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### From the Vicarage

Dear Friends,

"So what is a Christian, then?" The question came up at our weekly Care and Share group as a by-product of another matter we were discussing. As I write, we are still considering the matter. We considered the qualities of people's lives. We could all think of people who exhibited great kindness and courage in the way they treated others, often more so than others, often more than others we could think of who were regular church attenders. So is that what Christian is, somebody whose selfless qualities stand out? We could think of others who have been regular and faithful church attenders and supporters of church functions for many years. So is that what a Christian is, somebody who has committed themselves to church on a Sunday and associated activities? Readers may have other thoughts. For some, we might think about seeking church rites of passage in baptism, marriage and eventually a funeral. It may be less the case today, but until the mid twentieth century many would have regarded Britain as a "Christian" nation. Being Christian could be seen as being linked to being British. For others, being a Christian may be seen as holding certain moral standards. Others may

regard belief in a God as the thing to be looked for.

Christmas is just around the corner.
There is no better time to pose the question and look for a proper answer. It seems to me that while all the ideas referred to above may contain a grain of truth, none of them hit the heart of the matter. In fact, Christmas is more helpful to us. Christmas is to do with the coming of Jesus. Being a Christian is to do with trusting, believing in and following that same Jesus. Just as a Liverpudlian is somebody who belongs to Liverpool, so a Christian is somebody who belongs to Jesus. Now belonging to Jesus will affect the way we behave, our moral standards, the way we order our family life and gives us a desire to worship Him along with other believers. But the heart of it is belonging to Him.

Thirty years after Christmas, Jesus met ordinary people and said, "Come and follow me". A good number did and so set off on their Christian journey.

So this Christmas, ask yourself afresh, "Have I got the heart of it?" Jesus is the creator of the universe—His coming to earth was of the most importance. It has to do with the forgiveness and eternal destiny of mankind. His invitation is to "Come" to receive from Him the things He came to make possible for us. His invitation is to become a Christ-ian, one who belongs, lock stock and barrel, to Him.

Happy Christmas—and don't forget to be as kind to everybody else as you possibly can!
With all good wishes



#### Services in December 2001

2nd **Advent Sunday** 

Theme: Asteroid collision, new ice age or what?

9.30 a.m. 11.00 a.m.

All Age Worship Holy Communion

3.30 p.m.

Holy Communion at the Cheshire Home

7.30 p.m.

Introduction to Prophecy

5th Wednesday Service

10.00 a.m.

Holy Communion (B.C.P.)

Second Sunday of Advent 9th

Theme: Getting ready

Thanksgiving Service

9.30 a.m. 11.00 a.m.

Holy Communion

3.00 p.m.

Informal Service at Green Oak View

6.30 p.m.

**Evening Prayer** 

12th Wednesday Service 10.00 a.m.

Holy Communion (B.C.P.)

16th Third Sunday of Advent

10.00 a.m. 3.30 p.m. Children's Presentation and Carol Service Informal Service at the Cheshire Home

6.30 p.m.

Candlelit Carol Service

19th **Wednesday Service** 

10.00 a.m.

Holy Communion (B.C.P.)

23rd Fourth Sunday of Advent

Theme: God keeps His promises

9.30 a.m.

Family Holy Communion

11.00 a.m. 6.30 p.m. Morning Prayer Holy Communion

24th Christmas Eve

Theme: Glory to God in the highest

4.00 p.m.

Crib Service

11.30 p.m.

Holy Communion

25th Christmas Day

Theme: A King is born

8.00 a.m.

Holy Communion

9.30 a.m.

Family Service

26th Wednesday Service

10.00 a.m.

Holy Communion (B.C.P.)

First Sunday of Christmas 30th

Theme: Keeping on, keeping on.

9.30 a.m. 11.00 a.m.

Holy Communion Morning Prayer

6.30 p.m.

Memorial Service

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#### Services in January 2002

Epiphany 6th

Theme: God creates man

9.30 a.m. All Age Worship

11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

Holy Communion at the Cheshire Home 3.30 p.m.

Worship, Word and Ministry 6.30 p.m.

Wednesday Service 9th

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

Second Sunday of Epiphany 13th

Theme: Man rebels against God

9.30 a.m. All Age Worship

11.00 a.m.

Holy Communion 3.00 p.m. Informal Service at Green Oak View

**Evening Prayer** 6.30 p.m.

16th Wednesday Service

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

Third Sunday of Epiphany 20th

Theme: God judges Cain

9.30 a.m. All Age All Together

Holy Communion 11.00 a.m.

Informal Service at the Cheshire Home 3.30 p.m.

6.30 p.m. Worship, Word and Ministry

23rd Wednesday Service

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

Fourth Sunday of Epiphany 27th

Theme: God saves Noah

9.30 a.m. Family Holy Communion

11.15 a.m. Morning Prayer (note new time)

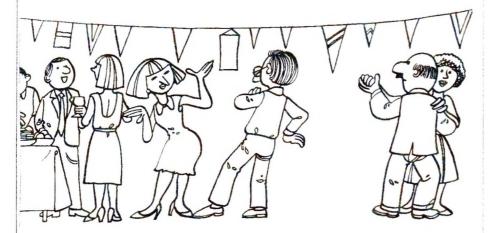
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30th Wednesday Service

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

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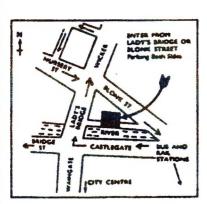
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Anna was devoted to her students in Totley and had kept in touch over the years, and many old students and former staff from the college came to the service.

In his address, David Hallett spoke of Anna's faith, 'She did not seek to wear her faith on her sleeve - she simply lived it . . .'.

For many years, Anna had been a devoted worshipper at 'All Saints' and we remember

#### **Homeless and Rootless at Christmas**

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#### Youth work News for the 517 churches

December 2001

Working Together

We had representatives from All Saints, St. John's, Dore and Totley U.R.C. and The Bridge at the S17 youth leaders meeting last month. We had a great time and were able to have a positive look at working together into the future. It was agreed by all that it is vital that the 4 groups have regular events in which they are invited to and that the youth leaders make a good effort in meeting together as well. We will certainly meet again soon.

The Schools

I am very pleased with the progress I am making here. I have met years 7 to 11 at King Ecgberts in assemblies and will continue to do so at regular slots throughout the school year and I have started to join the Christian teachers in weekly prayer for the school.

I have also recently been allowed to go into Meadowhead school and support the teacher and students in RE. I am excited about how I can slowly but surely get known in the schools and so have them as an excellent base for advertising future events in S17.

The Church Youth

I have continued to work alongside leaders and young people. I've had exciting times in meeting new youth and working with the churches in continuing to move forwards in their existing youth work.

What's coming up?

A group called Purity is coming to King Ecgberts for a week and I will be involved with them as much as possible in lessons and assemblies, generally supporting them.

I am going away to Oakes Christian centre with the Bridge for the weekend, which promises to be a great time in building relationships and sharing with them.

Good news for Janine and me
We have had an offer accepted for a flat on Lemont
Road in Totley, so we will soon be living in S17.
Thanks for your prayers.
Matt.



A little boy was overheard praying: 'Lord, if you can't make me a better boy, don't worry about it. I'm having a real good time like I am!'

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### One Solitary Life

Here is a young man who was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman. He worked in a carpenter's shop until he was thirty and then for three years he was an itinerant preacher. He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He never owned a home. He never had a family. He did none of those things we would normally associate with greatness. He had no credentials but himself. While he was still a young man, the tide of public opinion turned against him. His friends ran away. He was turned over to his enemies. He went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed to a cross between two thieves. While he was dying, his executioners gambled for the only piece of property he had on earth and that was his coat. When he was dead, he was laid in a borrowed tomb through the pity of a friend.

Twenty centuries have come and gone and today he is the central figure of the human race and the leader of the column of progress. All the armies that ever marched, all the navies that ever sailed, all the parliaments that ever sat, all the kings that ever reigned, put together, have not affected the life of man put upon this earth as has that

One Solitary Life

This piece was used during an interdenominational church Service attended by Josephine and John Collie. They commented on its simplicity.

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#### It's up to us



O holy babe of Bethlehem Who came to earth to live with men Who came into a world of strife To show us how we should live life.

O holy child a Nazarene A wondrous child, none better seen Who to his parents brought delight And showed His learning quick and bright

O holy man who walked the earth Who healed the sick and brought rebirth Who taught and loved for us to see The aim of life that it should be.

O holy Lord who died for us Who gave up life without a fuss Was sacrificed upon a tree That sinners all may be set free.

And now it's up to us to show
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- 3. RAN AWAY IN GAME
- 4. CAME OUT OF FILEY HALL
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answers on page 43.

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## '.... FORGET NOT ALL HIS BENEFITS,' Psalm 103:2

If you have been grouchy lately, maybe this will help you:

If you woke up this morning, you're ahead of the one million people who didn't survive the week. If you can sit down, read the paper and drink a cup of coffee, you're better off than the 500 million men, women and children around the world who are presently experiencing the horrors of war, the loneliness of imprisonment, the agony of torture or the pangs of starvation. If you can attend church without threat. you've a freedom envied by two million others who've never been inside one. It you have food, clothes and a roof over your head, you're richer than 75% of the earth's inhabitants. If you've money in the bank, you're among the world's top 8%. If you have a Bible, you're better off than the 1.5 billion people who've never seen one. If you can read this, you're ahead of one-third of the people on the planet who are illiterate. If you've fallen into the trap of expecting much but Appreciating little, it's time you remembered, repented and gained a little perspective!

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Christmas Eve 4.00 p.m. Crib Service - Christmas gifts for Russia via Christian Solidarity Worldwide 11.30 p.m. Holy Communion
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 9.30 a.m. Family Service to last about 45 minutes.



Can we lift the latch on the stable door? Can we walk the sweet hay on the earthen floor? Can we see the baby in manger stall? God's creatures watching over all.

Can we hear Mary sighing as she rests? Can we see Joseph his love express? Can we see the shepherds kneeling on the floor? Overcome as wonder fills them with awe.

Can we see wise men travelling from afar? Brought to this same stable by a wandering star? Can we hear angels as they sweetly sing? New hymns of praise to the newborn King.

Can we now come near Him through that stable door?

Can we give Him praises better than before? Can we thus give honour, worship and adore? All hail to Thee our Saviour, now and evermore.

#### CHRISTMAS CARD

Our church family Christmas card on which we sign greetings to one another instead of sending individual cards is now in church. It is designed this year by Dawn Hurton and we are asked to donate the money saved to the Martin House Hospice for children at Boston Spa.

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#### SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER



Some people seem to cram more into a few years than most of us do in a lifetime. Francis Xavier was a man like that. He was born in 1506, in a Spanish castle (Xavier) near the French order. This

was the era when Europeans were discovering the New World and a lot of other new sea routes to far off places. An able student, he was sent to university in Paris when aged 17. Having graduated, he briefly taught philosophy there. It was during this period that he met Francis Loyola (see the magazine for August 2000). They immediately were drawn to each other and so Francis was one of the founding members of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) founded by Loyola in 1534

Their first base was in Venice. While they were there, King John III of Portugal asked the Pope for missionaries to take the faith to his overseas territories, acquired as a result of the explosion of exploration. Xavier was now to come into his own.

He went with two assistants to Goa, a Portuguese possession on the west coast of India. They set sail on Francis' 35th birthday, 7 April 1541. The voyage was awful. They took twice as long as normal and did not reach Goa until 13 months later. His conduct on the

voyage had a deep impact on may of his companions. The qualities he showed then were to mark his ministry over the next ten years and are a huge factor in its wide and deep success.

In the harsh and dangerous surroundings of a small (by modern standards) wooden sailing ship, frequently at the mercy of foul weather, he immediately set about his missionary task. As a papal nuncio and a Spanish nobleman, he was discouraged from cooking his own food and washing his own clothes, as the sailors and more ordinary passengers had to. He refused any special privileges and did his own chores. He taught the sailors the Christian faith, conducted services and preached on deck. Scurvy broke out and he helped to tend the sick. When quarrels erupted, it was Francis who was the peace-maker.

Having eventually arrived at Goa, he only had ten years of his life left. He was the first Christian missionary to The East in modern times. Before he died he had planted the faith in western and southern India, islands in the Indian Ocean and Japan. He died whilst attempting to gain an entry to China.

He had an immediate impact in Goa, as much by his gentleness of nature and depth of compassion as by the force of his message. To help people grasp the faith he set teaching to rhyme which could then be sung to popular tunes. In this, he was doing exactly the same as the Wesley's did two hundred and fifty years later. His main obstacle was the appalling conduct of the Portuguese settlers. Not only were they cruel and grasping, but the common practice of taking a number of native concubines was loathed by the indigenous

population and militated against the impact of Francis. From Goa he went to the so-called Pearl Fishery Coast in southern India. He found here that people flocked to hear and respond to his message. In one letter back to Rome he wrote:

In this region of Travancore, where I now am, God has drawn very many to the faith of His Son Jesus Christ. In the space of one month I made Christians of more than ten thousand.

His methods were very direct. Having learnt elements of the local language, he then summoned all the residents of a village together. He taught them about the Trinity and then recited the confession, creed, Ten Commandments. Lord's Prayer and one or two other prayers, in the local language. When he felt that the people understood sufficiently, they were then required to confess their sins aloud, in the presence of their pagan neighbours. They were to do this very loudly in order to touch their neighbours' hearts too! His life-style was rigorous and simple. He ate rice and water and slept on the floor of his simple hut. This endeared him to the poorer people. However, his activities were not without opposition. Success was almost entirely amongst the lower caste people. He gained only one convert from the upper caste Brahmins.

From India he travelled to the Malay peninsular, conducting himself in the same way and enjoying similar success. Here he heard of Japan for the first time and determined to go there as well. Again, he set to learn an entirely new language sufficiently well to communicate the gospel. On his first visit, response

was very disappointing. There was little interest. It also became apparent to him that his obvious poverty was seen by the Japanese as something which robbed him of authority. So he changed his strategy. On his return, he was magnificently dressed with his companions acting as attendants to him. He arranged to receive some gifts, in a stately manner, ostensibly from the King of Portugal. The impact of this on the Japanese was quite different. They now believed they had a man of substance and high rank in their midst. And so he gained a hearing. Eventually he claimed to have baptised 760 Japanese during his two year stay there.

Throughout his time in the east, he travelled backwards and forwards across the Indian ocean. After Japan, he set his sights on China. No foreigner. on pain of death, was allowed to set foot on Chinese soil. However, traders were anxious to gain a foothold there and planned for Xavier and some companions to accompany them on an expedition to capture a Chinese port. This came to nothing and eventually he set off with companions hoping to enter the country secretly. They landed on an island near Canton. Here, Xavier fell ill and eventually was abandoned by his companions, who feared that they would suffer reprisals from local people if they helped him. He died alone, on the dirt floor of a crude dwelling, on 3rd December 1552. (The day he is remembered in the church's calendar).

His reputation was as a man of immense energy and determination, as possessing a profoundly deep faith which radiated in a steady joy. A man of humility—very

happy to nurse the sick in an outbreak of plague. He planted the Christian faith in places which few Europeans had even visited and the Catholic Church in those places today owes its existence to his endeavours. His body is still in Goa. He was canonised by the Roman Catholic Church in 1622 at the same time as Ignatius Loyola. Justly, he is regarded as one of the foremost pioneer evangelists since the time of the apostles. One writer in summing him up has said:

... A great mystic and ascetic, to whom the spiritual life was an ever-present reality, had those vital qualities of mind and personality which enable him to speak to men's hearts and organise their efforts in the spreading of God's word.

We need such men today in the increasingly pagan world. Men and women who seek to fulfil a similar calling need the prayers of their brothers and sisters. The last command of Jesus was to make disciples of all nations. Francis was spectacularly obedient to that. We too have the same challenge to respond to. It matters just as much in Totley as in the far off places visited by Francis Xavier.

David Rhodes

#### LAUGHTERLINE

God calls down to Noah and informs him that he wants another ark built, only this time much bigger and taller.

"Do you still want me to fill it with animals two by two?" asks Noah.

"No," replies God. "I want it filled with fish!"

"Fish?" questions Noah. "What sort of fish?"

"CARP!" booms the Almighty.

