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From the Vicarage :

Dear Friends,

How good are you at telling the truth ? It's not always as straightforward a matter as it may appear. Recent events in the Balkans have certainly called into question the ability of people to tell the truth and then abide by something that others felt had been made very clear. Easy to point the finger at others.

Every teacher will have had the experience of knowing for certain that somebody has done something, only for them to deny it categorically. I'm not sure that as adults we are very different, we are just a bit more subtle. Like the businessman who headed for the golf course and phoned his wife to say that he would be home late because he was going to spend some time with some handicapped people.

Where do we draw the line between truth and falsehood ? How does exaggeration of a story, for dramatic effect count ? What about failing to say something, so that a different impression is given ? How about the making of promises we know we cannot keep or the relaying of gossip which is both unnecessary and possibly false ?

Pilate famously asked "What is truth ?" of the man who previously had said, "I am the way, the truth and the life." In a very confusing, high-speed world, we may feel that the question is very apt. John Lennon

has a song, "All I want is some truth." Maybe we can all echo his cry.

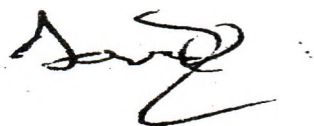
As the summer holidays approach, days of relaxation and refreshment beckon. Perhaps we need a good holiday - I'm certainly looking forward to mine. But we'll all return to normality. We'll maybe return to the same questions and longings that we've had for a long time. We all need to know the truth.

Pilate asked his question of the right person; a pity he didn't wait for an answer. The psalmist prayed, "Send forth your light and your truth, let them guide me."

There is truth to be found at the deepest level, and it's with Jesus. Don't we need it and don't we echo the psalmist's prayer?

May your summer days be happy and sunny! And may we all speak the truth and know the truth.

With all best wishes.



Truthfulness

Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.

Ephesians, Chapter 4 verse 29.

SERVICES IN JULY

4th

8.00 a.m.

10.00 a.m.

Trinity 5

Holy Communion (B.C.P.)

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Theme: The heart of the community

John 15 : 9 – 17 and Col. 3 : 1 – 15

11.30 a.m.

Holy Communion at the Cheshire Home

6.30 p.m.

First Sunday Service. Songs of Praise

11th

8.00 a.m.

10.00 a.m.

Trinity 6

Holy Communion (B.C.P.)

Baptismal Service.

Theme: The *how* of community.

(Holy Communion A.S.B. if no Baptisms)

John 15 : 9 – 17 and 1Cor. 16 : 15 – 20

6.30 p.m.

Holy Communion (A.S.B.)

18th

8.00 a.m.

10.00 a.m.

Trinity 7

Holy Communion (B.C.P.)

Holy Communion (A.S.B.)

Theme: God's picture of a leader

1Tim. 3 : 1 – 7 and John 13 : 2 – 17 (Eph.4 : 7 – 13)

3.30 p.m.

Service at the Cheshire Home.

6.30 p.m.

Evening Prayers (B.C.P.)

25th

8.00 a.m.

10.00 a.m.

6.30 p.m.

Trinity 8

Holy Communion (B.C.P.)

Come & Worship. All Age Service.

Memorial Service.

Looking forward to September

From 19th September, our pattern of services will be changing.

On the first and third Sundays of the month, we will be continuing with a simple communion service, following the Book of Common Prayer at 8.00 a.m.

At 9.30 a.m. each Sunday, we will be introducing an informal service, for all ages. This will use a mixture of modern and well-known music, using a newly-formed worship band as well as the organ.



At 11.00 a.m. each Sunday, we will continue with a more traditional service, using the organ and choir and being in the form of a communion service on most weeks.

Coupled with this is the introduction of "Care and Share" groups during the week. Small groups, meeting in homes, to work out and encourage each other in living out the Christian life in daily living.



To help prepare us for all this, we have recently started a sermon series at the 10.00 a.m. service entitled "The things we value" - looking at the key aspects of being a Christian that we need to value, understand and live out. We hope these will help us all prepare for a new departure in a few months' time.

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BOOK REVIEW - Mister God This is Anna by Fynn

Anna suggests that you should always start with the answer and work your way back to the question. One of her most profound answers was 'in my middle' and after much discussion she managed to get Fynn to the question, 'Where's Mister God?'

This thought set Anna on a collision course with her local priest. She didn't understand Church and Sunday School because they seemed to talk about a God who was distant and limited - the priest's God seemed to be in a box., whereas Anna's God is big enough and small enough to be in everyone's middle. Despite her young age, she had grasped and understood the enormity of an Almighty God, whilst also understanding that God can be known intimately and personally 'in my middle'.

'Mister God This is Anna' explores the ponderings of Anna, a six year old orphan girl living in the East End of London during the 1930's. A true story? You're never quite sure, although the introduction suggests it is: "Some readers may remain incredulous. They will ask, 'Is it true? Now I happen to believe that it is true...' Vernon.

The book follows Anna's thought processes as she comes to understand God, the Universe and Everything. Although colourful and very down to earth, at times perhaps disturbingly so, the thoughts and discussions between Anna and Fynn cannot fail to challenge the reader's thoughts and beliefs.

We, like Fynn, sometimes think that as 'grown-ups' we have got it 'sorted' - we know what we think and believe and we can justify it if necessary. This book, with the charming naivety of this little girl, challenges us at the heart of who we are and what we think.

Trevor Huddleston, for the Guardian, wrote, "Here is a book which is a pearl of great price. It will mean everything, Trust. Beauty and Goodness, to those who understand ...a heavenly book, rooted in earth".

I really like this book and have found myself returning to it time and again. I would strongly recommend it to anyone who is prepared to have their understanding of Mister God challenged and who is brave enough to learn from the simplicity and straightforwardness of this little girl.

Bryony Mundy.

Mister God This is Anna, written by Fynn. Fount Paperbacks ISBN 0006245633 (may not be in print - my copy is an old one).

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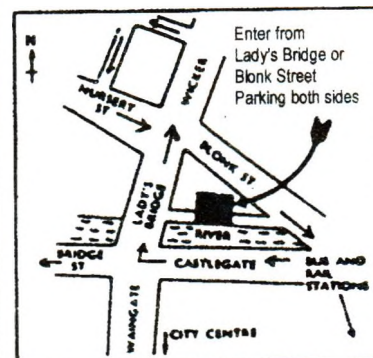
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The truth about drugs and sex

This was the title of a thought provoking evening of music, video, drama and spoken information that some of us recently attended at the Mega Centre. It was presented by Paul Francis from Wales and confronted Christian parents and leaders with the sort of pressure that our young people are under. It stressed the need to give them unconditional love and reassurance of that love, especially from the ages of 13 to 16, so that they can cope with life and be able to say 'no' to sex and drugs.

The power of the image makers, spending millions of pounds glamourising the tobacco industry and Formula 1 racing using models who usually have 25% less body weight than is healthy, provides a powerful image. Such models, incidentally, are often on drugs to help maintain such a low body weight. The hidden message of films, glamourising sex is continuous. For example, "Four weddings and a Funeral", the heroine claimed to have had thirty two previous lovers and claimed her first experience was good. This is

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Often untrue. It is often sordid and messy and was borne out in a moving poem written by a teenager who became pregnant as a result of her first encounter. Peer pressure is considerably more than present adults can recall. It is hard to be different, but we need to provide information to enable youngsters to say 'no' and to be critical thinkers and to build others up rather than criticise and knock them down.

If drugs are so bad, why are so many people taking them? It was suggested that it was to shock, take risks, feel grown-up, to combat boredom and because they work, helping the drug-taker to become the life and soul of the party, taking away pain and giving a tremendous "high", much more than the biggest fair-ground ride. To combat this we should again, give our children our unconditional love and tell them this. We need to consider our own behaviour with regard to drinking and taking drugs, explaining, if appropriate, about long-term prescription drugs. We need to be informed about the different types of drugs. We need to listen to our children and share our vulnerability and mistakes with them.

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inconvenient at times but it makes you more accessible and it helps you know who their friends are.

Finally, if things go wrong we should not be afraid to discuss our situation with friends, relatives and other parents and to pray that the unconditional love we try to give will enable the "lost" youngsters to be able to return home, even after 25 years, as we heard in one instance.

Gay Riley

Pornographic Magazines ? No, Bibles !

Pornographic materials are bringing God's Word to the Philippines. Trust International Paper Corp. (TIPCO), in co-operation with the Bureau of Customs, has given recycled pornographic magazines to the Philippine Bible Society for the printing of the Scriptures. This prevents air pollution, for usually the magazines are burned to signify the country's moral stance against such publications.

MEMORIAL SERVICES AT ALL SAINTS

In recent years, a monthly service has been held on the fourth Sunday of each month, with the intention of enabling those who had a family funeral at All Saints during that month, in the current or any previous year, to remember their loved one. We have recently had a look at the whole pattern of services at All Saints and feel that it is time to change the way we approach this occasion. Services in July and August will remain unchanged from the present arrangement, taking place on 25th July and 22nd August at 6.30 p.m.

From September, these memorial services will be held quarterly, rather than monthly. In each copy of the magazine, there will be a reply slip inviting anybody who would like to have a loved-one remembered at the next memorial service to let me know so that the name may be included amongst those to be read out. **This invitation is to all, irrespective of where or when a funeral may have taken place.** If you have lost somebody in another part of the country, at another time of the year, but a service falls near their birthday, wedding anniversary of some other significant date, you will be most welcome to ask for them to be remembered.

From September onwards, dates for these services will be:

26th	September	1999
2nd	January	2000
19th	March	2000
18th	June	2000
17th	September	2000
31st	December	2000

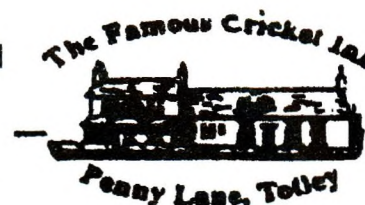
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Memorial Services at All Saints

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Memorial Services September 1999 & January 2000

Name to be remembered

Name(s) and address of principle family members attending the service

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Date of service to be attended

P. C. C. UP-DATE.

Amongst other things the June meeting of the P.C.C. was an opportunity to focus on the 75th anniversary of the opening of the church. The main celebration is planned for the week-end 26th - 28th November but all sorts of other events are planned for other dates. In fact by the time this report appears there will already have been the "Beating of the Bounds" and also the "Strawberry Cocktail". There is much to give thanks for in the life of the church during the last 75 years but our eyes are fixed on the future. What has God planned for the church in Totley? If anyone else has ideas on this the P.C.C. would be glad to know.

There was a visit from the Reverend David Jeans who is the Principal of the Church Army College in Sheffield. The Church Army are going to help us run a mission in Totley over the week-end 4th - 7th February next year. There is to be a further planning meeting with the Church Army in October after our own Mission Committee have identified their hopes. More details will be available after that time.

One of the long-term requirements of the church is a satisfactory sound system. A Faculty has to be obtained for this from the Diocese so there will be a short delay but it was agreed that we should obtain a satisfactory quotation for a system as a basis for the application for a Faculty. This has actually been done since the meeting. The Faculty application will also include new notice boards at the two entrances to church land.

Maurice Snowdon.

"How can I persuade a person to live by faith and not by works if I have to juggle my schedule constantly to make everything fit into place?" Eugene H. Peterson.

ALL SAINTS' 75th ANNIVERSARY COOKERY BOOK

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Look out your favourite recipe and let me have as soon as possible. Angela Waite 113, Green Oak Road.

Anybody walking the Penine Way ?

Stan Chandler has made a list of churches along the Penine Way for those wanting to worship (or visit) as they go. Details are with Chris. Booth : 43 Rowan Tree Dell Tel. 236 5512 or e-mail Chris.Booth@cern.ch.

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'It covers all of us,' my daughter told me. I snuggled back into the bus seat, marvelling at the low price for such a service.

Suddenly, a portion of Scripture made sense. The hiring of those labourers in the vineyard had never seemed to me quite fair. All had received the same wages - no matter how long they had worked. Matt 20 v 1.

Here, four of us were setting off to town for the price of one car parking ticket. No matter where we alighted, the price was still the same - one simple fee. No need for me to battle, alone, through the traffic. The coach driver had a bus lane all to himself. It led straight to the heart of the city.

Those labourers hadn't realised that to work in God's vineyard, one subscription covered everything they would ever need.

When we 'park' our cares with Jesus, we can 'ride' with him along his own 'bus lane' through life. The return ticket is - his love.

ERIC GREEN



SHEFFIELD DIOCESAN EXTRA

JULY 1999



The Malicheva family are among the vast multitude who have fled Kosovo to Albania

(Christian Aid / Dominic Brain)

Churches aid Kosovo Appeal

Churches in the diocese have sent about £5,000 to Christian Aid's Kosovo Appeal...and much more has gone via other agencies.

At least 135 of the 176 parishes have been involved in collecting or other activities during Christian Aid Week.

St. Cuthbert's Fir Vale came up with the good idea of selling copies of a World Quiz; Christ Church Darnall held a youth activity; St. Mary's Doncaster had a wine and cheese evening...and so on.

Christian Aid's assistance to the refugees is largely being channelled through existing Orthodox Christian agencies in the front line countries, such as the *Macedonian Centre for International Co-operation*, who provide food and sanitary facilities in the camps; and the Albanian *Diakonia Agape*, who concentrate on families who have opened their homes with such wonderful generosity.

- Some Kosovan refugees have found temporary havens here in South Yorkshire. See details in the July issue of our monthly newspaper, the *Diocesan News*.

ROUND AND ABOUT THE DIOCESE

Prayer Book Celebration

The 450th anniversary of the first English Prayer Book will be celebrated at St. Nicholas Church, Bradfield, on Sunday, July 18 at 10.30 a.m. The Bishop has given his permission for a service of Holy Communion according to the 1549 rite. The celebrant for this historic occasion will be the Rector, the Revd. Dr. Gerard Lettis, and the preacher will be the Revd. Bill Watson. Visitors will be welcome to join in this recognition of Cranmer's Prayer Book. Details from Mr. David Arkley (0114-234 2246).

Open Gardens

A garden festival takes place in the village of Sykehouse, between Doncaster and Goole, on Sunday, July 11 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Programmes (£1) will be available from the church or any of the open gardens. Coffee and lunches will be served in the Village Hall and afternoon teas at Half Acre. There will be a display of witches on the Green opposite the church. Proceeds for the Church Appeal Fund. Details from Mrs. Stella Boldy (01302-785279).

Art Festival

The 13th Annual Art Festival will be held at St. Wilfrid's Church, Hickleton, on Sunday, August 29 (noon to 7 p.m.), Monday 30 (10 a.m. to 7 p.m.) and Tuesday 31 (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.). Original paintings by local artists will be on display and for sale. Proceeds in aid of the Church Trust. For details phone 01709-894851.

Assumption

The Archdeacon of Doncaster, the Ven. Bernard Holdridge, will preach at Solemn Vespers to mark the Eve of the Assumption at St. Wilfrid's Church, Hickleton, on Saturday August 14 at 7.30 p.m. There will also be an outdoor procession of Our Lady, and Benediction.

Mirfield Day

Many people from the diocese will attend the Commemoration Day at the Community of the Resurrection, Mirfield, on Saturday July 10. Proceedings begin with Solemn Eucharist on the front lawn at 12 noon when the preacher will be Fr. Crispin Harrison, Superior of the Community. Applications for programmes, service books and all other information from The Commemoration Day Secretary CR, House of the Resurrection, Mirfield, West Yorkshire WF14 0BN.

Evangelism

A Sheffield based course in evangelism is having its impact across the country. 'Learning to Share' offers short courses in evangelism and a longer 'Certificate in Evangelism Studies' course developed at the Wilson Carlile College of Evangelism in Sheffield. The project's co-ordinator, the Revd Mark Smith, who formerly served in the Sheffield Parishes of Park, Brightside and Wincobank, and at Kimberworth Park, says "It is good to see Sheffield at the centre of a nationwide initiative, bringing quality and depth to training in evangelism."

Garden Fete

Todwick's Garden Fete on Saturday July 3 will be opened at 1.30 p.m. by Mr. & Mrs. J.R. Palmer. Attractions include tombola, sideshows, stalls, teas, auction and raffle. Proceeds for Todwick Church. Details from the Revd David Bliss (01909-770283).

Family Fun

The Mothers' Union are offering 'Fun for all the Family' at the Church Lads' and Church Girls' Brigade ground, Barnsley Road, Wath upon Dearne, on Saturday August 7 between 2 and 4 p.m. There will be a bouncy castle, face painting, races and many other amusements for the young. For parents and grandparents there will be a book stall, cake stall, refreshments and much more. For instance, do YOU know how rope is made? A chance to have a happy relaxed time in pleasant surroundings. For details phone Joan Gardner (0114-255 0513).

Preachers at the Cathedral

Preachers at Sheffield Cathedral on Sundays in July -

July 4 10.30 a.m. Ordination of Deacons (the Revd. Philip Allin); 6.30 p.m. Evensong and welcome to Helen Blackburn (Canon George Tolley). **July 11** 10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist (the Revd. David Halstead, chairman of the Methodist Church Sheffield District); 6.30 p.m. Evensong (Friends of Sheffield Cathedral) and farewell to girl choristers (the Very Revd. Stephen Platten, Dean of Norwich Cathedral). **July 18** 10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist and Holy Baptism (The Provost); 6.30 p.m. Evensong (Canon Lewis Atkinson). **July 18 (St. James the Apostle)** 10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist (Canon Trevor Page); Evening Prayer with Hymns (Bishop Ken Pillar).

Help the Aged

A presentation about Help the Aged's Church Friend Scheme was given by the charity's representative, Captain Paul Fitzpatrick, of the Church Army, at St. Thomas' Church, Kilnhurst, on Thursday June 24. Captain Fitzpatrick spoke about the work of Help the Aged and the special services it provides. There were details of free advice leaflets on finance, safety and security, healthy living and home related topics, along with an informal question and answer session. There was information about the benefits of being a Church Friend. For further details contact Captain Fitzpatrick on 0114-251 7681.

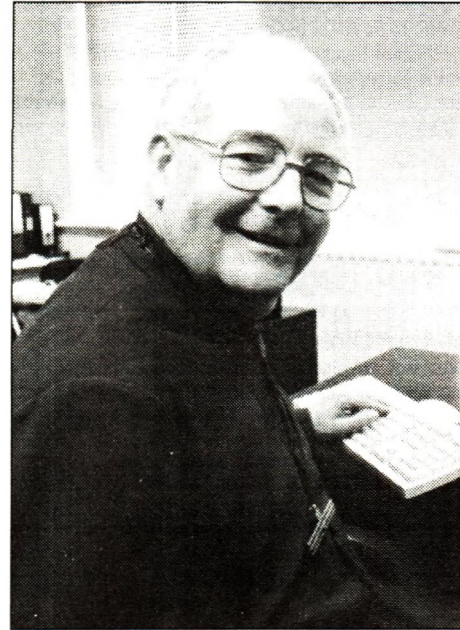
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Whirlow Hall Farm is an educational trust set up in 1979 to enable disadvantaged city children to visit a real working farm. For some this still is the first time they have actually visited the countryside. Whirlow Hall Farm relies heavily on income generated through various fund-raising events. The largest is the Annual Farm Fayre, to be held this year on Sunday September 19 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For details of this great family day out contact Debbie Wheeler on 0114-235 2678.

Bishop Jack's message -

Painful pruning enables growth

My predecessor, Bishop David, wore from time to time a sweatshirt with the words "Assistant Gardener" printed on it. He was well known in the gardening world as something of an expert, especially about roses and we have inherited a beautiful garden to bear witness to this. I, on the other hand, am no gardener at all.



Bishop Jack Nicholls

My secretaries realised this in the very early days and recognised it by buying my wife a sweatshirt with "Assistant Gardener" on it whilst I was solemnly presented with one inscribed with the words "Gone to Seed".

The moral of this story is that the reader should take with a pinch of salt any gardening illustrations I might use!

Nonetheless, here goes.

As I write this letter I am looking out onto a beautiful and lush garden, but it would not be so had not those who know much more about gardening than I do, been busy pruning the shrubs which I now enjoy.

This naturally brings to mind the image which Jesus uses in John's Gospel about the vine and the branches. We are the branches and we need to be pruned in order to bear fruit.

Pruning is the painful but necessary process which enables growth. It is little wonder that we resist it. It is seen as a good and necessary thing for others, but for myself, my church; my group, my lifelong interest...well that's a different story.

We need to ask ourselves over and over again "what do I, what do we, need to leave behind?" What needs to be pruned for new life in me and my church, for without this pruning we may be well assured there will be no lush garden in the Diocese of Sheffield.

Try this for a prayer.

*Father
if the hour has come
to make the break
help me not to cling,
even though it feels like death.
Give me the inward strength
of my Redeemer Jesus Christ,
to lay down this bit of life
and let it go,
so that I and others may be free
to take up whatever new and fuller life
you have prepared for us
now and hereafter*

Bishop John V. Taylor

+ Jack

Snooker League

Handsworth St. Mary	61	St. Chad's A	42
St. Mary's Walkley	51	Middlewood	42
St. Leonard's	50	St. Chad's B	41
Commonside	45	St. Bartholomew	37
St. John's	44	Psalter Lane	36

This is the third successive year in which Handsworth St. Mary have won the Church of England Snooker League title. One of their players, N. Busfield, recorded most wins with 16 out of 18 games. St. Mary's, Walkley, won the Mini League with Commonside as runners-up. Doubles were won by R. Dunks and S. Smith (Walkley St. Mary) with N. Busfield and J. Sheriff (Handsworth St. Mary) as runners-up. Both singles finalists were from St. Leonard's, and were aged 16 and 17 respectively - B. Lambert defeated A. Kilanga.

LATEST COMINGS AND GOINGS

The Revd Jeffrey Stokoe, Curate of Sheffield St. Catherine Richmond Road, to be Vicar of Edlington.

Captain David Fry, Church Army Officer, Heeley Christ Church, to be Parish Evangelist, Heeley and Gleadless.

Captain Paul Easby and Sister Sheelagh Easby to be Parish Evangelists Anston St. James.

The Revd Dr. Steven Shakespeare, Assistant Curate of Cambridge St. James, to be Vicar of Endcliffe St. Augustine.

The Revd Peter Turnbull, Assistant Curate of Dorchester in the Diocese of Salisbury, has taken up the post of Assistant Curate of Maltby.

The Revd Jacqueline Curtis, Team Vicar of Melbury in the Diocese of Salisbury, to be Team Vicar of Maltby.

The Revd Lewis Atkinson is to resign as Rural Dean of Tankersley from August 31, but to continue as Vicar of Oughtibridge.

The Revd Andrew Allington, Curate of Clifton in the Diocese of York, to be Priest in Charge of Stainforth.

The Revd Ernie Hume, Vicar of Norton Woodseats St. Chad, to be Vicar of Handsworth Woodhouse St. James.

Please continue to pray for those who are to be ordained deacon at the Cathedral on Sunday July 4 at 10.30 a.m. –

Sheila Barber (to serve at Dinington); **Helen Blackburn** (at the Cathedral); **Sue Bond** (Tickhill); **Eric Bosward** (Ecclesall); **Tim Gregory** (Deepcar); **Anne MacLaurin** (Crookes St. Thomas); and **Rachel Wood** (Attercliffe, Darnall and Tinsley).

Those to be ordained priest in their own parishes:

David Dixon (Goldthorpe, July 4 10.30 a.m.); **Rick Fillingham** (Brinsworth, July 6 7.30 p.m.); **Brian Inston** (Bentley St. Peter, July 4 6.30 p.m.); **Paul Wilson** (Bramley, July 5 7.30 p.m.); **Lyn Wortley** (Greasbrough, July 5 7.30 p.m.).

MORE FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

Breakfast Project

A total of 10,335 breakfasts were served at the Cathedral last year which represents a lot of cereal, toast, tea and bacon. The breakfasts are open Monday to Thursday and Saturday mornings (the same days as the Archer Project). Staff and volunteers begin at 7.30 and serve the meal at 8.30 a.m. This year's Harvest Appeal will be concentrating on items for the breakfasts and Archer Project. Letters are due to be sent out this month. Thank you in advance for your support - and special thanks to the churches in Dronfield and Handsworth who have continued to support the project throughout the year.

Order of the Teaspoon

The Order of the Teaspoon has been launched for the CBA Projects at the Cathedral. The scheme invites people to become members either as individuals (£60 a year) or as a corporate group such as a church or business (£90). For this they gain a certificate, lapel badge and regular newsletter. This will become an increasingly important way of raising funds for the breakfast and Archer Projects. The first 25 members were contributing a total of £1,320.

Musician Wanted

An organist / choir leader is wanted for the church of St. Thomas, Worsborough Dale. Anyone interested should contact the Vicar, Geoff Holmes, for further details (01226-286505).

Chamber Choir

Renaissance Voices, a chamber choir, with Foscarina String Consort, staged a concert for the Tickhill Music Society in St. Mary's Church, Tickhill, on Saturday June 26.

Festival

The Dean of Hickleton Chapter, Fr. Harold Loxley, was preacher at a solemn concelebrated mass to mark the patronal festival of St. Peter's Church, Hoyland, on Tuesday June 29.

Share

Share Psychotherapy Agency is staffed and run by Christians for the benefit of the general community. They offer a four year training course for volunteers who wish to work with them as psychotherapists. A new course begins this Autumn. For further details contact the office (0114-268 2883).

Pilgrimage

Forward in Faith Sheffield are holding a Summer evening pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Egmont on Wednesday July 21 at 7.30 p.m. It will be followed by a faith supper.

Interserve

Four hundred Christians attended Interserve's 1999 conference at the Hayes, Swanwick.

Please post or fax your items for the August issue of the Diocesan Extra no later than Monday 5 July to the Editor, the Rev'd Peter Gascoigne, Bilham Vicarage, Churchfield Road, Clayton, Doncaster DN5 7DH (tel and fax 01977-643756). Copy for the monthly newspaper should also be sent to the same address.

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75th Anniversary Programme

The following alterations have been made to the programme:

- 1) The date of An Evening of Music has been changed to Saturday 16th October.
- 2) On the 28th November, the Guest Preacher will be: the Right Reverend David Hallatt

Prayer Breakfast

There will be a Prayer Breakfast on the fourth Saturday of the month in the Church Hall from 8.00 to 10.00 a.m. (leave earlier if you need to do).

Everyone is welcome.

LATE NEWS

We are pleased to report that a sufficient number of loan contributions have been received for All Saints Church to apply for a Sheffield Employment Bond.

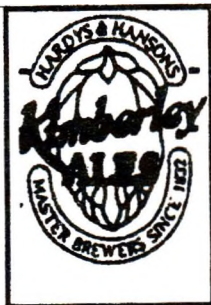
Money from the bonds will be used to help create jobs for unemployed people in Sheffield.

Help Required !

Will someone volunteer to provide me with a list of names from the Memorial Book each month, for inclusion in the 'From the registers' page of the magazine ?

Jeanne

*Alan
and
Freda*



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FIRST SUNDAY SERVICE.

The First Sunday Evening Service in August will take the form of a "Songs of Praise". In this service people are asked to choose their favourite hymn or song and be prepared to share their reasons for their selection. We hope that a lot of people will volunteer to do this and that all sections of our Church community will take part.

Please speak to either Marjorie or Maurice Snowdon (236 2822) about this as soon as possible so that the evening can be planned..

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Dorothy Firth	236 4190	or
Elsie Mayson	236 2321.	

There will also be a notebook and pen at the back of the Church for any written prayer requests.

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A nurse on the paediatric ward let the little patients listen to their own hearts using the stethoscope before using it herself.

One day a four year old boy was listening to his own heart and the nurse asked him what he thought it was.

He looked puzzled at first and then his face broke out into a wondrous grin and he said, "Is that Jesus knocking ?"

"And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us some e-mail. Amen" Remember ?
This story above came from the same source - Religious Thoughts from Canada.

The first of a series about local personalities.

David the Footballer

David, who is ten, arrived in Totley from Chatham about 41/2 years ago. He lives with his parents and his sister.

David is an athletic looking boy who started to play football at school. 'It was just a game', he said.

His father was the first to recognise that David had talent.

David joined the Junior Blades but left after a year to join the Greenhill/Lowedges Team and was noticed by an ex-professional footballer who was a talent scout.

He was offered a chance by the Barnsley Football Club, so off he went for a trial with 'lots of other lads' and was chosen to join them to train to be a goalkeeper.

He was given an annual contract to play for Barnsley F.C.

Under Tens which requires attendance on Monday and Wednesday evenings in addition to matches on Sundays. The team have played against teams such as:

Liverpool, Blackburn, Manchester United and Crewe.

He has earned a second year contract which has to be signed by his parents and the club. The competition is greater than before as there are fewer places on offer this year. He is rightly proud of his achievement.

The training he receives at Barnsley Football Academy (one of over a dozen academies in Britain) is very like that given to professional footballers. Barnsley Football Club make a long term investment in the Academy and they find that many of the emerging young players often stay with them.

He needs the support of his parents which they give willingly.

They feel that the club develop 'the whole person' not just the boy's football skills. They are pleased with the coaching and expectations. The club expect the boys to be ambassadors.

David has another ambition - to be a drummer - but I think he will need to move into a detached house for that !

David enjoys Art and Craft and is looking forward to going to the local comprehensive to use their workshops.

Good Luck to David Gray !

Jeanne.

THE OLD HALLS OF TOTLEY AND CORDWELL

8-9 miles - allow about 5 hours. -

A delightful walk in search of local history to locate six fine halls of Totley and district.

Start from Mickley Lane. Proceed along the bridle way behind the Shepley Spitfire Inn. After 700 yards turn left into a steep field path and negotiate a stile that leads us directly to our first mansion.

This is Woodthorpe Hall, steeped in historical background and home of the Shepley family. Proceed forward for another 200 yards and join another path at the bend of the road into the spread of Holmesfield Park Woods. Several hollows to our left show traces of charcoal burning pits.

The path through the woods is broad and after nearly one mile, we join a lane into the village of Holmesfield which seems to boast of more Inns than houses. Holmesfield once had a castle and many converted residences and barns have utilised the stonework. Note the church and imposing tower, well worth a photograph.

Behind the housing estate in the field are traces of the castle moat. Cross the road by the Angel Inn and enter a field path by the side of the George and Dragon. A finger points the way into Cordwell Valley. Hereabouts the views are superb. After two field lengths, a stile and footbridge take us to our left towards the hamlet of Cartledge. Five paths meet here but are well signed. A steep pull up the field and we join the road between Millthorpe and Holmesfield. Proceed to the left for 50 yards and we are standing before the portals of Cartledge Hall.

This residence dates back to the 15th century and is reputed to be haunted. The Wolstenholme family in the reign of good Queen Bess were big land owners.

Across the lane enter a path through Cartledge Farm (home of the Holmesfield Riding Stables) and we descend towards the Cordwell Valley. Negotiate two field stiles and join the road leading directly to Millthorpe. At the cross roads, the nearby Royal Oak Inn is very tempting. Millthorpe village has many fine residences and once boasted a hall, recently converted to a farm.

At the cross roads, proceed forward into a lane by the stream (Millthorpe Brook), ford and join a field path to the left which takes us to the charming homestead of Johnnygate Farm.

Rejoin a lane and proceed right for 300 yards to view our third historical hall known as Barlow Woodseats. This serene hall brings back memories of camping and cycling days around Rumbling Street (site of a Roman road) and Moorhall. A speciality was afternoon tea at the hall in the 1930's for 1/- (5p), what hospitality! Barlow Woodseats was the home of the Mower family and in the last century the Botham family.

Across from the front of the Hall, take a field path directly across to Rose Wood and Meekfields. Locate a rickety wooden stile after the third field, keep to the centre of the last field but there are no markers.

Enter the lovely Rose Wood and the faint path keeps forward for 600 yards to Meekfields. A Phantom jet aircraft crashed here in 1970 but all traces of the aircraft have since been removed.

