Richards has available a tape set of the Bishops' talks priced £4.50 postage extra. Not only were the talks stimulating and memorable (Fire, Light, Food for the journey), but so too was the music and hymns and songs. Most of it was specially written within the Diocese specially for the Decade of Evangelism. A book of the music and words (priced £2 postage extra) will be a useful addition to any parish's collection because it can be used throughout this coming year.

Both tapes and Music are available from the Revd. Alan Richards at: The Vicarage, 27 Tynker Avenue, Beighton, Sheffield. S19 6DD. Tel: Sheffield 487635.

*Send out Your Spirit
O Lord, and Renew the
Face of the Earth*

**Diocesan Eucharist - Doncaster Racecourse
Sunday, 10th June, 1990**

REDEDICATION



Alan Jeffries was at Sheffield Cathedral taking photographs for The Mothers' Union Diocesan Scrapbook towards the end of last year, and as one of only a few men amongst so many ladies, writes about his impressions:

"Over 900 members of The Mothers' Union in the Diocese were present at their special Service of Thanksgiving and Rededication for the 75th Anniversary of the Diocese. Everyone sang with great feeling hymns of praise and thanksgiving for God's grace and guidance during the past 75 years, and for his encouragement for the future.

Members from various branches performed mimes and offered thought provoking prayers, and the Rt. Rev. John Waller, the Central Chaplain gave a most inspiring address. The final prayers and dedication were led by Mrs. Marjorie Hooson, the Diocesan President, and over a hundred banners were ranged round the inside of the Cathedral as the service ended. A truly memorable occasion."

Pakistan — South India - Palestine

News from Church Missionary Society (C.M.S.). Two new audio-visual packs designed for use with parish groups will be demonstrated by our C.M.S. Area Secretary - Alan Isaacson - on Monday 29th January, 1990 at 7.30 p.m. in the Cathedral Choir Vestry. From the Church of Pakistan we will learn the truth of the phrase "Our strength is weakness". From a handicapped girl who is a Hindu being cared for in a Christian school in South India we hear in her own words how she is learning some self-respect and dignity: "I'd like to be me". Some advance notice: In May 1990 Canon Naim Ateek from St. George's Cathedral will be in Sheffield. He is a Palestinian and his most recent book is called "Justice, and only Justice - a Palestinian theology of liberation". Watch this space! For more information on either of these, contact Alan Isaacson at 213 Springvale Road, Sheffield S10 1LG (Sheffield 681053).

Crafts, Pies and Concert

The Parish of Christ Church, Brampton Bierlow hope that they have hit upon a winning combination for SATURDAY, 27th JANUARY in their Church Hall from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. The day includes stalls by commercial craftsmen and also stalls featuring items made by the people of the Church as part of their "using your talents for the Church" programme. Pie and Pea lunches will be served during the day, and light refreshments will also be available. A Grand Concert featuring Cortonwood Male Voice Choir and other artistes will round off the day. All are welcome.

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PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

19 Nov Jonathan David Armitage
James Michael Armitage
Lucy Katherine Armitage

Holy Matrimony

9 Dec Paul William Gregory & Deborah Jane Shepherd

Funerals

29 Nov George William Grundy (71) 17 Aldam Croft
30 Nov Wilfred Wood (69) 103 Aldam Road

George Grundy moved to Totley seven months ago. Born in Carbrook he had lived in Shiregreen for the last 45 years. He was a miner all his working life, at Handsworth Colliery from 1933 to its closure in 1967. He made the most of his albeit short stay in Totley, and gained two prizes in the Totley Show last September.

Winnie Wood came to Aldam Road about six months ago after spending all her married life in Ecclesfield. Up to her retirement she was a supervisor at Bassetts Foods.

A BOOK AT BEDTIME?

If you want just a little book to read at bedtime why not try the letter written by Jude. You can find it as the last but one book of the Bible and it has only one chapter of 25 verses. Like so many books in the Bible there is some doubt as to who Jude was and when it was written, but it is at least a strong possibility that Jude was a brother of Jesus and the date may be as early as many of the other epistles.

Whatever the background the book has the familiar account in brief of the history and the troubles of the Jews. But, and this is reserved for the last few verses, there is encouragement to persevere and an assurance of the love of God and the power of the Holy Spirit as "you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life". Then a two verse call to action and a doxology and ascription "To the only God our Saviour be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Why not try it? Very often Bible passages have different messages for different people so perhaps there is something special here for you!

Maurice Snowdon

MUSIC, POETRY AND PROSE

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COUGHS AND CAROLS

The busy Christmas end-of-term was complicated by many of the children succumbing in turn to the 'flu virus, so that at times we were hoping Aladdin's Genii of the Lamp could produce some ready-made actors for the school Concert. Nevertheless, the Concert performances provided to be enjoyable and colourful occasions, with the Infants' production of the "Nutcracker Suite" and the Juniors' "Aladdin and his Lamp".

As well as at our own School Carol Service in Church, the pupils were asked to sing carols at the Senior Citizens Carol Service and also the Sheffield Polytechnic (Totley Site) Carol Service at All Saints. The young voices of children give carols an especial appeal.

Joan Stratford

WHERE AMERICA LEADS - WE FOLLOW ?

We are sure this cartoon (and that on page 11) both from the American Church can have no possible bearing on Church life in this country !



"There's a representative from the women's group here that wants to talk to you about your position on the woman's role in the church."

WHITES OF THEIR EYES

THERE is a story of a Rabbi who asked his disciples how they could tell when night was over and day had broken. 'When you can tell the difference,' said one, 'between a dog and a sheep in a distant field.' 'When you can see in the distance,' said another, 'a tree - and can tell whether it's a fig or an olive.'

'No,' said the Rabbi to both of his disciples: 'It's when you can look on the face of anyone you meet and recognise them as your brother or your sister, for until you can do that, it is still night.'
From 'Milestones', All Saints, Whetstone

NEWS FROM THE FAR NORTH

Thank you for your messages of support. We have had a lovely welcome at Grantown-on-Spey and enjoy our involvement in the different churches. The Episcopal Church offers alternating Mattins and Eucharist at differing times as the Vicar also takes the services in Aviemore.

At the Eucharist we sing only hymns and the same five every time as that is the limit of the organist's repertoire. Breakfast duties for our guests mean on alternate weeks we attend the Church of Scotland where we are in the choir and David has a Sunday School class. The only 6pm service is at the Baptist Church. Consequently the Christians in Grantown know each other well.

Whilst this is ecumenically good, we do long for "Sung Communion" but the nearest is 40 miles away in Inverness. Make the most of the Services at All Saints - to have the choice of BCP and ASB at Holy Communion and Evensong is so precious - and it is not until you have to part with that choice that you realise how fortunate you were to have it!

Many people ask us about the name of Totley Bank House. We tell them that we could not have survived the two years' hardship and the long move North without the support of so many friends in Totley, and the guiding hand of God.

The business has made a good start and we hope 1990 will put it on a secure footing. We are taking bookings for our Ski Package Holiday in conjunction with the Scottish Ski Schools from February to April, and of course welcome holiday guests for the Spring and Summer! (0479 2746)

Ever in our thoughts and prayers, Olwen, Irvine & David

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August 2nd 1888.

JANUARY DIARY

2	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		7.30pm	Ladies Club "Games Evening"
3	Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships -
4	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives Praise - Church
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - 20 Totley Grange Drive
9	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
10	Wed	11.00am	Monthly Morning Fellowship - 6 Milldale Rd.
		8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships -
11	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Parochial Church Council - Crypt
16	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		7.30pm	Ladies Club "Sheffield City Wildlife"
		8.00pm	Men's Fellowship "Ladies Night"
17	Wed	2.00pm	Monthly Afternoon Fellowship - 79 Sunnyvale Road
		8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships -
18	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Young Adult Fellowship - 10 Twentywell Drive
23	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		2.30pm	Ladies Working Party AGM - 220 Baslow Road
24	Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships -
25	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
30	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
31	Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowships -



"It's come to my attention that there's been a minor split in the church."

HANDS TOGETHER, EYES CLOSED!

Many of us were taught as children to put our hands together and close our eyes when we pray. This tradition has a lot to commend it as an aid to concentration and perhaps as a mark of humility as we increase our awareness of God's eternal presence. It is however very possible that, as we get older, the habit sticks, but the logic behind the action becomes obscure. We might overlook the fact that our aim is, or ought to be, concentration and humility.

Much could be written in developing the ideas of aids to prayer but this short piece is on one point only. Some people (and this includes members of our own congregation) have found that when they pray the Prayer of the Grace it is helpful to look around at the people for whom they are praying "The fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all evermore". For them it is a specific reminder that, although this is a personal prayer, it is a request for the benefit of all of us and for our relationship one with another. Such a reminder is as valuable as other aids to concentration and of itself the prayer of the Grace is a humble prayer.

Of course each of us must make our own judgement in this issue but it is worth airing the question because those who close their eyes traditionally for this prayer may be totally unaware that others take a different view of the opportunity. All of us whether favouring open or shut need to be as realistic as we can about our prayers because in and through them we are approaching God. That must be our common aim.

Maurice Snowdon

PARISH ROTAS

Parish Breakfast

7 Jan	Mrs Job	Mrs Murrell
14 Jan	Mr & Mrs Glyn Waite	
21 Jan	Mrs Ruthven	Mrs Snowden
28 Jan	Mr and Mrs Gerald Waite	
4 Feb	Mr & Mrs R Carter	

Flowers	Altar	Memory Table
7 Jan	Ladies Working Party	Mrs Turner

14 Jan	Mrs Manterfield	Mrs Simons
21 Jan	The Guides	Mrs Hardy
28 Jan	Mrs Beeley	Mrs Bramall
4 Feb	-	-

Silver Cleaning

7 Jan	Mrs Kirton
21 Jan	-
4 Feb	Mrs Booth

MISCELLANEA

The year ahead, what will it bring?
At least we may be sure of Spring.
What will they hold, the coming hours?
At least we may be sure of flowers,
blossom and birds and budding trees.
Thank God, we may be sure of these.

(Clarion Handbook)

If after Church you wait a while
someone will greet you with a smile,
but if you quickly rise and flee,
we'll all seem stiff and cold maybe.
The one beside you in the pew
perhaps is just a stranger too.
All here like you have fears and cares.
All of us need each others prayers.
In fellowship we bid you meet
with us, around God's mercy seat.

(on a Church wall at Keswick)

You know what my religion is: identify yourself with the
human race; strive to be humanity in your own person; its
sorrows your sorrows; its tragedies your tragedies; its
glory your glory.

(Felix Adler, 1852 - 1933)

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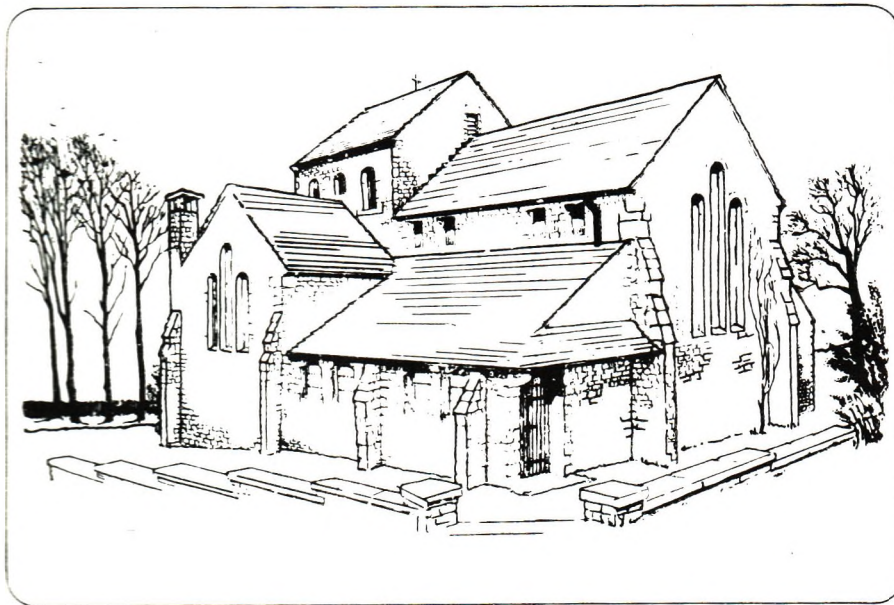
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

The end of this month marks the beginning of Lent - Ash Wednesday falls on 28th February this year. It is a season when traditionally Christians review their lifestyle in terms both of their need for spiritual growth and the spiritual discipline that is a necessary part of it.

In his book "A Celebration of Discipline" (Hodder Christian Paperback), Richard Foster considers the aspects of disciplined Christian commitment under three headings:

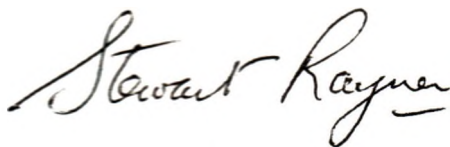
1. The Inward Disciplines
- of meditation, prayer, fasting or self-denial, study.
2. The Outward Disciplines
- of simplicity, solitude, submission and service
3. The Corporate Disciplines
- of confession, worship, guidance and celebration

I commend the book to you as one that has an appeal to a wide spectrum of Christian, not to mention Anglican, persuasions or Churchmanship - and one which we could all learn from and seek to apply in our lives this LENT.

If the word 'discipline' is one we are uncomfortable with, perhaps because of associations from school and childhood, we can remind ourselves of the calling of those first 'disciples' of Jesus. Learning from Him, trying to live in obedience to His guidance in our lives is that sure path to 'spiritual growth' - our full maturity in Him.

Let us this Lent seek to travel further along this path. Let us look at our inner lives and our outer lifestyles in the light of the example and teaching of Christ.

Yours sincerely,



SERVICES IN FEBRUARY

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am.

4th EPIPHANY 5

Theme "The Wisdom of God"

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Holy Communion (ASB)

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 3: 18-23 (NEB)

Gospel: St. Matthew 12: 38-42 (NEB)

10am Young Saints

11.30am Cheshire Home Communion

6.30pm Evensong (BCP)

Old Testament: Ecclesiasticus 32: 15-25 (JB)

New Testament: 1 Corinthians 1: 18-25 (REV)

11th 9 BEFORE EASTER EDUCATION SUNDAY

Theme "Christ the Teacher"

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10am Holy Communion (BCP)

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

Gospel: St. Luke 8: 4-15 (RSV)

10am Young Saints

6.30pm Evensong (ASB)

Old Testament: Isaiah 30: 18-21 (NEB)

New Testament: St. Matthew 5: 1-12 (NEB)

18th 8 BEFORE EASTER

Theme "Christ the Healer"

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 12: 1-10 (JB)

Gospel: St. Mark 7: 24-37 (NEB)

10am Family Service & Holy Baptism (Craig Gillings)

3.30pm Cheshire Home Service

6.30pm Holy Communion (ASB and Anointing)

Epistle: James 5: 13-16 (RSV)

Gospel: St. Mark 2: 1-12 (NEB)

25th 7 BEFORE EASTER

Theme "Christ the Friend of Sinners"

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: Colossians 1: 18-23 (NEB)

Gospel: St. John 8: 2-11 (NEB)

10am Young Saints

25th 6.30pm Evensong (ASB)
cont. Old Testament: Hosea 14: 1-7 (JB)
New Testament: St. Mark 2: 13-17 (NEB)

28th ASH WEDNESDAY
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
8pm Holy Communion (ASB)

DAYSTAR 1990 is the name given to the Diocesan Eucharist and Day at Doncaster Racecourse on Sunday 10th June.

Following the Eucharist at 11am there will be a time for food, fellowship and fun together - departing around 5pm.

The 'launch' of Daystar will be on Sunday 3rd March when a cassette from the Bishop will be played at our Services. On that day members of all congregations will be asked to signify if they are coming. Numbers are needed early for the buses to be arranged - car parking is limited. If you will not be in Church on 3rd March but want to travel by bus from Totley - let the Vicar know soon. Members of other denominations are very welcome to travel with us to join in our Diocesan start to the international Decade of Mission.

ON CHARITY

Charity, alas, at least the need for it, is like gorse - always in season, but it seems to bloom brighter at Christmas. Maybe an influence from the greatest gift, the birth of our Lord, still persists, and we show our love for each other by bearing gifts and making charitable donations.

Charity, however, has many forms and equally many opportunities to flower brightest all year round. It includes kindness to others, the giving of one's time and talents, voluntary work, and work for the relief of war, famine and other disasters. You don't have to be wealthy to be charitable.

Recently I read: "Lots of people think they are charitable if they give away their old clothes and things they don't want". This cynical and jaundiced view was put to shame when I visited my aged and handicapped friend. On his kitchen table, representing charity, love, the giving of time and money, were two generous parcels of groceries - a pertinent reply to Myrtle Reed's observation quoted above, and echoing Paul's letter to the Corinthians: "There are three things that last, Faith, Hope and Charity, but the greatest of these is Charity".

Rex Beaumont.

THE JANUARY CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

The January PCC meeting included a fabric report on repairs and maintenance to the Church, and an up-to-date financial report.

In a letter from the Archdeacon, he recommended we deposit all our historical documents in the new Archives Department in Shoreham Street.

The Vicar gave details of Daystar 1990, the Diocesan Eucharist and Gathering at Doncaster Racecourse on 10th June. There will be a recorded message from the Bishop launching Daystar 1990 on the first Sunday in Lent - 3rd March.

The PCC then shared some thoughts on encouraging younger members of our church to develop their skills and talents on our behalf during the 1990s.

This year the Electoral Roll has to be completely revised and the PCC agreed to help in the personal distribution of new forms to Church members.

The Diocesan link with Maseno North was the subject of a meeting attended on our behalf by Alison Tolson. A youth visit from Kenya to Sheffield will take place 16th May to 13th June. Parishes can assist by contributing to the Kenyans' air fares and it was suggested we might like to organise a coffee evening to help with this.

The Barn Dance made a profit of £39 and it was agreed this should go towards organising future social events.

Angela Waite (PCC Secretary)

THE TATES BALL

May I introduce you to the Tates? First there is old man Dic-tate, who wants to run everything, and his cousin Ro-tate, who wants to change everything. Mrs. Agi-tate stirs up trouble with her husband Irri-tate.

When new ideas are suggested, Mrs. Hesi-tate and her husband Vegi-tate want to leave them until next year.

Mr. Imi-tate wants everything to be like it was in his old parish. Mr. Devas-tate is a voice of doom, but Mr. Facili-tate is most helpful. Mr. Cogi-tate and Mrs. Medi-tate think things over carefully, but poor Mrs. Ampu-tate has cut herself off completely.

(copied from 'Darley Digest')

PARISH ROTAS

Parish Breakfast

4 Feb.	Mr. & Mrs. Carter	
11 Feb.	Mrs. Ludlum	Mrs. Lewis
18 Feb.	Mrs. Wright	Mrs. Warrender
25 Feb.	Mrs. Ibbotson	Mrs. Cook
4 Mar.	Mrs. Firth	Mrs. Thompson

Flowers	Altar	Memory Table
4 Feb.	-	-
11 Feb.	-	Mrs. Parkin
18 Feb.	-	Mrs. Noton
25 Feb.	Ladies Club	Mrs. Coates
	LENT	

Silver Cleaning

4 Feb.	Mrs. Booth
18 Feb.	-
4 Mar.	Mrs. Brown

LADIES CLUB

Julie Slack from Cole Brothers will give a demonstration of Claring Skin Care Products at the meeting on 6th Feb. She will need someone to demonstrate on - so if you would like to volunteer, please ring Jane on 368566.

On 20th Feb, the Good Neighbour Scheme will be the subject for the meeting. Rose Cooper will talk to us about how the scheme operates and what we can do to help.

LADIES WORKING PARTY

The next meeting of the Ladies Working Party will be held at 220 Baslow Road on Tuesday 27th February at 2.30pm, to arrange the programme for the year. New members welcome.

IN 'TOGETHER'

The January issue of 'Together' - the national educational magazine produced by the Church Information Office - included an article commending the Mothering Sunday Service devised by the Vicar and Headteacher and presented at Church by the pupils of All Saints' School in 1988.

An 'All Saints' Day' Service is due to be published later in the year.

Sheffield Diocesan News

FEBRUARY, 1990

From the Bishop of Sheffield:

DEARER ELECTRICITY PLEASE!

This month it's Question and Answer time. Please battle through patiently. The answers matter to a lot of people.



- Q Is the price right?
A "Yes" says the buyer, "if it's cheap enough".
"Yes says the seller, "if there is sufficient profit".
- Q Is it then always right to get things cheaper (and/or the profit greater)?
A Of course not. A lot of things would be cheaper if we kept slaves.
- Q That's an extreme example (and anyhow some economists argue that wage-slaves are better for business than real slaves). What other things might convince us that cheapest isn't always best?
A It's a long list! Each of us should make our own list.
- Q What would be on your list?
A National Security ("Dig for Victory" in wartime and the Common Agricultural Policy in peace are meant to ensure that our fifty million people have enough to eat whatever the price); Health and Safety at Work (unlike our ancestors we try not to let people's health be destroyed by their working conditions). A decent life style (work for all; no children sweeping chimneys; and sufficient to pay for an honourable retirement for the elderly) and Help to threatened communities (Shipyards in Belfast and Sheep on the Scottish hills).
- Q You are really thinking about coal, aren't you?
A You guessed. Over and over again the demand for cheap coal has proved disastrous.
- Q Can you give examples.
A Yes. In the past the price was paid in the neglect of safety and scandalous wages. The Colliery Disaster was almost part of a way of life. The cycle of too much coal, falling prices and lowered wages was constantly (and disastrously) repeated.
- Q But that's ancient history. Isn't it different today?
A Yes, it's worse. The clamour for cheap coal favours Open-Cast (despite the hurt it does to the neighbourhood) over Deep-mined Coal, encourages the abandonment of collieries in which there has been great investment and in which there is still a lot of accessible coal, and takes away work from whole towns and villages.
- Q But if foreign coal is cheaper shouldn't we insist that British Coal is on sale at the same price?
A It can't be done - or - only if we paid the same wages as South Africa, had children down the mines in the same conditions as in Colombia and had open-cast seams like Australia! (Of course when we've closed all our pits and have to get our coal from abroad, we'll not find it cheap any longer.....).
- Q But shouldn't we then buy the coal where it is cheapest even from abroad?
A No, No, No. (Please read this article through again for the reasons for this).
- Q Won't that make electricity dearer?
A Probably. But note that so far the rapidly falling price of coal, though it has led to the loss of many good pits, hasn't shown itself in cheaper electricity! But before we fix the price of electricity we need to get the price of coal right! Even if that means saying "Dearer Electricity, Please!".
- Q Shouldn't a Bishop be writing about God and not the price of coal?
A Genesis 2:15; Genesis 4:9; Luke 10:36; Matthew 22:39, etc. etc.

DAVID LUNNON
Bishop of Sheffield

CHURCH URBAN FUND IN THE DIOCESE DENABY AND CADEBY MINERS' MEMORIAL CHAPEL

'It's our Chapel' - quoted by the Vicar of Denaby on meeting a miner from Manvers Main Colliery. This is one example of the area's affection for and pride in the Memorial Chapel, which started in 1987 and opened at Easter 1989 after much commitment and effort by the Vicar of Denaby, colliery and union representatives, the local authority and other groups.

The Chapel serves a range of purposes. It is a living proof that mining is a worthwhile, worthy and dignified occupation. It signifies an active concern for the community and the Book of Remembrance records appreciation for the workers and families of the past. It is also a centre for pilgrimage and for community action.

The loss of the two pits, Denaby in 1968 and Cadeby in 1986, had a devastating effect on the local economy but the great unity of spirit, endemic in mining communities, has ensured that out of adversity there arises dignity and a determination to provide a future for the children of the area.

The Chapel is a memorial to the coal industry including, within its Cadeby Pit firebrick walls, part of a working wheel from Cadeby, a mahogany altar encasing, a one ton piece of coal from Manvers Main, arched sections from Cadeby Pit, illustrative stained windows and miners' personal possessions. The Miners' Lamp Tower provides light for the Chapel as well as representing the miners' safety lamp and the Chapel cross is cut from Cadeby Quarry - limestone had a close association with mining practices.

The Chapel is attached to the new parish church rededicated in 1979 after fire in 1977 had damaged the building erected in 1975. There is a strong link with the very supportive Roman Catholic church community.

The total cost of the project was £23,500 with £6,000 provided by the Church Urban Fund (CUF) with other contributions from the Local Authority, the Diocese of Sheffield and other local sources.

The CUF involvement reflects the wide range of projects which receive support. Through the commitment of local people, practical help from the coal industry and the building trade, the interest of artists and writers, the whole community is involved in sustaining the memory of the past and creating hope for the future.

Doncaster celebrates its Coalfield

The Archbishop of York will be welcomed to St. George's Parish Church, Doncaster at 3.00 p.m. on Sunday, 6th May when he will preach at the FESTIVAL SERVICE, which forms part of the COALFIELD CHURCHES EXHIBITION from 5th-7th May at the church.

The Revd. Tony Attwood, Coalfield Chaplain has the details of the Exhibition which will illustrate the life of mining parishes and their communities. If readers want to know more, or be involved in some way, they should contact him at 5 Daw Wood, New Bentley, Doncaster DN5 0PU. Tel: Doncaster (0302) 875904.

ANVIL strikes again!

The other Diocesan publication 'ANVIL' is a magazine for the Diocese of Sheffield. It aims to encourage reflection on current concerns, and has just appeared in a new format with the January edition on the theme of 'Racism'.

Gavin Wakefield, the Editor reports that he has in mind to include articles on the Decade of Evangelism, the future of Anglo-Catholicism, and Christian views on green issues. Why not send articles to him on these subjects and make suggestions on others you would like to read about, and why not take out a subscription - £5 for four issues per year. Send the money, with your name address and postcode to: Gavin Wakefield, 18 Aughton Road, Swallownest, Sheffield S31 0TG.

A reader in our partner Diocese of Guildford writes "I find your articles learned without being heavy; varied, entertaining, lucid, stimulating, challenging and a lot more besides" ... and he's right!

Open Meeting

The Rt. Revd. Stanley Booth-Clibborn, Bishop of Manchester and formerly curate in Gleadless and Attercliffe, will be speaking at an Open Meeting organised by the Open Church Group on Thursday, 8th February at 2.15 p.m. at St. Mark's Church Broomhill, Sheffield. His theme will be "Limits to Choice in a Consumer Society", and all are welcome.

DIOCESAN PARISH CRICKET

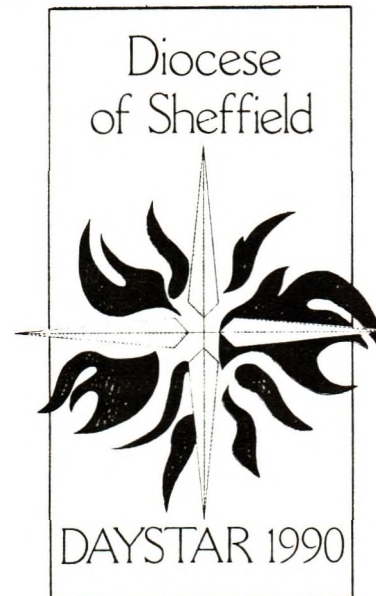
During the last few summers, cricket teams from a number of churches in the Diocese have battled it out on village greens, sports grounds and it is alleged, cow pastures, to determine who should receive the Bishop of Doncaster's Cup for the League Champions and the Bishop of Sheffield's Cup for the knock-out competition. Due to the number of churches now involved, the League is played in two divisions, based on location and not on skill, the two winners playing off for the title of Supreme Champions. Whilst players do not have to recite the Creed and the Catechism to be eligible, it is expected that churches will include males (and females!) who do have tenable church connections. At the season's end, all teams come together for a social evening when the trophies are presented and teams compete for Bob Jackson's cricket quiz prize. Last year the ladies of Wath scored highly but it was their menfolk who won the prize.

Sporting encounters and good fellowship and hospitality are enjoyed by all and it is always good to welcome new entrants. So, if you feel your church might enjoy playing cricket next summer, please give Rev. Bob Jackson, the Vicar of Grenoside, a call on Sheffield 467513.

Anyone 100?

Do you know anyone who is 100 years old or more? If so Age Concern would like to hear about them so that one of their researchers can talk to them about their life. Write today to Age Concern (Dept CE1) FREEPOST, Mitcham, Surrey. CR4 9AS. They are hoping to meet centenarians from all over the country to talk to them about their memories of a bygone age and their feelings about the present day.

DAYSTAR 1990



**DONCASTER RACECOURSE
SUNDAY, 10th JUNE.....**

Full Steam Ahead

The Sheffield Branch of the Christians Unemployment Group (ChUG) has planned a service for Unemployment Sunday on 25th February at 3.00 p.m. at the Victoria Hall, Norfolk Street, Sheffield, when the address will be given by the Revd. Dr. John Vincent, President of the Methodist Conference for this year. All are welcome. Not a group to go-slow on matters concerning unemployment or those who are unemployed, they have produced a stimulating forty six page worship booklet which is available from local bookshops, or 75p. post free from Maurice Snowden, 1 Quarry Road, Totley Rise, Sheffield S17 4DA. The booklet which includes Biblical Readings, appropriate Hymns, Prayers, Quotations, Forms of service and Passages to read, will provide insights into the experience of unemployment and its meaning, and is invaluable for private or public use.

Women's World Day of Prayer 1990

The main Sheffield service for this day observed throughout the world, will be held on Friday, 2nd March in St. Marie's Roman Catholic Cathedral, Norfolk Row, at 11.00 a.m.

Prepared by the Czech W.W.D.P. National Committee, it's theme is "A Better Tomorrow, Justice for All". Miss Margaret Selby Diocesan Secretary for Lay Ministry will give the address.

Calling Young People

The Revd. Alan Griffiths is on the look-out for a team of 60 young people (five from each of the Deaneries in the Diocese) who will be willing to help DAYSTAR 1990 - especially with the 'fun' events which include an 'It's a Knockout' competition.

He hopes that they will arrive at Doncaster the previous day and that they will stay overnight near the Racecourse ready to make an early start in the morning. There will be some form of entertainment at the Racecourse on the Saturday evening.

Do you know of any volunteers? If so, contact Alan at the Diocesan Education Office, Tel: Sheffield (0742) 754386 or at home Worksop (0909) 771176.

He'll not worry if he gets more than 60 young people because there will be plenty to do!

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WHO HAVE REGISTERED SO FAR?
and ARE YOU ONE OF THE 11,383 SO
FAR EXPECTED AT THIS GREAT
GATHERING?**

**LISTEN OUT FOR ARRANGEMENTS
IN YOUR PARISH FOR THE BISHOP'S
TAPED MESSAGE AND INVITATION
(on Sunday 4th March) TO DAYSTAR
1990.**

Canon R.K. Wood

At the end of last year tribute was paid in St. Andrew's Sharrow magazine to Canon R.K. Wood who died at the beginning of October. He had lived for twelve years in the Clergy Retirement Bungalows in Cherry Tree Close, Sharrow. He gave long and faithful service to the Diocese, being ordained in 1939 and serving curacies in Deepcar and Wheatley, Doncaster. During his ministry in half a dozen parishes in the Diocese, he also took on the secretaryship of the Diocesan Board of Finance and the administration of the Dilapidations Committee (concerned with Parsonage Houses). Reg Wood brought his special skills to the service of the church, but also showed great qualities of patience and kindness in all the work he did for the clergy and amongst the people of the parishes in which he served. He will be remembered by many with thankfulness and gratitude.

Situation Vacant - Organist wanted!

The Vicar of All Saints' Owston, Near Askern, Doncaster the Revd. Marc Seccombe, doesn't need a photographer for the church, because he's pretty good at that himself, having recently won a Kodak sponsored national photographic competition with a view of Conisbrough Castle.... but he and the parishioners of Owston do need an organist to play for a variety of services. The salary is negotiable plus fees. Contact him on Doncaster (0302) 723309 for more information.

St. Luke's Marie Curie Relative Support Scheme

Our 'Sitting Service' which offers a weekly break to relatives of cancer sufferers, who are caring for their loved ones at home, is now running well in all areas of Sheffield.

Three years ago, our quest for volunteers was satisfied by readers of Sheffield Diocesan News, after the publication of an article about the scheme.

The 16 ladies who applied to join the scheme then, are now experienced visitors and are working each week as a friend, who will provide company for the patient for up to four hours, whilst the busy carers have some time for themselves. The scheme has become popular, with requests for help coming from General Practitioners, Community and Macmillan nurses and other people in the caring professions.

We are planning to increase our team in Spring 1990 and are now looking for new volunteers (gentlemen included) to join the eight session preparation course to be held at St. Luke's Hospice.

It is not essential for prospective volunteers to have nursing experience, members of our present team have varied backgrounds.

A caring disposition and enthusiasm to join our course provide a good basis on which to begin. We need people in all areas of Sheffield but particularly in Firth Park, Southey Green and Birley Moor.

If you feel you would like to have more information please either 'phone Mrs. Janet Peglar, the scheme co-ordinator, at St. Luke's Hospice Sheffield 620918 (or leave a message on Sheffield 369911), or drop her a line to: St. Luke's/Marie Curie Relative Support Scheme, St. Luke's Hospice, Little Common Lane, Sheffield S11 9NE.

Double First!

Congratulations to Rachel Bennett who has the distinction of being the only chorister in the South Yorkshire Area of the Royal School of Church Music to pass both the Provost's and Bishop's Award.

Rachel goes in for doubles, for she was in the choir at St. Mary's, Wheatley, Doncaster for seven years, and still attends there on Sunday mornings, but on Sunday evenings she is to be found in the choir at St. James', Doncaster.

Sheffield Theological Society

Meets on Monday, 5th March at 5.30 p.m. in Lecture Theatre 6, Lower Ground Floor of Sheffield University Arts Tower, when all are welcome to hear the Revd. J.M. Turner of Halifax speak on 'Peter Taylor Forsyth (1848-1921) - Prophet of Holiness'

APPOINTMENTS

The Revd. Nicholas John Whetton, Curate at St. Lawrence, Hatfield, to be Vicar of St. Michael and All Angels, Cornholme, in the Diocese of Wakefield.

The Revd. Rodney Henry Marshall, Vicar of the United Benefice of Goldthorpe w. Hickleton, resigned on 31st January, 1990.

Adult Sunday Schools

In 1990, a series of five Adult Sunday Schools have been planned by the Lay Training and Adult Education Officers, in conjunction with other diocesan officers. They will give lay people the opportunity to go to another parish, to join in its worship, to hear from its lay people how they attempt to meet particular local issues and, in the afternoon, to search the Scriptures and deepen their understanding of the Biblical basis for tackling such concerns. The subjects to be looked at are:

Feb 18	St. Hilda's Thurnscoe	Unemployment	10.00 a.m.-4.00 p.m.
April 1	St. Paul's Masbrough	The Multi-Racial Community	10.30 a.m.-4.00 p.m.
June 24	St. Paul's Wheatley	Poverty	10.00 a.m.-4.00 p.m.
Sept. 23	Emmanuel Waterthorpe	The Ecumenical Community	10.30 a.m.-4.00 p.m.
Nov. 18	The Parish Maltby	Work	10.30 a.m.-4.00 p.m.

To take part, a phone call should be made to Miss Margaret Selby, 25 Bannham Road, Darnall, Sheffield, S9 4PG. Tel: (0742) 433442.

Whirlow Programme

The 1990 programme for Whirlow Grange Conference Centre has some excellent events planned for lay people:

April 20-22 A Retreat led by Br. John Francis, a Franciscan friar of the Society of St. Francis.

September 21-23 A weekend on "Prayer and Action" led by Revd. Dr. Charles Elliott, who introduced the 1989 BBC1 Lent Programme, "Sword and the Spirit", has been Director of Christian Aid, and is author of "Praying the Kingdom" and "Signs of our Times."

October 26-28 A Retreat for Beginners, led by Father Barry Oxford of the Community of Resurrection, Mirfield sponsored by Catholic Renewal.

The programme also includes weekends on healing and Christian discipleship, led by Revd. and Mrs. Porter, a visit from the Sacred Dance Group, and Houseparties at Easter, in August and at Christmas.

Book early! Send for a programme from the Warden, Whirlow Grange Conference Centre, SHEFFIELD S11 9PZ.

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Copy for April edition to the Editor by 20th February please.

MRS DORENE SEWELL

We were very sorry to learn of the death of Mrs. Dorene Sewell; she finally lost her long and courageous battle against cancer on Sunday 7th January.

Dorene taught in the South of England before going to Uganda to be Principal of a Teacher Training college. It was in Uganda that she met her husband Bill. In 1973 they returned to England, and on 31st October she began teaching at All Saints' School. During her time here she worked in both Infant and Junior Departments, with special interest in Music, Country Dancing and Environmental Education. Dorene was very hard-working and enthusiastic, and her quiet and gentle but firm manner won her many friends amongst staff, pupils and parents. Indeed she was one of that rare breed of humans of whom nobody has ever heard a bad word spoken.

Sadly in January 1985, Dorene was found to have developed cancer, and had to leave in July of that year on health grounds. During the next two years she was a regular visitor to school until her health prevented such visits. Whenever she came back she was very interested in developments, and it was obvious that she had a very real love for the school and its pupils.

Several members of staff, ex-members, ex-pupils and parents joined Dorene's family and friends and neighbours in Old Brampton Parish Church for her funeral. The Vicar spoke of Dorene's life and how she was loved by everyone, and how she had given so much to all who had any contact with her.

Dorene had spent much of the last year in the Ashgate Hospice at Old Brampton, and instead of floral tributes, she had requested that donations be sent there. I am making a collection in school, and will forward it to Bill later in February. If there are more people who wish to contribute to this, please contact me, or send donations to school. I have already passed on to Bill the condolences of many, many people in Topley.

Joan Stratford.

IT IS not how many years we live,
but what we do with them.

Evangeline Booth

*WITNESSING is not a spare time
occupation or a once a week activity.
It must be a quality of life. You don't
go witnessing, you are a witness.*

DAN GREENE

JIM COTTER TO LEAD PARISH QUIET DAY

Our Parish Quiet Day on Saturday 3rd March at the Shrewsbury Hospital, Norfolk Park, will be led by Fr. Jim Cotter. He is well-known as retreat conductor and author of meditational books and now lives in Sheffield.

From one of his books 'Prayer at Night - A Book for the Darkness' the following passages are reproduced as an appetiser to all his writings. They are his interpretation of the Lord's Prayer, and three Beatitudes.

Eternal Spirit, Life-Giver, Pain-Bearer, Love-Maker, Source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven:	With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us. In times of temptation and test, strengthen us. From trials too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
The Hallowing of your Name echo through the universe! The Way of your Justice be followed by the peoples of the world! Your Heavenly Will be done by all created beings! Your Commonwealth of Peace and Freedom sustain our hope and come on earth!	For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and for ever. Amen.

Peace: Miserable are those who are at war with themselves, who spread evil and division and hatred, seeking to dominate others: they breed their own downfall and they never know trust and friendship. Blessed are those who create reconciliation and goodwill wherever they go, returning good for evil: they are indeed the friends of God.

Insecurity: Miserable are those who, in their insecurity, look anxiously for appreciation from others: they claim everything for themselves, and yet possess nothing, wandering unhappily and belonging nowhere. Blessed are those who have accepted their insecurity, and are content to go unrecognised and unrewarded, claiming nothing for themselves: the freedom of the earth is theirs; never exiled, they are everywhere at home.

Poverty: Miserable are those who crave more and more possessions: they will be crushed by the weight and burden of them. Blessed are those who are ready to do without, to be empty, to be nothing, to be humble and open to receive, knowing their need of God: they have found the secret of living, and are rich indeed.

ROLL UP !

The renewal of the Church's Electoral Roll takes place this year. In a year of renewal no names are carried over from the old roll and everyone must make a new application to be included on the new roll. The roll is open to all baptised members of the Church of England aged 16 and over who are resident in the parish or who habitually attend public worship. By enrolling you become a voting member of the Church of England.

All Saints' Annual Meeting is on Thursday 8th March in the Church Hall at 7.30pm. Application Forms - available from the back of Church should be completed by 25th February and returned to Mrs. Dorothy Firth, 6 Milldale Road.

THE VESTRY MET...

TERM	MEANING
The Vestry met and evaluated the situation	Half the members showed up and talked for a while.
We explored all possible solutions to the problem.	Everybody talked a lot.
A great deal of additional work will be necessary before the proposal can be acted on.	Nobody understood it.
The results were inconclusive.	Nothing was accomplished.
While no agreement was reached, we feel that definite progress was made towards resolving differences.	Nobody budged an inch.
It is suggested that the wisest and most feasible course...	This is what I think...
It is widely accepted that...	One other person agrees with me that...
Therefore, the consensus is...	A couple of others think so, too.
This concludes the Vestry's appraisal of the situation.	We absolve ourselves of all future responsibility.
It is hoped that this report will stimulate increased interest in the problem.	Let somebody else do it next time.

ANGLICAN DIGEST

MAURICE'S RESPONSE TO THE WORDS OF PRINCE CHARLES

A copy of a letter sent to Buckingham Palace.

His Royal Highness Prince Charles,

4th January 1990

Sir,

I am one of countless people who have been saddened by Your Royal Highness' criticisms of the Alternative Service Book of the Church of England. There can be little argument that the English of the Book of Common Prayer is good literature and the familiarity of so many of the words and phrases has much to commend them as valuable to grasp in times of need or difficulty, but the Alternative Service Book was not compiled merely to try and improve upon the literary style of Cranmer and his predecessors.

One of the most difficult problems facing the Church at the present time is the separation of the "Church-goers" from the rest. We all need to worship God to the best of our ability and this is not a prerogative which we can keep to ourselves. How can we help others to worship God and share with us the privilege of knowing His presence with us in all the circumstances of life? Certainly the Book of Common Prayer is no longer the bridge which we need for that purpose. The effort to find a more satisfactory approach may not be the ultimate that will eventually be found but it is the result of profound study, diligent work and earnest prayer. To call it "crass" is most regrettable and untrue.

Another aspect which must not be neglected is that there is a most welcome growing together of Christians from many different backgrounds, traditions and languages. We welcome this and it fits entirely with the teaching of the New Testament (Ephesians 2. 19.). It also fits with the present day understanding of our global concerns in that, more than ever before, we now feel part of a truly world-wide community. This "earth-shrinking" process has accelerated in the twentieth century and we need to keep pace with it in church matters. Obviously people from other nations and people from other denominations do not have the same Book of Common Prayer as the Church of England so if we insist on it too strongly we hinder the process of growing together, whether with other denominations within our own country or with other nations who have accepted the Christian Faith.

We need to remember that the forms of the Prayer Book which emerged in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries were themselves attempts to bring the worship of the Church within the understanding of a larger number of people. In an earlier age Latin was the language of the Church. Before that it was Greek. Rather than be like a record stuck in a groove we need to meet the challenges of the times and surely that is what the Church of England tried to do by the 1980 publication and by such further revisions as may be put forward in years to come.

In many parishes the church is struggling to demonstrate its relevance to those who find the church is superfluous. Ours is one such parish and our task has been made harder by Your Royal Highness' criticisms of the Alternative Services Book. This is not a selfish point of view but one which stems from a genuine desire to see the Church fulfil its role as the Body of Christ in a world which all too easily rejects Him.

I remain, sir, your disappointed but dutiful servant,

Maurice Snowdon.

WHEN I WAS BORN

When I was born I was brown.

When I grew up, I was brown.

When I am cold, I am brown.

When I go out in the sun, I am brown.

When I die, I am brown.

But you, when you were born, you were pink.

When you grew up, you were white.

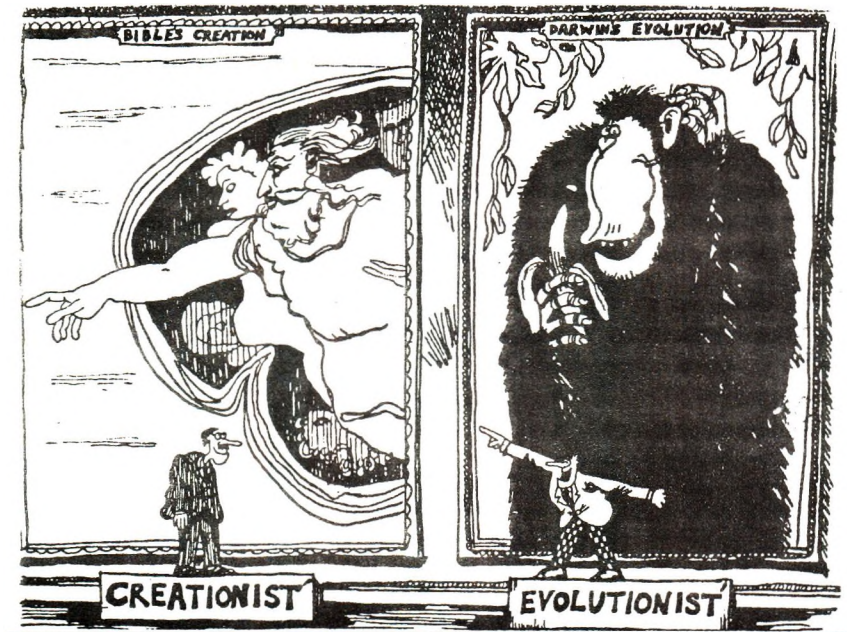
When you are cold, you go blue.

When you go out in the sun, you turn red.

When you are ill, you are green.

When you die, you go purple.

And YOU have the nerve to call ME coloured.



"How can any normal, rational, intelligent, human being believe we came from that?"

'THE sudden gust of wind took all who were at the ceremony completely by surprise. Hats were blown off and copies of the Vicar's speech and other rubbish were scattered over the site.'

From a local newspaper report

ON HIS way to a funeral the minister leaned forward and tapped the driver on the shoulder to ask him a question. When the driver visibly jumped, the minister apologised for startling him. 'That's all right sir,' the driver replied. 'It's just that I usually drive the hearse.'