"So . . ." says Noah, thinking for a moment, "You want me to build you a Multi-storey Carp Ark!" taken from Victoria Hall Magazine

#### Quiet Day 2002

Please note that our annual Quiet Day will be held on Saturday 23rd March, using our church and hall. It will be led by Margaret Silf, a member of the chaplaincy team at Keele University and a nationally known retreat leader and writer on spirituality.

More details in the February magazine.

Rosalie Carter



A definition of Christmas:

"a time when heaven
came so close to earth
that men could hear the
angels sing".

#### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND BEREAVED

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

Ann Powell

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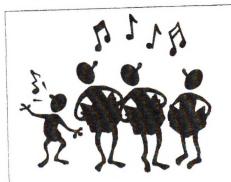
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lemon juice nuts



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Break two legs and add to the bowl and chuck in cup of dried fruit in.

Mix on the turner.

If the fruit gets stuck to the beaters, prise it loose with a drewscriver. Sample the whiskey again to check tonsisticity. Next sift two cups of salt or somethingwho cares?

Check the whiskey again—now sift the lemon juice and strain your nuts. Add one babble- spoon of brown sugar or whatever colour you can find—wix mell. Grease the oven and turn the cake pan to 350 gredees. Don't forget to beat off the turner—throw the bowl out of the window. Check whiskey again and bo to ged.



#### **KENYA 2002**

The opportunity to be part of a team to visit and work with some churches in Kenya came a year or so ago. At first it looked as though it would take place in July of this year, when I would have been unable to go. However, it has been deferred to January of 2002 and so I find myself on the team.

Pastor David Kereto, who lives in Narok (a small town north-west of Nairobi) asked *Through Faith Missions*, if a team could go to help with evangelistic outreach and undertake some teaching seminars in the churches. I have taken part in a number of TFM missions in this country and so was asked to be part of this team Twelve of us will go. We leave on 6th Jan. and return on 24th. Narok is a centre for the Maasai people who have their distinct identity and culture within Kenya and Tanzania. Our team is a mixed bag containing two ladies who are both very active grandmothers, a police sergeant from Northern Ireland, a G.P., a man who works on the phone line for a credit company, a washing machine delivery man etc. etc.

The language is Swahili. Richard, our G.P. team member is fluent. The rest of us will have to operate via translation. In public meetings that will probably not be too difficult, but may prove more so when visiting houses. Churches in the area are lively and full but there are many people who are not Christians. Many too, have embraced Christian teaching but have rather added this on to previous non-Christian beliefs and practices. I am approaching the whole venture with a mixture of trepidation and anticipation Trepidation as to how I, and the others, will cope with all the huge cultural and other changes that will face us and the challenge of serving the church and people there is the most helpful way. Anticipation as to seeing God at work in a very different place and the opportunity to learn from and be inspired by the church in Kenya. I hope very much that all that I will experience will add to and enhance what we are able to share together here in Totley.

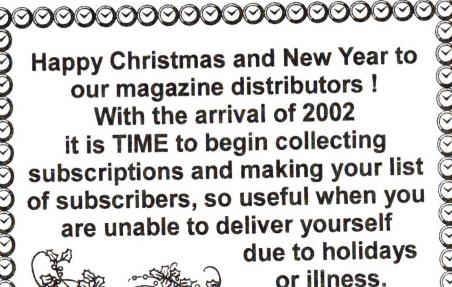
David R.

#### Eric Simons - an appreciation

The gathering of so many to fill the church at his service of thanksgiving reflected the affection, respect and appreciation for Eric. If at the end of one's earthly life, it can be said of you by your fellows, that you ran "with perseverance the race that is set before us looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfection of our faith", then in Eric, we see such an example. Some readers may not have known Eric well or even at all. So it is appropriate to appreciate that, until the passage of the years and ill-health took its toll, Eric gave unceasingly of himself in service at All Saints. Ever practical, always genuine, totally reliable, his contribution was immense for so many years. If the boilers in Heaven now break down, then the Good Lord only needs to look at Eric! Having known Eric for over 40 years, I have many memories, but I leave you with this one. In a gathering when genuine and sincerely held views being discussed to the extent that matters became over-heated and there was a distinct possibility of estranged relations, Eric would choose a moment. slip in a phrase - then beam a smile! Ironically, the tension would be relieved, goodwill restored, a calm atmosphere created in which the discussion could proceed. The uncommon touch - a good lesson for us all

Totally committed to supporting his family, Eric will be remembered by me for his quiet dignity in all he did - a good friend.

James Powell



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A somewhat belated 'Thank you' to those who sent me their good wishes and praved for me 16 months ago when I had my Malignant Melanoma. Fortunately it was removed very successfully and there is 90% chance that I will never have a recurrence. Unfortunately over the last year I have had further. unconnected, health problems, which involved me in numerous hospital visits. I expect this is all part of growing older! However, there are some joys in old age. We recently became grandparents when our daughter Kate gave birth to her first child, Ruth Hannah born on 30th October and weighing 8lb 15 oz. Kate and her husband Bruce are delighted, as of course we are.

It was good to see some members of All Saints' recently at the Autumn Fair. I am hoping that, health and family commitments permitting. I will be able to get over to join in Worship in the not too distant future. In the meantime. I would like to wish you all a very joyful Christmas and happy New Year 2002.

Toan Stratford

#### Prayers on the internet

For those seeking divine inspiration whilst surfing on the 'net, try

- www.methodist.org.uk/cgi-bin/potd.pl
- Www.pravingeachdav.org
- Www.yorkminster.org
- Www.ccci.org
- Www.pray-now.com
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- Www.bbc.co.uk/religion
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Internal issues

click on 'Prayer for the day' various daily items, some global

Care weekly prayer list



#### BOXING DAY

The days after Christmas can be a
bit of an anti-climax, can't they?
But do you know why we call the
day after Christmas Day, Boxing
Day? Well, it is because in the past
richer people used to put money in
an alms box in church. This box
was to collect gifts of money, alms,
for the poor and it was opened once
a year to share the money out
between poor families. And the day
it was opened was the day after
Christmas Day, which became
known as Boxing Day.

The day after Christmas Day is also known as St Stephen's Day, the Feast of Stephen. One of the carols we sing at this time of year is about Good King Wenceslas who



goes out on the Feast of Stephen to give gifts of food and firewood to a poor old Both the carol and the story about alms boxes remind us that we mustn't get too excited about the gifts others give to us. We need to remember those who have no brightly decorated homes or loving parents to care for them.



What do you get if you cross a snowman with a maneating shark?

Frostbite.

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#### LETTER PUZZLE

Just in case the snow is deep and crisp and even – and you are looking for something to do, see how many words of 4 letters or more you can make out of the letters in the words

#### GOOD KING WENCESLAS

I got 32 but I'm sure you can do better than that!

By Angela Webb





61 filled shoe boxes have been sent from our school

MacMillan Coffee Morning In school raised £65.88





Our harvest appeal raised £103.54 for the seeds for Africa

There was no Bonfire at school this year. This was due to the anticipated start of building our new classrooms.

We expect the building to begin any day now!

The Friends of TASS
plan to have their next
meeting early in the
New Year.
In the meantime they will
be helping with the
parties and concert.



CAROL SINGING
Will take place outside
school on the last day of
the term, 19th Dec.
at 3.30 p.m.
Come and join us!

### From the Editor

Very many thanks to all those people who have sent contributions for inclusion in the magazine. Due to shortage of space I have not been

able to include everything this month but they will certainly be used in the near future.

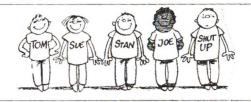
David, our vicar, is due to go to Kenya on a mission in January 2002 (see page 36). The cost is £1000. If you feel you would like to make a gift towards this, please put this in an envelope and either place in the Sunday collection plate or give to a churchwarden. Cheques need to be made payable to All Saints' Church, Totley.

Will the magazine deliverers please read the message on page 38?

I wish you the compliments of the season and I hope to see you all at our Christmas celebrations (see page 25). The next publication will be in February.

Please note: The article about Cell Church was supplied but not written by Ric Gray. It was a handout given at a conference whilst he was at Cliffe College.

Until I was thirteen. I thought my name was 'shut up'. (Joe Namath)



Christmas Carol Anagrams

- 1. ONCE IN ROYAL DAVID'S CITY
- 2. O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
- 3. AWAY IN A MANGER
- 4 O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL
- 5 SEE AMID THE WINTER SNOW

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#### Alive Gang and Creche

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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.

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#### MEMORIAL SERVICES AT ALL SAINTS

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. There will be memorial services on the following date in 2001:

30th December

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

If you would like a favourite hymn to be played at the memorial service, please indicate below.

Memorial Service 30th December 2001
Name to be remembered
Name(s) and address of principle family members attending the service
Favourite hymn
Please return completed forms to David Rhodes at the Vicarage.

### From the



BAPTISM:

Megan Cobb of 14 Queen Victoria Road Nathan Needham of 10 Main Avenue Matthew Ward of 25 Everard Avenue

The Baptism follow-up team will visit the following families in October as they celebrate the anniversary of the Baptism of their children:

10th Dec. Joseph Matthew Collier

Henry Edward Wall

28th Dec. James Wi

James William Farmer Matthew William Talbot

9th Jan.

12th Dec.

None in November

WEDDINGS:

FUNERALS: 31st Oct

31st Oct. Miss Anna Baldry

previously of

Totley Grange Drive

16th Nov.

John Eric Simons

of 220 Baslow Road

The next Memorial Service will be held on 30th December 2001. If you would like a loved-one to be remembered at that service, please complete the form on the page opposite and return to David Rhodes at the Vicarage.

#### IF YOU WANT TO BE MARRIED OR HAVE YOUR BABY BAPTISED

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#### December 2001 & January 2002 Diary Dates

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Decem	ber 2001		
Sat.	1st	Christmas Fayre Scouts at St. John's 2.00—4.00 p.m.	
Tues.	4th	Ladies Club Hall 7.30 p.m.	
Tues.	4th	Journeying on. 2 The Crescent 8.00 p.m.	
Wed.	5th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.	
Fri.	7th	Carols by Candlelight	
Sat.	8th	Carol Singers required - 11.30-12.30 p.m. Chapel Walk	
Sat.	8th	Alpha Celebration and Carols by Candlelight.	
Sun.	9th	Sunday Youth Group Hall 6.30 – 8.30 p.m.	
Mon.	10th	Contemplative Prayer Group 6 Overcroft Rise 2.15 p.m.	
Wed	12th	Ladies Club The Beauchief	
Sat.	15th	Prayer Breakfast Hall 8.00 to 10.00 a.m.	
January	2002		
Mon.	7th	Contemplative Prayer Group 50 Rowan Tree Dell 2.15 p.m.	
Mon.	7th	Standing Committee Vicarage 8.00 p.m.	
Tues.	8th	Journeying On 2 The Crescent 8.00 p.m.	
Wed.	9th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.	
Sun.	13th	Sunday Youth Group Hall 6.30 - 8.30 p.m.	
Mon.	14th	P.C.C. Meeting Hall 8.00 p.m.	
Wed.	16th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.	
Sat.	19th	Barn Dance in the Hall 7.30-10.30 p.m.	
Mon.	21st	Contemplative Prayer Group 50 Rowan Tree Dell 2.15 p.m.	
Mon.	21st	Last day for items for February magazine	
Tues.	22nd	Martha and Mary Group Hall Lounge 10.30 a.m.	
	22nd	Alpha course begins day and evening	
Tues/	22nd	Ladies Club Hall 7.30 p.m.	
Wed.	23rd	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.	
Sun.	27th	Sunday Youth Group Hall 6.30 - 8.30 p.m.	
Mon.	28th	Collation of Magazine Hall from 9.30 a.m.	
Wed.	30th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.	

#### Sayings for Stillness

December "I will give you ... riches stored in secret

places". (Isaiah 45:3)

January "All will be thrown down . . . the birthpangs of the new age". (Mark 13: 2 & 8)

Final Date: Items for February 2002: January 21st 2002

### **ORGANISATIONS AND REGULAR MEETINGS IN CHURCH &**

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		HALL	
Sunday:	9.30 a.m.	The Alive Gang	
		Sally Rhodes	236 2322
	6.30 - 8.30 p	m. Sunday Youth Group (2nd & 4th	Sunday)
		Gay Riley	236 6884
Monday:	10.00 a.m.	Drop in Coffee	200 0001
		Marjorie & Maurice Snowdon	236 2822
	3.30 p.m.	Junior Choir Practice in Church	LOG LOLL
		Stella Jockel	236 9413
	7.00 p.m.	Guides	2000110
		Maureen Allum	235 1262
Tuesday:	10.30 a.m.	Martha & Mary Group (4th)	
		Sheila Eke	236 7457
	7.30 p.m.	Ladies Club (1st & 3rd)	
		Ann Ruthven	236 8643
Wednesday:	10.00 a.m.	Parent & Toddler Group	
		Vicki Waite	236 6789
	2.00 p.m.	Ladies Keep Fit	
		Val Simpson	236 1483
	6.15 p.m.	Trailblazers (Children's Club)	
E-27 White		Ken Filleul	236 0872
Thursday:	7.00 p.m.	Choir Practice in Church	
		Stalla Invital	220 0440

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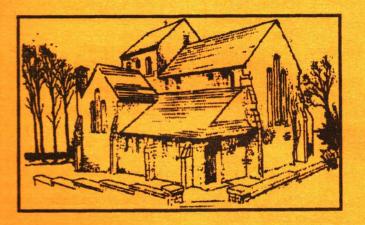


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## From the Vicarage



Dear Friends,

No doubt next month I will have more than enough to say about the visit to Kenya. But as I write this, I have yet to go. Anticipation can be a large factor in our lives. Sometimes it is more enjoyable than the event itself. How many children actually find Christmas Eve a more exciting day than Christmas Day? The Advent period prior to Christmas helps build a sense of anticipation, as in other ways may the booking of a holiday, the planning of a special birthday treat or putting a special event in the diary. In our house, the passage of the family birthdays is usually followed by discussion about whose is next and how long various members of the household have to wait for their next one!

Proverbs 13:12 reads: Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but a longing fulfilled is a tree of life. Something we have set our hearts on, only to find it has not been realised is awful. Something sought after a long time and finally accomplished is a source of great satisfaction. Whilst it is wise to seek to live in the present, not harking back to the past, or expecting something that may not materialise in the future, our present is always coloured by both past and future. There may be regrets about the past, as well as an experience of life which equips us for the present. There may be fear about the future as well as that pleasurable anticipation of planned events.

So, as the year 2002 opens up ahead of you, how do you view it? Do you hope it's different from 2001? Do you have plans which you are looking forward to? Are you afraid of what the year may hold for you? Life without

highlights from time to time, even if it is as small as a cup of coffee that you promise yourself, once a certain task is finished, can be very drab. Life lived under the shadow of fear concerning the future can be utterly crippling. However it works out, the dimension of time and the way we approach time already spent and time yet to come, is of huge significance to us. In the new testament there are two different words used for 'time'. Chronos refers to the routine passage of time. Kairos refers to those turning points when 'the time is ripe'. Kairos moments are those moments when an opportunity is seized, or in some way the events of those minutes leave a permanent mark upon us. Kairos moments are frequently those occasions when God will break into our lives in a new way.

In this year, much of our time will be *chronos* but there will be *kairos* moments. We may or may not recognise them. We may not have a hand in their arrival, but they will be there. Part of living fully is to recognise them for what they are and to welcome what God may do in our lives through them. On one occasion, Jesus had a debate with His friends about visiting Jerusalem. "You go", He said, "but I'll not. My time (*Kairos*) for doing that has not yet come". As this year unfolds, may we recognise God's time in our lives and let the *kairos* fashion the *chronos*. I suspect that the visit to Kenya may be a *kairos* time for me, but I'll say something about that next time.

With all good wishes

Music?

Next Sunday, Mrs. Vinson will be the soloist for the morning service. The pastor will then speak on "It's a Terrible Experience".

The Senior Choir invites any member of the congregation who enjoys sinning to join the choir.