Cross two field areas and we enter Unthank Lane. Turn left up the lane and after 350 yards and on our left we see the small Unthank Hall. It is now run as a farm by the Lowe family. There is a fine cruck barn at the rear of the hall but you would need to ask to see it. To proceed with the walk, opposite the hall enter a field path area. Be sure to shut the gate. After the first field, bear to the right and after two field lengths we are down to Eweford Bridge and the Millthorpe Brook. Hereabouts, Fox Lane joins the junction of Unthank and Cordwell Lane. Opposite the bridge, join a bridle track where a finger post points the route to Horsleygate Lane.

Turn right from the road and after 250 yards on our left is Horsleygate Hall, recently converted to a very high standard from its original 15th century days and now the home of the Ponsford family. This is fox hunting country for less than half a mile down the lane is another hall which was owned by the Wilson family. This residence has recently been sold after the death of Miss. Wilson. This lady was famed throughout the Cordwell Valley as the mistress of the fox hunting fraternity. But the true Horsleygate Hall is, of course, the upper one.

Opposite a private caravan site, another finger post points the way to Lidgate Top and Totley. Skirt the side of a garden and tennis court and after two field lengths we cross a large open stretch of ploughed field. Yellow markers show a well defined path.

Cross the road at Lidgate and another signpost points to our own favourite and the last hall of Fanshawe Gate. As we leave Lidgate we

can see Chesterfield Church crooked spire in the middle distance. Fanshawe Hall is the home of the Ramsden family. This is the oldest of all the mansion houses in the district and the dove-cote extension dates back to the 13th century. A final finger post shows the way across the meadows and towards Gillfield Wood. From here all paths seem to lead to Totley Hall Lane.

S. C. Barrow

Now is your chance to visit
one of the halls from the article above !



Fanshawe Gate Hall
Holmesfield



Why not take a drive or walk up to this beautiful old hall dating back to 1260. It will be open for charity on the following days:

Saturday 3rd July	National Gardens Scheme
Sunday 11th July	National Gardens Scheme
Sunday 18th July	National Gardens Scheme
Sunday 25th July	Holmesfield Village Society

The garden should be in full bloom and refreshments are available. It is signposted from the Holmesfield/Owler Bar Road or you could walk through Gillfield Wood and up the hill to the road leading to Woodthorpe Farm.

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Blasphemous Bloopers !

The First Commandment was when Eve told Adam to eat the apple.

The Fifth Commandment is humour they mother and father.

The Seventh Commandment is thou shalt not admit adultery.

Solomon, one of David's sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines.

When Mary heard that she was to be the mother of Jesus, she sang the Magna Carta.

Jesus was born because Mary had an emaculate contraption.

Jesus enunciated the Golden Rule which says, to do one to others before they do one to you.

The people who followed the Lord were called the twelve decibels.

The epistles were the wives of the apostles.

St. Paul cavorted to Christianity. He preached holy acrimony which is another name for marriage.

A Christian should have only one wife. This is called monotony.

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MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR



No ! I did not forget to put the questionnaire in last month's magazine but thanks to those who noticed it was missing !

I had already printed the magazine when it was decided to include the 75th Anniversary Celebration dates (some of them have been altered - see notice elsewhere in the magazine) and this, at first, was going to put in loose so another loose leaf would have been too much - hence the delay !

Please fill in the questionnaire and make comments if you wish. Return the completed questionnaire to Church or a Churchgoer or leave it with our poetic fruiterer at Totley Fruit Bough, 166 Baslow Road.

Keep the articles coming in ! It is so much easier when there is plenty to print !

Thanks.



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SAINTS ALIVE

This month we start a series looking at the lives of various saints, some well-known and some less well-known. The 14th July is the feast day of St. Bonaventure.

Travelling from one country in Europe to another for work is easier nowadays than it has been for many years. In the middle ages it was comparatively common, certainly in the church, when of course there was only one church in existence, which spanned the various countries.

Bonaventure was born in a small town in Italy but went to Paris to study during the 1230's. He became a Franciscan friar and remained in Paris as a teacher. Franciscans embraced poverty as part of their calling and Bonaventure entered fully into that, despite his reputation as one of the foremost thinkers of his day. He was contemporary to Thomas Aquinas and succeeded Francis of Assisi as leader of the Franciscan friars and was held in such respect that he is seen as the second founder of the order.

A brilliant man, he still held that a fool's love of knowledge of God may be greater than that of a humanly wise man. He turned down the opportunity to become archbishop of York but did become a cardinal in 1273. When papal legates brought his cardinal's hat, he told them to hang it on a nearby tree as he was washing up and his hands were wet and greasy.

He died at the age of 53 in Lyons in 1274 whilst attending a church council which briefly resulted in the Eastern Orthodox and Western catholic churches coming together. He has earned the nick-name of "the seraphic doctor" because of the reputation he acquired for the fervency of his devotion to the Lord.

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The cost is £1.60 for a 2 course cooked lunch followed by refreshments in the comfort of Green Oak's Day Centre. Transport to and from the home is not provided on Sundays but Transport 17 provides a 'round robin' on Friday to the 'drop in' which is currently held at Green Oak from 11.00 a.m.

If you would like to join either the Friday or Sunday lunch club or know anyone who would benefit - please contact Green Oak on 235 0763 - and you will receive a warm and friendly welcome

ALL SAINTS' LADIES CLUB

July



July 6th Strawberry Evening

July 20th Mystery Outing

If anyone would like to join us on our Mystery Trip, they will be very welcome.

The next meeting is in September. Enjoy your summer holiday !

Visitors
always

welcome

to our
meetings

The ladies club would like to thank all the people who sponsored them for the McMillan Walk. Through their generosity we raised the sum of £617.

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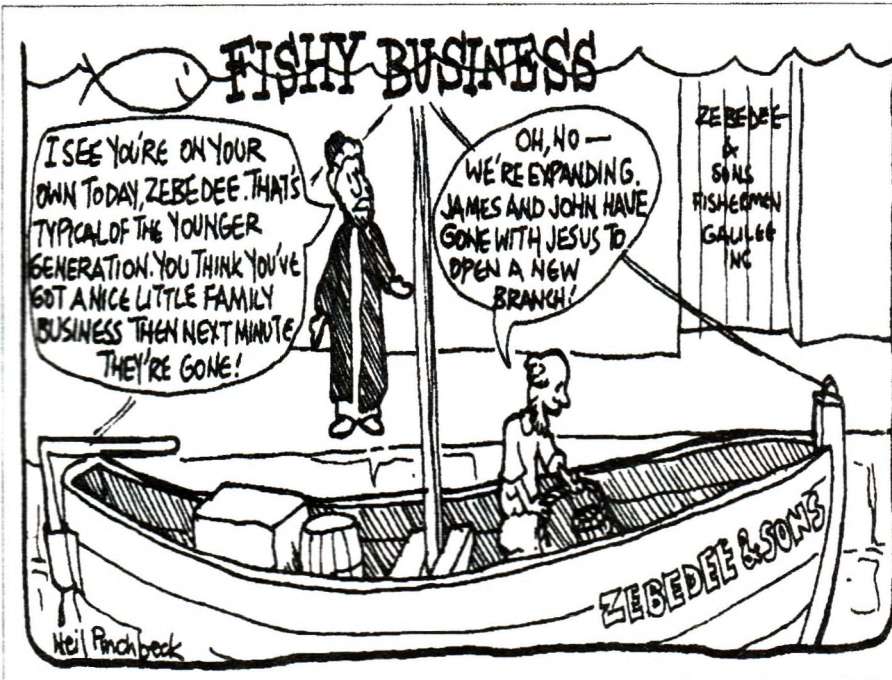
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July	4th	Ro and Robin Carter, Catherine Brown.
	11th	Valerie Loft, Brenda Lewis, Dorothy Firth.
	18th	Dorothy Smith, Vivien and Ken Filleul.
	25th	Eileen Davis, Johanne Elmore, Ann Ruthven.

Sidesmen and Sideswomen

		8.00 a.m.	10.00 a.m.	6.30 p.m.
July	4th	Mr. K. Filleul	Mrs. B. Houldcroft Mr. N. Hayden	Mrs. M. Snowdon
	11th	Mr. A. Ludlam	Mrs. C. Booth Mrs. C. Billard	Mr. J.A. England Mr. P. Purkiss
	18th	Miss. A.E Baldry	Mrs. A. Powell Mrs. J. Lawry	Mr. P. Purkiss
	25th	Miss H. Perfect	Mr. R. Walker Mrs. M. Warrender	Mr.H. Mayson

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As we want to encourage families to come to the 10.00 a.m. service, an informal arrangement can be made each Sunday, except for the All Age Services, e.g. Come & Worship, when we all meet in the Church.

Flowers

		Altar	Memory Table
July	4th	—	Mrs. Billard
	11th	Mrs. Kirton	Mrs. Thompson
	18th	Miss Taylor	Mrs. Perkington
	25th	—	Mrs. Parkin

There are still a few unfilled dates please contact Dorothy Simons if you could help with flowers or silver

Silver Cleaning

July
4th Mrs. Billard
18th Vacant date

cleaning. Thanks.

From the Registers



BAPTISMS:

Jonathon Nolan 18 Totley Brook Glen

We shall visit the families of the following children who will be celebrating a baptism anniversary:

Joseph James Wragg	July 6th
Amy Megan Taylor	July 6th
Sophie Louise Cook	July 13th
Emily Georgia Hayward	July 13th

WEDDINGS:

None in June.

FUNERALS:

Winifred Knapton of Butts Hill Totley.

We shall remember all recently bereaved families, together with the following from our Memorial Book, at our Memorial Service on Sunday 25th July 1999 at 6.30 p.m.

Nellie Ethel Hudson; Patricia Gladys Sneath; Dorothy Walker; Muriel Agnes Evelyn Innes; Alan Arthur Haywood; Joan Glentworth; Enid Dorothy Taylor; Florence Hopperton; Walter English; Clarice May Loukes; Nellie May Garside; Mary Elaine Powell; Linda D'Arcy; Mavis Wilson; Grace Catherine Weightman; Elizabeth Beatrice Taylor; John Raymond Hall; David John Pearson; Sylvia Mary Hall; Willie Beckett; Clifford Walden; Mildred Ellis; Mark Frith Shipman.

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JULY DIARY DATES



Thurs.	1st	Standing Committee – Vicarage 8.00 p.m.
Sat.	3rd	Garden Party 2.00 p.m.
Tues.	6th	Ladies Club in the Hall 7.30 p.m.
Wed.	7th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class. Hall 2.30 p.m.
Thurs.	8th	P.C.C. Meeting Hall Lounge 8.00 p.m.
Sun.	11th	Sunday Youth Group Hall 6.30 – 8.30 p.m.
Mon.	12th	Contemplative Prayer Group 1, Quarry Road 3.15 p.m.
Tues.	13th	Martha and Mary Group. Hall Lounge 10.30 a.m.
Wed.	14th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class. Hall 2.30 p.m.
Mon.	19th	Last day for items for August magazine.
Tues.	20th	Ladies Club Hall 7.30 p.m.
Wed.	21st	Over 50's Keep Fit Class. Hall 2.30 p.m.
Sun.	25th	Sunday Youth Group Hall 6.30 – 8.30 p.m.
Mon.	26th	Collation of Magazine Hall from 9.30 p.m.
Mon.	26th	Contemplative Prayer Group at 1 Quarry Road 3.15 p.m.
Tues.	27th	Martha and Mary Group. Hall Lounge 10.30 a.m.
Wed.	30th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class. Hall 2.30 p.m.

Saying for Stillness

“Fill your horn with oil and be on your way.”

(1Samuel 16 : 1)

Final Date: Items for August Magazine: 19th July

ORGANISATIONS AND REGULAR MEETINGS IN CHURCH & HALL

Sunday:	10.00 a.m.	Young Saints	
		Jeanne Foster	235 1525
	6.30 – 8.30 p.m.	Sunday Youth Group (2nd & 4th Sunday)	
		Joe Varney	236 9042
Monday:	10.00 a.m.	Drop in Coffee	
		Marjorie & Maurice Snowdon	236 2822
	3.30 p.m.	Junior Choir Practice in Church	
		Stella Jockel	236 9413
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		Sheila Eke	236 7457
	7.30 p.m.	Ladies Club (1st & 3rd)	
		Joan Gray	236 8470
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		Dr. Helen Lang	235 2935
	2.30 p.m.	Ladies Keep Fit	
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From the Vicarage



Dear Friends,

Getting the balance of work and rest, proper activity and proper leisure can be quite a challenge. Increasingly in our nation we are becoming polarized. One group have employment, which has ever-increasing demands on time, energy and commitment. Another group would dearly love proper, or more significant employment, and cannot seem to find it.

There's a good pattern at the very beginning of the Bible: six days work, and a seventh for re-creation. It's as if God built that pattern of things into creation, into the way we are meant to work as people, and the way society needs to function.

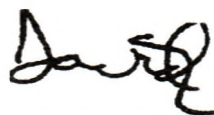
Now, working that out in practice in this day and age, can be a very tricky business, but if we lose sight of the principle, we do so at our peril. Sabbath, is vital for our social, physical and spiritual well-being. It was in the early days of the French revolution that a ten-day week was experimented with. It was soon dropped, as being impossibly unworkable.

August is a month for rest and re-creation for many of us (although I must say I have been on holidays when you come home feeling in need of a rest to recover). We need it. Perhaps more importantly, we need a proper balance in our more normal lives, so that we are not simply living for the next holiday or celebration. Good holidays equip us to make the most of the routine. And good holidays will enable refreshment in every dimension, physical, emotional, social and spiritual. If you have more leisure, use it to read something unhurriedly, or to spend

some personal time in prayer or delve into the Bible in a clearer way. Two books I have read recently, and gained much from, by the same author, I can recommend. The writer is Philip Yancey. One is "What's so amazing about grace?", the other is "The Jesus I never knew".

On holiday or at home, may God bless you this month, and equip us for exciting days ahead,

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SERVICES IN AUGUST.

1st Trinity 9

- 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (B.C.P.)
- 10.00 a.m. Family Holy Communion (B.C.P.)
Theme:- Emotions. - Elation.
- 11.30 a.m. Holy Communion at the Cheshire Home
- 6.30 p.m. First Sunday Service – Songs of Praise.

8th Trinity 10

- 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (B.C.P.)
- 10.00 a.m. Family Holy Communion (A.S.B.)
Theme:- Work and Leisure. My free time
- 6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer (A.S.B.)
1. Kings 11,41 –12.20
Acts 14 8-20

15th Trinity 11

- 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (B.C.P.)
- 10.00 a.m. Family Holy Communion (A.S.B.)
Theme:- Work and Leisure. Everyday Routines.
- 3.30 p.m. Service at the Cheshire Home.
- 6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer (A.S.B.)
2 Kings 4 8-37
Acts 16 6-15.

22nd Trinity 12

- 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (B.C.P.)
- 10.00 a.m. Come and Worship. All Age Service.
- 6.30 p.m. Memorial Service.

29th Trinity 13

- 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (B.C.P.)
- 10.00 a.m. Family Holy Communion (A.S.B.)
Theme:- Work and Leisure. Getting away from it all
- 6.30 p.m. Holy Communion (A.S.B.)
2 Kings 6: 24-25 and 7 3-20
Mark 7: 1-8 and 14-15 and 21-23.

SAINT AIDAN

Aidan's day is on 31st August. Although he lived as long ago as the seventh century, we still owe him a great debt as he was a huge factor in the introduction of the Christian faith to this part of England.

By 635 he had travelled from Ireland to become a monk at Iona. From there he was sent to Northumbria to replace an anonymous previous missionary who had failed because his methods were too rough and had returned to Iona claiming that the English were unteachable. Aidan made Lindisfarne (Holy Island), near the royal palace at Bamburgh, his headquarters. From there he travelled extensively on foot, establishing and encouraging existing churches. He concentrated on Northumberland and arranged for a colleague, now known as St. Paulinus to concentrate on Yorkshire. Meanwhile, Lindisfarne became a monastery, school and training ground for future missionaries. In all of this he had the whole-hearted support of the kings of the day, Oswald (himself venerated as a saint) and Oswin. Bede (our sole source of information about him) wrote to Aidan that he was a man "of remarkable gentleness, goodness and moderation, zealous for God." He was a man of very simple habits. When Oswin gave him a horse to help in his travels, he promptly gave it away. Every Lent he stayed on another island off the Northumberland coast for a period of private, personal, penitential prayer. He died in the year 651, seemingly from grief at the murder of King Oswin and was buried on Lindisfarne.

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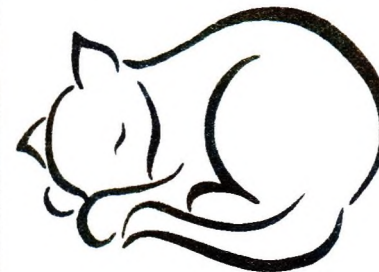
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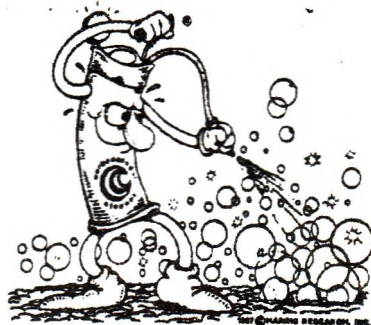
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There is a meeting planned with Janet Anderson, M.P., the Broadcast Minister at the Department of Culture, Media and Sport, for a new opportunity to apply for a licence which has arisen in the Republic of Ireland. There are more details in a letter on the notice board in the Church Hall and of prayer requests.

Pauline Perkinton

P.C.C. Up-Date.

The worship at the beginning of the last P.C.C. meeting included a reading from Ephesians, Chapter 4. There cannot be many better ways of looking at the role which all of us have to play in building up the life of the Church here in Totley. Beyond that we covered a very wide spectrum of subjects. We certainly got the impression that the parish is going to grow both in numbers and in spiritual depth in the near future.

We talked briefly about the new pattern of services which begins in September and also the Care and Share groups which start then. We look forward to a good launch of these activities when Bishop Jack comes to join us for the evening worship on September 12th. This will be a time when the leaders of the Care and Share groups will be commissioned. It seems likely that the Parish Office will be functioning then. We understand that several people have volunteered to help Angela Waite by staffing the office for a few hours during the week.

We also looked forward to the various celebrations which form part of the church's 75th birthday. In September we shall have more information about the Millennium plans and these will be included in the magazines for September and October.

A decision was taken that we should install a sound system in the church. There is some ecclesiastical red tape to be completed but we hope to see it in action before too long. This obviously involves money and the Treasurer had some disturbing things to say about our finances (Again!) This is the one blot on the landscape as we look to the future of the Church. It would be very nice if we could get this cleared up so that when our new treasurer starts in January he (or she) will not feel that it is a millstone round their neck.

The P.C.C. have agreed that, from October, they will normally meet on a Monday. Any other "business" or "administrative" type meetings will also be moved to Mondays if possible so that the field is clear for the Care and Share groups on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

A request was made that the church should be open during the day on Saturdays as well as the other days. This will normally be done from now on.

Maurice Snowdon.

COFFEE MORNING

Eric and Dorothy Simons wish to thank everyone who helped and supported their coffee morning. The result is £320 which will be divided equally between The Children's Society and Cancer Research.

JOINT VISITATION

There will be a meeting to prepare for the joint visitation to invite people to the new pattern of service on Wednesday, 1st September at 8.00 p.m. in the Church Hall.

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The 'They' Family

We all know the Powells; the Bryers; the Filleuls; the Simons; the Lofts; the Snowdons and lots of other families at All Saints. We also have heard tell of the Upper Class; the Middle Class and the Working Class. However, since we were elected as Church Wardens and took up office in May, we have discovered a family called 'They', a clan called 'Them' and a class called 'Muttering'.

It is a regrettable fact that the comments of the 'They' family, relayed to us are invariably negative and fault finding. We have not actually met this family but are regularly being informed of their opinions by others. Often we can sympathise with these opinions and would welcome discussion with them because it is only if we listen that we can make sure that their views are taken into account. On the other hand, if we do not have the pleasure of knowing them, we cannot, and will not, be able to do anything about their complaints.

Your Church Wardens are new and inexperienced and have already made mistakes. It is certain that they will not be the last that we'll make. Our responsibility is primarily for the Church buildings and grounds and to ensure that the administration of All Saints is carried out in an efficient manner. It is, therefore, right that any comments regarding these matters should be made *directly* to us.

It is our hope that 'They' will leave 'Them' and 'Muttering' and join 'Us' and all those of whatever, and no, class who have no hesitation in airing their opinions face to face. We can cope with that and if the worst comes to the worst, we are sure we are sackable !

Dorothy Firth and Alan Burt

From the Editor:

Only the Bishop can 'sack' you, but who would think of such a thing ? Don't get discouraged. Words without a face are cheap but you provide the action, every week !



MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

I know this is a busy time of the year. If you have children, there are so many activities near the end of term and for those without young children, there are holidays to take and places to visit but I did hope I would receive more completed questionnaires (enclosed in the July magazine). Do I take it then that you are satisfied with the present content of the magazine or is it that you need more time to complete the questionnaire ?

Please return your completed questionnaire to Church or a Churchgoer or leave it with our poetic fruiterer at Totley Fruit Bough, 166 Baslow Road.

Thank you to those who have already returned a completed questionnaire; the comments are useful and will be noted.

Thanks to the young artists who designed the Youth Group Leader ad..



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I have received a letter card from Jo. which is now on the Mission Notice Board in the Hall. Do read it and add your name to the list of you'd like to receive a copy of their quarterly news letter, so that I can keep you in touch.

Just to remind you about their children - Emily was nine last January, Stephen will be eight now and Bethany had her third birthday last November, when many of us met them here at All Saints.

Would any of our 'Young Saints' like to write to them occasionally ? I'd be happy to pass on your letter or their address or you will find their address on the link letter or Mission Notice Board.

I'll be writing to them soon and, as always, will be passing on best wishes from everyone at All Saints. *Catherine.*

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SPECIAL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 31st August at 8.00 p.m.

A meeting for all who offer Prayer Ministry at the services - in the Vicarage.

Monday 6th September at 8.00 p.m.

A meeting for all sidesmen and sideswomen together with those who have accepted special welcome responsibilities - in the Church Hall.

The new pattern of two services on a Sunday morning will mean that there is a need for more people to help with all these activities. There are rotas for these duties so that it is not too onerous.

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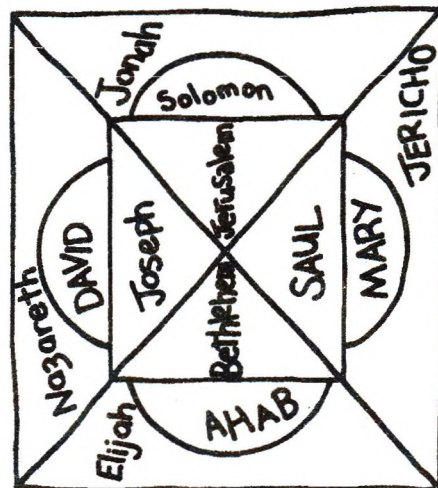
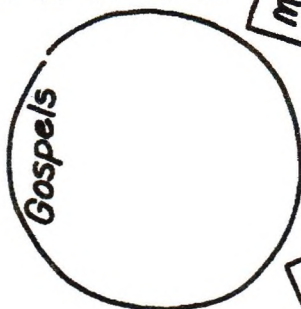
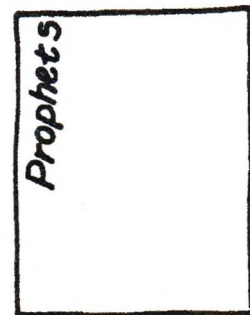
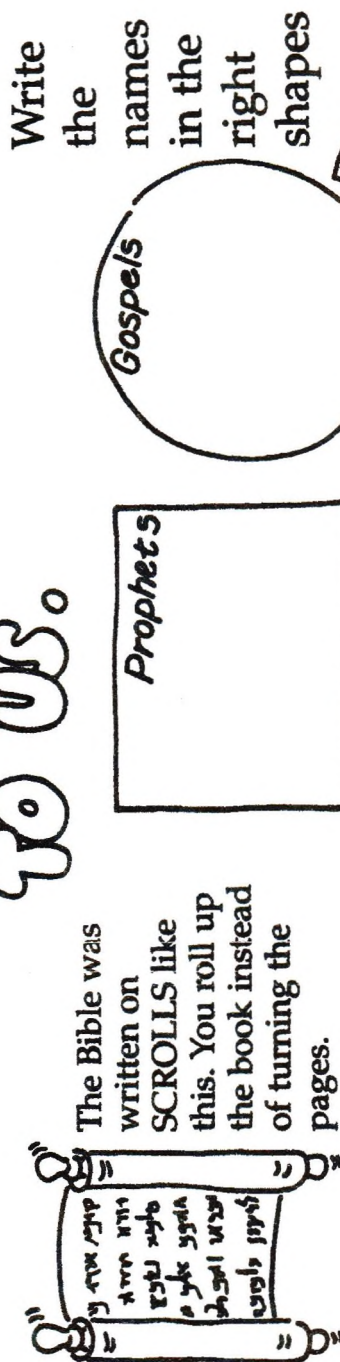
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Miles Kingston

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Bible people = RED
Bible kings = GREEN

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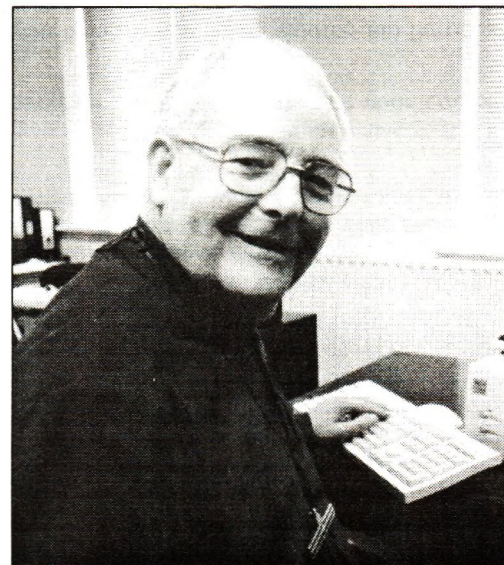
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SHEFFIELD DIOCESAN EXTRA

August 1999



Bishop Jack proposed that his Strategy Group's recommendations be adopted as the Strategy of the Diocese for the next five years.

STRATEGY PROPOSALS APPROVED

The strategy for the next five years was approved without dissent at the Diocesan Synod meeting at Snaith in June.

Moving the adoption of his Strategy Group's recommendations, Bishop Jack believed they would free us to be more involved in the "praise of God, in the pain of the world, in the repentance of the Church and thus to proclaim that glorious gospel of which every human being is in need".

The Bishop praised the Strategy Group, especially chairmen Stephen Lowe and latterly, Bob Fitzharris.

He quoted Canon Fitzharris's remarks when the document was presented to the Bishop's Council:

Diocesan Synod Digest by The Editor

The most important recommendations affecting parishes were:

"We have produced a book on navigation rather than a supplement to the Canons of the Church of England. Because of the nature of the beast, that is how it should be viewed - as a living whole rather than as a series of laws to be passed".

"What the Bishop's Council are sending to Synod is an animal to be adopted and not a corpse to be dissected."

- Each parish to undertake a development review.
- Each parish to set a mission target for the next five years.
- Each parish to look carefully at its building and their use and to budget for future maintenance rather than simply reacting to disaster.

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- each parish to become more involved in being part of a greater whole by participating in a diocesan conference each year.
- Individual parish clergy to take seriously their duty to undergo continuing spiritual and theological renewal.
- So to organise the Diocese and the parishes that time and talents are liberated for mission rather than just enlarging the round of committees.
- Encourage vocations.

Bob Fitzharris had said: "Some might be worried that we are managing decline, but I offer that if this strategy is properly embraced we will be exporting our surplus clergy and opening new churches by the end of the strategy."

The document's proposals were approved with the exception of a few "friendly amendments" moved by Professor David McClean, Chancellor and General Synod representative.

Education presentation

An exciting church schools presentation was given by three heads - Gale Atkin (St. Alban's, Wickersley), June Fearn (Hemingfield Ellis) and Jane Boaler (All Saints Hooton Pagnell) - who were applauded and thanked.

The value of church schools was emphasised and there were references to increased co-operation with the Roman Catholics in the sphere of education. There was a strong case for a C of E secondary school.

A motion proposed by Board of Education chairman, the Ven Bernard Holdridge was unanimously approved.

This expresses the belief that church schools stand at the centre of the Church's mission to the nation, affirms the General Synod education resolution and seeks to explore how it can be implemented locally, and places on record gratitude to the Board of Education, encouraging it to continue its excellent work.

Jubilee Year

On behalf of Adwick-le-Street Deanery, Canon Fitzharris moved that 2000 be made "a Jubilee Year for Parish Share/Ministry Contribution arrears (excluding 1999 arrears)"

Past debt hung like a millstone round the necks of so many of our poor parishes. Releasing them from debt encouraged greater participation in outreach and mission.

But Canon Jim Moore successfully proposed an

amendment adding the words: "Provided that the Finance Committee is satisfied that any arrears for 1998 or earlier were due to inability to pay and that the current year was paid in full."

He pointed out that it had been the practice to encourage parishes to get back on even keel but these were some who, for various reasons, would not pay even though they were in a position to do so.

Other Items

This was Bishop Michael Gear's last Synod. Members were asked to note that there would be a farewell function at the cathedral on Thursday October 21.

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A request from the Bishop of Ukwu in Nigeria for a link with the Sheffield Diocese had been remitted to the Diocesan Companionship Group. Synod would be asked to consider the matter when the group produced a firm recommendation.

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Presenting the 1998 report and accounts, the Finance Committee chairman, Mr. C. Biggin, thanked those in the parishes "whose response to the challenge of generous giving has again been remarkable." He knew that such generosity would continue to support God's work.

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The next meeting will be at the Wilson Carlile College of Evangelism, Cavendish Street, Sheffield, on Saturday, November 13.

ROUND AND ABOUT THE DIOCESE

DRUGS GAME

New at the Resources Centre in Diocesan Church House is Hit 'N' Miss, an interactive educational game for young people aged 13 and over. It is designed to raise their awareness of the potential danger of drugs and other substances. It is ideal for use with young people in schools, youth clubs and anywhere else that has a role in health and life education.

GERMAN VISIT

Bishop Jack and his wife, Judith, headed a visit of 50 people from across the diocese to Hattingen-Witten. The hosts were delighted that the Diocesan Bishop had visited them for the first time. The trip culminated in a farewell service in Hattingen where Bishop Jack preached on the text from Genesis 29 - 'You are my own flesh and blood'. There will be a return visit from Hattingen-Witten to Sheffield in April next year.

DEAF CLUB

Members of the Sheffield Central Deaf Club Church joined the congregation of St. Peter and St. Paul, Todwick, for a family service during their annual outing. Later they travelled to Sherwood Forest. The service was conducted in sign language by the Revd. David Bliss and Mrs. Norma Garvey. The Brownies also joined in signing a hymn. Refreshments were served in Todwick Village Hall.

CRAFT FAIR

St Helen's Church, Burghwallis, are holding a Patronal Festival Craft Fair on Saturday and Sunday, August 14-15. The fair will be in the Church Hall. Abbe's Walk. Visitors are invited to park in Church Drive and also visit the lovely Saxon Church. The patronal festival mass is on Wednesday August 18 at 7.30 p.m.

CELEBRATION

Sheffield Celebration Choir will be holding a concert at St. Paul's Church, Norton Lees, on Thursday August 5 at 7.30 p.m. Tickets are £3 and proceeds will go to Christian Aid for work in Kosovo. A number of the congregation are members of the choir so there is extra excitement about the concert. The only problem will be trying to make space for so many singers at the front of the church!

MUSIC AID

The Rotherham Youth Chamber Orchestra presented 'Music for a Summer Evening' at St. Alban's Church, Wickersley. All proceeds from the concert were for Rotherham Holiday Aid. This project helps some of the most disadvantaged families to enjoy a holiday.