FEBRUARY DIARY

1	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives Praise
		8.00pm	Standing Committee - 4 The Crescent
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
5	Mon	8.00pm	All Saints' Nursery/Playgroup Committee
6	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		7.30pm	Ladies Club "Skin Care"
		8.00pm	Men's Fellowship "Goals"
7	Wed	11.00am	Monthly Morning Fellowship - 2 Main Ave.
		8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship
8	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
		8.00pm	PCC Meeting - Crypt
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
12	Mon	7.00pm	All Saints' School Governors' Meeting
13	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		8.00pm	Parish Forum - Church Hall
14	Wed	2.00pm	Monthly Afternoon Fellowship - 1 Quarry Rd
		8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship
15	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
20	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		7.30pm	Ladies Club "Good Neighbour Scheme"
21	Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship
22	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
27	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		2.30pm	Ladies Working Party Planning Meeting
28	Wed.		ASH WEDNESDAY
March			
2	Fri	10.30am	Women's World Day of Prayer - St. John's Abbeydale
3	Sat		PARISH QUIET DAY at Shrewsbury Hospital

WORDS OF CONTEMPLATION

The test for this month is "I AM among you as one who serves."
(Matthew 20:28)

The watchword is I AM one who serves.

The fruit of Silence is Prayer
The fruit of Prayer is Faith
The fruit of Faith is Love
The fruit of Love is Service
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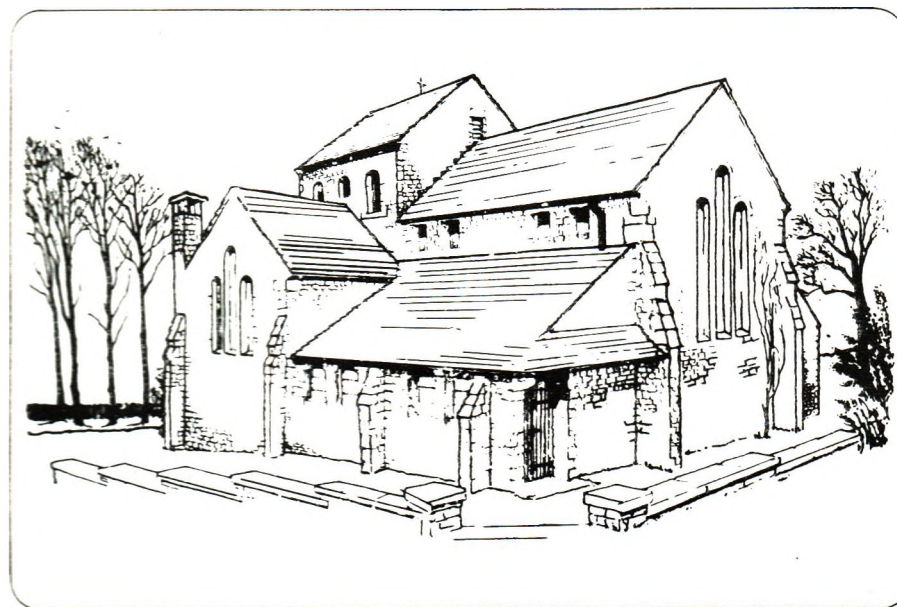
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

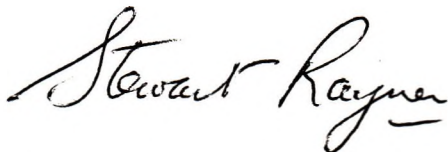
Ever since the diplomatic activity of Terry Waite, as Archbishop's Envoy, came into prominence, it has also highlighted the varied work undertaken by Church Army officers. The Church Army acts very much as a handmaid of the Church of England fulfilling many roles and also filling gaps in the work, mission and caring outreach of the Church.

Church Army officers can be found at work in parishes, prisons, hospitals, barracks, factories, community centres, housing projects, old people's homes and hostels for the homeless - not only in this country but throughout the world. The main thrust of the Church Army's work is in evangelism and in social care. It promotes new initiatives and is concerned to work alongside those in difficult situations and with those with no faith.

The Church Army seeks therefore to make the Decade of Evangelism a reality by encouraging individual Christians to use their gifts and abilities in the most effective way. They have devised their own project entitled "Faith 4 2000".

We shall soon have little excuse for being ignorant of the work of the Church Army as they are moving their national Training college from London to Sheffield in 1991. As part of their introduction to the City and our introduction to them, sixty students and staff of the College will be at work in Sheffield from 9th-19th March. Their stay will begin with a Service in the Cathedral at 7.45pm on Friday 9th March to which all church members are invited. As part of their visit we shall have a Church army preacher at our 10am Service on 11th March, and a discussion evening on Tuesday 13th March at 8pm in the Church hall which I would warmly commend to you all.

Yours sincerely,



SERVICES IN MARCH

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am.

4th LENT 1

Theme: "Temptation"

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Holy Communion (ASB) & Holy Baptism
(Natalie Hazel Booth)

Epistle: Hebrews 4: 12-16 (RSV)

Gospel: St Luke 4:1-13 (RSV)

10am Young Saints

6.30pm Evensong (BCP)

Old Testament: Genesis 2: 7-9 and 3: 1-7 (NEB)

New Testament: St Matthew 4: 1-11 (RSV)

11th LENT 2

Theme: "Conflict"

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10am Holy communion (BCP)

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

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

10am Young Saints

6.30pm Evensong (ASB) - shortened

Old Testament: Genesis 6: 11-22 (NEB)

New Testament: St Luke 19: 41-48 (NEB)

7pm Praise Service "Going with God"

18th LENT 3

Theme: "Suffering"

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: 1 Peter 2: 19-25 (TEV)

Gospel: St Matthew 16: 13-28 (JB)

6.30pm Evensong (ASB)

Old Testament: Genesis 22: 1-13 (NEB)

New Testament: St Luke 9:16-27 (JB)

25th LENT 4 - MOTHERING SUNDAY (Please don't forget

Theme: "Transfiguration" clocks will have
changed!)

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: 2 Peter 1: 16-19 (NEB)

Gospel: St Matthew 17: 1-13 (NEB)

10am Mothering Sunday Service

6.30pm Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 3: 4-18 (TEV)

Gospel: St Luke 9:28-36 (NEB)

PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

14 Jan Leah Grace North
18 Feb Craig Paul Gillings

Funerals

4 Jan Eirene Calverley (68) 14 Totley Grange Drive
18 Jan Mona Brightman (80) 15 Stonecroft Road
19 Jan Wilfred Holmes (77) 18 Laverdene Way
24 Jan Robina Ashmore (74) 7 Aldam Close
2 Feb Alan John Murrell (55) 3 Akley Bank Close
Elsie Hibbert (84) 14 Marstone Crescent
8 Feb John Wilson Drewery (51) 16 The Quadrant

Eirene Calverley lived in Totley for 30 years - on Chatsworth Road and then Totley Grange Drive. She was a member of the Townswomen's Guild and worked with the Red Cross.

Mona Brightman moved from Handsworth to Totley 34 years ago. She worked for a time at Totley County School and was for a number of years a member of the Good Companions. Her brave spirit and cheerfulness despite a long period of handicap were an inspiration to all who knew her.

Wilf Holmes was born in Sheffield, living in the Meersbrook area before moving to Wollaton Road. From there he came to live on Laverdene Way. He was an engineering foreman for GEC.

Ruby Ashmore was born in Blantyre in Scotland and came newly-married to Sheffield after the War. She lived on Duke Street for many years, and came to Aldam Close when it was built 14 years ago.

Alan Murrell was born in London, and after Service in the Far East with the RAF eventually came to run his own driving school in Sidcup, Kent. He went on to become a Driving Examiner and then a Training Officer for the Road Transport Board near Canterbury. His training work then took him to the Kent County Council. It was his move to be a Training Adviser for the MSC which brought him to Sheffield 8 years ago. His sudden death was a shock to us all, and we extend to Claudine, Gillian and Denise our continuing prayers and sympathy.

Elsie Hibbert was born in Ecclesall and came to live on Marstone Crescent about 30 years ago. She assisted her late husband, Horace, in their long-established butcher's shop on Abbeydale Road as well as working in various Totley shops.

A tribute to John Drewery will appear in next month's issue.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

From Claudine Murrell:

What it meant to me to belong to my Church family. God has taken my husband while he was still enjoying life to the full and being such a good loving husband and father. Without the support, help, comfort, show of affection, and above all the prayers of my Christian friends, this loss would have been unbearable, and I would like to thank everyone with all my heart for their concern.

I still need your prayers to help me climb alone the steep and arduous path of life and continued victory in Jesus.

May God bless you all.

From Beryl, Helen and Paula Drewery

Beryl, Helen and Paula sincerely thank our friends in Christ who have given such love and support in so many ways through the trauma of John's illness. We know he rests in peace.

WORDS OF CONTEMPLATION

The text for this month is "I will put MY law into their hearts" (Hebrew 10.16 quoting Jeremiah 31.33)

PCC Meeting - Report

The PCC met for the last time this year. The Treasurer went through the accounts which the PCC approved for presentation to the Annual General Meeting.

The Vicar alerted members to the need for vigilance following recent thefts from cars parked in the Church Car Park.

Angela Waite reported on her progress on the Pastoral Workers' Course which she will complete in June.

Some time was spent discussing the Broadcasting Bill and its implications. The Vicar will make relevant literature available at the back of Church and recommends us to write to our MP on the subject.

The Vicar thanked retiring members of the Council for their contribution and service to the PCC. He also thanked Dorothy Simons for the work done on our behalf as Deanery Synod Representative.

The newly formed PCC will meet in the Crypt on 5 April following Holy Communion in Church.

THE VICAR'S DILEMMA

(from the Parish Bulletin of St. Michael's, East Wickham)

If his sermon is a few minutes longer than usual:
he sends up to sleep
If it's short: he hasn't bothered
If he raises his voice: he's shouting
If he speaks normally: you can't understand a thing
If he's away: he's always on the road
If he stays at home: he's a stick-in-the-mud
If he's out visiting: he's never at home
If he's in the Vicarage: he never visits his parishioners
If he talks finance: he's too fond of money
If he doesn't: nobody knows what he's up to
If he organises a bazaar: he wears everybody out
If he doesn't: the parish is dead
If he takes time with people: he goes on and on
If he is brief: he never listened
If he's redecorated the church: he's spending too much money
If he doesn't: he's letting everything go
If he is young: he lacks experience
If he is old: he ought to retire
And if he dies? ... Well, of course, Nobody could ever
take his place.

"So what happens is that we entrust our worries to God for a few minutes, or a few hours, perhaps even a few days — and then we lose confidence in him, and we take them back again, and start worrying again ourselves.

"We must learn to deposit our worries with God — and leave them there."

ANTHONY BLOOM

*Metropolitan of
the Russian Orthodox Church (in CEN)*

SIGNING THE REGISTER at a wedding the best man had difficulty in making his ball point pen work. "Put your weight on it" said the vicar. He duly signed John Smith (ten stone four pounds).

SOME AMERICANS

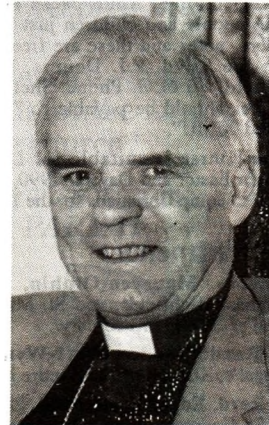
TRAVELLING through Poland came to a certain village where they were told many stories about a very holy rabbi who had lived in that village for many years. When the American visitors went to see the holy man they were immediately struck by the simplicity and austerity of his dwelling. The only furnishings in his house were a sleeping mat, a table and a bench. "Rabbi, where is your furniture?" they asked him with astonishment. The rabbi looked up and returned the question, "Where is your furniture?" "Our furniture?" they answered in bewilderment. "Why on earth should we have any furniture with us? We are only passing through here." "Well," rejoined the rabbi, "so am I."

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"Lead us Not into Temptation"

writes the Bishop of Doncaster



Temptation is a word that seems to have changed its significance. If yielded to: it used to be the case that dire consequences were assumed to follow. Fearing offspring banishment upstairs and bread and water were part of the proceedings.

Nowadays temptation has instead a smiling face; and we are encouraged to yield as often and as frequently as possible.

I do not think banishment and bread and water did much good and it is foolishly repressive to get uptight about the lure of harmless pleasures. Cadbury's Milk Tray or a Sunbed in the garden, far from leading us into misery, are far more likely to relax us and make us easier to live with. I do not believe either that we want to be totally critical of consumerism. If it results in better standards of living in the community as a whole consumer choice is to be welcomed.

The real problem goes deeper. There is a lurking assumption that if you want something you are entitled to have it. Fulfilment and satisfaction stand as rights in themselves. Sometimes the dubious caveat is used - if it harms no one else. It is dubious for if you harm yourself you harm humanity; but more often than not self-interest is the only criterion being applied.

It is hardly unexpected to find that Christians are not immune from the self-interest of society; and in a subtle way Christians are more vulnerable than most. For they can give their self-interest convenient spiritual labels. Why should they be ill; for God has given them a right to health. Why should two Christian people exercise physical restraint in their relationship, for God has given them a right to love. If they have been blessed, surely they have a right to be rich. The list is endless.

Lent has many virtues, and one of its virtues is to put questions against so many assumptions. Instead of self-interest it preaches self-sacrifice; and it exposes into the bargain the real character of surrender to temptation.

Lent does more than that; for Jesus' temptation in the wilderness is a story of victory rather than surrender. That is the main point of his experience. Jesus, fresh from his endowment with the Spirit at his Baptism, faces the sacrificial call of his Father's purpose. The Devil tempts him to find an easier way in order to deflect him from the path of obedience. The temptation is fruitless and in the power of the Spirit Jesus begins his ministry.

Lent is a time of enormous encouragement for Christians. Temptation can be recognised and overcome in the power of the same Spirit and through the victory of the Cross.

Lent is of course also a time of preparation. Every parish received on the First Sunday in Lent the Bishop's taped message. As we move into preparation for Daystar and look at what God is calling us to do in the coming Decade, what the Bishop has said will provide a great encouragement.

WILLIAM, Bishop of Doncaster

NOT TOO LATE...

It's still not too late to get into the excellent Study group material prepared for our Diocese to help everyone get ready for Daystar 1990 and the Decade of Evangelism. Called "Going with God" the study course, prepared by and for the Mission and Unity Committee, there is material suitable for adults, for young people and for children. Adult packs are £1 and those for young people and children just 50 pence. There are Leaders' notes and these are free. All can be ordered from the Revd. P.J. Dennis, Bradfield Rectory, Sheffield. S6 6LG. Phone: Sheffield (0742) 81225. Cheques should be payable to "Sheffield DBF" and crossed "CMU".

The course is suitable for Lent, for the period between Easter and Daystar 1990, or other times. It's a course to equip Christians for the 1990's.

Appointments

Deaconess Maureen Olphin, Parish Worker, St. Barnabas, Highfields, and St. Mary's, Bramall Lane, retired at the end of February.

The Revd. Gordon Watt-Wyness, Rector of St. Michael's, Rossington, is to retire in the Autumn.

The Revd. Edgar Scott, NSM, St. Mary's, Wombwell with St. George's, Jump, retired at the end of January.

The Revd. David Charles James, Vicar of St. Mary's, Ecclesfield, and Rural Dean of Ecclesfield, is to become Vicar of Christ Church, Portwood, Southampton, in the Diocese of Winchester, in the Summer.

OPERATION BUILD-UP

The Bishop of Sheffield's £1 Million Appeal

The total target of £1m is made up of parish donations (£700,000), contributions from industry (£250,000) and special events (£50,000).

The Events Committee is organising a number of events for 1990 including:-

Two concerts, probably in November by George Hamilton IV, the international folk singer - in Sheffield and Doncaster.

A Grand Auction in the Cutlers Hall on 27 September.

A Diocesan Summer Fair on the Cathedral Forecourt on 14 July.

We want everyone in the Diocese to be involved in these events and in particular would welcome offers from parishes who will provide staff and stalls for the Summer Fair and from individuals who can donate items for our Grand Auction. All suggestions, offers please to Tony Davis, Development Adviser to the Bishop, 6 Silverdale Croft, Sheffield. S11 9JP. (Tel: 367095).

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Called to Serve?

Are you one of those people who thinks they may be being called to undertake some kind of Christian work in your parish? If you are, the **Diocesan Training Course for Pastoral Workers** might be just the thing to get you started. It was set up at the specific request of people who "wanted to do something in the Church, but didn't feel they were called to Readership." It aims to help people recognise the value of what they have already learned about ministry during the course of ordinary Christian living, and to supplement this with useful skills and insights to help respond to the needs of others. It is intended as a means of helping to prepare people for a local ministry in their own parish and in partnership with their own incumbent.

For more information, or if you would like to arrange a visit please contact John Bouch, Diocesan Lay Training Officer, at: 42, Cumberland Drive, Ardsley, Barnsley, South Yorkshire. S71 5DF, or telephone on Barnsley 288550.

Taking Off!

January was a busy month for Bishop David. Busy laying foundation stones for two new churches in Sheffield. Busy dedicating a new church hall in Doncaster, re-dedicating a re-roofed and re-ordered church also in Doncaster, and dedicating a re-ordered church in Rotherham. Comments the Bishop "It was a great fortnight. As anyone who has done it knows, anything that involves bricks and mortar is very hard work and takes unbelievably longer than anyone thought possible. All this building work is astonishing and good reason for thanksgiving and even just a little pride and boasting."

It was on January 20th that the Bishop unveiled a foundation plaque at St. Bartholomew's, Netherthorpe, Sheffield where the huge Victorian church has been demolished and is being replaced by a new church and community centre, and later the same day he dedicated the new church hall at St. Mary's, Doncaster.

A week later the Bishop was at the re-ordered St. Paul's Ferham Park, Rotherham, and then laying the foundation stone of the new St. Swithun's Church on the Manor, Sheffield. Only a few days afterwards he was at St. Aidan's, Wheatley Hills, Doncaster, where almost a year previously a freak squall with estimated winds of 90 m.p.h. removed half of the copper roof covering over the nave and severely damaged the building. It seems that the high winds, combined with the shape of the roof made it lift off like a glider. The Revd. Lawrie Jenkins, Vicar of St. Aidan's was heard to comment afterwards that he was Vicar of the largest hang-glider in the world! Not so anymore for the re-roofed church now has a more conventional roof, not prone to taking off.

Commenting on the Bishop's busy fortnight to the local press, the Revd. Roy Arnold, Diocesan Communications Officer said "this great burst of building energy in the Diocese represents much more than a matter of bricks and mortar. Behind each of these building projects there lie months and years of dedicated fund raising and more importantly the vision to get these church buildings right and fitting places for worship activities in the 1990's, and the building up of community work by the church in South Yorkshire."

Flower Power - how many daffodils?

Everyone is invited to the Northern Frontier District of the Diocese at Rawcliffe, near Goole, to visit the attractive village and the church on the village green at their Daffodil Festival.

Around the church is planted a quarter of a ton of daffodils, bought with generous donations from local people who gave in memory of loved ones.

There's a special **Easter Songs of Praise** at the church on **Sunday, 15th April at 6.00 p.m.** at which a Book of Remembrance and oak bookcase will be presented for blessing, and on Monday, 16th April, the church will be open all day for a flower festival of daffodils, with displays sponsored by local organisations within the parish, the Parish Records and refreshments. In the evening will be a concert by Frank Ella and the Marshland Singers beginning at 7.30 p.m. All proceeds are for Raise the Roof.

When daffodils are in flower why not visit Rawcliffe? But especially at Easter.

Long Memories?

Even though they have long memories at Wickersley near Rotherham, there is no one left who remembers the Institution of the first Rector at St. Alban's by the Archbishop of York in 1240 A.D. But they'll certainly remember the 750th anniversary of that first institution, for in February this year, a packed church heard the present Archbishop of York preach to celebrate the occasion. To coincide with the anniversary there is an **Exhibition of Mediaeval Wickersley on Saturday, 3rd March 1 - 5 p.m.** at St. Alban's School, Morthen Road, Wickersley, to which all are welcome.

Holiday Aid

Rotherham Holiday Aid has "taken off". This unique partnership project which links community, business and church groups in the Borough of Rotherham has raised £5,000+ in its first year, enabling 19 disadvantaged Rotherham families to enjoy a much needed family holiday. The project aims to raise £7,500 during this year to enable between 25-30 families to enjoy a break. More details of its work are available from the Revd. Raymond Draper on Rotherham 543111.

Decade of Evangelism Link

The United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel (USPG) in the Diocese has invited parishes to the launch of a three year project to support mission and evangelism in the Diocese of Uruguay, South America.

Uruguay is one of the youngest dioceses in the Anglican Communion, formed only in December 1988, and is one of the least developed. It is not so much a formal diocese as a mission development in a country which is by constitution atheist.

Bishop Bill Godfrey says "Uruguay is one of the most exciting and exhilarating dioceses in the world. For us the Decade of Evangelism is synonymous with our first year of life, for we are a diocese called to mission."

If you would like to learn more about Uruguay and its work and plans during the decade of Evangelism, come to Handsworth Parish Centre, behind St. Mary's Church, Sheffield at 7.30 p.m., Wednesday 25th April and meet the Revd. Terry Ensor who will shortly be moving to Uruguay to work with the local church. A buffet supper is provided.

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'GOING FOR A SONG'

In January St. Laurence's Church, Adwick-le-Street turned their church hall into an auction room for the day. Parishioners gave unwanted furniture, hardware and electrical goods, some of the furniture being quite valuable. Everything was collected by van before the sale, in which all items were sold to raise very nearly £600 for the Bishop's Appeal. The lively auction was conducted by churchwarden George Jackson.

The Bible in Focus

The Journal for the Study of the Old Testament (by the Sheffield Academic Press) invites readers to the **Annual Lecture on Tuesday, 6th MARCH** at 1.00 p.m. in the Arts Tower, Lecture Theatre 9, University of Sheffield, when Professor Gabriel Josipovici of the University of Sussex, and author of 'The Book of God', will speak on *The Bible in Focus*. All are welcome and admission is free without ticket.

Are You Prepared?

Hollowford Training Centre, Castleton, Derbyshire

'Prepared to Lead' is the theme of a course which is being run for the churches by the Lindley Educational Trust, and is for potential leaders, those young people aged 17 to 25 years, who should be already taking some responsibility in the church, and who are seeking to develop their confidence and skill.

A condition of attending the course is that their church be willing to provide an opportunity for their skills to be used when they return from Hollowford.

Hollowford Centre is situated in six acres of the Peak District National Park and is surrounded by rugged and beautiful gritstone and limestone scenery, and is well worth a visit for that alone, as well as for the benefits of such an invigorating course.

More details from the Revd. Alan Griffiths, at the Diocesan Education Office on Sheffield (0742) 754386.

Shut up

Don't go to the Diocesan Office at St. Matthew's House, Carver Street, Sheffield on Good Friday or Easter Monday and Tuesday, because it's closed. The Diocesan Office Staff will be having a well-earned break.

Joseph's Coat

St. Cyprian's Theatre Workshop will be performing **Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat** in aid of the Bishop's £MILLION APPEAL. There will be two performances at St. Cyprian's Church, Churchdale Road, Frecheville, one a formal dress rehearsal on **FRIDAY, 23rd MARCH**, and the other on **SATURDAY, 24th MARCH**, both at 7.30 p.m.... Admission is by programme available from Lynne and Gary Schofield on (0742) 644075 (120, Hopefield Avenue, Sheffield. S12 4XE), at £1.50 for adults and £1 for concessions.

The Workshop is a group of young people and their friends aged from 14 to 30 from St. Cyprian's Church and the surrounding area. This production of Joseph is their first venture and deserves to be a great success.

Deeper Life

Church Missionary Society's Area Secretary, Alan Isaacson has just gone into print with "Deeper Life" - his first book. It tells the story of the Deeper Life Bible Church, begun in 1973 by W.F. KUMUYI, at his home in Lagos, Nigeria. By 1988 the church had grown into a congregation of more than 50,000, and now has over one thousand congregations in and beyond Africa.

Alan, formerly a teacher in rural northern Nigeria, has conducted hundreds of interviews to find out how it happened and what has drawn people to the church. He tells in a popular style the stories of ordinary people in Nigeria whose lives have been changed by Christ's miraculous intervention in response to prayer.

"Deeper Life" is published by Hodder & Stoughton on 15th March. It is priced £2.99 and is available from good bookshops. ISBN 0 340 52342 5.

The Diocese of Sheffield and the Church Urban Fund St. Mary's Bramall Lane - Community Care

Doreen has never worked, came from a difficult family background and after two years in Communicare she is now training as an auxiliary nurse. Terence, long term unemployed, is now a driver in full employment. Two examples of the successes of Communicare who cater for up to 40 volunteers each week and 15/20 per day.

Thanks to funding from the Church Urban Fund (£30,000 over 3 years) the Paul Getty Trust (£5,000 annually for 3 years) and other trusts, Communicare employs a team of four, one part-time, to supervise a busy print room printing 24 house magazines and with regular orders from the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, Oxfam, Barnados etc. There is also garden work and woodworking with regular orders for bird boxes, window boxes and benches.

The project has developed from an initial scheme in 1983 initiated by the then Vicar, with costs met by the then Manpower Services Commission. When funding was run down it was decided not to continue with Employment Training support mainly because the volunteers who use the centre weekly need immediate support and restoration of self confidence rather than a planned programme of training. As a Voluntary Project programme the volunteers only receive bus fares and refreshment. As the number of Day Centres in the city is reduced and the reputation of St. Mary's spreads, there are increasing demands on David Wilson the manager, Hilary, Helen and Sue. The problem is finance not space. The church through its Parochial Church Council provides support and expertise, for example in keeping accounts. The project is a model example of the aims of priorities of the Church Urban Fund, building on the existing presence of the church, opening up church buildings to community needs and addressing major social problems - in this case unemployment.

CONGRATULATIONS to John Lawry on obtaining his PhD. the title of his thesis was "The application of Flow Cytometry to the study of breast carcinoma". This was a part-time PhD - the work being done in John's spare time, during working hours, at evenings and weekends!

Flow cytometry is a powerful tool in the clinical and research laboratory. It is used in Cancer Research and in the diagnosis of AIDS and leukaemia. John's project discovered that Flow Cytometry can diagnose a tumour, predict patient survival and detect very low numbers of cells.

The Flow Cytometer Unit is run by John Lawry is situated in the Medical School of the University of Sheffield, and is funded by the Yorkshrie Cancer Research Campaign.

BROWNIES' BEHEST

The Brownies invite you to join them in the Church Hall for a Coffee Evening on Wednesday 14 March from 6.130 - 8pm. Your help and support will be much appreciated.

THESE YOU HAVE LOVED AGAIN

Following the very successful and entertaining "These you have loved" evening last year, arranged for us by Leonard Brightmore and friends, we are pleased to give you advance notice of another evening planned for Tuesday 24 April in the Church Hall.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

This year's Annual Service has been prepared by a group of Christian women in Czechoslovakia with the theme of "A Better Tomorrow - Justice for all". All ladies are invited to the Service at St. John's Abbeydale at 10.30am on Friday 2 March when the speaker will be Dr Marion Jepson.

LENT GROUPS

Dore, Totley, Totley Rise & Bradway Christian Council have arranged groups to study the British Council of Churches course "Turning Points". Groups will meet for 5 consecutive weeks. For further details please contact Marjorie Snowdon, 1 Quarry Road, (Tel. 362822)

Group 1 Monday 5 March, 8pm at 294 Twentywell Lane

Group 2 Monday 5 March, 8pm at 12 Vernon Road

Group 3 Tuesday 13 March, 1.45pm at 12 Aldam Close

Group 4 Tuesday 6 March, 8pm at 5 Devonshire Road

Group 5 Wednesday 7 March, 8pm at 12 Blackamoor View

Group 6 Wednesday 7 March, 8pm at 4 The Crescent

EVANGELISM

A letter to the Church Times from Canon Ivor Smith Cameron of the Southwark Diocese makes some interesting points. He writes: "Any evangelism that occurs must be inclusive of all the contributions derived from Evangelical, catholic, Liberal and Radical insights...."

The pursuit of evangelism is not only the careful nurturing of individual souls. Rather it includes within its scope the commitment to the redeeming of all the structures of society. It is profoundly unbiblical to draw a distinction between mission and social concerns.....

Evangelism in Britain will take place within a climate of unbelief. We need to take the vast number of unbelievers very seriously. This will call on our part for deep sensitivity, openness and courage to reassess many of the practices in which we have hitherto engaged."

PARISH ROTAS

Parish Breakfast

4 Mar	Mrs Firth,	Mrs. Thompson
11 Mar	Mrs. Smith,	Mrs Davis
18 Mar	Mr & Mrs Filleul	
25 Mar	Mrs Billard,	Mrs Holdcroft
1 Apr	Mrs Brown,	Miss Taylor

Flowers No flowers in Lent.

Silver Cleaning

4 Mar	Mrs Brown
18 Mar	-
1 Apr	-

VERDIE REQUIEM

The John Wade Singers will be presenting the Verdi Requiem at 7.30pm on Friday 30 March in the Cathedral. Tickets (£4.50 to £2.50) available from the Cathedral, or contact John Wade or Cliff Job.

FORWARD THINKING

This year's Garden Party is planned for Saturday 16 June. Naturally we are all concerned to build upon the success of previous years - so we need your help. If you have any ideas about new stalls, activities and attractions, please let the Churchwardens know - or better still, come to the next Garden Party Meeting at 11.15 am on Sunday 18 March in the Church Hall.

JUMBLE 1

The Young Saints are holding a Jumble Sale on Saturday 17 March at 1.30pm in the Church Hall. All donations welcome.

PRAISE HYMN!

Another "Praise Service" is planned for Sunday 11 March in which we hope to celebrate some of the themes from the Diocesan Course "Going with God". The Service will be at 7pm following a shortened Evensong at 6.30pm.

LADIES CLUB

The AGM for the Ladies Club will be held on 6 March at 7.30pm in the Church Hall. All ladies in the Parish are invited to attend. On 20 March Mrs. Stella Jockel will give us a talk and show slides of her holiday in Canada.

JUMBLE 2

The Ladies Working Party have their Jumble Sale at 2pm on Saturday 31 March. Jumble will be received in the Hall from 10am. All donations welcome.

INTO THE ARCHIVES

Documents and registers relating to All Saints' Church have recently been checked and listed by an Archivist from the new Sheffield City Archives on Surrey street. These include the Register of Baptisms, Banns & Marriages from 1924, numerous Faculties from 1948, Annual Meeting minutes from 1924, PCC Minutes from 1937 and accounts, and various documents and agreements relating to the Church building and site. The earliest records are the Minutes of the progress, problems and plans for the construction of All Saints' Church.

For their future safekeeping and wider availability it is proposed that most of the Records are deposited on loan to the City Archives. Restriction is placed on records less than 30 years old and these can only be seen by the public with prior consent from the Church.

The Archivist also listed the historical records at All Saints' School. Most of the material there predates All Saints' Church and includes Log Books and accounts from 1877, as well as documents relating to the earlier Church School of 1822 on Totley Hall Lane. It is proposed that these are also deposited in the Archives Department.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

The Annual Church Meeting is on Thursday 8 March at 7.30pm in the Church Hall. In the meeting the life of All Saints' over the past year is reviewed, its finances scrutinised, grievances aired, future plans discussed and officers appointed. The Annual Meeting is open to anyone to attend but only those who have applied for membership of All Saints' Electoral Roll are eligible to vote on any issue.

COVENANTS

March is the most appropriate month at the end of the tax year to be prompted into thinking about Covenants. If you already have a Covenant and have increased your giving during the year it is an easy matter to reclaim the additional tax. If you have never covenanted your offertory, please think seriously about it. A covenant can be waived in the event of your moving away, becoming unemployed, leaving the Church etc. Without the £2985 received in 1989 as an official tax rebate from the Government, the Church funds would have been strained, and the amount available to give to other charities would have been reduced.

"MYSELF"

I have to live with myself and so
I want to be fit for myself to know.
I want to be able, as days go by,
Always to look myself straight in the eye.
I don't want to stand with the setting sun
And hate myself for the things I've done.
I want to go out with my head erect -
I want to deserve all men's respect.
But here, in the struggle for fame and self,
I want to be able to like myself.
I don't want to look at myself and know
That I'm bluster and bluff and idle show.
I never can hide myself from me.
I see what others may never see.
I know what others may never know.
I can never fool myself - and so
Whatever happens, I mean to be
Self respecting, and conscience free.

The above lines were written by an unknown 8th Army soldier in Tunisia, published in the Sheffield Telegraph 2 August 1943, and taken from the Clarion handbook of 1944/5.

FORGIVING - LAW VERSUS LOVE

"Years ago, when I was a curate in Birmingham, I used to visit a very unhappy lady. Mrs Bennet (not her real name) was elderly and suffered from arthritis. However the real cause of her unhappiness was not ill health.

Mrs. Bennet's husband had left her when she was still a young wife. He had 'gone off' with another woman. Year by year, month by month, day by day, Mrs. Bennet had kept alive a burning hatred of her husband and the woman he had gone to live with.

Who am I to judge the hurt she had suffered. How could I possibly assess blame between Mrs. Bennet and her husband.

What surprised me as a young clergyman, was that Mrs. Bennet expected me to side with her hatred. Her husband was an adulterer, she said, the other woman was immoral, she said. Surely the Church which teaches moral standards and preaches purity would condemn him as readily as she did.

It became obvious to me that the Church's image was that of 'upholder of morality' and 'guardian of purity'. For Mrs Bennet, at least, this was the essential teaching of Christianity. The Church was to do with rules, standards and moral regulations.

The truth, which I was never able to persuade Mrs. Bennet about was, and is, that an essential plank in the Church's teaching is FORGIVENESS. The New Testament is filled with this teaching. It is not Christian to bear malice and practise unforgiveness over the years.

And ironically, Mrs Bennet was a witness to this teaching which she could never practise. She was unhappy. Her sense of righteousness did not bring joy to her - quite the opposite - it made her extremely miserable,

Forgiveness is good for the forgiver as well as the forgiven."

From Maltby Parish Magazine.

QUOTES

God gave us memory so that we might have roses in December.

If you wish to be sublime you must be natural - you must keep close to the poor.

H F Amiel (1821 - 1881)

If you want to be happy for a week, get married, for a month, kill a pig, for a lifetime, plant a garden.

Chinese proverb.

Rex Beaumont.

MARCH DIARY

1 Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives Praise - Church
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
2 Fri	10.30am	WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER(St.John's)
	8.00pm	Mission Committee - Brook Hall
3 Sat		PARISH QUIET DAY at Shrewsbury Hospital
	2.30pm	Holy Matrimony (Stephen Holding & Louise Belk)
6 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	7.30pm	Ladies Club AGM
	8.00pm	Men's Fellowship "Motivation & Commitment"
	8.30pm	Family Service Planning Meeting - Vicarage
7 Wed	10.45am	Monthly Morning Fellowship - 8 Akley Bank Cl.
	8.00pm	Wednesday House Group (360122)
8 Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
	7.30pm	ANNUAL PAROCHIAL MEETING
13 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	8.00pm	PARISH MEETING WITH CHURCH ARMY
14 Wed	2.00pm	Monthly Afternoon Fellowship - 182 Warminster Road
	6.30pm	Brownies' Coffee Evening - Church Hall
	8.00pm	Wednesday House Group (360122)
15 Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
17 Sat	1.30pm	YOUNG SAINTS' JUMBLE SALE - Church Hall
20 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	7.30pm	Slideshow, Ladies Club - Church Hall
21 Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Housegroup (360122)
22 Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
26 Mon	7.30pm	All Saints' School Annual Parents' Meeting - School Hall
27 Tue	12.15pm	Liaison Lunch - Church Hall
	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	2.15pm	Ladies Working Party
	8.00pm	Young Saints Leaders' Meeting - Vicarage
28 Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Hosue Group (360122)
29 Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
30 Fri	7.30pm	VERDI REQUIEM - Cathedral
31 Sat	2.00pm	JUMBLE SALE (Ladies Working Party) - Hall

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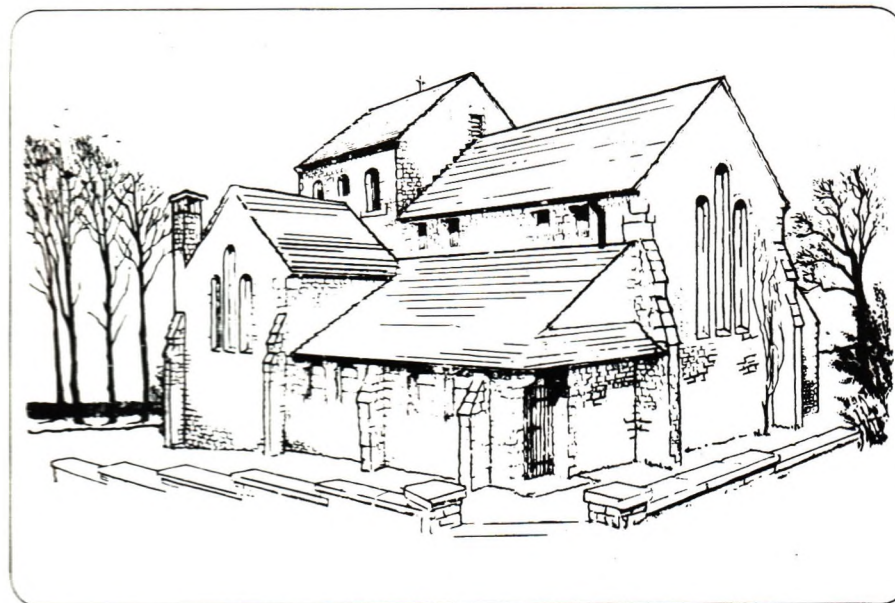
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

I have been asked to reproduce as my letter, part of the challenge I offered at the recent A.G.M.

For many years now there have been five strands in the life of the Church of England - all valid in their own terms.

1. The Evangelical, emphasising personal conversion and a strong Biblical basis to faith and life.
2. The Anglo-Catholic - emphasising ritual, symbolism, and sacraments in its worship and practice.
3. The Traditional - the middle path that has reflected much of English culture and worship over the centuries, and some its abiding qualities.
4. The Charismatic - emphasising spiritual renewal and a rediscovery of the work and gifts of the Holy Spirit.
5. The Liberal - concerned with an openness to the truth of modern scholarship in interpreting the Bible and our Faith amidst the complex, changing and often radical situation of society today.

Unlike some Churches in the city whose strength lies in emphasising one strand, All Saints' seems to include them all to some degree! Why can't our variety be our strength - different strands can be bound together to provide flexibility and greater strength and enhance our worship.

If we are honest many of us would like to influence the direction All Saints' takes in terms of our own personal preferences. Yet the call of Christ is to unity in Him and a love for each other that overflows to and attracts an indifferent world. The vision we need at this point in our Church's life as we enter a Decade of Evangelism is to seek that oneness and that love...

- a) by affirming and respecting each other as fellow believers.
- b) by valuing and being prepared to listen to and seek to understand and learn from each other.
- c) by being prepared to work together to build up the Body of Christ - offering our individual gifts of time, talents and treasure in His service.
- d) by seeking to weave those varying strands into a strong rope which we can hold out to others.

Yours sincerely,

Stewart Rayner

PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

4 March Natalie Hazel Booth

Holy Matrimony

3 March Stephen John Holding & Louise Elizabeth Belk

Funerals

1 March Polly Clayton (82) 38 Glover Road

2 March Ida Mary Bramall (80) Hall Lane Farm

Polly Clayton was born into a farming family working some of the high Pennine land around Penistone. She moved to Glover Road 55 years ago, where her active and cheerful personality made her a well-loved neighbour, friend and Topley Guild member. For over 30 years she was a Dental Nurse at a practice on Tom Lane.

Ida Bramall came with her late husband, Edward, to Hall Lane Farm soon after her marriage 50 years ago. She had been a cook at a country house at Rockley near Retford. From small beginnings they built up the dairy herd and milk round, and faithfully provided a good service to their customers in all weathers. She was active in the farming community and in the Church community, and utilised her cooking skills for many Parish functions and as a member of the Ladies Working Party. She helped the Topley Scouts when their HQ was across from the farm and maintained a continuing interest in their work. With her passing we reflect on part of Topley's history that is no more.

PARISH ROTAS

Parish Breakfast

1 April	Mrs Brown	Miss Taylor
8 April	Mrs Marshall	Mrs Kirton
15 April	Mrs Best	Mrs Sellars
22 April	Mrs Cryan	Mr Hazelhurst
29 April	Mrs Jockel	Miss Scaife

Flowers

15 April	Easter
22 April	Mrs Billard
29 April	Mrs B Waite

Altar

Memory Table

Mrs Jones
Mrs Mayson
Mrs Wiggett

Silver Cleaning

1 April	-
15 April	Mrs Noton

SERVICES IN APRIL

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am.

- 1st PASSION SUNDAY (Lent 5)
Theme: "The Victory of the Cross"
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Hebrews 9:11-14 (JB)
Gospel: St Mark 10: 32-45 (NEB)
10am Young Saints
11.30am Cheshire Home Communion
12.15pm Holy Baptism (Callum Green)
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
Old Testament: Exodus 6:2-13 (NEB)
New Testament: St John 12: 20-32 (JB)
- 8th PALM SUNDAY (Lent 6)
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1: 18-25 (RSV)
Gospel: St Matthew 21: 1-13 (NEB)
11.20am Young Saints' Palm Praise (Church Hall)
6.30pm Faure's Requiem (United Service at
Christ Church Dore (No Service at All Saints)
- 10th HOLY TUESDAY
9.30am All Saints' School Easter Service (at School)
7.30pm Ladies Service for Holy Week
- 11th HOLY WEDNESDAY
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
8pm Ecumenical Informal Worship & Sharing
(Church Hall)
- 12th MAUNDY THURSDAY
8pm Holy Communion
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 11: 23-29 (NEB)
Gospel: St John 13: 1-15 (NEB)
- 13th GOOD FRIDAY
10am Children's Service
12 noon - 3 pm Three Hours' Devotion
A meditational time to focus on the Cross, with an opportunity to enter and leave on every half hour.
8pm Service of Tenebra (U.R.C. Church)
United Service for Good Friday Evening
- 14th HOLY SATURDAY
10.30am Morning Service

- 15th EASTER DAY
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) & Holy Baptism
(William Doole)
3.30pm Cheshire Home Communion
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
Old Testament: Isaiah 12: 1-6 (RSV)
New Testament: St John 20: 1-8 (RSV)
- 22nd EASTER 1
Theme a.m. : "The Bread of Life"
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15: 53-58 (NEB)
Gospel: St John 6: 32-40 (JB)
10am Young Saints
12 noon Holy Baptism (Christopher Swainson)
Theme p.m. : "The Upper Room"
6.30pm Evensong (ASB)
Old Testament: Exodus 15: 1-11 (RSV)
New Testament: St John 20: 19-29 (RSV)
- 29th EASTER 2
Theme a.m.: "The Good Shepherd"
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Holy Communion(ASB) & Holy Baptism
(Duncan Taylor)
Epistle: 1 Peter 5:1-11 (NEB)
Gospel: St John 10: 7-16 (NEB)
10am Young Saints
Theme p.m.: "The Emmaus Road"
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
Old Testament: Isaiah 25: 6-9 (NEB)
New Testament: St Luke 24: 13-35 (JB)
- WORDS OF CONTEMPLATION
The text for this month is "Come to ME, all who labour and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. Take MY yoke upon you, and learn from ME; for I AM gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For MY yoke is easy, and MY burden is light" (Matthew 11:28)
The Watchword is "Come to ME... find rest".

ALL SAINTS' SCHOOL NEWS

Visit to Thornbridge Hall Environmental Centre

On February 26th our class (Y5/6) went to stay at Thornbridge Hall. Here is what we did whilst we were there. On Monday morning we unpacked and went across to Stores to collect a cagoule and a pair of bogtrotters. After lunch we did a Treasure Trail in Ashford-in-the-Water. In the evening we could do the String Trail because of the wind, so we went on a night walk to Bakewell. On Tuesday we went on an Adventure Walk which lasted about 7 hours, we had to climb up rocks and steep hills, and cross rivers. It was good fun but very tiring, everyone enjoyed it (including the parents and teachers). On Wednesday morning we visited Poole's Cavern and then to Buxton Museum and Art Gallery, inside the Museum we went down a time tunnel. In the afternoon we went swimming.

The next morning we went to Eyam, Colin and Dot took us in the mini-buses, Dot went back but Colin stayed with us because there was a lot of snow. We went to Eyam Church and Mr. Clifford talked to us about the plague, he was very good. Then we had to find out things which were marked on our work sheet, it was very interesting. Mr. Flood, the Headmaster of Eyam School let us eat our lunch in the school. Instead of going back by mini-bus we walked back over the moors, the snow went over our knees. On Friday, after we had cleared our rooms and packed, we went orienteering. Orienteering is where you have a map and you have to find flags which are marked on the map, it's quite difficult. Mark Bailey and Matthew Winn-Smith equalled the Thornbridge record, so Colin (the Ranger) was very pleased with them. After lunch we went home. We would recommend Thornbridge as a great place with a rating of ten out of ten.

Year 5 and 6 children.

On behalf of the children I would like to thank Tony Collins, Jan Meakin, Joan Roberts, Lynne Holdsworth and Stewart Rayner who all stayed at Thornbridge at various times during the week, and made the visit possible. Also thanks to all the parents and governors who helped on different occasions, we are very grateful for that help.

Joan Stratford.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Whilst the Editor is keen to publish letters from our readers and others - please remember there is a limit to the size of this magazine and the space available for letters if we are to present a variety of contents. Many letters we receive are too long for publication, yet difficult to shorten. Please restrict your comments to 250 to 300 words approximately.

THE PRINCE & THE PRAYER BOOK

We print an extract from a letter by Barrie Briggs.

"I don't think the Prince is attacking the principle of the ASB at all, but if you look at his general life, work and interests it is not difficult to see a continuous thread. Prince Charles has, quite obviously, a deeply spiritual aspect to his nature. The one thing that he has consistently tried to do, as befits a person of his position and influence, is to lift the spirit of the people onto a higher plane. His work amongst many of the deprived of our benighted land is evidence of this, as are his comments about architecture, the use of language and so on.