#### Services in February

#### 3rd Second Sunday before Lent

Theme: God calls Abraham

9.30 a.m. All Age Worship

11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

3.30 p.m. Holy Communion at the Cheshire Home

6.30 p.m. Worship, Word and Ministry

#### 6th Wednesday Service

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

#### 10th Sunday next before Lent

Theme: God transforms Jacob

9.30 a.m. Baptism Service

11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

3.00 p.m. Informal Service at Green Oak View

6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer

#### 13th Ash Wednesday

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

7.30 p.m. Holy Communion

#### 17th First Sunday of Lent

Theme: God uses Joseph

9.30 a.m. Age All Together

11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

3.30 p.m. Informal Service at the Cheshire Home

6.30 p.m. Worship, Word and Ministry

#### 20th Wednesday Service

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

#### 24th Second Sunday of Lent

Theme: Nicodemus and the new birth

9.30 a.m. Holy Communion 11.15 a.m. Morning Prayer 6.30 p.m. Holy Communion tom moore landscaping

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#### **Totley All Saints' Parent and Toddler Group**

The Christmas Fair raised £690.97.

We would like to thank everyone who helped in any way, especially members of the Church who donated items for sale, made cakes, helped with refreshments and on the stalls. We would also like to thank all those who came and supported us on the day. A special thank you to Eileen Davis who sold her lovely knitted items and gave all the proceeds to the Toddler Group. We hope to improve our storage facilities and buy new toys with the money raised.

Thanks again to everyone concerned.

Vicki Waite

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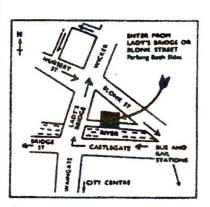
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#### **ANNA BALDRY 1917 - 2001**

We celebrated Anna's life at a service here in 'All Saints' on October 31st 2001. That the church was full spoke much of our love and respect for her.

Anna was devoted to her students in Totley and had kept in touch over the years, and many old students and former staff from the college came to the service.

In his address, David Hallett spoke of Anna's faith, 'She did not seek to wear her faith on her sleeve - she simply lived it . . .'.

For many years, Anna had been a devoted worshipper at 'All Saints' and we remember her with affection.

Hazel Perfect

I am sorry that I omitted the last lines when I printed this in the Dec./Jan. issue of the magazine.

By increasing the width of the border I unfortunately did not realise I had covered up the print. Editor.

Thank you to my friends at 'All Saints' for their love and support while I have been recovering from an accident.

Hazel Perfect

# Christian

Thank you for your very generous gift from All Saints Church Europe and Latin America. I do hope you all had a happy C You may be slightly surprised to see the word 'Europe' here. war Europe in 1945. Since then we have concentrated on th with the long-drawn out collapse of former-Yugoslavia, we ha supporting 'traditional' areas of work like well digging in Africa Like most East European countries it has a significant Roma one community here 'sanitation' consists of an open sewer w One little boy says, 'I would like to have toys to play with and fund the local Macedonian Centre for International Co-opera of to have to play in all this rubbish'. Christian Aid hopes to Another way in which Christian Aid's work has changed in the money on campaigning than we did when I first joined the or never fully meet the needs of the poor. There are, after all, s time of writing this. That is an extreme example, but it illustrates essential if the world target of cutting poverty by half be 201 debt, Christian Aid has now helped to form the Trade Justice will give poor communities and nations a better chance of eal situation where they no longer need charity.

wards Christian Aid's work with the poor of Asia, Africa, stmas and a peaceful New Year.

pugh as a matter of fact Christian Aid's work began in postother three continents, but in recent years, and particularly been drawn back to places nearer home. So as well as your donation may be used in, for instance, Macedonia. gypsy minority, who are usually amongst the poorest. In ch takes all the waste down hill. Children play in the water. h to lay a big pipe to deal with these problems.

ast decade is that we now spend much more time and hisation. This is because giving, however generous, can ren million at risk of starvation in Afghanistan alone at the s the fact that major changes to the way the world works are to be met. Having campaigned with some success on ovement to press for fairer international trade rules, which ing their own living. And thus, of course, of being in a

Funds, such as your gift, are required to meet both these objectives and I do thank you for your support. Richard Buckley

Co-ordinator, South & East Yorkshire

This being Easter Sunday, we will ask Mrs. Lewis to come forward and lav an egg on the altar.



Wednesday: The ladies liturgy will meet. Mrs. Johnson will sing. "Put me in my little bed" accompanied by the vicar.



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#### MARTHA AND MARY GROUP

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This group meets once each month.
It provides an opportunity for busy women to meet, to offer support and afford a quiet time for prayer and thought.

Give it a try - come and join us !

#### **AIDS IN AFRICA**

A recent article by Roy Barry in the W.D.M. in Sheffield Newsheet is very challenging. He starts off with the fact that, worldwide, there are 36 million people living with HIV/AIDS and in 2001 some 3 million of them will have died. Stark as these figures are, they are made the more appalling when we realise that the problem is actually increasing and increasing fast. In two years since 1998 the % of adults infected went up from 13% to 20% in South Africa and from 25% to 36% in Botswana! News that AIDS is spreading into India and China also suggests that the problems are not confined to Africa.

In 1998 VSO stated that only 33% of 15 year-old girls in Zimbabwe are likely to reach the age of 35. In Africa as a whole there are 16 million AIDS orphans and calculation expect this to rise to 30 million by 2010. One of the major factors in this situation is poverty. When the state is impoverished it falls short on the provision of adequate levels of health care and education. At the individual level poverty creates and encourages apathetic attitudes to the shortcomings of centralised help to deal with the situation. An example of this is that one of the most costly routes of HIV transmission is from mother to baby. The previous traditional attitudes to childcare are insufficient to cope with AIDS. Furthermore the fact that women in the third world have a lower status means that they have less bargaining power and hence become even more vulnerable.

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A trained priest in Nairobi is quoted as saying "In the church they say AIDS is the result of sin, in the hospital they say it because of a virus, but in the village where I come from they say AIDS is a punishment from our ancestors for selling out our culture and heritage to the West". One of the bishops has pointed out that in the West we believe that we can control life and delay death. Africans know you cannot do this and they are therefore more likely to see death as an episode of life. What a marked difference in culture this is!

The problems are huge but understanding demands our need to appreciate the local social structures as well as facing up to the health problems. In the west we may feel that we can do very little about all this but the essential first step is awareness. We really do need to keep ourselves informed about the situation affecting Africa. After all they are our brothers and sisters. Our Christian response must be that we care about these members of our family in their plight.

Maurice Snowden

We could write to our M.P., Richard Allen (25 Nethergreen Road, S11 7EH) to express our concern and ask him to put pressure on our government to pursue the drug companies to lower the prices of the drugs to treat AIDS.

A family member tried to supply cheap drugs to Africa and was told that they would not supply him with drugs for this country if he tried to get affordable drugs through to Africa. Such is the power of the drug companies!

**Editor** 

### PRAYER BREAKFAST

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#### **Church Library**

As from the beginning of January 2002, Sheila Eke will taking over from Ann Ruthven as library representative in partnership with Pauline Perkinton. I would like to thank Ann for all the work she has put into the cataloguing and organisation of the library, especially the new tape section. I have really enjoyed our times together, with quite a few laughs along the way - and some challenges - one was when the bookshelves collapsed!

Please contact Sheila or me if we can be of any help with library matters. Pauline Perkinton

#### THANK YOU

We received a lovely surprise after the Carol Service in December. We were given a bowl of hyacinths with which further decorate our home. We were told that this was given as



a token of thanks for what we had done for the Cheshire Home Services over recent years. These have been services on the third Sunday of each month which we were glad to have led because we have many friends at the Cheshire Home. The services have consisted of hymns, readings and prayers and have helped to demonstrate that people there are part of our Church family. They also provided an opportunity for us to demonstrate that God cares for those people. It is very nice to be thanked for something which you have been glad to do! We shall not lose contact with the home but Frank and Catherine Snow have expressed their willingness to organise the services from now on. It would be good if they could be given the support that we have been given but, beyond that, it would be better if more people could assist in this task. We would like to urge anyone who wants to know more to speak to Frank or Catherine and offer to help.

Thank you!

Marjorie and Maurice Snowdon

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If you think these items belong to you please contact the Police at Woodseats.

D.F. Foster

## All Saints' Ladies Club

February 2002

February 5th

Film Show American Adventure

Joan Gray





February 19th

**History Afloat** 

Mrs. Dunne

Meetings begin at 7.30 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of the month in the Church Hall.

#### THE MARTYRS OF JAPAN

The Christian Church has long been part of the fabric of our society. The buildings are everywhere, bishops sit in the House of Lords, TV makes programmes on the Christian faith and many of us will feel some allegiance to church in some form or other. It is hard to conceive of very different conditions.

For 250 years in Japan, Christianity was outlawed and viciously persecuted. That is not the case today. Both Catholic and Protestant churches exist, but do so in a land where the prevailing religion is Shintoism and the influence of the business corporations is overwhelming.

The suppression of the Christian faith came to an end in 1848 when trading treaties with France were signed, which allowed freedom of worship for Catholics. As the climate changed, it was discovered that a church had survived. There were no scriptures, no full-time leaders and no public buildings—but the church had survived.

Two hundred and fifty years earlier, there had been a sweeping move of the Holy Spirit. In our last magazine, Francis Xavier's visit to Japan was described. The church was planted and forty years later there were approaching a quarter of a million believers in the country. Such was the speed of growth of the church that the traditional Japanese authorities were frightened. Their fear was increased by the political activities of the Spanish and Portuguese traders who were opening up markets there. As has often sadly happened in the history of the church, genuine Christian faith and activity was overlaid by commercial and political ambition. This fuelled the anti-Christian reaction which arose at the end of the sixteenth century. One incident in particular proved to be a watershed. On 5th Feb. 1597, 26 people were publicly crucified, simply for their faith in Christ. Nine were clergy, three were young boys and fourteen men. They had been arrested simply for their faith. Each had an ear cut off as a mark of disgrace and were then forced to undertake a cruel 30 day march to Nagasaki (more often remembered for being the recipient of the second atomic bomb) where they were to be crucified.

Whoever seeks to save his life will lose it and whoever loses his life will preserve it. Luke 17:33



Each had a cross made specifically for them. As they were led to the place of execution, many embraced their cross. It all happened at ten in the morning in the presence of a large crowd of people. The only concession that Terazawa Hazaburo, the executioner, made to the martyrs was that the crosses were placed in a field of wheat, across the road from the original site. The outlook was more pleasant, but more importantly, the original site was the normal place for the execution of criminals and their remains were still scattered around.

One of the twenty-six, brother Paul, had been accused of coming from the Philippines ostensibly to trade, but had in fact spread the foreign religion of Christianity. As they tied him to the cross, he said:

I did not come from the Philippines. I am Japanese by birth and a brother of the Society of Jesus. I have committed no crime and the only reason why I am put to death is that I have been teaching the doctrine of Our Lord Jesus Christ. I am very happy to die for such a cause and see my death as a great blessing from the Lord. At this critical time, when you can rest assured that I will not deceive you, I want to stress and make it unmistakably clear that man can find no way to salvation other than the Christian way.

Another of the 26, a thirteen year old boy, sang from the Psalm, "Children praise the Lord" on his cross. As he reached the Gloria at the end, a soldier pierced him with a spear.

These twenty-six are remembered in February. For them, the

cross became a pulpit and the sermon reverberates today. That they died is testimony to the work of the Holy Spirit, who had performed such profound work a totally unevangelised country in such a short space of time. In our day, the church is growing rapidly. That is not the case in Western Europe, but in many other nations it is. In China, a land so long under oppression, there is a huge swell of church growth. The Martyrs of Japan are witness to a similar move in a previous era and an inspiration to us today to believe in a God who really does save those who turn to His Son, no matter what their background or previous experience.

David Rhodes



# WOMEN'S WORLD DAY of PRAYER

1st March 2002 at 10.00 a.m.

#### **Totley United Reformed Church**

The speaker is Rev. Jane Rowell Minister at the U.R.C.

Her theme is: Challenge to Reconcile

The service has been prepared by the Christian Women of Romania

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'... to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus,

#### Called to be Saints



Please let Richard Lamb (Lent Group Co-ordinator - CTS) know if you are interested in joining one of the groups before 4th February if possible!

#### **Churches Together**

The Prayer of Jesus, "May they all be one", is at the heart of the Gospel. During the coming year one resolution we could make is to do all we can to cement relations between churches in whatever practical ways possible and to pray daily for fulfilment. taken from Sunday Link



All hail to the Redeemer King
All Hail the Lord of all
Accept the humble praise we bring
Let our worship never pall

All Hail to Thee the Lord above
The Lord of sea and *sky*The Lord who's generous with His love
And never more will die

All hail to Thee the Prince of Peace The Lord above all others Who us from sin did all release So we can love our brothers

All hail to Thee King of Kings
The Lord of all the earth
The One who to us blessings brings
The wonderous gift of birth

All hail to Thee the King of love The Lord of all our days O Lord although it's not enough We offer You our praise

Viv Filleul

#### **Faulty Contacts**

My little radio "died" the other day and my son, Geoffrey, said, "It's probably a faulty contact". That started me thinking. How often human contacts are faulty!

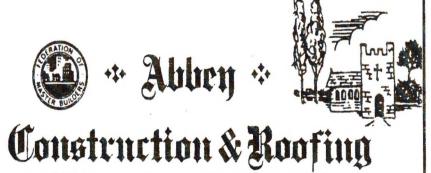
You know the sort of thing. She/he owes me a letter. I don't see why I should write. (Yes—I've been guilty that way!) A 'phone call or a short note could "restore contact".

Even the smallest Notelet has room for "How are you? I haven't heard from you lately". Or "Sorry if I said something to upset you in my last letter".

Sometimes we get a "faulty contact" when we feel unable to pray. Certainly the fault isn't on God's side — He is always there and ready to listen.

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#### Notes from the P.C.C.

The members of the P.C.C. agreed that we were greatly encouraged in October by the visit to the parish of Bishop Cyril and also by the Cell Church Conference led by Laurence Singlehurst. Comments included: "every encourgaing", "affirming", "very worthwhile" and "challenging". Other positive items for discussion included David being asked to take part in a mission to Kenya, which will take place between 6th January and 24th January. Please pray for him and the rest of the team.

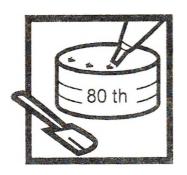
Concerning fabric matters:

- The church hall stage curtains are being replaced
- There are now pidgeon holes in the hall for the delivery of church circulars such as notes, minutes of meetings etc.
- A hand rail to aid movement up the steps in the Lady Chapel is being investigated
- The emergency lighting in the hall is being checked to ensure it is legal

Our finances were again discussed but unfortunately are not at all healthy - almost all our budgeted areas are overspent. Currently expenditure greatly exceeds income. A small group has been set up to look at the problem.

Jane Lawry P.C.C. Secretary

Many times a day I realise how much my own life is built upon the labour of others and how earnestly I must exert myself in order to give in return as much as I have received. *Albert Einstein* 



Thank you to all for your cards, best wishes and beautiful flowers on the occasion of my 80th birthday in December.

Dorothy Smith

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Many forms have already been returned but if you have not completed one yet and wish to do so, forms are available from the bookcase in Church. Please complete and return to Church or the Vicarage.

The Roll must be completed and displayed for one month before the A.G.M. which will be held after the evening service on 21st April 2002.

Dorothy Firth
Church Warden

#### **Meat Sponge**

8 oz mince 1/2

1/2 lb onions

2 oz margarine

1 egg

3 oz flour

salt and pepper

Cook mince and onions; make gravy out of mince juice. Put in dish. Beat other ingredients together to make sponge and cover mince. Bake until sponge is golden brown. Serve with vegetables (potatoes not really needed as the sponge is filling).

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Joan Watson

#### LAY PARISH EVANGELIST (part 1)

Born in Bromley, Kent, 41 years ago, the person I interviewed this month was a church-goer from birth. He attended All Saints' Church, not in Totley but in Shirley, Croydon, Surrey!

His first 'office' in the church was as Youth Representative on the P.C.C. at the age of fifteen.

He joined the Civil Service on leaving school and worked 'office hours' in the Home Office. By the time he was 19 years old he had changed to an 18 hour day, managing a night-club and deputising for the manager of the hotel. Just short of two years in this job, he was made redundant thus receiving no severance pay. A hard knock - but he picked himself up and bought a car and some equipment and worked as a D.J. whilst looking for other employment. The job centre not only provided him with a job but also with a girl friend - who would become his wife in 1986.