FLOWER GUILD

Sheffield Cathedral Flower Guild are offering all churches in the diocese the opportunity to arrange flowers in the cathedral. For further details contact Margaret Peers c/o The Cathedral or phone 01246-413848.

NEWPIN

Sheffield Newpin, Wincobank Lane, which is threatened with closure due to the lack of funds, has been visited by the Bishop of Doncaster, the Rt. Revd Michael Gear, accompanied by the Revd. Mike Gilbert (Vicar of Wincobank) who is on the Management Committee. Newpin is a national voluntary organisation which works with families to help break the cycle of destructive family behaviour, to develop the self-esteem of parents, and to bring about a lasting change in the quality of life for both parents and children. The Bishop was greeted by staff and users of the centre who assured him of the project's importance. The Bishop's verdict was: "An absolute lifeline". For more details phone Mike Gilbert (0114-2819360).

Preachers at the Cathedral

Preachers at Sheffield Cathedral on Sundays in August - **August 1** 10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist, Mrs. Joan Zunde, 6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer, The Provost. **August 8** 10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist, the Ven Michael Paton, 6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer with Hymns, Mrs. Joan Zunde. **August 15** 10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist, Canon Trevor Page, 6.30 p.m. Evensong, Canon Christopher Smith. **August 22** 10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist, Canon George Tolley, 6.30 p.m. Evensong, the Archdeacon of Sheffield. **August 29** 10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist, the Revd Helen Blackburn, 6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer, with Hymns, Canon Jane Sinclair



MILLENNIUM

The Millennium Mission to the Sheffield area will get well under way when Luis Palau addresses the Launch Rally at Ponds Forge on September 25. Leaders from churches of all denominations across the area are joining together for the exciting opportunity to share the Good News with thousands. Over 170 churches are already involved with many more signing up. A series of prayer meetings is under way. The actual Mission will be at Sheffield Arena from April 3-8 next year. With more than 30 years experience of evangelism, Luis Palau has addressed nearly 13 million people in 66 nations with a clear, biblical message and an encouragement to personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

LATEST COMINGS AND GOINGS

The Revd. Lawrie Jenkins, Vicar of Greenhill St. Peter to be also Vocations Adviser (Recruitment).

The Revd. Michael Holdsworth, Team Vicar of Sheffield Manor to resign from August 31.

Canon Peter Tarleton, Chaplain HMP Lindholme to be Chaplain HMP Armley in the Diocese of Ripon.

The Revd. Peter David Godden, Priest in Charge of St. Peter-at-Gowts and St. Andrew in the Diocese of Lincoln, to be the Rector of Armthorpe.

The Revd. Peter Hughes, Vicar of Kimberworth St. Thomas, to be also Assistant POT Officer.

Canon John Willett, Rector of Uppingham with Ayston and Wardley with Belton in the Diocese of Peterborough, to be Vicar of Cantley St. Wilfrid.

MORE FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

Pilgrimage

A number of parishes from the diocese will be represented at the Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage from August 8-12. For details phone Father M. Thompson 01709-893259. Pilgrims from Cantley, Thurnscoe, Goldthorpe and Moorends represented Sheffield at the Youth Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Egmont in May.

Red Cross

The British Red Cross are setting up a new project in the Doncaster area. A need has been identified to help patients returning home from hospital when on-going medical or social support is not necessary. The Red Cross hope to fill this void by recruiting voluntary staff prepared to devote a few hours helping a patient settle back into normal life. For further details contact Eliza Goss, 22 Hallgate, Doncaster, DN1 3NG (01302-730063), whose immediate task is to recruit a team of volunteers.

NEW POST

Susan Vinall has been appointed to the new post of Mission Development Worker at St. Matthew's Church in Carver Street, Sheffield. As well as working with the Restoration Appeal Committee (£40,000 is still needed for the first phase), Susan will be responsible for compiling a profile of the social and business structure of the parish, analysing change and future development in the area, seeing how the role of St. Matthew's might be developed to meet the changes and preparing a strategy for action over the next ten years for consideration by the PCC.

Fun Day

A reminder that the Family Fun Day organised by the Mothers' Union will take place on Saturday August 7 at 2 p.m. at the headquarters of the Church Lads' and Girls' Brigade, Wath.

Arts Festival

The Sheffield Cathedral Arts Festival will be staged from Saturday September 25th to Sunday October 3rd. The programme includes lunchtime recitals, films, sculpture, lectures, choral workshops, festival liturgies with the cathedral choirs, young people's workshops and ensembles, festival choral workshop and concert, quilting workshop, exhibition of heritage and contemporary quilts and other exciting events. Mozart's *Don Giovanni* will be sung by Pavilion Opera on Friday October 1, and the following evening The Lindsays will play Haydn, Tippett and Ravel. For further information of the festival, the theme of which is 'All a Question of Time', phone 0114-2700674.

Annual Event

The traditional Solemn Vespers for the Eve of the Assumption of Our Lady will be sung again this year at St. Wilfrid's Church, Hickleton, on Saturday August 14 at 7.30 p.m. The preacher will be the Archdeacon of Doncaster, the Ven Bernard Holdridge. There will be an outdoor procession and Benediction.

Please post or fax your items for the September issue of the Diocesan Extra no later than Monday 2 August to the Editor, the Rev'd Peter Gascoigne, Bilham Vicarage, Churchfield Road, Clayton, Doncaster DN5 7DH (tel and fax 01977-643756). Copy for the monthly newspaper should also be sent to the same address.

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Prayer Breakfast



There will be a Prayer Breakfast on the fourth Saturday of the month in the Church Hall from 8.00 to 10.00 a.m.
(leave earlier if you need to do).
Everyone is welcome.

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Quick Quotes

"Before you ask for more faith," says a well-known evangelist, "be sure you are putting to use the faith you already have."

ALL SAINTS' 75th ANNIVERSARY COOKERY BOOK



It's over 10 years since we put together the All Saints' Favourite Recipe Book, so I thought it would be a good time to do another to celebrate the Church's 75th Anniversary.

The sections of the book will be:

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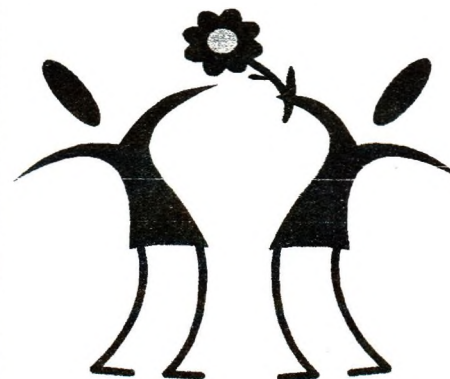
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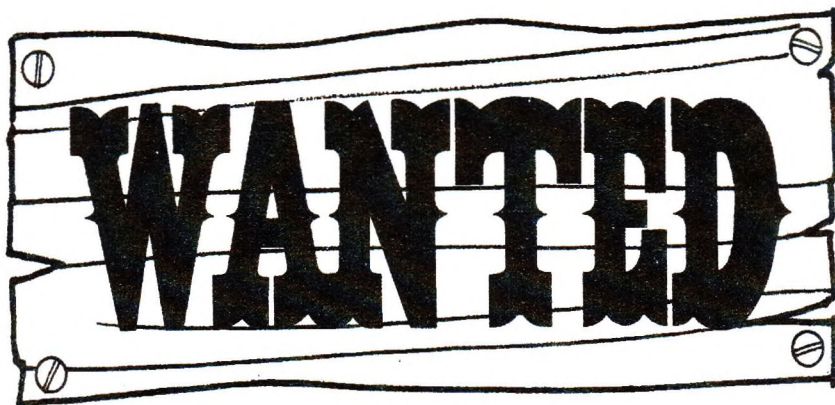
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PLEASE HURRY A.S.A.P!

SITUATIONS VACANT

Church Treasurer

Neil Hayden has been Church Treasurer for nine years and has now, very understandably, decided that it is time to stand down. He is willing to carry on until the end of 1999 but it would be advantageous if the next treasurer was identified now so that he or she could be involved with the budgets for 2000 which must be settled before the end of the year. If God is calling you to this task, do let it be known as soon as possible.

Representative on Churches Together in S17

We need a lay representative to liaise between the P.C.C. and the Committee of Churches Together in S17. It is not a very demanding job but requires someone who is sympathetic to ecumenical activity.

Leaders for children and young people's activities

All sections of the Church's life in these areas are in need of help. Leadership of the Sunday Evening Youth Group is urgent but the Wednesday evening "Trailblazers" and the Sunday morning "Young Saints" are also needing help. Why not talk to someone who is already involved to see whether you could help?

GARDEN PARTY

The Garden Party raised £670 and will be shared between the Homeless in Sheffield and Christian Outreach.

Many thanks to everyone involved including Gay Riley, who co-ordinated the event.

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CHURCH FUNDS

Vivian Filleul has skilfully and lovingly embroidered a picture which is now available to anyone who is willing to make a suitable donation to the Church Funds.

Enquiries to Gay Riley or Vivian.

FIRST SUNDAY SERVICE.

The First Sunday Evening Service in August will take the form of a "Songs of Praise". In this service people are asked to choose their favourite hymn or song and be prepared to share their reasons for their selection. We hope that a lot of people will volunteer to do this and that all sections of our Church community will take part. Please speak to either Marjorie or Maurice Snowdon (236 2822) about this as soon as possible so that the evening can be planned..

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The dates for these services will be:

26th	September	1999
2nd	January	2000
19th	March	2000
18th	June	2000
17th	September	2000
31st	December	2000

All services will start at 6.30 p.m., last for about an hour and be followed by light refreshments in the church.

Memorial Services September 1999 & January 2000

Name to be remembered

Name(s) and address of principle family members attending the service
.....
.....
.....

Date of service to be attended

SHEFFIELD EMPLOYMENT BOND

We are pleased to report that loan contributions of £900 have enabled All Saints Church to apply for a Sheffield Employment Bond. Money from the bonds will be used to help create jobs for unemployed people in Sheffield.

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Looking forward to September

From 19th September, our pattern of services will be changing.

On the first and third Sundays of the month, we will be continuing with a simple communion service, following the Book of Common Prayer at 8.00 a.m.

At 9.30 a.m. each Sunday, we will be introducing an informal service, for all ages. This will use of mixture of modern and well-known music, using a newly-formed worship band as well as the organ.



At 11.00 a.m. each Sunday, we will continue with a more traditional service, using the organ and choir and being in the form of a communion service on most weeks.

Coupled with this is the introduction of "Care and Share" groups during the week. Small groups, meeting in homes, to work out and encourage each other in living out the Christian life in daily living.



To help prepare us for all this, we have recently started a sermon series at the 10.00 a.m. service entitled "The things we value" - looking at the key aspects of being a Christian that we need to value, understand and live out. We hope these will help us all prepare for a new departure in a few weeks' time.

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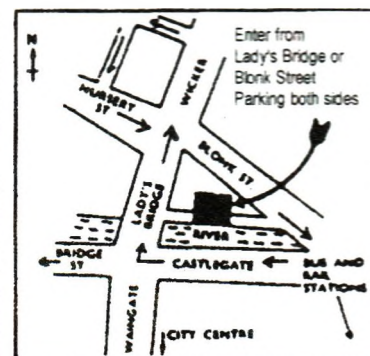
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Coffee Rota

August	1	Mavis Kirton, Betty Houldcroft, Marjorie Wales
	8	Pauline and Alan Shepherdson, Maureen Allum
	15	Jane Lawry, Kath Lloyd, Ann Powell
	22	Beth Booth, Patrick Guest, Vera Cryan
	29	Josephine and John Collie, Sheila Eke

Sidesmen and Sideswomen

		8.00 a.m.	10.00 a.m.	6.30 p.m.
August	1	Mr. K. Filleul	Mrs. B. Houldcroft Mr. N. Hayden	Mrs. M. Snowdon
	8	Mr. A. Ludlam	Mrs. C. Booth Mrs. C. Billard	Mr. J.A. England Mr. P. Purkiss
	15	Miss. A.E Baldry	Mrs. A. Powell Mrs. J. Lawry	Mr. P. Purkiss
	22	Miss H. Perfect	Mr. R. Walker Mrs. M. Warrender	Mr.H. Mayson
	29	Mrs. D. Cooke	Mrs. M. Warrender Mr. N. Crapper	Miss. A. E. Baldry Miss. H. Perfect

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As we want to encourage families to come to the 10.00 a.m. service, an informal arrangement can be made each Sunday, except for the All Age Services, e.g. Come & Worship, when we all meet in the Church.

Flowers

	Altar	Memory Table
August		
	1 Mrs. Jockell	Mrs. Smith
	8 Mrs. Holding	Mrs. Hill-Pickford
	15 —	Mrs. Collison
	22 Mr. Hazelhurst	Miss. Bird
	29 Mrs. Pearson	Mrs. Hill-Wilson

Silver Cleaning

August	
	1 Mrs. Bryer
	15 Vacant date

From the *Registers*

BAPTISMS:

Emily Rose & Samuel John Smith 68 Main Avenue
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We shall visit the families of the following children who will be celebrating a baptism anniversary:

Eloisa Marie Howe	10th	Hannah Charlotte Wiggett	23rd
Liam Alfred Jackson	10th	Amy Elizabeth Blatherwick	31st
Lucy Kate Cook	11th	Alexander David Grant	31st

WEDDINGS:

Correction: Wedding on 26th June
Howard Charles Edward Gill Wigginton Grange Corban Lane York
To Helen Marah Job 126 Green Oak Road Totley
July 31st Simon Nicholas Williams 46 Yarnolds Shurdington Glos.
To Sophie Jessica Hebblethwaite Moss Cottage Lane Head Road Totley

FUNERALS:

29th June Georgette Forest Buck (80) The Grange, Bradway Road

We shall remember all recently bereaved families, together with the following from our Memorial Book, at our Memorial Service on Sunday 22nd August 1999 at 6.30 p.m.
Alexander Innes; Dora Rodwell; Laura Hall; George Henry Bingley; Rex Beaumont Gertrude Mary Sullivan; Deborah Anne Jockel; Jack Ledgerd; Thomas Askham; John Bowie; Ethel Ada Coleman; Mabel Beatrice West; Charles Herbert Hill-Pickford; Beatrice Mary Gilpin; Leslie Gilbert Jackson; Nellie Winifred Betts; Ernest Pearson; Eric Arthur Varah; Elsie Seals; Isabelle McArthur Turner; Alice Mary Snazell; Grace Lee; Dennis William Heap.

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AUGUST DIARY DATES



Mon	9th	Contemplative Prayer Group 1 Quarry Road 3.15 p.m.
Wed	11th	Eclipse of the sun
Mon	23rd	Contemplative Prayer Group 12 Marstone Crescent 3.15 p.m.
Sat	28th	Prayer Breakfast Church Hall 8.00 a.m.
Tues	31st	Prayer Ministry Meeting Vicarage 8.00 p.m.

Reminder:

Please let me know if there are alterations to your usual pattern of meetings by the final date for items stated below.

Thank you.

Saying for Stillness

"I AM in the Father and the Father in ME".

Final Date: Items for September Magazine: 23rd August

ORGANISATIONS AND REGULAR MEETINGS IN CHURCH & HALL

Sunday:	10.00 a.m.	Young Saints	
		Jeanne Foster	235 1525
	6.30 – 8.30 p.m.	Sunday Youth Group (2nd & 4th Sunday)	
Monday:	10.00 a.m.	Drop in Coffee	
		Marjorie & Maurice Snowdon	236 2822
	3.30 p.m.	Junior Choir Practice in Church	
		Stella Jockel	236 9413
	7.00 p.m.	Guides	
		Maureen Allum	235 1262
Tuesday:	10.30 a.m.	Martha & Mary Group (2nd & 4th)	
		Sheila Eke	236 7457
	7.30 p.m.	Ladies Club (1st & 3rd)	
		Joan Gray	236 8470
Wednesday:	10.00 a.m.	Parent & Toddler Group	
		Dr. Helen Lang	235 2935
	2.30 p.m.	Ladies Keep Fit	
		Moreen Warrender	236 0515
	6.15 p.m.	Trailblazers (Children's Club)	
		Ken Filleul	236 0872
Thursday:	7.00 p.m.	Choir Practice in Church	
		Stella Jockel	236 9413

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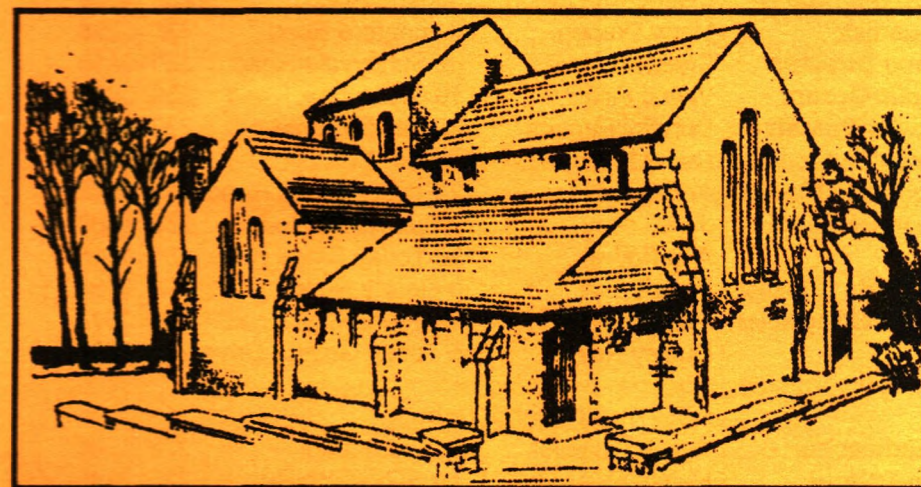
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	Elsie Mayson	35 Wollaton Road	236 2321
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From the Vicarage :



Dear Friends,

Well, here we are in September. On the 19th we move into our new format of worship. Just as importantly, also in that week, our "Care and Share" groups get under way. What are we seeking to do ?

1) To provide a wider worship experience, so that whilst we retain a diet of more traditional worship, there is also a weekly opportunity to join in worship that is more informal and easy to understand if you have not had a background within the church.

2) To provide a place in the week where we can grow in relationship with a small group of others, work out together how we can grow as followers of Jesus in this day and age and be a place where we can support others and develop avenues of service.

In doing these things we are stepping out in faith. We do not know what will happen or where exactly they will lead us. So we need to step out together. For some this will ask for a change of habit and for others this will represent a new opportunity which needs to be firmly grasped. For us all we need to step out in faith.

I want to conclude this letter by asking you to do something.

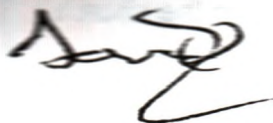
1) If you are a regular worshipper, don't complain about the change of routine but ask the Lord where He wants you to be in the immediate future and do what He says.

2) If you are not a regular worshipper, use the opportunity of these new departures to come and give God some prime time on Sunday - He will bless you richly as you do so.

3) Join a "Care and Share" group. Don't hang back, don't knock them, don't wait and see - take the plunge - and God will bless you richly.

4) Give it time. There is nothing worse than premature judgement and criticism - so don't. Give it time and play your part and see what good things the Lord has in store for the people of Totley who will take Him seriously.

With all best wishes



BISHOP JACK RETURNS TO TOTLEY

Bishop Jack will be back in Totley on
Sunday September 12th 1999
At 6.30 p.m.

He will commission the Care and Share
Group Leaders and Worship Group

There will be a buffet in the Church Hall
afterwards

Services in September.

5th Trinity 14.

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (B.C.P.)

10.00 a.m. Family Communion.

Theme:- Holiness

11.30 a.m. Holy Communion at the Cheshire Home.

6.30 p.m. A.S.B. Eucharist

12th Trinity 15.

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (B.C.P.)

10.00 a.m. Baptismal Service.

Theme:- New Wineskins for New Wine.

6.30 p.m. Holy Communion (A.S.B.)

Commissioning of Care and Share Group Leaders
and Worship Group by Bishop Jack.

19th Trinity 16.

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (B.C.P.)

9.30 a.m. All Age Worship

Theme:- A Real Faith for a Real Life in a Real World.

How can I have a Purpose in Life?

The "Alive Gang" for children restarts.

11.00 a.m. Holy Communion (A.S.B.)

3.30 p.m. Service at the Cheshire Home.

6.30 p.m. Informal Service.

26th Trinity 17.

8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer (A.S.B.)

9.30 a.m. All Age Worship

Theme:- A Real Faith for a Real Life in a Real World.

Is there an answer to too much stress?

11.00 a.m. Holy Communion (A.S.B.)

6.30 p.m. Memorial Service.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 6th September at 8.00 p.m.



A meeting for all sidesmen and sideswomen together with those who have accepted special welcome responsibilities - in the Church Hall.

The new pattern of two services on a Sunday morning will mean that there is a need for more people to help with all these activities. There are rotas for these duties so that it is not too onerous.

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Sister Linda Reed

Welcome !

Many thanks to Claire for organising our Mystery Trip which was enjoyed by all.

We had coffee at Lotherton Hall and then went on to Thirsk for lunch and a visit to the James Herriot Museum which proved very interesting.

The Ladies Club meet in the Church Hall
at 7.30 p.m.
on the first and third Tuesday in the month.

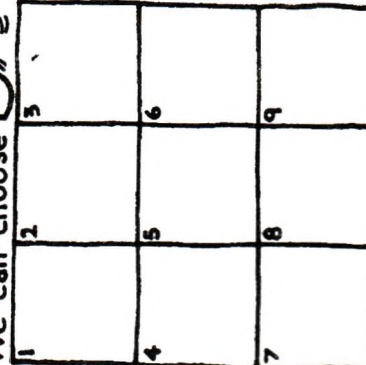
CHILDREN'S PAGE

God is "in charge"

We can choose

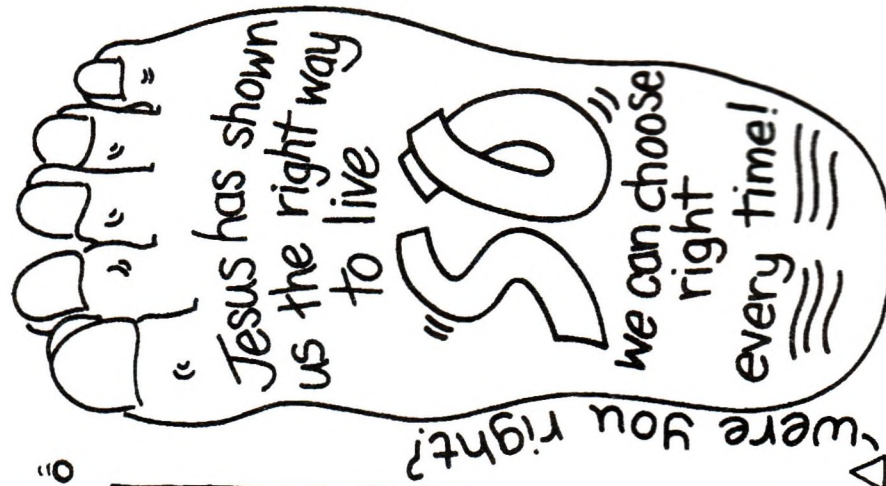
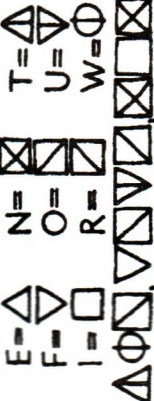


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2 With the code to help you, work out which were the right squares to choose.



To all our young readers

Would you like to write a letter in reply to the one here below ?

Dear Friends,

June 21st 1999

It is very hot here in Kuwait ! Did you know that they even have to chill swimming pools to keep the water cool enough ? We are already on summer holidays because of the heat.

I've enjoyed school so far. I am the only English person in my class. My teacher, Mr. Davies, is Welsh. I like him because he is very funny.

In September I will be in Year Five; my brother, Stephen, will be in Year Four and my sister, Bethany, will still be in the Kindergarten.

Every morning at school we all line up and sing the Kuwait national anthem.

When I was at school in Nigeria we also sang their national anthem before lessons.

Even though I have been to two different schools in England, I still don't know the British one !

Next time I write I will tell you about our church here.

With best wishes from

Emily (Wright)

Replies can be handed to Mrs. Catherine Wigglesworth and she will send them with her own letter. Please write !

MEMORIAL SERVICES AT ALL SAINTS

From September, memorial services will be held quarterly. In each copy of the magazine, there will be a reply slip inviting anybody who would like to have a loved-one remembered at the next memorial service to let me know so that the name may be included amongst those to be read out. This invitation is to all, irrespective of where or when a funeral may have taken place. If you have lost somebody in another part of the country, at another time of the year, but a service falls near their birthday, wedding anniversary of some other significant date, you will be most welcome to ask for them to be remembered.

The dates for these services will be:

26th	September	1999
2nd	January	2000
19th	March	2000
18th	June	2000
17th	September	2000
31st	December	2000

All services will start at 6.30 p.m., last for about an hour and be followed by light refreshments in the church.

Memorial Services September 1999 & January 2000

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St. Cuthbert's Way

As we are approaching the end of the holiday season, I thought it about time to report on my earlier walking holiday and to thank, once again, those who supported my long walk. Thanks to my supporters I was able to send £100 to Amnesty International. This will enable 5 victims of torture to receive medical attention.

Some of you may never have heard of St. Cuthbert's Way, so I will enlighten you a little.

This is a very new long distance walk of 63 miles opened in 1996. The concept of the walk came from Ron Shaw, then working as Project Officer with the Till Valley Tourist Initiative, based at Wooler in Northumberland.

In January 1995 he contacted Roger Smith, Walking Development Officer for the Scottish Borders, who agreed that a cross border walk linking places connected with St. Cuthbert would appeal to many people. They then had to apply for funding from different agencies and access permission from various landowners and local authorities. They used existing rights of way, footpaths, bridle ways and the Roman Road, Dere Street wherever possible. The whole project was completed in 18 months, quite an achievement.

The walk begins at Melrose Abbey in the Scottish Borders and ends at Lindisfarne, on Holy Island off the Northumberland coast. It is believed that St. Cuthbert began his ministry at Old Melrose in AD. 650, aged about 16. He joined the brothers in the monastery there, praying, studying and working in the fields. His leadership qualities were recognised by Eata, the Abbott and he was asked to go to Ripon, North Yorkshire, where a new monastery was to be established. However, there were problems at Ripon with Bishop Wilfrid and the monastery was closed. Cuthbert returned to Melrose only to discover that he had contracted "yellow plague", which killed half the population of Europe. He was saved by the power of prayer

but his friend, Boisil, the prior at Melrose died of the disease and Cuthbert was appointed in his place. Cuthbert travelled extensively in the borders and became known as "the fire of the north". Eventually he became prior at Lindisfarne, where he was famed for his healing powers and his love for all creatures. Eider ducks became known as Cuthbert's ducks and then shortened to "Cuddy ducks", an affectionate name by which they are still known today.

The walk traverses hills and valleys linking abbeys and villages connected in fact and folklore with St. Cuthbert. The village of St. Boswells is named after his friend, Boisil. Doddington Moor is alleged to be the place where Cuthbert tended sheep as a child and St. Cuthbert's Cave is where his body is said to have been taken by the monks in AD 875, when they fled from Lindisfarne because of Viking raids. There are many other historic or interesting sites to visit along the way. Dryburgh Abbey, Jedburgh Abbey, Yeavinger Bell, Northumberland's highest hillfort and the beautiful College Valley, where only 12 cars per day are allowed to proceed beyond the "Arts and Crafts Cottages" at Hethpool to name a few. Add to all this the river Tweed, one of Britain's largest rivers and a Site of Special Scientific Interest, the views from the top of Wideopen Hill, the highest point of the walk, the pretty border village of Kirk Yetholm, where the Pennine Way ends, the unspoilt Northumbrian coast and you have a fascinating area of Britain.

St. Cuthbert is reputed to have said, "walking benefits the body and the soul". I am sure fellow walkers will agree with this.



Treading where the Romans trod and following the route of the great saint who was preaching the Gospel over 1300 years ago made me reflect on how insignificant we are on the time scale, but how privileged we are to be a link in the chain, carrying the Christian message into the year 2000.

Dorothy Firth

THE ALIVE GANG

Yes, that's the name that the members of the Young Saints or Sunday School have chosen, in discussion with the leaders and David, to be known as from now on.

So when the Sunday children's groups get under way again during the 9.30 a.m.

service on 19th September it will be as

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Martha and Mary

Jesus had three personal friends in Bethany: sisters Martha and Mary and their brother Lazarus. Both Luke 10 v 38-41 and John 11 record stories about them. Martha, who appeared to be the more practical and domesticated of the two sisters, got rather upset one day when Jesus visited and felt that Mary had abandoned her by giving her undivided attention to Him and His teaching. One can imagine that perhaps both were preparing a meal and that as Jesus arrived, Mary took off her apron and sat down with their special visitor, while Martha, conscious that preparations were not completed, continued in the background. Jesus tried to comfort Martha and suggest that He was aware how troubled and worried she was about so many things, but, that Mary was not wrong to sit and listen, therefore she should not feel guilty to do just that.

Today, we may consider the story in terms of priorities and the encouragement it gives us, when we are tempted to allow ourselves to become steeped in piles of work and so deny ourselves TIME TO BE STILL AND LISTEN TO GOD, or take up our Heavenly Father's invitation to "COME TO ME, ALL WHO LABOUR AND ARE HEAVY LADEN, AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST".

Matt. 11 v 28.

When the group called Martha and Mary started to meet in the Church hall every 2nd and 4th Tuesday, we chose this name because we feel we experience "Martha" - the practical one, and "Mary" - the searcher for God, alive in each one of us, by caring for one another. Just as Martha and Mary were different and Jesus loved each one for herself, so he loves each one of us and will come to us in our daily needs.

The idea started "in the tent" at Pentecost '95 to be a place where we could share together, irrespective of denomination, the difficulties women experience trying to live a Christian life in a largely secular world, feeling secure in the knowledge that anything said would be treated in the strictest confidence.

Nothing is asked of anybody. You can come for the whole hour and a half (10.30 a.m. – 12.00 noon), or just for a quick cup of tea. You can come every time or just once.

We don't follow a formal pattern but the whole time is offered up to God and we feel the healing power of the Holy Spirit. Usually we have a reading and a prayer and a short time of intercession.

Those of us who meet regularly feel that Martha and Mary is an oasis of calm and peace, companionship and support, comfort and encouragement. In this environment we are learning to accept ourselves as we are and so move forward as we travel our spiritual journey. We would love you to come and join us. From time to time we would like to share one of our readings with you. This month's is HUGS.

HUGS

Happy and joyful
Umbrella of love
Growing around us
Serene as a dove.

How lovely to see you
U look really great !
God bless you and keep you
So long - my old Mate !

Josie Hickens



DO YOU KNOW ?

One speaker at a Psychological Conference in Canada stated that we need 8 HUGS a day for mental health. Hugs in this context include positive words, positive eye contact and touch. We need to give as well as receive, so do it and be healthy !

HUGGING

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Reduces stress
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Have you had a hug today ?
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Never underestimate the value of
A HUG.

Author unknown.



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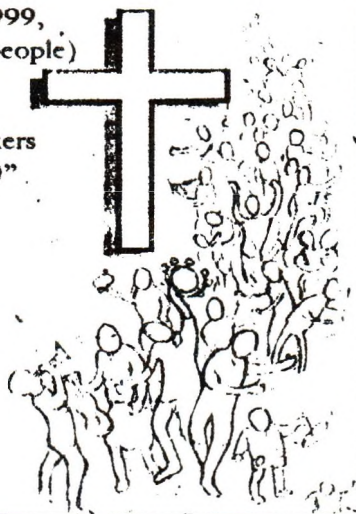
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100 DAYS TO THE MILLENNIUM

**Service in
DORE PARISH CHURCH
Thursday 23rd September, 1999
7.30 pm**

**A Service to mark
100 days to the Millennium**

This Service is put on by Churches Together in S17 in support of Jubilee 2000 and will include time to think, reflect and pray.

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Two Years on !