A few comments on the Prayer Book and its alternative may add a little fuel to the heat of the fire. Cranmer's Book was set in the classical language of an earlier time, not in the vernacular language of 1662, and this was deliberately done. Firstly, everyone, young and old alike, was familiar with that language. Secondly, times in the 16th century were changing (it is a habit they have) and people need to anchor their spiritual language and thought in more timeless values. What better than the classical language of a slightly earlier period? Thirdly, Cranmer's book was not written for everyone, after all most people could neither read nor write and those who could had been taught to do so in that same classical language. Use of Latin was beginning to decline even then. As with HRH, what Cranmer and his contemporaries sought to do, and this has never been a new idea, was to lift the spirit of the people above the everyday mess of their lives."

CARPENTER NEEDS JOINERS

Christian Crackers by Phil Mason

*A COMMITTEE is...
a collection of the unfit
chosen from amongst the
unwilling
by the incompetent
to do the unnecessary.*

LADIES CLUB

On April 3rd Dennis Hopkins, retired Head Gardener at Chatsworth, will give an illustrated talk on the gardens at Chatsworth.

On April 10th there will be a service in Church for Holy Week and all ladies in the parish (not just those belonging to the Ladies Club) are invited to attend at 7.30 p.m.

THESE I HAVE LOVED

On Tuesday 24 April, Leonard Brightmore of the Mickley Hall Cheshire Home will again be presenting an evening of poetry and prose. This will be similar to the highly successful and popular evening presented last October. Come along and bring your friends, 7.30pm in the Church Hall. No charge. Coffee and biscuits available at the interval.

DAY CENTRE & LUNCHEON CLUB AGM

There is to be the annual meeting of the Dore and Totley Day Centre and Luncheon Club on Wednesday 25 April at the United Reform Church Hall (Open Door Room) at 10am, All welcome. Do come and see what we try to achieve throughout the year.

"BANK HOLIDAY AT WHIRLOW"

The Friends of Whirlow Grange Conference Centre are organising an Open Day on May Bank Holiday, Monday 7 May from 2pm till 5pm. Admission 20p (children 10p). There will be exhibitions, displays, music, films, stalls, games and refreshments. Do come along and enjoy fellowship and relaxation. Contributions to the stall particularly cakes would be most welcome. Please contact Marjorie Snowdon (362822).

CHRISTIAN AID

The May Day Trek is once again on the May Bank Holiday Monday, 7 May 1990. There will be a choice between a moorland route of 15 miles and a woodland route of 12 miles. Do get your registration form and join in this popular way of raising money for "People and Trees". Christian Aid Week is 14 - 19 May 1990. There will be the usual "House to House" Collection in Totley and more collectors are needed. The more people who help the easier it is! Please contact Marjorie Snowdon (362822)

CONGRATULATIONS to Tess and Albert Webb on their Golden Wedding on 23rd March.

JOHN DREWERY - An Appreciation

John's Christian commitment, courage and deep faith shone through his last months of suffering. He was determined to die as he had lived by making the most for God of every moment and opportunity.

From his regular worship at All Saints', John took his Christian discipleship out into the world of industry, amidst people struggling with the stress and hardship of uncertainty and unemployment, and he dedicated his energy to their needs. He was marketing manager of BSC Stainless and then engineering manager at James Neil's, from where, with others, and prompted by concern for those faced with redundancy, he bought out a section of the firm that was due to close and set up Cadar - a company producing electronic micrometers and calibration systems. There, as managing director he began to fulfill his ambition to create a company demonstrating excellence in products and in care for employees and customers alike.

John was a member of the Council of the Sheffield Industrial Mission and a founder of Workshop Six, a training programme established to help those with social and educational problems. He led the scheme through many difficult periods to its excellent standing today.

Outside work John enjoyed the wonders of scenery and sea and delighted in the music which symbolised the harmony and love he also gave to his happy family life. We know John's example and faith will be of great strength to Beryl, Helen and Paula in the future and indeed a continuing inspiration to us all.

EASTER QUOTES.

**BIG news of Easter: Jesus
Christ is risen! Big question of
Easter: Have you seen Him?**

***THERE are some sciences that
may be learned by the head, but
the science of Christ crucified
can only be learned by the heart.***
C.S. SPURGEON

***OUR hope lies not in the man
we put on the moon, but in the
man we put on the cross.***
DON BASHAM

THE only shadow on the cloudless
Easter day of God's victory is the
poverty of my own devotion, the
memory of ineffective hours of
unbelief, and my own stingy
response to God's generosity.
A.E. WHITHAM

A DECADE OF EVANGELISM

An article in "The Reader" magazine by Gavin Reid makes some important points about the Decade of Evangelism. "At the end of the day evangelism - the sharing of the message and meaning of Jesus - is meant to be a mark of the authentic Church.... We are meant to be the people who make sure that Christianity keeps moving out into other peoples' lives and through cultures and nations".

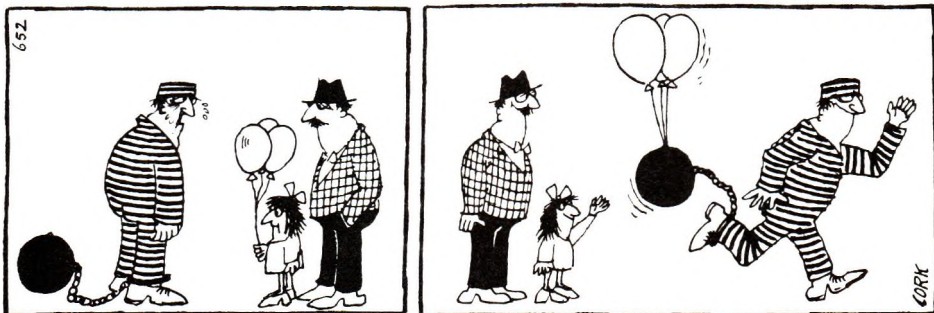
He makes the point that there is no programme of activity which is handed down to us but that we, in each individual group of Christians, have to do what seems right to us in "making Christ known to the people of His world". His comment on that quotation from Lambeth 1988 is: "That rules out the Church acting within its institutions. It means that the call from Lambeth is to the individual people of the Church in their daily occupations". He goes on to say "We need to pray for the spread of the gospel into the lives of those who have not yet seen its truth and urgency".

On the subject of worship, he recalls the amazing growth of the Christian faith in South America. He quotes Dr. Eddie Gibbs: "When I wanted to learn the secret I found I needed to go no further than their Church Services. The atmosphere of expectancy before a service began was only equalled in one place in Britain that I could think of. That was the Kop at Anfield just before Liverpool ran out to play! "

On teaching he asks "How much are we equipping the members of our churches to be proud of Christ and all that He is and has done? How else can we expect to meet the Bishop's call that we should see "every Christian as an agent of mission"?

He has strong words for us - they are truly a challenge!

Maurice Snowden



CHAIN OF THOUGHT

Link One: When I see or hear of someone whose daily life exemplified Christian teaching and ideals, I think "they have been touched by God", perhaps an allusion to "and the Lord laid his hands on him".

Link Two: The chain was strengthened when I was seeking the definition of the word 'angel'. Angel: a messenger from God, a ministering spirit.

Link Three: More support came from Amiel's Journal: "Just as life is only lent us for a few years, but is not inherent in us, so the good which is in us is not our own.

It is not difficult to think of oneself in this detached spirit. It only needs a little self-knowledge, a little intuitive perception of the ideal, a little religion. There is much sweetness in this conception that we are nothing of ourselves and that yet it is granted to us to summon each other to life, joy, poetry and holiness".

Sounds so simple, but we have to desire this state of being, to want it for itself, to nurture the seed that is in us, and despite frustrations and temptations to reject that which is unworthy, to accept and practise that which is good. To this end we are blessed with a conscience to guide us in our conduct of our lives, without it and heeding it not, we would be as all other creatures and exist for ourselves alone.

Rex Beaumont.

LOVE QUOTES

It is sad not to be loved, but it is much sadder not to be able to love.

George Bernard Shaw

Love consists in desiring to give what is our own to another and feeling his delight as our own.

Swedenborg.

Love and a cough cannot be hid.

George Herbert.

We now know that Mr. Shepherd of Sale, Manchester, wrote the poem "MYSELF" in our March magazine.

Man in a public house to the 'War Cry' seller:

'Do you save young girls?...Well, save one for me.'

Christian Crackers by Phil Mason

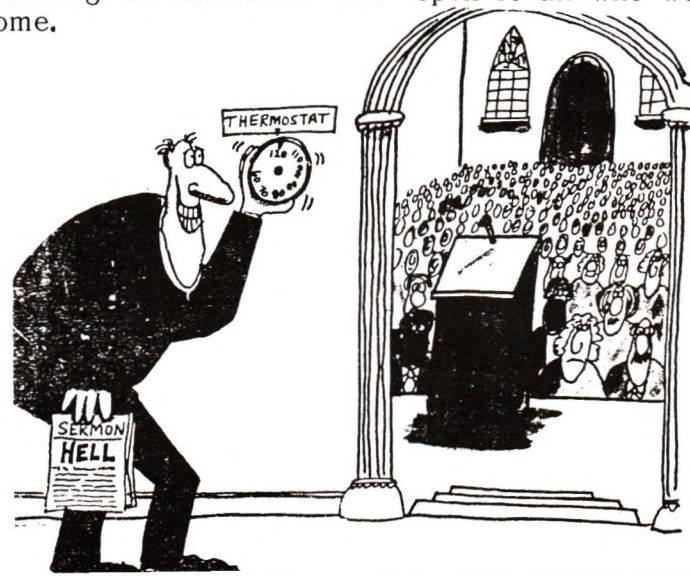
THE same power that brought Christ back from the dead is operative within those who are Christ's. The resurrection is an ongoing thing.

LEON MORRIS

APRIL DIARY

2 Mon	7.30pm	All Saints' School Governors' Meeting
3 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	7.30pm	Ladies Club "Chatsworth Gardens"
	8.00pm	Men's Fellowship "Being in authority"
4 Wed	10.45am	Monthly Morning Fellowship - 6 Milldale Rd.
5 Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives' Praise - Church
	8.00pm	PCC Corporate Communion & Meeting
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
7 Sat	4.00pm	Holy Matrimony (Bryan Fisher & Kirstie Roberts)
10 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
11 Wed	2.00pm	Monthly Afternoon Fellowship - 4 The Crescent
12 Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
17 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
19 Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
21 Sat	3.00pm	Holy Matrimony (Adrian Dyson & Melanie McManus)
24 Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	2.15pm	Ladies Working Party Meeting - Church Hall
	7.30pm	"These I have loved" - Church Hall
25 Wed	10.00am	Dore & Totley Day Centre & Lunch Club AGM - United Reform Church Hall (Open Door Room)
26 Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
27 Fri	2.30pm	Nearly New Sale (All Saints' School Hall)

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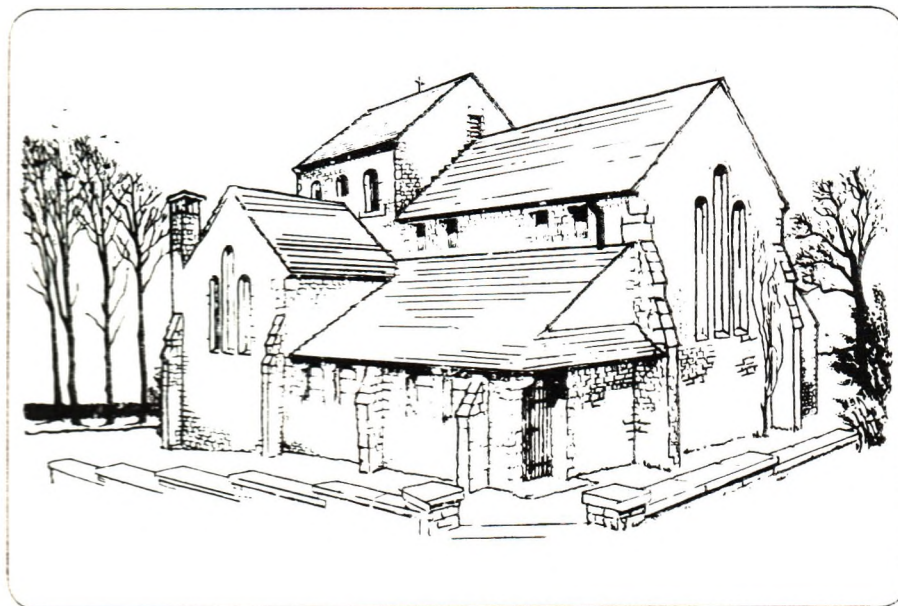
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Many of the older generation will recall how in their childhood Ascension Day was marked by a holiday from school, or a picnic, or hymns sung from the Church Tower. It was a Festival of the Christian Church as clearly marked in its observance as Christmas and Easter. Nowadays only a minority of Christians make a practice of worshipping on Ascension Day - though each year I hope I may be proved wrong, please note our Service at 8pm on 24th May!

Although part of the change is due to secularisation of society, another reason may well be that the concept of Ascension in our space age became more difficult to grasp with its language of Jesus going up to heaven. The Ascension will always remain a mystery but it was necessary that some kind of event should mark Jesus' last appearance to His disciples. It would be unthinkable that the appearances of Jesus should grow fewer and fewer until they finally stopped. There had to be a moment when the Jesus of earth became the Christ of Heaven, and this had to be conveyed to the disciples in a way they could understand in the imagery of their generation.

For the disciples, too, it marked a time of great change. The One on whose presence they had depended in the flesh, was now forever independent of space and time. Now they knew the loving presence of their Lord was always with them - nothing could separate them from Him who was now Lord of all.

So we celebrate on Ascension Day the great mystery - that He who is Lord of All loves us as individuals and can enter into our hearts and lives by His Spirit. The ruler of Creation cares for each one of us in a special way.

Happy Ascensiontide,

Stewart Rayner

SERVICES IN MAY

Holy communion every Wednesday at 10am.

6th EASTER 3

Theme am: 'The Resurrection and the Life'

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Holy Communion (ASB)

Epistle: Colossians 3: 1-11 (NEB)

Gospel: St. John 11: 17-27 (NEB)

10am Young Saints

11.30am Cheshire Home Communion

6.30pm Evensong (BCP)

Old Testament: Isaiah 61: 1-7 (NEB)

New Testament: St. John 21: 1-14 (RSV)

13th EASTER 4

Theme am: 'The Way, The Truth & The Life'

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:5 (NEB)

Gospel: St. John 14: 1-11

10am Young Saints

Theme pm: 'The Charge to Peter'

6.30pm Evensong (ASB)

Old Testament: Isaiah 62: 1-5 (RSV)

New Testament: St John 21: 15-22 (RSV)

20th EASTER 5

Theme: 'Going to the Father'

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: Romans 8: 28-39 (RSV)

Gospel: St John 16: 12-24 (NEB)

10am Family Service

3.30pm Cheshire Home Service

6.30pm Holy Communion (ASB & Anointing)

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15: 21-28 (RSV)

Gospel: St John 16: 25-33 (NEB)

24th ASCENSION DAY

8pm Holy Communion (ASB)

Epistle: Acts 1:1-11 (TEV)

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

27th SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
 Epistle: Ephesians 4:1-13 (NEB)
 Gospel: St Luke 24: 45-53 (JB)
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
 Old Testament: Daniel 7: 9-14
 New Testament: St Luke 24: 43-53 (JB)

WORDS FOR CONTEMPLATION

The text and watchword for this month:

"I will give you a heart of flesh" (Ezekiel 36.26)

PARISH ROTAS

Parish Breakfast

6 May Mr & Mrs. Iosson
 13 May Mr & Mrs Whitehead
 20 May Mrs Job Mrs Murrell
 27 May Mrs Powell Miss Bird
 3 June Mr & Mrs Glyn Waite

Flowers

	<u>Altar</u>	<u>Memory Table</u>
6 May	-	-
13 May	Mrs Harvatt	Mrs Harvatt
20 May	Mrs Tym	Mrs Pearce
27 May	Mrs Carter	Mrs Mason
3 June	Miss Perfect	Mrs Beeley

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13 May Mrs A Waite
 27 May Mr Beaumont

CHURCH FLOWERS

There are vacancies on the flower list for 1990/91.

Altar Flowers - 6 May, 5 August, 7 and 21 October and
 6 January

Memory Table - 6 May, 2 and 23 September.

If you would like to do the flowers on any of these dates,
 please contact Dorothy Simons on 364937.

LADIES CLUB

Ladies - are you happy about the clothes in your wardrobe
 - have you bought any mistakes? Does everything blend in
 - do you create a good impression all the time?
 If you are unhappy about any of your answers, come along on
 Tuesday 1st May and let "Style Counsel" help you look your
 best by choosing the best colours for you.

The second meeting this month is on 15th May when
 Mr. Paul Casbalt of the Sheffield Blood Transfusion Service
 will talk on the work of the service and will also show a
 video. This will be an open evening and gentlemen are
 especially welcome.

LADIES WORKING PARTY

We are holding a Spring Lunch on Saturday 19th May in
 the Church Hall at 12 noon. Tickets £2.25 on sale from
 members.

Our next meeting will be on 22 May at 2.15pm in the Hall.

TOTLEY LADIES EVENING GUILD

We are organising the following outings and invite you to
 join us.

30th May (½ day) Lea Gardens, Dethyck.
 11th July Ironbridge, Shropshire
 8th August Stapeley Water Gardens, Nantwich, Cheshire
 5th September Newstead Abbey (½ day)
 for further details please phone P Maltby on 367566.

MIDSUMMER PRAISE

Our next 'Praise Service' will be on Sunday 24th June at
 7pm - following said Evening Prayer at 6.30pm. Planning
 for this is beginning now and, as previously, it is hoped that
 different members of the congregation will make worship
 offerings of various types to enrich our corporate Praise.
 Please make your suggestions to Maurice Snowdon as soon
 as possible so that the work of co-ordinating the Service can
 get under way. Thank you.

GETTING THE BISHOPS TAPED

Last Autumn the Bishops of Bradford, Southwell and Portsmouth
 came to Sheffield to guide our thoughts towards the Decade of
 Evangelism and our launch at Doncaster on 10th June. The
 excellent talks then given were really addressed to the whole
 Diocese so it seems right for the whole congregation to hear
 them - so taped addresses will be used in place of the usual
 Sunday morning sermons on 6th/13th/27th May.

PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

1 April Callum Ross Green
15 April William George Doole
22 April Christopher John Swainson

Holy Matrimony

7 April Bryan Fisher & Kirstie Maria Roberts
21 April Adrian Dyson & Melanie Elizabeth McManus

Funerals

30 March Stephen John Berry (33) 30 Meadow Grove Road
6 April Francis Harold Gutteridge(85) 17 The Grove

Stephen Berry was a young man who lived his life with remarkable fortitude and cheerfulness despite chronic disabilities. Considerable devoted care was given by his parents, Graham and Amy, and we offer them our sympathy at their loss.

Frank Gutteridge was born at Wincobank and later became a P.C.C. and Choir member at St.Thomas' Church. He was Chief Engineer at Snowite Laundry for many years and then at Abbey Glen, as well as being a steam train enthusiast in his spare time. He has lived in Totley since 1960.

BIBLE SOCIETY RALLY

Sheffield's Annual Rally will be on Wednesday 23rd May, 7.30pm at Christ Church, Gleadless. The speaker will be the Rev.Howard Belben. Some focus will be given to the demand for Scriptures in Eastern Europe following recent events, and it is hoped a visitor to Romania will be present. The Shiloh Singers will provide musical items.

INNER RESOURCES

To know how other people behave takes intelligence but to know myself takes wisdom.

To manage other people's lives takes strength but to manage my own life takes true power.

If I am content with what I have,

I can live simply and enjoy both prosperity and free time.

If my goals are clear,

I can achieve them without fuss.

If I am at peace with myself,

I will not spend my life force in conflicts.

If I have learned to let go,

I do not need to fear dying.

John Heider

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APRIL, 1990

After Ten Years



After ten years I still mind most about the parishes and their people: I could live without Synods and Boards and Meetings. I could survive the disappearance of the Diocesan Office and Diocesan Officers (though it and they do a hard-working and efficient job). My heart is with the parishes - their churches and people - past, present and future. It is in the parishes that we see the Christian faith handed on century after century. It is in the parishes that we see the Christian life today being lived, prayed and taught. It is in the parishes and only in the parishes that we see tomorrow's Church coming to life.

Because of my commitment to the parishes I am (unreasonably) proud of "Rivers, Rectors and Abbots"* This is the first volume of an eight volume (or thereabouts) history of the parishes of the Diocese of Sheffield. It only covers the most northern part of the diocese - Snaith, Goole and Marshland but it is a fascinating story that illuminates the history of every parish. If you love your parish get a copy!

After ten years I'm more committed to Evangelism. It is not enough to be quietly faithful. We must witness to what we believe in such a way that it brings the Good News to those around us. And so Daystar 1990, June 10th at Doncaster Racecourse, matters immensely to me. The two things I'm minding about - the parishes and evangelism - come together. The people of our parishes - I dare to hope for 20,000 of you - worship as one so that we can step out, united in faith, hope and love, into the Decade of Evangelism. Please don't let anything (or anyone) keep you away.

And, after ten years, I mind, in the way I've always minded, about Truth - God's truth. That needs another letter. Here it is simply an excuse to advertise the four talks I'm giving in the Cathedral on 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th October. Their overall title is "Great is Truth..."

Lastly, I must say it, I mind about my One Million Pound Appeal. You can see what is getting done from the inside of this Newsletter. About one-in-ten of our active church members and the people on the electoral roll have made a gift or covenant and I'm very grateful. It has got us well on the way. But I long for everyone to play their part. So if you are one of those who haven't yet consciously made a thank you gift for your faith and your parish, I'd be obliged if you gave now. "The Lord does love a cheerful giver!"

After ten years I'm delighted to be writing to you once again as your Bishop. Pray for me as I pray for you.

DAVID LUNN,
Bishop of Sheffield

* "Rivers, Rectors and Abbots": 144 pages, 18 pictures, 4 maps available wherever the Bishop is at £4.99. By post from 'Bishopscroft' at £4.99 plus £1.50 postage and packing for any number of copies.

Crafty One

St. Mary's Church, Handsworth, Sheffield holds its **Annual Craft Fayre** on **Monday, May 7th** from 10.30 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. in the Parish Centre. There are many crafts to be seen, and refreshments are served all day long. Why not pay Handsworth a visit on that Bank Holiday?

Go Trek for People and Trees...

*Christian Aid "May Day Trek"
on Monday, 7th May*

Christian Aid works with poor people in Asia, Latin America and Africa, whose lives depend on the trees and soils which are now under severe threat. All money raised by the May Day Trek will be used for projects concerned with "People and Trees". The Trek starts and finishes at Trinity United Reformed Church, Hunters Bar, Sheffield, covering either a 15 mile moorland route or a 12 mile woodland route. It is fully marshalled with refreshments, toilets, first aid and transport back to the finish all available.

The Trek which has been going now for over twenty years raised £17,000 in 1989. For registration forms ring 0742 334221. Both People and Trees need help, so register early and get lots of sponsors.

Family Fun Day 19th May, 1990

The Family Fun Day organised by the Mothers' Union Young Families Department last year at Bamburgh was so successful that they have organised another for this year centred on St. Mark's Church, Grenoside, on **Saturday, 19th May** between 10.30 and 3.30. Grenoside is on the A61 north of Sheffield, or west of exit 35 on the M1. Buses from Sheffield are No. 42 from Pond Street Bus Station and Nos. 91 and 98 from Flat Street.

Once again there will be no entrance charge, and everyone is welcome. Bring a picnic lunch. Hot and cold drinks, crisps and ice-cream are available. Events will include a bouncy castle, the magic man, family sports, a drama workshop, and banner making, the results of which will be seen at Daystar 1990 at Doncaster Racecourse on 10th June.

Sheffield Diocesan Guild of Virgers

The Guild would be delighted to welcome new members. Anyone doing virger type work and interested in joining should either write to the Secretary at Sheffield Cathedral or ring Sheffield 753434. We have an interesting programme of events arranged for the year. Do get in touch!

"Clinical Theology"

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Hallam is interested in the possibility of a joint Clinical Theology Group for September 1990. It would be ecumenical, Roman Catholic and Anglican and so it would be for both clergy and laity. Those interested should contact Miss Margaret Selby, 25 Bannham Road, Damall, Sheffield. S9 4PG (Tel: 433442).

Appointments

The Revd. Linda Shipton, Part-time Chaplain's Assistant at the Northern General Hospital, and Part-time Parish Deacon at St. Cuthbert's, Fir Vale, has been appointed Full-time Chaplain's Assistant from 1st April 1990.

The Revd. Timothy Roy Edgar, Vicar of St. Catherine of Siena, Richmond Road, has been appointed Director of Pastoral Studies at the College of the Resurrection, Mirfield.

The Revd. David T. Thomas, Team Rector of Gleadless and Rural Dean of Attercliffe, to be Vicar of St. Luke's, Benchill, in the Diocese of Manchester.

The Revd. David Eric Reeves, Vicar of St. Cuthbert's, Herringthorpe, to be Vicar of St. Andrew's, Cleveleys, in the Diocese of Blackburn.

The Revd. Mark William Godfrey Stibbe, Assistant Curate, St. Helen, Stapleford, in the Diocese of Southwell, to be Assistant Curate at St. Thomas, Crookes.

The Revd. Derek Lynn Turnham, Vicar of St. Luke's, New Rossington, to be Team Rector of Thornaby on Tees, in the Diocese of York.

The Revd. Canon John Norman Collie, Vicar of Ecclesall, is to retire in October.

Flowers at Hatfield

Candidates for Confirmation at St. Lawrence Church, Hatfield, will have an unusually beautiful setting for the service on May 6th. It falls in the middle of the church's flower festival, celebrating 200 decades of evangelism.

The church will be decorated and open to the public for the three days **May 5 to 7**, from **10 a.m. to 9.00 p.m.** Tea, coffee, snacks and light meals will be available at the adjoining Travis Church of England School from 10.30 a.m. to 7.00 p.m. during the course of the festival and souvenir and craft stalls will also be open to visitors.

Services at St. Lawrence's on the Sunday consist of the 9.30 a.m. Communion and Confirmation and a 6.30 p.m. Evening Service. On Monday the 7th there will be a Celebration and Proclamation of the Gospel at 7.00 p.m., at which the preacher will be the Rev. Philip Hacking.

News from CMS

Canon Naim Ateek will be in Sheffield on Wednesday, 9th May. He is a Palestinian theologian, and is from St. George's Cathedral, Jerusalem. A conference has been organised at which he will speak. If you would like more details, please contact our CMS Area Secretary, Alan Isaacson, 213 Springvale Road, Sheffield. S10 1LG.

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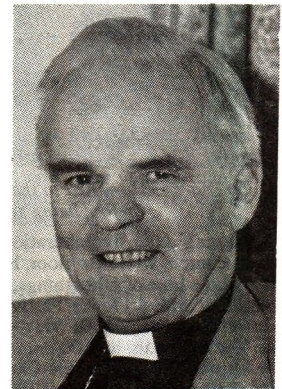
Apply: The Revd. Philip West, 334 Oldfield Road, Stannington. Sheffield. S6 6EA. Tel: 0742-345586

Sheffield Diocesan News

MAY, 1990

"Tell the Good News of Jesus"

writes the Bishop of Doncaster



A Decade of Evangelism is an admirable thing; but a question that often gets asked is 'What does evangelism mean?' It is argued that it has different meanings for different people; and for this reason cautious spirits wonder whether we are giving the exercise too high a profile.

I am not too worried if it has different meanings for different people; with the obvious proviso that the evangelistic message must have a genuine content. God has put us in different situations and our circumstances are bound to have a bearing on what we say or do when we share the Gospel.

It is important it must be said to place our evangelism in the widest setting. God's good news of redemption is for the whole of his creation in which God is already present. Mind and body need transforming as well as spirit. Society is much more than a collection of individuals. You could say that Mission and Evangelism are inseparable.

It is necessary to take Church growth seriously too. If Churches don't grow where shall we find the resources in terms of membership to respond to all the challenges which society puts before us? Church growth is also a reminder that there is corporate character to evangelism. We are inviting people to become part of the body of Christ.

There needs as well to be a strong commitment to personal evangelism. If we have experienced the fullness of new life in Christ our love for others will be such that we shall not be able to keep the Gospel to ourselves.

Whatever our differences of emphasis, there is one indisputable element in evangelism which I neither need nor wish to qualify. Evangelism is about Jesus; what actually happened in history through his birth, life, saving death and resurrection; and what can happen today as we identify with our risen Lord. When Philip came across the Ethiopian Eunuch reading Isaiah, Luke informs us that Philip 'told him the good news of Jesus'. We can do no better.

As to evangelistic method; I find it hard to improve on D.T. Niles famous definition: 'one beggar showing another beggar where to find bread.'

So thank God for the Bishop's lead in giving evangelism the kind of priority that is much more than a one-off effort or even the preoccupation of a decade; a priority that is part of the normal witnessing life of the Church.

WILLIAM
Bishop of Doncaster

DAYSTAR 1990

10th June from 10.30 a.m.

DONCASTER RACECOURSE

*A day of worship, fun
and festivity for adults,
children and young people.
You are welcome.
Are you coming?*

BLOOMING BARNBY DUN



Barnby Dun's History Box to the future being looked at before being sealed

Following extensive alterations to the inside of the ancient church, with new floor, heating system, lighting and a whole host of other things, Bamby Dun Church is celebrating with a Flower Festival. The Church will be open on **Saturday, 26th May** from 10.00 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. At 7.30 p.m. there will be a Musical Evening in the Church. On **Sunday, 27th May** the services will be at the usual times of 10.15 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. and the Church will be open from 1.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. On **Monday, 28th May** the Church will again be open from 10.00 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.

Refreshments will be available, souvenirs will be on sale and visitors will be able to sample spectacular views from the top of the Church Tower. Further details are available from John Richards by telephoning Doncaster (0302) 884745 / 882862 or 890345.

Visitors to the Church when the floor is replaced next time (perhaps in several centuries!) will have a surprise because a sealed box has been buried under the floor containing many items and photographs telling of the life of the Church and the village of Bamby Dun. The contents of the box, enthusiastically collected and put together by members of the congregation and the village were on show at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Skelton before being sealed under the floor. A bonus to Bamby Dun Church during its restoration has been that it has been possible to employ a stone mason to work exclusively on the Church, at a great saving, and if your church is wanting to know more about how it worked out, why not have a word with the Revd. Tom Harris on Doncaster (0302) 882835.

Celebration Recital

Following the fire in St. George's Church, Doncaster in November 1988, it was found necessary to undertake total cleaning of the organ because of smoke and ash damage. The organ is now cleaned, and in good voice, and Magnus Black will give the re-opening recital on **TUESDAY, 1st MAY at 7.30 p.m.**

As part of the Doncaster Festival, which is being held between 6th and 26th May, there is an Organ Recital by Roger Fisher of Chester Cathedral. on **THURSDAY, 17th MAY at 7.30 p.m.** and the **Vaughan Memorial Lecture** entitled "Educating for one world" by **Dr. David Jenkins, Bishop of Durham** is on **Tuesday, 2nd May at 7.30 p.m.** Admission is by ticket only, obtainable from St. George's House (tel: 0302 323748) or the Doncaster Museum Foyer.

Weekend

The Coalfield Churches Weekend on **Saturday 5th, Sunday 6th and Monday 7th May 1990** from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. has an **Exhibition of Mining Community Life 1910-1990**, and everyone is welcome to St. George's Parish Church, Doncaster, to see it or be part of it.

The opening ceremony is at 12 noon on the Saturday, and at 7.30 p.m. there's a **MUSICAL FEAST** with Armthorpe Elmfield Band and Stainforth and District Male Voice Choir - admission is by programme available at the door.

On **Sunday, 6th May** at 3 p.m., the Service of **Thanksgiving and Mission** has the Archbishop of York as the preacher.

All colliery and former mining personnel and members of the coalfield churches are especially invited to the weekend which marks 80 years of church extension work in the coalfield.

Largest display for miles around

The Parish of Silkstone and Stainborough, and the Northern College, near Barnsley invites you to see the largest display for miles around of rhododendrons in the grounds of **Wentworth Castle, Stainborough**, on **Sunday, Monday, Tuesday 27th, 28th, 29th May** from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is £1, 50p for concessions.

Commemoration Day at Mirfield

The Community of the Resurrection at Mirfield hold the **Commemoration Day on Saturday, July 14th** from 12 noon. 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 to cover postage, but not envelopes.

OPERATION BUILD-UP - SUMMER FAIR

Please support the Diocesan Summer Fair being held on the Cathedral Forecourt on **Saturday 14th July** from 10.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. - in aid of the Bishop's Appeal.

We still need more stalls to make this a really successful event - from parishes or groups.

Any music groups who would like to participate - a large passing audience is guaranteed - will be very welcome.

All offers please to Tony Davis, Development Adviser to the Bishop, 6 Silverdale Croft, Sheffield. S11 9JP. (Tel: 367095).

Wanted...Part time, paid Co-ordinator

Sheffield Churches Council for Community Care (SCCCC) will require a paid, part-time co-ordinator (30 hours per week) for the Good Neighbour Scheme in Sheffield from the beginning of September 1990.

If you are interested why not have a chat over the 'phone about it to Mrs. E. Holloway on Sheffield 759452 (mornings only) or drop her a line for more details to SCCC, 69 Division Street, Sheffield. S1 4GE.

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celebration of her 66 years of association with
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Performances 14th and 15th June 1990 at 7 p.m.

All proceeds will be devoted to the Society's
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Tickets £3.50. children and pensioners £1.00

Tickets available from Children's Society Shops,
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Sheffield or by post (sae please) from
6 Alton Close, Whirlow, Sheffield

Every Roche Abbey Saturday

used to be a saying which meant 'every blue moon' to the children who lived in the villages outside Sheffield, for in the olden days Sunday School outings used to be to that beautiful spot near Maltby. This year on **Saturday 14th July** Sunday School children and other children of the church will be invited to go to Roche Abbey again for a big Diocesan Day. There'll be trails for the children to follow, Games, drama to watch, and a service at which Bishop David will be present. It sounds like a super day. Sunday Schools make a note of it in the diary, and then contact Sally Tate at the Diocesan Education Office, St. Matthew's House, 45 Carver Street, Sheffield. S1 4FT. Tel: Sheffield (0742) 754386 for more details.

Appointments

The Revd. Alfred Dennis Lennon, Rector of St. Thomas's Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Edinburgh, has been appointed Diocesan Adviser in Evangelism and Priest-in-Charge of Burghwallis and Skelbrooke.

The Revd. Charles Draper, Assistant Curate, Parish of Wareham, in the Diocese of Salisbury, to be Assistant Curate in the Maltby Team Ministry.

The Revd. John Packer to succeed the Revd. David Thomas as Rural Dean of Attercliffe.

The Revd. Lewis Atkinson to succeed the Revd. David James as Rural Dean of Ecclesfield.

The Revd. Barbara Harrison, Parish Deacon (Team Vicar) in Sheffield Manor Parish (St. Andrew's), to be Team Vicar of William Temple District in Sheffield Manor Parish.

900 Years not out!

Adwick upon Dearne is celebrating its 900th year, and as part of the celebrations there's a **FLOWER FESTIVAL** on **SUNDAY, 6th MAY** and **MONDAY, 7th MAY** from 10.30 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. each day. Refreshments, Souvenirs and Crafts will all be available. Why not join Adwick upon Dearne and help them celebrate 900 years of Church Life?

Daystar Communion Vessels

Two hundred pottery chalices and bowls are being specially made for Daystar 1990, and afterwards they will be for sale at £6 for a chalice and bowl. Place your order now by writing to the Revd. Derek Turnham, St. Luke's Vicarage, The Circle, New Rossington, Doncaster DN11 0QP, enclosing your cheque payable to 'Sheffield D.B.F. (Doncaster 1990)' for £6. Chalices and bowls may then be collected after the Eucharist at Daystar 1990.

Not too late to be best dressed!

There is still time if you act swiftly to order your Daystar T Shirt or Sweat Shirt to wear on the day. They are available from: **Steaves Shirts, Silk Screen Printers, Gaines, Whitbourne, Worcester. WR6 5RD.** Cheque with order made payable to 'Steaves Shirts'. Be sure to print clearly your name and address. T Shirts, white with red and black logo...£4.85 inc. P&P. Sweat Shirts, navy with red and white logo...£9.95 inc. P&P. Sizes M, L, XL. Allow 28 days for delivery.

St. Leonard and St. Mary, Armthorpe, Doncaster



*Drawing by
Julian
Hodgson*

The congregation will welcome visitors to their church on **FRIDAY 25th** and **SATURDAY 26th May** from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. to look around at their leisure. There will be various stalls, including Crafts, Cakes and Books, interesting displays, and light refreshments will be served. All the proceeds are for the Porch Restoration.

Do You Know where Bats are Roosting?

Bats are small, intelligent animals whose numbers have declined drastically in recent years. In Britain, there are fifteen different species of bat, some are on the verge of extinction; one reason for this is for certain myths and legends that are totally untrue. ALL British bats eat insects; nor are they blind!

If your church is fortunate enough to have bats, please contact me so a visit can be arranged to carry out a survey.

So, if you have bats, know where bats are roosting or simply want to know more, please contact me, Jamie Middleton, at 18 Wilding Way, Kimberworth, Rotherham. S61 1PQ. Telephone: (0709) 552419.

Synod Digest

Social Responsibility

Synod members agreed (53 in favour and 38 against) the appointment of a Social Responsibility Officer for the Diocese of Sheffield. The Bishop explained that this would be a part-time post, probably attached to a clergy job as part of the Team Ministry on the Manor Estate, Sheffield. Thanks were expressed to Bishop Kenneth Skelton for heading up a Working Party reporting to the Diocese on Social Responsibility issues. As recommended in their report further work is to be done to look at closer working relationships between the Social Responsibility Committee and Sheffield Industrial Mission, and also co-operation between various officers working in Social Responsibility issues is to be examined.

Hattingen-Witten

Closer links between the Diocese of Sheffield and the Church District of Hattingen-Witten in West Germany were endorsed by the Synod; the links to be reviewed in 1995. Through this link it is also hoped to connect up with Christians in East Germany.

Christian Unity Issues

These were highlighted by the visit to the Synod by the Roman Catholic Bishop of Hallam, the Rt. Revd. Gerald Moverley who introduced the major Anglican-Roman Catholic report "Salvation and the Church" (now commended by the General Synod for discussion at all levels of Church life). Earlier, Synod members backed the Churches Together in Pilgrimage Process which this year will replace the present British Council of Churches set-up. Welcome was given by the Diocesan Synod to the setting up of the South Yorkshire Ecumenical Council and the South Yorkshire Church Leaders' meeting. The financial implications of this work (one third to be paid for by the Church of England, one third by the Roman Catholics and the remaining third by the other denominations) were accepted as was the proposal that further consideration be given to the job description for a proposed Ecumenical Officer to further the work of the whole Process.

*Brief Report of
the meeting of
Sheffield
Diocesan
Synod at
Rotherham on
Saturday,
March 10th,
1990 by
Rev. Roy Arnold,
Diocesan
Communications
Officer*



Maseno North

Despite several impassioned pleas, Synod members decided that the Diocesan link with Maseno North (the Diocese in Kenya) should be wound up in 1991, whilst expressing thanks for the opportunities in partnership which the link has provided. The feasibility of a new link with an overseas diocese will be examined by the Mission & Unity Committee.

Church Schools

There was support in the Synod in March for the idea of the cost of Church Schools in the Diocese (that is of the remaining 15% of the cost which fall to parishes with an Aided Church School) being met - where necessary - out of Quota payments made by all the parishes of the Diocese. Still on the educational front, it was agreed that the post of Assistant Director of Education (Children & Youth) be extended until September 1995 when the present holder, Miss Sally Tate, leaves to get married later this year.

Welcome

was given to the new Deputy Diocesan Secretary, Miss Margaret Barlow, who takes up office in May, and also to the new Diocesan Registrar, Mr. Peter Rothwell. A presentation was made to the retiring Registrar, Mr. Paul Ward. The Registrar is the chief legal adviser to the Diocese.

THE NEXT MEETING of the Diocesan Synod will be June 2nd in Doncaster.

Half-time Score: Appeal

Eastertide - festival of New Life in the Christian Church - is a super time to let you know of the new life which is now flowing in the Church of England in South Yorkshire at this present time; some of it is due to the generosity of Churchfolk in their giving to the Bishop of Sheffield's £Million Appeal which - this very month - reaches its halfway mark. Here's the story so far: the half-time score.



Meanwhile...

Money raised by the Bishop's Appeal has unlocked money from other funds and this is, in turn, has enabled generous loans or grants to be made to parishes throughout the Diocese for their own urgent projects. Norwood, Tinsley, Laughton, Handsworth, Ecclesall, Campsall, Clifton (St. James), Gleadless, Millhouses (St. Oswald), Thorpe Hesley, Treeton, St. John's Park School, Adlingfleet, Wheatley (St. Mary), St. Paul's, Wordsworth Avenue, Maltby, Rossington, Kilnhurst, Fishlake, Wheatley Hills and Barnby Dun are all parishes which have benefited from monies unlocked by the Bishop's Appeal. Meanwhile other major projects are in the pipeline for actual direct assistance from the Bishop's Appeal like those at St. Hilda's, Thurnscoe and for the provision of a brand new church for the people who live in the Swallownest area of Rotherham. Aid was given to St. Paul's, Masbrough for their project now completed.

One difficulty...

One genuine and understandable problem which has confronted the Appeal organisers throughout has been that - so far - projects in Sheffield have received the lion's share of Appeal support. This in turn has maybe prompted the question in Doncaster, Rotherham, Goole and stations in between: "What's in this for us?". Whatever the answer the Church in this Diocese is THE BODY OF CHRIST with all the different limbs and organs of the body - in Sheffield, Rotherham, Doncaster, Goole and YOUR PARISH wherever it may be - contributing to the wellbeing of the whole. And God, the Bible tells us, loves a cheerful giver. But another answer is this: that the Appeal money is simply spent in response to requests and needs, and so far no major projects (other than those already mentioned) have been tabled. Applications large or small are awaited.

Plans

Plans are in the pipeline for major fund-raising events later this year. These include a Diocesan Summer Fair on the forecourt of Sheffield Cathedral (July 14th), a Grand Auction at the Cutler's Hall, Sheffield (August 27th) and concerts by the noted Christian folk-singer George Hamilton IV in both Doncaster and Sheffield in November. Full details of all these events and a major Diocesan-wide fund-raising event - aiming to reach out into all the community - will be published in forthcoming editions of "Sheffield Diocesan News". Keep your eyes peeled and book the dates above in your diary today.

Giving Update

So far 1,680 individuals and 150 parishes have given to the Bishop's £Million Appeal (up to February) a total of £430,000. This figure includes promised future donations and tax refunds on 414 covenants. In addition there are now firm commitments from a small number of parishes for a further £200,000, so the real half-time score is £630,000. This is an excellent and encouraging effort even though it means that many individuals and some parishes have not yet contributed to this special appeal.

Getting On

The money raised so far isn't just sitting around: it is already being used and work is already forging ahead on two major Church building projects in the Diocese. Substantial grants have been spent or promised so far for the new Church and Community facility at St. Bartholomew's, Netherthorpe, Sheffield, and for the new St. Swithun's Church and Community Centre on Sheffield's Manor Estate. In both instances the congregations of these Urban Priority Area parishes are pushing ahead with their own vigorous fund-raising programmes, and both Churches - it is hoped - will be completed by the Autumn of this year.

And finally...

Well: finally it's up to me and you to lend our Bishop a hand. Just think, if every Anglican in this Diocese (let alone their friends and neighbours who may claim to be C of E) with their names on their local Church Electoral Roll gave just something to this Appeal (even as little as 20 pence a week for the next two years...the price of a First Class Stamp or a bar of chocolate) this appeal would be home and dry. So - now we've reached half time - maybe you would like to send in your donation, or maybe you would like to put on some special effort like a Coffee Morning or a Sponsored Swim with proceeds to the Bishop's appeal. How about it? Covenanted giving helps a lot because we can claim back a refund on your giving from the Inland Revenue. But whichever way you might want to give, YOUR HELP RIGHT NOW will help a lot!

Donations should be sent to the Bishop of Sheffield, Bishopscoft, Snaithing Lane, Sheffield. S10 3LG. Help or information about the appeal is available from Mr. Tony Davies, 6 Silverdale Croft, Sheffield. S11 9JP (Sheffield 367095).

DAYSTAR 1990
Diocesan Eucharist at Doncaster



It will be a great day at Doncaster racecourse on June 10th - there'll be a choir from the parishes of over 1,000, and thousands of people, young and old will be arriving by 'bus from all over the Diocese.

There's worship, fun, festivity, seminars, question time, It's a Knockout competition, fairground attractions, indoor and outdoor theatre, play areas, model railways, brass bands and much, much more.

It will be a time to meet old friends and make new ones, and since it's the launch of the Decade of Evangelism in our Diocese, it's a great opportunity to bring YOUR family - husbands, wives, children, friends and neighbours.

Details of all the arrangements are in the parishes, or contact: The Revd. D.L. Turnham on Doncaster (0302) 868288 at St. Luke's Vicarage, The Circle, New Rossington, Doncaster. DN11 0QP.

Rally Round

The Catholic Renewal Rally in the Northern Province is at York Minster on **Saturday, 21st April** at 12 noon. The Preacher at the Eucharist is the Bishop of Wakefield. The theme for the whole day is "We have Gospel to proclaim", and the afternoon rally is at York Methodist Church, St. Saviour's Gate, when the speakers will be Fr. Edmund Wheat SSM, and the Revd. Canon Derek Gibbs. All are welcome

"Discovery Day" for Churchwardens

This day conference is to be held at Whirlow Grange on **Saturday, 16th June** from 9.30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Churchwardens will be discussing such topics as "Counting the cost", "Getting the go-ahead", "The Vacuum Pack", "The hub of the wheel", "Be sober, be vigilant." Intrigued? If you are a churchwarden, register without delay. Details have been sent through the parishes - or can be obtained from the Archdeacons.