Housing in London was very expensive and so the family, now complete, with a daughter and son, eventually moved to Chatham and he commuted to work in various London Job Centres.

It was whilst he was in Chatham that he went to view a video link with Billy Graham who was visiting Scotland. He had the feeling that Billy Graham was speaking directly to him - no, he realised that God was calling him to have a very close relationship with Him. From that day he began to take stock of his life. It made him look at himself, the way he lived, how he interacted with his family and colleagues. He began to question what he was doing, what was the purpose of his life

and what was he contributing to the world.

About eight years ago he was relocated to Sheffield and so another chapter of his life began.

He had always had a job where contact with the public was uppermost. The new job in Sheffield was concerned with policy making and began to pall so when early severance was offered, he decided to take it and make a fresh start.

The next three years were spent at Cliff College where he gained a B.A. in Biblical and Evangelical Ministry. These were difficult times trying to manage a family, study and lead an active church life. In addition, his wife was undertaking her own course of study. People from Church were very supportive by paying his tuition fees.

Part 2 will follow next month. Watch this space!

#### IT WAS A GOOD PARTY!

I would like to thank and congratulate all who took part in 'It's a Party', whether up front or the backing team. There might have not been quantity but there certainly was quality. Well done everyone.

Thank you for bringing a well familiar 'tale' to us in such an enjoyable way.

Vivien Filleul







#### Quiet Day 2002



This annual day of reflection for the churches of S17 will be held, as usual, at All Saints, on Saturday 23rd March. It will be led by Margaret Silf, a Roman Catholic lay person who is a trained spiritual director and popular retreat

leader. She works as a member of the ecumenical chaplaincy team at the University of Keele, North Staffordshire, and is married with a daughter at university. Born in Norton, Sheffield, she was confirmed as a teenager in the Anglican church of St. Chad's Woodseats. She has written several books on spirituality, including: Taste and See; Landmarks (on which our Journeying On series is based) and Sacred Spaces (a Celtic Way) published last year. Details and booking forms will be available next month.

Rosalie Carter

#### CHURCH CHRISTMAS CARD

A big thank you to Dawn Hurton for her beautiful work of art - it will be good to display this another year. Thanks have already been received for the £157.10 we were able to send to them as a result of donations made instead of sending individual Christmas cards.

#### H.A.R.C.

Thank you to all who contributed warm clothing for the homeless. Two full car loads were taken!

Robin Carter

#### **NOTICE BOARD**

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Your donations for 2001 have raised the sum of £325.

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The general collection will now take place in February/March each year and <u>not</u> in the run up to Christmas. If your box needs to be emptied before Feb. 2003, please let me know in the usual way.

Due to increased family commitments, I shall be <u>finishing</u> the following job with effect from <u>28th February</u>.

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Ann Ruthven

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#### **Grounds for Hope?**

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#### The schools

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#### The Uniformed Organisations

I am finally making a move in visiting the Scouts and Guides groups in S17 and hope to have introduced myself to all of them by the end of February. It is very important that we remember them and recognise them as a valuable part of our churches here. It is to my shame I haven't contacted them earlier.

#### A Quiz with a Twist

There is a quiz planned for this month at All Saints' Church hall in which all four youth fellowships are invited. It will be the first evening I have planned in which all the groups in the project have met to-

gether. I hope it will be the start of them getting to know each other a little bit more as we seek to work together in the future. I know that it promises to be a fun evening for all.

#### Away at the "Edge"

I have the great opportunity at the end of the month to go away for the weekend on a youth training conference in Derbyshire. It is called the 'Edge' because it will be looking at the issues that are right on the cutting edge of youth work. It promises to be a time of great encouragement and focus for me as I continue to look to the future with youth in \$17.

#### We've Moved ?!

This is a statement of faith as at the time of writing this, we haven't yet moved. But all being well, as you read this, we are now living in 38 Grange Court on Lemont Road in Totley. It will certainly be a big relief for both Janine and me to not only have our own place, but one that is in the community we are both working in.

Matt Conant



"No one ever got dizzy doing good turns!"

Frank Dickenson from Sunday Link OOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOO **Deliverers of the Church magazine** It is TIME to begin collecting subscriptions and making your list of subscribers, so useful when you are unable to deliver yourself due to holidays or illness.

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> (editor) 235 1525 Jeanne

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C.S. Lewis

Make sure your words are tender today, just in case you have to eat them tomorrow!



Frank Dickinson from Sunday Link



#### **HYMNS**

When you come to church you hear lots of hymns. Hymns are songs of praise to God. Some are very old and some, like the ones you may sing at school, are new.

Have you ever wondered who wrote the hymns we sing? For example, one hymn writer was Mrs Cecil Frances Alexander, the wife of the Bishop of Londonderry. She wrote a book in 1848 called 'Hymns for Little Children' which was dedicated to her godchildren. The book contained hymns that we know well today; 'All Things Bright and Beautiful', and 'There is a Green Hill Far Away'. It is said that she wrote the last hymn because of the view from the Bishop's palace. The house looked out over the city walls to the green hills in the distance. So the words we sing today come from the view out of Mrs Alexander's window.

#### HYMN TITLES

All the following hymn titles have some words missing - can you fill in the blanks. All the hymns are from Mission Praise and the answers are below.

1. While watched.
2. Lead us,, lead us.
3. Away in a
4. Forty days and
5. Hark! The sing.
6 has broken.
7 night, night.
8. There is a far away.
9. We plough the and scatter.
10. O little town of
$\bigcirc \lozenge \bigcirc \bigcirc$
Didn't your



teacher say your singing was heavenly?

We-ell-ll - she did say it was like nothing on earth.

of Bethlehem fields and scatter 10.0 little town hill far away 9.We plough the night, holy night 8. There is a green 6. Morning has broken 7. Silent 5. Har! the herald angels sing 4. Forty days and forty nights father, lead us 3.Away in a manger watched 2.Lead us, heavenly Answers: I. While shepherds

By Angela Webb

The collection taken after the School Christmas concerts raised £200.

This was given to David Rhodes for missionary work in Kenya.



#### The Poppy **Appeal**

Poppies were

sold in school and £17.99 was raised.

Thank you to the school for the curtains at the back of the stage.



Two new classrooms are on the way! The builders are on target. The floors are in and the walls are beginning to be erected.

There has been a lot of dirt around outside but the caretaker has managed to keep the school clean. Play areas are restricted just now whilst the builders use the car park. Numbers of children have chosen to play on the tennis courts on Totley Hall Lane at lunchtime to relieve pressure on the play areas around school. They have been accompanied by Mrs. Twelvetree and the caretaker.



#### From the Editor

Late as it is, I wish all our readers a Happy New Year! Thank you to everyone for their contributions of poems, articles and news.

Please note our spring cleaning day next month on March 2nd.

If you are able, please come and help spring clean the Church in time for Easter.

There are also many jobs to do in the Church Hall if we get enough volunteers.

Now is a good time for deliverers to collect subscriptions as you deliver this month's magazine. Please include a current list of subscribers as well as the '£2.50's'.

It seems a long time ago now but I want to thank all who made, 'It's a Party' possible. All your hard work was appreciated by your audience! Thank you.

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March 28th Maundy Thursday Communion United Reformed Church 8.00 p.m.

March 29th Good Friday Tenebrae Service CTS17 Totley Rise Methodist Church 8.00 p.m.

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February	Altar	Memory Table	
3rd		Mrs. Bramall	
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17th	LENT		
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#### MEMORIAL SERVICES AT ALL SAINTS

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. There will be memorial services on the following dates in 2002:

31st March 30th June 29th September 29th December

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

If you would like a favourite hymn to be played at the memorial service, please indicate below.

# Memorial Service 31st March 2002 Name to be remembered Name(s) and address of principle family members attending the service Favourite hymn Please return completed forms to David Rhodes at the Vicarage.

### From the



#### THANKSGIVING FOR BIRTH:

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The next Memorial Service will be held on 31st March 2002.

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#### February 2002 Diary Dates

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Mon.		Contemplative Prayer Group 1 Quarry Road 2.15 p.m.
Mon.	4th	Standing Committee Vicarage 8.00 p.m.
Tues.	5th	Ladies Club Hall 7.30 p.m.
Tues.	5th	Journeying On 2 The Crescent 8.00 p.m.
Wed.	6th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.
Sun.	10th	Sunday Youth Group Hall 6.30 - 8.30 p.m.
Mon.	11th	P.C.C. Meeting Hall 8.00 p.m.
Wed.	13th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.
Wed.	13th	Lent Fellowship Groups begin
Sun.	17th	Vision Group meeting Vicarage 6.00 p.m.
Mon.	18th	Contemplative Prayer Group 1 Quarry Road 2.15 p.m.
Mon.	18th	Cell Group Leaders Vicarage 8.00 p.m.
Mon.	18th	Last day for items for March magazine
Tues.	19th	Ladies Club Hall 7.30 p.m.
Wed.	20th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.
Sun.	24th	Sunday Youth Group Hall 6.30 - 8.30 p.m.
Mon.	25th	Collation of Magazine Hall from 9.30 a.m.
Tues.	26th	Martha and Mary Group Hall Lounge 10.30 a.m.
Wed.	27th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.
March		
Fri.	1st	Women's world Day of Prayer U.R.C. 10.00 a.m.
Sat.	2nd	Prayer Breakfast 8.00 - 10.00 a.m. followed by
Sat.	23rd	Spring Cleaning Day from 10.00 a.m. Quiet Day at Totley All Saints

#### Saving for Stillness

"I will pour water on the thirsty ground and streams on the dry ground"

(Isaiah 44:3)

Final Date: Items for March 2002: 18th February 2002

#### Sunday: The Alive Gang 9.30 a.m. Sally Rhodes 6.30 - 8.30 p.m. Sunday Youth Group (2nd & 4th Sunday) Gay Riley Monday: 10.00 a.m. Drop in Coffee Marjorie & Maurice Snowdon Junior Choir Practice in Church 3.30 p.m. Stella Jockel 7.00 p.m. Guides Maureen Allum Tuesday: Martha & Mary Group (4th) 10.30 a.m. Sheila Eke 7.30 p.m. Ladies Club (1st & 3rd) Ann Ruthven Wednesday: 10.00 a.m. Parent & Toddler Group Vicki Waite

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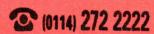
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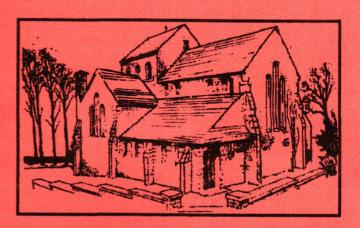
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## From the Vicarage



Dear Friends,

Last month we reflected a little on time. Depending on what is happening, time certainly seems to rush by. What I wrote about so recently (or so it feels) in terms of anticipation is now history. But history is there for us to learn from and so I hope I have learnt some of the lessons on offer from my visit to Kenya. Some things were very obvious to a visitor from the affluent West, but nonetheless valuable for that. Thrust into a culture where water is collected from the river, you replace clothes by selling a sheep or goat to raise the money and your home is something you have made yourself from the simple materials immediately available, one immediately feels the wealth and technical sophistication of the western world. Surrounded by it, we take it all for granted. Removal from it, you can begin to feel some more gratitude for its benefits and maybe question some of its other effects a little more clearly. Visiting schools which lack electricity, supplies of paper and pencils, or the quantity of resources we would expect, one somewhat marvels at teenagers who can converse in three different languages! Walking for an hour or so to attend a meeting, visit a home or pick up a lift into town

is the norm. Not much evidence of a growing problem of people being overweight in Maasailand. But I think there were other lessons to be learnt from my visit. A fortnight spent with Christians who joyfully express and share their faith, in the midst of a very non-Christian environment put some things into clearer perspective. For a member of the Maasai to follow Jesus, they have to make a very definite decision to step outside their pagan surroundings and a step into a "Kingdom of God" community and lifestyle. Some pay quite a price in family and community hostility for this. The same is of course true for us. Following Christ means going His way, against the stream of the world about us. It means living by His values and standards, rather than those set by the world about us. Our challenges are more subtle. There is the inclination to fudge spiritual issues, because of the Christian heritage we enjoy and the very pluralistic society we have become. There is the inclination to ignore spiritual issues because of the lure of the material world, which bears the matters which attract attention and the eyes of the media are seldom in that realm. Friends I made in Kenya were apt to introduce themselves by saying how long they had been saved and which of their family were and which were not saved. To genteel English ears that came as something of a shock. But I think they were simply saying, "These matters are very important to me. In fact, these are the most important matters that there are, both for time and eternity". Because of the reality of that, joyful and sacrificial sharing of the gospel is a commonplace with them.

So what does it say about us if we introduce ourselves in terms of where we live or what job we do, or some such way? Jesus said that He did not come to condemn the world but to save it. That truth is having a transforming impact on many lives in rural Kenya. The same is of course true in England and any other place you can think of. The impact of Christ on the life of a person who will take Him at His word is universal. So is the temptation to allow other things to replace Him at the heart of our lives. I saw this and was challenged by it, along with eleven other English people, in a simple village in rural Africa. My challenge now is to live that out and to encourage others to do the same, more clearly in beloved Sheffield.

With all best wishes.





The church is rather like a compost heap .... the whole point of a compost heap is that after due process of maturing, it should be spread around.

Charles Handy

from Sunday Link

Note from the editor

Well rotted horse manure available.

Free - just needs collecting.

Ask me for details!



#### Services in March

#### 3rd Third Sunday in Lent

Theme: A blind man hits a spot of bother

9.30 a.m. All Age Worship
11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

3.30 p.m. Holy Communion at the Cheshire Home

4.30 p.m. Tea followed by simple worship and practice microphone use

#### 6th Wednesday Service

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

#### 10th Fourth Sunday in Lent

Mothering Sunday

9.30 a.m. Baptism Service 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

3.00 p.m. Informal Service at Green Oak View

6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer

#### 13th Wednesday Service

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

#### 17th Fifth Sunday in Lent

Theme: A heartbroken family find joy

9.30 a.m. Age All Together 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

3.30 p.m. Informal Service at the Cheshire Home

6.30 p.m. Worship, Word and Ministry

#### 20th Wednesday Service

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

#### 24th Palm Sunday

Theme: Humility - in this day and age?

9.30 a.m. Holy Communion 11.15 a.m. Morning Prayer 6.30 p.m. Holy Communion

#### 31st Easter Day

Theme: Risen!

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion

10.00 a.m. Joint Celebration of Holy Communion

6.30 p.m. Memorial Service



#### 5065 - COFFEE?

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PUSH—Pray Until Somethin

PUSH—Pray Until Something Happens

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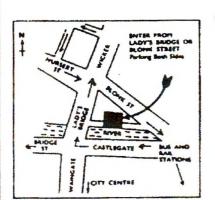
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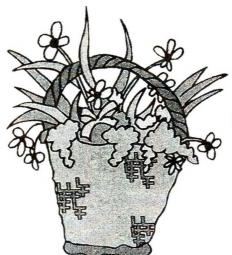
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There are several gaps in the list, particularly in April, October, December 2002 and January and February 2003.

If you would like your name to be added to the list please let either Christine Scott or Jeanne Foster know.

#### Thank you for your prayers

At the time of writing, Heather, my daughter is still in hospital. I wish I could say she is making good progress but unfortunately the light at the end of the tunnel is very dim at the moment.

Thankfully she is very 'patient' and we live in hope that she will not need further surgery.

Please continue to pray for her.

*Jeanne* 

#### THOMAS CRANMER



His portrait shows a somewhat severe man. Perhaps he would be somewhat distant in his relations with others. Significantly, he is grasping a book. Thomas Cranmer has left his mark profoundly in the life of England and of the wider Christian church, by virtue of his writings. Anybody attending a 1662 Prayer Book service at All Saints or any other Anglican Church today, is immediately being put in touch with him.

He was born the son of the village squire in Aslockton, Notts. in July 1489. He had a quick and able mind. After education locally, he went to Cambridge University where he was to earn both a BD and DD. His theological studies put him in touch with thinkers and reformers in Europe at a time of immense upheaval in the life of the church. Much of mediæval belief and practice was being questioned. A new knowledge of and respect for the Bible was spreading swiftly. Thomas was much committed to providing the Bible in English, so that anybody able to read in our country could study God's Word for themselves. Whilst Henry VIII was king, he worked for the provision of an officially recognised translation. When he started, to own even a part of the Bible was a crime punishable by death.