On recent visits to All Saints, Church, I have been involved in conversations with members, asking how I am occupying myself in retirement. It has been a great delight to me that so many of you show such interest and recently it was suggested that I update everyone via All Saints' News.

Many of you will know that in the Spring Term 1998 I was the acting head teacher of Ashdell Girls Prep. School whilst the head teacher had a serious operation. In February and March of this year I visited Papua New Guinea, where my daughter Kate and her husband Bruce were working as doctors for Voluntary service Overseas. Some members of All Saints have been helping me by providing information for the history of All Saints' School which I am writing. This takes up much of my time (when embarking on the project I had not realised what an enormous amount of work would be involved), indeed it is so enjoyable that it would be possible to devote myself to it full-time. However, it is important that I have much more in my life, to fill it when the book is finished and published - hopefully sometime next year.

It is good to see how the school is prospering and I enjoy my visits to special services, concerts, etc.

Much of my time is spent with work in the field of education. I had been a member of the Diocesan Board of Education since 1992, initially as the representative of the Sheffield L.E.A. Church Schools. On my retirement from All Saints in 1997, I was asked by the Arch-deacon of Doncaster to stay as a member of Board. In January 1998, I became the representative of the Diocese on the Education Policy Committee and Schools Development Committee of the city council. The Roman Catholic Representative and I are the only non city councillors with voting rights, although other groups are allowed to send observers. It is interesting to working with politicians from different parties for the good of the young people of Sheffield. The Labour Government has changed the process for decision making on Local Education Authorities' proposals for school closures, amalgamations and other crucial changes - especially for dealing with the surplus places caused by the falling birth-rate. Previously, decisions were taken by the Secretary of State for Education. Now each Local Authority has a School Organisation Committee which

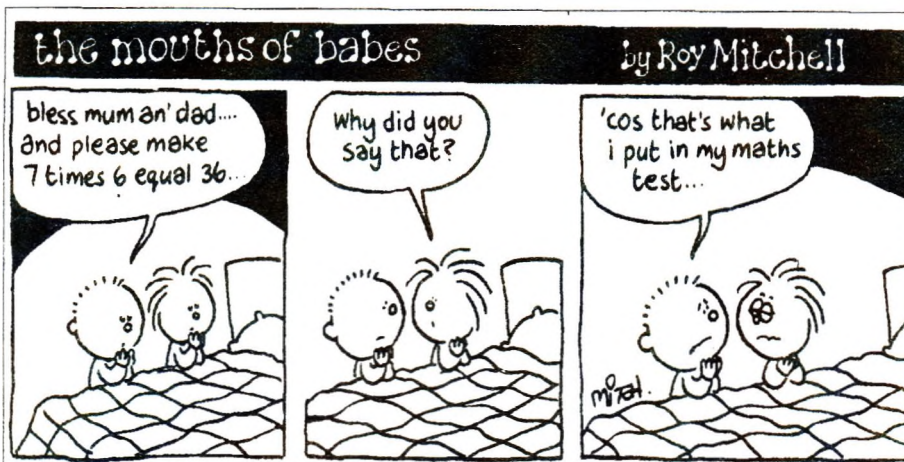
takes these decisions instead of David Blunkett. The membership is defined quite clearly by the government and a few months ago I became one of the 16 members, my term of office being for 3 years. During the summer I have been involved in training sessions with the City Council's Legal Department. In early September we meet to start our discussions on Sheffield Education Authority's proposals which we will have received before the end of August. It seems daunting to be involved in such decision making but hopefully my experiences at All Saints, when we were part of school amalgamation and closure proposals, will enable me to be sensitive to the feelings of staff, pupils, governors and parents involved.

Another area of work is in school inspections. My next one is in early October in Buxton. Although demanding, the work is interesting and it is enjoyable being in schools and having contact with children.

My most recent area of work is as a member of the Inter-Diocesan Management Committee of the Rainbows Project. We have recently appointed two development workers for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hallam and the Anglican Diocese of Sheffield who will work with the staff of schools to support them in helping pupils with problems in their lives.

You will have gathered from all of this that I ask myself, "However did I find the time to go to work," which I gather is what most retirees ask !

Joan Stratford





All Saints' Goes On-line!

The All Saints' Web Pages are now available! If you have access to the Internet, point your browser at

<http://www.shef.ac.uk/uni/projects/asct/>
and let me have your comments and suggestions for improvements. The present version of the pages are certainly only a beginning, and will need to evolve to make them useful both to "surfers" looking for information on churches in our area and to our own church members. Please let me know what you would like to see there, or how you feel we can present ourselves better.

I am especially relying on all group leaders, whether it be of weekly activities such as Sunday School or Youth Groups or of less regular events, to provide me with a paragraph (or more) describing the group so that others may be attracted to join! Lists of forthcoming events will also be useful, and I would love to have many photographs of our activities to make the pages more visually appealing!

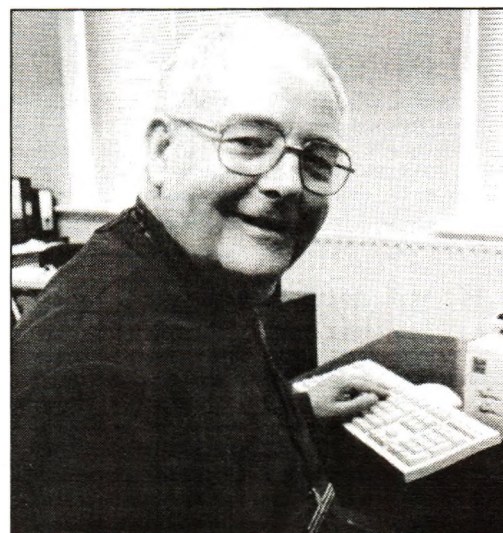
I will do my best to keep our pages up to date, but I must rely on you to provide the material!

Chris Booth



SHEFFIELD DIOCESAN EXTRA

September 1999



Aspects of Love

"Let us not speak, for the love we bear one another -

Let us hold hands and look."

She, such a very ordinary little woman;

He, such a thumping crook;

But both, for a moment, a little lower than the angels

In the teashop's ingle-nook.

In this little poem John Betjeman touches lightly but profoundly on some of the most important aspects of love.

Love renders us speechless. Even poetry, music and art can only hint at the meaning of love. We touch and look and wait until we see with the eyes of love and that takes a lifetime of patience.

Such love is given in the most surprising circumstances to the most surprising people. It is not earned; it is not the exclusive property of the good, or the wise, or the rich. In this case it is given to a very ordinary little woman and a thumping crook and of all places in a teashop's Ingle-nook.

David Beckham and Posh Spice have the fame, the beauty and the wealth which could buy such love were it for sale, but it is not. We pray that they, like we, may be given the gift, but we cannot make it happen.

In this life we are only given glimpses, often momentary glimpses of love, but when they come they are worth waiting for. A glimpse makes us little lower than the angels.

John Betjeman was a profoundly Christian man and the love of which he speaks in this poem is a reflection of the love which breathes through all creation, the love which is the nature and the name of God and which always embraces us and can never leave us no matter what our situation in life.

We know this because that same love has been shown in Jesus Christ and nothing can separate us from the love of God in Jesus.

This is good news indeed, it is Gospel.

+JACK

ROUND AND ABOUT THE DIOCESE

Requiem for Fr Arthur Longworth

A Solemn Requiem Mass will be celebrated at St. Matthew's Church, Carver Street, Sheffield, on Thursday September 2 at 7.30 p.m. for Fr Arthur Longworth, former Vicar of the parish, who died on July 17 aged 75. Fr Longworth was parish priest at St Matthew's from 1980 until his retirement in 1989. The Bishop of Sheffield will preach, and the celebrant will be the present vicar, Fr Marcus Wakely. Clergy are invited to robe (cotta or surplice and purple stole).

Festival a new venture

Holy Trinity Church and the village community at Wentworth launch a new venture this month - the Wentworth Festival. The programme includes classical music, jazz, folk music, repertory theatre, children's puppet theatre and craft workshops. The Festival will open on Wednesday September 22 with a concert by Thurnscoe Harmonic Male Voice Choir, then a violin recital will be given by Amanda Johnson on the following evening. The York Waites will perform medieval music on the Friday. On Sunday evening (September 26) the Lindsay String Quartet present music by Haydn and Dvorak. For further information and reservations contact the Rotherham Arts Centre, Box Office, Walker Place (01709-823621) or Rotherham Civic Theatre (01709-823640).

Study Day

'Mission Impossible? Then and Now' - a study day with Bishop David Lunn - is to be held at Goodmanham, near Market Weighton, on Saturday September 18. The event, being organised by Forward in Faith Sheffield for everyone from the diocese who wishes to attend, begins with Mass at 10.30 a.m. and ends with Evening Prayer at 4 p.m. in All Hallow's Church, Goodmanham, where tea and coffee will be available. People can either take their own lunch or try the village pub.

Joni to visit

Joni Eareckson Tada, international speaker, author, artist and evangelist, is coming to Ponds Forge Centre, Sheffield, on September 1 at 7.30 p.m. with husband Ken and Dave Bilbrough, musician, song-writer and worship leader, to present an evening of inspirational worship, teaching and evangelism.

Church Army

The founder of Church Army, Wilson Carlile, is remembered each year on September 26. The theme for Church Army Sunday this year will focus on our readiness for the new millennium as a church and as individual Christians as we seek to share the good news with others in the 21st century. Churches are being asked to remember and support the work of Church Army at this time of celebration.

Open Day

An open day will take place on Saturday September 18 at the ancient church of St Andrew the Apostle, Bolton upon Dearne. It begins at 10 a.m. and concludes with Solemn Choral Evensong according to the Book of Common Prayer (plainsong chant for psalms) at 6 p.m. This provides an opportunity to admire the fine Saxon south nave wall and window, and to inspect copies of the records dating back to 1561.

FLOWER FESTIVAL

St. Leonard's Church, Dinnington, are holding a Harvest Flower Festival from Friday to Sunday (October 1-3). It begins with a short service at 10 a.m. on the Friday and concludes with Holy Communion at 6 p.m. on the Sunday. The church will be open between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. except on the Sunday. For details phone Ann Corlett (01909-563543).

Band and Choir

A Celebration of Music is to be performed by the Stannington Brass Band and the Meadowhead Combined Choir at St Peter's Church, Greenhill, Sheffield, on Friday October 1. The concert will support the Doncaster Canaan Trust, a site for Christian care, a counselling centre and home for healing, at the Old Manor House, Hexthorpe. For details of the concert and bookings phone 0114-2747203.

Art and Craft

The annual Barnby Dun Art and Craft Festival is to be held in the Church of St Peter and St Paul on Saturday September 11 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and again on the following day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Proceeds are for church maintenance funds. Further information can be obtained by phoning 01302-886539 or 882835.

Preachers at the Cathedral

Preachers at Sheffield Cathedral on Sundays in September - **September 5:** 10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist and ministry of healing (The Provost): 6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer with hymns (Canon Tony Delves, Vicar of Goldthorpe).

September 12: 10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist (the Ven Alan Dean, Archdeacon Emeritus of the Army): 6.30 p.m. Evensong with the British Association of Scientists, in Sheffield for their Annual Festival of Science (The Most Revd Lord John Hapgood, former Archbishop of York).

September 19: 10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist (Canon Christopher Smith): 6.30 p.m. Evensong for Racial Justice (The Revd Ian Sweeney, 1998 Times 'Preacher of the Year').

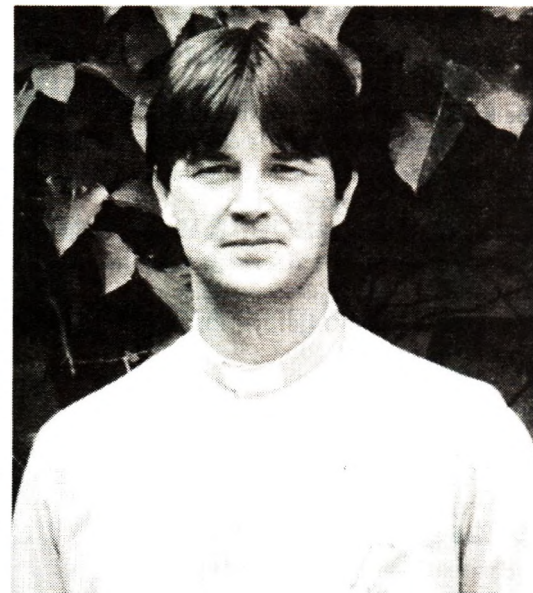
September 26: 10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist (Canon Jane Sinclair): 6.30 p.m. A Sequence of Time - music and readings on the theme of Time during the Cathedral Arts Festival (which runs from September 25 to October 3).

Fourteen on new course

The diocese's Spiritual Direction Course has completed its first term. This comprised six days at Handsworth Parish Centre and a retreat at Morley Retreat House near Derby.

There are 14 on the course which is directed by Nick Helm, Bishop's Adviser in Spirituality (pictured), with Philip Allin (chaplain to the Nine o'clock Community) and Mary Dight. It began at the end of April and concludes in February.

Interest has been high and a number of people are already keen to take advantage of the second course which begins in 2000. Further details from Nick Helm on 0114-2302170 (office hours).



ROUND AND ABOUT THE DIOCESE

Anniversary at Dalton

The 150th anniversary of the consecration of Holy Trinity Church, Dalton, will be marked by two special services. The first of these will be on Sunday September 5 when Bishop Jack will celebrate and preach at the 10 a.m. Eucharist. The Provost, the Very Revd Michael Sadgrove, will preach at Solemn Evensong at 4 p.m. on Sunday September 19. The Vicar, Fr Michael Blackman, hopes former parishioners will return to share in the celebrations.

Patronal

Fr Peter Allan CR will preach at a special Concelebrated Solemn Mass at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday September 21 to mark the Patronal Festival at St Matthew's Church, Carver Street, Sheffield. The service will be followed by a buffet supper. The winning tickets in the grand prize draw for the Church Restoration Appeal will be drawn during the evening. There are visiting preachers on the Sundays before and after St Matthew's Day - September 19 at 11 a.m. Captain Michael Reeder, Field Training Officer at the Church Army College; September 26, also at 11 a.m. Fr Stephen Leach, General Secretary of the Additional Curates' Society.

CREDO

A CREDO course is to be held in the diocese during the six weeks before Ash Wednesday 2000. Fr Pay, who is organising it at two or three centres on behalf of Forward in Faith Sheffield, says: 'This is not so much a study course as an instrument of evangelism for Catholic parishes, and a refresher for those already on the Christian pilgrimage.'

Farewell to Winifred

Members of Wath Deanery Synod have offered a fond farewell to Mrs. Winifred Seed. Winifred who has retired after 17 years as lay chairman, was thanked for her past services, greatly appreciated by all the parishes in the Deanery.



Reel Religion

A day conference, exploring theology through film, is to be held at the Lincoln Theological Institute in Wilkinson Street, Sheffield, on Saturday September 25. For details phone 0114-22263399.

Lay Forum

A meeting of the Forward in Faith Sheffield Lay Forum will be held on Wednesday 15 September at St Cecilia's, Parson Cross.

Adrian at Brampton

Writer and speaker Adrian Plass and his wife Bridget are to give a presentation at Christ Church, Brampton Bierlow, on Sunday October 3 at 6.30 p.m. Until recently Adrian was president of the Bible Society, and is also known for his Thought for the Day talks on the radio. Tickets (free) can be obtained by phoning Martin or Sue Baldock (01709-873210). An ideal occasion on which to invite non-Christian friends!

LATEST COMINGS AND GOINGS

The Revd. Nick Crawley, Rector of Avondale, Harare, Zimbabwe, to be Priest in Charge of Netherthorpe St Stephen.

The Revd Peter Thorn, Priest in Charge of St Andrew and St Peter, Blofield, with All Saints, Heblinton, in the Diocese of Norwich, to be Vicar of Sheffield St Bartholomew.

The Revd Anesia Nascimento, Curate of Dinnington St Leonard, to be Priest in Charge of St James and St Christopher, Shiregreen.

Captain David Maguire to be Church and Community Children's Worker, Handsworth St Mary.

The Revd Anthony Patterson, Team Rector of Marfleet in the Diocese of York to be Team Vicar Designate, Heeley and Gleadless Valley.

The Revd Dr John Osgerby, Vicar of Fishlake, Sykehouse and Kirk Bramwith with Fenwick and Moss, to retire from September 30.

Sister Pauline Cusworth, Church Army Officer, Cathedral Church of St. Peter and St. Paul, to be Church Army Officer at St Mary Bramall Lane.

MORE FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

A question of justice

Racial Justice Sunday (September 12) provides an opportunity for parishes to pray for racial tolerance and justice and discuss how they can be part of that process.

A questionnaire has been offered to every parish for members of the congregation to complete. Racial justice will be on the agenda for the November Synod, and the results of the questionnaire will contribute to the response from this diocese.

A special Racial Justice service will be held at the Cathedral on Sunday September 19 at 6.30 p.m. when the preacher will be the Revd Ian Sweeney, the 1998 Times 'Preacher of the Year'.

Children's Jigsaw event

A Wath Deanery Children's Event, entitled Jigsaw, will be held at All Saints Church, Wath upon Dearne, on Saturday October 2 from 10.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m.

The children (hopefully from every parish in the deanery) will be going on a worldwide tour, and will need to take with them £1, a packed lunch and adult supervision.

The accent will be on lots of fun, as the boys and girls get a glimpse of the world beyond the Dearne Valley. At the end those taking part will demonstrate how, when we are all together, the deanery (and the world) looks great. Please tell your children's leader or Sue Baldock (01709-873210), Or Moira Leach (01709-872299), how many to expect from your parish.

Please post or fax your items for the October issue of the Diocesan Extra no later than Monday 6 September to the Editor, the Rev'd Peter Gascoigne, Bilham Vicarage, Churchfield Road, Clayton, Doncaster DN5 7DH (tel and fax 01977-643756). Copy for the monthly newspaper should also be sent to the same address.

Favourite hymn?

Songs of Praise aim to broadcast a gala performance of the nation's favourite hymns on November 21 - and they would like people from our diocese to tell them what is their most popular.

Please fill in the form below and return it by Friday September 17 to Favourite Hymns, Songs of Praise, BBC TV Manchester M60 1SJ. **email:** hymns@bbc.co.uk

My favourite hymn or Christian song is:

I have chosen it because:

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Christ Our Future

Many people from this diocese will be attending the massive 'Christ Our Future' Eucharist on Saturday June 10 2000 at the London Arena. Forward in Faith Sheffield will be organising coaches.

GEOFF'S FAVOURITE RECIPE

Taken from the earlier version of favourite recipes.

- ◇ Cook a pint of rice pudding, cool slightly and add one egg yolk.
 - ◇ Drain a tin of oranges and cover rice pudding with them.
 - ◇ Whip egg white until stiff. Beat in 1 tbsp. of caster sugar and fold in 1 tbsp.
 - ◇ Cover pudding with meringue.
- Bake on centre shelf, Gas 2 or 3, for 30 minutes or until brown.

Joan Beeley

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Changes in September



On the first and third Sundays of the month, we will be continuing with a simple communion service, following the **Book of Common Prayer** at 8.00 a.m.

At 9.30 a.m. each Sunday, we will be introducing **an informal service for all ages**. This will use a mixture of modern and well-known music, using a newly-formed worship band as well as the organ. The **Alive Gang** will meet in the Church Hall during this service (formerly Young Saints).



At 11.00 a.m. each Sunday, we will continue with a more **traditional service**, using the organ and choir and being in the form of a communion service on most weeks.

Coupled with this is the introduction of "Care and Share" groups during the week. Small groups, meeting in homes, to work out and encourage each other in living out the Christian life in daily living.



Come and join us !

1st TOTLEY SCOUT GROUP

Jumble Sales

Saturday October 9th 1999
11.00 a.m. HQ Aldam Road
Saturday January 22nd 2000
11.00 a.m. HQ Aldam Road

If you have any jumble, please contact Peter Casson (Tel. 236 3881), or John Lawry (Tel. 236 8566) and we can **always** store jumble - **anytime**. Jumble set-up will be on the Friday evening before the sale from 7.00 – 8.00 p.m.

Coffee and Carol Evening

Tuesday 7th December 1999
from 7.00 – 9.00 p.m. at HQ

Everyone welcome. There will be Webb Ivory, Scout Post, Games, Gifts and Refreshments.

Purpose and Passion New Wine Conference

October 15th – 17th 1999

Ponds Forge International Centre

Details and bookings via St. Thomas' Church Office

What will you be doing on December 31st 1999?

An awful lot of fuss is being made about the year 2000 and the new millennium. There is a very real danger even Christians will forget that it is a Christian celebration - the whole world is actually marking twenty centuries of Christianity!

It is important that our whole community know this - and 31st December gives Christians an opportunity to raise everybody's awareness.

A small committee representing local churches [St John's, Dore & Totley URC, Totley Rise Methodist, English Martyr's and Totley All Saints] has made some outline plans for a celebration event in the early evening of 31st December, involving people from all the churches, which we hope will draw people together from across the community. From 6pm we plan to have parades from around the area leading to Totley Rise church where there will be a celebration service from 6.30 until 7.15, followed by food, coming to a close around 8.30. You will then be able to go to other celebrations with families and friends. The service will be suitable for all age groups and will include opportunities for praise, prayer, reflection and commitment.

Please put the date in your diary, and plan family events around it. Let's start the new millennium as God's people together as a real witness to our community.

The work of the committee is being co-ordinated by Rev. John Thompson of Totley Rise Church. Contact him if you have any suggestions or comments: 12 Devonshire Road, S17 3NT.

JOINT VISITATION

There will be a meeting to prepare for the joint visitation to invite people to the new pattern of service on

**Wednesday, 1st September
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Prediction

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James: Really ?

Dave: Yes, she takes one look at my report card and tells me what will happen when my father gets home !



From the Editor

The holiday season is almost over and now is the time for :

the return to school
the opening of our new nursery
the return of meetings and various clubs
the beginning of our new pattern of Church services
Care and Share groups
Jumble Sales
Autumn Fayres

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	Elsie Mayson	236 2321.
or	Dorothy Firth	236 4190
or	Dorothy on	LESF1112@aol.com.

There will also be a notebook and pen at the back of the Church for any written prayer requests.

New Year's Eve

Are you joining us to celebrate the start of the new century ? Some families have already shown their interest in either or both of the planned celebrations.



* **Lantern lit parade in S17 starting at 6.00 p.m.**
followed by food in Totley Rise Methodist Car Park.

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* **A family celebration in our own Church Hall
beginning at 8.30 p.m. and finishing at 12.15 a.m.**

If you are intending to attend the function in our Church Hall, please let Ric Gray know as soon as possible.

Perhaps you are intending to spend New Year's Eve alone or just you and one other; why not join our celebration and enjoy good company ?

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(or should I say early?!),

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Saint Jerome

This rather contradictory man left his mark on the church for in excess of 1000 years. Until the Reformation of the sixteenth century, when a number of European countries acquired Bibles in their own vernacular tongues, which were commonly accepted and used, the Latin version of the Bible, known as the Vulgate, was standard throughout Christendom. This was the work of Jerome, who translated nearly the whole of both testaments, into a consistent Latin version, from the original languages, finishing it around the year 404 AD. He anticipated the Reformers and Protestant practice from then on, by advocating that certain Old Testament books, now known as the Apocrypha, should not be included in the canon of the scripture. In fact, the Vulgate came to include them but nowadays most bibles do not include them or do so as a separate section between the two testaments. Few, if any, would want to give them full Biblical authority today, although they have value for illuminating scripture and completing Jewish history. He was a scholar, strongly motivated, capable of being physically hard on himself and others and at times very aggressive in word and action towards those he disagreed with. On one occasion it is reported that he and St. Augustine (of Hippo), spat at each other in the course of an argument.

He was born in Dalmatia (part of Yugoslavia today) in the mid fourth century, was educated in Rome and subsequently spent years as a hermit in Syria. He then returned to Rome where he was secretary to the pope, began his translation work and led a group (of women) known for their very ascetic lifestyle. He was not loved by all though, for his inflexibility and willingness to fall out with those he disagreed with. When Pope Damasus died, he returned east with some of his followers from Rome and settled in Bethlehem. Here a hospice was opened for travellers. He taught Latin and Greek to local children in a free school and he and his followers developed a very ordered religious life.

While in Bethlehem, he completed his translation work and wrote copiously and vehemently about various theological disputes of the day. From the early years of the fifth century, the peace of the Bethlehem retreat was increasingly broken by raids by invading Huns, refugees fleeing from Rome and other places under attack and the disorder that went with the collapse of the Roman Empire. He wrote, "Now we have to translate the words of scripture into deeds".

He died in Bethlehem in the year 420 AD. He is remembered on 30th September. Undoubtedly, he could be a very uncomfortable man to be around. A later pope, when shown a painting of Jerome beating his breast with a stone, commented, "You do well thus to use that stone: without it you would never have been numbered among the saints". But he is; and was a huge influence on the church of his day. He was uncompromising on himself as well as others. He once said, "Persecutions have made the church, martyrdoms have crowned it". He knew at first hand what he was talking about. He undoubtedly was a man who would not have flinched from giving his own life for the Saviour if so called to do.

Miracle Flight ?

Flying his private plane over Los Angeles, an 80 year old man had a sudden heart attack and died at the controls. Without a moment's hesitation, the passenger, 69 year old Charles Law – who had never flown a plane before – took over the controls of the Cessna 150 and landed it safely at Upland California.

"I don't know how he did it," said police sergeant John Cameron, who led a convoy of ambulances and fire engines to the air strip. "It was what you might call a miracle".

After he landed, Charles Law had to be led gently from the plane. He is blind.

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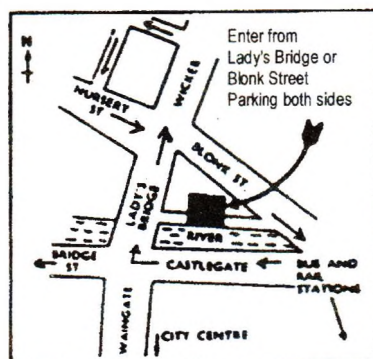
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The sessions are held weekly during term time between 6.15 and 7.30 p.m. and are designed to give the children opportunities for sharing and having fun together and for learning more of the relevance and importance in their lives of Christian teaching and values.

*Alan
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The sitting room is now our main playroom with a carpeted area for imaginative play and a 'wet' area for paint, sand, water etc. A new patio door leads out onto a large paved area for bikes and cars, plus a surface of bark chippings for our swings and slides. There's space for a garden where the children can continue to grow flowers and vegetables.

We'll enjoy using the separate kitchen for our cooking sessions and our new cloakroom has a child-sized toilet, wash basin, disabled facilities and plenty of space for our outdoor clothes. Upstairs, two rooms have been knocked into one to house our computer which is very popular with all the children and our book 'corner' for our huge range of books. This is also where our 4 year olds can have a quiet study time. The small bedroom is now the staff room where we file our ever increasing paperwork !

A great deal of planning and hard work have gone into achieving all these changes and we are grateful to the governors, staff and parents who have helped. Now we'd like to invite **You to come and see it for yourselves. We are having an**

Open Day on Wednesday September 8th.

You don't need to be a prospective parent, anyone can come along between 9.00 and 1.30 p.m. or from 3.00 to 4.00 p.m. for a look round and a chat with our staff.

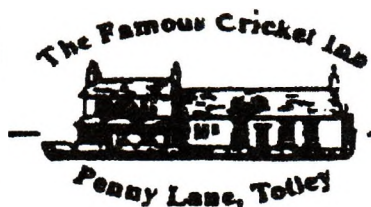
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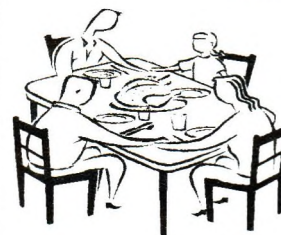
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The Friends of Totley All Saints' School

Autumn Fayre

Saturday 9th October 2.00 p.m. in school.

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Laughlines

Vicar to parishioner: "Did you like my sermon on the
'Milk of Human Kindness' ?

Parishioner: "Yes, but I wish it had been condensed !"

BISHOPS' MOVE.

I recently re-read this book which was first published in 1978. It is a collection of chapters by six Anglican bishops. They come from as far apart as South Africa, Colorado and Singapore and yet as near as Pontefract. Each of them has quotable sentences but for now I want to concentrate on Bill Burnett, the former Archbishop of Cape Town. He recalls the verse from John (1 John 5 v4) which reads "Whatever is born of God overcomes the world" and he speaks of renewal as necessary because "Christians will have no effective witness unless they are led to appropriate their full inheritance as the sons of God, filled and aglow with the Holy Spirit".

So how do we appropriate our full inheritance? Again a few quotes help us. "To renew society with unrenewed Christians is like a non-swimmer trying to rescue a drowning man". That our society needs renewing can surely not be in doubt. There is so much evidence about drugs, about a decline in moral standards, about poverty and greed, about violence and so on. We can put a brave face on these things because we know that Jesus Christ has won the victory over Satan but we are still called to face our responsibilities. To quote again, "When we consider social ills and who is to blame do we consider that it might be because of the failure of the church?"

We have a corporate responsibility. The Archbishop says, "A Christian can never be content to remain in the singular". He points out that Jesus called men to be with Him and quotes from 1 John 1 verse 3 to show that fellowship should be with God and with each other. The position of the Church in this is clear too for he says, "It is foolish to tell an elected government what justice requires, when the Church is not a community made up of people who act justly towards their neighbours". Again he says, "It is only the true love of Jesus if those who pray for the Shalom of God to rest upon others, become the means by which their brethren are delivered from anxiety and destitution".

Thank you, Bill Burnett, you have given us much food for thought.

Maurice Snowdon.

TOTLEY SHOW

SATURDAY 4th SEPTEMBER



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Parish Rotas for September

Coffee Rota

Sept.	5	Brenda Lewis, Roma Webb, Moreen Warrender
	12	Audrey and Ron Walker, Catherine Wrigglesworth
	19	Angela and Glyn Waite, Catherine Brown, Valerie Loft
	26	Marjorie Snowdon, Eileen Mason, Hazel and Alan Ludlam

Sidesmen and Sideswomen

		8.00 a.m.	10.00 a.m.	6.30 p.m.
Sept.	5	Mr. K. Filleul	Mrs. B. Houldcroft Mr. N. Hayden	Mrs. M. Snowdon
	12	Mr. A. Ludlam	Mrs. C. Booth Mrs. C. Billard	Mr. J. A. England Mr. P. Purkiss

		8.00 a.m.	9.30 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	6.30 p.m.
19		Miss. A.E. Baldry			Mr. P. Purkiss
26		Miss. H. Perfect	To be announced after the meeting on September 6th		Mr. H. Mayson

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As we want to encourage families to come to the 10.00 a.m. service, an informal arrangement can be made each Sunday, except for the All Age Services, e.g. Come & Worship, when we all meet in the Church.

Flowers

	Altar	Memory Table
September		
5	Ladies Club	Mrs. Gray
8	—	Mrs. Parr
15	—	Mrs. Parsons
22	Mrs. Varley	Miss. Parkin

Silver Cleaning

September	
5	Mrs. Mayson
19	Mrs. Jockell

From the *Registers*

BLESSING:

25th July Holly Megan Barnes 63 Marstone Crescent, Totley

BAPTISMS:

None in August

The Balmforth family will be visited as they celebrate the baptism anniversary on Sept. 24th of their children Matthew John and Lewis James.

WEDDINGS:

7th August Jamie Jason Bosworth to
Jayne Amanda Fletcher of 9, Oliver Road, Totley Rise
14th August Russell Tipping of 168 Blackstock Road, Gleadless to
Julie Elaine Wild of 58A Green Oak Road, Totley

FUNERALS:

None in August

Memorial Services will be held quarterly from now on.

The first of these services will take place on Sunday 26th September at 6.30 p.m.

If you would like a loved-one to be remembered at that service please complete the form headed Memorial Services (at the bottom of the full page in this magazine) and return to David Rhodes at the Vicarage.