The Bells! for non-ringers!

The Yorkshire Association of Change Ringers are staging an exhibition entitled "Bells and Bellringing" at Cusworth Hall Museum, just outside Doncaster, to the north-west. The exhibition, between 14th April and 9th June is designed for the non-ringing general public, and no prior knowledge is assumed. There will be a large number of photographs illustrating a readable text, and plenty of exhibits including a mock-up ringing room. On certain weekends during the exhibition there will be demonstrations of change ringing on handbells, and you might be lucky enough to hear them. A call to the Museum before your visit will tell you whether you're going to be in luck.

The exhibition is a must for all those with a desire to learn more about this ancient English tradition...and an extra bonus is that not only is it set in the beautiful surroundings of Cusworth Hall, but the museum also houses a fascinating collection about South Yorkshire Life.

Appealing Music

St. Alban's Church at Wickersley, near Rotherham, has had a busy year so far, as readers of News will know, and the calendar of special events continues. Everyone is welcome to a **Musical Evening** by the **Rotherham Male Voice Choir** at the Church on **Friday, 27th April** at 7.30 p.m. Admission costs £1.25 and all the proceeds are for the Bishop's £Million Appeal. It will be a good evening.

Whirlow Fun

The Friends of Whirlow Grange have organised an **Open Day at Whirlow** on **Monday May 7th**, the bank Holiday from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. There'll be stalls, demonstrations, exhibitions, music and games, as well as refreshments. All it will cost to get in is 20p for adults and 10p for children, and it's a bargain! Everyone will be welcome, and if you want to take something with you to put on the stalls, especially cakes, you'd be helping the Friends to keep up their support for Whirlow.

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June 10th - Doncaster Racecourse

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A TURNING POINT

Over 60 people from our local churches took part in the Lent Course "Turning Points". The Course which was published by the British Council of Churches proved to be very interesting and provocative. Also the opportunity to get to know our 'neighbours' better was much appreciated. Many thanks to those who opened their homes for the groups and to those who led the sessions.

On the Wednesday in Holy Week, thirty of those who took part in the Course met in All Saints' Hall for an evening of worship and sharing. Comments were made on the content of the Course and many ideas were put forward for closer co-operation between the Churches. These will be put to the Christian Council for discussion and it is hoped that this will result in increased ecumenical activity in the area.

Marjorie Snowden

MEETING IN APRIL

The new P.C.C. met in Church for Holy Communion before its first meeting in the Crypt.

The following officers were appointed -
Vice-Chairman = Elsie Mayson; Secretary = Angela Waite
Treasurer = Harry Powell; Asst. Treasurer = Cliff Job
Standing Committee Elected member = Eric Simons

The Treasurer gave the current balances and pointed out that although our income is about the same as at this time last year the expenses are slightly up.

The Chairman of the Fabric Committee reported that repairs to the storm damage had been completed and quotations had been received for temporary alterations to the Church Hall toilets to allow for disabled use.

The Vicar drew attention to the theft of candlesticks from the Lady Chapel and after discussion on various aspects of security it was decided to let the Church remain unlocked once provision could be made for valuable items to be kept under lock and key during the week.

THANK YOU

Used for the first time at Easter was a Festival White Pulpit Fall given in memory of Elsie Williams and replacement Candlesticks for the Lady Chapel given in memory of Kathleen Hazlehurst.

A COMMUNITY CHARGE

With the first payments of the Poll Tax fresh in our minds, Christian Aid picks up the theme of "Community Charge" in its approach to Christian Aid Week 14-19 May.

The slogan for the week is "The World is Our Community" and by giving we are, as it were, paying our 'Charge'. However the theme also seeks to highlight the urgent need, for everyone's sake, of co-operation across the World Community, and also the vital part played by local communities in the successful outcome of many of Christian Aid's projects overseas.

Without the working together of villages and tribal groups many of the long-term development projects financed by Christian Aid in agriculture, irrigation, herd management, workshops, co-operatives and forestry would not prosper. What is seen to be effective in a small way can surely be extended in a similar way to global co-operation.

Whatever you may think of the fairness or otherwise of 'Poll Tax' - the voluntary 'tax' of your Christian Aid envelope is entirely fair. It is asking those who can pay to support those who cannot. Please give generously.

OUT OF AFRICA

We welcome to Totley this month - Tony and Pam Lindsay, our link missionaries on leave from the Diocese of Bo in Sierra Leone - and two students from our link Diocese of Maseno North in Kenya.

"YOUNG AT ART"

The Annual Children's Art Exhibition is being held at the Graves Art Gallery until 19th May, and is open from 10am - 6pm on Monday - Saturday, admission free.

The following children from All Saints' School have work exhibited:- Laura Ferguson, Sarah Ho, Steven Ngai, Holly Norbron, Charley Barber, Craig Went, Julia Ward, Simon Winn-Smith, Charlotte Scholey, Katie Herring, Rosie Ferguson, Andrew Savage, Lucy Ferguson, Tim Brown, Matthew Winn-Smith, Rebecca Claydon, Anna Hill, Kerry D'Arcy, Lyndon Fletcher, Suzanne Ibbotson and a group picture from the Year 1 & 2 Infants.

P.R.A.E. EXHIBITION

You do not need to kneel for this! This P.R.A.E. stands for Primary Records of Achievement and Experience. As you may have read in the press all schools are required to have these for their pupils. In Sheffield they are to be modelled on those which have been used by King Ecgbert's and its feeder schools. In order that people can see what they are like, examples are to be on display in those schools during the coming term. They can be seen at All Saints' School from Monday 30th April to Thursday 3rd May in the Resources Room.

ALL SAINTS' SCHOOL EASTER CELEBRATIONS

Thank you to all who attended our Easter Service - visitors included Alan Fenwick (Bishop's Adviser) and Jean Penchion (Senior Primary Adviser for the LEA). Several people remarked how they found the Readings and the Children's Miming of the Easter Story to music very moving.

A special thank to Miss Hazel Perfect and Miss Rosa Hepworth who had the difficult task of judging the Easter Competitions.

Joan Stratford

GARDEN PARTY

We look ahead to our annual Garden Party on Saturday 16th June at 2pm, preceded by a Parade from Totley Rise. Please start thinking of ways you can help the stall-holders stock their stalls . . . with cakes, toys, biscuits and sweets, books, plants and white elephants!

There will be a Cake Competition for all age groups - sideshows - displays and music by the Woodhouse Prize Band - refreshments - and all the fun of the Fair!

Enquiries to the Churchwardens.

WEEK OF UNITED PRAYER

The Local Churches will keep the first week in June - from Pentecost to Trinity - as the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Services will be as follows:

9pm Mon 4th June - Christ Church, Dore
7.15am Tue 5th June - Totley Rise Methodist
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7.15am Thu. 7th June - St. John's Abbeydale
9pm Fri. 8th June - All Saints' Totley
8am Sat. 9th June - Dore & Totley U.R.C.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Totley All Saints' oldest communicant is 100 years old on May 25th. He is Mr. Oswald Varley, who despite being blind for over 70 years is always cheerful and never whinges. He spent his childhood days in North Yorkshire at Bank Newton, and his working days as a baker. He has a younger brother aged about 90 years who is also blind and lives at Crosspool.

"GO FOR A MILLION"

The 1st Totley Scout Troop together with Scouts all over the UK, are "Going for a million" this year. The main aim is to raise one million 10p pieces for Dr Barnado's commitment to help young people. However other goals include a million camping nights, a million kilometres hiked, a million morsels at a millionaire's banquet, a million water activities, a million hours of community service or conservation, a million photographs of Scout activities and a million prayers for young people. We hope to tell you about some in future issues of All Saints News.

The incentive is a place at the 17th World Scout Jamboree in South Korea in 1991, but this event is also to promote Scouting and publicise what we do - so that the "good side" of youth activities can be made known.

As their contribution, Sheffield Beaver Scouts are aiming to collect 1 million used postage stamps in aid of the Scout Holiday Homes for the handicapped. Contributions to me please.

John Lawry, Scout Leader
73 Sunnyvale Road

DON'T FORGET!

"Bank Holiday at Whirlow" - Monday 7 May, 2-5 pm at Whirlow Conference Centre. Open Day - Admission 20p (Children 10p).

May Day Trek - Monday 7 May. Organised by Christian Aid for People and Trees.

For further details please see April magazine or contact Marjorie Snowdon (362822).

SUMMER FAIR

St. Luke's Hospice Summer Fair will be held in the grounds at Little Common Lane, off Abbey Lane, (50 bus route), on Saturday 9 June 2.00 to 5.00pm. Stalls, amusements, raffle (1st prize - greenhouse 6' x 8' - generously donated by Crystal Palaces of Dronfield), refreshments. Admission free.

THE RACE IS ON

This week I was reading a biography of Archbishop Tutu; I also read two full columns and a half page in two newspapers, on religious matters (a rarity indeed). Usually two quarter columns must be thought excessive - they rarely exceed two inches.

It was not "Sermon on the Mount" stuff, but speculation as to the next Primate of All England. The contenders (sounds like a boxing report!) being Evangelicals, Anglo-Catholics and Liberals. It appeared to me that these factions' didactic discussions ignored the people out there, the people we want include the Church (see St Matthew 25 vv 31 to end). As Archbishop Tutu says, "the voiceless ones": the sick (NHS problems), the mentally ill (shunted from hospital to 'community' care), the homeless, the poor, the jobless. To quote Archbishop Tutu again, "When two sides are in conflict and one of them is considerably stronger than the other, to be neutral is not just and fair and impartial, because to be neutral is in fact to side with the powerful."

In one article three likely Evangelical bishops/"runners" were given. One has a pastoral emphasis and I think he would be a popular choice in and out of church circles. One is an academic, well versed in ancient religious culture. The third bishop's forte is writing hymns where he changes thee to you. (There must be more pressing problems than new hymn books!) His smooth microphone manner and elegant dress sense when conducting these praise hymns so impressed this writer that I suggest a bet on him at 50-1. YES, the bookmakers will lay you odds!

Lest I should be accused of being negative, here are three Evangelists, not Evangelicals - there is a difference, who I admire: Archbishop Tutu, Archbishop Trevor Huddleston and the late Bishop Joost de Blank. The two latter were once of Stepney, which is why I should like Dr Runcie's successor to come from the same stable. I'm backing Bishop Jim Thompson of Stepney.

Rex Beaumont

QUOTES

The people of England are not a "Populus Christianus".

Bishop of Durham.

Men understand the worth of blessings only when they have lost them.

Plautus.

Hope deferred maketh the heart grow sick.

Ellen Wilkinson MP, Leader of the Jarrow March.

The poorest he that is in England hath a life to live as the greatest he.

MAY DIARY

1	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		7.30pm	Ladies Club - "Style Counsel"
		8.00pm	Men's Fellowship - "The role of women in work & family"
2	Wed	11.00am	Monthly Morning Fellowship - 2 Main Ave.
3	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives Praise
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - 20 Totley Grange Dr.
4	Fri	2.30pm	JUMBLE SALE - All Saints School Hall
7	Mon		Christian Aid May Day trek
		2-5pm	Open Day at Whirlow Grange Conference Centre.
8	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
10	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
		8.00pm	PCC Meeting
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - 12 Marstone Cres.
14	Mon		CHRISTIAN AID WEEK
		7.30pm	All Saints School Governors Meeting
15	Tue	12.15pm	Liaison Lunch - Church Hall
		1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		7.30pm	Ladies Club - "Sheffield Blood Transfusion Service"
16	Wed	2.00pm	Monthly Afternoon Fellowship - 108 Sunnyvale Road
17	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
19	Sat		SPRING LUNCH (Ladies Working Party)
21	Mon	8.00pm	All Saints' Nursery/Playgroup Committee
22	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		2.15pm	Ladies Working Party - Church Hall
24	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
26	Sat	2.45pm	Holy Matrimony (Steven Long and Deborah Beatson)
		4.15pm	Holy Matrimony (John Brooks & Pauline Evans)
29	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
31	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage

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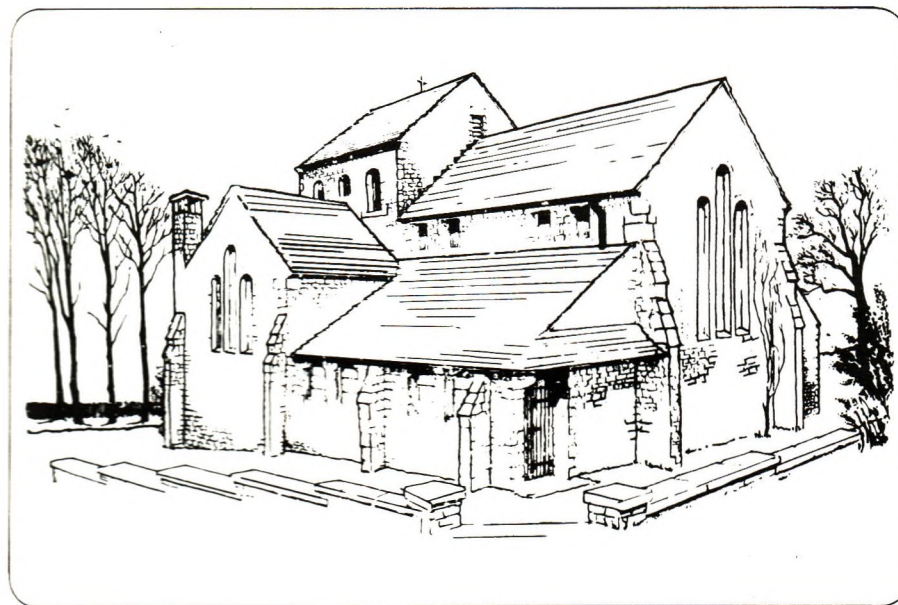
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

For many people summer outings and holidays often include the opportunity to visit other churches. For some this can be joining in the worship at a parish church that has become like a 'second home' as they return to a familiar holiday haunt year after year. They are recognised and welcomed back. For others it is a 'one-off' visit to a church near their holiday accommodation. The worship may be similar to their home church or differ quite markedly. There may be parts that appeal and others that do not.

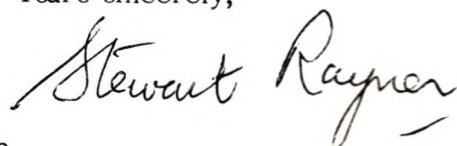
I think it is important we experience other styles of worship and see how other parishes are interpreting in their activities their vision of the Christian Faith at this time. Outside worship and the welcome we may, or may not, receive - we can learn much from looking at the bookstall, the notice board, the magazine, and the general appearance of the church. The Church is an organisation in which good ideas are freely shared and not patented, so if you see something which you feel might benefit All Saints', bring it back to share - whether it is an order of service, a magazine, a notice sheet or statement of accounts, or an idea in welcoming and worship.

For other people their holiday visit to a church is simply as a tourist to look round a building with historic or literary association. For some of the more famous parish churches their annual visitors number in the tens of thousands. The 'top twenty' include such churches as Stoke Poges, Haworth, and nearer home Hathersage and Eyam. Not long ago I visited Eyam Church preparing a worksheet for a visit by pupils from All Saints' School. Displayed there was the 'dream' reproduced on the next page. I hope it gives as much food for thought to other visitors as it gave to me. I share it with you.

Do go to visit some other churches this summer - ~~not~~ only to look but also to learn.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,



I DREAM of Churches here on earth:

WHERE not only the person who cleans is valued as highly as the person who preaches, but where the person taking a rest from all tasks is valued too.

WHERE different expressions of worship are not only tolerated but welcomed. Where meditative contemplation, symbolic ritualism rich with meaning, dance, drama, hugging and laughter take place, each in their time and turn.

WHERE fashions in the style and structure of worship, are recognized as here today but gone tomorrow; held in cupped hands so each movement can pour in for a while and grow, and then pour out again.

WHERE order and structure are recognized as necessary and valuable, so that people can have a part to play and see where their contribution fits in as they work with others.

WHERE senior citizens are valued for being reservoirs of life's experiences which are there to be poured out for the benefit of others.

WHERE people are given space to grow. Where each can prayerfully reflect, reconsider, move on, make different and more appropriate contributions to the fellowship and receive affirmation and support from others whilst doing so.

WHERE we have learnt to love and accept one another as we are.

WHERE what happens outside the life of the church is seen to be of as much importance to God in his world as what happens inside, and both are given attention.

WHERE the inner strength of Christians is built up so that, no matter whether the immediate environment is secular or Christian they feel secure enough to make their contribution; alone or with others. Where this inner strength enables them to withstand social pressures and realize their God-given abilities to take initiatives and make choices.

FINALLY, I dream of a church here on earth where Christians realize that they are part of the local body of Christians, who are part of the whole national body of Christians, who are part of the whole international body of Christians, who are part of the body of Christians throughout all ages. A rich variety of all sorts, but all HIS. To the glory of God, Amen!

SERVICES IN JUNE

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am

- 3rd PENTECOST - WHITSUNDAY
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Holy Communion (ASB) (Rev.Vyvyan Watts-Jones)
Epistle: Acts 2: 1-11 (RSV)
Gospel: St John 14: 15-26 (JB)
10am Young Saints
11.30am Cheshire Home Communion
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
Old Testament : Genesis 11: 1- 9 (NEB)
New Testament: St. John 20: 19-23 (RSV)
- 10th TRINITY SUNDAY
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP) (Rev. Martin Loft)
Epistle : Ephesians 1:3-14 (NEB)
Gospel : St John 14: 8-17 (JB)
11am DIOCESAN EUCHARIST at Doncaster Racecourse
No Evening Service at All Saints' Church
- 17th PENTECOST 2
Theme 'The Church's Unity and Fellowship'
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Acts 2: 37-47 (NEB)
Gospel: St. Luke 14: 15-24 (NEB)
10am Family Service
3.30 Cheshire Home Service
Theme pm 'The People of God'
6.30pm Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle : I Peter 2: 1-10 (NEB)
Gospel : St. John 15: 1-5 (JB)
- 24th PENTECOST 3 (BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST)
Theme am 'John the Baptist'
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle : Acts 13 : 16-26 (JB)
Gospel : St. Luke 1: 57-66, 80 (RSV)
10am Young Saints
12nn Holy Baptism (Alicia Watts & James Stephenson)
7pm "Midsummer Praise"

WEEK OF UNITED PRAYER

Our local churches will be keeping the week between Pentecost and Trinity as the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - the alternative option to the January Week. They have followed last year's pattern of having Services both morning and evening to encourage as wide an attendance as possible. Please come whenever you can. The details are:

9.00pm Mon 4th June - Christ Church, Dore
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WORDS OF CONTEMPLATION

The text for this month is "All power is given to ME in heaven and earth" (St. Matthew 28:18)
The watchword is "All power, given to ME"

PARISH ROTAS

Parish Breakfast

3 June	Mr & Mrs Glyn Waite
17 June	Mrs Ruthven & Mrs. Snowdon
24 June	Mrs Wright & Mrs. Warrender
1 July	Mrs Ludlam & Mrs. Lewis

Flowers

	<u>Altar</u>	<u>Memory Table</u>
3 June	Miss Perfect	Mrs Beeley
10 June	Mrs Hill-Wilson	Mrs Hall
17 June	Miss Gillott	Miss Gillott
24 June	Mrs Perkinson	Mrs Parsons
1 July	Mrs Bryer	Mrs Beeley

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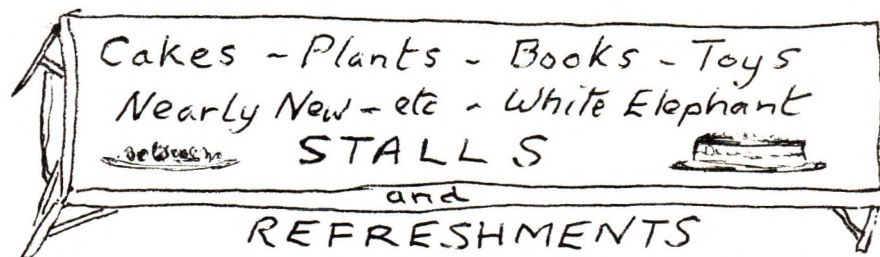
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If you are interested in ensuring the continuance of this magazine or perhaps changing its style or widening its outreach - why not join the proposed editorial group sharing the work of production - contact the Vicar.

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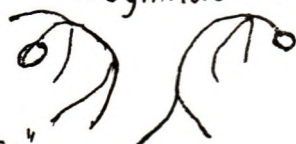


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READ THIS! PLEASE!

says *The Bishop of Sheffield*



NOT DEAD YET

"Haddaway upstairs" says the new 'Georgie' widow to her daughter, "and see who it is lying there, for it can't be your Dad". This was in the days when the deceased was laid out and the neighbours all called to pay their respects. It was all the kind things they were saying that convinced the widow they couldn't be talking about the husband she knew only too well.

As I read the endless obituaries and analyses of the Church of England in the papers I know how she felt. In their talk of "falling numbers", "apathy", "lack of belief", "division", "lack of confidence", I don't recognise the Church of England as I know it very well indeed in this Diocese of Sheffield. It is to nail these lies that I want every member of the Church to join with me at Doncaster on Sunday, 10th June. Three phrases sum up what it is all about:

1 A COVENANT RENEWED

The idea of a 'covenant' - a solemn agreement between God and His people - underlines the history of our faith in both the Old Testament and the New Testament (the word 'testament' means 'covenant'). We are the people of the new covenant. That new covenant was sealed by the death and resurrection of Jesus our Saviour. Every Holy Communion reminds us of our place in this new covenant. And especially that at Doncaster this 10th June. For, from time to time, throughout history, God's people have met together to renew their Covenant with God and each other. For me, Joshua Chapter 24 foreshadows Daystar 1990! I want everyone of us to be able to say "The Lord our God we will worship, and His voice we will obey". That will be a covenant renewed.

2 A FELLOWSHIP PROCLAIMED

"One family we dwell in Him" we sing. But even within the Diocese we don't know each other very well. Sheffielders can appear uncertain if there is life outside their city! How many of you can name and place the 200 Churches of the Diocese? We are working together for Christ. But we would work together better if we loved each other more and we would love each other more if we knew each other better. There is going to be plenty to do at Doncaster - and everything we do, whether it is light-hearted or serious, is designed to help us to get to know each other better. We are all good talkers. On this day by talking to strangers we make certain they are strangers no longer. We'll go home tired and happy with a host of new friends and a fellowship proclaimed.

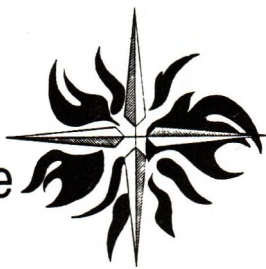
3 A MISSION UNDERTAKEN

The preacher at Daystar 1990 is going to be John Finney. After ten years as Adviser in Evangelism in Southwell he has just become The Church of England's Man for Evangelism. We've asked him to come so that everyone who is there knows that Daystar 1990 leads into the Decade of Evangelism. The task before us will be set out. We undertake the Mission that God is laying upon us. During the day I will give authority to Dennis Lennon to be our Adviser in Evangelism. He is coming to us from St. Thomas, Edinburgh, to help us make sure that for every parish the Decade of Evangelism is a Decade of Evangelism. It will, I hope, be a wonderful start to Dennis Lennon's ministry with us to meet with a multitude of Christian people eager for the work of evangelism, glad that there is a mission undertaken.

Be there! Please be there! Your absence (and the devil is giving you, I don't doubt religious reasons for staying away) will hurt you and, more important, hurt the rest of us. It is no good saying afterwards "I wish I'd gone". So please be there so that we can stand together before God resolved to serve Him not just in the coming decade but for ever.

DAVID LUNN
Bishop of Sheffield

DAYSTAR 1990 Doncaster Racecourse JUNE 10th from 10.30 a.m.



Thousands from the Diocese, along with guests from other local churches, will be at Doncaster Racecourse for the DAYSTAR EUCHARIST and FESTIVAL DAY. Will you be one of them, along with your friends and family both young and old?

During the day there is, as well as the worship, something for everyone. It's a real All-age day!

As well as energetic things, like It's-a-Knock-out, and bouncy castles, and a funfair, there's "Any questions" with an invited panel of speakers, Seminars on South Africa, Evangelism and Empowering the poor, there's new non-competitive games, Hercules the strong Man, John Bright's Regiment of Foote from the Civil War Society with a skirmish and display, and throughout the afternoon, Prayer and Praise, and continuous instrumental music over tea and coffee in the "Palm Court". There's Continuous Theatre, Craft Stalls, a Model Railway Exhibition, Veteran Cars, Videos, computers, a safe play area for accompanied younger children. The cafeteria will be open.

Details of it all are in the parishes, so find out more if you've not already said that you're coming, or 'phone the Revd. Derek Tumham on Doncaster (0302) 868288.

If you take photographs at Daystar 1990, why not send a few of them to the Editor of the Diocesan News, the Revd. Gordon Taylor at The Rectory, 31 Doncaster Road, Kirk Sandall, Doncaster DN3 1HP so that he can put a scrapbook of the days events together, and who knows, you might even get one of your photographs in print!

OPERATION BUILD UP

1 Diocesan Summer Fair - Saturday, 14th July on the Cathedral Forecourt from 10.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Mr. Tony Davis, Development Adviser to the Bishop is still on the look out for more stalls organised by Parishes or Deaneries for the Summer Fair which will add a note of colour and festiveness to the heart of Sheffield. If you want to help have a word with him on Sheffield 367095. All the money raised will go to The Bishop's £MILLION APPEAL.

2 Grand Auction - Thursday, 27th September in the Cutlers' Hall, Sheffield.

Why not, says the Bishop, donate to him "those treasures which will only create friction amongst your heirs. They can be turned into earthly treasure now." Ticket will be available later, in the meantime, turn out your treasures, and let Tony Davis know.

3 George Hamilton IV will give concerts at the Cathedral on Wednesday, 21st November, and at the Dome in Doncaster on Thursday, 22nd November. Book the dates in your diary now if you want to go.

Adrian Snell with The Leprosy Mission

The Leprosy Mission, an international christian charity caring for thousands of people suffering from leprosy, has just begun an exciting new partnership with Gospel Singer Adrian Snell, and hopes with his deeply creative approach, the Mission will be able to approach the 18 to 40 age group with the challenge of leprosy sufferers.

As part of this new outreach, Adrian Snell has a special concert at THE CITY HALL, SHEFFIELD on WEDNESDAY, 26th SEPTEMBER at 7.30 p.m. For further information about the concert and ways in which you can become involved, please contact the Revd. Hugh McKee, 19 Woodside Drive, Wrenthorpe Drive, Wrenthorpe, Wakefield WF20NA. Tel: 0924 360669.

PEACE & QUIET IN RESIDENCE

An Appeal by The Church of England Pensions Board



Most clergy would like the opportunity to relax when the time comes to retire, but it is not always so easy.....

The Church of England Pensions Board offers support to its more elderly pensioners, including clergy widows and church workers retired from the stipendiary ministry, who, because of age or infirmity need sheltered accommodation and some special care.

This we are able to give in our residential and nursing homes, offering security and peace of mind at a time of life when it is most needed. One of these homes, at Ellesborough in Bucks, now newly refurbished and extended, was opened by the Archbishop of Canterbury at the end of June.

Ellesborough Manor is now home to 20 of the Board's pensioners, but with more than 5,000 over the age of 75 we realise the number of those who turn to us for help will grow, and we must continue this much needed work by planning and building new homes.

A further home is scheduled for completion during 1991, but we cannot stop there....

We rely on support from donation, deeds of covenant and legacies.

PLEASE HELP US TO GIVE A LITTLE EXTRA CARE

For a copy of our new appeals brochure, detailing the Board's work and ways in which you can help, or a form of words for inclusion in a Will, please write to:

The Secretary

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Department SDN

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Reg. Charity 236627

Football's Thanks to Church.....

As a special thank you to the clergy and Church workers of Sheffield who rushed to the scene of the Hillsborough football disaster to care for the families and friends of victims, Sheffield and Hallamshire County Football Association have presented the Churches with a surprise gift of £25,000 which is to be used as a fund to provide holidays and financial backing for clergy in need of time out from the pressures of the normal routines of ministry.

Welcoming the gift the Bishop of Sheffield, the Rt Revd David Lunn comments "It is a remarkable and very welcome gesture". He and other Christians leaders from Sheffield received the cheque for £25,000 from Sir David Hill-Wood (Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Football Association) and Mr. Geoffrey Thompson (Secretary of the Sheffield and Hallamshire County Football Association). The money in question is part of the surplus funding produced by the 1989 F.A. Challenge Cup. The special fund which it will form will cover the clergy of all the major Christian denominations and officers of the Salvation Army.

Clergy and Church workers were early on the scene after the Disaster, caring for families and friends of the victims both at the local hospitals, at the temporary mortuary at the ground and in the weeks and months following that April Saturday. Some of the families are still in frequent contact with clergy in Sheffield and, as a small part of the healing process, after the disaster, the special memorial services held at Sheffield's Anglican and Roman Catholic Cathedrals will be long remembered

1990 St. Thomas' Festival

The Parish of St. Thomas and St. James, Worsbrough Dale are holding their Flower Festival on Saturday, 30th June and Sunday, 1st July, with a Festival Concert on Friday, 29th June. The Festival is rounded off with a Faith Tea in the Church Hall at 5.00 p.m. and Festival Evensong at 6.30 p.m. on Sunday, 1st July. All are welcome and more details are available from Ron Langdon of 72 Kingwell Road, Worsbrough Dale, Bamsley.

FESTIVAL

The Wakefield Branch of the Guyana Diocesan Association are holding their Festival of St. Mary's Parish Church, South Elmsall on Saturday, 23rd June, with the Eucharist at 12 noon, followed by lunch (bring your own). The meeting in the afternoon is in the Church Hall. Details from John Whitehead, 73 Park Lane, Pontefract, WF8 4QJ. Tel: 0977 702928.

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Small is Beautiful

"The smallest parish in the Diocese is still here thanks to your support of last year's Garden Party", writes the Revd. David Ford. Hooton Roberts is looking in faith to a similar miracle in 1990, and invites all miracle seekers to share in the Annual Garden Party in the Gardens of Bishop's Lodge (the home of Bishop Bill and Ann Persson) on June 23rd from 3.00 p.m. At 6.00 p.m. on Sunday, 24th, Songs of Praise forms the Patronal Festival. All are welcome at the Strafford family's church in rural Rotherham.

Meanwhile

At St. Peter's, Whinney Hill in the Parish of Thrybergh, built for the mining community of Silverwood Colliery, a Flower Festival marks the Patronal Festival on Friday, June 29th and Saturday, 30th between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m. Rotherham's "warehouse" church is very much alive and welcomes visitors. Friday at 7.00 p.m. is the time of the concert by the CLARINET CHARISMA - not to be missed, nor is the silver collection!

Sunday, July 1st at 11.00 a.m. is St. Peter's first GUEST SERVICE in preparation for the Parish Mission in 1991. Festal Evensong (in the old style-1662) finishes the day at 6.30 p.m. Why not join them?

Deputy Diocesan Secretary

Miss Margaret Barlow has started work in the Diocesan Office, in succession to Philip Davies. Margaret previously has had a number of appointments in Health Service Administration, as well as 8 years with the Peak Park Planning Board as the Administrative Officer at Losehill Hall, the Peak National Park Centre at Castleton, and her last job was as Senior Administrator at the Geographical Association whose headquarters are on Fulwood Road. Treasurer of St. Barnabas PCC at Bradwell, Derbyshire, and a member of the Church Choir, Margaret lists music, bird watching and all sorts of needlework as her leisure interests.

St. Luke's New Rossington

are hosting a concert by the Sheffield Philharmonic Chorus on Saturday, 7th July at 7.30 p.m. in the church for the Bishop's £MILLION APPEAL. Tickets are £1 or 75p for concessions available by phone from Doncaster (0302) 868288 or 865490, or you can pay at the door.

St. Luke's, The Circle, New Rossington, Doncaster.

Taize Prayers

The Taize style Prayer Group which meets on the last Saturday of every month at 11.00 a.m. in the Crypt of the Cathedral will welcome people of all ages and backgrounds to join them. If you would like to know more, why not contact Gill Bewley at 7 Vale Grove, Loxley, Sheffield S6 6BT

St. James, Norton, Sheffield. WANTED

An Organist / choirmaster is required at St. James, which has an established musical tradition, which they are seeking to maintain and develop. There is a well trained R.S.C.M. Choir. For fuller details contact the Revd. M.J. Morgan at the Rectory, Norton Church Road, Sheffield S8 8JQ. Tel: Sheffield 745066.

APPOINTMENTS

The Reverend Michael Lloyd Fudger, Vicar of St. Katharine, Irchester, in the Diocese of Peterborough, to be Team Vicar in the Attercliffe/Damall Team Ministry.

The Reverend Harold Loxley, Assistant Priest in the Gleadless Team Ministry, to be Vicar of St. Catherine of Sienna, Richmond Road.

The Reverend Nigel Andrew Barr, Assistant Priest at St. Wilfrid, Cantley, to be Vicar of St. Luke, New Rossington.

The Reverend Marcus John Seccombe, Vicar of All Saints, Owston, to be Rector of St. Michael, Rossington.

The Reverend Roy Arnold, Vicar of St. Oswald, Millhouses, to be Chaplain to the Deaf and continuing as Communications Officer for the Diocese.

The Reverend Ivan Laurence Mort, Assistant Curate at All Saints, Aston (incl. Holy Trinity, Ulley) to be Assistant Priest in the Parish of St. Andrew and St. Matthew's, Greenstead, in the Diocese of Colchester.

The Revd. Kenneth John Davies, Vicar of St. Peter's, Birstall, in the Diocese of Wakefield, has been appointed Team Vicar (Designate) to St. Thomas Church, Crookes.

JOINT WORK CONSULTANCY



On April 23rd 1990, the pilot scheme for Joint Work Consultancy was launched. The clergy and those who hold the Bishop's licence in the deaneries of Adwick-le-Street, Attercliffe and Laughton have agreed to take part in the pilot scheme. It is due to run until the end of 1991, and then after a review of the pilot project, it will be offered to all clergy in 1992. Eighteen work consultants have been trained. They are both lay and ordained, men and women. Their second training day took place on a beautifully sunny day at Whirlow.

THE BISHOP AT WHISTON

A Garden Party in the grounds of the Old Rectory and its locality on Saturday, 9th June will be opened by the Bishop of Sheffield at 2.15 p.m.

All money raised will go to the Bishop's Appeal Fund. There will be a wide variety of Stalls, also Games, Maypole Dancing, a Brass Band, and in the Church displays of Children's work. All kinds of food will be available including Ice Cream, Candy Floss, Pop etc. This Annual Garden Party has enjoyed a fine day for at least twenty years. No one at Whiston can recall a wet day!



FESTIVAL OF MARRIAGE

June 15th - 17th
Goole Parish Church



For the three days, Friday - Sunday, Goole Parish Church will house a unique display of Dresses, Costumes, outfits, Hats, Accessories, photographs, printed material, flowers etc related to marriage and weddings, covering the period of the life of the Parish of Goole. The first wedding took place in 1849, the latest will be during the Festival itself. Come and see how things have changed, or have they? The church will be open all day, and refreshments will be served in the church hall. Entry free, donations welcome!

Further details from the vicar, Tim Leach 0405 764259.

Please pray for those to be made Priest on 30th June in the Cathedral:

BURKE, Michael Robert, serving at St. James, Anston
COATES, Alan Thomas, serving at Christ Church, Heeley.

DOBSON, Philip Albert, serving at St. Mark, Grenoside

FITZHARRIS, Robert Aidan, serving at St. Leonard, Dinnington

SHERWIN, David Royston, serving at St. Peter, Conisbrough

THOMPSON, Kevin, serving at St. Andrew, Brinsworth w St. Mary, Catcliffe

WILLIAMS, David Grant, serving at All Saints, Ecclesall

WRIGHT, Stephen Mark, serving at St. Nicholas, Thorne

Please pray for those to be made Deacon at the Cathedral on 1st July:

CARNELLEY, Elizabeth Amy, of Ripon College, Cuddesdon. To serve in the parish of St. Andrew, Sharrow.

DAVIS, Ian Andrew, of St. John's College, Nottingham. To serve in the parish of St. Lawrence, Hatfield.

DAWSON, Nicholas Anthony, of St. John's College, Nottingham. To serve in the parish of St. Saviour, Mortomley.

GLOVER, David Charles, of Ridley Hall, Cambridge. To serve in the parish of All Saints, Wath-upon-Deame.

SARGEANTSON, Kenneth William - NSM To serve in the Marshland Parishes.

WALSH, Peter, of Lincoln Theological College. To serve in the parish of St. Wilfrid, Cantley.

WILLETT, Stephen John, of Ridley Hall, Cambridge. To serve in the parish of St. John, Chapeltown.

WILLIAMS, Philip Andrew, of Cranmer Hall, Durham. To serve in the parish of Christ Church, Hillsborough & Wadsley Bridge.

WHIPP, Margaret Jane, of Northern Ordination Course. NSM To serve in the parish of St. Alban, Wickersely.

WOODHEAD, Michael, of St. John's College, Nottingham. To serve in the parish of Christ Church, Stanington.

PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

29 April Duncan James Fraser Taylor
Samuel Joseph Dyson

Holy Matrimony

26 May Steven Long and Deborah Beatson
26 May John Brooks and Pauline Evans

Funerals

27 April George Edwin Harriott (64) 67 Sunnyvale Road
4 May Bernard Heward (93) Green Oak View
17 May Mary Ann Boyd (84) Green Oak View
21 May Leonard Slater Needham (84) 16 Laverdene Drive
21 May Violet Ackroyd (70) Mickley Hall
22 May William Carter Wigg (78) 332 Baslow Road

George Harriott was born in London and worked in Essex and Western Scotland before his work with computers brought him to Sheffield and to live in Totley 25 years ago. He assisted for many years as a Server at All Saints' and was a P.C.C member.

Bernard Heward came from a farming family in the Grenoside area and devoted his own life to farming. He was to farm for many years at Cuckney, near Worksop, retiring to Mickley Lane with his wife Ella about 20 years ago.

Mary Boyd spent most of her married life in Gleadless.

By occupation a hairdresser, for a period she had her own shop at Malin Bridge. After losing her husband she came to give with her sister at Dore and latterly has been a resident at Green Oak View.

Len Needham was born in Sheffield on Summerfield Street and worked for many years with the Co-op Dairies. He then moved to Mid-Wales for over 20 years where he ran a village pub and small-holding - coming back to Sheffield to live in Totley four years ago.

Violet Ackroyd was born in Sheffield and lived in the Shiregreen area, working as a shop assistant. Following a stroke she came to the Cheshire Home about 5 years ago, cheerfully contributing to its life and, despite her disability, discovered a new flair for creative needlework. Her special felt wall-hangings were always in great demand.

A tribute to Bill Carter Wigg will appear in next month's issue.

LADIES WORKING PARTY

All are welcome at our next meeting which will be held in the Church Hall on Tuesday 26th June at 2.15pm.

Contributions to our Cake Stall at the Garden Party on 16th June will be much appreciated. Thank you.

LADIES CLUB

On 5th June a speaker from the City's Cleansing Department will give a talk on various aspects of their work, including the recycling of Household waste. The work of the W.R.V.S. will be the subject of a talk to be given by Mrs. Lambe. All welcome.

Any lady wishing to go on our summer outing to Pear Tree Pottery, Dinnington, on 3rd July should give her name to Anne Wiles or Jane Lawry as soon as possible.

"THE 1990's - THE DECADE OF EVANGELISM"

The Sheffield Christian Education Council welcomes all to a talk by Philip Hacking on the above subject in the Montgomery Hall on Thursday 28th June at 7.30pm.

THESE I HAVE LOVED

On behalf of my fellow participants and my friends connected with the Cheshire Home. I should like to thank everyone who supported our effort in April. Speaking personally, I was delighted with the numbers who came. The date in October for a further presentation has not yet been decided upon but I shall hope to see you all there.

Leonard Brightmore (Cheshire Home)

DAY CARE FOR THE ELDERLY

A new group is being set up at Ash House, Dore, for elderly persons requiring special care. In order to meet these special needs a number of helpers are required who can give a regular commitment each Thursday of 2 to 5 hours. Training and support will be given for all helpers, as well as travelling expenses and a free lunch. If you would like further information please contact John Curry (734901) or John Stanton (734910).

CHRISTIAN VIDEOS

There is a new Christian Video Centre opened in Sheffield - the Beacon Video Centre at 162 Infirmary Road, S6 upon from 10am to 9pm (752383).

CHASING THE DRAGON

Quite a number of people have commented on the recent television interview between Alan Whicker and Jackie Pullinger when his world tour included her Christian work with the drug addicts in Hong Kong. Alan Whicker's bemused questions were no match for the powerful testimony of changed lives in the power of Christ.

Amongst Jackie's team of volunteer helpers who never leave the side of those withdrawing from addiction is Ruth Evans whom many know from her younger days at All Saints'. In a recent letter she writes :

"It is 3am and I am at Tai-O first stage house on Latan Island doing night duty. I am in the 'New Boy' Room. The three new boys who have been here less than ten days are now asleep. My job is to pray and help bring the kingdom of God into this place.

Much of my time over the last year has been spent at Hang Fook Camp, the nerve centre of the St. Stephen's Society. My job at camp was to run the Tuck Shop. Not wildly spiritually exciting you may think, but a time where God had opportunity to teach me so much of how to make disciples. The second lesson I learnt here was that in order to "Go and make disciples" you must be a disciple yourself! The first lesson I learnt was the bigness of the grace of God, his mercy and the overwhelming patience he has with those he has saved from the pit.

I have been involved in ministry at the Walled City meetings when the men, still on heroin, first come to receive Jesus and receive gifts from the Holy Spirit. Hang Fook Camp is the second stage house where much maturing in Christ occurs. As helpers we are always on hand to encourage, to pray, to get alongside the men. This can take many forms from helping on the daily work programme i.e. in the T-shirt printing factory, digging the garden, painting, or going together taking rice boxes to the people who sleep on the streets.

Hang Fook Camp is home to a 400 strong church and I have been used in leading worship at two of the housegroups and running a bible study fellowship group for the Filipino helpers. This led me to have the opportunity to go to the Philippines for 2½ weeks as part of a team, teaching at 'Youth with a Mission' Schools on the Holy Spirit and His Gifts. I thank God for his goodness to me."

SHEFFIELD ORDINATION FOR MICK WOODHEAD

Nick Woodhead who has been training at St. John's College, Nottingham for the past two years, is to be ordained deacon at Sheffield Cathedral on Sunday 1st July, to serve as Curate of the Parish of Christ Church, Stannington in the Deanery of Hallam. Please remember him in your prayers at this time.

Mick, Trish and the family will be moving at the end of this month into their new home at 50 Goodison Crescent, Stannington.

GOD SPEED

John Macharia and Tom Tiriongo who spent ten days as guests of All Saints' as part of a group visit from our Link Diocese of Maseno North in Kenya appreciated the welcome and attention given to them. It was good for us to have two delightful, cheerful and enthusiastic young Christians from a different culture in our midst. We wish them God Speed as they return home after Daystar on 10 June.

CRUCIBLE - ANVIL - OCTAGON

The speaker at the next Octagon Centre "All Saints' Night" on Wednesday 20th June at 7.30pm will be Canon Robert Warren of St. Thomas' Crookes. Two recent books have been based on his experience of seeing the congregation grow from 150 to over 1000 in the last 17 years, and a recent Radio 4 programme featured St. Thomas' late Sunday evening Service and its use of youth culture idiom in worship.

MIDSUMMER PRAISE

The above meeting will get you warmed up for "Midsummer Praise" at All Saints' on Sunday 24th June at 7pm. It is planned that different members of the Church will make worship offerings of various types to enrich our corporate praise. Suggestions soon to Maurice Snowden (362822).

ROMANIAN APPEAL FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

Many thanks for all the wonderful support received for the last appeal. No more clothes are needed but I am collecting baby soap, talc, shampoo and lotion. Please help to bring some comfort to these tragic babies. You may leave donations at All Saints' Church, Main Avenue Stores or Raikescroft Chemists - by the 1st July - or contact Sue Wright at 66 Rowan Tree Dell (361612) for collection.

BOOKMAKERS AND BISHOPS

The announcement of the new Archbishop of Canterbury approaches with speculation in the Press. I recently read a magazine article listing eleven 'hopefuls' - well not exactly as two did not want the job. Their views on several subjects were given together with the writer's own comments and also the odds offered by a national bookmaker.

Now bookmakers are nobody's fool, otherwise they would be out of business, and after reading the article the odds seemed ominous, fearing the wrong man would be chosen. Of the favourite at 2 - 1, the comment was "a brilliant Church politician, ambitious and competitive, but no great theologian". The others were at varying odds with varying accomplishments and deficiencies. One was considered to be "the brains of the Church of England, the man with the best leadership temperament, but a cold unapproachable manner". A cruel comment on another was "many see him as a bit of a joke". It was with dismay that I read the comment on the last candidate with the greatest odds - a rank outsider at 20 - 1, "fellow bishops are said to consider him to be both wise and holy, a man of God!" It struck me as odd that the others did not receive these attributes, perhaps they were taken for granted.

We know that many other qualities are needed - the ability to lead; to hold the differing strands of the Church together; to be forthright; to withstand political and media pressure - but a man who is 'wise and holy' will surely have gifts that will prevail over these other problems and command support. I should like to see them given a chance.

The Crown Commission takes recommendations from the Diocese of Canterbury, the Archbishop's Office, and the Prime Minister's Office. The Chairman is a Prime Ministerial appointment. We must pray that the two names presented are indeed the right ones from which the new Archbishop of Canterbury is to be chosen.