He also worked for the provision of services in worship in English and which reflected the more directly Biblical teaching of the Reformers. Two prayer books were issued which were almost entirely his work, using the existing Latin services as his starting point. The first was published in 1549 and the second in 1552 (even the ASB lasted 20 years!). This took place during the brief reign of Edward VI. When Edward died, his sister Mary became queen who was determined to destroy all the changes which had occurred under the influence of Reformers like Cranmer. Cranmer was to pay with his life under Mary, but his work was preserved. When eventually the religious scene was stabilised, it was done so by the publication of the book we now

know as *The Book of Common Prayer*, in 1662. It was to be the pattern of nearly all Anglican worship for three centuries. It was basically Cranmer's text with a few revisions, so actually is more like four hundred years old.

Cranmer is also to be remembered as one of the architects of the Anglican Church, as a separate body from the Roman Catholic Church. Henry VIII wanted a divorce from his Spanish wife, Katherine of Aragon, in order to marry Anne Boleyn. Anne. he hoped, would give birth to the male heir that Katherine has been unable to provide. However, despite Henry's utmost efforts, he could not persuade the Pope of the day to sanction an arrangement which would have legitimised Anne's children. Enter Thomas Cranmer. Henry appointed him as Archbishop of Canterbury, so that when others enacted statute law to separate the English church from Rome, Thomas, as the new religious leader, would then sanction Henry's new marriage. Thomas, though, saw his new role as much more than the consequence of political expediency. It gave him a huge opportunity to usher in the new wine of the Reformation of the English church Much controversy lay ahead, but a direction was set. A Church of England was to be created, whose doctrines were to centre on a Biblical faith, as expressed in the creeds and amplified in the 39 Articles, where the Bible and worship in English were to hold pride of place and whilst the monarch was to hold the title of "Supreme Head", the spiritual leader was to be the Archbishop of Canterbury. Eventually, clergy were free to marry, unlike their Roman Catholic counterparts. Cranmer however, anticipated this move by several years and so had to keep his wife, Margaret, in hiding until the death of Henry VIII in 1547. To stand by religious convictions in sixteenth century England. you needed great courage, as is the case for Christians in a lot of countries today. At times Cranmer wilted under the pressure. He did not co-operate with all of Henry's greedy attack on the church but was largely acquiescent of it. After the death of Edward, the determinedly catholic Mary became gueen and Thomas was immediately arrested and charged with heresy. The specific matter concerned his view about communion. He taught that what was critical was the condition of the heart of the believer, rather than the nature of the bread and wine. Catholic teaching of the day was that the nature of the bread and wine was changed into the body and blood of Christ, in the prayer of consecration, irrespective of the state of the believer. Once arrested under Mary, he was asked to retract his view, on pain of death. This he did, but at the cost of his conscience. So he withdrew his retraction and as a result was condemned to be burnt at the stake. This took place on 21st March (the day on which he is remembered in the Anglican calendar) 1556 in Oxford

His final words as he went to the stake have been recorded. After exhorting his hearers to love God before "this false glozing world", to obey the king or queen, to love one another and to be generous with material things, he spoke about his convictions. "And now I come to the great thing that troubleth my conscience, more than any other thing that ever I said or did in my life and that is, the setting abroad of writings contrary to the truth. Which here I renounce and refuse, as things written with my hand, contrary to the truth which I thought in my heart and writ for fear of death and to save my life . . . "

As a sign of his regret, Cranmer plunged his offending right hand into the flames first and thus passed into history as both a Protestant martyr and a founding father of our spiritual heritage. Many of the heroes of the Bible have flaws which are clearly described. Thomas was only too aware of his and yet he was a man God used mightily and whose impact has lasted centuries. What encouragement there is for some of us, who long to serve the Lord, but wonder whether we are up to the mark!

David Rhodes

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#### INDONESIAN PRAYER VIGIL

Christians in Ambon, Indonesia, brought the city to a near standstill with a three-day prayer vigil in response to escalating violence by Islamic extremists, reports Christian Solidarity Worldwide (CSW). Although people working in hospitals and security posts remained on duty, most other public and private offices were closed by the Days of Mourning vigil.

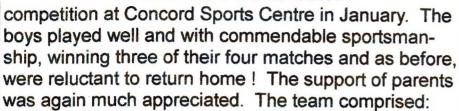
Militants have been fighting gun battles with security forces as they seek to take control of a Catholic diocesan training compound in Ambon.

According to CSW, the escalating violence is believed to be the work of the Laskar Jihad organisation.

CSW has been working in Indonesia's Moluccas Islands to promote reconciliation between Muslim and Christian communities.

#### **WELL PLAYED!**

Seven boys represented All Saints in the 5-a-side football



Andrew Rhodes (captain), Mark Rhodes, Alex Elmore, Thomas Hayden, Elliott Hill, Oliver Hill and Ben Lyndon.



#### MARTHA AND MARY GROUP

The next meeting will be on March 26th 2002 at 10.30 a.m. in the Hall Lounge.

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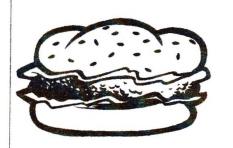
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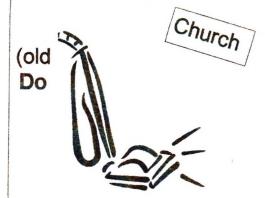
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Why can't I get things right?
Why can't I do the things I ought?
Why do I have to fight?

I want to be a puppet
To do just what I should
Oh Father don't You understand
How hard it's to be good?

I need to be a puppet
My Father holds the string
So in this greatly troubled world
Some happiness I could bring.

I'd love to be a puppet
And to this world bring peace
Then each could trust his neighbour
And hatred all would cease.

But if I were a puppet
Then this would spoil God's plan
We have to love Him for His sake
He gave freewill to man.

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**Dore and Totley United Reformed Church** 

8.00 p.m.

29th March

**Tenebrae Service** 

**Totley Rise Methodist Church** 

8.00 p.m.

A welcome to everyone at both services.

# All Saints' Ladies Club

March 2002



5th

**Mystery Objects** 

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**Annual General Meeting** 



26th

**Holy Week** 

Meetings begin at 7.30 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of the month in the Church Hall. You are very welcome to join us!

# WOMEN'S WORLD DAY of PRAYER



1st March 2002 at 10.00 a.m.

#### **Totley United Reformed Church**

The speaker is Rev. Jane Rowell Minister at the U.R.C.

Her theme is: Challenge to Reconcile

The service has been prepared by the Christian Women of Romania

#### What has happened recently at the P.C.C.?

The first meeting of the new year was taken up with mainly financial matters. We were very pleased to welcome Chris. Booth, not to the P.C.C. but as our new treasurer. We have consequently had to pass resolutions to allow him access to the cheque books! We have also considered ways to economise as expenditure is again more than our income and we have reviewed the fees payable for weddings, funerals etc.

We have considered the idea of having a Gift Day for the cost of a new Church Hall roof. This will take place in May with 10% of the total being given to help parents pay school fees in Kenya as outlined by David when he showed his slides.

At the February meeting, we spent time in praying for the worship life of All Saints, for individuals and for the day to day work of people in the parish.

Concerning fabric matters, we have considered the emergency lighting of the Church Hall, the fire alarm system, a handrail for the Lady Chapel, the photocopier Health and Safety matters, the appointment of an Architect and heating costs.

P.C.C. meetings are always full and varied. At the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in April, there will be four vacancies to join the P.C.C. Why not consider being nominated?

Jane Lawry

Secretary to the P.C.C.

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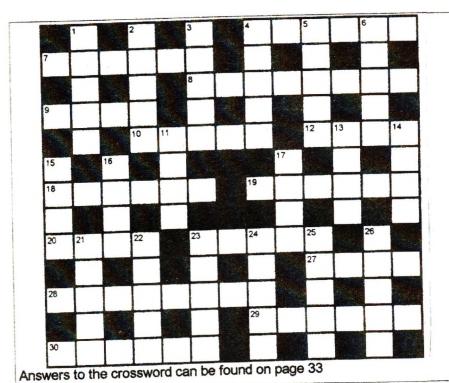
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- 4 Anniversary of the crucifixion (6)
- 7 Feast of the resurrection of Christ (6)
- 8 Eastern church (8)
- 9 Vivacity (4)
- 10 Remove errors from a text (5)
- 12 To fall slowly downwards (4)
- 18 A mountain east of Jerusalem (6)
- 19 Money given to the poor on the Thursday before Easter (6)
- 20 Periods of 24 hours (4)
- 23 Number of Lenten days before Easter (5)
- 27 Easter chocolate gifts (4)
- 28 Roman Emperor (8)
- 29 To place in a tomb (6)
- 30 A state of intense fear (6)

#### Down

- 1 Altar for eucharist (5)
- 2 The devil tempted Christ to make this into bread (5)
- 3 Words added to amplify the text of the mass (5)
- 4 Christ was ..... in Jerusalem (5)
- 5 Metals used largely for tools (5)
- 6 A tall oak grows from one of these (5)
- 11 Piously humble (4)
- 13 Island of the inner Hebrides where St Columba landed (4)
- 14 Presented to St Peter (4)
- 15 Friday before Easter (4)
- 16 Very small (4)
- 17 Abstinence from food (4)
- 21 To get up from the dead (5)
- 22 Foot soldier's weapon (5)
- 23 Member of a certain religious order (5)
- 24 At Easter, Christ the Lord is ..... (5)
- 25 Irish poet and dramatist (5)
- 26 A bird somewhat allied to the crane, inhabiting tropical

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#### Youth work news for SI7 Churches

#### Sharing God's Vision.

I have really enjoyed sharing with both St. John's and All Saints churches last month more of God's vision for the youth work in \$17.

I shared with them how God is opening the doors in King Ecgberts for positive relationship building there with many young people.

Also how the work with the youth in the churches is going really well and we are building trust and respect between each other.

I was also pleased to report that the forging of links between the church youth groups is also still ongoing and is something I am still committed to working on.

I am so encouraged by the enthusiasm of all the churches in their support of this work. I realise so well that the youth project is by no means just about what I am doing, but what the churches in S17 are doing as they seek to share God's love and discipline and disciple young people in our community.

#### Coming up this month.

I am hoping to take a number of young people this month to an event called 'The Labyrinth'. This is called an alternative worship event designed for young people.

The idea is that they travel through a labyrinth with various activities for them along the way. At each stop they are invited to take part in

a spiritual act of response to God in adoration and thanksgiving. hope this evening will allow young people to seek God in a way that is in their culture and will bring the gospel in a refreshing way to them.

I am looking forward to continuing to visit the Scouts and Guides groups this month to meet and share with them and so continue to build links with the youth in S17.

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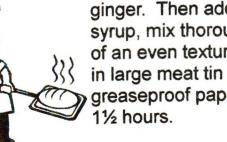
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along with the baking powder and ginger. Then add the flour and syrup, mix thoroughly, making sure of an even texture and colour. Place in large meat tin or similar, lined with greaseproof paper. Gas Mark 3 for 11/2 hours.

George Hazelhurst



#### ARE FAITH-BASED SCHOOLS DIVISIVE?

The issue of whether there should be more faith-based schools is being keenly debated. The Church of England Board of Education has welcomed the conclusion of the Cantle Report on Community Cohesion that the problem of an increase in mono-cultural schools is not confined to those which are faith-based.

The Rt Rev Alan Chesters, Bishop of Blackburn and chairman of the Board, said that the Church "is as concerned as Mr Cantle that some faith schools appear to be operating policies where religious affiliations protect cultural and ethnic divisions. Lord Dearing's [earlier] report on Church schools recommended that all Church schools should reserve places for children of other faiths and none."

The bishop went on to say that it was essential for all schools, not just faith-based ones, to promote understanding of other faiths and cultures.

Meanwhile, it is clear that admission policies still cause difficulties. One teacher told me of a case where a girl who belonged to one of the smaller Christian denominations was rejected by a Church school because "other families were more committed." This teacher's point was that the children of families connected with the church in question, which had many weekday activities for its children, had more opportunities to develop "commitment". The small

Lay Parish Evangelist will be continued next month.

church attended by the girl turned down had few such activities.

How would a good balance of faiths and cultures be achieved? The Government says it will insist that all new proposals for faith-based schools demonstrate a commitment to being inclusive - either by accepting pupils of other faiths or none, or through links with schools of other faiths to enable all communities to be taught together (preferably adopting both these proposals). Existing schools will be urged to "follow the spirit" of this guidance.

The review group re-affirmed the Church's historic partnership with local education authorities. In any new Church schools, says the Dearing Report, there should be a core of Christian pupils but the local community should be served in all its diversity. The Church needs to encourage and promote teaching as an important expression of Christian ministry.

PHILIP BARRON

This article was taken from The Church News Service

#### **GOD'S GOLD GAMES**

More Than Gold, the Christian community in Manchester serving the Commonwealth Games, is continuing to develop an exciting programme for churches. Over 50 churches have signed up as participating members. The first More Than Gold training session at Sale last October was attended by 67 people representing some 40 churches. Christopher Mayfield introduced himself as 'The Chairman of More Than Gold - and in my spare time I am Bishop of Manchester.

For details see: www.morethangold.org.uk from Church News Service

#### **Our Missionary Link with Kuwait**

Having been corresponding with Steve and Jo Wright for more than five years I'm now feeling rather 'stale' with my news, so this is asking if anyone would like to contribute a letter to help maintain our Church's link with this family. You may have met them when they visited All Saints in July and talked about their life and work in Kuwait. Jo is an English teacher in both and Junior Secondary schools in their area and also runs a Christian bookshop. Their children are Emily 12, Stephen 10½ and Bethany 6.

Perhaps you could share your own experiences of work or family life or tell them about the Alpha course for example. Their latest link letter is always on the notice board just inside the vestibule or I could send your letter on.

Catherine Wrigglesworth

Some go to church to take a walk Some go to church to laugh and talk

Some go there to meet a friend Some go there, their time to spend



Some go there to meet a lover Some go there a fault to cover

Some go there for speculation Some go there for observation



Some go there to doze and nod The wise go there to worship GOD.

Taken from the notice board of Nettleham Methodist Church.

#### **CROSSWORD ANSWERS**

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During the day we will look at some practical tools for turning this vision into lived reality, in prayer and reflective living, leading to choices and decisions that make a difference, not just for ourselves but for the whole family.

The day will be a quiet one, with some input morning and afternoon to help us focus our thoughts and plenty of time for quiet reflection. There will be an opportunity for an optional open forum if participants wish.

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#### **Maragaret Silf**

With apologies for inaccuracies given in the February magazine

Margaret is an ecumenical lay Christian, committed to working across and beyond the denominational divisions. She has been trained by the Jesuits in accompanying others on their spiritual journey.

Born and brought up in Sheffield, baptised and "Sunday-schooled" at Holmhirst Road Methodist church, confirmed at St. Chad's church, Woodseats and married at the church of Our Lady and St. Thomas, Meadowhead, Margaret now lives in Staffordshire, where her faith community is the ecumenical chaplaincy at Keele University. She and her husband have one daughter, Kirstin, who is in her third year of medical studies at the University of Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

Until March 2000, Margaret was employed as a technical editor author in the computer industry. She left her paid employment at that point, to devote herself to creative writing and to respond to requests to facilitate retreats and quiet days. She is the author of:

Landmarks - an Ignatian Journey (on which our 'Journeying On' reflective prayer is based)
Taste and See - Adventuring into Prayer
Wayfaring - A Gospel Journey into Life
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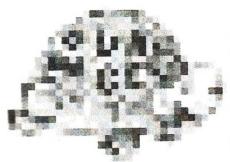
#### Will you join us?

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#### THE STAND IN

It's not me; I didn't do it.

Is it always someone else when the teacher asks 'who made this mess', or Mum says 'who broke this?' And if we hadn't done it, would we offer to clean up the mess or pay for what is broken out of our pocket money? Even though it wasn't our fault and we hadn't done anything wrong?

The answer is probably 'no'. Why should we? It wasn't our fault! It wouldn't be fair! But then things often aren't fair. It wasn't fair that the crowds in Jerusalem that first Easter shouted 'release Barabbas', a convicted criminal. They could have shouted 'release Jesus' - Jesus hadn't done anything wrong after all.