Dates for future Memorial Services are shown on the full page.

IF YOU WANT TO BE MARRIED OR HAVE YOUR BABY BAPTISED

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Telephone number 236 2322.

September Diary Dates



Wed.	1st	Visitation Training Church Hall 8.00 p.m.
Thurs.	2nd	Distribution of publicity to Parish begins
Thurs.	2nd	Standing Committee - Vicarage 8.00 p.m.
Sat.	4th	Gordon McDonald Day for men. Ebenezer Chapel.
Sat.	4th	Totley Show Totley Rise Methodist Church Hall 2.00 p.m.
Mon.	6th	Contemplative Prayer Group 12 Marstone Cres. 3.15 p.m.
Mon.	6th	Meeting of sidespeople/welcomers Church Hall 8.00 p.m.
Tues.	7th	Ladies Club in the Hall 7.30 p.m.
Wed.	8th	Open Day Little Saints Nursery 9.30 - 1.30 & 3 - 4.00 p.m.
Wed.	8th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.30 p.m.
Thurs.	9th	P.C.C. Meeting Hall Lounge 8.00 p.m.
Sun.	12th	Bishop Jack - Service in Church at 6.30 p.m. (and buffet)
Tues.	14th	Martha and Mary Group Hall Lounge 10.30 a.m.
Wed.	15th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.30 p.m.
Sun.	19th	Start of new service pattern see page 'Changes in September'
Mon.	20th	Care and Share Groups begin to meet.
Mon.	20th	Contemplative Prayer Group 12 Marstone Cres. 3.15 p.m.
Mon.	20th	Last day for items for October magazine
Tues.	21st	Ladies Club in the Hall 7.30 p.m.
Wed.	22nd	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.30 p.m.
Thurs.	23rd	Churches Together in S17 - 100 days to the Millennium - Service in Dore Parish Church 7.30 p.m.
Sat.	25th	Prayer Breakfast Church Hall 8.00 a.m.
Mon.	27th	Collation of Magazine Hall from 9.30 a.m.
Tues.	28th	Martha and Mary Group Hall Lounge 10.30 a.m.
Wed.	29th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.30 p.m.

Saying for Stillness

"I AM with you to deliver you"

(Jeremiah 1 : 8)

Final Date: Items for October Magazine: 20th September

ORGANISATIONS AND REGULAR MEETINGS IN CHURCH & HALL

Sunday:	9.30 a.m.	The Alive Gang	
		Jeanne Foster	235 1525
	6.30 - 8.30 p.m.	Sunday Youth Group (2nd & 4th Sunday)	
Monday:	10.00 a.m.	Drop in Coffee	
		Marjorie & Maurice Snowdon	236 2822
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From the Vicarage :



Dear Friends,

A new computer was delivered to the vicarage a few months ago. It was a new world for us and so we have tried to make sense of things. A few letters have been written and not too much has been inadvertently lost. A few tentative sorties into the world of e-mail have been made but we find it all too easy to hit the wrong button, or forget which is the right one. We've gleaned some information from the Internet (did you know that if you look for 'Christian Martyrs' there are 808399 sites to choose from !) and played a lot of 'Motocross Madness'. I'm sure we have also wasted a lot of time that could have been better spent doing other things. But we've learnt a few things too and continue to do so – not least how to apportion time in a proper way between various members of the family wanting to use it for various things, whilst dad may be wanting to use the study to write a sermon or some such thing !


Grappling with new technology can be baffling and bewildering, as can be responding to the way life might throw new things at us in a variety of ways. A memory I have of the change to decimal currency was a news report about a shop-keeper who was determined to have none of it and continued to use old money in all his transactions. I imagine he found it impossible to continue like that for long.

We're grappling with the new at All Saints and still growing accustomed to some different patterns and evaluating them. After all, because something is new does not necessarily mean it is good or bad. It means it is new, so we need to give it time and make proper judgements. We're doing that at the moment.

Of Jesus, the Bible says that He is the same, yesterday, today and forever. That's quite something. It is also telling us that in relationship with Him there is real security, because he will never change, even though people, circumstances, technology and anything else we can think of, will. When we know the security of real, lasting and primary relationship with Him, then we can cope with much else that changes, without fear, because security is lodged with the One who does not change, not in other things which will, sooner or later.

Oh well, back to trying to work out the difference between a gigabyte and a ram.

With all best wishes



JOB SHARING

At a recent Craft Fair, I complimented a woodturner on the quality of his wares. He thanked me, then added, I can't claim all the credit. I work with someone else, older than me. He makes the trees".
Peter langley in 'The Friend'.

Services in October.

3rd Trinity 18

Theme for the Day:- "Harvest"

- 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (B.C.P.)
- 9.30 a.m. All Age Worship
- 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion
- 11.30 a.m. Holy Communion at the Cheshire Home.
- 6.30 p.m. Holy Communion

10th Trinity 19.

Theme for the day:- "What counts in bringing up children?"

- 8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer (A.S.B.)
- 9.30 a.m. Baptismal Service
- 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion
- 6.30 p.m. Harvest Praise at St. John's Abbeydale.

17th Trinity 20.

Theme for the day:- Freely you have received
(God's commitment to us)

- 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (B.C.P.)
- 9.30 a.m. All Age Service All Together.
- 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion (A.S.B.)
- 3.30 p.m. Service at the Cheshire Home.
- 6.30 p.m. Informal Service

24th Last Sunday after Trinity

Theme for the day:- "What does God think about money?"

- 8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer (A.S.B.)
- 9.30 a.m. Family Holy Communion.
- 11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 6.30 p.m. Choral Evensong (A.S.B.)

31st Fourth Sunday before Advent.

Theme for the day:- "Help! I can't make ends meet."

- 8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer (A.S.B.)
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On a sunny Saturday in early September, three men from All Saints (chauffered by a lady !) made their way to Ebenezer Church in Shalesmoor, for a day devoted to some honest consideration of what really goes on inside the mind and heart of the average male, which often has great difficulty in coming out. The speaker was one Gordon MacDonald, author of "When men think private thoughts". (Highly recommended. Men, hide it from your wives because if they find it, you'll not be able to get it off them !) He is a quietly spoken under-stated American Baptist minister. He proved to be both an extremely able communicator (holding our attention for an hour or more at a time, without the use of notes) but also able to scratch where we itched. Frequently there were murmurs of, "Yes, it's like that for me", from the hundred of so men gathered there. The day had drawn people from a range of Churches in Sheffield and wider afield. What perhaps made it of such value was the way in which Gordon was able to link the common, often unspoken and frequently unrealised, experiences of men, with the teaching of the Bible and to help us see how much there is in Scripture which has so much to say to men today. The underlying theme was that of relationship, with parents (especially fathers), friends (Men, you need male friends. Your wife is your wife but in certain respects, women are unable to understand men. We also need strong male friends !), and the opposite sex. With wit, wisdom, understanding and practical application, Gordon explored these facets of our lives, the consequences when things go wrong as well as right and ways in which we may attend to these matters in our present experience.

It was a very worthwhile day. A man's gotta be what a man's gotta be - everybody who went will have much help in considering what a man really ought to be.

Editor's comment: How interesting ! Are you hinting that men dare not express their feelings ? If so, it's sad. There may be some comments or conflicting opinions about this article. Why not write to the Editor ?

75th Anniversary Celebration



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East Timor, Kosovo, Northern Ireland - the consequences of nationalistic, political and (sadly) even religious divisions are plain for all to see. All too frequently, divisions of this sort may be based on deep-rooted injustice, prejudice or hostility, creating conditions which can then be exploited by those who are more concerned about self interest and power than about justice and reconciliation.

In October every year, however, we are reminded by the observance of both One World Week (17th – 24th) and United Nations Day (24th), that there are many who are actively campaigning and working for a better world.

Readers who would like to be more closely identified with these objectives are invited to:

- ♦ Join the United Nations Association which, amongst other things, aims to deepen understanding of world issues and influence our own Government's foreign policies
- ♦ Enrol for a one day conference considering development changes in South Africa and neighbouring countries on Saturday 16th October at Broomhill Methodist Church
- ♦ Attend the UNA meeting at 8.00 p.m. on Wednesday 20th October at Totley Rise Methodist Church, when Vince Donlan of CAFOD will talk about the Brazil Experience
- ♦ Go to a play about Third World Debt to be produced by the Riding Lights Theatre Company at Birkdale School on Thursday 21st October at 7.30 p.m.
- ♦ Support the Christian Aid/Traidcraft stalls in the Church Hall after the morning services on Sunday 17th and 24th October
- ♦ Look on the Church Hall noticeboard for details.

Ken Filleul

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- ♦ There will be a short act of worship in All Saints' Church from 11.45 p.m – 12.15 a.m. If you feel you could contribute an item of prose, poetry, a song, musical piece or dance which you feel is appropriate for this celebration, please speak to David Rhodes.
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Laughlines

Having preached for half an hour, the Minister in one Scottish Church, asked, rather unwisely, "And what shall I say more?". A voice replied,



"Say Amen,
Mon and sit
down".

From the Church
News Service

25th Anniversary

To celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the Dore and Totley Luncheon Club/Day Centre, we are holding a coffee morning on Tuesday 5th October from 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon, at the U.R.C. Church Hall on Totley Brook Road with the proceeds going to Transport 17. Do come and meet our visitors, see our stalls and enjoy that welcome cup of coffee and biscuits. Forgive us for being so pleased at reaching this landmark but it is with grateful thanks to all our many generous volunteers over the years that this has been achieved.

A brief summary for anyone who knows nothing of this club. We cater for 16 housebound people every Tuesday between 10.30 a.m. and 2.45 p.m., offering them morning coffee, a home cooked dinner and companionship, also doing a little shopping for them if needed. There are four teams to look after them once a month and a cooking team of two people who provide the meal every five weeks. All expenses paid. Transport 17 provide the transport.

We will be pleased to see any volunteers at this function, old or new, and should anyone like to volunteer to join us in this satisfying, worthwhile venture, please have a word with anyone on the stalls or contact Mrs. E. Walkden (236 3595) or Mrs. V. Filleul (236 0872).

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and let me have your comments and suggestions for improvements. The present version of the pages are certainly only a beginning, and will need to evolve to make them useful both to "surfers" looking for information on churches in our area and to our own church members. Please let me know what you would like to see there, or how you feel we can present ourselves better.

I am especially relying on all group leaders, whether it be of weekly activities such as Sunday School or Youth Groups or of less regular events, to provide me with a paragraph (or more) describing the group so that others may be attracted to join! Lists of forthcoming events will also be useful, and I would love to have many photographs of our activities to make the pages more visually appealing!

I will do my best to keep our pages up to date, but I must rely on you to provide the material!

Chris Booth



From the Editor

Once again there is an above average sized magazine!

Many thanks to everyone for their contributions. It is such a pleasure to type out the many articles and notices and have no worries about finding material to fill the pages.

I have begun a series with the title A.D. taken from an excellent booklet lent to me by John Collie. I have permission to print some passages from the booklet by Day One Publications of 3, Epsom Business Park, Kiln Lane, Epsom, Surrey KT17 1JF. I hope readers will find this interesting as we enter the last hundred days before the millennium.

Good Reading!



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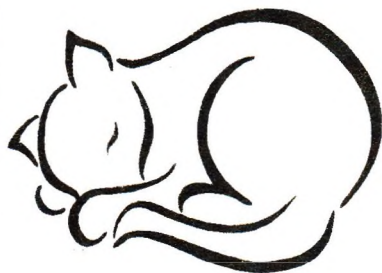
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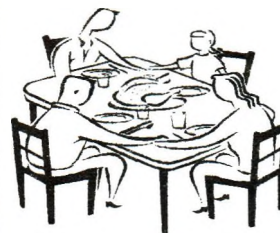


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COMFORT FOR THE OLDIES!

When you reach the age at which you cannot remember the name of even a very good friend without needing to excuse yourself (and I am there already!) some crumb of comfort is very acceptable. I was recently reminded of something which could be very comforting to many of us. I was reminded as to how many times in the Bible some new thing is brought about through older people. The term used was "being a midwife" but that wouldn't suit the men so we will say that these people were God's agents. Look at Abraham and Sarah for example. Their main task in the unfolding story of the Old Testament came in their old age. Sarah, if you remember, was past childbearing age. She laughed at God when she heard what was intended for her but in her old age Isaac was born. Moses must have been quite elderly when he led the children of Israel out of Egypt.

God used the old priest Eli when the time came for him to call Samuel to his lifetime's vocation. Samuel's mother, Hannah, of course was also someone for whom the years were ticking by without achieving her ambition of having a baby. Another old priest, Zechariah, and his wife Elizabeth were the parents of John the Baptist even though they were getting on in years. Simeon too had reached a good age when he greeted Christ in the temple and spoke the words which we know today as the Nunc Dimittis. Anna the prophetess was old when she also greeted Jesus in the temple.

Nothing in all this means that you must be old to achieve anything wonderful but it certainly suggests that being old or even elderly is no barrier to doing something for God. What we need to do is to keep our eyes and our hearts open to whatever God might be saying to us. Even if we think things are different nowadays from what we are used to, it might just be that God intended that they should be different!

Maurice Snowdon.

Recipe from our old version of Favourite Recipes

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3 oz. Soft brown sugar	2 oz. Chopped nuts
6 oz. Porridge oats	2 oz. Raisins (optional)
1 tbsp. Syrup	

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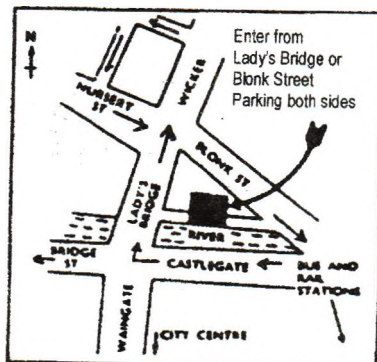
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October

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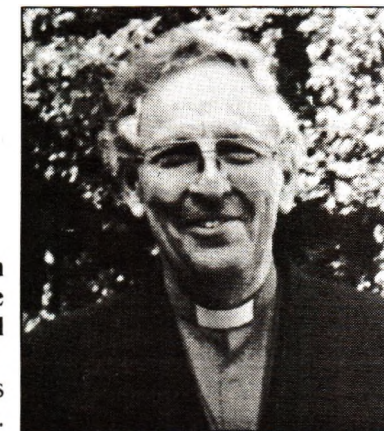
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SHEFFIELD DIOCESAN EXTRA

October 1999

What to take What to leave



Bishop Michael Gear

No, this is not about our move from Hooton Roberts to Yalding in Kent, although it could have been. It is about being the mission people of God sent out by Jesus, whose we are and whom we serve.

Deciding what to take and what to leave is not always easy; you only have to think about packing to go on holiday. They say it is one of the high stress points of life and I can vouch for that; just ask Daphne.

When Jesus sent out the disciples two by two with his authority on a mission journey, he gave some interesting packing instructions - take nothing for the journey except a stick - no bread, pack, money nor a second coat, but they could wear sandals. (Mark 6: 8,9). The instructions to take a stick and sandals suggest certain things that we are called to take on our mission journey. Four words come to mind - sacred, urgency, simplicity and trust.

T.W. Manson said that 'stick and sandals are linked to the pilgrims' sacred journey to the Temple. Mission therefore is a sacred undertaking, comparable with worship. We are called to take with us a sense that the lives and circumstances we enter into are as sacred in God's eyes as our church may be to ours.

There is also a sense of urgency in what we are called to take and what to leave behind. It points to having a sense of priority, single-mindedness and commitment to the Kingdom. It underlines the importance of our mission calling and task.

Along with the urgency of mission comes the importance of simplicity - you don't need a lot of cases for a stick and two sandals. The simplicity of mission means an honesty, openness and vulnerability in the the words we speak and the things we do.

Finally, Jesus sends us on our mission journey as a people of Trust - no bread pack or money! In other words, we travel as people believing that the things that really matter are in God's mind and in His control. That means we can leave behind the idea that it all depends on us

Yes, we do have a part to play, yes we must give of our best, but we must grasp that His is the Kingdom, His is the Power and His is the Glory.

Four words that emerge from Jesus' instructions to the disciples as they 'became the travelling mission people of God: sacred, urgency, simplicity and trust. Let them become the focus of your thinking as God's mission people as you pray "God shows us what to take and what to leave behind."

Well, perhaps after all there was something to do with our leaving the diocese at the end of October. What will we take and what will we leave behind as we make our journey into our new future?

It's easier to reflect on what we will take with us because you have shared and given us so much in our time spent with you, the things of human life and Christian fellowship which are of real value and worth that go within us and not in packing cases.

But what shall we leave? I would like to hope and believe that we have left in some small way what someone once wrote of St. Francis of Assisi:

"He left behind a Dream to dream and a journey to challenge everyone"

What dream? why nothing less than "His Kingdom come on earth as it is in Heaven".

What journey? why nothing as sacred and urgent requiring simplicity and trust than the mission journey of God's people.

With our thanks, love and prayers,

Bishop Michael and Daphne

FOND FAREWELL

There will be an opportunity for the people of the diocese to offer their fond farewells to Bishop Michael and Daphne in the Cathedral on Thursday October 21 at 7.30 p.m.

Each parish has been invited to send representatives to 'this special evening of laughter and tears'. There will be a few surprises, some entertainment, some worship and a presentation to express thanks for all Bishop Michael and Daphne have meant to the diocese and the Church at large over the years.

Bishop Michael came to the diocese as Bishop of Doncaster in 1993, having previously served as Archdeacon of Chester. He was in Rhodesia for five years, a tutor at Wycliffe Hall for four, and was vicar and rural dean of Macclesfield before being appointed archdeacon in 1988.

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What about your parish?

We will be writing to ask parishes how they intend to celebrate the millennium? What about your parish? Do you have a message for 2000 which you wish to share with the rest of the diocese? And do you have a photograph to illustrate the work, witness, or worship of your church. We are looking forward to hearing from you.

on prayer and friendship evangelism training are planned in the build up to the mission.

For further details contact the mission office (tel: 0114-2960002, email LPalau2000@aol.com)

Luis Palau says: "After praying for many years asking God to open doors to Sheffield, it's thrilling the opportunity has come to proclaim the Gospel throughout the city. My dream and prayer is "Let all the Sheffield area hear the voice of God."

ROUND AND ABOUT THE DIOCESE

Prayer Vigil

A vigil of prayer on unemployment and the future of work will take place in the Chapel on the Bridge in Rotherham on Monday December 20. It is being organised by CHUG and will be led by church leaders and those involved in unemployment and work projects. Further details are available from the Revd Raymond Draper (01709-543111)

PROVINCIAL FESTIVAL

Coaches from the Dearne, Doncaster, Rotherham and Sheffield will be conveying people from local churches to York Minster on Saturday October 9 for the Northern Provincial Festival with Bishop of Beverley. So far, ten bishops and several hundred clergy from catholic parishes have indicated that they will be taking part in the festival eucharist to celebrate Christ our King.

Theology

The Sheffield Theological Society's programme for 1999-2000 begins on Monday October 11 with a lecture by David A. Hart on 'The Theology of a Multi-faith Centre'. He is senior lecturer at the University of Derby. The meeting begins at 5.30 p.m. in Lecture Theatre 5 on the Lower Ground Floor in the Arts Tower of Sheffield University, Western Bank, with a pause at 6.30 p.m.

SACRIFICE

The Palaver Productions team will be touring the country in November to perform Michael J. Austin's latest drama 'Sacrifice'. Locally it is to be presented at St. Andrew's Church, Psalter Lane, Sheffield, on Thursday November 11. The action of this new drama is focused upon the picture of Abraham about to kill his son Isaac in demonstration of his faith. For details contact the church office on 0114-2586550)

Retirement

The Revd. Peter Morley, Vicar of Harthill, retires on November 1 and the Revd. Lewis Atkinson, Vicar of Oughtibridge, retires on October 31.

Appointment

The new Diocesan Youth Outreach Officer, Robert Drost, takes up his new appointment on October 1. Rob comes to the diocese from Peterborough where, for over three years, he ran an ecumenical peace and non-violence charity called 'Fellowship of Reconciliation.' He succeeds Tim Smithies.

Celebrating Rotherham

All Saints' Church are planning a major festival to 'Celebrate Rotherham' from October 1-4. The main focus will be around 25 floral displays in church - each one centred around a major business or industry in Rotherham, and encompassing everything that is good in the town. Visitors will have a chance to climb the church tower on Saturday October 2. Bell ringers will demonstrate their skills and explain the history of All Saints' bells. Children can take part in a history hunt, and there will be musical events throughout the weekend. The festival culminates with the ordination of the curate Melanie Fitzgerald on Monday October 4.

Study Day

Canon Arthur Middleton will be leading 'A Day with Thomas Merton' at St. Matthew's Church, Carver Street, Sheffield, on Saturday October 23 from 9.30 a.m. to 4 p.m. He is the author of 'Towards a Renewed Priesthood', 'The Peculiar Character of Anglicanism', and 'Fathers and Anglicans'. 'The Fathers in the Anglican Tradition 16th-19th Centuries' is to be published next March. He is an experienced retreat conductor and spiritual director. He edits the *Tufton Review* and this year completed a three week lecture tour of Canada. For details of the Study Day contact Fr. James Wheatley (0114-2302720).

MORE FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

Worship Today

The five Yorkshire dioceses are involved in the inaugural conference organised by PRAXIS Yorkshire, part of a national movement designed to enrich the practice and understanding of worship in the Church of England. PRAXIS aims to provide a forum in which different traditions within Anglicanism can meet and inter-act. The word PRAXIS (Greek for action) has been chosen to highlight the conviction that worship is one of the core activities of the Church. Speakers at the conference, 'Exploring Worship Today', at Wakefield Police College on Saturday October 16, will be Liturgical Commission member Canon Stephen Oliver (St. Paul's Cathedral), Christopher Walsh (Director of the Institute for Liturgy and Mission at Sarum College, Salisbury), and Paul Moger (precentor at Ely Cathedral). Tickets (£10) and map from Canon Paul Ferguson, Church House, Ogleforth, York YO1 7JJ. Cheques to PRAXIS Yorkshire.

The Jubilee and World Debt

The theme of the 1999 Lincoln Theological Institute Lectures on Religion and Society, run in conjunction with the Urban Theology Unit and Sheffield Cathedral, is 'The Jubilee and the Debt of the World: Faith and Realism'. This month's lectures at the Institute are:- October 6 'Usury Friendly?' Judaic, Christian and Islamic Perspectives' (Dr. Susan Buckley, Aberdeen University); October 20 'The Economic Value of Debt' (Andrew Britton). In the Cathedral Chapter House:- October 13 'Biblical Ideas of Jubilee: Practical programme or Pie in the Sky' (Professor John Rogerson, Sheffield University); October 27 'Debt and Destructive Economies' (Michael Rowbotham, Christian Council for Monetary Justice). All these lectures are on Wednesday lunchtimes from 12.30 to 1.45 p.m.

Please post or fax your items for the November issue of the Diocesan Extra no later than Monday 11 October to the Editor, the Rev'd Peter Gascoigne, Bilham Vicarage, Churchfield Road, Clayton, Doncaster DN5 7DH (tel and fax 01977-643756). Copy for the monthly newspaper should also be sent to the same address.

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Conference

A one-day conference to consider development challenges in South Africa and neighbouring countries, to be held on Saturday October 16 from 10 a.m. - 3.30 p.m. at Broomhill Methodist Church, is being organised by the World Development Movement in Sheffield in conjunction with Christian Aid, CAFOD, Oxfam and the United Nations Association. For details of this, Southern Africa: From Conflict to Construction; Conference contact Bob Coulson (0114-2683307).

Meal of it

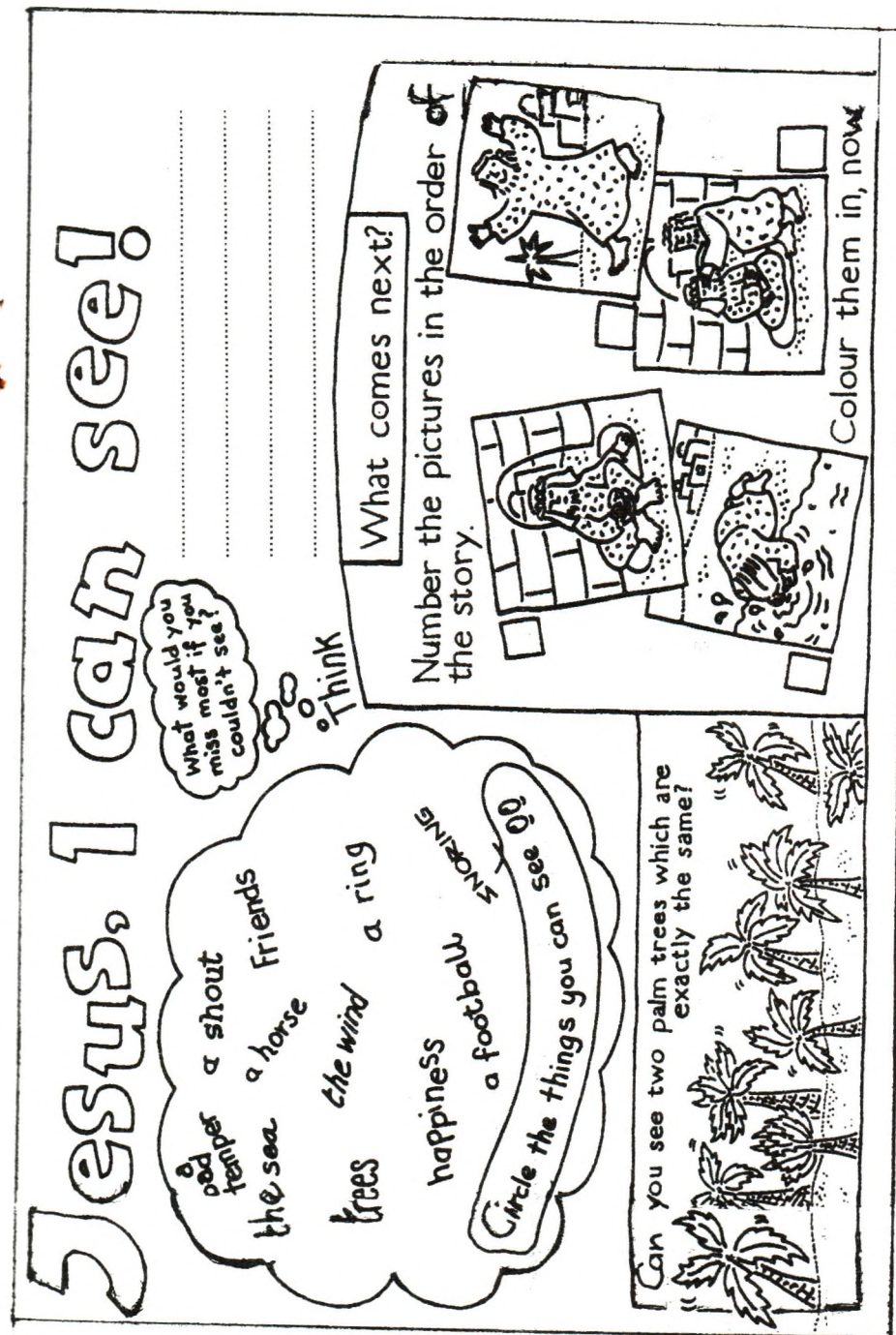
The Spotbrough Singers and friends will present an evening of entertainment, Making a Meal of it, in St. Mary's Church Hall, on Friday, October 1 at 7 p.m. Proceeds of the event, which is produced and presented by Aileen Hext, are for the Leprosy Mission. Earlier, from 9 a.m. - noon, there will be a coffee morning at the hall in aid of Macmillan cancer relief.

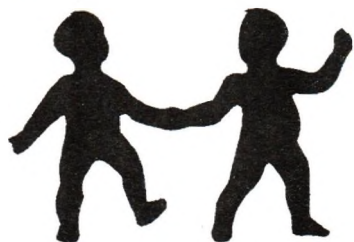
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Debt Defying

The Riding Lights Theatre Company are on tour with the debt-defying play 'Balancing Act' - and they visit the diocese on Thursday October 21 when they perform at Birkdale School, Oakholme Road, Sheffield. For details phone Antony Dunn (01904-655317).





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Saturday October 9th 1999

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Saturday January 22nd 2000

11.00 a.m. HQ Aldam Road

If you have any jumble, please contact Peter Casson (Tel. 236 3881), or John Lawry (Tel. 236 8566) and we can **always** store jumble - **anytime**.

Jumble set-up will be on the Friday evening before the sale from 7.00 – 8.00 p.m.

Coffee and Carol Evening

Tuesday 7th December 1999

from 7.00 – 9.00 p.m. at HQ

Everyone welcome. There will be Webb Ivory, Scout Post, Games, Gifts and Refreshments.

Purpose and Passion New Wine Conference

October 15th – 17th 1999

Ponds Forge International Centre

Details and bookings via St. Thomas' Church Office

A.D.

He lived in poverty, never held public office and never wrote a book, yet we date our history from the birth of Jesus Christ ! A.D. stands for Anno Domini, which is Latin for 'in the year of our Lord'. Jesus Christ changed the course of history and two thousand years of Christianity have left a powerful mark for good on almost every part of British culture...

No one knows exactly how Christianity first came to these islands, but after the fifth century the number and influence of Christians was increased by the preaching of Patrick to the Irish, Columba to the tribes of Scotland, Illtud to the Welsh and Aidan & Augustine to the people of northern and southern England. Their message was the 'gospel' - which means 'good news'. It was the news of God coming to earth in the person of Jesus Christ. They taught that he died and rose again so that all who trust in him can find forgiveness and friendship with God. They also called for a life-style of obedience to the teaching of the Bible. Sadly, not everything that has been done since then, in the name of Christianity, has been right. However, the lasting influence of true Christians on our society gives us good cause to celebrate.

Alfred the Great learned to read and then translated into English the first fifty Psalms in the Bible. He believed in honesty, loyalty and the value of life. In victory he surprised everyone by his mercy. He was the only king to be called 'great' and he once wrote, "I have tried to live a worthy life. I want to leave those who come after me an example of good works".

Christianity has shaped our nation. Church bells marked the time of services; holidays were 'holy days'; the Church looked after community property such as the sundial, fire fighting equipment and the box for money for the poor.

By the end of the thirteenth century each village and town had at least one Church.

The medieval 'hospitium' served the needs of the sick, the poor, the elderly and travellers as many charities still do today.

to be continued

2000 and All That

Is it important for Christians to be completely honest, or is it quite acceptable for us to jump on any current secular bandwagon in order to make a point? I ask the question after reading the September magazine, with its notice of a service on 23rd September "to mark 100 days to the Millennium" (*wrong by 366 days!*) and talk of "twenty centuries of Christianity".

The first day of the next millennium will be 1st January 2001 (how *could* the year two thousand be part of the third millennium?!). But perhaps more important for Christians is to celebrate 2000 years since the birth of Christ. I understand that modern scholars believe this was probably in what we now call September of either 7 or 4 BC, in which case we appear to have missed it! However, that is probably being pedantic! The traditional date is 25th December a few days before "BC turned to AD", so the time for us to celebrate the 2000th anniversary is surely Christmas 2000.

I am not sure when we should proclaim 2000 years of Christianity! When did Christianity start – when Jesus started his public ministry, or at the Pentecost that saw the birth of the Church? In either case we have probably got 30 years to plan for a really good, and truly significant, celebration!

But surely the point that we should be making is that, yes, Jesus Christ is relevant to the year 2000, just as he is now in 1999 and will be in 2001. We should be proclaiming the life, death and resurrection of Jesus as important and significant to us all on every day of our lives – and never mind the evolutionary accident(?) that we happen to have 10 fingers!

Chris Booth

SAINT EDWARD THE CONFESSOR

Many of us will remember Edward from our school days. He was one of the last Saxon kings, and indeed one of the three monarchs who reigned in the year 1066. He died in the early weeks of the year, was succeeded by Harold, who in turn was defeated by William at Hastings.