Rex Beaumont

FIFTEEN DECORATED CHURCHES will form part of the Dronfield & District Feast of Flowers from 22-24 June. Other activities include a Flower Show, Procession of Floats, Drama, Music & Dance, Fireworks and Tattoo. Details from the Festival Office (0246) 412367

JUNE DIARY

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|----|-----|---------|---|
| 5 | Tue | 1.45pm | Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close |
| | | 7.30pm | Ladies Club - "City Cleansing Department" |
| | | 8.00pm | Men's Fellowship - 113 Green Oak Road |
| 6 | Wed | 10.45am | Monthly Morning Fellowship - 3 Akley Bank |
| | | 8.00pm | Wednesday Fellowship - 1 Quarry Road |
| 7 | Thu | 2.00pm | Under Fives |
| | | 8.00pm | Contemplative Prayer Group Vicarage |
| 10 | Sun | 11.00am | DAYSTAR AT DONCASTER RACECOURSE |
| 12 | Tue | 1.45pm | Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close |
| 13 | Wed | 8.00pm | Wednesday Fellowship - 68 Dalewood Road |
| 14 | Thu | 2.00pm | Under Fives Praise in Church |
| | | 8.00pm | P.C.C. Meeting - Crypt |
| | | 8.00pm | Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage |
| 16 | Sat | 2.00pm | GARDEN PARTY |
| 17 | Sun | 3.00pm | Holy Matrimony (Robert Ryalls and
Lisa Rowbotham) |
| 18 | Mon | 7.00pm | All Saints' School Governors - Crypt |
| 19 | Tue | 1.45pm | Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close |
| | | 7.30pm | Ladies Club "Work of W.R.V.S." |
| | | 8.30pm | Family Service Planning Meeting - Vicarage |
| 20 | Wed | 8.00pm | Wednesday Fellowship - 126 Totley Brook Rd |
| 21 | Thu | 2.00pm | Under Fives - Vicarage |
| | | 8.00pm | Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage |
| 26 | Tue | 1.45pm | Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close |
| | | 2.15pm | Ladies Working Party - Hall |
| | | 8.00pm | PARISH FORUM - Hall |
| 27 | Wed | 8.00pm | Wednesday Fellowship - 10 Twentywell Drive |
| 28 | Thu | 2.00pm | Under Fives - Vicarage |
| | | 8.00pm | Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage |
| 30 | Sat | | All Saints' P.T.A. Barbecue and Treasure
Hunt for families (details and tickets
from Lorna Davis) |

QUOTES BY BISHOPS

Religion is more than a Sunday Suit, it is a way of Life.

Archbishop Warlock

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Archbishop Tutu

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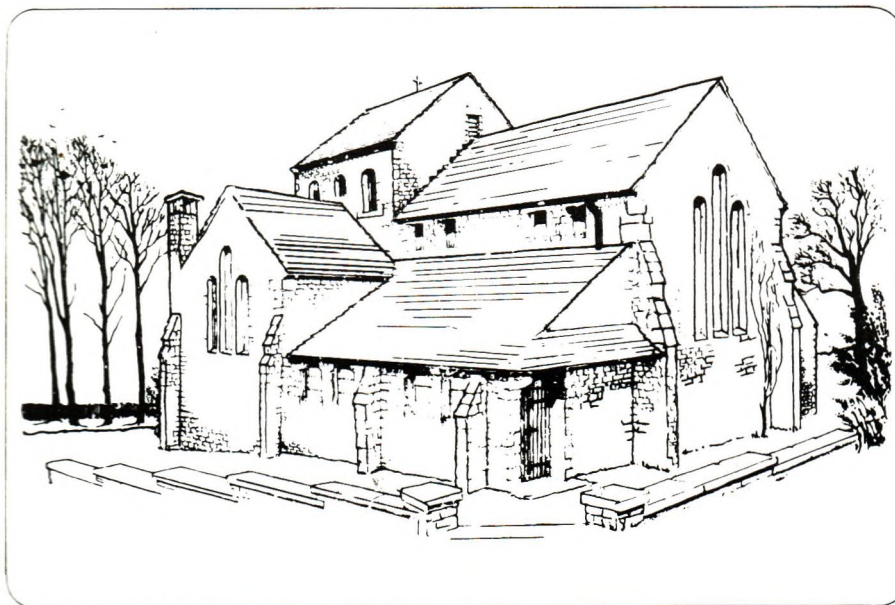
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

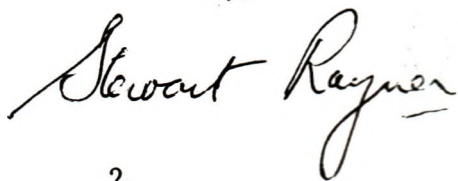
Whether we feel it is a good thing or not the world of the market-place has now invaded most areas of life. Those unaccustomed to budgeting and finance whether in local government, education, health services or social work are being made accountable for the costing of their work and urged to shew that their functioning is good value-for-money. Alongside this there has also been the introduction of such management techniques as development planning and annual staff assessment. Each member of staff is encouraged to set goals for the future year and critically review how successful or otherwise their past year has been.

These influences have not been without effect on the life of the Church. Our own diocese is carrying out a pilot scheme of clergy assessment and the attainment of clear objectives of ministry within each parochial setting. Parishes are urged to review their administrative structure and use of resources, both in terms of plant and people, to make sure all activities are cost-effective. Good stewardship means getting the best out of what we have.

We can also use these theories of "market forces" to reflect on our personal Christian lives. We can plan goals of spiritual attainment and mission - such as consistent Bible Study; longer times of prayer and meditation; consideration of with whom to seek to share our faith, whom to encourage to join us in worship, or to whom to go in helpful service and loving care. Then we should be prepared to review how far we have achieved our goal, how effective our Christian lives have been, and are we giving good value for the talents God has given us?

The Decade of Evangelism should involve us working at effective forward planning, yet such plans are only truly effective if they have their starting point with "me".

Yours sincerely,



SERVICES IN JULY

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am.

- 1st PENTECOST 4
Theme am: "The Church's Mission to the Individual"
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Holy Communion (ASB)
Epistle: Acts 8: 26-38 (JB)
Gospel: St. Luke 15: 1-10 (RSV)
10am Young Saints
11.30am Cheshire Home Communion
Theme pm: "The Freedom of the Sons of God"
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
Old Testament: Deuteronomy 7: 6-11 (NEB)
New Testament: St. John 15: 12-17 (JB)
- 8th PENTECOST 5
Theme am: "The Church's Mission to all Men"
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Acts 11: 4-18 (NEB)
Gospel: St. Luke 10:1-12 (NEB)
10am Young Saints
Theme pm: "The New Law"
6.30pm Evensong (ASB)
Old Testament: Exodus 20: 1-17 (NEB)
New Testament: St. Matthew 19: 16-26 (NEB)
- 15th PENTECOST 6
Theme am: "The New Man"
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Ephesians 4: 17-32 (RSV)
Gospel: St. Mark 10: 46-52 (NEB)
10am Family Service and Holy Baptism (Samuel McQue)
3.30pm Cheshire Home Service
6.30pm Holy Communion (ASB and Anointing)
Epistle: Colossians 3: 12-17 (RSV)
Gospel: St. Luke 15: 11-32 (RSV)

- 22nd PENTECOST 7 - ST. MARY MAGDALEN
 Theme am: "The More Excellent Way"
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
 Epistle: 2 Corinthians 5: 14-17
 Gospel: St. John 20: 11-18
10am Young Saints
12nn Holy Baptism (Matthew James Robert Clarke)
6.30pm Evensong
 Old Testament: Hosea 11: 1-9 (NEB)
 New Testament: St. Matthew 18: 21 - end (JB)
- 29th PENTECOST 8
 Theme am "The Fruit of the Spirit"
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Holy Communion (ASB)
 Epistle: 1 Corinthians 12: 4-13
 Gospel: St. Luke 6: 27-38
10am Young Saints
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
 Old Testament: Ezekiel 36: 24-28 (NEB)
 New Testament: St. John 15: 16-27 (JB)

WORDS OF CONTEMPLATION

The text for this month is: "My Word is like Fire and like a hammer which breaks a rock in pieces." (Jeremiah 23:29)

The watchword is: My Word is Fire;
 or: My Word is a Hammer;
 or: My Word breaks Rock

COFFEE MORNING FOR THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Everyone is very welcome to a Coffee Morning and Bring and Buy at 220 Baslow Road on Wednesday 25th July from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Proceeds to the Children's Society.

PARISH WALK

All are welcome to join with the Young Saints in their Family Walk and Picnic on Saturday 14th July. Please make your own arrangements to meet in the centre of the village of Alport at 2.30pm. (Further details from Anne on 352707).

OUR WIDENING FAMILY

Those of us who were privileged enough to meet and get to know Tom and John, our two young visitors from Kenya recently, cannot fail to have been impressed by their cheerfulness and politeness, but even more by the intensity and maturity of their Christian convictions.

We thank God too for the friendly welcome they received from so many people in Totley and elsewhere during their stay. Significantly, it was the warmth of their reception which they repeatedly cited as having created the biggest and most lasting impression on them, not least from the children at the Church School. This, despite their sudden exposure to the more tangible marvels of modern civilisation, like microwave cookers, tumble dryers and double decker buses, and their initiation into mini-golf and ten-pin bowling.

Their references to the possibility of finding the occasional TV set in the remoter parts of Kenya (running for limited periods off a car battery!) of cooking outside, and an awareness of their limited clothing and spending money, reminded us occasionally of the huge disparity of material wealth between our two countries. But how much richer are we all for the bonds of understanding, friendship and love that have been established, and for our reminder of God's power, which transcends all barriers of colour and racial prejudice.

Ken and Vivien Filleul

Our Thanks to Ken and Vivien Filleul and Stella Jockel for hosting the visit to Totley of Tom and John on our behalf - and to many others who contributed to making their stay with us informative and enjoyable.

MESSAGE.....

.....is the name given to a Christian Telephone Service. By dialling Sheffield 700555 a caller can hear a short talk on the Christian Faith. The talk is changed each day - and Christians from all walks of life are invited to supply scripts of about 200 words for recording. Following the talk a phone number is given which the caller can ring if further advice is required. Help is also needed in monitoring this second line and for details contact 661929. Please tell others about Message - or use some of the publicity material from Church.

GARDEN PARTY

Thank you to all who helped and supported the Garden Party in so many ways. About £700 was raised - and donations will be given to the Church Army, a children's charity and towards the cost of disabled facilities in the Church Hall.

Cookery Competition winners were: Barbara Ward (Ladies), Julian Thompson (Men's) - and for the children:

- 1st Mary Davis
- 2nd William Thompson and Robert Dorling

with a special prize for the youngest entrant, Jessica Davis (3½ years).

Poster Competition winners were Nicola Allum, Laura Ferguson, Katherine Fairweather, Daniel Fletcher, Rosie Ferguson, Charlotte Scholey, Jodie Burnham and Anna Hill.

SAYING THANK YOU

Am I right in believing that the practice of saying "thank you" is less common than it used to be? Perhaps it is a sign of advancing age but a number of instances have cropped up lately in which one might suppose that a word of thanks would have been appreciated, but it was not forthcoming. It used to be a sign of thoughtfulness and consideration to acknowledge receipt of anything, be it practical or a courtesy. Today, some things are taken for granted in situations where it is inappropriate. Is this a reflection on our materialistic society or self-centredness? Is there anything we can do about it? After all, we had nothing when we came into this world and we shall have nothing when we go out of it. Does not a consideration of this point make us recognise that we ought to be grateful?

Maurice Snowdon

POLL TAX

"Church Action on Poverty" recently published a newsletter on the subject of Poll Tax and reminded us of two definitions of Poll Tax which pre-date the present controversy by a number of years.

The first is from a Victorian Encyclopaedia:- "An unjust regressive tax, long since abandoned and incapable of resurrection".

The second is from Odhams Encyclopaedia (1953):- "A tax per head of the population, not graduated, imposed in primitive communities where it appears impossible to ascertain individual capacity to bear the burden."

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BELFAST VISIT

*"In your light, Lord.
May we see light."*



On the morning of April 26th a small group, made up of four people from the second year of the Pastoral Workers and Readers Course, together with three members of St. Peter in Chains Roman Catholic Church in Doncaster, and the Lay Training Officer gathered on Sheffield coach station to begin our journey to the Columbanus Community in Belfast. This was a repeat of the visit made by members of the course last year, with the added encouragement of being joined by our Roman Catholic friends, and again the aim of the visit was to discover how Christians living in difficult places manage to make sense of the experience in the light of the Gospel. I guess that even those among us who had visited or lived in Belfast before were as unsure as the rest of us about what to expect, but the violent images drawn from press and television coverage of events in the province must have been lurking in the backs of our minds.

The Columbanus Community of Reconciliation is a small ecumenical community on the outskirts of Belfast, dedicated to fostering reconciliation between the denominations and the divided communities. It was founded by Fr. Michael Hurley, a Jesuit, and currently includes in its membership two Jesuit priests, one Anglican and two Roman Catholic nuns, and a Presbyterian lay-woman and an Anglican lay-man. It bases its life around a daily Eucharist (which is not shared and so remains both a cause of great pain and a potent symbol of the reality of division within the Body of Christ) and evening prayer. The Community house acts as a focus around which people may meet and work may be done.

As we were taken to various parts of Belfast we began to encounter a community in which lives have clearly been damaged by the consequences of the "troubles", yet we met still more people who had responded in concern, care and love, and we heard about a variety of attempts to respond creatively and actively to the needs of the individuals and communities around them. We recognised places such as one might see scattered around the communities of South Yorkshire where there is overt poverty and deprivation, and in which we heard stories of faith, hope and love. We saw high walls and barricades dividing the city, slogans and murals proclaiming territorial rights, and got used to seeing helicopters hovering over housing estates, armed police and soldiers; and we heard people explaining how there were initiatives and religious communities in which Catholic and Protestant alike shared and worked together for good. In a place dominated by division (more economic and sectarian than religious), we frequently heard it said that, in a strange way, much of what was now possible would have been unheard of before the present troubles began, and people talking with a convinced hope of when they might come to an end.

As a group of lay people, we found out what happens when a group of Christians is brought together and has to share the shopping, the catering, and each other's company, as well as trying to come to terms with a mass of new information and ideas. Then there is the whole dimension of worship, prayer, and ministry to each other. Taken as a whole the experience was extremely powerful and the lessons not likely to be quickly forgotten; on a more concrete level it may be that our new understanding will provide a basis for links between people and churches both in the Diocese of Sheffield and in Belfast, and between the people in our Anglican and Roman Catholic Dioceses of Sheffield and of Hallam.

What then did we learn? We came home having discovered a great deal about ourselves and each other, about the commonality of the faith which we as a mixed group of Anglicans and Roman Catholics shared. Hardly surprising we found that Christians in Belfast are engaged in social action, prayer, and mutual support of each other. We were all conscious of having received a wonderful welcome and of having been among friends and fellow workers in Christ. In one respect these are all things we already knew and we did not have to go as far as Belfast to discover them, yet it is in the nature of pilgrimage that sometimes one has to make the journey away in order to recognise what already is close at hand. In another sense though, the situation in Northern Ireland is very different from ours and does show things up in a much starker light, and so the insights gained there help us to see our own circumstances more clearly.

If your church or group would like to hear more at first hand from the participants in the visit, there is a short set of slides available. For more information, please contact:

John Bouch, Lay Training Officer, Diocese of Sheffield. Tel: Barnsley 288550

WHERE TO GO...IN JULY

St. Helen's Church at Thurnscoe will be holding its **Annual Art Exhibition and Working Craft Fair** in the Church Hall, High Street on **Saturday, July 7th** from 12.30 to 8.00 p.m. and **Sunday, July 8th** from 12.30 to 6.00 p.m. There's an invitation to any who went to Thurnscoe Hill School to meet for a cuppa and a chat on the Sunday afternoon. There'll be many memories shared about the "Top School"!

A near neighbour to the Diocese of Sheffield is St. Nicholas Church, Bawtry, celebrating 800 years of christian service in the town. As part of the celebrations there's a **Flower Festival**, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today and for ever" on **Friday, 6th, Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th** July from 10.30 a.m. to 7.00 p.m. The Revd. David Sherwin from Conisbrough with some members of the Conisbrough Music Group will be there on the Sunday night at 6.00 p.m. Refreshments are available throughout the Festival in the Church Hall. More details from: Mrs. Veronica Hewins, Tel: (0302) 711237.

"For Everything a time" is the theme of **All Saints' Owston Flower Festival** on **Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 6th, 7th, 8th** July from 10 a.m. each day. Access to Owston is from the A19 Doncaster to Selby Road opposite Dario's Restaurant. Festival Services include Holy Communion on Friday at 7.30 p.m. with the Revd. Margaret Cundiff, and Family Service on Sunday at 11 a.m., and Evensong at 6.30 p.m.



On **Saturday 7th** July, there's a concert by Six in Harmony. many old friends will no doubt be visiting Owston, and refreshments will be available from the Vicarage (parties please 'phone beforehand) for details (0302) 723309.

St. James' Church, Braithwell near Rotherham hold the **Summer Fair** on **Saturday, 14th** July on the Sports Field from 2-5 p.m. with Brass Band, Stalls and refreshments. Why not make it an afternoon out?

Or to mark the end of an era, due to the building of a new Rectory at Thrybergh, why not go to the last **Garden Party** in the Rectory Grounds on **Saturday 14th** July beginning at 2 p.m. There are games with Bouncy Castle and lovely teas.

Eric Perrens

On Trinity Sunday 1940 Eric Perrens was ordained in Chester Cathedral. After serving for two years as curate in Stockport, he came to this Diocese to be curate of St. Mary, Ecclesfield, and here he stayed for the rest of his ministry, retiring from St. Nicholas, Bradfield in 1982. Eric and his wife Betty now enjoy a happy and very active retirement in Whitby. The Diocese wishes them well.

Evangelism - Home and Away and Neighbours

It could be thought that the Diocesan Clergy Wives Group spend much of their time watching Australian soaps on television from the title of their Day Conference at Whirlow Grange on Wednesday 19th September from 9.30 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. But they don't, that's simply the catchy title of their conference on Evangelism. All clergy wives are invited, if they can tear themselves away from the television!

Face to Face

Gill Timmins representing the Lay Chairman of Doncaster Deanery Synod was one of those who met with representatives of the Diocese of Guildford recently at Swanwick Conference Centre in Derbyshire. She writes of the 24 hours spent together - thirty five people from each Diocese:

"In print, a Sheffield-Guildford Partnership doesn't exactly drum up great enthusiasm, but face to face it's a vastly different matter. That was one of the discoveries we made at Swanwick. Bishops, Archdeacons, Rural Deans, Deanery Lay Chairpersons or their representatives and Diocesan Staff from the two Dioceses explored strengths and weaknesses and enjoyed each other's company. No major decisions were taken, but faces were put to names, and a growing understanding and friendship now exists. It's on that knowledge of each other that we can build. The partnership is growing. Already our two Cathedrals are linked, and fifteen parishes. Barriers are being broken down. There's a growing understanding of what it must be like to have to travel for 1½ hours to work from Surrey, or what it must be like to be unemployed in South Yorkshire. Bridges are being built between North and South. The way forward is clearly through parish links, and to get people to see each other, not just in print, but face to face."



One amusing note came from Leslie Fletcher, Chairman of Sheffield Diocesan Board of Finance, who saw one participant from Guildford being pretty handy with paper and felt-tips, writing down comments from one group meeting. The weather being hot everyone was in shirt sleeves. It was before introductions had been made, and Leslie, not one to miss an opportunity, asked if the writer was a clergyman. When "yes" came as the reply, Leslie quickly said, "If you're as handy as that with paper and pen, we can always offer you a job in the Diocese of Sheffield!"

It was an offer that perhaps won't be taken up - because Leslie had made it to the Bishop of Dorking!

The Bishop's £Million Appeal adds up



Leslie Fletcher and ...

When the members of the Mothers' Union throughout the Diocese were invited by the Bishop of Doncaster and Ann his wife to spend a day at Bishop's Lodge at Hooton Roberts, they were delighted. They took advantage of the occasion to turn it into a sort of Garden Party which raised £1,000 for the Appeal. About 500 people visited the interesting old house, meditations were held by Bishop William in the Church, and Ann was never off her feet, which is not surprising with that many cups of tea to serve! Still, as the photo shows, Bishop William did have one or two people to help him with the washing up!

Appointments

The Revd. Paul Geoffrey Harbord, Assistant Curate, St. George's, Doncaster, to be Curate-in-Charge of the Conventional District of St. Edmund, Anchorage Lane, Doncaster, in the Diocese of Sheffield.

The Revd. David William James, Assistant Curate, New Rossington, to be Vicar of Christ Church, Yardley Wood in the Diocese of Birmingham.

The Revd. Martin Ronald Poole, Assistant Curate, St. Catherine of Siena, Richmond Road, Sheffield, to be Assistant Curate in the parish of St. James, West Hampstead, in the Diocese of London.

The Revd. William Bernard George Mather, Team Rector, Netherthorpe, to be Vicar of St. Peter's, Littleover, in the Diocese of Derby.

The Revd. James Oliphant Forrester, Vicar, St. Luke's, Lodge Moor, to be Vicar of St. Mary's, Ecclesfield, in the Diocese of Sheffield.

The Revd. Margaret Elizabeth Green, Parish Deacon in the parish of Ecclesall, to be Parish Deacon in the parish of St. James, Doncaster, in the Diocese of Sheffield.

The Revd. Canon Frank Gordon Lacey, Residentiary Canon of Sheffield Cathedral, to retire at the end of October.

The Revd. John Lawrence Rowley Presswell, Assistant Curate, All Saints, Rotherham, to retire at the end of June.

The Revd. William Robert Pryce, Assistant Curate N.S.M., St. Barnabas & St. Mary, Bramall Lane, to resign in June on move to Kidderminster.

The Revd. Betsee Parker from America to be Parish Deacon at Gleadless Valley in the Diocese of Sheffield.

GREAT BEATING THE BOUNDS SPONSORED MICHAELMAS STEEPLECHASE

Saturday 29th September 1990, Michaelmas Day

Surround the Diocese with prayer in a very practical way suggests the Revd. Robert Fitzharris and the team of many others who are hard at work organising an exciting day for the 29th September when the 50 churches which make up a "golden necklace" round the boundary of the Diocese will be open all day to welcome visitors to stamp sponsor forms and for prayer.

Robert has written to every parish in the Diocese asking people to do a sponsored ride around the necklace of parishes or to complete one of the two special walking stages - one around the Marshlands area in the extreme North of the Diocese which will be on fairly level ground. That will make it possible for all ages to attempt the walk. The other walking stage will be around the Letwell, Firbeck and Tickhill area in the South East of the Diocese.

The purpose of the day is to combine prayer, fun and fundraising for the Bishop's £Million Appeal. The Bishop is even going to award a trophy to the person/team completing either special stage or the complete circuit in the most ingenious way, and other prizes might be awarded too.

Why not make a note of the date in your diary now and then be one of those who seeks sponsors as you travel round the Diocese on Michaelmas Day, from the Sheaf to the Ouse!

More information from: The Revd. Robert Fitzharris, 32 Shakespeare Drive, Dinnington, Sheffield. S31 7RP. Tel: Dinnington 563682.

Bishop's £Million Appeal - Operation Build-up DON'T FORGET

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Start Praying... *suggests the Bishop of Doncaster*

One of the difficulties that besets both our Editor, Gordon Taylor, and other contributors to the Diocesan News is that material has to be in well in advance. This issue will appear *after* Daystar but it has to be written beforehand. So writing in faith I know that God will have blessed a memorable day and called us out as individuals, parishes, and as a Diocese to a renewed commitment to share the Gospel.

That must mean that we are in the business of activity - activity of various kinds: whether it is encouraging a more authentic pattern of work and service in society or witnessing in a new way to the saving love of Christ.

Active we have to be and must be: but activity on its own is far from enough. As well as speaking, we have to listen; and sometimes christian service is best expressed by waiting on other people's timing rather than by busily setting our own agendas.

Nowhere is it more important to wait and listen than in our dealings with our heavenly Father; and I make no apology for returning to the subject of prayer.

If the Church is to be renewed for evangelism and mission we must always begin by consciously seeking God's face; discovering what he wants us to do and to be for him. We shall need a fresh assurance of his forgiveness and that will keep us near the cross. We shall need a confidence in the Gospel that will cause us to walk closely with our risen Lord. We shall need the resources that God has freely made available for us in the Holy Spirit.

There are lessons to be learnt in the school of prayer. I think modern christians are often less well versed in the arts of prayer than many were in previous generations; and sadly we have to confess that we are less well disciplined.

Whatever other lessons there are to be learnt: there is one basic and very simple one. Start praying! Like the learner swimmer there is no substitute for taking your feet off the bottom of the pool and launching yourself into the water.

I believe that if God is going to use the decade of Evangelism in the Diocese, prayer must be at the heart of all that we try to do. The Mission and Unity Committee, with the Bishop's full support therefore suggest that on **Saturday December 1st**, the eve of Advent, people across the Diocese should set aside time for particular prayer; and that every Church should be open for such prayer on that day. We also hope to have in three centres in the Diocese a short morning 'retreat' which will enable people to meet together for reflection and meditation.

We don't want to confine any call to prayer to that occasion alone: or to delay special endeavour in prayer until then. Nor do we want to turn prayer, which is essentially grace, into any form of merit. We believe however that a day of this kind will be an encouragement to give prayer its proper priority.

It may seem a little premature to write about it now; but with this degree of advance notice I know you will be able to set the day aside.

WILLIAM
Bishop of Doncaster

OUT GOES ANVIL

Anvil, the theological magazine for the diocese has ceased publication after its most recent publicity campaign still left income outstripped by costs. The Anvil board invited me to pronounce the final blessing as one who has been there when the project was born in Intake Church's back room at Doncaster in 1980. Back then we did not know it would survive the year let alone the decade. Well done to a line of fine editors from Roger Ellis to Gavin Wakefield. Throughout the 1980's the magazine provided a forum for theological reflection in the gap between the local parish magazines and professional national journals such as 'Theology'. It gave a good contribution to diocesan identity by bringing together a range of different opinion from within the diocese and now provides a catalogue of ethical and theological concerns in our life together over the last ten years from the impact of economic re-ordering in our local industries through Mission England and local mission to the ordination of women and the nature of our local lay ministries.

I hope there will be new initiatives for helping us to write our views and read those of others during the 1990's. Meanwhile the archives could do with more copies of Anvil numbers 1 - 12 and 14. Hoarders are invited to send any to The Revd. Gavin Wakefield, 18 Aughton Road, Swallownest, Sheffield S11 7JL.

TREVOR PAGE

St. Helen's Friends

The Friends of St. Helen's Church at Burghwallis recently mounted an Exhibition of Vestments and Linen from the church collection. Visitors were attracted from a wide area of Yorkshire together with friends from as far away as Bahrain.

The interest stimulated by the exhibition and the funds raised have encouraged the ladies of the church to proceed with their programme of refurbishment and renewal of the church's "soft furnishings".

Burghwallis is a small community of around 300 people, and everyone is proud of their ancient church. It's good to know that the high standards of work produced by former generations is being continued by today's church.

Wise as Serpents

The Movement for the Reform of Infant Baptism has organised a day conference entitled "Wise as serpents, gentle as doves" to enable participants to find out how some churches have been able to take a more principled approach to infant baptism. It's on Saturday 22nd September from 11 a.m. at St. Saviour's Church, High Green, Sheffield. It costs £2 per person and details are available from the Revd. Andrew Bowsher, Rectory Cottage, Church Street, Darfield, Bamsley. S73 9JX. Tel: (0226) 753736.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

The Church notice board read: 10.30 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. - "The Art of Waiting"; it intrigued me - what did it mean? Did it mean waiting at table? Definitely not, two lessons would not provide the skills (art) to meet the standards of a four-star hotel or an Egon Ronay recommended restaurant. Art is making the best and most proficient use of whatever activity we pursue, be it fly-fishing, bee-keeping or growing exotic plants and flowers.

As an example, the art of waiting for a train connection could be the purchase of a book or magazine for the next stage of the journey, or even watching the world go by. "What is this life if, full of care, we have not time to stand and stare". Well we are all on a journey, so we should utilise the waiting time - well that's not WHOLLY true; we are not exactly waiting for the end of this stage, are we?

But there is an interim (Latin = "in the meantime") which we have to fill with advantage to ourselves and others (one feeds upon the other) - the principal object of our church worship and teachings, which we all strive to obey. As always, it is all there in the Bible, but suitably condensed in the Prayer Book in the Intercession; look to Matthew 5, Matthew 6, Galatians 6 and Hebrews 13.

Rex Beaumont

FOR THE LADIES

It takes a hundred men to make an encampment, but one woman can make a home.

R.L. Ingersoll

A woman's guess is much more accurate than a man's certainty.

Rudyard Kipling

Man's work lasts till set of sun,
Woman's work is never done.

Anon.

Whatever women do they must do twice as well as men to be thought half as good; luckily this is not difficult.

Charlotte Whitton

PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

27 May Benjamin James Priestley
24 June Alicia Shiela Watts
James Richard Stephenson

Holy Matrimony

17 June Robert Ryalls & Lisa Rowbotham

Funerals

4 June Ivy Willars (83), 3 Laverdene Road
5 June Mabel Hyde (78) 80a Green Oak Road
7 June Edmund Roberts (85) Abbey Grange (formerly
of Aldam Road)
15 June Vera Brownhill (81), 40 Aldam Road

Ivy Willars was born in Sheffield and moved from the Shoreham Street area to Totley about 45 years ago. She assisted in a Shoe Retail Business and for many years ran a branch on Totley Rise.

Mabel Hyde was born in Heeley and came to live in the Totley prefabs in 1946, before removing to Green Oak Road 18 years ago. Married for 55 years to Clifford, they are the parents of Peter Hyde who maintains All Saints' Church organ.

Edmund Roberts moved to Aldam Road about 12 years ago, although latterly he had been a resident in Abbey Grange. He was an electrician with the Y.E.B. and for many years was the Secretary/Treasurer of Attercliffe Liberal Club.

Vera Brownhill was born in Conisborough, and later lived on Woodseats Road, from where, as a young woman, she worked in cutlery manufacture. She came to Totley newly-married with Eric in 1933 and lived for the past 57 years in the same home on Aldam Road, during which time she had a long association with All Saints'.

BILL CARTER-WIGG

Bill was born in Sheffield, living in Totley for the past 23 years. By training he was a Fellow of the Chartered Insurance Institute, but his later working life was as Secretary to the Wire Rope Export conference, which took him to many places in Europe.

His caring nature extended to concern for community ventures - he gave active support to Transport 17 and was

on the editorial team of the "Totley Independent". His artistic temperament gave him a good appreciation of literature and art. In earlier years he took part in amateur dramatics - and his love of photography developed into the skill of drawing, painting and calligraphy by which we particularly remember him and through which he gave such pleasure and delight to many people.

Bill grew into the Christian Faith later in life, being confirmed when he was 70, and he remained a regular communicant at All Saints'. In all aspects of his life we valued Bill's friendly nature, gentle understanding, healing quality, youthful outlook and his enriching spirituality.

As a testimony to this we reproduce below the text of his last piece of calligraphy, written before his final hospitalisation:

"Do not look forward to what might happen tomorrow.
The same Everlasting Father who looks after you today
will take care of you tomorrow and everyday.

Either He will shield you from suffering or He
will give you unfailing strength to bear it.

Be at peace, then, and put aside all anxious
thoughts and imaginings."

PARISH ROTAS

Parish Breakfast

1 July	Mrs Ludlam and Mrs Lewis
8 July	Mrs Firth and Mrs Thompson
15 July	Mrs Smith and Mrs Davis
22 July	Mr and Mrs Filleul
29 July	Mrs Ibbotson and Mrs Cook

Flowers

1 July	Mrs Bryer
8 July	Mrs Rayner
15 July	Mrs Manterfield
22 July	Miss Taylor
29 July	Mrs Jockel

Altar

Mrs Bryer
Mrs Rayner
Mrs Manterfield
Miss Taylor
Mrs Jockel

Memory Table

Mrs Simons
Mrs Billard
Mrs Phillips
Mrs Perkinson
Mrs Beeley

Silver Cleaning

8 July	Mrs Gray
22 July	Mrs Carter

THE CHRISTIAN AND DEATH

The Christian faith was founded upon the belief in life after death; and the Cross is a symbol of that hope. The essence of our faith is that love is eternal. If you are close to someone, they can travel miles away, and the closeness is not necessarily broken. If you read a book, and its message inspires you, you have possessed it and it belongs to you even when the copy has gone back to the library. To have come to know and love another person, and to have shared life with them, and understood them, and forgiven them and been forgiven, that is to have built something that is stronger than death, that lasts for ever. It is like our relationship with God, which death does not destroy.

John Donne (1573 - 1631) expressed it like this:

"All mankind is of one Author, and is one volume;
when one man dies, one chapter is not torn out of
the booke, but translated into a better language;
and every chapter must be so translated. God
employs several translators: some peeces are translated
by age, some by sicknesse, some by warre, some
by justice; but God's hand is in every translation;
and his hand shall binde up all our scattered leaves
again, for that Librarie where every book shall lie
open to one another".

ISSUES OF MANAGEMENT

To: Jesus, Son of Joseph
Woodcraft Carpenter Shop
Nazareth.

Dear Sir,

Thank you for submitting the resume of the 12 men you have picked for management positions in your new organisation. All of them have now taken our battery of tests; we have not only run the results through our computer, but also arranged personal interviews for each of them with our psychologist and vocational aptitude consultant.

It is the staff opinion that most of your nominees are lacking in background, education and vocational aptitude for the type of enterprise you are undertaking. They do not have the team concept. We would recommend that you continue your search for persons of experience in managerial ability and proven capability.

Simon Peter is emotionally unstable and given to fits of temper. Andrew has absolutely no qualities of leadership. The two brothers, James and John, the sons of Zebedee, place personal interest above company loyalty. Thomas demonstrates a questioning attitude that would tend to undermine morale. We feel that it is our duty to tell you that Matthew has been black-listed by the Greater Jerusalem Better Business Bureau. James, the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus definitely have radical leanings, and they both registered a high score on the manic depressive scale.

One of the candidates, however, shows great potential. He is a man of ability and resourcefulness, meets people well, has a keen business mind and has contacts in high places. He is highly motivated, ambitious and responsible. We recommend Judas Iscariot as your controller and right-hand man. All of the other profiles are self-explanatory.

We wish you every success in your new venture.

Sincerely yours,

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THE LITTLE CIRCLE OF LIGHT

One Sunday evening whilst my mind drifted during the sermon in a country church, I heard the old preacher say, "Stop worrying about your own halo and shine up your neighbour's." Those words left me sitting up and wide awake, because it struck me as just about the best eleven-word formula for getting along with people that I had ever heard. I like it for its implication that everyone in some area of life has a halo that is worth watching for and acknowledging. I like it for the picture it conjures up of everybody industriously polishing away at everybody else's little circle of divine light. I like it for the firm way it shifts the emphasis from self to interest and concern for others. Finally, I like it because it reflects the deep truth that people have a tendency to become what you expect them to be.

Arthur Gordon.

JULY DIARY

2	Mon	8.00pm	Readers & Pastoral Workers' Meeting - Vicarage
3	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close Ladies Club Outing to Pear Tree Pottery.
4	Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 1 Quarry Road
5	Tue	2.00pm	Under Fives Praise - Church
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Standing Committee
6	Fri	1.30pm	All Saints' School Sports Afternoon
10	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
11	Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 4 The Crescent
12	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
		8.00pm	P.C.C. Meeting - Crypt
14	Sat		PARISH FAMILY WALK
		3.00pm	Holy Matrimony (Darren Ward and Alison Hirst)
17	Tue	12.15pm	Liaison Lunch - Hall
		1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
18	Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 68 Dalewood Rd.
19	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
21	Sat	1.30pm	Holy Matrimony (Stephen Machin and Lisa Marshall)
		3.00pm	Holy Matrimony (Robert Cooper and Penelope Ashby)
24	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
25	Wed	10-12noon	Coffee Morning (Children's Society) - 220 Baslow Road
		8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 126 Totley Brook Road
26	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
31	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close.

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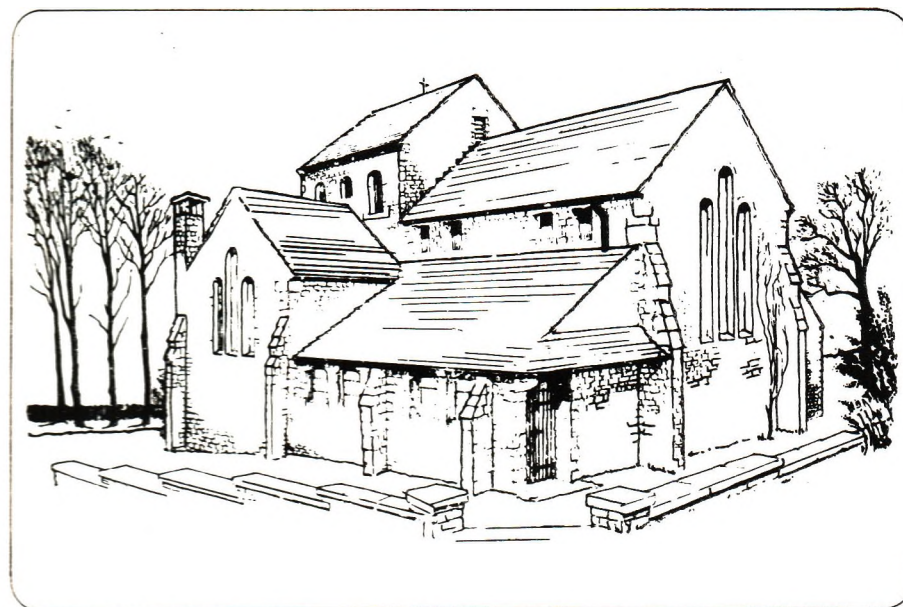
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

The beginning of next month will mark a significant change in the ecumenical strivings of the denominations of our land. The British Council of Churches, which was formed in 1942, will be dissolved to be replaced by a new grouping called "Churches Together in England" - (C.T.E.). Similar groups will be established for Scotland and Wales and brought together under the umbrella of the Council of Churches for Britain and Ireland - (C.C.B.I.). The new groups will have a much wider range of churches than were in the British Council of Churches - including the Roman Catholic Church.

This new initiative largely follows from the Lent Course of 1986 - "What on Earth is the Church for?" Over a million Christians took part in the study groups and the response showed an overwhelming concern for churches to come closer together, but in a unity which allowed for the rich diversity of religious experience to be expressed. This led to representatives from all churches meeting at Swanwick in 1987. From their discussions issued a Declaration expressing the conviction that all churches at every level should have a clear commitment to each other in common evangelism and service to the world, and in a search of the unity for which Christ prayed.

The emphasis on commitment at all levels is important. About ten years ago there had been attempts to unite different denominations together on a national level. The Anglican-Methodist proposals failed and the only new grouping was that of the Congregationalists and Presbyterians forming the United Reformed Church. The new movement does not envisage any individual churches uniting in such a way but rather all Christians journeying together, committing themselves as pilgrims to follow faithfully and prayerfully a path towards unity, even though the stages ahead are not clearly defined.

All congregations of every church will be joining in an Act of Prayer and Commitment on Sunday 2nd September to dedicate ourselves to the cause of co-operation and unity in the places where we live and work.

Yours sincerely,



SERVICES IN AUGUST

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am

- 5th PENTECOST 9
Theme: "The Whole Armour of God"
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Holy Communion(ASB) and Holy Baptism
(Katie Joanne Liversidge)
Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6: 3-10 (NEB)
Gospel: St Mark 9: 14-29 (NEB)
11.30am Cheshire Home Communion
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
Old Testament: Joshua 1: 1-9 (RSV)
New Testament: Ephesians 6: 10-20 (RSV)
- 12th PENTECOST 10
Theme: "The Mind of Christ"
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Galatians 6: 1-10 (NEB)
Gospel: St. Luke 7: 36-50 (JB)
12 noon Holy Baptism (Alexander David Cooper)
6.30pm Evensong (ASB)
Old Testament: Job 42: 1-6 (TEV)
New Testament: St. John 13: 1-15 (NEB)
- 19th PENTECOST 11
Theme: "The Serving Community"
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Philippians 1: 1-11 (NEB)
Gospel: St. Matthew 20: 1-16 (NEB)
10am "Family Praise"
3.30pm Cheshire Home Service
6.30pm Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4: 1-10 (NEB)
Gospel: St. John 13: 31-35 (JB)
- 26th PENTECOST 12
Theme: "The Witnessing Community"
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Acts 17: 22-34 (NEB)
Gospel: St. Matthew 5: 13-16 (JB)
12nn Holy Baptism (Rebecca and Nicholas Cowan)
6.30pm Evensong (ASB)
Old Testament: Isaiah 49: 1-6 (NEB)
New Testament: 2 Corinthians 5: 14-6:2 (NEB)

WORDS FOR CONTEMPLATION

"Behold MY glory" (John 17:24)

Watchword: "Behold MY glory" or
"MY glory"

UNDER FIVES IN AUGUST

Thursday, 2nd August at 2pm - Under Fives Praise in Church.

The group will meet every Thursday afternoon - contact Ann Cross, 10A Rowan Tree Dell, Tel.369979 for details.
Ro Carter

CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY CLUB

Each Sunday during August and on 2nd September there will be a Children's Holiday Club in the Church Hall from 10am to 11am. All welcome.

"Young Saints" begin again on 9th September.

CHRISTIAN AID WALKS

Barbara and John Sellars, Stella Jockel, Maurice Snowdon and George Hazelhurst thank all their sponsors very much indeed for their support of the 12/15 mile May Day Trek. £272 was sent to our Christian Aid as a result.

Our Night Hike walkers, Dorothy Firth and Mark Rayner, raised about £110 and thank all their sponsors.

CHESHIRE HOME SERVICES

On the third Sunday of every month a short informal service is held at the Cheshire Home at 3.30pm. We usually sing a few hymns, have a Bible reading and a short prayer time. Some of the content of any one service is by the request of the residents themselves. There is no denominational distinction and all the residents are invited although the normal attendance is about a dozen from the Home.

Members of All Saints' congregation are very welcome to join in this service. We can help to swell the singing as well as provide greater fellowship with the Cheshire Home residents. No prior notice is required - just turn up. We should love to have you join us.

Maurice Snowdon

OUR FABRIC MATTERS

The state of most of the church gutters is very poor, particularly around the sanctuary and porch. The Quinquennial Inspection report wants this rectified before winter, to avoid the possibility of damage to stonework from running water. The new gutters should be in the same style as the original and not modern plastic.

The cost of doing this work, in materials alone, will be around £3000. To provide essential scaffolding around the sanctuary exterior will be approximately £1000. These are items that have to be provided. We cannot put them off till next year.

A group of three or four willing helpers are required to help replace the lower level gutters; to lift and position and to "dab on" a final coat of paint to seal the joints. This will help to keep the fitting costs down to a minimum. The whole job will probably take 2/3 weeks.

So, if you see scaffolding, platforms and planks around the church, hopefully in September, you will know what is happening.

In the near future, modifications to the church hall are planned. In particular, the provision of a disabled toilet for which we hope to receive a grant to offset the costs of around £1000. According to the local Fire Inspector, who recently visited the hall, we should provide another fire door exit to comply with modern fire regulations.

The Archdeacon of Sheffield visited the church last year and his suggestion of clearly defining the boundary of the church land on the Polytechnic side of the south lawn was reiterated by the Rural Dean's visit this year. The cost of defining the boundary by erecting a fence in character with the church surroundings, in materials alone, will be around £600.

As you can gather, there is considerable expenditure and work to be done on the fabric on the church, some needing immediate action. Other work could be delayed, but this means costs will rise and other priorities could take over.

C. Job
Churchwarden

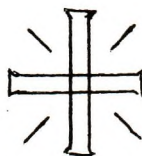
I believe that God has a Divine Plan for me. I believe that this Plan is wrapped in the folds of my Being, even as the oak is wrapped in the acorn and the rose is wrapped in the bud. I believe that this Plan is permanent, indestructible and perfect, free from all that is essentially bad. Whatever comes into my life that is negative is not a part of this God-created Plan, but is a distortion caused by my failure to harmonize myself with the Plan as God has made it. I believe that this plan is Divine, and when I relax myself completely to it, it will manifest completely and perfectly through me. I can always tell when I am completely relaxed to the Divine Plan by the inner peace that comes to me. This inner peace brings a joyous, creative urge that leads me into activities that unfold the Plan, or it brings a patience and a stillness that allow others to unfold the Plan to me.

I believe that this beautiful Divine Plan for me is a perfect part of the larger Pattern for the good of all, not something separate unto me alone. I believe that it has ramifications and interweavings that reach out through all the persons I meet and all the events that come to me, and that the best way to put myself in harmony with the Divine Plan that is within myself is to accept with radiant acquiescence all the individuals and events that are drawn to me, seeing in them perfect instruments for the perfect unfolding of my perfect Plan. In other words, I believe that to see harmony in that which is without brings harmony in that which is within, even as to see harmony in that which is within brings harmony in that which is without.

I believe that God has selected those persons who are to belong to my plan, and that through proximity, mutual attraction or need, they and I are continually finding each other out. I believe in praying for ever-increasing capacity to love and serve them and for greater worthiness to be loved and served by them in return. I believe in sending out a prayer to the Father to draw to me those who are meant to help me and to be helped by me, in order to express my life together with them.

I believe in asking my Heavenly Father for only that which is mine to have, knowing that when the right time has come it will be made manifest. This enables me to look forward to receiving only those things which are mine according to the Providential Plan. It releases my mind from all anxiety and uncertainty. It eliminates fear, jealousy, and anger. It gives me courage and faith to do the things that are mine to do. When my mind is attuned to the things that are mine, I become free from greed, passion, impure thoughts and deeds; but when I look without or watch others to see what they are or are not receiving, I cut myself off from my own source of supply and minimize my power to receive.

The Divine Plan



I believe that the gifts of God are many thousands of times greater than I am now capable of receiving, and that I should therefore pray to increase my capacity both to receive and to give, for my power to receive is as great as my power to give, and my power to give as to receive. Gifts of God always bring peace, contentment and joy, and therefore anything in which I find a natural harmony and peace and which does not interfere with anyone else's natural expression of life belongs to me, and any work for which I feel a natural call, by gift or inclination, is mine to do. When I am attuned to that which is mine I find no barrier in God's Kingdom, hence I accept none.