Jesus told us 'No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends' (St John's Gospel, chapter 15, verse 13). Jesus gave up his life for us.

And others have followed his pattern, like Maximilian Kolbe, a Catholic priest in a German concentration camp who took the place of another prisoner and was killed instead of him.

#### **EASTER EGGS**

We have to wait for Easter until the very last day of this month but you can start by making some special eggs...

#### MARBLED EGGS

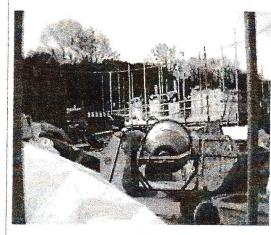
Try hard-boiling some ordinary eggs in the normal way - but wrap them in some onionskins first. Then when you peel them you'll find the eggs are golden and mottled. That will look different in your packed lunch!

#### HAIRY EGGS

When you have eaten your normal boiled egg, draw eyes, nose and mouth on the shell with felt tipped pens. Fill the shell with a folded piece of damp kitchen towel. Sprinkle the towel with mustard and cress seeds and leave the egg in an eggcup on a windowsill. You need to make sure that the paper is kept damp. Your egg will grow 'hair' and when it is long enough you can give it a haircut and eat the mustard and cress!

By Angela Webb

#### **Building Work**



The new classrooms are well underway. The roof trusses arrived during the half term holiday - delivered in good time. The builders have had much heavy rain to contend with but appear to be keeping to the schedule.

During the half term holiday, Ray, the caretaker, has been busy moving P.E. equipment into what was the literacy room - providing an air of expectancy of the bigger move to come.

The Friends of Totley All Saints' School will be holding their Annual General Meeting on 13th March at 8.00 p.m.
In the school hall Parents and friends are very welcome.

Our Y6 class visited Kingswood in January and filled a display board with their pictures and photographs.

Our Y3 class visited York in February. The school offered places on the coach to anyone wanting to sight-see or go shopping.



From the Editor

You will no doubt notice that we have some new advertisers this month. Please try to use their services (and tell them where you have seen their advertisement) as the revenue from their adverts. helps to pay for the office and the production of the Sunday Notices, the Care and Share group notes and other printed material.

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Jeanne

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March 28th Maundy Thursday Communion United Reformed Church 8.00 p.m.

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31st March 30th June 29th September 29th December

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

If you would like a favourite hymn to be played at the memorial service, please indicate below.

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#### From the



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WEDDINGS:

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**FUNERALS:** 

None in February

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#### March 2002 Diary Dates

Fri.	1st	Women's World Day of Prayer U.R.C. 10.00 a.m.
Fri.	1st	Evening of Prayer Church 8.00-11.00 p.m.
Sat.	2nd	Spring Cleaning Day Church/Hall from 10.00 a.m.
Sun.	3rd	Bring and Share Tea 4.30 p.m.
Mon.	4th	Contemplative Prayer Group 1 Quarry Road 2.15 p.m.
Mon.	4th	Standing Committee Vicarage 8.00 p.m.
Tues.	5th	Ladies Club Hall 7.30 p.m.
Tues.	5th	Journeying On 2 The Crescent 8.00 p.m.
Wed.	6th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.
Sun.	10th	Sunday Youth Group Hall 6.30 - 8.30 p.m.
Mon.	11th	P.C.C. Meeting Hall 8.00 p.m.
Wed.	13th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.
Sat.	16th	Scouts' Antique Fair St. John's Church Hall 10.00-4.00 p.m.
Sat.	16th	Christian Aid for Afghanistan Dore Methodist Church 10.00 a.m.
Mon.	18th	Contemplative Prayer Group 1 Quarry Road 2.15 p.m.
Mon.	18th	Cell Group Leaders Vicarage 8.00 p.m.
Mon.	18th	Last day for items for March magazine
Wed.	20th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.
Sat.	23rd	Quiet Day at All Saints church & hall 10.00 -4.00 p.m.
Sun.	24th	Vision Group meeting Vicarage 6.00 p.m.
Sun.	24th	Handel's St. John Passion St. John's 6.30 p.m.
Sun.	24th	Sunday Youth Group Hall 6.30 - 8.30 p.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	Ladies Club A.G.M. Hall 7.30 p.m.
Wed.	27th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.
Wed.	27th	Fellowship Evening U.R.C. 8.00 p.m.

#### Saying for Stillness

"MY kingdom is not of this world".

(John 18:36)

Final Date: Items for April 2002: 18th March 2002

## ORGANISATIONS AND REGULAR MEETINGS IN CHURCH & HALL

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6.30 – 8.30 p.m. Sunday Youth Group (2nd & 4th)

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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 (4th)

Sheila Eke 236 7457

7.30 p.m. Ladies Club (1st & 3rd)

Ann Ruthven 236 8643

Wed'day: 10.00 a.m. Parent & Toddler Group

Vicki Waite 236 6789

2.00 p.m. Ladies Keep Fit

Val Simpson 236 1483

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,

Most of us enjoy being invited out for a meal. It is frequently an occasion where relationships are strengthened, where conversation can flourish and where the care taken in the preparation is generously given and gratefully received. In some cultures there is huge significance attached to sitting at the same table as others. It can be the essential mark of acceptance and inclusion.

A meal, of course, at the instruction of Jesus, has been the central act of worship for Christians from the very outset. Usually today it is shared in symbolic form at the communion service. In the early days it was often more in the context of a meal proper. In beginning with a meal, the *Alpha* course has in some way tapped into this tradition and significance of sharing food together.

The meal which started it all off for Christians was the Jewish Passover. This is still celebrated by Jewish families all over the world today. It's date is determined by the lunar calendar and the shifting date of Easter happens, because Easter coincides with the Passover. It was to celebrate this festival and eat the Passover meal that Jesus was in Jerusalem on the first

Good Friday. In fact, the city would have been packed with hundreds of thousands of people who had gone to Jerusalem for the Passover.

Passover is a vibrant family occasion for the Jew. It combines having a good feed with remembering the deliverance of the Jews from slavery in Egypt and in particular, the occasion when the first-born of Egyptian families died, but the angel of death "passed over" the houses of the Israelites, when they sprinkled the blood of a lamb on their door-posts. Thereafter, the Jews have held this annual festival to remember their deliverance. "The Last Supper", was Jesus' celebration of the Passover with his disciples, on the day before His arrest. For the last time! That is the day now known as Maundy Thursday. (Maundy from the first word of a Latin service which commemorated Jesus' washing of the disciples' feet at the Last Supper).

This Maundy Thursday we have enjoyed a Passover meal at All Saints. There is a place for all ages. There is plenty of food for all. But it is done in such a way and with certain rituals, that God's goodness in delivering the Jews is vividly recalled. And by following that through, we can see more clearly exactly what Jesus was doing. He celebrated this and pointed out that He was the Lamb of God whose blood can save all who will apply it and used particular moments of drinking and eating, to tell us to continue to do this "in remembrance of Me".

So meals can be of great significance. We remember, we underline, we build, we open ourselves to one another and even to The Lord. Easter happens as it

does, because of a meal. And the meal is there to encourage us to feed on "the living bread", Jesus, daily.

I'd better stop writing. I've just been summoned for lunch!

Sing!

#### PRAYER POLICE

Since round-the –clock prayer started in New York a decade ago, the murder rate has dropped from about 2600 cases a year to just 600, New York detective Donald Sanchez told a Manchester prayer gathering recently.

He told about 400 Christians at Bethsan Tabernacle, Longsight, that the churches involved in prayer were making an impact. 'People would say that the drop in homicides is because we had a mayor who was tough on crime, had a criminal justice background and developed key strategies,' said Mr. Sanchez. 'But God is sovereign God and he places people in office and government. Mayor Giuliani was the kind of mayor we needed both before and after September 11th. I believe God put him in office and he was the right man at the right time.

Mr. Sanchez was among a *Cops for Christ* group of police from New York at the meeting organised by the Manchester Prayer Network in association with the Evangelical Alliance.

Prayer Network spokeswoman Marijke Hoek said, "The New York police officers told me that there had been a dimension of healing for them as they saw for themselves how many people here were willing to get involved through prayer. They were also touched by the love and appreciation expressed to them.'

The Network has drawn up a 10-point plan for churches wanting to support their local police.

#### Services in April

#### 7th Second Sunday of Easter

Theme: Sent with Peace

9.30 a.m. All Age Worship 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

3.30 p.m. Holy Communion at the Cheshire Home

6.30 p.m. Worship, Word and Ministry. A healing service

#### 10th Wednesday Service

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

#### 14th Third Sunday of Easter

Theme: Recognising Jesus

9.30 a.m. Baptism Service followed by a social

for those new to All Saints

11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

3.00 p.m. Informal Service at Green Oak View

6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer

#### 17th Wednesday Service

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

#### 21st Fourth Sunday of Easter

Theme: A Shepherd and a gate.

9.30 a.m. Age All Together 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

3.30 p.m. Informal Service at the Cheshire Home

6.30 p.m. Annual Parish Meeting preceded by Worship

#### 24th Wednesday Service

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

#### 28th Fifth Sunday of Easter

Theme: The way the Truth and the Life.

9.30 a.m. Holy Communion 11.15 a.m. Morning Prayer 6.30 p.m. Holy Communion

# CELLS - THE BUILDING BLOCKS OF LIFE

All life is built on the basis of cells. As the cells work together, so life flourishes and grows. Where cells don't function properly, then the plant or living being will struggle. This is a principle in other areas too, including the church and so increasingly at All Saints, cell-life is of great importance.

- They are there to help us grasp and live out the values we hold
- They are there to help us build healthy, open, loving relationships
- They are there to help us work through how we apply God's word to our lives in real ways
- They are there to help us reach out with good news and in love to those around us

There is a network of cells meeting in homes during the week. If you would like to find out more about a specific one, please contact the leader, as shown.

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#### THE VALUES THAT WE HOLD

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#### Hats and Mittens/Gloves

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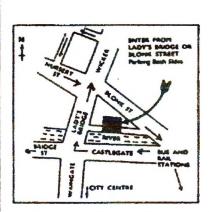
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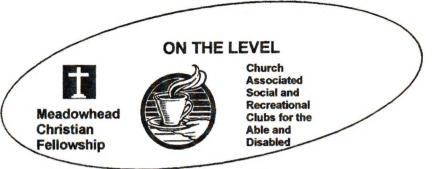
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#### Tales from a Hospital Bedside

Having had the misfortune to spend a length of time in hospital, I thought it might be useful to pass on to the uninitiated, what you really need to take with you for a stay in hospital.

- 1. A sense of humour. Never mind the theory that you can keep your head when all around are losing theirs. What you need to be able to do, is to extract the maximum amount of amusement from the smallest things. For example: One elderly lady was shouting out in her sleep, "Mum, I want you". Another lady, also asleep, shouted, "Alright love, I'm coming". The ability to laugh at yourself doesn't go amiss either. I'm sure my family and friends would have paid good money for a video of me (a previous fit 40 year old), clutching onto a Zimmer frame, stepping my feet up and down with various drips, tubes still attached!
- 2. A look of embarrassment. There's nothing you can do to keep things private. Everyone from doctors and nurses to fellow patients, know what is wrong with you, whether you've told them or not. Curtains may screen your 'bits and pieces' but they are no substitute for walls! The flip side to this is that you get to know what is wrong with everyone else and may well pick up a few tips along the way.
- 3. Sociability. You really need a willingness to make friends, not just with your fellow patients but also with the nursing staff. They can be your greatest ally in promoting your case with the doctors. As for

the other patients, you certainly get to meet a wide selection of people and their relatives. 'People watching' is one sure way to help the time pass. One patient with a larger than average sized family (numbers not wide!) had family members fighting at the bedside. This certainly grabbed our attention. Their wounds were superficial where, sadly, another patient's bruised face was not. Her boy-friend had treated her as a punch-bag. After seeing the state she was in, I felt fortunate.

If you have to stay in hospital, I hope you will remember some of the things I have found useful.

Heather

#### March 21st 2002

In spite of her long stay in hospital and undescribable discomfort, Heather has remained very cheerful. However she had her fourth trip to the operating theatre last night and this will not be the last. She is very poorly and needs a miracle to make her well. Please continue to pray for her. Please pray for the doctors and nurses who are and have been most caring and skilled.

#### Jeanne

Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

(Phil. 4:6)

# Worth Being at The Edge Conference 22nd—24th February

Various Para church organisations including the Church Army, Scripture Union and Youth for Christ, held a youth conference at Swanick in Derbyshire last month.

The weekend was based around the issues and concerns of youth workers working within a range of circumstances. I attended six seminars and these both challenged and inspired me in the youth work here in S17.

Perhaps the three that impressed me most were:

Self esteem Technology in youth work and Future trends in youth work

The seminar showed that self-esteem depends on how one reacts to circumstances and is basically decided by two factors. One, people can blame themselves (internal blame) or two, people can blame the circumstances they were in (external blame). If people generally react internally to a negative situation that attributes low self-esteem, but if they react externally then it attributes high self-esteem. For example, if someone fails their exams, they can either blame themselves, saying they are stupid or not good enough, or they can blame the paper for being too difficult or the teacher for not teaching adequately. Or if people generally react externally to a positive situation then again that attributes low self-esteem, but if they react internally then it attributes high self-esteem. For example, if someone wins remarkably at a game of tennis, thrashing their opponent, they can either look at the win externally and say their opponent was letting them win or it was a win by lucky shots; or they can look internally and say they had a great game and that they are a better player than their opponent.

This principle not only helped me understand my own self-esteem but also to understand young people and how they react to situations when I am working amongst them. I'm obviously not talking about games of tennis but life situation they are in as they struggle to come through them unscarred.

It is interesting to note that research shows that people who are poorer and more needy generally have a high self-esteem whereas those who are more affluent generally have a low self- esteem.

The seminar on technology was really helpful as it looked at great ideas for working with young people today, for example:

- A Christian youth web site for S17 where youth can log in for advice and information
- Prayer requests and advice e-mail service
- A facility to send text messages with words of encouragement to all youth with mobile phones.

These ideas could be introduced for young people if they want the service and are prepared to input into it.

The seminar on future trends was very challenging as it made us think how we, as youth workers, can keep up with the cultures of young people!

We looked at the following basic areas of change: **Communications** - books are on the way out and digital technology will soon be the norm.

**Philosophy** - Post modernism is not an evil but a tide of change. We need to change how we engage with the youth in their changing world.

Global - Young people are increasingly making global decisions rather than local ones. We need to communicate globally not in a white English way.

Spirituality - Young people are in an experiential age. They want to try new things and new experiences. They feel out of touch with their parents' generation and are looking for their own identity. These identities change quickly through the months and years. Youth work, therefore, has to keep moving in order to stay in touch.

Youth work is primarily and most importantly about BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS.

There was much besides what I have reported to you now, but what I have given you here is a great challenge to all of us as we seek to understand and help young people in our churches.

Matt Conant

Youth worker in S17

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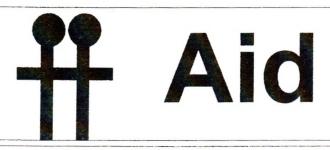
It has been said that the membership of any organisation is made up of 4 bones.

- There are the WISHBONES who spend all their time wishing someone else would do the work
- Along with them are the JAWBONES who do all the talking about the work and very little else
- Another group is the KNUCKLEBONES who knock everything that anybody else tries to do
- But most valuable are the BACKBONES who get under the load and actually do the work

Which set do you belong to?

Taken from the notice sheet of Summer Lane Methodist Church Wombwell - submitted by M. Ratcliffe

# Christian



This is the second 'Thank you' letter we have received this year.

Thank you very much for sending the very generous gift from All Saints' Church towards emergency relief in the Goma region of the Congo. I am delighted to say that, as a result of the generosity of many individuals and churches, the appeal has now raised over £1 million.

Amongst the projects that Christian Aid has been able to fund are emergency supplies to several camps for people made homeless by the volcanic eruption and a large grant for the purchase of 60 temporary classrooms for local schools. One often forgets that it isn't only homes that are lost, it is also all community facilities, of which schools are perhaps the most important. Getting them functioning again is not only important in the long-term for the pupil's education, but also for the children's immediate sense of security. The more life can return to normal, the better it will be for them.