He is most famed for founding (or giving a fresh start to a small concern that was already in existence) Westminster Abbey. His remains are still to be found there today. He was called "the Confessor", partly to distinguish him from other kings of the same name, and partly because it means, "One who bears witness to Christ."

For a ruler in any age to achieve a reputation for holiness and goodness is difficult. Edward certainly did in his own time, and it was his reputation which grew after his death. Not only did he endow churches, but his personal life amply showed that that was no mere empty gesture. He was renowned for his personal piety, and his generosity and kindness to the poor and infirm. All this was lived out in an arena where he was surrounded by political intrigue and unscrupulous behaviour. There were various tales about his association with miracles, and personal asceticism. He was married, but bore no children. However, it has hard to disentangle fact from fiction where they are concerned. He was particularly honoured in a series of pamphlets in the thirteenth century, graphically describing miracles of healing associated with Edward, and his own personal devotion. It can be easy to be sceptical about mediaeval tales of miracle and holiness. However, it does seem clear that he was a man remarkable for the genuineness of his faith, its impact on his life, and perhaps his experience of the miraculous. Thus He was canonised a hundred years after his death.

Edward is remembered on 13th. October.

P. C. C. Up-Date.

There is always a "back-to-School" feel about meetings which take place after a gap in the proceedings. This was true of the P.C.C. meeting in September but it was also a meeting of looking forward to exciting times ahead. One long-term issue which is being seriously addressed concerns our young people. In a very preliminary way we looked at the possibility and the feasibility of sharing a full time Youth Worker with St John's and Totley Rise Methodists. There is a lot of work to be done to explore this but the potential cannot be seriously doubted. Further meetings are planned and there will be an opportunity for every member of our congregations to air their views. Paying for such a person will clearly be one of the major issues but if this is God's plan for us a way will open up. Of immediate concern is the question of music, especially for the 9.30 service. To give us a bigger range of hymns and songs the P.C.C. agreed to buy 100 copies of a new book which will be available in parallel with "Hymns Old and New".

In spite of all the above, money remains a problem but we shall be hearing more of this in church in the next few weeks. Suffice it to say here that the P.C.C. is trying to keep all its commitments in perspective and is determined not to shrink from the difficulties. We heard that Alan Burt is going to take over as Treasurer from Neil Hayden. This means that we shall soon be needing another Churchwarden! We also had it confirmed that Jeanne Foster is to be our representative on Churches Together in S17 and Gay Riley is taking on a Youth Leadership role. These are truly answers to prayer for which we must be deeply thankful. Most people will now know that the Parish Office is established in the Upper Room of the Hall. (I am sure that the siting in the "Upper Room" is significant!) Angela Waite will normally be there during the day on Mondays until Christmas at least.

Don't get the idea that P.C.C. meetings are dull! Even your secretary finds them encouraging. We start off with a time of worship which is always meaningful and there is a great deal of humour and good fellowship even when we are discussing very serious issues. The next Annual Parish Meeting will be an opportunity for new faces!

Maurice Snowdon.

ANY VOLUNTEERS !

Due to our new service pattern, a few extra readers for the 9.30, 11.00 and 6.30 services would be most welcome.

If you feel you would like to do an occasional reading (Old or New Testament) for any, or all of the above services, please let me have your name.

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MARTHA AND MARY GROUP

We would like to share this month's reading with you !

Profession of Faith - From Celtic Daily Prayer

Lord, You have always given
Bread for the coming day,
And though I am poor,
Today, I believe.



Lord, You have always given
Strength for the coming day,
And though I am weak,
Today, I believe.

Lord, You have always marked
The road for the coming day,
And though it may be hidden,
Today, I believe.

Lord, You have always given
Peace for the coming day,
And though of anxious heart,
Today, I believe.

Lord, You have always lightened
This darkness of mine,
And though the darkness is here,
Today, I believe.

Lord, You have always kept
Me safe in trials,
And now, tried as I am,
Today, I believe.

Lord, You have always spoken
When time was ripe,
And though You be silent now
Today, I believe.

Branded ?

"Why does the Vicar put a cross on the foreheads of the babies he has baptised ?" asked the little girl.

"So he knows which ones he's done, silly !" retorted her brother

HARVEST SUNDAY

3rd October 1999

At 12.30 p.m. (approx.)

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Christmas Card

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Rosalie Carter

First Day

On the first day at school, the Reception teacher said, "If anyone has to go to the toilet, hold up two fingers." A little voice from the back of the room asked, "How will that help?"

E-mail from Jackie to Rachel in Canada

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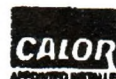
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City wide alarms

A demonstration of the home alarm system, run by Sheffield Social Services for isolated or vulnerable people, will take place at All Saints' Church Hall, Totley, at 1.00 p.m. on Tuesday 26th October. Anyone interested in seeing how it works - it is the sort where the user wears a necklace with a button to press when needing help - is welcome to come. It would be helpful for seating purposes, but not essential, if you phone me first on 236 5969.

Rosalie Carter

For Liaison Lunch Group, Churches Together in S17

MEMORIAL SERVICES AT ALL SAINTS

From September, memorial services will be held quarterly. In each copy of the magazine, there will be a reply slip inviting anybody who would like to have a loved-one remembered at the next memorial service to let me know so that the name may be included amongst those to be read out. This invitation is to all, irrespective of where or when a funeral may have taken place. If you have lost somebody in another part of the country, at another time of the year, but a service falls near their birthday, wedding anniversary of some other significant date, you will be most welcome to ask for them to be remembered.

The dates for these services will be:

2nd	January	2000
19th	March	2000
18th	June	2000
17th	September	2000
31st	December	2000

All services will start at 6.30 p.m., last for about an hour and be followed by light refreshments in the church.

Memorial Services January and March 2000

Name to be remembered

Name(s) and address of principle family members attending the service
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Date of service to be attended

Please return completed forms to David Rhodes at the Vicarage.



HARVEST SUNDAY

Gifts

(preferably non perishable)
may be brought to any of
the services on
October 3rd

These will be given to
Cathedral Breakfast
and Archer Projects,
helping homeless and
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Little Saints' Nursery

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The house was filled all day with a stream of mums, dads, grandparents and carers. Past and present members of the school staff came to wish us luck and everyone was well provided with refreshments by our indefatigable team from Church - many thanks to them !

We were blessed with perfect weather so that people were able to spill out into the garden where babies dozed and children played safely while the adults exchanged their impressions of the new building. Everyone was delighted by how cosy and homely the rooms are and remarks like, "Just what I wanted for my child", were overheard. Someone commented, 'a lovely atmosphere has been achieved which no amount of money can buy'.

Having more space means that we can accept more children at every session. We have a few places still available.

We look forward to seeing everyone again at the Autumn Fair in the primary school on Saturday 9th October.

Parish Rotas for October

Coffee Rota

3rd	Ro and Robin Carter, Dorothy Smith, Karen Tiddy
10th	Jane Lawry, Johanne Elmore, Betty Houldcroft, Brenda Lewis
17th	Viv and Ken Filleul, Claudine Murrell, Eileen Davis
24th	Maureen Allum, Mavis Kirton, Pauline and Alan Shepherdson
31st	Betty Houldcroft, Kath Lloyd, Marjorie Wales, Ann Powell

Sidesmen and Sideswomen

	8.00 a.m.	9.30 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	6.30 p.m.
3rd	Miss H. Perfect	Mrs. E. Hayden Katherine Burt	Mrs. D. Bryer Mrs. C. Scott	Mrs. M. Snowdon
10th	Mr. B. Lowe	Mrs. E. Booth David Hayden	Mrs. B. Houldcroft Mr. R. Walker	Mr. J. A. England
17th	Miss A.E. Baldry	Mr. N. Hayden Jennifer Booth	Mrs. M. Warrender Mrs. C. Billard	Mr. P. Purkiss
24th	Miss. H. Perfect	Mrs. S. Burt Jessica Davis	Mrs. A. Powell Mrs. D. Bryer	Mr. H. Mayson
31st	Mrs. D. Cooke	Mrs. J. Lawry Rebecca Gray	Mr. N. Crapper Mrs. M. Warrender	Mrs. E. Mayson

Alive Gang and Creche

The 'Alive Gang' and 'Under Three's' remain in the 9.30 a.m. service for the first part and then go to age appropriate activities in the Church Hall except for the Family Services when we all stay in the Church.

Flowers

	Altar	Memory Table
3rd	Mrs. A. Waite	Mrs. Monfredi
10th	Mrs. Simons	Mrs. Thompson
17th	Mrs. B. Waite	Mrs. Mayson
24th	Mrs. Beeley	Mrs. Thompson
31st		Mrs. B. Waite

Silver Cleaning

Mrs. Parkin

From the *Registers*

BAPTISMS: None in September.

The following families will be visited as they celebrate the baptism anniversary of their children:

5th	Richard Mark Chadburn
13th	Charlotte Dee Brown
22nd	Danielle Suzanne Gash
26th	Matthew Lee Scholes

WEDDINGS: 25th September
Timothy Rossington Ashmore and
Carole Ann Whittington
of Moss Lee Cottage, 3 Quarry Road, Totley.

FUNERALS:
None in September

The next Memorial Service will be held on January 2nd 2000 at 6.30 p.m.

If you would like a loved-one to be remembered at that service please complete the form headed Memorial Services (at the bottom of the full page in this magazine) and return to David Rhodes at the Vicarage.

Dates for future Memorial Services are shown on the full page.

IF YOU WANT TO BE MARRIED OR HAVE YOUR BABY BAPTISED

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October Diary Dates



Fri.	1st	Coffee Morning 10.00 to noon in Hall In aid of MacMillan Fund
Sun.	3rd	Harvest Sunday Bring and Share Lunch 12.30 p.m. approx.
Mon.	4th	Standing Committee - Vicarage 8.00 p.m.
Mon.	4th	Contemplative Prayer Group 12 Marstone Cres. 3.15 p.m.
Tues.	5th	Coffee Morning U.R.C. Church Hall Totley Brook Road
Tues.	5th	Ladies Club in the Hall 7.30 p.m.
Wed.	6th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.30 p.m.
Thurs.	7th	Millennium Encounters King Egbert's School 7.30 p.m.
Sat.	9th	Scout Jumble Sale HQ Aldam Road 11.00 a.m.
Sat.	9th	Autumn Fayre in Totley All Saints' School 2.00 p.m.
Mon.	11th	P.C.C. Meeting Hall Lounge 8.00 p.m.
Tues.	12th	Martha and Mary Group Hall Lounge 10.30 a.m.
Wed.	13th	No meeting of the Over 50's Keep Fit Class.
Sat.	16th	75th Anniversary Celebration October Serenade 7.30 p.m.
Mon.	18th	Contemplative Prayer Group 12 Marstone Cres. 3.15 p.m.
Mon.	18th	Last day for items for November magazine
Tues.	19th	Ladies Club in the Hall 7.30 p.m.
Wed.	20th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.30 p.m.
Sat.	23rd	Prayer Breakfast Church Hall 8.00 a.m.
Mon.	25th	Collation of Magazine Hall from 9.30 a.m.
Tues.	26th	Martha and Mary Group Hall Lounge 10.30 a.m.
Tues.	26th	City Wide Alarms Demonstration Church Hall 1.00 p.m.
Wed.	27th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.30 p.m.

Saying for Stillness

"This is MY resting-place for ever; here will I make MY home".

Psalms 132 : 14

Final Date: Items for November Magazine: 18th October

ORGANISATIONS AND REGULAR MEETINGS IN CHURCH & HALL

Sunday:	9.30 a.m.	The Alive Gang	
		Jeanne Foster	235 1525
	6.30 - 8.30 p.m.	Sunday Youth Group (2nd & 4th Sunday)	
		Gay Riley	236 6884
Monday:	10.00 a.m.	Drop in Coffee	
		Marjorie & Maurice Snowdon	236 2822
	3.30 p.m.	Junior Choir Practice in Church	
		Stella Jockel	236 9413
	7.00 p.m.	Guides	
		Maureen Allum	235 1262
Tuesday:	10.30 a.m.	Martha & Mary Group (2nd & 4th)	
		Sheila Eke	236 7457
	7.30 p.m.	Ladies Club (1st & 3rd)	
		Joan Gray	236 8470
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		Moreen Warrender	236 0515
	6.15 p.m.	Trailblazers (Children's Club)	
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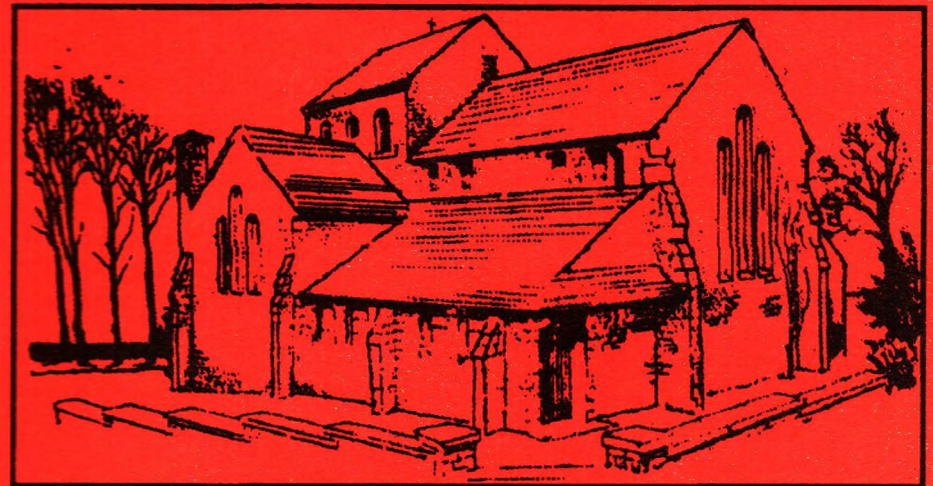
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From the Vicarage :



Dear Friends,

Some shops started their Christmas displays as early as August. Now we're into November, "The Festive Season" is fast approaching. We may or may not have recovered from what we spent on summer holidays, but further conspicuous consumption is heading for most of us - and fast.

Recently, I read of an occasion when somebody said to the leader of a small group she had been part of, "You are responsible for the most embarrassing experience in my life". Members of the group, of ordinary members of an ordinary church, had been asked to bring to the meeting, every item of footwear they possessed, including flip-flops, wellies, slippers, etc. This lady found herself having to take three large plastic bags to get them all in ! Are we not lured into massive extravagance in the rich west, which usually provided only very fleeting pleasure and blinds us to the plight of others and often our own greed ? The total world expenditure on providing clean water and proper sanitation is \$9 billion per year. Europeans spend \$11 billion per year - on ice cream !

As demands on our pockets are set to rise, here's an exercise you may care to do. Keep a check for a week on what is spent on luxuries (e.g. video hire, tickets to films or concerts, take away meals, magazines,

subscriptions to cable or similar TV etc. etc.). You will have to decide for yourself where purchase of Christmas presents fits in. At the end of the week see what has been spent and send an equal amount to an organisation that seeks to provide for the poor. If you do this, you may be in for a few surprises, not least the liberating impact it may have on yourself. When Zacchaeus encountered Jesus (read about it in Luke's gospel, chapter 19), such was the impact on him, that he couldn't wait to give to the poor - and the result for him was great joy. Maybe things aren't so different today.

With all best wishes




Each time I near a church

I walk in for a visit

So that when I'm carried in

The Lord won't say, "Who is it?"

Services in November.

7th Third Sunday before Advent

Commitment Sunday

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (B.C.P.)

9.30 a.m. All Age Worship

11.00 a.m. Holy Communion (A.S.B.)

11.30 a.m. Holy Communion at the Cheshire Home.

6.30 p.m. Holy Communion (A.S.B.)

14th Second Sunday before Advent

Theme for the day:- Remembrance

8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer (A.S.B.)

10.00 a.m. Remembrance Service.

6.30 p.m. Holy Communion (A.S.B.)

21st Sunday next before Advent

Theme for the day:- Does the Family have a future in the 21st century?

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (B.C.P.)

9.30 a.m. All Age All Together

3.30 p.m. Service at the Cheshire Home

6.30 p.m. Informal Service.

28th Advent Sunday.

Theme for the day:- Is God interested in football?

8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer (A.S.B.)

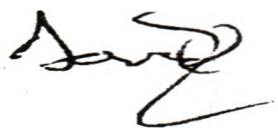
9.30 a.m. Family Holy Communion.

4.00 p.m. 75th Celebration Service.

Our Link with Christ Church, Pitsmoor

Some years ago, there was in the diocese, a move to link up parishes from different parts of the city. We were linked with Pitsmoor, a parish near the city centre, not far from the Northern General Hospital. Over the years there have been some exchanges in various ways between the parishes but certainly latterly these have not been very strong. At the same time, it seems that in both areas, moves to strengthen relations between neighbouring churches have been growing. At its October meeting, the Church Council spent time considering the matter and decided that the twinning had run its course and should be closed, so that is what we have done.

In future, the reference to a link parish on the inside of the magazine will be dropped. However, we do hope that any personal links and friendships that exist will be maintained. The last thing we want to do is disrupt any relations between Topley and Pitsmoor. Rather we are saying that something which at a formal level seems to have petered out, should be acknowledged as such and allowed to rest in peace.



Takes Two

Agatha Christie. Who was married to an archaeologist, once said: 'An archaeologist is the best husband a woman can have. The older she gets, the more interesting he finds her'.

ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND

26th - 28th November 1999

Friday
7.30pm

Celebration Dinner
Church Hall

Saturday

Display & Recitals

- Exhibition of life in the Parish since 1924, in the Church
- Organ & Instrumental recitals in the Church at intervals during the day
- Refreshments in the Church Hall

Sunday
2.30pm

Service of Thanksgiving & Praise
Guest Preacher
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*Service to be followed by Bring & Share
meal in the Church Hall*



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Rosalie Carter

** The donation, in lieu of cards, from our Church Christmas card will go this year to the X-Ray Department at the Children's Hospital towards the cost of a special cassette. What is a long cassette you are probably asking? No, it's nothing to do with music!

This cassette holds the X-Ray film. It measures 30 cms. x 90 cms. (approximately 12 inches x 36 inches) and is used for studies requiring the entire spine to be demonstrated on one film or the whole leg from lower pelvis to heels. Once the X-Ray is obtained, surgeons use the film to plan operations or to assess the progress of a patient post-operatively. These cassettes cost about £1000 and are manufactured with precision to give optimum results. The cassettes last for many years.

It is used for children with scoliosis, who need spinal curvatures corrected; children born with leg discrepancies and for children born with achondroplasia, i.e. called dwarfism in less enlightened times. Those children are now able to have their legs lengthened by surgery pioneered in Sheffield and attend from all over the U.K. and many parts of the world. Those of us, fortunate enough to have 'normal' height do not realise how difficult life can be for very small people. For instance, you may not be able to reach light switches or taps. The children undergo years of surgery and treatment to achieve the required results and may have their legs lengthened by as much as 6 inches. Seeing the children walk unaided after years of treatment is unbelievably rewarding.

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75th Anniversary Celebration Dinner 26th November at 7.00 p.m.

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In the midst of this disrupted life, however, he maintained a steady and profound devotion to the Lord and an equally abiding determination to serve the poor. A typical story relates how he arrived at a convent and observed a nun sweeping the floor, bare-foot. She could not afford shoes. He immediately turned round, trudged off to the nearest town and asked on her behalf until he had the money to give her for new shoes. He was not above administering medicine to the sick or helping the noble who had quietly fallen into poverty, in a very discreet way. Perhaps his own childhood poverty had given him a particular sympathy for the poor. It was certainly something he never lost.

He is remembered for his writings. John was a mystic. He plumbed the depths of the spiritual life and was able

both to counsel others and write in a way which gave many freedom and nourishment. He was in great demand as a confessor and happily received all, from professors' wives to ordinary working people. His most well-known writings are, 'The dark night of the soul', and, 'The ascent of Mount Carmel'. Both have been translated into numerous languages (there is a Penguin version in English by Roy Campbell) and are regarded as both spiritual and literary classics, widely regarded by many who are not Christians as well as believers. John's devotion to the Lord was transparent. One Christmas, he was so moved by a nativity scene, that he burst out, "Lord if love is to slay me, the hour has now come".

He was canonised in 1726 and remembered on 26th November. Perhaps a sixteenth century Spanish monk seems rather remote from twenty-first century England. However, love of Christ, a sacrificial and practical compassion for the poor, an ability to communicate deep spiritual truth & experience and a willingness to endure abuse and suffering in a generous way by cruel opponents, are qualities which cross time and oceans. He deservedly has been an inspiration to many, down the centuries.

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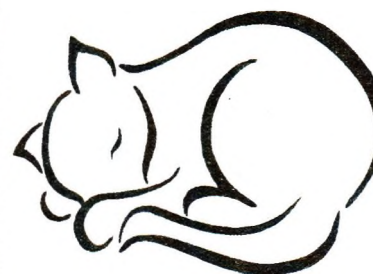
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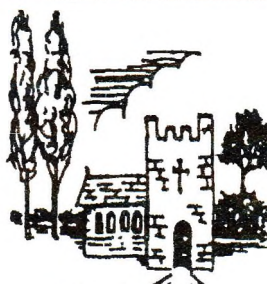
From the Editor

Many thanks, once again, for the articles for inclusion in the magazine. There have been a number of compliments about the content of the last few publications from various people. I have also had offers of material from people which I feel will interest you.

We have a new advertiser in this issue. I would like to remind you to use the goods and services advertised in All Saints' News as we need their subscriptions as much as they need customers! I have taken another section from the booklet A.D., lent to me by John Collie; with permission from Day One Publications of 3, Epsom Business Park, Kiln Lane, Epsom, Surrey KT17 1JF. Come and join us in the celebration of the 75th Anniversary!



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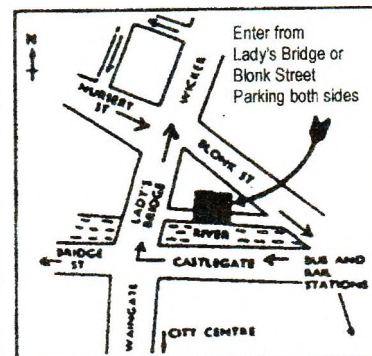
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P.C.C. UPDATE.

When we looked at our watches at the end of the October meeting and realised that it was 10.30 p.m. it was scarcely believable but we had got through a lot of business. So why do I always find it difficult to know what to write about?

The answer is that many items dealt with by the P.C.C. are ongoing, long-term items and also there is some monitoring of items which have been described before. A new item though was a report from Churches Together in S17. It is planned to mark the Millennium by putting a gospel of St Luke into every house in the parishes of All Saints', St John's and Dore. In addition to that a gift of a wide range of Christian books is to be made to the local library. This is a further example of the way in which the churches in our area are trying to work together in meaningful ways. The P.C.C. agreed that a number of people (no names yet) should be recommended to the Bishop for licensing to distribute communion. This of course is in addition to the Clergy and Readers who are already in the parish. Such licensing would also extend the facility for Holy Communion to be taken to people's homes when that was appropriate. We also decided to have a special meeting in the New Year on the question of re-marriage in church. This is a difficult subject and is up for discussion nationally in the near future.

We talked about having a week-end away for the whole parish. This might well happen but probably not before 2001 due to the need to book places well ahead. Money is always on the agenda and this month we had to discuss charitable giving. Details will appear elsewhere but we intend keeping to our commitment to give away 10% of our regular income. Special fund-raising events will be in addition to this.

Security of the church is another issue which recurs frequently. The purchase of a sound system when the faculty is approved and also the gift of a new piano for the church prompted this debate. This latter item is a generous gift which will be much appreciated.

Maurice Snowdon.

Christ is the morning star

I was recently asked to review this book for the Diocesan Readers' Magazine and I found that some quotations from it would be of interest to folk in Totley. One of the contributors was John Bell who is a minister of the Church of Scotland and also a founder of the Wild Goose Resource Group. He was speaking to the question, "A changing God or a changing people?" Looking forward to the next millennium, he says, "I believe that God will use the Church in the form it exists for as long as it is required. If that form has to be transformed or changed beyond present recognition, then that need not be seen as an indication of failure on the part of the Church of the twentieth century". He goes on to say, "There is no biblical evidence from Genesis to Revelation that anyone who has come into contact with the living God, remains the same". He also says, "that the central dynamic of Christian existence involves change". In discussing this point, he says, "If the Church is the Body of Christ and we exhibit no sign of transformation, we are the corpse of Christ, not the Corpus Christi".

Elsewhere in the book, another author says, "Following tradition means development, adaptation and right interpretation". We are urged to see the Bible as the living word of God and not merely as scripture. This links with John Bell's assertion that the Celtic tradition was to reflect on the purposes of God in creation. He quotes that the basics of their and our understanding was, "God, the creator of the world, Christ incarnate

and the Spirit that helps sustain the whole of creation". This "purpose" is something that we should strive to understand for it is really fundamental to our response to our calling as Christians.

John Bell sees dualism between, "the life of the Church which has its own vocabulary, ceremonies and forms of address and the life of the world of computers, of industry, shopping, commerce and trade". If this is true, then we begin to understand why the Church today finds it so hard to make an impact on the lives of people who are not familiar with the language or the concepts which the Church uses. It is as if the Church has erected a barrier which says, "In order to appreciate the force of scripture The Church has to interpret to you what it means". This is suggesting that in our well-meaning way, we actually make it harder for other people to see the message which the Bible - the living word of God - means to them.

There is much food for thought in all this. Just as we are being transformed in our secular life (and all of us are !) so we must seek to be transformed in our spiritual life. This means giving time and attention to God and letting Him transform us. Christ is not only the morning star. He is the Light of the World !

Maurice Snowden

Amen

After telling the story of the Prodigal Son to her class, the Sunday school teacher enquired, "Can anyone tell me who was very upset when the Prodigal Son returned home ?" "Please miss," responded one small boy, "The fatted calf !"

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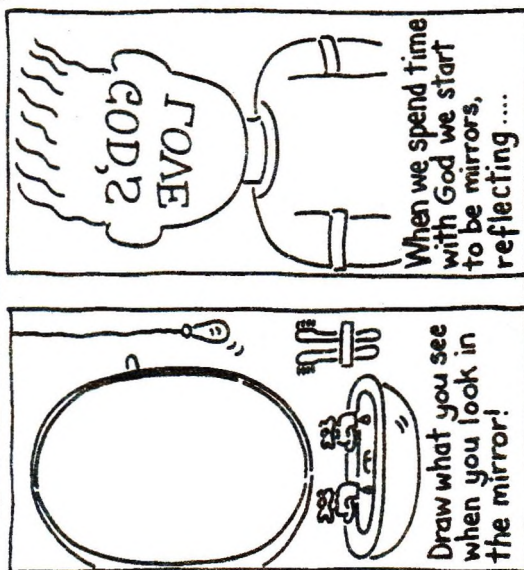
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A message of thanks from Claudine.

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Claudine Murrell

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What is your name?

What colour are your eyes?

What do you best like doing?

What makes you happy?

What makes you cross?

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Rolling in the Aisles

(Murray Watts)

A minister arriving as a visitor to a neighbouring church, decided to take a very informal approach with the children. Word had reached him of the strict and pious atmosphere of the Sunday school and he decided to introduce a refreshing change of approach. Sitting on the edge of the desk, wearing an open neck shirt, he leaned confidentially towards the children. 'Can anyone tell me,' he asked them, 'what is small, grey, eats nuts and has a bushy tail?'

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From September, memorial services will be held quarterly. In each copy of the magazine, there will be a reply slip inviting anybody who would like to have a loved-one remembered at the next memorial service to let me know so that the name may be included amongst those to be read out. This invitation is to all, irrespective of where or when a funeral may have taken place. If you have lost somebody in another part of the country, at another time of the year, but a service falls near their birthday, wedding anniversary of some other significant date, you will be most welcome to ask for them to be remembered.

The dates for these services will be:

2nd	January	2000
19th	March	2000
18th	June	2000
17th	September	2000
31st	December	2000

All services will start at 6.30 p.m., last for about an hour and be followed by light refreshments in the church.

Memorial Services January and March 2000

Name to be remembered

Name(s) and address of principle family members attending the service

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Date of service to be attended

Please return completed forms to David Rhodes at the Vicarage.

Be Still and Know

I am not a great newspaper reader, and I try to keep up to date with the news by listening each morning to the 'Today' programme on Radio 4. One small news item, which caught my attention on a recent programme, concerned not road-rage but office-rage. And the reason for it: people talking loudly in the office on their mobile phones!

A writer who, in recent times, has helped me more than most is the Trappist monk Thomas Merton. In his book 'No man is an island' he has much to say on silence and stillness. 'Those who love their own noise are impatient of everything else. ... They bore through silent nature in every direction with their machines for fear that the calm world might accuse them of their own emptiness. The urgency of their swift movement seems to ignore the tranquillity of nature by pretending to have a purpose. The loud plane seems for a moment to deny the reality of the clouds and of the sky, by its direction, its noise, and its pretended strength. The silence of the sky remains when the plane has gone'.

We live in an increasingly noisy world. Some noise we cannot get away from, but some of it can be silenced. There is a switch on our radio set and on our TV, which can be turned off. We need our periods of silence and of inactivity. Michael Ramsey suggests two reasons: 'Silence enables us to be aware of God, and to let mind and imagination dwell upon his truth... and to discover ourselves in a way that is not always possible when we are making or listening to noise'. Maybe we actually escape into noise and work because to discover ourselves is not always comfortable!

I had a memorable experience of stillness when I was recently on a painting holiday in Wales. As I was sitting sketching in a field of horses, one of them came and stood beside me. Fully twenty minutes he stood there, perhaps a foot away without sound or movement. I was able to sketch his lovely face in close-up; but, more than that, he taught me again what stillness was. Surely God's channels of grace are very diverse! Thomas Merton again: '[the] mute beings no longer speak to us only with their own silence. It is the Lord who speaks to us with a far deeper silence hidden in the midst of our own selves'.

Hazel Perfect

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Law For more than a thousand years, Christianity has shaped our laws. The earliest document written in the English language is the law code of the Anglo-Saxon king, Ethelbert. Many of his laws protecting people, property and even Sunday as a work-free day, were clearly influenced by the Bible.

The basic principles of our law - truth, justice, the value of life and individual responsibility - come directly from the influence of Christianity. British justice, when correctly applied, has been a model for the world. It has also been the foundation for the freedom we enjoy today.

Education Education in Britain was largely the creation of the church. After the *Reformation* in the sixteenth century, many new schools were founded. By 1850 a government commission found about two and a half million children attended day schools - almost all run by Christian charities. Robert Raikes started *Sunday School* in 1780 and by 1903, six million children attended regularly. For many, this was the only education they received and Sunday School outings and anniversaries were the only 'treats' many children ever had. Today, almost one third of all schools in England are church schools.

Body and Soul For centuries, Christian churches and monasteries provided almost the only care for ill or dying. Large sums of money were given by Christians for building hospitals. St. Bartholomew's (1123) and Guy's (1741) were funded by Christians. Many mothers died in childbirth so Christian women took up midwifery. Elizabeth Fry started an Institute for Nursing Sisters in 1840. The *hospice movement* began largely through the influence of Christians. Christians like William Tuke and later, Lord Shaftesbury and Lord Kinnaird, influenced parliament to improve care of the mentally ill. The Christian businessman, George Cadbury, built a home for disabled children. Thomas Rhodes Armitage, a Christian doctor, founded what we now know as the Royal Insitutue for the Blind. Other Christians encouraged schools for the deaf and dumb. Today, *Prospects* is one Christian charity providing a caring environment for those with learning disabilities. Important advances in medical science have been made by deeply committed Christians: Sir Joseph Lister introduced antiseptic surgery; Sir James Simpson discovered chloroform; Prof. Arthur Rendle Short pioneered blood transfusions, to mention a few.

"OLDIES" AGAIN!

The ink was scarcely dry on my attempt to encourage older people when the latest magazine from the Church Army dropped through the door. The headline across the outside cover was "This church needs more older people". Inside are a number of examples where a ministry to older people has been a very specific part of the overall strategy of several churches.