I believe that God's Plan for life is a healthy, happy expression for the good of all, and that everything that makes me feel happy to do will bring happiness to others. Therefore, when I am hindered from doing the thing that I want to do, I believe that God has closed the door only to open another, and that upon every closed door there is a sign pointing to a better and larger door just ahead. My disappointments, therefore, become His appointments. If I do not readily see the door just ahead, I believe that it is because there is some blindness, deafness or disobedience within my life that walls me off from God, and that God is using the resulting trouble or failure to help me find the inspiration and the guidance and the power to help me overcome it so that I may see the right door.

I believe that the chief essential of life is to keep in touch with the Father, and let the Divinity that is in me manifest through me. I believe that the whole world about me is full of beauty, joy and power, even as it is full of God, and that I can share it and enjoy it if I attune myself to my Divine Plan and am inwardly open toward God and outwardly helpful toward men. I shall ask my heavenly Father and Friend, who dwells within me and who has given me this vision of life, to give me His help in its realization and to help me share it with others that it may bring peace and happiness to many.

PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

15 July Samuel Robert McQueen
22 July Matthew James Robert Clark

Holy Mastrimony

14 July Darren Brian Ward and Alison Beverley Hirst
21 July Stephen Patrick Machin and Lisa Jayne Marshall
21 July Robert John Cooper and Penelope Catherine Ashby

Funerals

3 July Thomas Arnold Pemberton (90), 48 The Grove

Arnold Pemberton was born in Heeley and came to live on The Grove about 55 years ago, a few years after his marriage. His father had been licensee at "The Crown" for a period. He worked for the Window Display Company and his skill was greatly used in the presentation of Trade Exhibitions and Fairs.

PARISH ROTAS

FLOWERS	Altar	Memory Table
5 August		Mrs. Smith
12 August	Mrs. Waite	Mrs. Hardy
19 August	Mrs. Holding	Mrs. Collinson
26 August	Mrs. Heap	Miss Bird

Silver Cleaning: 5 August - Mrs. Billard 19 August - Mrs. Bryer

PARISH BREAKFAST

5 August	Mrs. Brown and Miss J. Taylor
12 August	Mrs. P. Marshall and Mrs. M. Kirton
19 August	Mrs. P. Best and Mrs. B. Sellars
26 August	Mrs. S. Jockel and Miss S. Scaife
2 Sept	Mrs. C. Billard and Mrs. M. Houldcroft
9 Sept.	Mrs. V. Cryan and Mr. G. Hazlehurst

A NEW JOY

Not many weeks ago I was rushing round the supermarket with my trolley and asking myself - "Why am I so crazy trying to fit so many things into my life?" Life is very hectic trying to run a home and a school and finding time for worship and friendships. Instead of feeling sorry for myself I decided to look at the positive aspects of being a woman today. I am not a 'women's libber' but I do feel modern women have so much to be thankful for. No longer need there be a choice between family and career if we wish to have both. Indeed my daughter and her friends have been told that as medical students they should not be embarking on the course if they do not intend to continue practising as doctors when they are wives and mothers.

We live at a time when our lives are every bit as fulfilled as any man's. We have many advantages over men, by our very nature we can bring so much joy to the lives of others, and in doing so we become happy and joyful ourselves.

Many years ago when my father died I was given a book to read which was very helpful. It is called "A New Joy" and is written by Colleen Townsend Evans. She is an American, and although I find many American women authors brash, there was much in this book which I have found helpful over the years. It is based on the Beatitudes and asks what they can mean to a modern Twentieth Century woman. I should like to quote a few passages.

"Happy is the woman who is generous with her love and understanding. She knows that it is not so much what she does but what she is, that is really important to her loved ones. And when the voice of need is uttered, however feeble it may be, she hears it, she listens, she comforts, she supports, she gives her love generously. Because she becomes part of the lives of those she loves, and because her happiness comes from her generosity, she receives even more than she gives."

"Happy is the woman who is honest with herself, with others and above all with God. This woman has given over every conscious area of her life to God, and has asked Him to reveal to her the inner areas of fear and bitterness that need to be healed. Between her and her fellow human-beings there is no barrier. In her there is no tension, for

she seeks to hide nothing from God or man. Because she is a transparent person, her Lord is able to shine through her life and be visible to those around her".

"Happy is the woman who is used by the Lord to warm and enliven the human spirit . . . and whose life becomes her daily witness to his immeasurable goodness."

I think this book is still in print, but if not, I should be happy to loan my copy to anyone who would like to borrow it.

Joan Stratford

FORTHCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Invitation to Edensor: On Sunday 23 September at 6.30 pm members of All Saints' are invited to join the congregation at Edensor for their Harvest Festival followed by Buffet Supper. The preacher will be the Ven. David Hallett, Archdeacon of Halifax. If you wish to come please complete a form shortly to be available from Church.

All Saints' Harvest Festival will be on 7th October.

September Parish Weekend: A team from the Church Army are to lead a Parish Weekend on September 28/30th. More details in the next issue of All Saints' News.

NOSTALGIA : HAPPY AND SERIOUS

Corinne got busy baking cookies, and some little currant buns from an old Norwegian recipe; she hadn't had them since she was little, and now she was baking them herself: AMAZING!!! A delicious smell from childhood that brings back every sweet old aunt and grandma as if they were there beside you; and you do it with just a little saffron.

Garrison Keillor

It wasn't unusual, LEVINSON says, that he and his parents lived with his grandparents. It's only in the last thirty or forty years that the extended family has come apart, he says, and I think that a lot of the ills we face today as a society are attributable to that. Years ago, you'd hear people say: "You can't do this or that", because of the shame of it to your family. You had someone to answer to. When the extended family broke up, nothing replaced it. We're just individual people out there, and nothing is holding the centre together.

Barry Levinson, Film Director
Compiled by Rex B.

KNITTING FOR MONZE

A sincere "thank you" to all those Ladies Club members who have worked so hard in knitting "Oxfam Vests" and collecting donations of babies' and children's clothes for Monze Mission Hospital in Zambia. I am delighted to tell you that everything is now on its way and will hopefully (God willing) arrive in Monze some time in August. They will be gratefully appreciated.

Christine Smith
(Ex-V.S.O. Pharmacist, Monze)

WHAT WILL THEY THINK OF NEXT?

Do you know you can get a copy of the New International Version of the Bible for only £299.95p? The difference is that it is a slimline electronic Bible for your pocket with an eight-line display screen. You can tap out the chapter and verse number, or a word or phrase, and the text is found for you - or you can scroll through a whole book. The computer contains an inbuilt concordance.

If you use a Credit Card there is a new one on the market - that gives to a charity of your choice. For every £100 you spend with your card 25p is donated. The card is operated by the Midland Bank.

" A WINDOW INTO THE CHURCH"

"Acolytes" to "Viaticum" and all those other church terms and names we are not sure about, find a place in this Glossary of the Church, published by Mr. Brian Winn-Smith, father of Matthew and Simon from All Saints' School, who were confirmed in May at St. Matthew's Church.

Brian produced this in answer to the many questions he was being asked and hopes it will help young people, newcomers to the Church, or satisfy the curious.

A specimen copy can be seen in Church - orders for the book at £2 each can be made through the Vicar.

A SONG FOR SEPTEMBER

The September Family Service on Sunday 16th September will have a "Songs of Praise" type format with members of the congregation choosing the hymn and also giving a short explanation of why that hymn has a particular meaning for them.

We welcome volunteers who we hope will represent a cross-section of our church membership and organisations, so that our service will indeed be 'All-Age Worship'.

If you wish to take part in this way, please put your name and choice of hymn in the marked box in church. If we get more volunteers than we need, then the extra names can form the basis for a future service.

NEWS FROM NORTH OF THE BORDER

Our family recently spent part of our holiday with Olwen and Irvine Powell at Grantown-on-Spey. Many of you will remember that until a year ago they were members of All Saints', then they moved to Grantown to run a guest house. We had a delightful stay with them and can certainly recommend their Totley Bank Guest House. They are in the church choir there and wish to be remembered to you all. (They still miss All Saints very much).

One thing Olwen also does is to sing to the passengers on the prestigious Scottish land cruise train, the "Royal Scotsman" (4,500 dollars for a 6-day cruise!) Each week on Thursday night, it is "parked" at Boat of Garten station. After dinner on the train the passengers are entertained by Olwen singing Scottish ballads. As they have requested recordings of her singing Olwen has had a tape made professionally with Scottish traditional songs on one side and light classical songs on the other. It is called "EILIDH SINGS FOR YOU" (well Olwen is a Welsh name!) No doubt many of us at All Saints would like to buy a copy which costs £5, plus 50p packing and postage.

Either order through me, or direct from Olwen Powell, Totley Bank House, Grantown-on-Spey, Highland Region, Scotland, PH26 3EW.

Dudley Nixon

AUGUST DIARY

1	Wed	8pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 68 Dalewood Road
2	Thu	2pm	Under Fives Praise - Church
		8pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
7	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
8	Wed	10.45am	Monthly Morning Fellowship - 2 Main Avenue
		8pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 99 Prospect Road
9	Thu	8pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
14	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
15	Wed	8pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 1 Quarry Road
16	Thu	8pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
21	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
22	Wed	8pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 126 Green Oak Road
23	Thu	8pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - 91 Abbeydale Park Rise
28	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
29	Wed	8pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 4 The Crescent
30	Thu	8pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - 12 Marstone Crescent

SEPTEMBER

1	Sat	10.45am	Holy Matrimony (Nigel Floodgate and Denise Murrell)
		3pm	Holy Matrimony (Jonathan Hutton and Karen Miles)

CARIBBEAN EVENING AT THE CHESHIRE HOME

On Saturday 22nd September the Cheshire Home are putting on a Caribbean evening - with appropriate music and food - from 7.30pm. All are welcome - tickets £3.50 approximately from members of the Cheshire Home.

QUOTES

Don't pretend to be what you don't intend to be.
Salvation Army Notice Board

When we have nothing left but God, we find God is enough.
Sharrow St. John Notice Board

The difference from a person and an angel is easy: most of an angel is in the inside, and most of a person outside.
Anna

Good can imagine evil. But evil cannot imagine good.

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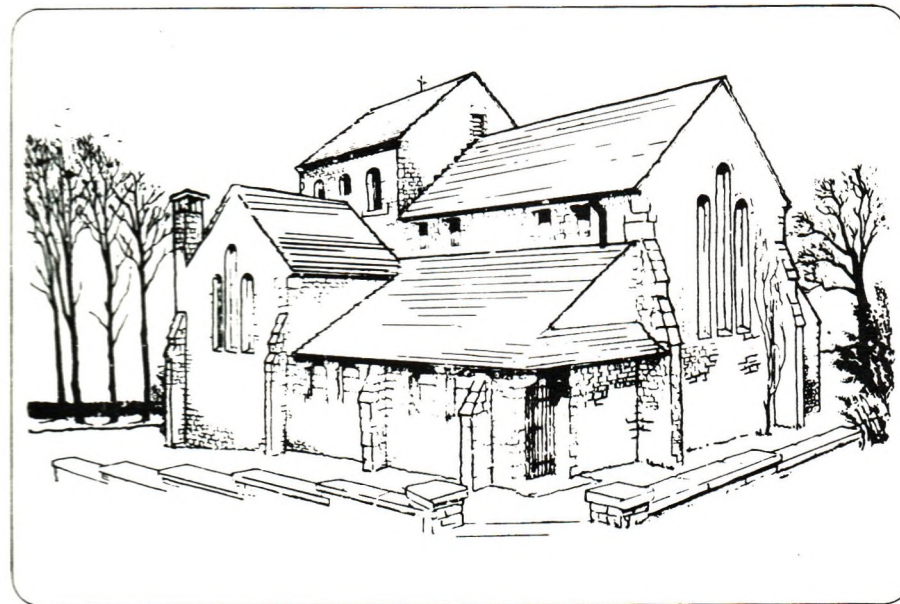
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Sometimes this magazine may come through your letterbox to land on the mat with some of the many "mailshots" we are sent today. We receive tokens to tempt us to try the newest taste, privilege offers for property overseas, and rich rewards for returning our winning numbers. Modern technology has the means to make these communications personal - they are addressed to you my name, you have been specially selected, it is outside your house in Totley that the winner's car will be parked, and into your bank in Sheffield that the cheque will be deposited.

In some ways there is no comparison between a mailshot and the words of Scripture, yet the message of the Bible, whilst available to everyone is also addressed to us individually - and it also contains the promise of rich rewards. It is part of the power of the Bible that it can speak to us on a personal level. The same passage read aloud in Church can convey different insights to different people about their lives at that moment. The Word of God is living, searching and revealing, and being open to this spiritual process can enrich our lives in a way no material prize could ever do.

Often these material prizes are presented with a choice for the winner - a luxury car or an exotic holiday; or an annual amount for life; or a large lump sum. A glance at the actual winners will see they always opt for the lump sum. This reflects our response of wanting everything now, an attitude we regard as wrong. But is it always so? Scripture exhorts us that the time is "now". "Now" is the time to respond and believe the Gospel.

Next time you pick up your junk mail, be reminded to look for your personal message in the pages of the Bible.

Yours sincerely,



SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am.

2nd PENTECOST 13

Theme "The Suffering Community"

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Holy Communion (ASB)

Epistle: Acts 20: 17-35 (TEV)

Gospel: St. Matthew 10: 16-22 (JB)

10am Children's Holiday Club

11.30am Cheshire Home Communion

6.30pm Evensong (BCP)

Old Testament: Isaiah 50: 4-9 (RSV)

New Testament: St. John 16: 1-11 (TEV)

9th PENTECOST 14

Theme "The Family"

8am Holy Communion (ASB)

10am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: Ephesians 3: 14-21 (RSV)

Gospel: St Luke 11: 1-13 (JB)

10am Young Saints

12nn Holy Baptism (Heather Grace Parkes and
Laura Emily Uague)

6.30pm Evensong

Old Testament: Proverbs 31: 10-31 (RSV)

New Testament: St Mark 10: 2-16 (NEB)

16th PENTECOST 15

Theme "Those in Authority"

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

Epistle: 1 Timothy 2: 1-7 (NEB)

Gospel: St. Matthew 14: 1-12 (NEB)

10am Family Songs of Praise

12nn Holy Baptism (Hannah Elizabeth Eyre and
Alexander David Cooper)

3.30pm Cheshire Home Service

6.30pm Holy Communion (ASB and Anointing)

Epistle: Romans 13: 1-7 (JB)

Gospel: St. Matthew 22: 15-22 (JB)

23rd PENTECOST 16
 Theme: "The Neighbour"
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
 Epistle: 1 John 4: 15-23 (JB)
 Gospel: St. Luke 16: 19-31 (JB)
10am Young Saints
12nn Holy Baptism (Lisa Clare Knapton)
 NO EVENSONG at All Saints'
 (Harvest Festival at Edensor Parish Church)

30th PENTECOST 17
 Theme: "The Proof of Faith"
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Holy Communion (ASB)
 Epistle: Galatians 2: 15-3: 9 (RSV)
 Gospel: St. Luke 7: 1-10 (JB)
7pm "Praise Service"

WATCHWORD

I will make the valley (of trouble) a DOOR OF HOPE
 Hosea 2:15

LADIES CLUB

The new year starts on September 4th with a talk by the Rev. Hugh McKee entitled "All Things New" - an evening of slides showing what the Leprosy Mission is doing among sufferers in countries like Nepal, India and Thailand. This will be an open evening and all are very welcome, especially men! The second meeting in September is on the 18th. This will take the form of a Cheese and Wine party. Ladies - please bring your friends and introduce them to the Ladies Club.

LADIES WORKING PARTY

Our next meeting will be held on September 25th at 2.15pm in the Hall. On October 6th we are holding a Jumble Sale at 2.00pm in the Hall - jumble will be received in the Hall from 10.00am.

WHEN THE SAINTS COME MARCHING IN!

The Parish Weekend with members of the Church Army has been re-arranged to coincide with All Saints' Tide - so please now keep 2nd - 4th November marked in your diary instead of 28th - 30th September.

OUR MAN GOES TO BO

The Rev. Tony Lindsay and Pam will be returning to work in the diocese of Bo in Sierra Leone in Thursday 20th September. C.M.S. are holding a Commissioning Service on Sunday 16th September (10am) at Pickering Parish Church. All welcome.

"NEWS" NIGHT

What do you like about "All Saint's News"? What else would you like it to contain? Can you think of ways of improving its format? Would you be interested in forming part of an editorial/reporting team - on the basis of work cared is work halved!

A meeting has been arranged for Monday 10th September at 8pm in the Crypt to discuss these issues. Please come along - or let the Vicar have your views before then. Thank you.

The present magazine has remained at 15p per copy for the last 5 years - and our magazine treasurer has advised us that if it is to continue in a similar format we ought to anticipate the need to increase the cost to 20p in 1991.

GOING GUIDING

Plans are afoot to re-establish the Guide Company at All Saints'. Possible recruits, parents and other interested supporters are invited to a meeting in the Church Hall on Wednesday 19th September at 7.30pm.

THANKS MARGARET

Mrs. Margaret Wiggett who has been School Clerk at All Saints' School for nearly 20 years, has taken early retirement, and we are grateful for the service she has given. As the offer of requirement was not known until after school broke up, an Official Farewell is being arranged for next term. Any ex-pupils, parents and friends who wish to be associated with her leaving presentation, please contact school at the beginning of term.

A form of prayer and commitment to be used on Sunday 2nd September, 1990

Pilgrim Prayer

All 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.

President By God's grace will you do your best to
hold the Christian faith and to continue
in the Apostles' teaching and
fellowship?

All We will

President Will you, together with other Christians
in this place and community proclaim
the good news by word and deed,
serving Christ in all people?

All We will

President Will you, together with other Christians
in this place and community, work for
justice and peace, honouring God in all
that he has made?

All We will

President Will you, together with other Christians
in this place and community, pray and
work for the unity of all Christian
people?

All We will

All As the seed grows secretly in the earth,
As the yeast rises in the dough,
May the power of God be at work in us.

May we be like a city set on a hill,
Like a lamp shining in the darkness.
May we witness together with all
Christians
to the glory and the fulfilment of his
Kingdom.

Harvest Flowers

St. James' Church, Anston hold their Flower Festival on the theme of "Creation" from 5th-7th October to coincide with the Harvest Festival weekend. The church is open for visitors, and refreshments will be served on Friday 5th October and Saturday 6th October from 10.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m., and on Sunday 7th October from 12.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

No Prayer...No Progress

are the catchwords which are behind the Diocesan Decade of Evangelism and the morning of prayer in three centres of the Diocese on Saturday 1st December this year. St. Mark's, Broomhill, Sheffield, St. Paul's, Masbrough, Rotherham, and St. Wilfrid's, Cantley, Doncaster will be open from 10.00 a.m. to 12 noon with visiting speakers. The Diocesan Mission and Unity Committee are hoping that parish churches will be open on that Saturday morning as well so that everyone will have the opportunity of joining in with the morning of prayer, wherever they happen to be.

Welcome German Visitors

The Revd. Grant MacIntosh, himself a fluent German speaker has visited Germany several times, and has been part of a growing friendship between the German Church and our own Diocese. He writes about this month's visit to the Diocese of Sheffield, by members of the German Church District of Hattingen-Witten:

"This month from Monday 24th September to the 1st October a group of 40 German Christians are to be here as our guests. Approximately 30 of them will be lay people. Will you, please, make them feel welcome if you meet them while they are here? The vast majority of them will be accommodated in parishes of the Diocese outside the city of Sheffield. Thank you for the offers of hospitality which have come in from Armthorpe, Bolsterstone, Bradfield, Brampton, Dinnington, Kilnhurst, Owston, Rawcliffe and Rotherham to date.

As a Diocese we are marking the occasion with a service of celebration and welcome in Rotherham Parish Church on Tuesday, 25th September at 7.30 p.m. when David our Bishop will be present.

Among the German visitors will be included some members of their equivalent Mothers' Union as well as a Youth Worker, an Industrial Missioner, a Y.M.C.A. Youth Worker and a Church Organist. All are interested to know how we live and work and do things as Christians. The German Church District is similar to Rotherham and Doncaster. They too have experience of growing unemployment, of local coal mines having closed down and of a shrinking steelmaking capacity. You will be able to speak to most of them in English.

Earlier this year in March we passed resolutions at our Diocesan Synod to welcome authorised developing contacts between ourselves and the German Protestant Church District of Hattingen-Witten in Germany's industrial Ruhr area from where our visitors are coming. We agreed to support all efforts to establish firm relationships with these German Christians and through them to seek contacts with East German Churches.

Have you heard of Meissen yet? No, not the fine East German porcelain. As far as we Anglicans are concerned it is the name of a document in English and German the content of which is to be the basis of immediate closer unity discussions between the German Protestant Church and the Church of England. At General Synod in York in July 1990 Meissen was accepted unanimously by the House of Bishops as one essential way forward. We intend to spend a little time looking at it together while our visitors are here."

New Hospital Service by S.C.C.C.C.

When 82 year old Joe went to visit his sister in the Northern General Hospital, he arrived to find that she had died earlier that afternoon. He was devastated - they had lived together all their lives and their only relative was a nephew in Newcastle. The nurses made Joe a cup of tea, then took him to the bus stop to catch the bus home. They were as upset as Joe; they knew the house would be empty when he got there and that he would have to 'phone his nephew for help with the necessary arrangements.

This is an increasingly common situation for people to find themselves in - especially the elderly - and Sheffield Churches Council for Community Care, at the request of the Northern General Hospital, have just recruited and trained a group of volunteers to try to alleviate this problem.

The volunteers will be prepared to accompany the bereaved person home, make them a cup of tea and telephone their family, if required. They will ensure the person is safe and able to cope and will be available to go back to the hospital with them if necessary. Volunteers will stay until, say, the daughter from Derby arrives to take over.

The aim of the service is to provide short term support for bereaved relatives immediately after the death of a patient, particularly where there is no immediate family support available. The rota will cover 24 hours/7 days a week and be under the close supervision of Revd. David Equeall and Revd. Linda Shipton, the hospital's two whole time chaplains.

The new service begins this month and initially will cover only certain wards at the hospital. Because the service is not involved in counselling or long term support, Elizabeth Holloway at S.C.C.C.C., 69 Division Street, Sheffield. S1 4GE (tel: 759452/757310), will be pleased to hear of churches or groups who offer bereavement support in their local areas, so that the information about their existence can be passed onto their volunteers, and so provide an even fuller service.

Diocesan Lent Book 1991

With an introduction by the Bishop, six contributors from across the Diocese have shared in writing a Lent Book for 1991. The Book is intended for personal devotional reading, week by week; but it is also conveniently suitable as a Lent Course. Parishes looking for material for a Lent Course next year should therefore bear it in mind. It is hoped that copies will be available by mid-November.

Celebrating Rotherham

Don't forget the Concert at All Saints', Rotherham by Lillian Boutté from New Orleans, Louisiana, the birthplace of jazz, on SUNDAY, 28th OCTOBER at 8.00 p.m. Stuart Brindley, Vicar of Rotherham is hoping for a packed church that night, and tickets are available from him (phone Rotherham 364341) or from the church - price £4.00, or you can pay on the door. It will be a night to remember and demand is expected to be high.

Walkley Community Hall Project looks for funds...

St. Mary's Church Hall at Walkley was built in 1905 - as a temporary facility. By 1986, not surprisingly, it had become unsafe, and a group of eight local representatives formed a committee which started the ball rolling for the replacement of the hall. At first, there was no money, and no real experience of starting off such an ambitious project, but there was plenty of enthusiasm and imagination, and with a great deal of hard work, the old hall was finally demolished in 1989, and the foundations laid for the new community hall. So far towards a 'materials only' cost of £102,000, nearly £70,000 has been raised (the labour costs are carried through the Government Training Programme for the Construction Industry). Peter Thackeray, Chairman of the Community Hall Project reports that work is well under way, and the building could be finished by mid 1991. But the pressing problem, as ever, is finance. The money for the materials raised so far is expected to be spent by the end of this year, with the possibility of the work coming to a standstill, to the detriment of the project, the church, the community, and the young men working and training on it. "But" says Peter, "our commitment is that despite frustrations, the project will be completed, although total funding has not yet been achieved."

The enthusiasm and the imagination continues in Walkley for the new Community Hall, let's hope that the finance falls into place as the much needed building nears its completion.

Running for Runaways

You run for fun or fitness - but each year 98,000 children and young people run away from home or care, ending up living at great risk on city streets.

The Children's Society is working to help these vulnerable youngsters, and its latest Safe House is opening early next year in Leeds.

You can help by RUNNING FOR RUNAWAYS. Send now for your free running pack. Write to Running Appeal, The Children's Society, Alpha House, 10 Carver Street, Sheffield. S1 4FX or ring 0742 729420.

The Diocesan Summer Fair

on the Cathedral Forecourt in July raised nearly £2700 for the Bishop's £Million Appeal, thanks to the efforts of 27 Parishes and the Deaneries who were part of it. Watch out for another one next year!

Living for God in today's world

The Church Pastoral Aid Society has organised a Workshop Day at Christ Church, Heeley, Sheffield on TUESDAY, 9th OCTOBER 9.30 a.m. - 2.30 p.m. to give people the opportunity to come together, to be encouraged, and to be better equipped to build up the church. The workshops will include: Cults on the doorstep, Prayer, Single or married all part of the family, Reaching our neighbours for Christ, and Art in worship. Booking forms and more information are available from Dorothy Pettinger on Sheffield (0742) 309287.

Canon Sorby Briggs

Canon Sorby Briggs, who died in July is remembered with respect and gratitude by many in the Diocese of Sheffield. His whole ministry was in this Diocese, serving as a curate at St. George, Sheffield, Vicar of Walkley, Rural Dean of Hallam, Secretary of the Sheffield Diocesan Board of Finance, and Rector of Wickersley, during which time he was made an Honorary Canon of Sheffield Cathedral. Ability and dedication were the marks of his ministry and he was wonderfully supported by his wife Kathleen who died in 1974. In Wickersley, where he served for 23 years, he laboured long to build up the Body of Christ after the difficult years of war. He was a tireless visitor, a popular preacher and an able administrator, giving strong encouragement to the young people of the church. With others he was responsible for building a new church school in the parish. In a long ministry he earned the respect and affection of the whole community.

(R.J. Draper)

Canon W.T. Bryant 1902-1990

We record with sadness the death of Wilfred Thomas Bryant, who was ordained Deacon in 1930, and came to Sheffield in 1936 as Church Missionary Society Secretary. He served for twenty years as Vicar of St. Mary's, Doncaster, and then to Harthill, and Rural Dean of Laughton. Up to his retirement in 1985 he was Chaplain and Governor of the Shrewsbury Hospital. He and his wife Chrystabel who died in 1974, are remembered still with affection and respect, and we thank God for their lives and ministry. (Frank Ball)

Appointments

The Revd. Adrian Alker has been appointed Assistant Clergy In-Service Training Officer and continuing as Vicar of St. Mark's, Broomhill, Sheffield.

The Revd. Dr. Norman John Pay has been appointed Assistant Clergy In-Service Training Officer and continuing as Vicar of St. Leonard's and St. Jude's, Doncaster.

The Revd. Meedperdas Edward Charles, Vicar of St. Augustine's, Endcliffe, in the Diocese of Sheffield, is to retire at the end of December 1990.

The Revd. Richard Lawrence Pamplin, Rector of St. Mary's, Wombwell w. St. George's, Jump, in the Diocese of Sheffield, has been appointed Team Rector designate, Madeley, Telford, in the Diocese of Hereford.

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Open Meeting

"Who is she? Feminist ways of thinking about God".

The Revd. Jan Berry, a chaplain at Sheffield Polytechnic will be speaking about feminist theology, and leading a discussion on WEDNESDAY 10th OCTOBER from 2 - 4 p.m. at St. Mark's Church, Broomhill, Sheffield. The meeting is organised by the Open Church Group, and all visitors are most welcome. Contact Canon John Giles on Sheffield (0742) 753434 for more details.

St. John's College Choir, Cambridge

A trial of boys' voices for this world-famous Choir will be held on Saturday, 13th October 1990, at St. John's College, at 9 a.m. Choristers are educated at St. John's College School and are awarded Scholarships which are worth £4,000 a year. Candidates should not be younger than 7 years, nor be older than 9½ years, on the date of the trial.

Please apply to the College Organist for particulars., St. John's College, Cambridge. CB2 1TP.

Women's World Day of Prayer

On Thursday 18th October there will be a one-day conference in the Central United Reformed Church, Norfolk Street, Sheffield. The theme will be "On the journey together" based on the 1991 service prepared by the women of Kenya. It will be led by Mrs. June Lunn, Field Officer of W.W.D.P. Coffee will be available from 10 a.m. and the morning sessions will begin at 10.30 a.m. There will be Bible Study, meditation and time for questions. Tea and biscuits will end the day. The conference fee is £1 to include drinks, but a packed lunch should be taken. Applications for tickets with the money should be sent to: Mrs. R. Hawksworth, 62 Rundle Road, Sheffield. S7 1NX by 1st October. Please make cheques payable to "Women's World Day of Prayer". Tickets will be issued in strict rotation on 5th October.

Joint Work Consultancy

Interim progress report

In the three pilot deaneries of Adwick-le-Street, Attercliffe and Laughton, there are potentially 65 clergy or those holding the Bishop's Licence who could opt to use the new Joint Work Consultancy Scheme. Of these, 11 are in process of moving or retiring. It is encouraging that out of the remaining 54, 27 had asked for a Work Consultant by the end of June. It is also interesting that 16 of these asked for a lay Work Consultant, and 11 asked for a clerical one.

Already, an independent evaluation of the Scheme is in process and is being undertaken by Mr. Albert Richards, a Baptist layman and a Research Associate at the University of Manchester's Institute of Science and Technology.

A meeting for the Work Consultants is planned for mid September, to help them in their task. Absolute confidentiality has been maintained and only the administrator of the Scheme, Miss Margaret Selby, knows who has chosen to take part.

THE CHURCH GARDEN

LIKE any garden the Church needs to be planted out with seed if it is to produce a harvest. The following suggestions can help us to make our Church what it ought to be:

First, plant five rows of 'peas' —

*Presence
Promptness
Preparation
Purity
Perseverance*

Next, plant three rows of Squash —

*Squash Gossip
Squash Criticism
Squash Indifference*

Then plant five rows of Lettuce —

*Let us be Faithful to duty
Let us be Loyal and Unselfish.
Let us be True to our obligations
Let us Obey rules and regulations
Let us Love one another*

No garden is complete without

Turnips —

*Turn up with a smile
Turn up with new ideas
Turn up with the determination
to make everything count for
something good and
worthwhile.*

'No, I preached last Sunday.

This week it's your turn.'



A GLIMPSE OF THE KINGDOM

BRITISH RAIL has been running a staff training programme in which people who do not usually meet are brought together to share tasks. Signalmen and drivers, booking clerks and technicians learn one another's needs and problems.

In one of the training sessions each member, in turn, is blindfolded and given the experience of being guided round a station, by another member, so as to learn the needs of a blind passenger.

Often, as a result of such training sessions, solutions are found to long-standing problems, and barriers are broken down.

Part of the task for Christians in their workplace may be to enlarge their own vision and that of their colleagues. This does not mean losing our immediate loyalties and responsibilities, but steadily to set them in a wider perspective.

For belief in the Kingdom of God implies a view of human community and its potential. A view that will alert people to their responsibilities, both corporate and individual, to turn visions into reality.

The kind of training course British Rail has been doing does not turn everyone into general managers, nor does it turn Waterloo station into the heavenly city. But it does enlarge everyone's vision.

It is interesting to reflect, as we read the Gospels, how much time Jesus spent on enlarging people's vision, and how many people's difficulties stemmed from refusing to have their vision enlarged.

IAN YEARSLEY

TRAIDCRAFT DISPLAY AT HARVESTTIDE

A display of selected Traidcraft goods and Christian Aid Christmas Cards will be in the Church Hall on Sunday 7th October and there will be an opportunity to make purchases and/or orders immediately after the 10am service. (Please note that the Traidcraft Shop in town is still open at 124 Devonshire Street and that Ken Filleul will receive enquiries and orders at any time - Tel. 360872.

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

The Coffee Morning for the Children's Society at 220 Baslow Road on 25th July raised £255. Thanks to all who supported the morning in various ways.

FLYING HIGH

There was much interest in the balloon race at the Garden Party in June, and we have now been able to send off to the lucky winners - a Mr. Ralph Jackson at Shafton and Master Christopher Caill at High Green - books in recognition of going to the trouble of contacting us to let us know that they had found the labels from the balloons in their area. The air currents were very different - with most of the balloons only reaching the north of Sheffield - compared with Scotland and Northern Ireland last year.

It was a special joy to take a bottle of champagne to Carol Mary Heiser in Totley on the eve of her 52nd wedding anniversary.

Congratulations to her and a big thank you to all those who took part to support the Garden Party Funds.

Peter Pearson

1st TOTLEY SCOUT GROUP - SPONSORED SLEDGE PULL

As a result of our sledge pull along Baslow Road earlier this year, a cheque for £261.40 was presented to the Multiple Sclerosis Society at their Social Evening on 5th July. This money is to enable a full research programme to be launched. In addition, £128.60 was raised by tin collection to be used by the local branch. Thank you to all involved.

John Lawry

THE GALILEAN OPTION

The risen Christ told his disciples to meet him in Galilee. Galilee - that word is loaded with significance. The other day I travelled with two very senior Christian friends on the train to London and, just to pass the time, I asked them, "When I say the word Galilee, what images are evoked in your minds?". The woman said "lakes" and the man said "barren hills". No doubt this is true. But Galilee for the first three Gospels, for the synoptics, is the place that Jesus chose for most of his ministry. It is where he was affirmed. It is where he was also persecuted. It is where he carried on with his healing and his teaching.

The liberation theologians of Latin America call this the Galilean Option of Jesus. He deliberately did not choose Jerusalem or even Judah, but Galilee; poor, rural and neglected. "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light" and, of course, the prophet is speaking of Galilee (Isaiah 9.2).

Galilee was the first bit of territory of the land given to the people of Israel to be colonised by the Assyrians. When the Assyrians took it, in the 8th century BC, they exiled many of the people - the inhabitants of Galilee - and brought in and settled other people from different parts of their empire which stretched to southern Iran and what is now Afghanistan.

Galilee stands for oppression and being oppressed. It is poor. Can any good come out of Nazareth?

But then it was also Galilee of the Nations. It was multi-racial and multi-cultural. Most of those encounters of Jesus which I believe alerted him to the significance of his mission, the universality of his mission, took place in Galilee. The Roman centurion and the Syro-Phoenician woman symbolise Galilee of the Nations, and these people represented not only different races but also different faiths.

Michael Nazir-Ali

FAMILY WALK

By popular request a repeat Family Walk and Picnic Tea is being organised, this time in Chatsworth Park. The rendezvous will be in the far Car Park (near the Garden centre) at 2.30pm on Saturday 8th September.

PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

5th August Katie Joanne Liversidge

Funerals

2nd August Sylvia Mary Hall (61), 16 Green Oak Drive
3rd August Annie Hoyland(89) Elder Cottage, Hillfoot Road

Sylvia Hall was born in Handsworth, coming with her parents to live in the prefabs when she was 9 years old. She spent her working life serving the people of Totley in different ways and held positions of trust and responsibility within our community. For many years she worked in the Co-op stores and in more recent times as a receptionist in the Doctor's Surgery. Always active and eager to meet and help people, she visited them in her capacity as a Pools agent. Liked by all, many will miss her friendly call.

Annie Hoyland was born in Totley at a now-demolished cottage by the Fleur-de-Lys and only a hundred yards from Elder Cottage where she has lived for the last 60 years. Her cheerful nature gave support to many in the village in the past and even in these latter years she enjoyed the company of others and was particularly appreciative of the work of "Transport 17" in enabling her to continue participating in community life.

PARISH ROTAS

<u>FLOWERS</u>	<u>Altar</u>	<u>Memory Table</u>
2 Sept.	Mdms. Powell & Ibbotson	-
9 Sept.	Mrs. Drewery	Mrs. Gray
16 Sept.	Mrs. Holding	Mrs. Parsons
23 Sept	Mrs. Greenhoff	-
30 Sept.	Mr. Hazlehurst	Mrs. Parkin

Silver Cleaning 2 September - Mrs. Watson
23 September - Mrs. Snowdon

PARISH BREAKFAST

2 Sept	Mrs C. Billard & Mrs. M. Houldcroft
9 Sept	Mrs V. Cryan & Mr. G. Hazlehurst
16 Sept	Mr & Mrs. Iosson
23 Sept	Mrs Powell & Miss Bird
30 Sept	Mrs. Beeley & friends!
7 Oct	Mr & Mrs. Gerald Waite

FOR EVER PRAISING

In memory of John Drewery, who always enjoyed singing rousing hymns, reference copies of most of the new hymn books have been donated to All Saints'. This will enable the Church and any group or individual within it to have access to the words and music of all current hymns and sons for all occasions. The list below gives the date of publication and number of hymns contained within the book.

1977 "With One Voice" (577) - ecumenical hymnbook
1978 "Sound of Living Water/Fresh Sounds" (241)
1983 "Hymns and Psalms" (823) - Methodist/Baptist
1986 "New English Hymnbook" (54) - Anglican
1987 "Hymns for Today's Church 2nd Ed." (644) Jubilee Group
1987 "Songs & Hymns of Fellowship" (comb) (645)
1987 "Mission Praise 2" (465)
1987 "Carol Praise" (355)
1988 "Let's Praise" (for teenagers) (233)
1989 "Hymns Old and New - revised" (800) - Roman Catholic
1989 "Mission Praise Supplement" (110)
1989 "Worship (65) - Graham Kendrick & John Wimber
1989 "The Wedding Book" (106 hymns and 24 Organ Voluntaries and full details about the Order of Service).
1990 "New Songs" (40) - from Songs of Fellowship

In addition some books of Children's Hymns and Action Songs were presented.

At present, if you wish to borrow or consult any of the hymnbooks, please contact the Vicar.

CARIBBEAN EVENING AT THE CHESHIRE HOME

All are welcome to a Caribbean Evening - of music and food - on Saturday 22 September from 7.30pm - 11pm. Tickets £3.50 (including food) from Robert at the Cheshire Home.

YORK TRIP

All Saints' School Parent Teacher Association have arranged a coach trip to York on Saturday October 6th. The coach will leave Totley at approximately 8.30am arriving in York at 10.15 and we will return home for 5.00pm. Why not take the opportunity to have a morning coffee in Betty's, visit the Minster, take a river trip or just wander round the shops. The fare is just £3.50 adults and £3 for under 13s. If you are interested, tickets are available now from Barbara Ward, 22 Stocks Green Drive, Tel. 361743.

SEPTEMBER DIARY

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|----|-----|---------|--|
| 1 | Sat | 10.45am | Holy Matrimony (Nigel Floodgate & Denise Murrell) |
| | | 3.00pm | Holy Matrimony (Jonathan Hutton & Karen Miles) |
| 4 | Tue | 1.45pm | Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close |
| | | 7.30pm | Ladies Club - "All Things New" Rev.H.McKee |
| | | 8.00pm | Young Saints leaders - Vicarage |
| 5 | Wed | 10.45am | Morning Fellowship - 2 Main Avenue |
| | | 8.00pm | Wednesday Fellowship - 5 Sherwood Chase |
| 6 | Thu | 2.00pm | Under Fives Praise - Church |
| | | 8.00pm | Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage |
| | | 8.00pm | Standing Committee - 35 Wollaton Road |
| 8 | Sat | 3.00pm | Holy Matrimony (Jeffrey Harrison-Turner & Helen Barnard) |
| 10 | Mon | 8.00pm | Magazine Editorial Meeting - Crypt |
| 11 | Tue | 1.45pm | Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close |
| | | 8.00pm | Men's Fellowship Open meeting - Hall |
| 12 | Wed | 8.00pm | Wednesday Fellowship - 126 Totley Brook Rd. |
| 13 | Thu | 2.00pm | Under Fives |
| | | 8.00pm | Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage |
| | | 8.00pm | P.C.C. Meeting - Crypt |
| 17 | Mon | 8.00pm | All Saints' Nursery/Playgroup committee |
| 18 | Tue | 1.45pm | Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close |
| | | 7.30pm | Ladies Club "Cheese & Wine" - Hall |
| 19 | Wed | 2.00pm | Afternoon Fellowship - 108 Sunnyvale Road |
| | | 8.00pm | Wednesday Fellowship - 1 Quarry Road |
| 20 | Thu | 2.00pm | Under Fives |
| | | 8.00pm | Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage |
| 24 | Mon | 7.00pm | All Saints' School Governors - Crypt |
| 25 | Tue | 12.15pm | Liaison Lunch - Hall |
| | | 1.45pm | Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close |
| | | 2.15pm | Ladies Working Party - Hall |
| 26 | Wed | 8.00pm | Wednesday Fellowship - 68 Dalewood Road |
| 27 | Thu | 2.00pm | Under Fives |
| | | 8.00pm | Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage |

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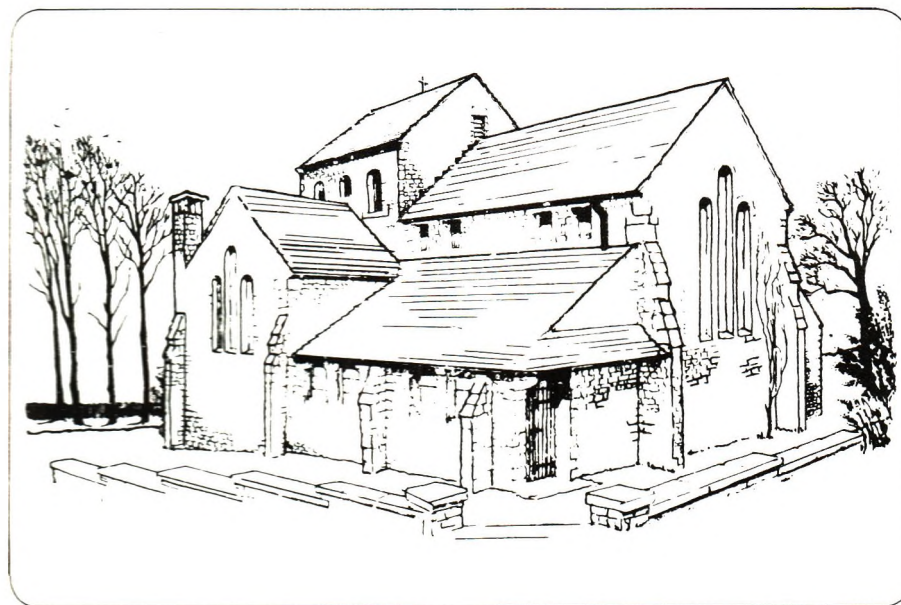
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

I recently took part in a day's course presented by the Mission Advance Research Centre - normally abbreviated to M A R C. The theme of the day was 'Change'.

The work of M A R C is mainly twofold. One aspect is to research and collate statistical evidence about Church affiliation, patterns of worship, social trends, etc., and the Centre was responsible for the National Church Census last Autumn. The other part of its work is in training or re-training those involved in ministry to enable them to be more effective in the midst of the kind of changes highlighted by their research findings.

Whether we would wish it to be so or not, one thing we can be sure of is that things will change. We cannot not change. Without change the lack of stimulus in life would cause discontent and decay. Without change there would be no personal growth in us as individuals. Change brings with it a mixture of feelings such as - loss and hope, risk and reward, excitement and confusion, conflict and confidence. By accepting rather than resisting the process of change, we can influence it for the better.

In Church life this means thinking out clearly the purposes to which Christ calls us today, and the goals by which we can fulfil His purpose. This will include prayerful forward planning and training. The insight of M A R C is that planning and training for the future is much more effective if we can see the reality of where we are now, and where we want to go in the future - and some form of parish audit or assessment is recommended.

In preparing for our Decade of Evangelism in Totley we need to plan some specific objectives and the steps necessary to achieve them - otherwise we shall all be very busy in December 1999!

Please pray about our local response to the Decade of Evangelism and how, in the words of St. Paul (Ephesians 5:16) we may redeem the time to the full.

Yours sincerely,

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Stewart Rayner

SERVICES IN OCTOBER

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am.

- 7th HARVEST FESTIVAL (PENTECOST 18)
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: II Corinthians 9: 6-15 (NEB)
Gospel : St. Matthew 13: 18-30 (NEB)
10am Festival Communion for Harvest (ASB)
11.30am Cheshire Home Communion
12noon Harvest Lunch in Hall
2pm Holy Baptism (Imogen Claire Boyd)
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
Old Testament: Deuteronomy 8: 1-10 (NEB)
New Testament: St. Luke 12: 16-31 (JB)
- 14th PENTECOST 19
Theme "The Life of Faith"
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
Epistle: Romans 5: 1-11 (RSV)
Gospel : St. Luke 19: 1-10 (NEB)
10am Young Saints
6.30pm Evensong (ASB)
Old Testament: Genesis 28: 10-22 (JB)
New Testament: St. Matthew 6: 24-34 (NEB)
- 21st LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Theme "Citizens of Heaven"
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Holy Communion (ASB)
(Address: John Bouch)
Epistle: Revelation 7: 2-4, 9-17 (RSV)
Gospel : St. Matthew 25: 1-23 (NEB)
10am Young Saints
3.30pm Cheshire Home Service
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
Old Testament: Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-14 (RSV)
New Testament: Philipians 3: 7-21 (JB)
- 28th NINTH SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS
Theme "The Creation"
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
First Reading: Genesis 1: 1-3, 24-31 (NEB)
Gospel : St. John 1: 1-14 (RSV)
6.30pm Evensong (ASB)
Old Testament: Genesis 2: 4-9, 15-25 (NEB)
New Testament: St. John 3: 1-8 (NEB)
- 1st ALL SAINTS' DAY
Nov 8pm Holy Communion (ASB)
Epistle: Revelation 7: 2-4, 9-17 (RSV)
Gospel : St Matthew 5: 1-12 (NEB)

3.