A UNICEF official on the spot says that thanks to an information campaign via local radio, every single child in Goma that was attending school prior to the events of 17 January will know where to go to school on Monday. That includes many children displaced from other areas. Sadly, though, at any one time only about 55% of the children in this area attend school. Crippling poverty caused by on-going fighting in the Congo means that many parents can't afford the necessary fees. This is why Christian Aid will be using some of the appeal funds to support on-going work in this part of the country,

where we have been engaged in peace building and development work for many years. This long relationship also means that we have established local partners on the ground

with whom we can work.

Once again, many thanks for your help.

Yours sincerely

Richard Buckley

Area Co-ordinator, South and East Yorkshire



#### The Ladybower Challenge Walk 2002

Do you enjoy walking in the beautiful Derbyshire countryside? King Ecgbert School Association is organising

# a 26 mile Challenge Walk on Saturday 29th June

It will start and end at our Wessex Building on Totley Brook Road in Dore, going out to Ladybower Reservoir via Burbage Rocks and returning via Hope and Grindleford Café, where the main walk ends and lifts are available back to school. There will also be a short walk of about 14 miles for those who don't wish to do the full walk. The walk is part of the parent-teacher association fundraising effort and for the entry fee we provide:

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Under 16's will have to walk with a responsible adult and under 18's need written parental consent.

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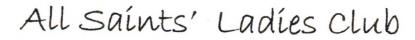
Just a short note this month.

Thank you to all the magazine deliverers for collecting the money so promptly.

Also thank you to the 'faithful few' who came to help Spring Clean the Church.

As many of us have less energy as we get older we would welcome more of our young people to help on future cleaning days.

Jeanne



April2002

There is no meeting on Easter Tuesday 2nd April.

16th A year in the life of a Lady Mayoress Mrs. Heslop



Meetings begin at 7.30 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of the month in the Church Hall. You are very welcome to join us!

Looking ahead! There will be a plant auction on May 21st.

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.





## Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Tony Blair was asked which German, living or dead, he admired the most. His reply was, "Dietrich Bonhoeffer".

On 9th April, (the day he is remembered in the Anglican calendar) 1945, aged 39, this German theologian and pastor was ordered to strip and was then hanged at Flossenburg prison camp. Bonhoeffer had been a

German who had resolutely followed His Lord and as a consequence, had firmly and clearly resisted Hitler and the evil he unleashed upon Germany and the world. He paid for his stand with his life - but did he? As he was taken from the company of other prisoners to be hanged at Flossenburg, he said, "This is the end - for me the beginning of life".

He was born, along with his twin sister, Sabine, at Breslau on 4th February 1906. His father was a professor of psychiatry and his mother (the daughter of a theologian) a teacher. He was an able boy at school and showed promise in music. The family were not church-goers but he learnt of the Christian faith from his mother and his nannies. He was drawn to theology and in 1923 went to Tubingen University to pursue his studies. From there he moved to university at Berlin, to take a doctorate and then in 1930 won a scholarship to study at Union Seminary in New York. Whilst there he accompanied friends to churches in Harlem and was much influenced by these visits. Throughout his life he enjoyed a wide experience of various churches which helped mould his views on the urgency for them to learn to work together. As the 1930's unfolded and the Nazis gained political power in Germany, so Bonheoffer's experience and influence widened and his determination to oppose Nazism deepened. From 1931 to 1933, he combined pastoral work with university teaching in Berlin. His opposition to Nazism was made very obvious in 1933 when he was to broadcast a speech entitled, "The Fuhrer

Concept". Moments into his delivery, the microphone was

turned off, but he had nailed his colours to the mast.

He was dismayed at the way in which many church leaders succumbed to Nazi influence and ideas (even including the dismissal of the Old Testament, because it revolves around the Jewish people). Thus he accepted the pastorate of the German church in Sydenham South London, in 1933. He continued to speak out against Nazism and do all he could practically to help Jews and other German refugees arriving in England. Other German Christians, or course, were utterly opposed to Nazism. This led to the establishment of the Confessing Church at the end of 1933, under the leadership of Martin Niemoller. In 1935. Dietrich was invited to return to Germany to direct a newly formed Confessing Church seminary. This he did and spent his time seeking to acquire equipment, as well as lecturing to the 23 students. From this time came his most well-known book, still reprinted and translated into a number of languages, The Cost of Discipleship. It is largely a powerful commentary on the Sermon on the Mount. At the very outset he distinguishes between cheap grace, which he describes as, "grace without discipleship, grace without the cross, grace without Jesus Christ", and costly grace. This latter is "the kingly rule of Christ, for whose sake a man will pluck out the eye that causes him to stumble". This grace "costs a man his life and is grace because it gives a man the only true life". He was to demonstrate those convictions to the end.

Eventually the Gestapo found the seminary. Students were given the choice of enlisting or prison. Many enlisted, many to die in the ensuing war. For Bonhoeffer, the future was quite different. Via his brother-in-law Dohanyi's influence, he became an agent of the Abwehr, the German military intelligence body. In his role, he travelled outside Germany with the real purpose of renewing old contacts and seeking their help for the German resistance movement. He combined this with continuing work to support pastors in the Confessing Church. This life of continuing pastoral work and opposition to National Socialism continued until the outbreak of was in 1939. He was in the USA when that happened, on a lecture tour, and could have remained there. However, he felt he needed to return to

Germany and not avoid the huge dilemmas that were clearly going to face German Christians even more sharply. He was eventually arrested in 1943 for aiding the flight of some Jews to Switzerland.

During his time in prison he was in fact treated quite well, having gained the trust and affection of guards as well as prisoners. He

never married but was engaged to Maria von Wedermeyer. His prison correspondence with her has been preserved and published as Love Letter from Cell 92.

His closest friend in this country was the Bishop of Chichester, George Bell. They shared a deep concern for the development of the Ecumenical Movement

Karl and Paula, Bonhoeffer's parents, only learnt of their son's death on 27th July, when a memorial service, led by Bishop Bell, was broadcast for him by the BBC.



In his foreword to my copy of "The Cost of Discipleship", Bishop Bell has written, "When Christ calls a man', says Dietrich Bonhoeffer, 'He bids him come and die'. There are different kinds of dying, it is true; but the essence of discipleship is contained in those words. The book will show by what fire this young ... man was possessed. It will also show the cost of which discipleship, in all nations, is to be won".

#### David Rhodes

And now for something entirely different!
A nervous head boy reading the Lesson in School Assembly:
"Here beginneth the first Actor of the Chaps".

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#### LAY PARISH EVANGELIST (part 2)

No prize for guessing who the interviewee was in part 1! In the first part, his early life, his employment and his move to Sheffield was followed by his three years' Evangelic training at Cliff College.

After gaining his degree he sought God's guidance as to what the next



step should be. It was clear that with Becky and David settled at King Ecgbert school and Debbie working full time as an Employment Adviser at Bailey Court Jobcentre, the family should remain here in Sheffield. A number of options became available including a youth ministry role in Chesterfield. After a lot of prayer and consideration, Ric recognised that his whole life is his ministry and that God is able to use him wherever he is and whatever he is doing. He realised, "The Lord's work is 24/7 and not just confined to paid church work". His 'day job' is with the Employment Service (soon to be known as Jobcentre Plus) at Rockingham Court in Sheffield city centre. He very much enjoys his role as an Adviser and to date has been able to help place 93 people into work since April. He recently took up temporary responsibility for the call centre operation that takes calls from job seekers from all over the country. He says, "I have the privilege of being able to be alongside and practically minister with a number of colleagues and clients alike. My practical, intellectual

and spiritual experience of life, particularly whilst training, have prepared me to *live faith* and *be church* rather than live life in separate compartments, work, family, interests, church etc."

Ric's role as Lay Parish Evangelist in Totley was officially recognised in October when the Bishop licensed him at a most inspiring occasion at Sheffield Cathedral. The ministry is non-stipendiary and at present mainly taken up with the co-ordination of Alpha. He says, "God is engaging with many people through Alpha and it is a privilege to be called to be part of this ministry". The sixth course run by our church will be into its seventh week at publication and is the first event held in a home. "It has been very successful," says Ric, "The comfortable environment provides a more intimate and informal atmosphere and this has enabled people to relax and discuss quite deep stuff, very quickly". Ric's role also involves membership of the church council and a 'Vision Group' which seeks God's guidance for the church. He has also facilitated the undertaking of a 'Listening Exercise' which was a kind of community audit and acts as an 'Evangelism Enabler', encouraging members of the fellowship to actively share their faith. Editor.

#### Not Alpha I hope!

Thursday night - Potluck Supper.

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Mr Hodges, a former elder and treasurer of Reynards Way Baptist Church, Northampton, died in his sleep.

Two days previously he and his wife Olive, also 102, had been announced Britain's longest married couple at the launch of National Marriage Week.

Their marriage was the longest found in a nation-wide search by the organisers of the Week.

The couple, both from Northampton, courted for six years while they saved for a house before they married in April, 1925. They became Christians 17 years later and Mrs. Hodges said: 'Love is the main thing. When the Lord came into our lives, it made all the difference."

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As I stand and look around Wondering at this love I've found Can I help but come to You And Father give You love that's due.







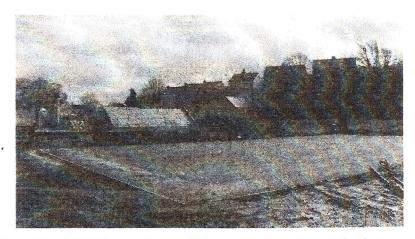




## TOTLEY ALL SUNTS' SCHOOL

#### The Friends of Totley All Saints' School

held their Annual General Meeting on March 15th. They reviewed the fund-raising activities and those 'just for fun'. Money raised at the Autumn Fair will go towards the all weather pitch now being prepared.



The next fund raising will be used to furnish the new computer suite, the plans for which were passed this week.

The Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Bonnet & Egg Competition were arranged for March 22nd.

A Summer Ball is planned to raise funds and provide a good night out.

Many new parents/friends came to the meeting. A new committee was formed.

The team of 'church people' were thanked for their help with the refreshments on Sports Day and the Autumn Fair

#### News from the school

The school sent shoe boxes to Romania. The organiser, Wendy Holmes, went out there to distribute them. She has asked people to knit mittens, gloves and hats ready for next Christmas as they are always short of warm items for the children.

Children from the reception class have visited a garden centre. They drew pictures when they came back to school.

Year one children have visited the Abbeydale Industrial Hamlet to see how people lived in the past. They washed clothes in a wash tub using a dolly.

Year four children went on a residential visit to Castleton. Some of them seemed to take an awful lot of luggage for a couple of nights!

Year five children have been to Blacka Moor Nature Reserve to look for 'beasties' and learn about conservation. They have also been on a residential visit, staying at Hartington Youth Hostel.

Robin Carter is due to talk to the Junior about birds in Totley.

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30th June 29th September 29th December

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

If you would like a favourite hymn to be played at the memorial service, please indicate below.

Memorial Service 30th June 2002			
Name to be remembered			
Name(s) and address of principle family members attending the service			
Favourite hymn			
Please return completed forms to David Rhodes at the Vicarage.			

#### From the



BAPTISM:

None in March

The Baptism follow-up team will visit the following families in March as they celebrate the anniversary of the

Baptism of their children:

11th April Harry Michael Elliott

Alexander George Martyn Harrison

Katharine Louise Harvey
Oliver Thomas Richardson

WEDDINGS: None in March

FUNERALS: None in March

The next Memorial Service will be held on 30th June 2002.

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April 2002 Diary Dates

1st Contemplative Prayer Group 12 Marstone Crescent 2.15pm. Mon. 1st Standing Committee Vicarage 8.00 p.m. Mon. Tues. 2nd Journeying On 2 The Crescent 8.00 p.m. Wed. 3rd Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m. Wed. 10th Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m. Sun. 14th Sunday Youth Group Hall 6.30 - 8.30 p.m. Mon. 15th Contemplative Prayer Group 12 Marstone Crescent 2.15 pm. Mon. 15th Totley Residents Assoc. A.G.M. Totley Library 7.30 p.m. Mon. 15th Cell Group Leaders Vicarage 8.00 p.m. Tues. 16th Ladies Club Hall 7.30 p.m. Wed. 17th Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m. Sun. 21st Annual Parish Meeting Church 6.30 p.m. Mon. 22nd Last day for items for magazine Tues. 23rd Martha and Mary Group Hall Lounge 10.30 a.m. Wed. 24th Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m. Sun. 28th Sunday Youth Group Hall 6.30 - 8.30 p.m. Mon. 29th Collation of Magazine Hall from 9.30 a.m. Mon. 29th Contemplative Prayer Group 12 Marstone Crescent 2.15 pm Tues. 30th Traidcraft and Fairtrade St. John's 7.30 p.m.

June

Sat. 29th Ladybower Challenge Walk 2002

#### Saying for Stillness

"You shall do no work ... without ME you can do nothing". (Leviticus 23:28 & John 15:5)

Final Date: Items for May 2002: 22nd April 2002

#### ORGANISATIONS AND REGULAR MEETINGS IN **CHURCH & HALL**

9.30 a.m. The Alive Gang Sunday:

Sally Rhodes 236 2322

6.30 – 8.30 p.m. Sunday Youth Group (2nd & 4th)

Gay Riley 236 6884

10.00 a.m. Drop in Coffee Monday:

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

10.30 a.m. Martha & Mary Group (4th) Tuesday:

> 236 7457 Sheila Eke

7.30 p.m. Ladies Club (1st & 3rd)

Ann Ruthven 236 8643

Wed'day: 10.00 a.m. Parent & Toddler Group

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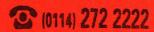
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Dear Friends,

Recent days have helped one believe in summer again. The sun has shone. Summer things are now on the horizon, including a world cup for soccer, and a jubilee for the queen and nation. Jubilees, by definition, do not come round very often. In fact they are once in a lifetime for most of us.

The concept of jubilee is to be found in the Bible in a very interesting way. Amongst the various things God asked of His people in the Old Testament, was the celebration of a jubilee once every fifty years. Like the days of the week, many Old Testament cycles of time are arranged in sevens. This applied to the use of land, allowing it a sabbath rest every seven years, and so on. After seven cycles of seven - i.e. in the fiftieth year - there was to be a year of Jubilee.

What was it? It was to be a kind of fresh start for every-body, a return to square one for the nation. It meant an opportunity to put past mistakes and injustices behind you, and the opportunity to start again. Land that had been sold over the years was to be returned to its original owners. Slaves were to be freed. Debts were to be annulled. In other words, many of the practicalities of life that had become a source of injustice, grievance

or burden were to be dealt with in a real and practical way. It was a time when past sins and grievances could be put behind one.

What a fabulous concept. What a lovely thing that God gave the people to allow them to put things back on an even keel.

This June at All Saints we will have a party to celebrate our queen's jubilee. Sustaining anything for fifty years is a considerable achievement! We will also follow through God's jubilee provision for his people, and have a spiritual jubilee, where we will have the opportunity to put behind us anything that has become part of our lives over the years, that really is unhelpful, or even sinful. We will have the opportunity of saying, "Lord here is a day for fresh start. A unique day. I welcome that, and wish to take this opportunity"

We will be doing this on Sunday 9th June, and thinking about it, along with the challenge of our gift day, in the weeks before that. This summer could be a very memorable time for us all!

With all best wishes

#### Mistakes in a church magazine!

The outreach committee has enlisted 25 visitors to make calls on people who are not afflicted with any church.

#### Services in May

#### 5th Sixth Sunday of Easter

Theme: A God of Generosity-Gift Day and Jubilee

9.30 a.m. All Age Worship

11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

3.30 p.m. Holy Communion at the Cheshire Home

6.30 p.m. Worship, Word and Ministry.

#### 8th Wednesday Service

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

#### 12th Seventh Sunday of Easter

Theme: Jubilee Part 1

9.30 a.m. Baptism Service

11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

3.00 p.m. Informal Service at Green Oak View

6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer

#### 15th Wednesday Service

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

#### 19th Day of Pentecost

Theme: The spirit who equips - the concluding events of the "Gifts for All" teaching weekend.

10.00 a.m. Holy Communion

3.30 p.m. Informal Service at the Cheshire Home

6.30 p.m. Worship, Word and Ministry.

#### 22nd Wednesday Service

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

#### 26th Trinity Sunday

Theme: Jubilee Part 2 - Gift Day for the Church Hall Roof and Kenya Education.