Part of this strategy encourages older people to reminisce about their earlier experiences but the striking thing about this approach is that such reminiscences are used to identify issues which reflect the present day state of the church and plans for the future. We all know that sometimes reminiscences can just be nostalgic and grieving for the past. Comments like "things are not as good as they used to be!" are not helpful unless they are immediately followed with some positive thinking about how things need to be changed both for the present and the future.

Another part of the strategy is to affirm that older people are often in a situation where they are able to give advice and encouragement to younger people who may have difficulties. It is important however that any advice given should be positive and without strings. In other words it should be sufficiently open ended to allow others to make their own final decision. We know from dealing with our own children that part of parental responsibility is to help and train them to make balanced judgements. We have also got to learn when we have to let go and let younger people hold the reins.

The Church Army article also points out that friendships can span many different age ranges. Older people sometimes have more availability than younger people and the trick is to match the need to the resource. All this is worth thinking about whether you consider yourself to be an "oldie" or just one of tomorrow's "oldies"!

Maurice Snowdon.

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Jesus - God in human form - came to live among us.

Charles Buck, a man of great faith in our community

One of Charles Buck's earliest memories is of going to Church dressed in a new green overcoat in a pony and trap from his home, Hazlehead Hall, to Penistone Church. He was three at the time, the youngest of three brothers. Charles attended Birkdale School and Trent College and then trained as an accountant. He served in the Royal Artillery during the Second World War, at the end of which he met his wife, Georgette. They were married in 1946. Sadly Georgette died earlier this year. They made their home in Sheffield and had two daughters, Angela who lives in Liverpool with her family and Elizabeth, who died when she was 19.

Charles founded two Export Companies and travelled extensively on business, often to the Middle East, South America and the West Indies, visiting over 60 countries. He has many lively stories of his adventures and obviously enjoyed his overseas trips.

Charles has been a Magistrate for the past 33 years and has held many high offices in the business and charitable life of Sheffield. In 1980-1981 he was High Sheriff of South Yorkshire, choosing as his Chaplain, Alan Jockel, who was currently Vicar of All Saints. Charles feels at home at All Saints where he began worshipping in 1956, usually at the main Sunday morning service, but latterly at the 10.00 a.m. service on Wednesdays.

Charles has been an extremely talented sportsman,

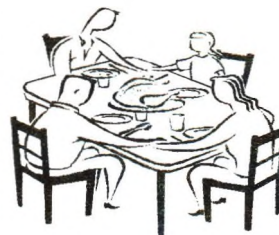
mainly playing hockey (he was an International Umpire) and cricket - his chief passion. He is most proud of being President of Sheffield Collegiate CC, but he holds many other prestigious titles in the cricket world and has been a member of the MCC since 1950.

Asked about a favourite hymn, Charles immediately said, "The King of Love my shepherd is", the words of which he finds most meaningful. Some years ago, he found himself unable to get the hymn out of his head during a two day cricket match at Lincoln. When bowling, he took 8 wickets for 30 runs and then going in first to bat, he made 102 not out, still humming the tune to himself. He has, however, been unable to repeat that inspired performance !

Charles Buck is a man of many gifts and a man of great faith and humility, whose contribution to the community is enormous. With typical humour, when asked about a wish for the millennium, he replied, "Yes - to see it". Amen to that.

Valerie Loft

Prayer Breakfast



There will be a Prayer Breakfast on the fourth Saturday of the month in the Church Hall from 8.00 to 10.00 a.m.

(leave earlier if you need to do).

Everyone is welcome.

Totley All Saints' Toddler Group

We meet every Wednesday during term time in the Church Hall at 10.00 a.m. If you have care of a young child, why not pay us a visit. There are lots of activities including: craft table; baby corner; jigsaws; climbing frame and ride on toys. Juice and biscuits are provided for the children and coffee/tea for adults. Cost is £1 per carer per session.

A photographer will be visiting the toddler group on Wednesday 24th November at 9.30 a.m. Photographs will be available before Christmas.
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| 16th | A talk by Mrs. Fleming
<i>Kinder Transport -
What happened next</i> |
| 30th | Demonstration by Mrs. Armour
<i>Hessian Figures</i> |

Thank you

The club would like to thank everyone who helped in any way at their Coffee Morning on the 1st October.

This event raised the sum of £330 for the McMillan nurses. Thanks for coming to support this worthy cause.



Why no year Zero ?

This is down to Dionysius Exiguus and his new dating system (nothing to do with finding a partner to go out with !).

He decided not to have :

0 BC or AD 0, just 1 BC and AD 1.

BC means 'Before Christ' and

AD means 'Anno Domini' - Latin for

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- ♦ There will be a short act of worship in All Saints' Church from 11.45 p.m – 12.15 a.m. If you feel you could contribute an item of prose, poetry, a song, musical piece or dance which you feel is appropriate for this celebration, please speak to David Rhodes.
- ♦ Our Church, along with thousands of other Churches, will celebrate 2000 years of Christianity at 12.00 noon – 12.15 p.m.

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TEENAGE CARE AND SHARE GROUP

Our teenage Care and
Share group meets on
alternate Sunday evenings.



At our second meeting we had a time of worship and read two psalms. We then wrote our own psalm thinking about a different aspect of God, His greatness, power and might, and how we felt in relation to this. Each person wrote a line and passed their paper on before we considered and each wrote about a specific aspect.

The final result was a batch of personal and powerful psalms.

Here is just one of them.

Gay Riley.

*Praise Jesus Christ and God, our Lord,
You created the splendour of the universe,
Your creations have benefited mankind,
I feel amazed and very happy.
I am like a tiny ant among a big ant hill,
Thanks for looking after us because we are small,
We feel uplifted by your power,
Praise the Lord for all the things He has done for
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6. 8 oz Nahum 3: 12 (chopped)
7. 2 oz Numbers 17: 8 (blanched and chopped)
8. 1 lb 1 Kings 4: 22
9. Season to taste with 2 Chronicles 9: 9
10. Pinch of Leviticus 2: 13
11. 1 tsp. Amos 4: 5
12. 3 tbsp. Judges 4: 19

Beat Nos. 1, 2 and 3 to a cream; add 4, one at a time, still beating; then 5, 6, and 7, and beat again. Add 8, 9, 10 and 11, having previously mixed them and finally No.12. Bake in a slow oven for one and a half hours.

Margaret Openshaw

Mother and Toddler Group

We meet in the Hall on Wednesday mornings between 10.00 and 12.00 noon. We would appreciate some help with drinks etc. If you are able to help, please sign the list on the Hall Notice board or ring Joanne Smith on 262 0741.



Harvest Celebrations



After the harvest services with the two local schools and Church services, we were able to send the sum of £500 to Christian Aid.



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14th	Josephine and John Collie, Patrick Guest, Moreen Warrender
21st	Catherine Wrigglesworth, Eileen Mason, Vera Cryan, Marjorie Snowdon
28th	Valerie Loft, Ann Ruthven, Audrey and Ron Walker.

Sidesmen and Sideswomen

	8.00 a.m.	9.30 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	6.30 p.m.
7th	Miss H. Perfect	Mrs. E. Hayden Jennifer Booth	Mrs. D. Bryer Mrs. C. Scott	Mrs. M. Snowdon
14th	Mr. B. Lowe	Mrs. E. Booth David Hayden	Mrs. B. Houldcroft Mr. R. Walker	Mr. J. A. England
21st	Miss A.E. Baldry	Mr. N. Hayden Katherine Burt	Mrs. M. Warrender Mrs. C. Billard	Mr. P. Purkiss
28th	Miss. H. Perfect	Mrs. S. Burt Jessica Davis	Mrs. A. Powell Mrs. D. Bryer	Mr. H. Mayson

Alive Gang and Creche

The 'Alive Gang' and 'Under Three's' remain in the 9.30 a.m. service for the first part and then go to age appropriate activities in the Church Hall except for the Family Services when we all stay in the Church.

Flowers

Silver Cleaning

	Altar	Memory Table	
7th	Mr. Hazelhurst	Mrs. Dixon	Mrs. Ludlam
14th	Mrs. Simons	Mrs. Simons	
21st	Mrs. Beeley	Mrs. Clark	Mrs. Snowdon
28th	Mrs. Powell		

From the *Registers*

BAPTISMS: 17th Lucie Elizabeth Greaves
of 141 Green Oak Road

The following families will be visited as they celebrate the baptism anniversary of their children:

3rd Eleanor Grace Smith
19th Bethany Anne Cousins
30th Matthew Thomas Poole
30th William Chisholm Collett-Lang

WEDDINGS: None in October

FUNERALS: 22nd Fred. Cooke 82 yrs. of 245 Baslow Road

The next Memorial Service will be held on January 2nd 2000 at 6.30 p.m.

If you would like a loved-one to be remembered at that service please complete the form headed Memorial Services (at the bottom of the full page in this magazine) and return to David Rhodes at the Vicarage.

Dates for future Memorial Services are shown on the full page.

IF YOU WANT TO BE MARRIED OR HAVE YOUR BABY BAPTISED

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Telephone number 236 2322.

November Diary Dates



Mon.	1st	Contemplative Prayer Group 1 Quarry Road 3.15 p.m.
Mon.	1st	Standing Committee - Vicarage 8.00 p.m.
Tues.	2nd	Ladies Club in the Hall 7.30 p.m.
Wed.	3rd	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.30 p.m.
Sat.	6th	Music for Everyone Totley Rise Meth. Church 7.30 p.m.
Mon.	8th	P.C.C. Meeting Hall Lounge 8.00 p.m.
Tues.	9th	Martha and Mary Group Hall Lounge 10.30 a.m.
Wed.	10th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.30 p.m.
Mon.	15th	Contemplative Prayer Group 1 Quarry Road 3.15 p.m.
Tues.	16th	Ladies Club in the Hall 7.30 p.m.
Wed.	17th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.30 p.m.
Wed.	17th	Because of You Octagon Centre 7.30 p.m.
Sat.	20th	A Taste of Christmas Church Hall 2.00 p.m.
Mon.	22nd	Last day for items for December magazine (& small ads)
Tues.	23rd	Martha and Mary Group Hall Lounge 10.30 a.m.
Wed.	24th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.30 p.m.
Fri.	26th	75th Anniversary Dinner Hall 7.00 p.m.
Sat.	27th	Prayer Breakfast Church Hall 8.00 a.m.
Sat.	27th	Displays and Recitals in Church Refreshments in Hall
Sun.	28th	Service of Thanksgiving & Praise 2.30 p.m.
Mon.	29th	Collation of Magazine Hall from 9.30 a.m.
Mon.	29th	Contemplative Prayer Group 1 Quarry Road 3.15 p.m.
Tues.	30th	Ladies Club in the Hall 7.30 p.m.

Saying for Stillness

"I AM making all things new".

(Revelation 21 : 5)

Final Date: Items for December Magazine: 22nd November

ORGANISATIONS AND REGULAR MEETINGS IN CHURCH & HALL

Sunday:	9.30 a.m.	The Alive Gang	
		Lorna Davis	236 9878
	6.30 - 8.30 p.m.	Sunday Youth Group (2nd & 4th Sunday)	
		Gay Riley	236 6884
Monday:	10.00 a.m.	Drop in Coffee	
		Marjorie & Maurice Snowdon	236 2822
	3.30 p.m.	Junior Choir Practice in Church	
		Stella Jockel	236 9413
	7.00 p.m.	Guides	
		Maureen Allum	235 1262
Tuesday:	10.30 a.m.	Martha & Mary Group (2nd & 4th)	
		Sheila Eke	236 7457
	7.30 p.m.	Ladies Club (1st & 3rd)	
		Joan Gray	236 8470
Wednesday:	10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (B.C.P.) in Church	
	10.00 a.m.	Parent & Toddler Group	
		Joanne Smith	262 0741
	2.30 p.m.	Ladies Keep Fit	
		Moreen Warrender	236 0515
	6.15 p.m.	Trailblazers (Children's Club)	
		Ken Filleul	236 0872
Thursday:	7.00 p.m.	Choir Practice in Church	
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From the Vicarage :



Dear Friends,

Here we are at the beginning of the last month of the year that will start with a 19.

Whatever your views of the millennium, dates will change and in a month's time we will know whether there was any truth to all the bug scare-stories. There is always something of a feel to a new start at the beginning of a new year and perhaps that will be heightened on this occasion. Around the country a number of churches have used this occasion to accept a challenge, or should I say, be very specific about a need and challenge which is always there. I would like to spell this out, and, "Yes, we at All Saints, want to pledge ourselves to be like this, too." The challenge involves a commitment to ten specific matters which the church promises to be, or provide for its community and any other interested people.

- 1) **We will make you welcome.** Coming to a church for the first time can be extremely daunting. We will do all we can to help you feel at home, relaxed and amongst friends.
- 2) **We will be family friendly.** Whether you are old or young, single or married, introvert or extrovert, we will seek to treasure all-comers, so that we may understand better how much we are all treasured by our heavenly Father.
- 3) **We will make sure you can hear clearly.** A sound reinforcement system and hearing loop is to be installed in All Saints in the new year.
- 4) **We will be practical and relevant.** The Bible is an utterly down-to-earth book, dealing with real human matters and how we may approach them. In our teaching and preaching we will work hard to apply what the Bible says to the realities of the 21st. Century.

5) **We will help you explore answers to your deepest questions.** We all have such questions. We will seek to be a place and provide opportunities where questions and opinions can be expressed in an open way and the teaching of the Bible on such matters can be explained and considered.

6) **We will offer time to stop and think in a busy life.** All Saints is open as a place of quiet and prayer every weekday during the day. Services often include times of quiet reflection and sometimes revolve around that.

7) **We will help you make sense of the Bible and who Jesus is.** We are in existence because of Him and for Him. Our greatest desire to help as many as possible know Jesus for themselves.

8) **We will make sure your visit will be helpful and challenging.** Wherever you may be in a relationship with God, or discovering about that, we will seek to provide a place where that can grow and we may all be challenged in suitable ways to allow that to happen.

9) **We will help you discover for yourself, God's love, acceptance and forgiveness.** Jesus came to forgive us, whatever we may have done; to heal us, whatever may have happened to us in the past and give us the beautiful liberty that comes when we know that Almighty God really does live and care for little old me! We'd like to help as many people as possible, know the reality of that for themselves.

10) **We will offer you the chance to make a new start.** For some readers, you have been longing to get right with God and put your life on a different footing for years. The Bible says that, "If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has gone, behold the new has come." What better time to make a new start with Jesus than now!

With all best wishes



P.S. If anyone would like to talk about any of these points, please get in touch with me on 236 2322.

Services in December

5th Second Sunday of Advent.

Theme for the day:- Is God Real?

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (B.C.P.)

9.30 a.m. All Age Worship

11.00 a.m. Holy Communion (A.S.B)

3.30 p.m. Holy Communion at the Cheshire Home.

4.30 p.m. Christingle Service

12th Third Sunday of Advent.

Theme for the day:- How can I have a purpose in life?

8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer (A.S.B)

9.30 a.m. All Age Worship

11.00 a.m. Holy Communion (A.S.B)

6.30 p.m. Holy Communion (A.S.B)

19th Fourth Sunday of Advent.

Theme – Looking for the Coming King

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (B.C.P)

9.30 a.m. Family Holy Communion

11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer (A.S.B)

3.30 p.m. Service at the Cheshire Home

6.30 p.m. Carol Service.

24th Christmas Eve

11.30 p.m. Holy Communion (A.S.B).

25th Christmas Day

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (B.C.P).

9.30 a.m. Family Holy Communion

26th First Sunday of Christmas.

10.00 a.m. Holy Communion for all ages

4.00 p.m. Service of Meditation

31st Millennium Eve

11.45 p.m. "Into the new Millennium with Jesus" (till 00.15 a.m.)

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND BEREAVED

If you would like the congregation to pray for someone in particular during the intercessions, please contact either :

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1 cup of water	1 tsp. Mixed spice

2 cups (10 oz) plain flour

Put all fruit, sugar, margarine and water in a pan and simmer for three minutes. Leave to cool. Add sifted flour, baking powder, spice and lastly beaten eggs. Bake at 350 degrees F for 1 – 1½ hours.

Charlotte Scholey

More information about Clubs and Events wanted !

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Santa's Power



Our seven-year-old daughter was reading a book of carols. When she came across, 'God rest you merry gentlemen,' she asked, 'Why do we need saving from Santa's power ?' 'No,' I corrected her, 'It's Satan's power.' A few Christmas shopping trips later I change my mind. I think she got it right after all.

Christine Hamilton (not THE Christine Hamilton I presume!)

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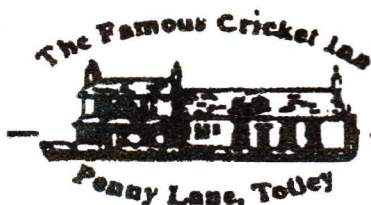
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wear in eternity *Anon*

I am not careful for what may
be in a hundred years hence.
He who governed the world be-
fore I was born shall take care
of it likewise when I am dead.
My part is to improve the
present moment. *John Wesley*

Kill time and you murder
opportunity. *Anon*

Today is the tomorrow you
worried about yesterday. *Anon*

Time goes, you say ? Ah no !
Alas, time stays, we go !
Henry Dobson

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Friday 17th Dec.	Carols by Candlelight Ticket (free) required	7.00 p.m.
Sunday 19th Dec.	Carol Service	6.30 p.m.
Friday 24th Dec.	Crib Service Holy Communion	4.00 p.m. 11.30 p.m.
Saturday 25th Dec	Holy Communion Family Communion	8.00 a.m. 9.30 a.m.
Sunday 26th Dec.	Family Communion Service of Meditation	10.00 a.m. 4.00 p.m.
Wed. 29th – Fri. 31st December	An Exhibition for the Millennium and Floral Decorations in Church 10.00 – 4.00 p.m. Refreshments.	
Friday 31st Dec.	Millennium Celebration in S17 Parade from Church 6.00 p.m. To Totley Rise Methodist Church Refreshments - finish 8.00 p.m. Worship in Church 11.45 – 12.15 a.m.	
Saturday 1st January	Celebration 2000 12 noon to 12.15	

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BRINGING IN THE NEW MILLENNIUM

Together into Two Thousand
31st December 1999

6.00 p.m.

There will be informal parades to Totley Rise Church from five points in the neighbourhood. There will be at least two marshals at each starting point who will guide walkers to the church. In the interests of safety, we will be keeping to pavements and observing normal pedestrian rules. Walkers are encouraged to bring lanterns and torches; groups might like to carry banners. The parades will start from the following points:

St. John's Church;

Totley Library, to proceed down Green Oak Road;

All Saints' Church, to proceed down Baslow Road;

Totley Brook Bus Terminus;

Bradway, bus terminus by the Old Mother Redcap.

6.30 p.m.

A Celebration Event in the Church. Drama, Dance and Music will be provided by local churches and although the service will be fast-moving, there will be time for quiet reflection! It will be suitable for all ages to attend.

7.15 p.m.

Food! Jacket potatoes, chestnuts, soup. If fine we intend to serve this outdoors where there will also be fire-eating as well as a 'sparkler relay' for younger children to join in with.

8.00 p.m.

The End. Plenty of time to go on to other celebrations or put the children to bed!

Gay Riley is the Co-ordinator for Totley All Saints.

Christmas Card



From the beginning of December, there will be a large Christmas Card in Church on which we may sign greetings to one another, instead of sending individual cards. This year the card has been made by Lionel Boniface. There will be envelopes alongside for a donation towards the purchase of a special cassette ** for the X-ray department at the Children's Hospital. The envelopes may be placed in the collection plate or given to Stella Jockel.

Rosalie Carter

** The donation, in lieu of cards, from our Church Christmas card will go this year to the X-Ray Department at the Children's Hospital towards the cost of a special cassette. What is a long cassette you are probably asking? No, it's nothing to do with music!

This cassette holds the X-Ray film. It measures 30 cms. x 90 cms. (approximately 12 inches x 36 inches) and is used for studies requiring the entire spine to be demonstrated on one film or the whole leg from lower pelvis to heels. Once the X-Ray is obtained, surgeons use the film to plan operations or to assess the progress of a patient post-operatively. These cassettes cost about £1000 and are manufactured with precision to give optimum results. The cassettes last for many years.

It is used for children with scoliosis, who need spinal curvatures corrected; children born with leg discrepancies and for children born with achondroplasia, i.e. called dwarfism in less enlightened times. Those children are now able to have their legs lengthened by surgery pioneered in Sheffield and attend from all over the U.K. and many parts of the world. Those of us, fortunate enough to have 'normal' height do not realise how difficult life can be for very small people. For instance, you may not be able to reach light switches or taps. The children undergo years of surgery and treatment to achieve the required results and may have their legs lengthened by as much as 6 inches. Seeing the children walk unaided after years of treatment is unbelievably rewarding.

Dorothy Firth

LANCASHIRE JACK

Your roving reporter visited the Right Reverend Jack Nicholls at his home at Bishop Croft, Sheffield.

He is a busy man but he gave an 'audience' to me on behalf of the good people of Totley.

The Bishop of Sheffield is a family man. He and his wife, Judith have four children: Antony who is 28; Michael, 26; Rachel, 21 and Clare aged 20 years.

He was born in a small place called Waterfoot, near Rossendale in Lancashire.

When asked about his favourite food, he leant back in his chair, crossed his hands across his stomach and said without hesitation, 'A good piece of steak, a glass of claret that tastes like velvet and Jam roly-poly pudding!' (A man after my own heart). He said he was a 'pudding person' but nothing like his wife who could eat three puddings and retain her trim nine stone! I asked him about his favourite sport and team. The fact that he is a football supporter of the illustrious team, Manchester United, and has been for forty years, (not a fair weather supporter) gave me a glimpse of the dedication of this man. He has only seen his beloved team play once this year and that was when they played Sheffield Wednesday at Hillsborough. On the subject of his ambitions, he was rather at a loss because he has never 'applied' for a job but has always done the job he was asked to do.

His hobbies would look grand on anyone's C.V..

A love of listening to Mozart and Schubert or anything classical but not fond of the modern 'so called classics'.

A love of reading history and enjoyment in cooking, when he gets the chance!

His first memory of going to Church was attendance at Sunday School. He remembers his third or fourth birthday when he rang a bell and lit candles at the Sunday School in St. Nicholas' New Church in Rossendale.

His favourite Hymn is a lesser known one by Timothy Rees who

was the Bishop of Llandaff. He was a chaplain during the first world war and the hymn was found in his belongings after he died. It was sung for the first time at his funeral, 'God is love, let heaven adore him'.

The most enjoyable part of Bishop Jack's job is the variety of engagements; in particular, visiting the many different churches in the Diocese. He finds much more to encourage him rather than discourage him as he meets his flock.

The Bishop would enjoy having a one-to-one with a little known recluse, St. Seraphim of Saron, who spent all his life alone in prayer in the forest of Saron. His contemporaries claimed he was the most Christ-like person that ever lived.

The Bishop's wish for the Millennium is that people remember what it is that they are celebrating.

Bishop Jack would not want to change anything in his life, however, he did say wistfully that if he was granted three wishes he would like to : play football; play the piano and paint. He feels he is hopeless at all three !

The measure of the man lies in his final remark: he had thirteen addresses or sermons to prepare and deliver in a ten day period in November yet he still found the time to talk to me and answer my questions !

What a man. No wonder that so many people love him.

Peter Pearson

Not Our Jack !

Queen Alexandra (the consort of King Edward VII) met a Bishop at Sandringham railway station who was spending the weekend and preaching to a shooting party. The car was still a great novelty and she told the chauffeur to get in the back for she intended to drive the Bishop home herself. She turned to him and remembering the State Prayers at Matins, said, "Don't worry, my Lord: Twenty million people are praying for me."

From Coley - Halifax Magazine

Wenceslas

The famous Christmas carol was written in the later nineteenth century by J.M. Neale. There does not appear to be any historical evidence for the incident portrayed, but it was certainly in keeping with the character of the man.

Wenceslas was born near Prague (the present day Czech Republic) in the year 903. His father was a Christian, Ratislav (the Duke of Bohemia) but his mother Drahomira, was not. This was a shadow of things to come.

The biggest influence in Wenceslas' life, as it had been in his father's life, was his grandmother, Ludmilla. She was a devout woman (and is herself remembered as a saint), who imparted to father and son a real and profound Christian faith. However, when Ratislav died, his wife, Drahomira, took power in Bohemia. Partly because she was avowedly not a Christian, civil war broke out. Ludmilla urged Wenceslas to take power and bring peace. Drahomira heard of this and had her murdered for her pains ! Eventually, Wenceslas did wrest power from his mother and so in 922 at the age of 19, became Duke of Bohemia (he was never king) and set about trying to bring the warring factions together.

As a ruler, he was anxious to support ordinary people and reduce oppression of peasants by the nobility. This, of course, did not endear him to the noble land-owners of Bohemia. His popularity fell further when he acknowledged the Emperor of Germany (Henry I) as his overlord.

Waiting in the wings to replace him was his brother, Boleslaus. He would, of course, have become Duke on the death of Wenceslas in the normal course of affairs but in 929, Wenceslas had a son, thus changing things. Boleslaus now became the centre of opposition to his brother.

The end of Wenceslas came in the year 929, when he was just 26. On the 28th September (the day he is remembered in the church calendar) he was on his way to church when Boleslaus and some of his supporters attacked him and stabbed him to

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death. It is recorded that Wenceslas' last words were, "May God forgive you, brother."
He was immediately hailed as a martyr and had become his country's patron saint by the end of the century. The square named after him is in the centre of modern-day Prague. It was here, or course, in 1989 that a series of mass demonstrations helped to topple the communist dictatorship. It was a bloodless revolution, led and inspired by Christians and church leaders. Wenceslas may well have approved!
In fact, he has no direct link with Christmas, except via the carol, which only arrived fifty years ago and is probably fictitious. However, to remember a man at this time of year, who had a devotion to Christ, a willingness to struggle for peace and a preparedness to go to lengths to support the poor, must be good. If we are remembered for those qualities we will be in very good company!



From the Editor

I have received several compliments about the contents of the magazine. I pass them on to you as you provide most of the material!

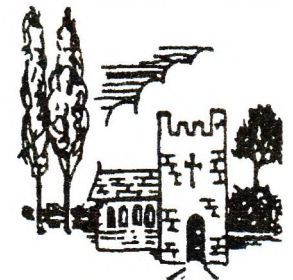
We have had a busy and enjoyable year with the various 75th Anniversary celebrations to be followed by the Christmas and Millennium celebrations, so there has been plenty of activity to report.

Next year will be another interesting time. Our own Barn Dance followed by David Foster's visit in preparation for Luis Palau coming in April and Celebration 2000 in Chatsworth Park in June to mention but a few!

I have included another page of A.D., with permission from Day One Publications of 3, Epsom Business Park, Kiln Lane, Epsom, Surrey KT17 1JF.



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Ten Days in the Holy Land

These were a wonderful time of sight-seeing, learning, spirituality and fun.

In order to appreciate the plethora of churches, shrines and sites with claims to fame, one needs an open and discerning mind. To the Greek Orthodox, Catholic and Protestant, there is often a church for each event such as the annunciation in Nazareth, but where in fact there is only one well where Mary drew water when the angel spoke to her. The split in the rock from the earthquake when Jesus died on the cross was real despite the ornate Greek Orthodox Church built around it, with a Catholic one beside.

However, there were moments of quiet and closeness to the natural world and its Creator. Communion in the Garden of Gethsemane, the stillness on the boat on Galilee with the surrounding hills that were seen and known by Jesus. The biblical meal was the time of sharing and learning more of the Middle East traditions, both past and present. The biblical gardens gave us the chance to see a threshing floor, grape stomping vat, olive press, water-tower, Bedouin tent, well, sheepfold and the sort of trees on which people would have been crucified.

Whilst we felt perfectly safe all the time we were there, the underlying tensions were evident from the first morning when we stood on the hill of the Mount of Olives overlooking the valley and wall of Old Jerusalem. The Muslim call to prayer and chanting from within the old city was very loud. It appeared that the loud speakers from the top of the mosques are deliberately set to face all Christian churches and we were standing in an area of many. The strict observance of Friday, their Shabbat, or holy day, results in lifts scheduled to stop at every floor, so that they do not need human intervention. It was interesting to observe the Bar Mitzvah ceremonies at the Wailing Wall (after going through two security check-points) and to see the women from the other side showing encouragement by a strange wailing and throwing of sweets, (to sweeten their sons,

as they recited the Torah!) The Druze villages on the top of the Golan Heights that had been inhabited by Israelis for 30 years after the 6-day war, had annexed them from Syria, still poses the question of who should be there.

Herod's temple at Massada was awesome in its scale and provision of water taken by aqueduct and stored in huge underground cisterns.

Floating in the Dead Sea was fun and the opportunity I had on a free afternoon when I visited the Holocaust Museum at the same time as Nelson Mandela and took his photo' and shook his hand was obviously unique !

The organisation by Roger and Margaret Hoyle was second to none and I can recommend this visit should they do it again.

Gay Riley

LOOK FOR THE SIGN !

Look out for the Millennium sign outside some of our local churches !



**The Millennium is
CHRIST'S 2000TH BIRTHDAY
Worship Him here – now.**

Car stickers are now on order and will be available shortly - a very strong message to remind everyone that the Millennium should be celebrated first and foremost as a worship of Christ's 2000th Birthday.

P.C.C. Up – Date.

The November meeting of the P.C.C. found itself dealing with a number of items which will be history by the time this magazine is printed. The Celebration week-end for example occupied quite a lot of detailed discussion which affected what has, by now, already happened. Most P.C.C. discussions are a blend of long and short term matters and we are expecting discussions next year on such varied items as Christian Marriage, Baptism Policy and the new liturgy "Common Worship". More of these items later.

It is worth reporting that all P.C.C. meetings start with a time of worship. This, of course, is not unique to the P.C.C. but it helps us to focus more clearly on the fact that all our discussions are (or should be!) centred on the Kingdom of God which, for us immediately, is the Church in Totley. Many of the points made are quite mundane but necessary if the church is to be kept open, warm, tidy and appropriate. Similarly for the Hall and the way in which we use it.

There are always some tricky decisions to be made. This month we talked about the U.C.B. booklets which give daily Bible readings. U.C.B. prefer to send these booklets out to individuals direct so if you are a "regular" user of these booklets this is what you are being asked to do. The Church will still receive a smaller number than hitherto but these will be used mostly to encourage new readers or as evangelistic instruments wherever possible.

We also had our thoughts directed towards Orissa and decided that we should send £500 from Church funds as well as arranging the opportunity for retiring collections.

David was very pleased to point out that we had finished our business by twelve minutes past nine (starting at 8.00 p.m. Was this a record?) This gave us further time to pray about the main issues concerning the parish at the moment. Then we were able to talk informally in two's and three's which is always a valuable opportunity.

Maurice Snowdon.

Refurbishment

It is with some delight that I look out from my front window and see the changes being made to the old Avenue Stores.

The 'new look' includes not only a new position for the doorway but pleasant matching windows, all at the same level.

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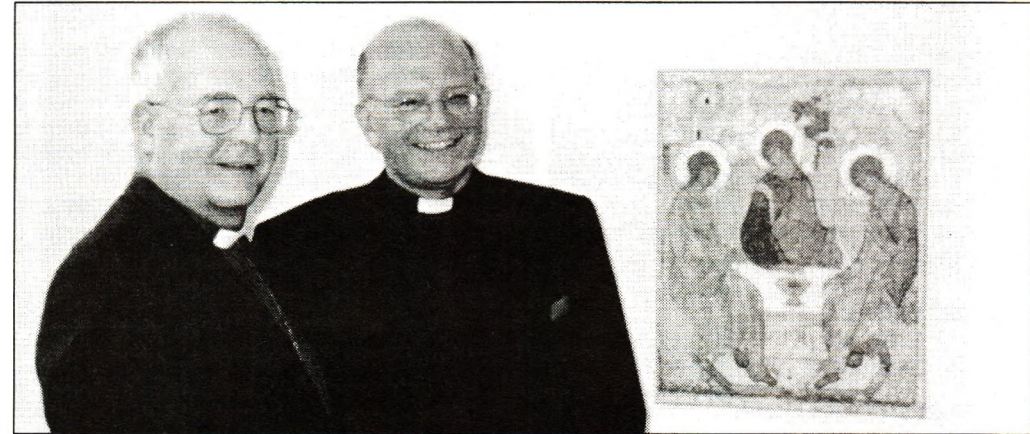
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Bishop Jack greets Cyril Ashton who will be consecrated as Bishop of Doncaster at York on Tuesday, February 1st. He is currently Director of Training in the Blackburn Diocese.