OCTOBER SUNDAYS

Harvest Festival

Our thanksgiving for Harvest and all the wonder and resources of God's Creation will be celebrated on Sunday 7th October. At 10am there will be a Festival Communion planned with "all-ages" in mind. A Harvest Lunch is arranged for 12 noon. To assist in the catering, please notify Mavis (351286) or Ann (350612) if you intend to come. Cost: Adults £2.50, children £1.00.

In keeping with the traditions of Harvest-tide, different groups are being invited to decorate a windowsill representing the resources from the field, the orchard, the soil, the hedgerow, the sea and the mine. The offering of baskets of produce will form part of the Festival Service - and these will be auctioned at the Harvest Lunch in aid of the hungry overseas.

Traidcraft

Goods and Christian Aid Christmas Cards will be on display in the Church Hall prior to the Harvest Lunch.

Authorisation of Angela

As the Harvest Festival is intended for all-ages there will be no "Family Service" on Sunday 21st October. At 10am Holy Communion (ASB) on that date, Angela Waite will be authorised as a Pastoral Worker. The Address at that Service will be given by John Bouch.

PARISH WEEKEND WITH THE CHURCH ARMY

Plans are being finalised for our All Saints' Tide Parish Weekend on 2nd-4th November - with activities on the Friday evening, 10am-4.30pm on Saturday and special services on the Sunday. Full details will be available separately in mid-October.

As part of our preparation we are having six weeks of prayer focus - and this includes a Time of Prayer on Thursdays throughout October at 8pm in Church after choir practice. Please pray for the weekend- and come as you are able on Thursday evenings.

PARISH ROTAS

FLOWERS

	<u>Altar</u>	<u>Memory Table</u>
7 October	-	Mrs. Wilson
14 October	Mrs. Simons	Mrs. Hinchcliffe
21 October	-	Mrs. Parsons
28 October	Mrs. Waite	Mr. Haywood

Silver Cleaning

7 October	Mrs Mayson	21 October - Mrs. Jockel
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PARISH BREAKFAST

7 October	Mr & Mrs Gerald Waite
14 October	Mrs Job and Mrs Murrell
21 October	Mr & Mrs Glyn Waite
28 October	Mr & Mrs Carter
5 November	Mrs Ruthven and Mrs Snowdon

TREES

You may remember, almost 2 years ago, we had to cut down several trees that were in a dangerous condition and last year we lost the large ash tree that was rotten inside. This year we are going to plant 12 trees at the bottom of the South Lawn, basically as replacements. It was originally thought that Christening families would like to make a donation of a tree or in memory of someone close and special. Before this idea was put down on paper we had sufficient donations to purchase the number of trees we intend to plant. (Maybe additional donations could go to sponsor a section of guttering instead?) The trees will be planted around November/December.

C. Job

THE WORLD STUDENT GAMES AND YOU!

Big events come and go; it's easy to blink and miss them but that will be difficult next year! Sheffield will be the centre for the World Student Games. This event is second only to the Olympics and presents us with great opportunities for Christian witness and service.

So what can you do? Mission Sheffield is working with churches to co-ordinate the outreach ministry to athletes and the visitors who will be in our city. Andrew Wingfield-Digby of Christians in Sport will head up the chaplaincy team who will operate in the athletes' village but there will be many opportunities for you to get involved in, such as:-

Host an Athlete, Hospitality, Accommodation, Events, Volunteers, Prayer and Finance.

For more information please contact Annette Job, 360122

PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

9 Sept Laura Emily Hague
9 Sept. Heather Grace Parkes
9 Sept. Michael John Hibberd
16 Sept. Hannah Elizabeth Eyre
16 Sept. Alexander David Cooper
23 Sept. Lisa Clare Knapton.

Holy Matrimony

1 Sept. Nigel Hugh Floodgate and Denise Joy Murrell
1 Sept. Jonathan Nigel Hutton and Karen Michele Miles
8 Sept. Jeffrey James Harrison-Turner and
Helen Claire Barnard

Funerals

17 August Charles Hill (66), Bents Farm
22 August Charles Marsden (95), Green Oak View
31 August Eric Letherland (81) 18 Laverdene Road
24 Sept. Roy Parr (68), 42 the Quadrant

Charlie Hill was born in Bents Farm and lived there for most of his life. As a member of a well-known Totley farming family, he was devoted to the land, and was respected and liked both in the farming scene and wider community. He used to work Shire Horses and keep pigs as well as the cattle rearing which became the mainstay of the farm in latter years.

Charles Marsden had been a resident of Green Oak View for about two years. He served in the York & Lancaster Regiment in the First World War and with the Rescue Squad in the Second. A dedicated and skillful gardener, he worked for the Parks Department for much of his life and prior to retirement was in charge of the grounds of Abbeydale Grange School.

Eric Letherland was born in Pitsmoor, and came in 1939 to live on Laverdene Road where he was highly regarded as a neighbour and friend. A pattern-maker in the steel industry, he worked for Davy Childs and Firth Browns.

Roy Parr came from Birkenhead. He was a pilot in the Second World War as a Lieutenant in the Fleet Air Arm. Following demob his work in departmental stores finally brought him to Sheffield as a fashion buyer for Atkinsons. He enjoyed cricket and rugby, and was an umpire for many years at Totley Rise Cricket Club. He began the cricket team at the Heatherfield Club where he had been a member since its inception 17 years ago, and has been Treasurer in recent years. His friendly, caring and perceptive nature was appreciated by all who knew him.

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ABOUT TRUTH

writes the Bishop of Sheffield



1. Appropriately for so grand a subject I'll begin with five somewhat solemn statements:

- i) Without belief in truth itself, there is no sure foundation for learning and living.
- ii) We must trust in, and be loyal to, the truth (and the truths) in which we believe.
- iii) Our ignorance is vast and there is much on which the truth is unknown to us and much on which we have simply to accept what others tell us.
- iv) Both when we are ignorant and also when we know we must respect the truth in others - even when we think they are wrong.
- v) In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. All things were made by Him. In Him was life; and the life was the light of men.

2. Let us continue with five rather more practical statements about truth and the Christian Church:

- i) Many seekers after truth have found the truth in Jesus Christ and this is the unshakeable ground of their faith.
- ii) Many people keep back from faith in Jesus Christ because they do not believe that the things that Christians believe can possibly be true.
- iii) For many people, since they believe that Churchgoers (and the Clergy) are insincere in their beliefs, the Church is not the place where they seek the truth.
- iv) We would be wrong to claim that within the Church and her Scriptures is all truth. The Bible is not the sole encyclopedia of knowledge.
- v) The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth.

3. From these varied propositions I draw three conclusions of very varying importance:

- i) For our evangelism to be effective we must not only be proclaiming truth and speaking the truth, we must also be believed generally to be a company of truth seekers. The Church must not become a place of refuge from uncomfortable truths. It must be - and be seen to be "the pillar and ground of the truth" (1 Tim.3.15).
- ii) If we do believe St. John's teaching on the Word then we need not fear the truth. Keeping ourselves (or others) in ignorance cannot be the right way to protect Christian truth.
- iii) The Bishop of Sheffield's October lectures* have a part to play in the Decade of Evangelism. May they be used by all lovers of truth both within and without the Christian Church.

*The Bishop of Sheffield's Lectures have the general title "Great is Truth". They take place in Sheffield Cathedral on four successive nights, Monday - Thursday, 22nd - 25th October, at 7.30 p.m. They will be followed by questions and then some informal discussion. I keep changing their titles but the subjects are fixed thus:

Monday, 22nd October, The World and Truth
Tuesday, 23rd October, The Bible and Truth
Wednesday, 24th October, The Church and Truth
Thursday, 25th October, Me and Truth

They will be, I believe, informative and enjoyable. Do come!

DAVID LUNN
Bishop of Sheffield



Mission Doncaster has a series of Bible Schools planned to take place over the next couple of years. The first is this Autumn entitled "Going for gold; going for God" with the Revd. Peter Lewis of Cornerstone Evangelical Church, Nottingham. It's from Monday to Wednesday, 8th., 9th., 10th October at Doncaster Pentecostal Church, Cleveland Street at 7.30 p.m. each evening.

There's also a seminar for ministers and leaders on Tuesday, 9th October from 10.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. where lunch can be booked in advance, entitled "The man and his ministry"

A seminar for the wives of ministers and leaders, "Living with leaders" is on Wednesday, 10th October from 10.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

Both seminars are at Doncaster Pentecostal Church and are led by Peter and Val Lewis.

Further details are available from Ros Redden on Doncaster 853829.

Harvest of Talents

Following last year's successful Harvest at St. Paul's, Wheatley Park, Doncaster, this year the church will be celebrating the skills and talents of the people of the parish. Music, Needlework, Knitting, Rug Making, Crochet, Painting, Flower Arranging, Gardening and Photography will all be featured during the Harvest Weekend. On Thursday, 4th October, there's all sorts of music for everybody, and an exhibition from 7.30-9.00 p.m. On Friday, 5th October and Saturday, 6th October there's an Exhibition and workshops from 6.00-8.30 p.m. and 2.00 p.m. - 6.30 p.m. respectively. On Sunday, 7th October, there's a Parish Festival Service at 10.00 a.m., with a traditional Harvest Festival and Holy Communion at 6.30 p.m.

If you want a Harvest with a difference, why not join the people of St. Paul's in their celebrations.

Tear Fund

Tear Fund is a Christian relief and development agency which provides both physical help and spiritual hope to people in need around the world. Tear Fund works in partnership with local people who share the conviction that "man cannot live by bread alone." This partnership provides material help to people regardless of race or creed along with the opportunity to hear the gospel. If you would like to know more about the work of Tear Fund, please contact one of the representatives in the Diocese: David and Maribu Hughes on Sheffield 307075, Brian and Janice Wilson on Sheffield 340614 or Chris and Beth Brook on Doncaster 770813. They are prepared to lend videos, filmstrips or other resources, or to lead a discussion or Bible Study about development issues. Alternatively they can arrange a sale of handicrafts made on projects supported by Tearcraft.

In the beginning - News from the Manor

Richard Caborn M.P. opened GENESIS at the end of August on the Manor Estate, Sheffield. Genesis is a community shop, a partnership between the local community and churches of the area. The shop sells good quality second hand clothing at low cost, and in time it hopes to sell other lines. And it's all to help serve the needs of the people who live on the estate which suffers from unemployment and poverty.

Over the past few years the people of Manor have lived with the demolition of houses built in the 1920's, and have suffered the associated problems. A re-development programme is now underway, and despite the problems this has brought, the people of the estate, who have a strong sense of community, continue to be as resourceful as ever and play an active part in helping to meet their needs.

GENESIS is staffed by volunteers from the community and for each day of opening there is a team leader and several staff to ensure the careful running of the shop, as well as a management committee of people from the local community and the churches.

The shop not only serves the needs of the estate, but also offers opportunities for people to develop new skills and take on new responsibilities.

It's an exciting new venture, and more information is available from: Rev. Richard Atkinson, St. Swithun's Vicarage, Carey Road, Sheffield S2 1JP. Tel: (0742) 398360 or Mrs. Liz Fox, 29 Angleton Green, Manor, Sheffield S2 1NE. Tel: (0742) 641917.

Perhaps there are ways in which you can help!

DECADE OR DECAYED

Does our worship work?

Church services and the 'occasional' worshipper.

The diocesan liturgical committee is organising a day conference on this theme on Saturday, November 17th from 10.00 a.m. until 4.00 p.m. at St. Paul's church, Masbrough, Rotherham.

The decade of evangelism invites us to ask if we are making the most of the opportunities provided by 'folk religion' and the occasional worshipper. Christmas, baptisms, memorial services, special local occasions all provide unique opportunities.

How do we use them?

How do we help people worship who don't normally come to church?

Canon Ken Riley of Liverpool Cathedral, who was responsible for the Liverpool Hillsborough Memorial Service, will help to lead the day which will also include worship, workshops, chance to talk to parishes that have worked in these areas and to hear of other experiences.

The conference is open to all interested, a nominal fee of £1 will be charged. Look out for details.

ANYONE FOR JERUSALEM?

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HOLY SITES

Situated close to the Old City of Jerusalem it is an easy step from here to visit the Holy Sites. Walking through Damascus Gate early in the morning is like stepping back in time, as you mingle with Christians, Jews and Muslims going about their daily tasks. The narrow streets are filled with jostling people; the women in their beautifully embroidered Arab dresses; the orthodox Jew in his fine fur hat and black breeches suit, long ringlets bobbing as he walks. Children running, shouting, laughing, crying - and forever wanting to sell you bundles of postcards for two shekels!!

But Jerusalem is not only the Old City, the Mount of Olives and Mount Zion - there is a modern city, with its pedestrian precinct, where musicians and artisans in jewellery, pottery and needlework come out in the evening hours and set up stalls. There are restaurants spilling over onto the pavement, where young and old while away the hours, just watching the world go by.

WARM WELCOME

At the end of a busy day in Jerusalem, or perhaps after venturing further afield to Bethany or Bethlehem, north to Galilee or South to the Negev, St. George's offers a warm welcome home - considerate staff, a comfortable room and a good meal.

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Children are very welcome at St. George's - and head straight for the garden pond to watch the goldfish and frogs. Herod Antipuss and Cookie also offer feline entertainment around the grounds. The garden provides a good spot for bar-b-q's, but is more usually enjoyed for its quiet and calm, where you can sit, enjoy the colourful flowers, birds and butterflies - and just 'be'!

GOOD RESOURCES

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Getting on with Evangelism



Bishop David is getting to days in turning the first sod, and unveiling plaques at the projects. It was no exception when at the end of September he unveiled the foundation plaque of the Church Army Wilson Carlile College of Evangelism in Cavendish Street, Sheffield.

Church Army's choice of Sheffield for the College of Evangelism has been very appropriate, for the whole Anglican Communion has taken note of the Diocese of Sheffield's commitment to the Decade of Evangelism. A recent Anglican worldwide news bulletin reports: "The Diocese of Sheffield jumped the gun on virtually the rest of the Anglican Communion on June 10th, 1990, when they launched the Decade of Evangelism."

Church Army and the Diocese looks forward to a long and fruitful association, as both set their stalls out for the Decade of Evangelism.

Thorne-y one

St. Nicholas' Church at Thorne is a beautiful and well kept Parish Church, well worth a visit, but that didn't stop a commemorative plaque from falling off the chancel wall. The Church Council, of course discussed the matter, and at the conclusion of the discussion, the Vicar, the Rev. David Benson was heard to remark, "It was never put up properly in the first place!" - and the date of the commemorative plaque? 1723!

The Revd George Scott

We are sorry to record the death of Fr Scott after a long and tiring illness. A Scot, his ministry was mostly in Scotland, divided by three years at Hull with the Missions to Seamen, and then nine years from 1965-74 at St. James & St. Christopher, Shiregreen, Sheffield. He retired in 1986 with his wife Elizabeth to Sheffield near their married daughter. His funeral was as he wished in Scotland, but friends and former parishioners were able to give thanks for his life and ministry at a requiem in the Cathedral at the end of August.

R.T.

The Revd Henry Harrison Naylor

Friends in this diocese will be sorry to learn of the death of Mr. Naylor on July 21st. A Lancastrian by birth he nevertheless spent the whole of his ministry, from 1937 to 1978, in Sheffield diocese, the greater part as incumbent of Arksey, Eastoft and Bramley in turn. He enjoyed his service in mining communities and regarded miners and their families as 'the salt of the earth'; many of them in turn greatly valued his cheerful ministry. Most of his retirement was spent in Swinton, Manchester.

R.T.

Appointments

The Revd. Gary David Simmons, Assistant Curate, St. Mary's, Ecclesfield, to be Priest-in-Charge of Immanuel, Edge Hill, Stapenhill, in the Diocese of Derby.

The Revd. David Anthony Bowles, formerly Rector of Burton Latimer in the Diocese of Peterborough, to be Vicar of St. Oswald's, Milhouses, in the Diocese of Sheffield.

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The Vicar's Sunday mornings off!

Arksey, near Doncaster, Churchgoers will, by the time you read this, have had several times, the unusual experience of listening to a sermon without knowing where to look, since the pulpit was empty! (The Vicar, the Revd. Canon Colin Hickling says that they actually look at him to make sure that he is paying attention!) The Bishop was, of course, the first to preach to the churches in the Diocese in this way in the preparations for Daystar at Doncaster Racecourse.

For at All Saints', Arksey, the Vicar had a bright idea one day and thought of a way of saving wear and tear on his own imagination, not to mention that this would give the Arksey people a bit of a rest from hearing the sound of his voice so much. That he thought would please everybody, since his voice had been described by a kind well-wisher as "penetrating"!

His idea was that he would persuade some of his friends in the South whom he knew to be good preachers, to put specially written, "custom built" sermons for All Saints' congregation onto tape, to be played in Church at the point in the service where the sermon comes. The idea, a good one, and the sermons have been well received, but Colin Hickling has had his leg pulled a little by people who were overheard to say, "I think we'll put the Vicar into a little black box so that we can switch him off by pressing a button!" To which another, even kinder friend rejoined without a moment's hesitation, "Oh no we want him at 'Fast Forward'".

What a novel way it is to have a visiting preacher from afar at Church..... and you don't have to put him up overnight either!

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

My apologies first to anyone who was unaware of the corrected date for our first open meeting, and turned up on the Wednesday evening, instead of the Tuesday.

Our first meeting, with the address given by Terry Irwin on the subject "The next ten years, a personal view", although poorly supported was a great success. Terry's address ranged far and wide, giving us his view of Europe and the world and at home during the next ten years, both politically and spiritually. The discussion afterwards was lively and thought provoking.

Our October meeting on Tuesday 9th at 8.00pm in the Church Hall will have the Rev. Elizabeth Nash as its speaker, using the same subject for her address.

Elizabeth is a member of the Industrial Mission team in Sheffield and is no stranger to All Saints', having been a preacher here previously.

When I spoke to Elizabeth about the subject for her address a few weeks ago, she was intrigued by the prospect of using her personal crystal ball, and I am sure we are in for another exciting evening and I am equally sure, though the subject matter is the same, Elizabeth will reveal a different perspective.

We would be very pleased for you to join us, the meetings are open to men and women, young and not so young!

Please note that future meetings are all on Tuesday evenings - 13th November, 11th December, 12th February, 12th March 9th April and 14th May.

Robin Carter

LADIES CLUB

The first meeting this month will be on Tuesday 2nd October. Mrs. Flett will give an illustrated talk on Nether Edge Hospital entitled "The Story of the Workhouse".

Details for the meeting on 16th October cannot yet be finalised as the outcome of the discussion on the future of the Ladies Club is unknown. However, if a meeting is to be held on the 16th, information regarding content and style of the meeting will be circulated to members later.

SHOP EARLY FOR CHRISTMAS

All Saints' School will be providing you with several opportunities to start your Christmas shopping during October!

On Saturday 20th October there will be an AUTUMN FAIR in the school from 2-4.30pm. There will be lots of stalls with gifts, books, cakes, toys, cards, etc. There will also be games and sideshows to keep your children occupied and refreshments will be served.

The following week there will be a BOOK FAIR in the school hall, opening times as follows:

Monday 22nd and Thursday 25th	3.00 - 4.30 pm
Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th	3.00 - 5.30pm

GUTTERS

At the time of going to print final preparations are being made for the replacement of the existing guttering which has come to the end of its useful life.

From the many offers of help received, a small team has been selected to do the actual climbing and fixing of the gutters.

A ground crew, however, is equally essential to do the many jobs that will have to be done at floor level:- e.g. scrap gutter piling, painting, odd jobbing, holding ladders, mashing tea, etc...

This area is difficult to organise in advance so I would appreciate it if people could make themselves available when required.

It is intended to start on Monday September 17th at 8.30am (weather permitting), so by say 10.00am ground crew helpers will be required to clear the working area. If you can make it for a couple of hours please help, but don't be disappointed if you are not asked to do anything. There will certainly be plenty to do over the following weeks.

The overall cost of replacing the gutters is being kept to a minimum by the amount of work we are doing ourselves. The overall cost is estimated, at present, at just under £4500. Would you like to sponsor a section of guttering or downpipe? For 3 inches of guttering it would be say £5 or £20 for 1 foot. Please help if you can. Contact the Vicar or churchwardens.

WORDS FOR CONTEMPLATION

"Come to ME and listen to MY Words. Hear ME and you shall have life."

Isaiah 55:3

Thursdays, 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th October 8.00pm -
Contemplative Prayer Group at the Vicarage.

UNDER FIVES

In order to adapt to the changing needs of the children concerned, the Under Fives are planning for this term to have two meetings each month for "Under Fives Praise" in the church with refreshments and games afterwards in the hall. They extend an open invitation to anyone young at heart to join them, this month on Thursday 4th October and Thursday 18th October at about 2.00pm. Further details of these and other activities of the group from Anne Cross, 10A Rowan Tree Dell, Tel. 369979.

LADIES WORKING PARTY

Our next meeting will be held in the hall on Tuesday 23rd October 1990 at 2.15pm. Don't forget our Jumble Sale on 6th October in the hall at 2.00pm - jumble to be received same day in the hall from 10.00am.

POVERTY QUOTES

Poverty makes you sad, as well as wise.

Bertolt Brecht

Poverty is the worst form of violence.

Gandhi

The more you are involved with the poor, the more you cry out for GOD.

Father Arochian,
Jesuit Priest

Poverty is a great enemy to human happiness; it certainly destroys liberty and it makes some virtues impracticable and others extremely difficult.

Samuel Johnson

CHRISTIAN HEALING

Words seem so inadequate to share with you all my recent experience, but with God's help I'll try. I was invited by a cousin to visit Harnhill, a centre of Christian Healing near Cirencester, she had found help there after many years of suffering and felt I would benefit in my illness.

I have always believed Jesus heals today because of the fact he is the same Yesterday, Today and Forever and therefore went with a positive attitude. However, nothing prepared me for the impact of Harnhill, where Jesus is at the centre of everything. Jesus met me at the door, I SAW Wyn but through her he welcomed me into his family and Jesus lives through everyone, whether they live at Harnhill or come in from outside to do various jobs including counselling, it is so evident, no human being has the strength and love these people have and share with you freely without Jesus' living presence in their lives. It is not embarrassing or overwhelming, it is a natural expression of the love they feel. Peace is the only overwhelming emotion and we are all in need of that sometimes in our lives.

Harnhill's invitation is open to all whether you have a particular purpose or just need to rest and be renewed. Rest assured Jesus will be there at the point of your need and you will bring something special home with you and hopefully share with others the love, joy and peace you have found.

I went for physical healing but received tremendous inner healing. The physical healing he gave me - to be a visual witness to his love - has enabled me to regain my balance and am no longer dependent on my stick.

Praise The Lord

Jenny W.

UNIVERSITY BOUND

Helen, oldest daughter of Annette and Cliff Job, is busy making plans for a 3-year course at Newcastle University, starting on 26th September.

Helen was successful in passing her 'A' Levels in Maths, Physics, Chemistry and Biology and is looking forward to taking a Degree in medical Physics.

We wish her every success for the future.

Before departing a Birthday-come-leaving party was arranged in the Church Hall, to which all were invited.

ARMCHAIRS

We are all familiar with the armchair warrior - he who fights or rather commands from the safety of his armchair - miles away from the action, with no risk to himself - some warrior!!! Another armchair occupant is the armchair football supporter who rarely, if ever, goes to watch his team, he, however, will listen to radio reports, watch them when on "tele" and read newspaper reports, but he also does not commit himself to the action by his presence and vocal support - not much of a supporter is he? But we have to be charitable in our attitude to armchair members of the church. You know the sort of people who fill in official forms: RELIGION: C. of E. or whatever, when their only connection is they are members by virtue of their baptism in early infancy. They too, like the previous examples, never get into the action by church attendance and church participation, for everyone can make some contribution to keep the church in being. You have to give something of yourself, maybe those who are afraid to commit themselves mistakenly think any contribution they could make would be insignificant - they are sadly mistaken, for however small, or large for that matter, is acceptable and what is more it is repaid fourfold? tenfold? or more, at least that is how it appears to me. These thoughts were triggered off at the sight of an armchair in an antique shop, what we "old uns" know as second-hand shops. Unlike the armchair church member; his religion is new - it has never been used.

Rex B.

BEST WISHES

Pam and David Best, Jonathan and Christopher have moved from Bradway to Wakefield, after worshipping at All Saints' for the past eight years, during which the boys were confirmed. With the move coming in the middle of August they were unable to say goodbye to everyone, but pass on their thanks for the good fellowship received at All Saints'.

Their new address is: 11 Kestrel Drive, Sandal, Wakefield, West Yorkshire, WF2 6SB (0924-257069)

THANKS

Dorothy Firth, who has taught in the Sunday School/Young Saints for the past 13 years, feels the time has come for her to offer her service to All Saints' in new ways. We, and many young people, are grateful for her care and thoughtful presentation of the Christian faith.

OCTOBER DIARY

2	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		7.30pm	Ladies Club - Hall
3	Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship-10 Twentywell Drive
4	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives Praise
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
		8.00pm	Standing Committee - 74 Main Avenue
6	Sat	2.00pm	Jumble Sale (Ladies Working Party) P.T.A. Coach to York
9	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		7.30pm	Open Meeting with Rev.Elizabeth Nash - Men's Fellowship
10	Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 50 Goodison Crescent, Stanington
11	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives Praise
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
		8.00pm	P.C.C. Meeting - Crypt
13	Sat	3.00pm	Holy Matrimony (Paul Chadwick and Claire Purkiss)
16	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
17	Wed	2.00pm	Monthly Afternoon Fellowship - 1 Quarry Rd.
		8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 4 The Crescent
18	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives Praise
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
20	Sat	2.00pm	- AUTUMN FAYRE at All Saints' School
		4.30pm	
23	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
		8.00pm	PARISH FORUM - Hall
24	Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 5 Sherwood Chase
25	Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives Praise
		8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
27	Sat	12noon	Holy Matrimony (John Bramall and Katie Raylor)
30	Tue	1.45pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
31	Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 68 Dalewood Road

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP

On 10th October the Wednesday Fellowship is invited to the home of Mick and Trish Woodhead at Stanington. Will all members of the group contact Marjorie Snowdon (362822) re transport.

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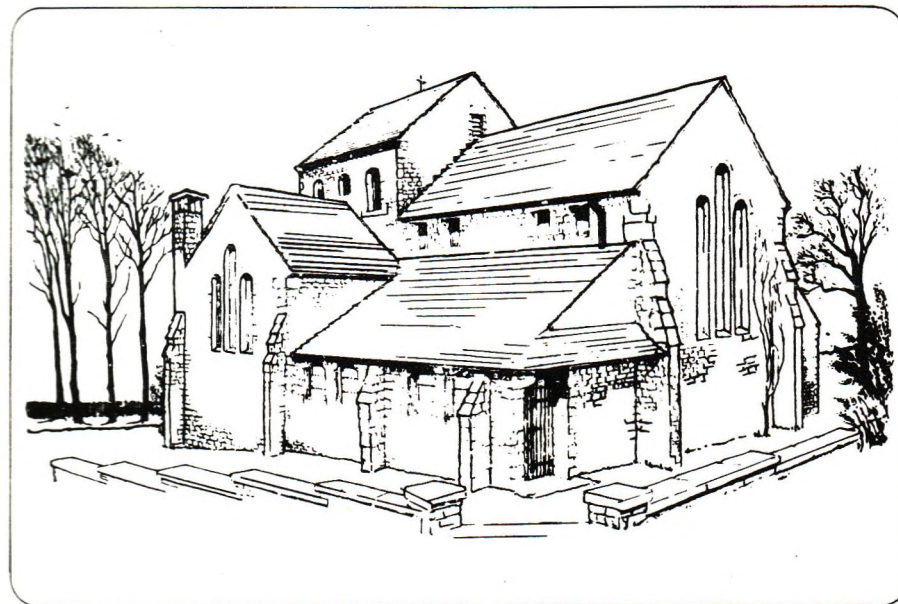
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Although I regularly purchase the "Church Times" I must confess there are parts which remain unread by the end of the week. However the short section entitled "100 Years ago" is always a must. In reading those letters or reports of a hundred years ago, they sometimes have a familiar ring as if they had related to events of a week ago, although more often I am struck by the heated debates over issues we now look back on as almost ludicrous. We wonder how Christians then could be so bigoted and narrow!

Yet this leads me to ponder on what readers of the "Church Times" in a hundred years will make of our current discussions and practices.

Perhaps they might question . . .
. . . what was the fuss over women priests all about?
. . . how odd that clergy lived in tied-accommodation, and were never assessed to see how effectively they were working ?
. . . how shortsighted we were in not giving sacrificially to ease the needs of those in the inner city and the third world?
. . . how foolish of Christians in one locality not to work together in mission and pastoral care, and not to pool all their resources to achieve something really worthwhile?

At least they could read of some good news on the last issue. A Church of Cathedral-like proportions is being built in the centre of the City of Milton Keynes. This City Church will be shared by five major Christian denominations - Anglican, Roman Catholic, Methodist, Baptist and United Reformed. The Church will accommodate about 600 people and will be surrounded by a circular cloister and landscaped courtyards with buildings which will include a Centre for Integrated Living and a Centre for Voluntary Organisations.

This is a good piece of news which gives us encouragement as Christians to work together towards the 21st Century.

Yours sincerely,



SERVICES IN NOVEMBER

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am.

- 1st ALL SAINTS' DAY
8pm Holy Communion (ASB)
Epistle: Revelation 7: 2-4, 9-end (RSV)
Gospel : St. Matthew 5: 1-12 (NEB)
- 4th EIGHTH SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS - ALL SAINTS' TIDE
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Holy Communion (ASB)
First Reading: Jeremiah 31: 31-34 (NEB)
Gospel : St. Matthew 5: 1-12 (NEB)
10am Young Saints
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
Old Testament: Genesis 3: 1-15 (NEB)
New Testament: Romans 7: 7-13 (TEV)
- 11th REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY - SEVENTH SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS
Theme "Abraham - and the Election of God's People"
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
First Reading: Genesis 12: 1-9 (TEV)
Gospel : St. John 8: 51-end (NEB)
10.10am Service of Remembrance
11am Act of Remembrance at War Memorial
10am Young Saints
6.30pm Evensong (ASB)
Old Testament: Genesis 22: 1-18 (NEB)
New Testament: St. Luke 20 : 9-17 (JB)
- 18th SIXTH SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS
Theme "Moses - and the Promise of Redemption"
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
First Reading: Exodus 3: 7-15 (TEV)
Gospel : St. John 6: 25-35 (RSV)
10am Family Service
12.15pm Holy Baptism (Charles Brodie and Charlotte Blakeley)
3.30pm Cheshire Home Service
6.30pm Holy Communion (BCP)
First Reading: Exodus 6: 2-8 (NEB)
Gospel : St. Mark 13: 5-13 (NEB)
- 25th FIFTH SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS
Theme "The Remnant of Israel"
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
First Reading: I Kings 19: 9-18 (RSV)
Gospel : St. Matthew 24: 37-44 (NEB)
10am Young Saints
6.30pm Evensong (ASB)
Old Testament: Isaiah 10: 20-23 (RSV)
New Testament: St. Mark 13: 14-23 (NEB)

See you on.....
SATURDAY 24 NOVEMBER



THESE I HAVE LOVED

On Tuesday 27th November in the Church Hall, Leonard Brightmore will be again presenting a programme of Prose and Poetry. As on previous occasions there will be a mixture of different sources and different readers - as lighthearted as possible but probably not without a more pensive moment here and there.

Since Christmas will be approaching, Leonard also is introducing a Christmas flavour and he promises an unusual carol in which he wants all to take part.

If you have attended one of these evenings before you will know that this is an occasion not to be missed. If this will be your first then do be encouraged to come along and enjoy it. There is no charge for admission and coffee will be available at the interval. Don't forget, 7.30pm on 27th November!

ADVENT PRAISE

Preparations are under way for the next Praise Service which will be in the evening on Sunday December 2nd. Since this is Advent Sunday it is right that we should take the theme of "Coming" and plan to celebrate Jesus' coming at Christmas as a baby, His coming into our lives through the Holy Spirit and His coming to reign in glory. As previously, we want to make this event as participative as possible and suggestions or offers of suitable contributions will be most welcome. Please speak to Maurice Snowden about it as soon as possible if you have any ideas, but in any case, plan to come along and join in this service.

PARISH ROTAS

<u>Flowers</u>	<u>Altar</u>	<u>Memory Table</u>
4 Nov.	Mr. Bramall	Mrs. Dixon
11 Nov.	Mrs. Coates & Mr. Johnson	Mrs. White
18 Nov.	Mrs. King	Mrs. Monfredi
25 Nov.	Mrs. Powell	Mrs. Clarke
<u>Silver Cleaning</u>		
4 Nov.	Mrs. Wiles	18 Nov. Mrs. Parkin
<u>Parish Breakfast</u>		
5 Nov.	Mrs. Ruthven & Mrs. Snowden	
12 Nov.	Mrs. Ludlam & Mrs. Lewis	
19 Nov.	Mrs. Wright & Mrs. Warrender	
26 Nov.	Mrs. Ibbotson & Mrs. Cook	
3 Dec	Mrs. Firth & Mrs. Thompson	

NOVEMBER APPEAL FOR EASTERN EUROPE

The Archbishops of Canterbury and York are asking all Church members to respond to an Appeal for help from the Churches of Eastern Europe where they are already facing the challenge of new opportunities for mission.

As well as coping with immediate needs such as the care of orphans and the supply of winter clothes and bedding to the poor, the Churches are eager to start on long-term work, including the extension of chaplaincy work to schools, hospitals and prisons in Russia; work for peace and reconciliation between ethnic groups in Romania; the offering of pastoral support and medical equipment to help those affected by the Chernobyl disaster; and the building up of industrial and rural mission.

In the past we have prayed for the persecuted Churches in the East - now is the time to put prayer into action. There will be an opportunity to give via All Saints' each Sunday in November.

NEW CLERK

Following the retirement of Margaret Wiggett, Mrs. Rosemary Bromyard has been appointed Clerk for All Saints' School. Rosemary joins All Saints' from Cottage Lane Outdoor Centre where she has been Secretary. She has also done secretarial work for the Sheffield Industrial Mission.

AUTHORISATION OF ANGELA

Angela Waite would like to thank everyone for their good wishes on her Authorisation as Pastoral Worker on Sunday 21st October. Special thanks to Stewart and Beryl, and to her support group, Glyn, Bill Bryer, Dorothy Firth and Anne Wiles for their encouragement and prayers over the last two years.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The meeting held on Tuesday, October 9th was again very successful. Elizabeth Nash developed her personal view of the next 10 years in a way quite different from Terry Irwin, the previous month.

The most interesting and thought-provoking part dwelt on her projection of "feminist theology"; the discussions ranged far and wide !!

November's meeting will be led by Phillip Hacking, the Vicar of Fulwood, who will use the same subject. "The next 10 years, a personal view". I am sure Phillip will provide us with another stimulating evening.

Please join us on November 13th, 8pm in the Church Hall. The meetings are open to men and women, young and old. See you there.

Robin Carter

HARVEST FESTIVAL AT EDENSOR

Thank you very much children of the Junior Choir for taking part in the Harvest Festival Service at Edensor Parish Church on September 23rd, and to those who provided transport.

S. Scaife.

HARVEST LUNCH

The members of the Social Committee thank everyone who helped to prepare for the Harvest Lunch. Approximately £76 was raised. It was heart-warming to see how many people "just turned up" without having been asked. Some comments from the younger end:

Liz Powell: "Absolutely brilliant - definitely to be repeated"

Helen Powell: "The apple pie was delicious, the pastry was as light as a cloud."

Valerie Ruthven: "Why don't I get meals like this at home? Please don't make me wait another year".

Brian Ruthven: "Could someone give Mum cookery lessons?"

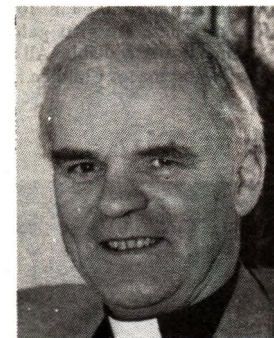
None of the food here compares with the Harvest Lunch.

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An Opportunity for Prayer

writes the Bishop of Doncaster:



This month, after an introduction of the issue in the Diocesan Synod, Deaneries and parishes will start to give their serious and thoughtful attention to the question of the Ordination of Women to the Priesthood. I don't want to suggest that many haven't already been doing so; but we move to particular local discussion and Deanery voting: with the matter returning to the Diocesan Synod for their vote in November 1991. That will be followed by the General Synod vote in February 1992.

We all realise that there are deep differences of conviction on this question; and, coupled with conviction, strong feeling. It seems to me therefore to be of the greatest importance that we approach debate and voting in the most responsible way.

That means in the first instance that we should approach the issue theologically. I am not implying that everyone should become amateur theologians overnight. It is much more a recognition on our part that all ministry, ordained or lay, is about God and his servant purpose for the Church. Of course we are influenced by cultural attitudes and secular pressures; for we live in the real world, a world through which God speaks to us. Yet we must be careful to distinguish between the leading of the Spirit and contemporary fashion; and fashion can be either of the progressive or reactionary kind.

In the second place, we must approach the issue sensitively. It simply will not do to be dismissive of the people with whom we disagree. We have to listen to and respect each other. It is only the foolish who are patronising. There are some very deep feelings and concerns on both sides of the debate.

And thirdly we must be mindful of the unity of the Church. I do not intend to enter into the business of predicting the outcome; which in the end thankfully is in God's hands rather than our own. Whatever happens a substantial ministry of healing will be needed. We must hold on to each other and remember our oneness to Christ.

Nor should we at the beginning of a decade of Evangelism allow one issue, however significant for the future life of the Church to dominate. God has given us a wide agenda. We have to serve in a society which cries out for a greater awareness of the redemption and reconciliation already achieved in Christ.

For this there is no better focus for the Church than prayer. May I remind you of the Day of Prayer for the Decade on Saturday December 1. There will be short morning 'retreats' in three Churches in the Diocese: at St. Paul, Masborough; St. Mark, Broomhill; and St. Wilfrid, Cantley: from 10 a.m. until 12 noon. All are welcome at any of them; but we hope that every parish will endeavour to have two representatives at the most suitable centre for them. Please keep your own Parish Church open for prayer on the Day as well.

WILLIAM
Bishop of Doncaster

Don't forget the George Hamilton IV Concerts

On Wednesday, 21st November at Sheffield Cathedral at 7.30 p.m. and on Thursday, 22nd November at The Dome, Doncaster at 7.30 p.m. Further details from Tony Davis. Tel: Sheffield (0742) 367095. All in aid of Operation Build-up - the Bishop's £Million Appeal.

Christmas Fayre

A Christmas Fayre will be held in Sheffield Cathedral Hall on Saturday, 24th November from 10.00 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. There are gifts galore, cake stall etc. and refreshments are available. All proceeds are for Martin House, a Hospice for Children in Wetherby.



First Time



It was the first time ever said the Bishop of Doncaster, that there had been an Ordination Service at Armthorpe, Doncaster, Parish Church, when Ian Wallis was made Deacon at Michaelmas. And the church was packed with people from the parish and friends. It was a happy and memorable occasion.

Sheffield Theological Society

meets monthly on Mondays at 5.30 p.m. in Lecture Theatre 6 on the lower ground floor in the Arts Towers of the University of Sheffield (Western Bank. S10 2TN), and invites readers to "Rhetoric and Irony: a further modest proposal" by Dr. David Jasper of the University of Durham, on Monday, 12th November.

On Monday, 3rd December, Bishop David will speak on "What Ceremony else? An Anglican debate on Christian Initiation." All are welcome.

Cathedral Christmas Card

The cathedral Christmas card for this year depicts the Virgin and Child from the Te Deum Window by Christopher Webb in the Chapel of the Holy Spirit. It is available from the cathedral Bookstall at 35p each or £3 for 10, or by post at £3.40 for 10 including post and packing from: The Vergers' Office, The Cathedral, Church Street, Sheffield. S1 1HA.

Reconciliation

The Taize prayer and worship which takes place in the cathedral on the last Saturday of each month is becoming a time of prayer for reconciliation. As well as this regular time, a mid-month meeting is organised for Monday, 12th November. For times and venues please contact Harold Roberts on Sheffield 551473 or Gill Bewley on Sheffield 333109. If you are interested in any of these events, do come and join us, says Gill Bewley, we will be very glad to welcome you.

Education Team Welcomes

Judith Dawson has started work as the Diocesan Officer for children and youth. She joins the team from a teaching post in a Worksoop Comprehensive School where along with pastoral responsibilities, she has taught Religious Education for the past seven years. For the past four years she has lived in Harthill, where she is involved in youth work, and has recently been licensed as a Lay Reader. Judith's appointment is full-time.

Nancy Johnson has started her one and a half days a week in Adult Education work and is already well known in the Diocese, having for the last two years been the Issues Information Worker and Secretary for the Social Responsibility Committee as well as a tutor on the Pastoral Workers' Course. Her special concern will be that of enabling lay people to explore their understanding of faith. Both Judith and Nancy can be contacted through the Diocesan Education Office on Sheffield (0742) 754386.

Proclaim the Good News

is the title of a Youth Weekend at Whirlow Grange from 14th-16th December. For young people aged 14-18 it will explore new ways of sharing their faith. Led by Dennis Lennon, the Diocesan Adviser in Evangelism, it will combine times of learning and sharing with lots of fun and laughter. The cost is £20, but if anyone has difficulty, help is available. Contact the Diocesan Education Office on Sheffield (0742) 754386.

Know Way?

The Rotherham Group of the World Development Movement is proud to present The Jabbok Theatre Company and their latest production "Know Way" at Herringthorpe United Reformed Church, Stag, Wickersley Road, Rotherham at 7.30 p.m. on Saturday 17th November. The drama addresses what the major religions have to say about lifestyles and the environment. A challenging and stimulating evening is in prospect from this exciting group, making their second visit to Rotherham following their success with "Horrorswop" in 1988.

There will be no admission charge, but donation (£2 wages, £1 unwaged) will be welcomed.

Lost Coats - of many colours

The Revd. Lawrie Jenkins of St. Aidan's, Wheatley Hills, Doncaster runs the risk of being the best dressed clergyman around with a good choice of coats to wear - all of which were left at Daystar at Doncaster Racecourse. If you left your coat at Doncaster, why not have a word with him to see if he has it. Ring him on Doncaster (0302) 342047. He'll not be too disappointed at having to return it to you.

Don't forget Youth Sunday

on 25th November urges the Diocesan Education Committee. Encourage the 14+ age group to take an active part in the leading of worship in the parishes of our Diocese.

Already preparation days have been held for young people, and although there is no need to cause additional disruption to the church's year by having a special theme for the Sunday, a pack of ideas is available from the Diocesan Education Office.

Sheffield Family Conciliation Service

Each year in the City of Sheffield 300 couples separate or divorce and at least 5000 children are involved in marriage breakdown. Sheffield Family Conciliation Service (14-18 West Bar Green. S1 2DA) is a service which helps separating, divorcing or divorced couples to discuss questions about the future, especially regarding their children. People who are on Legal Aid may find that Legal Aid pays for a visit to the service, others are asked for £10 per visit if in full-time employment, for less if in part-time employment, or for nothing if unemployed. There is not a long waiting list for an appointment with a member of the service, all of whom have a background qualification in social work or marriage guidance, with additional training and experience in family conciliation. Appointments are during office hours, not during the evening. Contact the Family Conciliation Service on Sheffield 752227.

Retirement

Lindsay Mitchell, who has been Warden of Whirlow Grange since 1986, is to retire at the end of the year and the Diocese will make a formal presentation to him at the Diocesan Synod in November. However the Management Committee of Whirlow feel that everyone in the Diocese who has been involved with Whirlow Grange over the last four years might wish to contribute to a retirement gift. Contributions may be sent to Miss Margaret Barlow at the Diocesan Office, St. Matthew's House, 45 Carver Street, Sheffield. S1 4FT.

Lunchtime Forum

Sheffield University Anglican Chaplaincy has a lunchtime forum on Tuesday, 6th November from 1.00 - 2.00 p.m. in the Senior Common Room Lounge (next to the Octagon Theatre), when Professor David McClean, Lay Chairman of General Synod, will speak on "Women Priests?" Coffee is provided, but bring your own lunch. All are welcome.

Sheffield/Guildford Link



The link partnership between our Diocese and Guildford is growing. So Brian Shipman was able to report to the small committee set up by the Bishop's Council two years ago to encourage the partnership. Already the two cathedrals are learning from each other and twenty parishes are enjoying the fruits of formal links, with many more making the first tentative steps to forming a link. Churches in both Dioceses have discovered how much they can learn from each other, and many friendships have been formed despite the distance which separates Sheffield from Guildford. The Revd. Richard Atkinson, of the newly opened St. Swithun's, Manor, a parish in which Guildford has taken a great deal of interest is one of those who knows just how far it is between the two Dioceses, because along with others, he did a sponsored walk all the way to Guildford.

Brian Shipman was seconded by the TSB to the Diocese to work as Links Officer, and he has been instrumental in bringing the two Dioceses so closely together. Coming to the end of his two year secondment, he was thanked by the Archdeacon of Sheffield, and is seen here (on the right) with other members of Sheffield's Link Committee (from the left: Margaret Barlow, Joan Haigh, Ian McCullough, Archdeacon Stephen Lowe, Ian Chisholm).

All Saints, Woodlands, Doncaster

are holding their Mission 90 from 6th-11th November entitled "Forgotten God?" (Jesus - the gateway to the future). Speakers include Revd. Philip Hacking; the Very Revd. John Richardson, (Provost of Bradford); Revd. Robin Gamble, and the Revd. Dennis Lennon. Also during the week there's an Evangelistic Concert with "Phil and John". All are welcome and more details are available from the Church Office on Doncaster 727968.

'Well done so far; but there's still more to be done'

Four years on from *Faith in the City* the Archbishop's group have produced a progress report. It is called *Living Faith in the City*. It tells of what has happened and points to more things to be done.

The Church Urban Fund has been started. Over 200 projects have benefited from it. The church now has a special Committee for Black Anglican Concerns. There is a Link Officer for Urban Priority affairs in every diocese.