OUR ETERNAL DESTINY

I have recently discovered an amazing fact. Ninety per cent of the National Health Service's expenditure on patient care is concentrated on the last three months of our lives. We spend nine tenths of our available resources on this tiny proportion of our lives. Why?

I believe that a large part of the answer is to be found in realising that our culture always regards death as failure and, therefore, life is to be prolonged at almost any cost. We have the context of eternity.

If all there is to existence is three score years and ten, then it seems to follow that I must find all my fulfilment within this life and keep this life going for as long as I am able.

This is not the way in which we Christians view life. Life is valuable, each human being is infinitely precious and it is important that we strive to value the uniqueness of each precious individual.

But, nonetheless, there is a larger picture. Our destiny is ultimately not earth bound.

We are made for something greater and more wonderful than we can ever even begin to imagine here on earth. The purpose of life is that we should enjoy God for ever and so St. Paul can come to view death as gain.

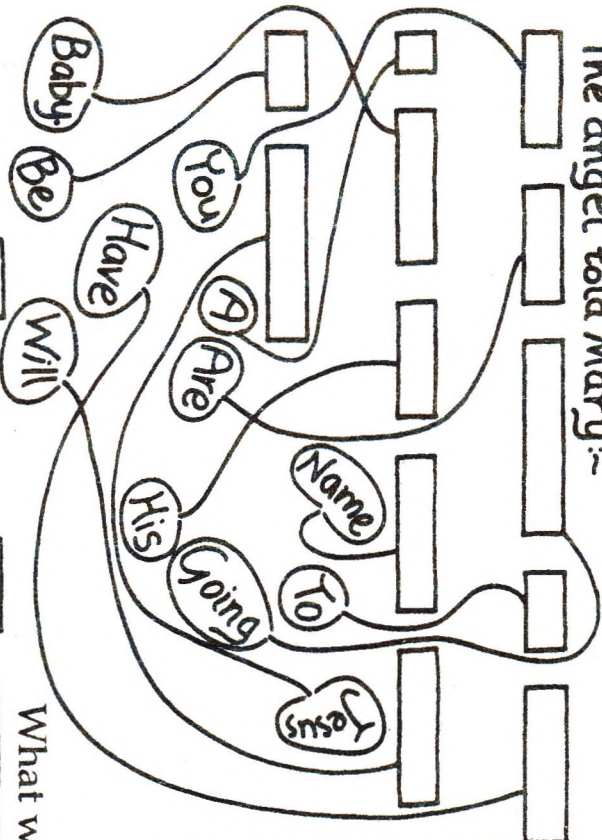
The final months of life are to be cherished and the hospice movement has taught us a great deal about the value of our last days, but are we not spending a disproportionate amount of our available resources on some high technology which simply puts off that day which is not failure, but has the potential of being a wonderful birthday?

November is the month of remembering. We remember those who have died in war; we remember the faithful departed; we remember the saints in glory. In Jesus Christ, the sting of death has been removed, but our modern culture has forgotten this wonderful truth and so, sadly gets its sums wrong.

+Jack

THE ANGEL VISITS MARY

The angel told Mary:-



Mary was



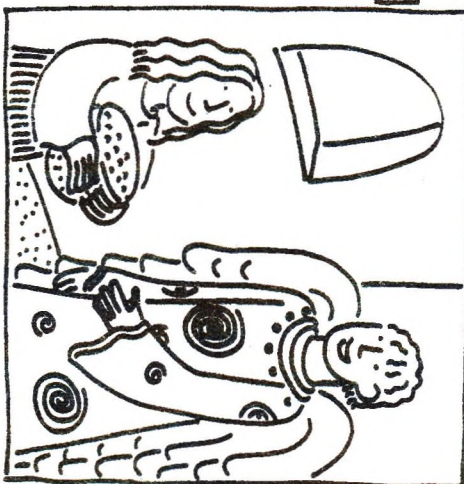
. She said



What was the name of the angel?



Colour the picture carefully.



ROUND AND ABOUT THE DIOCESE

SEASONAL RESOURCES

The Resources Centre at Church House is the place to visit to find ideas for Advent and Christmas.

There are lots of books offering suggestions for sermons, plays, music, art and craft, and also Christmas videos, cassettes and film slides.

The centre is open Monday to Friday from 9.30 a.m. - 4.30 p.m., but will be closed for the holidays from Thursday December 23, reopening Tuesday January 4. The whole of Church House will close from noon on Friday December 17.

Items can be returned to the centre via the 'post boxes' at Christian Outlook Bookshop, Waterdale, Doncaster; SPCK Bookshop, East Parade, Sheffield, or Sheffield Christian Education Council, Surrey Street, Sheffield.

For further information contact Kathryn Bliss or Jane Sherwin on 01709-512378.

PRAYER LINK

The Anglican dioceses of Sheffield and Argentina will be sharing a further Day of Prayer on Sunday November 7 as part of the companion link.

Information about needs and developments in Argentina is being mailed to all parishes in our Diocese, and news from Sheffield is being sent to Argentina to help the churches there to pray for us.

For further information phone Patrick Coghlan on 01909 - 563447.

Ringing the Changes

A Music Student from Hull University is hoping to form a handbell ringers' association at her church in Goole.

New sets of bells cost a small fortune and neither the student, Sharon Nobbs, nor the church have the means to cover the cost.

However, Sharon feels the venture might attract young people and is worth pursuing. If anyone has an unused set of handbells which could be purchased at a reasonable cost would they please contact Sharon at 105 Morley Street, Goole, DN14 5TT. Tel: 01405-720741.

Explorations

A series of six sessions exploring what Christians believe about God, Jesus, the Trinity, the Church, the Human Condition, and Moral Choices will be held at the cathedral on Fridays at 6.30 p.m. from November 12 to December 17.

Canon George Tolley will conduct a series of meditations ('a pilgrimage with Julian of Norwich') in the Crypt Chapel on Wednesdays at 7.15 p.m. from November 17 to December 8.

Jubilee and Debt

A series of Lincoln Theological Institute lectures on "The Jubilee and the Debt of the World: Faith and Realism" continues this month.

There will be three in the Cathedral Chapter House: November 3 "Domestic Debt, Domestic Faith" by Dr. Graham Blount, Scottish Churches Parliamentary Officer; 7 "International Debt and the Lambeth Conference - a case study in church response?" by the Bishop of Worcester Peter Selby; and 17 "Can there be a Christian Economics?" by John Atherton of Manchester Cathedral. The lecture on November 10. "Worship and the Jubilee", by Rebecca Dudley of Christian Aid, will be at the Theological Institute.

The lecture on the 7th will be on a Sunday at 3 p.m. Others are on Wednesday lunchtimes from 12.30 p.m. to 1.45 p.m.

For further information phone 0114-2226399.

MARRIAGE IN MIND?

Have you ever thought how good it would be to get away together? Do you dream of winning a free holiday break? Day dreams?

Well, not quite! say the charity Marriage Encounter who offer engaged and married couples a weekend away on one of their enrichment programmes at a hotel or retreat house. All that is required is a £10 booking fee.

The charity point out that every relationship needs time, space and nurture to grow. Marriage Encounter's programmes offer the chance to get away from the distractions of everyday life for couples who love and are committed to each other and open to the possibility of growth in their relationship.

The weekends are led by a team of married couples, there are no group activities and there is no need to share anything personal with others. The 'encounter' is between you and your partner - more of a 'continuing journey of discovery'.

The weekend really is free. You will have the opportunity to make a donation, if you wish, but no couple should miss the opportunity because they can't afford it.

Marriage Encounter Weekends in 2000 include Bawtry Hall (April 7), and Engaged Encounter venues include Whirlow Grange, Sheffield (May 12).

More information from Ray and Val Humby (01689-820466).

• Marriage Encounter have welcomed the House of Bishops' reaffirmation of the Church of England's teaching on marriage.

MORE FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

Unlock

An open day is being held by Unlock on Wednesday November 17 at Eastwood Methodist Church, Fitzwilliam Road, Rotherham, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Unlock's resources (and refreshments) will be available throughout the day, with a workshop at 10.30 and theory and theology from 12 noon. No charge but a donation would help to cover the costs on the day.

For details phone Maureen Hudson on 01709-372428.

Aids Day

A Eucharist for World Aids Day will be held on Wednesday December 1 at St. Peter's Abbeydale, at 7.30 p.m. For details phone Andrew West (0114-2501008)

FLORAL CLUB

The Sheffield Floral Club are holding their annual exhibition at Ranmoor Parish Centre on Thursday November 18 from 10.30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Donation to Sheffield Family Holiday Fund.

Annual Service

The annual service of Industrial Mission in South Yorkshire will be held on Sunday November 7 at 3.30 p.m. in St. Marie's Cathedral, Sheffield. The preacher will be Murdoch Mackenzie, ecumenical moderator for Milton Keynes.

Patronal

The Bishop of Beverley will be celebrant and preacher at the patronal festival mass at St. Hilda's Church, Thurnscoe, on Wednesday November 17 at 7.30 p.m.

St. Hugh

The preacher at the patronal festival mass at St. Hugh's, New Cantley, on Thursday November 18 at 7.30 p.m. will be Fr. Richard Seabrook, parish priest of Ss Peter and Paul, Hockley, Essex.

WALSINGHAM

The Annual Walsingham Festival will be held at St. Wilfrith's, Moorends, on Saturday December 4. Solemn mass will be celebrated at 12 noon. After lunch there will be sprinkling, procession and benediction with sermon by Bishop Jack.

St. Wilfred

A book by John A. Dabell, 'The Building Development of a Parish Church' sets out the historic development of St. Wilfred's Church, Hickleton. It is available from Mr. W.B. Whitman (01709-895851)

Visitors

Industrial Mission in South Yorkshire have been asked to host a visit by six people from Hong Kong in the week beginning November 29

SERVING THE NORTHERN PRISON CENTRE

by Margaret and Reg Anderson

We live in the 'Prison Centre of the North'. Not only do we have about 2500 prisoners held in the Doncaster area but we also have those employed within the prison system. Working within the confined environment of concrete walls is quite depressing and many of those employed suffer from stress. We need to remember the officers and staff of our prisons in our daily prayer.

As Christians we have a duty to help those less fortunate than ourselves so we became members of the Prison Fellowship, an ecumenical Christian prayer and support group. On a practical basis our group members work alongside the chaplains within our prisons. We are asked to be involved with the families of serving prisoners and ex-offenders.

The Area Co-ordinators together with our group have been asked by the Fellowship National Office to organise a 1999 Roadshow.

There will be three venues, each show starting at 7.30 p.m. - Tuesday November 16 at Hexthorpe Methodist Church, Doncaster; Wednesday 17 at the Christian Fellowship, Blucher Street, Barnsley; and Thursday 18 at Cemetery Road Baptist Church, Napier Street, Sheffield.

During the evening you will have the opportunity to meet and talk with the Trustees of Beacon House, the first Christian home for ex-offenders in Doncaster. You will see how faith in God and their vision have created this home and how, through the love of God, they are rebuilding those who have offended.

We appreciated diaries become full but do ask you to attend one of the above venues.

• For further details of the project contact the Anderson's on 01302-865144.

WHEN MARRIAGES FAIL

Separation, divorce, broken home, failed marriage - none of these are comfortable images for those who prepare couples for and conduct marriages, or who baptise children and seek to support and nurture family life.

How is the high ideal of marriage maintained alongside a sensitive and appropriate understanding of those who separate?

How do clergy support those who are going through this experience? Do they know what they can offer or what the congregation can offer? Can separation

and divorce be seen in a positive light? What other people can be contacted? How do our own experiences of marriage, celibacy or family life affect our pastoral care?

A training event for clergy and those who have pastoral responsibility, at the Hallam Pastoral Centre, Attercliffe, on Wednesday November 17, has been organised by the Dawn Project who have given courses and workshops in the Sheffield diocese since 1997.

For more information contact Patrick Bond or Nancy Johnson, 01709-512436.

STEP INTO THE WATER

People are being invited to 'step into the water' with Ian Wood and Margaret Waight of the Renewal Ministries, New Zealand, at St. John's Parish Church, Loundside, Chapeltown, from Friday November 26 to Sunday 28.

According to organisers of the event, which is being run in partnership with Anglican Renewal Ministries, England, 'you will discover what it means to

step deeper into the water with God. 'This weekend will have an impact on your life, allowing you to take the next step, enabling you to make a difference in your church and community.'

For details contact
Adrian Broughton (0114-2577444) or
Sue Hope (0114-2570966)

MORE FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

Mission Outreach

Coffee and light refreshments will be available at St. Gabriel's Church, Dobbin Hill, Sheffield, on Saturday November 13 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cakes, preserves, gifts, books for sale with proceeds in aid of the church's mission outreach.

Three Events

Three events are planned at St. Edmund's Church, Anchorage Lane, Spotbrough this month. They are on Friday November 12 beetle drive at 7 p.m.; Sunday 21 Christmas Fair at 2 p.m. including a visit from Santa; Friday 26 The Ross-Martin Singers in Harmony present 'A Christmas Celebration' with night of miracles, carols and supper. Contact Mrs. C. M. Hall (01302-782776)

Please post or fax your items for the December issue of the Diocesan Extra no later than Monday 8 November to the Editor, the Rev'd Peter Gascoigne, Bilham Vicarage, Churchfield Road, Clayton, Doncaster DN5 7DH (tel and fax 01977-643756). Copy for the monthly newspaper should also be sent to the same address.

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75th Anniversary Weekend

For those people fortunate enough to attend the Anniversary Buffet on Friday evening, there was plenty of good food, pleasant company and a superb raconteur after the 'pudding'.

Jack Shaw of Radio Sheffield fame, had endless stories and amusing tales (some from our magazine!). His familiar voice now has a face!

His talkative 'next-in-seat' person managed to sit quietly and enjoy the flow of words as did we all. His message throughout was one of hope: his stories portrayed people from all walks of life and their goodness, the opposite of the gloom and doom sometimes seen and heard in the media.

The exhibition in the Church, provided by our school, showed some of the differences between life in 1924 and the present day in Totley. The change of county, the increase in the size of Totley and our school are but a few. Music through the day was varied and interesting.

Here, the differences in tone were almost as many as the people who performed!

The Sunday services completed a week-end of celebration. The people who remembered David Hallett, when he was vicar of Totley, were able to renew their acquaintance whilst others were able to hear the word of another Bishop and perhaps compare with Bishop Jack!

The Bring and Share meal brought everyone together and was a happy ending to a very pleasant week-end.

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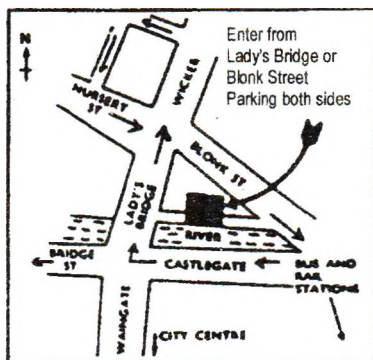
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Looking for Volunteers

Discussions in one of the Care and Share groups has lead to our exploring the possibility of providing or supplementing two distinct types of service, both of which would call for volunteers.

The first service would result from compiling a list of CAR DRIVERS who would be willing (*subject to availability*) to provide transport, particularly to any Church events, but also to other local activities, hospital or doctors' appointments and even for friends to visit each other. This would supplement the existing Sunday service rota, Good Neighbour Scheme and private arrangements already operating. Prospective volunteers are invited to contact Susan Sturgeon (Tel. 236 9697). The second service would similarly aim to supplement existing CHILDMINDING/BABYSITTING arrangements for parents not adequately catered for, by compiling a list of volunteers who *again, subject to availability and after any familiarisation period necessary*, would be willing to offer themselves on any frequency basis. We would be particularly pleased if such a service enabled parents to go TOGETHER to any of the Care and Share Group meetings. Prospective volunteers are invited to contact Ken or Vivien Filleul (Tel. 236 0872)

January 16th at 7.00 p.m.
Churches Together in S17 Joint Service in
Totley Rise Methodist Church
David Foster to speak about the
Luis Palau Mission in April

The Crib Service

will be held on
Friday 24th December at 4.00 p.m.

This is short informal family service especially suitable for children. During the service there will be an opportunity for you to offer a present suitable for a child. These toys will be used by the NCH Action for Children in their Family Centres and Toy Libraries. Please remember that many younger children have older brothers and sisters (aged 10 plus) who are sometimes forgotten. Please indicate on the wrapping, the age and gender of the child your gift would be suitable for.



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Portrait of a Grandmother

(by an eight year old girl)

A grandmother is a woman who has no children of her own. That is why she loves other people's children. Grandmothers have nothing to do. They are just there. They are usually fat, but not too much so as not to be able to tie up your shoelaces. They know you always need a second piece of cake or the biggest.

A real grandmother never slaps a child; she gets cross laughing. Grandmothers wear spectacles and sometimes they take off their teeth. They can be deaf if necessary not to disturb us if we are clumsy. When they read stories they never leave a part out and they are OK if you ask them for the same story several times. Grandmothers are the only grown ups who always have time. They know what to do to make you feel good when it hurts. Grandmothers are not so frail as they say, even if they do die more often than we do.

Everyone should have a grandmother, especially those who don't have TV! *How sensible!*

Prayer Breakfast



There will be a Prayer Breakfast on the fourth Saturday of the month in the Church Hall from 8.00 to 10.00 a.m.

(leave earlier if you need to do).

Everyone is welcome.

THANK YOU

Dilys and family would like to thank the people of Totley All Saints' Church, neighbours and past scholars for all their kind thoughts and great feelings of love during this time. By their expressions of sympathy and many many beautiful cards and letters, they have made these last few days easier to bear during the great shock of my husband's death.

May God Bless you all for your sympathies.

Dilys Cooke

Curiosity killed . . .

Welsh Church Life for November has set us all a riddle: "What has the skin of a rhinoceros, the memory of an elephant, the sensitivity of a cat's whisker, the delicacy of a spider's web, the curiosity of a cat, the stamina of a marathon runner, the patience of Job and the support of a talented team ?

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KING ARTHUR COMES TO ALL SAINT'S CHURCH HALL

Our Care and Share group is arranging for the Sheffield Youth Theatre to bring its latest production to the Church Hall for a special matinee performance on Saturday, January 8th at 2.00 p.m.

The play, devised by the Director of the Youth Theatre, Meg Jepson, is based on the Arthurian Legends and Myths. The title, Sangreal, is from the old French words meaning 'sacred cup'. Beginning with the fall of Lucifer, the play covers the creation of the cup used by Christ at the Last Supper, The Crucifixion, the role of Joseph of Arimathea in the burial of the body and his eventual journey to bring Christianity to England. It continues with the selection of the knights of the round table by King Arthur and their subsequent search for the Holy Grail. Legend says that, 'King Arthur will come again to Britain when he is most needed. He will return with his sword Excalibur to fight for right, for honour and for truth.'

The Youth Theatre is based in two large airy rooms at the top of the Victoria Hall in the city centre which are given freely by the Methodist minister. Every year there are two productions: the summer one is always a Shakespeare play; the winter productions have been drawn from sources including the Bible, the Myths of Ancient Greece, the great Victorian novels and the religious traditions of India and Japan. Amy joined the Youth Theatre in Autumn 1995 and it has become an essential part of her life. Some of you may remember coming to her 18th birthday party in the hall when the company entertained us with excerpts from their production of Hiawatha.

You may know other young people who have benefited from being involved in the Company over the last twenty-two years.

You can see 'Sangreal' at the Merlin Theatre in the evenings of 20th and 21st Dec. Tickets will be available on the door. If you prefer not to be out after dark, then come along and enjoy a matinee performance, followed by refreshments, in the comfort of our own Church Hall.

Our care and Share group is willing to help with transport if you need it. Please contact Susan Sturgeon on 236 9697.

Tickets: £3.00 (£2.00 concessions) available from Amy or myself - on sale after Sunday morning service or Tel. 236 8577.

Hope to see you there.

Catherine Wrigglesworth

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A SWEET DECISION

A young Canadian mission worker said that he was always looking for guidance from the Lord and he had come to South America because, when he was considering his vocation, he had suddenly seen a chocolate bar with a *brazil nut*.

"What would you have done if it had been a *Mars bar*?" asked his sceptical friend.

Heaven's Grocery Store

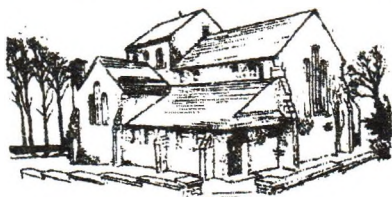
I was walking down life's highway a long time ago.
One day, I saw a sign that read, 'Heaven's Grocery Store'.
As I got a little closer, the door came open wide
And when I came to myself, I was standing inside.
I saw a host of ANGELS. They were standing everywhere.
One handed me a basket and said, "My child, shop with care".
Everything a Christian needed was in that grocery store,
And all you couldn't carry, you could come back next day for more.
First, I got some PATIENCE, LOVE was in the same row,
Further down was UNDERSTANDING, you need that everywhere you go.
I got a box or two of WISDOM, a bag or two of FAITH.
I just couldn't miss the HOLY GHOST for it was all over the place.
I stopped to get some STRENGTH & COURAGE to help me run this race,
By then my basket was getting full, but I remembered to get some GRACE.
I didn't forget SALVATION, for SALVATION is free,
So I tried to get enough of that to save both you and me.
Then I started up to the counter to pay my Grocery Bill,
For I thought that I had everything to do my MASTER'S will.
As I went up the aisle, I saw PRAYER and I just had to put that in,
For I knew when I stepped outside, I would walk right into sin.
PEACE & JOY were plentiful, they were on the last shelf.
SONG and PRAISES were hanging near, so I just helped myself.
Then I said to the Angel, "Now how much do I owe?"
He smiled and said, "Just take them everywhere you go."
Again I said, "How much do I *really* owe?"
He smiled again and said,
"MY CHILD, JESUS PAID THE BILL A LONG, LONG TIME AGO!"

"ALL THINGS WHATSOEVER YOU SHALL ASK IN PRAYER,
BELIEVING, YOU SHALL RECEIVE." (Matthew 21 : 22)

This was given to me by Bill Bryer. Thank you.

MORE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN BROUGHT INTO THE CHURCH
by kindness of real Christian love than by all the theological
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A MILLENNIUM EXHIBITION IN TOTLEY



You are invited to an exhibition at All Saints, celebrating two thousand years of the Christian faith, on **Wednesday 29th to Friday 31st December**. The church and hall will be open from 10.00 – 4.00 p.m. each day with exhibits depicting a variety of aspects of Christianity since its beginnings two thousand years ago, along with seasonal floral arrangements. Refreshments will be available and entrance is free.

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to all my friends at All Saints for their love and prayers, good wishes and lovely cards. I shall be in plaster until the beginning of February but my foot seems to be going on alright.

Joan Nixon

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There are books still missing from the Library. Will you look at home and return overdue books to Pauline Perkinton or Ann Ruthven please.

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William Tyndale's 'crime' was that he had translated the New Testament into easy-to-read English !

He was caught by King Henry's agents in 1536 and burnt at the stake. His prayer as he died was, 'Lord, open the King Of England's eyes'. His prayer was answered two years after his death. Henry VIII ordered that a copy of the Bible *in English* should be displayed in every parish church in England.

The British Library paid a million pounds in 1994 for an original copy of Tyndale's New Testament.

All over the English-speaking world, people use phrases that come straight out of the Bible - often without realising it !

⇒ *Do to others what you would have them do to you*

⇒ *Turn the other cheek*

⇒ *The Blind leading the blind*

⇒ *Pride goes before a fall*

Matthew 7 :12; Matthew 5 :39; Matthew 15 :14; Proverbs 16 :18

Bible characters are used every day. We speak of:

- ♦ *The patience of Job*
- ♦ *David and Goliath*
- ♦ *The wisdom of Solomon*
- ♦ *Daniel in the den of lions*
- ♦ *A Judas - someone who betrays a friend.*

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Unable to find the scrap of paper on which he had written her e-mail address, he did his best to type it from memory. Unfortunately, he missed one letter - and his note was sent to an elderly rector's wife whose husband had died only the day before. When the grieving widow checked her e-mail, she took one look at the monitor and fell to the floor in a dead faint.

At the sound, her family rushed into the room and saw this message on the screen :

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(from The Anglican Digest and printed in Sheffield Cathedral's November Magazine)

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A MILLENNIUM INVITATION

Church leaders in South Yorkshire are leading an unusual Millennium event on Monday 20th December. It is a vigil on the theme of unemployment and the future of work. It is being held in the Chapel on the Bridge in Rotherham from 2.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. and is broken up into half hour periods to allow people to come and go during the Vigil. **All are welcome at this Vigil.** The Vigil is being organised by CHUG, the Christian Unemployment Group of South Yorkshire. The Chairman of CHUG, the Rev. Roymond Draper, said, "In all the Millennium celebrations it is easy to forget those who are unemployed and those whose work is poor. It is easy to forget their families and their communities. This Vigil reminds us that one of the great tasks of the new Millennium is to ensure that good work is available for everyone. As a Vigil of Prayer, it allows us to turn to God and to open our hearts and minds to the Holy Spirit. Through such times, God can break through our fixed opinions and he can speak to us in fresh and sometimes startling ways. In such times of prayer, we can rediscover that stream of love we need, to do anything that serves God's Kingdom. This vigil is open to everyone."

The Chapel on the Bridge in Central Rotherham is close to the Rotherham Transport Interchange and Rotherham station and car parking is available above the Interchange.

Raymond Draper

Parish Rotas for December

Coffee Rota

Dec.	5	Angela & Glyn Waite, Roma Webb
	12	Catherine Brown, Hazel & Alan Ludlam
	19	Claudine Murrell, Dorothy Smith, Karen Tiddy
	26	Vivien & Ken Filleul, Rosalie Carter

Sidesmen and Sideswomen

	8.00 a.m.	9.30 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	6.30 p.m.
5th	Miss H. Perfect	Mrs. E. Hayden Jennifer Booth	Mrs. D. Bryer Mrs. C. Scott	Mrs. M. Snowdon
12th	Mr. B. Lowe	Mrs. E. Booth David Hayden	Mrs. B. Houldcroft Mr. R. Walker	Mr. J. A. England
19th	Miss A.E. Baldry	Mr. N. Hayden Katherine Burt	Mrs. M. Warrender Mrs. C. Billard	Mr. P. Purkiss
26th	Miss. H. Perfect	Mrs. S. Burt Jessica Davis	Mrs. A. Powell Mrs. D. Bryer	Mr. H. Mayson

Alive Gang and Creche

The 'Alive Gang' and 'Under Three's' remain in the 9.30 a.m. service for the first part and then go to age appropriate activities in the Church Hall except for the Family Services when we all stay in the Church.

Flowers

	Altar	Memory Table
5th	Mr. Hazelhurst	Mrs. Cooke
12th		
19th	Trees	Mrs. Wiggett
26th	Trees	Mrs. Powell

Silver Cleaning

Mrs. Noton

MEMORIAL SERVICES AT ALL SAINTS

From September, memorial services will be held quarterly. In each copy of the magazine, there will be a reply slip inviting anybody who would like to have a loved-one remembered at the next memorial service to let me know so that the name may be included amongst those to be read out. This invitation is to all, irrespective of where or when a funeral may have taken place. If you have lost somebody in another part of the country, at another time of the year, but a service falls near their birthday, wedding anniversary of some other significant date, you will be most welcome to ask for them to be remembered.

The dates for these services will be:

2nd	January	2000
19th	March	2000
18th	June	2000
17th	September	2000
31st	December	2000

All services will start at 6.30 p.m., last for about an hour and be followed by light refreshments in the church.

Memorial Services January and March 2000

Name to be remembered

Name(s) and address of principle family members attending the service
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Date of service to be attended

Please return completed forms to David Rhodes at the Vicarage.

From the



Registers

BAPTISMS:

None in November.

The Farmer family will be visited as they celebrate the baptism anniversary (Dec.28th) of their child, James William.

BLESSINGS:

Thanksgiving for the births of:

Joseph Samuel Marples and
Rosie Elizabeth Marples on 21st November

WEDDINGS:

None in November.

FUNERALS:

Fed Stubbs aged 79 years of Beighton
(previously of Totley) on 26th November

The next Memorial Service will be held on January 2nd 2000 at 6.30 p.m.

If you would like a loved-one to be remembered at that service or the one in March 2000, please complete the form on the page opposite and return to David Rhodes at the Vicarage. Dates for Memorial Services during the year are shown on the opposite page.

IF YOU WANT TO BE MARRIED OR HAVE YOUR BABY BAPTISED

Please contact David Rhodes at the Vicarage

Telephone number 236 2322.

December Diary Dates



Wed.	1st	Over 50's Keep Fit Class
Mon.	6th	Standing Committee - Vicarage 8.00 p.m.
Tues.	7th	Coffee and Carol Event - Scout HQ 7.00 p.m.
Wed.	8th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.30 p.m.
Sun.	12th	Sunday Youth Group Hall 6.30 - 8.30 p.m.
Mon.	13th	Contemplative Prayer Group 1 Quarry Road 3.15 p.m.
Mon.	13th	P.C.C. Meeting Hall Lounge 8.00 p.m.
Mon.	13th	Last day for items for January magazine
Tues.	14th	Ladies Club - Annual Christmas Dinner - Shepley Spitfire.
Fri.	17th	Carols by Candlelight Hall 7.00 p.m.
Mon.	20th	Collation of Magazine Hall from 9.30 a.m.
Mon.	20th	Vigil in Chapel on the Bridge Rotherham 2.00 - 9.00 p.m.
Sat.	27th	Prayer Breakfast Church Hall 8.00 a.m.
Wed. to Fri.	29th - 31st	Millennium Exhibition in Church Refreshments in Hall 10.00 - 4.00 p.m.
Fri.	31st	Parade from Church to Totley Rise Methodist Church 6.00 - 8.00 p.m.

Saying for Stillness

"Receive thy sight."

(Luke 18 : 42)

Final Date: Items for January Magazine: 13th December

ORGANISATIONS AND REGULAR MEETINGS IN CHURCH & HALL

Sunday:	9.30 a.m.	The Alive Gang	
		Lorna Davis	236 9878
	6.30 - 8.30 p.m.	Sunday Youth Group (2nd & 4th Sunday)	
		Gay Riley	236 6884
Monday:	10.00 a.m.	Drop in Coffee	
		Marjorie & Maurice Snowdon	236 2822
	3.30 p.m.	Junior Choir Practice in Church	
		Stella Jockel	236 9413
	7.00 p.m.	Guides	
		Maureen Allum	235 1262
Tuesday:	10.30 a.m.	Martha & Mary Group (2nd & 4th)	
		Sheila Eke	236 7457
	7.30 p.m.	Ladies Club (1st & 3rd)	
		Joan Gray	236 8470
Wednesday:	10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (B.C.P.) in Church	
	10.00 a.m.	Parent & Toddler Group	
		Joanne Smith	262 0741
	2.30 p.m.	Ladies Keep Fit	
		Moreen Warrender	236 0515
	6.15 p.m.	Trailblazers (Children's Club)	
		Ken Filleul	236 0872
Thursday:	7.00 p.m.	Choir Practice in Church	
		Stella Jockel	236 9413

"Care and Share" Groups meet in various homes during the week in either afternoons or evenings to suit you. Details from David Rhodes, Tel. 236 2322

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