The Government has made a public commitment to the problems of the inner city. Many important groups have put urban matters onto their agendas. Yet the report says that movement has been slow. In some cases - health, housing and poverty - the position is worse than before.

The church must do some hard thinking about its response to the city. It must work on its theology. The ideas in *Patterns for Worship* point a way forward. Where parishes have looked critically at their work in Audits, this has helped. More parishes should try this. The Church must give more attention to the needs of black people and the place of women.

Where the report looks at social and economic life, it finds a growing gap. Hundreds of thousands of fellow citizens lack what others regard as normal. Many have no purpose in their lives. Carefully changing the wording, the report says we must look at matters of 'Order and Law'.

Partnership has grown with many different groups. Links have been forged with other denominations, between parish churches and dioceses in different areas of the country, but there is a call for more.

The report ends with suggestions for further progress. There are lists for the nation and all parts of the church. Audits, lay training, support for the community and for schools are four of the nine 'priorities for further action' suggested for the parish church. As Christians, the report challenges us to do more.

The Revd. Alan Davis, previously of this Diocese and now Archbishop's Officer for Urban Priority Areas, encourages the use of a new Study Guide which will "help church members come to grips with the challenges posed by the report." Designed for use in four meetings, "Living Faith in the City: What it's all about?" also includes a Bible Study and some ideas for worship. It costs 80p with reductions for bulk orders, and is available from the Revd. Alan Davis at Church House, Great Smith Street, London. SW1P 3NZ or from Church House Bookshop.



First new church for many years



The new St. Swithun's Church on the Manor, Sheffield, was dedicated and opened ahead of schedule on October 27th. The originally planned date was to be in December. To mark what is an important event in the life of the Manor, and in the Diocese, the Diocesan Synod is to hold its November meeting at the Church, giving members an early look at the new building with all its opportunities for mission and service.

Appointments

The Revd. Brian Hamilton Cooper, Vicar of Chesterfield, in the Diocese of Derby, to be Vicar of St. Cuthbert, Herringthorpe, in the Diocese of Sheffield.

Please pray for the Revd. Ian George Wallis who was made Deacon on 29th September 1990 and who is serving in the parish of St. Leonard & St. Mary, Armthorpe, in the Diocese of Sheffield.

Sister Margaret Baker, Church Army Officer, St. Paul's, Norton Lees, to move to St. Barnabas, Highfield and St. Mary, Bramhall Lane, in the Diocese of Sheffield.

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Holy Baptism

7 Oct Imogen Claire Boyd; Amy Victoria Cooper

Holy Matrimony

13 Oct Paul Robert Chadwick & Claire Diana Purkiss

Funerals

12 Oct. Florrie Ashmore (79), 91 Aldam Road

15 Oct. Rita Minnie Booth (77) 78 Green Oak Crescent

16 Oct. Richard Hill-Pickford (57) Moss Farm

Florrie Ashmore was born in Sheffield, spending much of her married life at Hunter's Bar. Widowed for 23 years, she came from Greenhill to the flats on Aldam Road 13 years ago.

Rita Booth spent much of her life in Topley, preferring her prefab to her flat on Green Oak Crescent. For many years she worked on the buses and enjoyed her regular walk through the woods of Topley.

Richard Hill The death of Richard, so soon after his brother Charlie, saw the passing of another of Topley's sons. He was born at Bents Farm - the youngest of a family of seven and attended All Saints' School.

All his life was spent living and working in and around Topley Bents. His favourite hobby was breeding horses, especially "Shires". His untimely death came after quite a long period of ill-health, but he died as he had lived, doing what he enjoyed most - tending the animals in his care. (Vernon Mather)

ALL SAINTS' NEWS

In the September issue it was mentioned that its price of 15p had remained unchanged for the past 5 years. During this time a total increase of 50% in printing costs and 30% in the cost of the Sheffield Diocesan News insert have had the effect of putting the Magazine Account annually in the red, and whilst an increase of 5p could be considered appropriate, the modest increase of 3p will apply from January, 1991. The Magazine will, therefore, cost 18p, making a total of £2.16 for annual subscribers, who constitute the main source of income.

R.F. Johnston
Treasurer, Magazine Account

LADIES CLUB

On November 6th the Ladies Club are holding a Jumble Sale at 7pm in the Church Hall. Please bring any jumble items to the hall from 2pm onwards. Thank you.

The second meeting in November will be on the 20th. Mrs. Garland will give a talk on the work of the Council for the protection of Rural England.

LADIES WORKING PARTY

Our thanks to all members and jumbler who helped us on October 6th.

Our next event will be the Christmas Bazaar to be held in the Hall on Saturday November 24th at 2pm; please come along, and enjoy it.

Next meeting: November 27th at 2.15 pm in the Hall.

"THEY THAT GO DOWN TO THE SEA IN SHIPS, THAT DO BUSINESS IN GREAT WATERS"

Psalm 107, v 23.

On Monday 26th November at 7.30pm there will be a Coffee Evening with Bring and Buy and a Book Stall at the home of Alan and Mavis Kirton, 79 Sunnyvale Road, in aid of "The Royal National Mission to Deep Sea Fishermen". The books have a wide appeal, are attractive and reasonably priced. Please try to come!

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

I would like to express my appreciation to the Men's Fellowship for arranging the present series of monthly meetings. Unfortunately I was unable to attend the first one but the second talk by the Rev. Elizabeth Nash proved to be very interesting and challenging. The speakers lined up for future meetings suggest that their look at the next 10 years will continue to be just as challenging and thought provoking. I thoroughly recommend them to all church members.

Marjorie Snowdon

WORDS FOR CONTEMPLATION

"Fear not little flock MY strength is made perfect in weakness".

(Luke 12.32)
(2. Cor. 12.9)

BLACK AND WHITE

"The Bible has been hi-jacked by ecclesiastics, there is more in it about justice than about the church" - an observation of a priest or a missionary in Latin America? preaching Liberation Theology at risk to health and life, where the many are oppressed and live in abject poverty, or the utterance of a priest in South Africa, sometimes called Black Theology, where apartheid condemns the native population to a second-class existence. It is accepted by a native archbishop of South Africa not as a separate belief of the scriptures, but addressing these same teachings to the present day. To many in these countries and in the Third World, Liberation Theology is their only hope of a better life. Christian Aid, C.A.F.O.D., and other charities must seem as answers to their prayers. Do not be deterred from giving to these charities because Liberal Theology is not to every politician's liking, whose vocal opposition is stronger than the opinion of the oppressed.

This Theology is not new, witness the deliverance of the Israelites out of Egypt, and when incidents occur in these faraway countries of which we know little, judgment is hasty and ill-advised, prone to error. But in developed countries there is need for Liberation Theology, if only for those whose sins are greed, selfishness, racism, disregard for those less fortunate, for they are in bondage to their own philosophy: "He who puts chains on the body of another, shackles his own soul". (Col. R.G. Ingersole). Actually the opening lines were part of an address to the Industrial Mission by Alan Storkey, an economist who teaches ethics to a North London Anglican Theological College; he should know about GOD and MAMMON. For us less academics, the Bible is our guide; it is how we interpret it.

Rex B.

JOHN WADE SINGERS

A reminder that the John Wade Singers and soloists are presenting a concert version of "Faust" at St. John's Church on Friday and Saturday 2nd and 3rd November, 1990 at 7.30pm. Paul Green is the organist and the proceeds will be shared between "The Sharrow Citizens' Advice Bureau" and "Sheffield Family Service Unit".

BROWNIES JUMBLE SALE

The Brownies are holding a Jumble Sale on Saturday, 10th November at 2pm in the Church Hall. All offers of jumble are welcome.

PASTORAL WORKERS' COURSE

As part of the Pastoral Workers' Course, I spent a day in the Don Valley, looking at the effects of unemployment on the area and the positive ways in which people have made the effort to help themselves. One of the projects, SOS Thurnscoe, made a particular impression on me. Women, and men, were attending classes to improve all aspects of their day-to-day lives. It saddened me to hear recently that, because of cuts, two of these classes have had to be stopped. I asked Kate Bouch, the co-ordinator, to tell us more about the project. She writes:

SOS THURNSCOE (a project of the Dearne Valley Venture) is a community group which meets Mondays, Tuesdays (afternoons only) Wednesdays and Thursdays. Its projects include "Nearly New" sales, a basic education class, a craft session, low budget cookery and "Look After Yourself" sessions run by local health visitors. It is very likely that the group will soon be welcoming a professional worker from the local authority's Under Five Support Team to begin work with pre-school children and their parents. The "Nearly New" project enables the group to pay its own rent and some of the other running costs, but SOS is run very much on a shoe-string budget.

Until April of this year, the group was fortunate to have a tutor for craft work funded by the local Community Education Service. It had also just started a "low cost" sewing session with a "specially selected" tutor. Both tutors were lost at a sweep when all non-vocational classes were cut because of rate-capping.

A small grant from the Dearne Valley Venture Council enabled us to keep on the craft tutor for the summer term. Since then the group has been very fortunate to have the services of the craft tutor free. It is felt that this is unfair to her. We would also like to start up the sewing sessions again ... but ... we need money ... Please can you help?

There will be a Coffee Evening to support the project on 3rd December from 7.30pm at 113 Green Oak Road, with Bring & Buy, cakes and a raffle. Please come along if you can.

Angela Waite

TOTLEY ALL SAINTS' SCHOOL

Totley All Saints' School invite you to join their new "100 Club". This will give you a good chance to win substantial cash prizes throughout the year while at the same time helping to raise vital funds for the school. It is planned to offer one £30 and two £5 prizes each month, with a bonus draw of £60 twice a year. Membership is limited to 100 applicants and is £12 a year - just £1 a month. For more information contact Lorna Davis or Robert Woolvin, 16 Queen Victoria Road - telephone 351295.

DORE MALE VOICE CHOIR

Dore MVC - the premier Male Voice Choir of Sheffield - has been invited to take part in a concert at the Royal Albert Hall London, on 17th November for which the tickets are from £7.50 to £20.

You can, however, hear Dore MVC along with their guests for the evening - The Manchester Boys' Choir - at the Firth Hall, Sheffield on Saturday 10th November for just £3!!

Tickets available from D.Fry (620210), N. Brearley (369212) or any member of Dore MVC.

BRADWAY SCOUT GROUP

The Sixth Annual free admission Bradway Craft Fair takes place in Bradway Scout Centre, in the grounds of Sir Harold Jackson School, off Prospect Road, on Saturday November 24th, from 10am to 4.30pm. The event in aid of Bradway Scout Group funds, will have a total of 25 stalls. Light refreshments will be on sale all day.

QUOTES

We had love, good health, and faith in GOD, all things money can't buy.

Garrison Keillor

Why should we be in such desperate haste to succeed, and in such desperate enterprises.

Guinness trial.

Education costs money, but then, so does ignorance.

Sir Claude Moser, Educationalist

If GOD is your partner, make your plans big.

Salvation Army Notice Board

NOVEMBER DIARY

1 Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives Praise - Church
	8.00pm	All Saints' Day - Holy Communion
	9.00pm	Standing Committee - Vicarage
6 Tue	2.00pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	7.00pm	Ladies Club JUMBLE SALE - Hall
7 Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 1 Quarry Road
8 Thu	8.00pm	P.C.C. Meeting - Crypt
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
13 Tue	2.00pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	8.00pm	Open Meeting - Rev. Philip Hacking
14 Wed	2.00pm	Monthly Fellowship - 182 Warminster Road
	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 126 Totley Brook Rd.
15 Thu	2.00pm	Under Fives Praise - Church
	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
17 Sat	2.30pm	Holy Matrimony (Alan Poskett & Helen Turner)
19 Mon	8.00pm	All Saints' Nursery/Paygroup A.G.M.
20 Tue	12.15pm	Liaison Lunch - Church Hall
	2.00pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	7.30pm	Ladies Club - Council for Rural England
	7.30pm	Confirmation at Christ Church, Dore
21 Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 126 Green Oak Road
22 Thu	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
24 Sat	2.00pm	CHRISTMAS FAYRE in Church Hall
27 Tue	2.00pm	Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
	2.15pm	Ladies Working Party - Hall
	7.30pm	"These I Have Loved" - Church Hall
28 Wed	8.00pm	Wednesday Fellowship - 10 Twentywell Drive
29 Thu	8.00pm	Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
1 Sat	2.00pm	Holy Matrimony (Tim Boswell & Sarah Green)

Note: The Under Fives Group only meets twice a month - the first and third Thursdays for "Under Fives Praise" in Church, not each week as in the october magazine.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Spinneyfield,
17, Church Lane, Dore,
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Dear Sir,

I really do think it is time that a bolt was put on the ladies toilet in the church hall. I do appreciate that we are all supposed to be open and friendly with one another but I think the present situation is taking things a wee bit too far.

Yours faithfully,
Joyce Jackson

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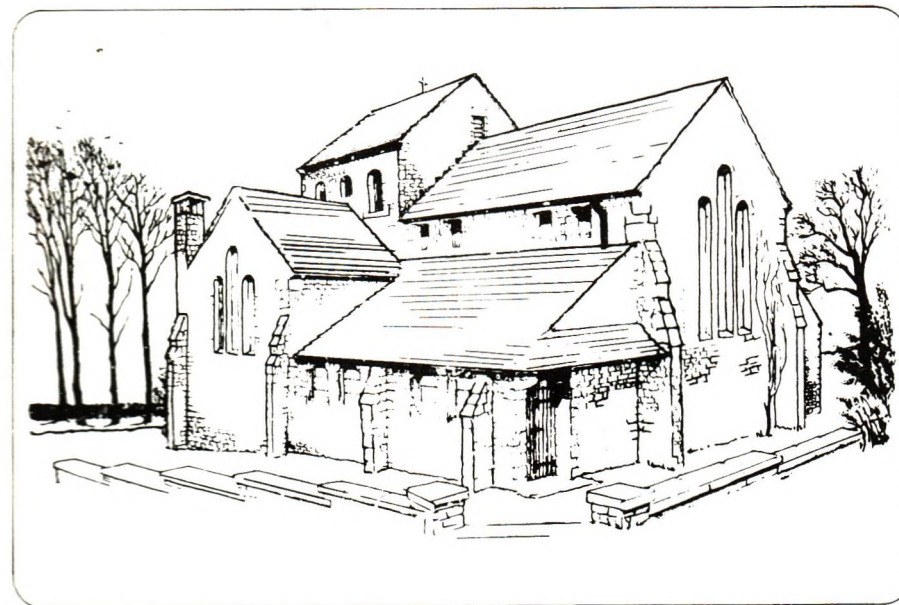
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

As we approach Christmas and reflect again on the Birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, I want to remind you of one phrase which occurs three times in the Gospel story - "Do not be afraid".

They were words said to Mary as the angel announced the special responsibility that was to be hers in giving birth to a child who would be called the Son of God. To fulfil her divine task Mary would, however, be empowered and guided by the Holy Spirit of God, so she need have nothing to fear.

The same words were spoken in a dream to Joseph as he was deciding out of considerations of respectability to set aside his marriage contract with Mary now that she was expecting a child that was not his. Yet Joseph was needed by God to protect this child, and he was not to worry what people might say about him or think about the situation.

The message - "Do not be afraid" - was also given by an angel to the shepherds in the fields of Bethlehem. They were simple working folk fearful of feeling out of their depth in an event of great spiritual significance. Perhaps they were worried about the effect it could have on their lives. Yet their simple obedience would give them a reassuring sign of God's presence and enable them to experience, not fear, but wonder and joy.

Today, we could well fear the responsibilities that the challenge of true Christian commitment may make upon us. Isn't God asking us too much? Can we cope anyway? We, too, may worry about what people think if we take a stand on certain issues, or 'go all religious'? Our reputation matters to us. We are also hesitant to expose ourselves to the full process of spiritual growth. We might be born again? Could we face up to changes in ourselves, our attitude and our lifestyle?

The message of Christmas is "Don't be afraid!" because God is present in the midst of all the activities and circumstances of everyday life and we can draw on His Power, His knowledge and His Peace to fulfil His purpose in our lives.

May the true Blessing of Christmas be yours,

Stewart Rayner

SERVICES IN DECEMBER

Holy Communion every Wednesday at 10am (except Boxing Day).

- 2nd ADVENT SUNDAY
8pm Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Holy Communion (ASB)
First Reading: Isaiah 52: 7-10 (NEB)
Gospel : St. Luke 21: 25-33 (NEB)
10am Young Saints
11.30am Cheshire Home Communion
6.30pm Evensong (BCP - said)
Old Testament: Isaiah 51: 4-11 (NEB)
New Testament: St. Matthew 25: 31-46 (NEB)
7pm "Advent Praise"
- 9th ADVENT 2
Theme "The Word of God"
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
First Reading: Isaiah 55: 1-11 (NEB)
Gospel : St. John 5: 36-47 (JB)
10am Young Saints
6.30pm Evensong (ASB)
Old Testament: Isaiah 64: 1-7 (JB)
New Testament: St. Luke 4: 14-21 (NEB)
- 16th ADVENT 3
Theme "The Forerunner"
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Holy Communion (ASB)
First Reading: Isaiah 40: 1-11 (RSV)
Gospel : St. John 1: 19-28 (JB)
11.15am "CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION" by the Young Saints
(in the Hall)
3.30pm Cheshire Home Service
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
Old Testament: Malachi 3: 1-5 (NEB)
New Testament: St. Matthew 11: 2-15 (NEB)
- 23rd ADVENT 4
Theme "The Annunciation"
8am Holy Communion (ASB)
10am Holy Communion (BCP)
First Reading: Isaiah 11: 1-9 (NEB)
Gospel : St. Luke 1: 26-38 (RSV)
11am CHRISTINGLE SERVICE
3.30pm Holy Baptism (Jessica Faye Thompson)
6.30pm FESTIVAL OF LESSONS & CAROLS
- 24th CHRISTMAS EVE
11.30pm FIRST COMMUNION OF CHRISTMAS (BCP)
Epistle: I John 4: 7-14 (JB)
Gospel : St. Luke 2: 1-14 (RSV)

25th CHRISTMAS DAY
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
 Epistle: Hebrews 1: 1-15 (JB)
 Gospel : St. John 1: 1-14 (RSV)
10am FAMILY CAROLS AND COMMUNION (ASB)

30th CHRISTMAS 1
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Holy Communion (ASB)
 Epistle: Galatians 4: 1-7 (NEB)
 Gospel : St. John 1: 14-18 (RSV)
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
 Old Testament: I Samuel 1: 20-28 (NEB)
 New Testament: St. Luke 2: 22-40 (JB)



Come to the
**CHRISTINGLE
 SERVICE**
 11am Sunday 23 December
*Christingle Envelopes for your gifts
 to the CHILDREN'S SOCIETY
 available throughout December*

*IF YOU'D like to join in united
 prayer with others round the world
 for the Decade of Evangelism/
 Evangelisation, from the diocese of
 Zululand, southern Africa, comes
 this prayer with an Epiphany theme:*

*Pour your Light
 Holy Spirit of God
 into our hearts and minds.
 Help us to know more clearly
 and grasp more fully
 the 'Good News' of Jesus.
 And help us then
 to know how to share it
 in the Decade of Evangelism.
 We ask this
 through Jesus Christ
 who with You and the Father
 are One God. Amen.*

DECEMBER 1st.
DAY OF PRAYER
FOR THE



CHRISTMAS REMINDERS

May the Christmas presents remind you of God's greatest gift - His only begotten Son -

May the Christmas candles remind you of Him who is the Light of the World -

May the Christmas tree remind you of another tree - on which He died for you -

May the Christmas cheer remind you of Him who said "Be of good cheer" -

May the Christmas feast remind you of Him who is the Bread of Life -

May the Christmas snow remind you of the cleansing power of Christ -

May the Christmas bells remind you of the glorious proclamation of His birth -

May the Christmas carols remind you of the glad tidings we are to tell all mankind -

May the Christmas season remind you in every way of Jesus Christ your King.

I found these lines in the back of one of my note-books the other day, but I am afraid I cannot remember the source.

Dorothy Hill-Wilson

SERVICE WITH A SMILE

"I only give at Christmas" said a lady to two Christian Aid collectors before closing the door. They promptly sang "Good King Wencelas" through the letterbox, and the lady returned smiling and gave them £1!

WORDS FOR CONTEMPLATION

"I am thy shield and they exceeding great reward"

(Genesis 15.1)

S.O.S. THURNSCOE

There will be a Coffee Evening to support the S.O.S. Thurnscoe Project on 3rd December at 7.30pm at 113 Green Oak Road. Everyone welcome.

PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

18 November Charlotte Amy Blakeley

Confirmation on 20 November at Christ Church, Dore

Terry Dixon, Anne Elizabeth Hayden, Dorothy Margaret Smith

Holy Matrimony

27 October John Stephen Bramall & Katie Taylor

Burial (at Holmesfield) Ada Sykes (86) Main Avenue

Ada Sykes who died on 23 October was born into a large Totley family living on Summer Lane. For her Totley was always the place to be – and she lived in and served this community as a friendly and well-known member for all of her life.

LAST DAY

A poem found on a young woman dying suddenly
at 23

If we knew that life would end tomorrow,
would we still waste today on our quarrels ?
Would we waste the precious hours away,
taking refuge behind that wall of icy silence,
creeping out only to hurl another barrage of angry
words.

If we knew that life would end tomorrow
would we keep a tally of wrongs,
determined not to be the first one to give in?

Or would we cease to care who started it,
knowing no one is completely right.
If we knew that life would end tomorrow,
surely we would treasure today,
fill the hours with love and laughter instead of
anger and bitterness,
creating jewel-bright memories which would

lighten our hearts
instead of dark regrets which could twist and destroy.
If we knew that life would end tomorrow . . .
but who can say that it will not ?

The only time of which we can be certain is today.
So today I will reach out for your hand.
Today I will say I am sorry and I love you.

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From the Billions to the one

writes the Bishop of Sheffield



Fifteen billion years ago, they tell us the 'Big Bang' set our Universe on its way.

The Sun (which, by the way, is going to disintegrate dramatically in another five thousand million years) is but one of about one hundred billion stars that make up our galaxy. They seem to think (and we have to take it on trust from the experts) that there are certainly billions of other galaxies stretching away from us immeasurably (literally) far.

Reaching back from this incomprehensibly vast scale of things, with feet firmly on our world, we then find that we are sharing this planet earth with more than 5,000 million other people.

This astonishing and terrifying scale of things leads easily to despondency, despair, and an overwhelming sense of the insignificance of the whole human experiment and so, too, of our own life. Shakespeare's Macbeth, it would seem, was exaggerating when he claimed "It is a tale told by an idiot, full of sound and fury, signifying nothing!"

Yet this is the background that has made me understand more clearly than before how wonderfully, lovingly, generously right was the way that God chose to come to our help.

The vast scale of creation frightens and defeats us. Yet the living out of a human life is most certainly an inevitable consequence of our birth! We may not fully understand the mysteries of either birth or death but most certainly we can relate to such profound matters from some base of personal experience. And that we do cope at all with the business of living is because we can digest, arrange and organise from a human perspective the bewildering amount of information that comes to us through our own senses.

And so it is that by taking our humanity to himself and entering into our world (which, of course, is also His world) God is able to come to us through our own experience and in a manner that we can at least begin to understand.

The advice that is running through my mind this Christmas comes from the Shepherds in the fields "We must go straight to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened". Whatever else you do this Christmas make sure that you have time to go with them for there you will find "Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in the manger".

Stand with the Shepherds looking into that stable-cave and you will find yourself standing on a very firm piece of ground indeed and with a light shining that is bright enough to break through the surrounding darkness.

Centuries ago Job in his distress asked the question "But where shall wisdom be found and where is the place of understanding?"

Christmas gives us the answer.

DAVID LUNN
Bishop of Sheffield

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New General Synod

Eight elected members from the Diocese of Sheffield joined hundreds of other newly elected members at the first meeting of the new Synod which met last month in London. The Diocese was represented by four members from the House of laity, Mrs. Alison Humphreys, Prof. David McClean, Mr. Jonathan Redden, and Mrs. Janet Vout. The four Proctors in Convocation, elected by the House of Clergy, were Canon Derek Gibbs, Revd. Susan Hope, Revd. Stuart Matthews and Revd. John Packer (names in alphabetical order). They were joined by the Bishop of Sheffield, the Bishop of Doncaster, the Ven. Stephen Lowe as representative Archdeacon, and the Very Rev. John Gladwin, Provost.

All hands on roof!

On Sunday, 16th December at 9.45 a.m. the Bishop of Sheffield will be at St. James' Church, Rawcliffe to lead the morning service and rededicate the new church roof. The old one has lasted quite well, the church being built in 1842. When the Revd Geoff Hollingsworth became Vicar at the back end of 1989, the church architect stressed the urgency of a new roof. Fund raising had been going on since 1986, and work on the interior of the church had been done too, but from August, 1989 it was all hands on deck and a tremendous push was made by the congregation and many local families. The work on the new roof, costing £38,000, was started in July this year and completed in September, within a year of the architect's report. Everyone in the village is delighted and looking forward to the rededication, and hoping that the new roof lasts as long as the old one!

Danensian Choir have it taped

The Danensian Choir was founded in the early 1960s by the educationalist and broadcaster William Appleby. It specialises in the performance of English Cathedral Music and is based in Doncaster. With their Director of Music Vernon Hoyle and Organist Christopher M. Wren, the choir have recently recorded a cassette of English Cathedral Music, produced by Priory Records. The programme ranges from the 16th to the 20th centuries and is available from Mrs. Margaret Cunningham, 66 Croft Road, Balby, Doncaster DN4 9EZ, price £6.50 including post and packing.

Open and Catholic - Why not?

If you are inspired by the earthly sacramental thrust of Anglican Catholicism but also feel this must mean the exploring of contemporary issues like the ordination of women, sexuality, politics and much more, you may find kindred spirits at St. Leonard's Dinnington on Saturday, 26th January, 1991.

The gathering is part of a national movement seeking to "affirm Catholicism" prompted by Bishop Richard Holloway. It begins with the Eucharist at 12 noon, followed by lunch (bring some to share). Afterwards Canon Michael Banks, who is Chancellor of Leicester Cathedral, a member of General Synod and also of the national committee of "Affirming Catholicism" will speak and there will be much opportunity for questions and discussion. All are welcome - please come! Further details from Ruth Bleakley on Sheffield (0742) 686940.

Human Rights Vigil

A vigil to mark the Day of Human Rights has been organised by Soroptimist International of Rotherham at the Chapel of Our Lady on Rotherham Bridge on Saturday, 8th December from 8.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Members of the Club will be there on a rota basis throughout the day and extend a warm welcome to anyone who wishes to join them. Mrs. G. Thomson is organiser of the event and can be contacted on Rotherham 542505 for further information.

Beating the Bounds Big Thank You

Sally Rogers and Kath Cooper of St. John's, Deepcar visited 32 churches in the Diocese on the day of Beating the Bounds for the Bishop's £Million Appeal. At each church they were welcomed with open arms, although at first they had set off somewhat apprehensively, not knowing how their journey would go. Their only regret was that they did not have time to linger longer for a chat or coffee and cakes. Perhaps with sufficient time they would have managed 32 chats, but 32 coffees and cakes might have presented a few more problems! Sally and Kath, along with the others who beat the bounds, know how hard many people had worked to make the day possible, and the welcoming smiles and greetings meant so much to those who journeyed from church to church.

Harvest at Thorne

They were unable to have the tractor (pictured in last November's News) but were graced instead with the owner of the same, Mr. David Chappell, who read the Parable of Wheat and Weeds at the family Harvest Service. David's chief claim to fame (apart from producing six daughters!) is that he coached the World and European Ploughing Champions in Holland. The Vicar's son, Steve, who works for David (and is seen here ploughing his own furrow) has been well tutored and has won two regional Young Farmers Trophies. At the Family service, the Sunday School scattered the 'seed' (polystyrene chips) over the congregation, then chugged down the aisle with a cardboard model tractor and drill. They demonstrated that Thorne young people have arrived in the 20th century by singing "We plough the field with tractors, with drills we sow the land." Copies of these words can be had from the youth group for a modest fee!



God's Coal

Few people, I suspect, greet the New Year by taking lumps of coal to a neighbour these days, but why not get Father Christmas to put some "coal" into the Christmas stocking at your house this year? - 'GOD'S COAL': a copy of the booklet about the Church's Mission. It tells an exciting story, deserving much thanks, but times are moving on. The Coal Industry and the Mining Communities of South Yorkshire face further change and development. There is a challenge for the Church in 1991 and the years ahead working with the people of God's coal. The booklet, priced £1, is available at the SPCK Cathedral Bookshop in Sheffield, or directly from the Coalfield Chaplain, Revd Tony Attwood, 5 Daw Wood, Bentley, Doncaster DN5 0PU; Tel. 875904. (Cost £1.35 inc. post and packing)

Wanted

A Schools Worker for the Doncaster area, sponsored by Scripture Union and supported by local churches. Full or part-time appointment. Interviewing January. Job specification and details from Mrs. Claire Sladden, 54 Littlemoor Lane, Balby, Doncaster DN4 0LB (0302) 365544.

Abroad thoughts from home

The Revd. Canon Colin Hickling, Vicar of Arksey and Honorary Lecturer in Biblical Studies at the University of Sheffield, was part of two important celebrations in the Autumn - one was Harvest Festival at All Saints' Arksey, and the other was a little further afield....

Sheffield Greetings

Sheffield might, perhaps, have been in Outer Mongolia for all that most people know in that mountainous and superbly beautiful area south of Belgrade which is the heart-land of Serbia. But not any more. On September 30th last, greetings from the Sheffield Diocese, as well as from Leicester and Lambeth Palace, were conveyed to a congregation totalling some two to three thousand Serbs in a remote mountain village called Gradac ('Grah-dats'). The occasion was remarkable. The tiny monastery at Gradac, a small cruciform church with a range of modest domestic buildings beside it, was founded in the thirteenth century by Helen of Anjou, the French princess who married King Urosha I of Serbia (Itself a surprising alliance across the breadth of most of Europe). By the middle of this century it had become a ruin. But in 1963 the Communist government began a restoration which is now nearing completion. These last stages owe everything to the persistence and fund-raising skills of Mother Maria, formerly of Wantage but now an orthodox. During the Liturgy and subsequent rites of reconsecration Mother Maria - a lady whose stature does not, it is true, permit a retiring role - was to be seen everywhere - up the hillside to ring the monastery bell during the epiklesis, on the veranda of the guest-house attending to some last-minute matter, and wherever else she might be needed.

Magnificent and Informal

The scene throughout the day was the usual Serbian Orthodox blend of the magnificent and the informal. Four Bishops, twenty priests and four deacons served the open-air liturgy (an Anglican presence was constituted by a visitor in choir dress modestly stationed in a corner of the podium); but there was the predictable scurrying to and fro of acolytes moving chairs or handing a thurible to a nun for refuelling. The British Ambassador's car stood splendidly beside the church for an hour or so while His Excellency chatted to Mother Maria and the Bishop behind it all, Bishop Stefan of Zica (once a student at the 'old' St. Augustine's, Canterbury); all around them the cheerful Serbian crowd moved happily about its business, or dealt with the aftermath of a lunch party laid on by the locals for a full 800 guests (a prospect that might daunt even the Mothers' Unions of South Yorkshire.)

Notable Occasion

It was no surprise, of course, that the Serbian flag was in evidence rather than the Yugoslav one, and that a dramatic presentation about Serbian history struck a strong nationalist note. The visitor, at least was aware that not so very far away, in the Serbian enclaves in Croatia, this pageant and these songs would have a less carefree ring. But the politics of the situation were not overpressed. The English visitor finally left the scene conscious that this had been a very notable occasion - the first of its kind (restoration of a monastery to be brought into immediate use) since the War. He left with regret and a determination to come back. A little wistfully, he reflected that even Harvest Festival at Arksey would lack a little something by contrast with the celebrations of just one week before.

CHRISTMAS UNWRAPPED

Come to the DOME
Doncaster Leisure Park
for an Evening of
CHRISTmas Celebration
on Sunday, December 23rd
1990 at 8.00 p.m.



Drama- Carol Praise - Free admission (collection will be taken)
Bring your friends; help them to re-discover the real meaning of CHRISTmas.

A MISSION DONCASTER event.
Further details: Phone Ros Redden, Administrator on Don 342200, or Mission Centre, Y.M.C.A on Don 853829. Wood Street. Doncaster DN1 3LH.

Grand Auction

The Bishop's £Million Appeal grew by £2290 on the night of the Grand Auction at the Cutlers' Hall at the end of September - thanks to donors and helpers who made it all possible.

'Don't forget the driver'

Well, this time we didn't forget him. Twenty-odd years ago, they did. My mind went back to a visit of Germans from our twin town of Solingen when I was Vicar of a parish in Blyth, Northumberland. Their youth orchestra came for Easter - all forty of them. We'd arranged accommodation for all the young musicians but only when they had all been distributed to their hosts did we realise we'd forgotten about a bed for the bus driver. He ended up at our vicarage - and very happy we were to have him.

This time we also entertained young Jurgen Hampf, the driver of the coach which brought twenty-six representatives to Sheffield Diocese from our twin Church District of Hattingen-Witten. The other members of the party spread around to the homes of hosts as far distant from each other as Bradford and Rawcliffe. The bus was parked here in Rotherham as the mid-point. Jurgen got to know the main roads around the Diocese a good deal better, I dare say, than many of us know our own area as he went to and from Sheffield Cathedral to Doncaster and beyond, picking up his passengers for event after event.

ROTHERHAM RECEPTION

The first major get-together after their arrival was a buffet supper at St. Barnabas', Broom Valley. An excellent Rotherham reception was accorded them before they went on to All saints' Church to join in a welcome in worship.

The Eucharist was celebrated with bits in English and bits in German. The language mixture came to its pentecostal climax with the Lord's Prayer being said simultaneously in both languages. Some of the British people present spoke in German and a good many of the Germans in English.

Bishop David preached an outstanding sermon - in English.

We took them to York for the day on the Wednesday and visited the Mother Church of the Province. The Dean had laid on a German-speaking guide who conducted us around the Minster's treasurers with expertise and humour.

The organisers were grateful to five parishes which entertained our guests on the Thursday. So as to present them with the variety of Church life we split the group into two. One half visited the two Sheffield parishes of Manor and St. Thomas', Crookes. The others went to the Church School at Deepcar and then on to the ecumenical centre at Bolsterstone and the country parish of Bradfield.

DONCASTER STUDY

Friday saw us deep in study.

The Roman Catholic 'Maridon' centre in Doncaster was our venue for four presentations on different kinds of ministry. The Revd. Hilary Jowett spoke about women's ministry. Bishop William talked of the ministry of a bishop. The Ven. Stephen Lowe told us what everyone ought to know about archdeacons and Mr. John Bouch led a discussion on lay ministry. Stephen had a lot to tell also about the progress of 'Faith in the City'. Pastor Klaus Sombrowsky (who shared the Peace with us at 'Daystar' in June) reckons that the Church of England is way ahead of the German Church in having produced such a report. We were more than ready at the end of all that for one of Mrs. Anne Persson's fabulous spreads at tea-time.

UNITY AND FRIENDSHIP

The Meissen agreement between the Church of England and the Protestant Church in Germany was discussed by a smaller group meeting at St. Stephen's, Eastwood. The agreement calls for a commitment to full, visible unity between us. We are hoping that our three years of friendship with clergy and laypeople from Hattingen-Witten may play an important part in bringing this unity nearer.

We are very grateful to the individual hosts and the host parishes for their kindness and generosity. I am sure they would agree that the visit was mutually rewarding.

We hope that a party of similar size to this year's German group will be able to go from Sheffield to the Ruhr District next June to join tens of thousands of German Christians at their 'Kirchentag', the great Church Assembly.

If you would like more information about this, please contact me at Rotherham Vicarage (364341).

Stuart Brindley.

COLERIDGE HOUSE CARER RESPITE UNIT

Many frail and disabled elderly people are being looked after at home by relatives or other informal carers. Coleridge House is a small (12 bedded) unit run by the Community Nursing Service, which offers respite to over-stressed carers, by taking elderly dependants in for regular two-week stays.

The Unit provides a high standard of nursing and social care on an individual basis, maintaining the normal routines of dependant while encouraging them, where appropriate, to take a more active role. Carers can ring up or come in and have a chat at any time, and a support group provides a forum for carers to share their difficulties with others in the same situation, and with nurses who have direct experience of the people involved. The emphasis is on partnership in care, enabling, as far as possible, carers to continue caring at home and dependants to avoid long-term residential admission.

Demand for this service far outstrips the Unit's capacity, but during the three years that it has been open, over 390 families have benefitted. Some 115 are currently on the list. Of these, 62 dependants are women and 53 are men; amongst the carers are 47 wives, 32 husbands, 21 daughters, 9 sons and 6 other relatives.

Sister Maureen Ibbotson (whose daughter attended the Church School) has supplied this information about the work of "Coleridge House" which is situated in the grounds of the Northern General Hospital, but is quite independent from it.

LADIES CLUB

The only meeting this month will be on the 18th December when we shall be having our Christmas meal. The venue is the "Moorlands" at Owler Bar at 6.30pm for 7.00pm.

There will be no meeting on Tuesday 1st January 1991; the next meeting will be on 15th January.

We should like to thank all those people, especially the gentlemen, for their help at our Jumble Sale in November. About £70 was raised towards club funds which will enable us to donate more to our charities.

Jane Lawry

Appointments

The Revd. John Andrew Hawley, Vicar of All Saints, Woodlands, Doncaster, in the Diocese of Sheffield to be Team Rector, Dewsbury All Saints, in the Diocese of Wakefield.

The Revd. Martin Douglas Brown, Vicar of All Saints, Preston, in the Diocese of Blackburn, to be Rector of Darfield, Barnsley, in the Diocese of Sheffield.

Sister Nanette Sanderson, Church Army Officer from Banbury, to move to the Manor in the Diocese of Sheffield in the New Year.

Ripon Cathedral Choir School

Is the only boarding Choir School, apart from Durham, in the north of England. This year there is one choristership available worth the whole of the boarding fee, and three others worth half the boarding fee, which will be awarded at the Voice Trial at the Choir School on Saturday, 2nd February, 1991. Interested parents are invited to make an appointment to see the school, and successful candidates would start in the School in September 1991. (Tel: 0765 2134).

ALL SAINTS' SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

The School Christmas Pageant will be on Tuesday 18th December at 2pm, and on Wednesday 19th December at 7.15pm. It will be performed in Church, and refreshments will be served afterwards in the Church Hall.

Members of All Saints' Church are welcome to attend - if at all possible we would prefer those who can to attend on the Tuesday afternoon.

We would like to thank everyone who attended our Autumn Fair and made it such a great success - socially and financially. It was wonderful to have such super support from so many people.

John Stratford

PARISH ROTAS

<u>Flower</u>	<u>Altar</u>	<u>Memory Table</u>
2 Dec.	Miss Taylor	Mrs. Cooke
9 Dec.	Mrs. Marshall	Mrs. Bedford
16 Dec.)		Mr. Bramall
23 Dec.)	Christmas Trees	Mrs. Heap
30 Dec.)		Mrs. Parsons

Silver Cleaning: 2 Dec. Mrs. Ludlam 16 Dec. Mrs. White

PARISH BREAKFAST

3 Dec.	Mrs. Firth and Mrs. Thompson
10 Dec.	Mrs. Smith and Miss Davis
17 Dec.	Young Saints
23 Dec.	Mr & Mrs. Filleul
31 Dec.	Mrs. Billard and Mrs. Houldcroft

TRANSPORT TO CHURCH

There is a Car Rota available for any one who would like a lift to Church - either on a regular basis or just as the need arises. If you would like to have a list handy please contact the Vicar for a copy.

SCOUTS CHRISTMAS FAYRE

The Scouts are holding a Christmas Fayre on Tuesday 4th December at the Scout HQ on Aldam Road from 7.00pm. Refreshments available - and the evening concludes with singing CAROLS.

THE GIDEONS

Like many Christian Missionary Organisations the Gideons are now active in eastern European countries seeking to fill the vacuum left by the retreat of communism with the good news of God's love in Jesus Christ.

There are now 19 Gideon camps in Eastern Europe and the number is growing weekly. After decades of atheistic communism they are encountering a tremendous spiritual hunger and openness.

But others are seeking to exploit this. Saudi Arabia alone is currently exporting 1.0 million copies of the Koran to Russia. The first western documents to cross the Berlin Wall to East Berlin when it opened were pornographic.

Our Gideon brothers in Eastern Europe are urgently seeking our support to combat these evils, and help to place God's word and win people for Christ.

The Gideon International provide financial support for placing scriptures through the International Extension Fund (I.E.F.), and many branches in this country, including Sheffield, now commit two-thirds of their resources to this fund to try and meet the ever increasing needs abroad.

Our own needs are also increasing, particularly as we seek to respond to Sheffield's involvement with the World Student Games.

But ours is The God who provides, and we believe that through His people, He will.

UNDER FIVES

The "Under Fives Praise" service on Thursday 6th December will take the form of a toy service. As with last year, we are asking everyone who would like to come, to bring a NEW toy so that these can be distributed to children of less well-off families.

The Under Fives group welcomes everyone (the young and the young-at-heart!) to join our worship at this special time of year.

Refreshments will be available in the Hall after the service.

There will also be an "Under Fives Praise" on 20th December when we shall be celebrating the birth of Jesus.

JUNIOR CHOIR FUND

Stella Jockel is having a Coffee and Mince Pie fund-raising event on Thursday 13th December from 10-12 noon and 2-4 pm. Proceeds for Junior Choir. A warm welcome is extended to all at 108 Sunnyvale Road.

"NEW WINE CELEBRATION"

Some members of our congregation will be going to "The New Wine Celebration", 10th-16th August, 1991, at the Royal Bath and West Showground, Shepton Mallet, Somerset. This will again be led by Bishop David Pytches from St. Andrews, Chorleywood. Most people either camp or caravan and self-cater. A group booking is going in on 1st January 1991. Further details from Marjorie or Maurice Snowdon (362822).

THANK YOU

45, The Grove,
Tel: 362697

I realise it isn't aimed at the mothers, but I feel I really would like to say a big thank you to the Under 5's Praise. Before moving to Totley I was struggling alone with my growing faith. But with the help, knowledge and support of all at Under 5's my faith has grown sufficiently to feel ready for Confirmation.

Thank you to everyone at Under 5's, without it I wouldn't have had the courage to attend church on Sunday.

Thank you,

Dorothy Smith

QUOTES

Kind hearts make Christmas.

You don't owe anyone a letter, letters are a gift.

(Garrison Keillor)

(Don't forget that Christmas card to an old friend)

A family that prays together, stays together.

The cliché "charity begins at home" has done more damage than any other in the English language.

(Archbishop Trevor Huddleston, C.R.)

By the time you read this you will have made your Christmas puddings, so you will not be tempted to try this recipe; it would, however, produce much fun if members of the family tried to read it to the others; and don't forget the flags.

T' CHRISMAS PUDDIN

If yo wish ta ma'e a puddin 'e' which ivvery won delights,
ov a duzzen new leyd eggs, you mun ta'e th' yokes an' whites;

Beat em well in up a bason till they thororly comboine,
an shred an chop sum suit up partickerlarly foine;

Ta'e a paand a well stoaned reasins and a paand a currans
dried,
a paand a paanded sugar, an a paand a peel beside;

Stir em aw well up together, wi' a paand a wheaten flaar,
an let em stond ta saddle fur a quarter ov an haar.

Then tee t' puddin in a cloth, an put it intu 't pot -
sum foakes loike t'watter cowl, and sum prefer it hot.

Bur tho ah dunno which a theese tow methods a shud preise,
an know it owt ta boil an haar fur ivvery paand it weighs.

When t'puddin tae'en sat at pot, an put onter a dish, caw
t'childer an let em march befoar it ay it's carried intert
sittin rowm, wi' little flags e' their hands to stick intow
it when it's placed on't table. Yo' might larn em ta shaat
out t' follerin loines, or to sing em:

"Hurra! Bring t'puddin aat o t'pot
an let us eat it wile it's hot."

If you've monny little uns, ma'e a smaw puddin fur each on
em and put raand t(big un. Let em cut up ther own, an ther
little een'll sparkle we pessur; and wile thay live thay'll
ne'er forget t' Christmas puddin thay had at whom.

From Owd Sammy Twitcher's Christmas Book

Rex B.

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOXES

Boxholders are asked to return these by the end of
December - while the 'old' 5p pieces are still legal tender.

DECEMBER DIARY

- 1 Sat 2.00pm Holy Matrimony (Tim Boswell & Sarah Green)
- 4 Tue 2.00pm Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
7.00pm Scouts "Carols & Christmas Fayre" -
Scout HQ
- 5 Wed 11.00am Monthly Morning Fellowship - 2 Main Ave.
8.00pm Wednesday Fellowship - 5 Sherwood Chase
- 6 Thu 2.00pm Under Fives Toy Service
8.00pm Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
- 10 Mon 8.00pm All-Age Worship Planning Group
- 11 Tue 2.00pm Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
2.15pm Senior Citizens' Carols & Tea - Hall
8.00pm Open meeting - Rev. Robert Ivell-Hall
- 12 Wed 2.00pm Monthly Fellowship - 4 The Crescent
8.00pm Wednesday Fellowship - 68 Dalewood Road
- 13 Thu 10.40am Totley College Carol Service
8.00pm Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
- 18 Tue 2.00pm All Saints' School "Christmas Pageant"
in Church
2.00pm Tuesday Fellowship - 12 Aldam Close
7.30pm Ladies Club Christmas Dinner
- 19 Wed 7.15pm All Saints' School "Christmas Pageant"
in Church
8.00pm Wednesday Fellowship - 4 The Crescent
- 20 Thu 2.00pm Under Fives Christmas Praise
8.00pm Contemplative Prayer Group - Vicarage
- 27 Thu 4.30pm Young Saints' Party in Hall

January

- 2 Wed 8.00pm Wednesday Fellowship - 1 Quarry Road

JANUARY BARN DANCE

On 5th January there will be a Barn Dance in the Church Hall - with live band, caller, refreshments and bar.

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