9.30 a.m. Family Communion 11.15 a.m. Morning Prayer

7.00 p.m. Joint Prayer Service for S17 at Totley Rise

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Note: No Evening Service at All Saints on May 26th

#### 29th Wednesday Service

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

#### THE CHURCH HALL

It was built in the 1960's (Extended seven or eight years ago) for around £10,000. Since then there has been a lot of inflation, and a lot of weather, so that now the roof needs to be replaced. It will cost between £6,000 and £10,000 (Final price to be determined). That is something of a challenge in anybody's book. However, we do believe in the goodness and provision of God, often of course, by His people. Somebody once wrote "God's work done in God's way will never lack God's supplies."

So what are we going to do?

#### 26th May is to be a gift day.

It's purpose will be to raise the funds for the roof. We will also give 10% of the money to support the education of teenagers, whose families have little or nothing, in the area of Kenya (near Narok) David visited in January of this year.

The day is an opportunity to exercise faith, respond to God's prompting, to be generous and to join with others in seeing how God will provide for a very specific need. Groups who use the hall regularly have expressed a wish to contribute and that is of course welcomed. However, 26th May will be 'The Big Day'. There will be the opportunity to give a lump sum on the day (gift aided if appropriate) or make a promise over the next 12 months. There is the incentive to pray beforehand and then watch and see what the Lord will do! The Lord has given much to us. Here is a day to express gratitude in giving back to Him. David Rhodes

# CELLS - THE BUILDING BLOCKS OF LIFE

All life is built on the basis of cells. As the cells work together, so life flourishes and grows. Where cells don't function properly, then the plant or living being will struggle. This is a principle in other areas too, including the church and so increasingly at All Saints, cell-life is of great importance.

- They are there to help us grasp and live out the values we hold
- They are there to help us build healthy, open, loving relationships
- They are there to help us work through how we apply God's word to our lives in real ways
- They are there to help us reach out with good news and in love to those around us

There is a network of cells meeting in homes during the week. If you would like to find out more about a specific one, please contact the leader, as shown.

#### **Tuesday Evening**

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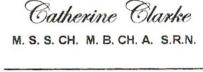
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#### Hats and Mittens/Gloves

The Wednesday Care and Share Group are collecting warm hats and mittens to be put in Christmas boxes for Operation Christmas Child. If you have spare moments between now and late Autumn why not use up your oddments of wool to knit these for children from 2 years up to teens? You can give the finished articles to Pauline Perkinton. Any knitting patterns can be used but I do have a photo copy of a pattern if needed. Happy knitting!

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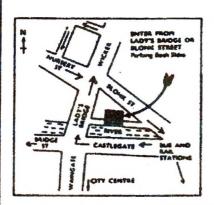
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Thank you once again.

Vivien



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#### **JOHN WESLEY**

The 24th May is the day set in the Anglican calendar to remember the brothers John and Charles Wesley. To do these two giants of the faith justice in a short article like this is impossible, so I will try and give a flavour of John, and perhaps come back to Charles on another occasion. In considering John Wesley we are looking at perhaps the best Englishman in terms of his impact of the gospel that there has been. In fact, some attributed the fact that we did not endure a revolution at the end of the eighteenth, or beginning of the nineteenth centuries, when so many of our European neighbours did, to the impact of Wesley and his followers.

He was born at Epworth, Lincolnshire, to the rector, Samuel, and his wife Susanna. He was the fifteenth of nineteen children. That is remarkable under any circumstances, but more remarkable is the profound impact that his mother had on him. Samuel was a high church man, but it was his mother's homely faith that left a permanent mark on John.

When he went to Oxford as a student, he was already a very devout and serious-minded young man. He gathered a group of like-minded students around him, who voluntary lived by a strict rule of life. Because of this, others dubbed them "Methodists" in a rather derisory fashion.

In 1735 he, and brother Charles, set out for Georgia, under the auspices of the "Society for the Propagation of the Gospel" on a missionary endeavour. This proved to be a largely miserable, but formative time for him. He was not popular with the colonists. He fell in love, but was unable to reconcile the competing demands of evangelism and matrimony. So in 1737, the dispirited Wesleys returned home.

Sea travel in the eighteenth century was a hazardous affair. Neither journey was trouble-free. On the outward passage, they were struck by a particularly violent storm. All the English passengers panicked. However, an accompanying group of Moravian Christians retained a quiet composure, which they then retained in the face of some merciless abuse afterwards. The

impact of the Moravians was to be profound on Wesley. On arriving back at home, discouraged and to some extent disillusioned, John sought out the Moravian Christians. They emphasised a religion of the heart, and the warmth of experience and personal encounter with God. This was welcome news in an era when the Anglican church was largely cold, formal and lifeless. In particular it was the preserve of the privileged classes, and cut no ice at all with the ordinary man and woman.

Wesley visited Herrnhut in Germany, the home of the founder of the Moravians, Count von Zinzendorf, and then on his return to London on 24th May 1738, had what was to be a life-changing experience. At a Moravian meeting, when Luther's preface to the Book of Romans was being read, John's heart was "strangely warmed". Thereafter, he decided to "promote,



as far as I am able vital practical religion, and by the grace of God to beget, preserve, and increase the life of God in the souls of men. " The rest of his life was spent in pursuing this object in this country, and the newly independent United States of America. From then,

until his death in 1791, he was tireless. He rose every day at 4.00 a.m., and preached regularly at 5.00 a.m. At 85, he recorded in his journal, that he still felt almost as vigorous as ever. It is estimated that he travelled 4,500 miles annually, largely on horse-back, every year for fifty years. It is estimated, that in the last fifty two years of his life, he preached 40,000 sermons. Many were prepared on horse-back, where also much of his prolific reading was undertaken. The best of his sermons remain in print today, and a goodly selection can be found on the Internet.

His preaching was thorough, practical and challenging. He fell out with the Anglican authorities, when at times he was debarred from pulpits, and so he (reluctantly at first) took to preaching in the open air. Like his brother Charles, and contemporary George Whitfield, he drew large crowds when he did so. (A plaque in Paradise Square declares that he preached there to the biggest weekday crowd that he ever saw.) Criticised for crossing parish boundaries, he famously declared that "The world is my parish."

Frequently he was met with abuse and opposition of a violent nature. (This for instance happened at Thorpe Hesley, on the outskirts of Rotherham). At times this was fomented by his wife, Maria. His was not a happy marriage!

However, the impact of all this was the drawing of large numbers of ordinary people to real faith in Christ, with attendant changes in attitude and behaviour. In some Cornish villages, the pubs went out of business, because so few people were going, having turned their back on drink upon conversion. Drunkenness was a particular evil of the day, and Wesley was outspoken about it. To the present day, there has been a strong strand of teetotalism in the Methodist Church, and non-alcoholic wine is used at communion.

Perhaps Wesley's real genius lay in the way he organised new believers. He instituted a class system, whereby believers met on a weekly basis, to encourage and challenge each other about the conduct of their lives, and study the Scriptures together. All this is very similar in aim and philosophy to the cell church movement affecting many strands of the church today, and which we are seeking to build on at All Saints.

He was a man of iron self-discipline, and often little patience with those he saw as half-hearted Christians. But he was also very generous, and throughout his life lived as frugally as possible, in order to be as generous a possible. He was essentially practical, both in the behaviour he encouraged and in caring for people's needs (So he was responsible for starting a scheme of life assurance.) Throughout his life he remained within the Anglican Church. However this was not an easy relationship. His decision to ordain his own preachers was highly controversial, and many of the new converts did not easily relate to the "establishment" nature of the church. The various strands of Methodism (not united until the 1930's) split away very soon after his death.

The nineteenth century addition to Fox's Book of Martyrs sums him up thus, "To him was granted to arouse the English Church when it had lost sight of Christ the Redeemer to a renewed Christian life. By preaching the justifying and renewing of the soul through belief upon Christ, he lifted many thousands of the humbler classes of the English people from their exceeding ignorance and evil habits and made them earnest and faithful Christians".

His impact cannot be overstated. It is there to be seen in every Methodist Church and as you drive past Cliff College at Calver. In a godless age he called people to know Christ for themselves, and allow Him to form their characters and habits. He put very practical structures in place to help this to happen. Are our needs so different today?

David Rhodes

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#### P.C.C. News

The accounts for the previous year were approved. David thanked Alan Burt for all his work.

Others matters for discussion included: whether to purchase a replacement photocopier; the whereabouts of the Dyson cleaner (since found!); plans for the Gift Day to be held in May; plans for acts of witness on Good Friday and Holy Saturday and a document from Churches Together in S17.

The Strategy for Youth Work in S17, as agreed by the Youth management group at its last meeting, was presented. It has also been sent to all the partner churches for their consideration. The members of the P.C.C. were extremely encouraged by the paper and wish to endorse whole-heartedly the work that Matt Conant is doing.

Jane Lawry
Secretary to the P.C.C.

# Christian Aid Week 12th to 18th May

We believe in life before death

# contact Dorothy Firth - telephone 236 4 190.

Volunteers wanted to deliver and collect envelopes during this week - please

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Ama Kale and her husband Samuel have seven children. They used to farm land which they rented until one day, the owner sold the land to a company. The director of this company destroyed their crops.

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Ama had to sit by the roadside and beg to feed their children. Samuel went to Accra, two hours' drive away, to find work. Fortunately, Christian Action's partner, the Development Action Association (DAA) was working in their village. For Ama, DAA

provided training and a small loan. She used it to buy maize flour to make 'kenkey', a fermented Dough which is eaten with fish or sauce. She sells her produce in the village and makes a small profit of around 60 pence per day. Samuel is back in the village and works as the local handyman. He and his sister have bought machines to grind cassava and maize which they rent out to villagers.



#### Whose rules ... whose lives ?

Jennilyn Obregon (8) and her brother Jaymark (12) live on the island of Mindoro in the Philippines. Their father Eugenio is a fisherman with just one small boat. But the sea near their village is overfished and bigger boats often come closer than they should, taking much of the catch.

A multinational company laid gas pipelines off the coast of Mindoro, the fish disappeared for weeks, frightened off by the noise and light. Mining companies dump their waste in the sea with devastating results for marine life and the environment. There are currently no binding international regulations to control the behaviour of transnational corporations when they invest in countries like the Philippines. Often local communities suffer the damaging effects rather than the benefits. Christian Aid's partner, MAHAL, is helping people to take action against companies like this which act unfairly in pursuit of profit.

#### A Prayer for Christian Aid Week

We dare to pray:

Lord, let the world be changed. For we long to see the end of poverty; good news is needed.

We dare to pray;

Lord, let the rules be changed.

For we long to see trade bring justice We make this promise to work To the poor;

We dare to pray:

Lord let our lives be changed. for we long to bring hope where In the strength of Your Spirit

and inspired by Your compassion, for change,

and wait confidently for the day when You make all things new.

#### The Ladybower Challenge Walk 2002

Do you enjoy walking in the beautiful Derbyshire countryside? King Ecgbert School Association is organising

# a 26 mile Challenge Walk on Saturday 29th June

It will start and end at our Wessex Building on Totley Brook Road in Dore, going out to Ladybower Reservoir via Burbage Rocks and returning via Hope and Grindleford Café, where the main walk ends and lifts are available back to school. There will also be a short walk of about 14 miles for those who don't wish to do the full walk. The walk is part of the

parent-teacher association fundraising effort and for the entry fee we provide:

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- First Aid personnel in attendance

For both walks, it is up to you to decide on your route, but you have to check in at the checkpoints. The cost of the walk is £7.00 (£4.00 for under 18's) or £8.00 on the day.

Badges and T-shirts will be available at extra cost, please see the application form.

Under 16's will have to walk with a responsible adult and under 18's need written parental consent.

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## All Saints' Ladies Club

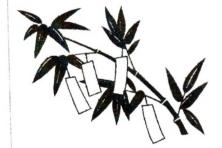
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#### Youth work news for \$17 Churches

The Labyrinth

Some young people from St. John's and All Saints came along to St. Marie's Cathedral to experience the labyrinth together. We didn't really know what to expect from it, but at the end of it we all said we enjoyed and benefited from it.

We were led round a labyrinth course by a CD recording and invited to stop at different stations. At each one, we took part in a different activity. The one that sticks in my mind is when we were asked to write down or draw on paper some 'hurts' we had that stuck in our minds that affected how we felt about ourselves. We then were told to rip up the papers and throw them away. With the benefit of meditational music, we heard how this symbolised God removing these 'hurts' from our lives and cleansing us. This activity and the other were a great way of experiencing God in a different way to the normal Sunday morning worship and we all came out of the labyrinth feeling refreshed.

#### The Oakes

At the time of writing we are looking forward to going with about 15 young people from the Bridge and All Saints, to the Oakes centre in Norton. We are guaranteed a good time together as the youth are led on an assault course, games of football, volleyball, wide games, snooker and lots more. They will also be challenged throughout the weekend on the essentials of the Christian faith. I am sure we will all enjoy the

time away together and I will report back on these experiences next month.

Pupils preparing for King Ecgberts

The year 6 pupils who go to the feeder schools for King Ecgberts which are basically All Saints, Totley Primary and Dore Primary schools are all about to undertake S.A.T.S. and are studying hard. Afterwards they can look forward to a visit from me! I am going to introduce myself and talk a little to them about the transition from junior school to secondary school. This should be beneficial to me and the students there, so that when they go to the open day in June and when they go to King Ecgberts in September, they know someone who hopefully will be there with them as they progress through school.

Hi Ho Hi Ho it's off to work we go!

If all goes well, I am hoping that a good number of youth will take part in a day in the middle of May to do some work in Greenoak Park in Totley. If the Park Ranger is available and the young people are motivated for it, we hope to paint over the mess and wear of the pavilion and to clear weeds and overgrown shrubs to pave way for the stream to run freely.

This project would both benefit the local community by them seeing young people improving the local area, not destroying it, and also teach the young people about serving God through social action.

Matt Conant

#### All Saints' Quiet Day

Around thirty of us, men and women from a number of churches, gathered at All Saints for our annual quiet day, led by Margaret Silf.

Inside the church the chairs had been arranged in a semi-circle with an open area in the middle where Margaret had arranged her own 'living pathway'; a collection of items which were reminders for her of important milestones in her life. We were encouraged to add to these ourselves during the day.

The idea of a quiet day was new to me and I was looking forward to a time of peace and calm reflection, with none of the distractions which normally interrupt me during a day at home.

I was not disappointed - even lunch was conducted in silence - never awkward or tiresome but mutually accepted in trust by everyone.

The quietness slowed down my thoughts and actions enabling me to enjoy the music and prayers which Margaret had brought to illustrate her theme. She provided leaflets to take away and refer to in the future. I even walked home slowly, relaxed and glad that I'd made the effort to go.

I'll certainly try another quiet day next year!

Catherine Wrigglesworth

Teacher: When I was your age I could answer any

question in arithmetic.

William: Yes, but you had a different teacher.

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Dogs that chase and lie on mats
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Flapping hens lay eggs in hay Glorious trees that bend and sway Sunshine bright and starlit night Birds in heather started to flight.

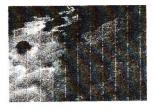
Majestic beasts that hide in shade Both big and small that You have made

Butterflies of rainbow hue Early morning laced with dew.

Large giraffe with neck so tall
Mice and beetles made so small
Quacking ducks that make me smile
Sunrise, sunsets halt me a while.

Volcanoes that with lava spew
Creating land that is brand new
Dolphins that always make me wish
I could easily view the kingdom of fish.

All this creation that's so grand Comes by our Lord God's mighty hand I'm speechless how this all can be Especially remembering—He made me.









#### **TODDLER PRAISE**



The first Toddler Praise took place on April 18th. It was a truly lovely occasion with mums and carers all coming together with their young ones.

Toddler Praise includes: many children's songs; a story (this time it was 'The Lost Sheep'); prayers and a craft activity related to the story.

At the end there was a chance for mums and carers to have a chat over a cup of coffee whilst the children had a drink of juice.

The next Toddler Praise will be on Thursday 16th May at 10.00 a.m. in the Church Hall. Please feel free to come along and join in the fun!

JoSmith Tel. 262 0741

Can you help?

Rachel Richardson is a history student at Sheffield Hallam University currently undertaking research regarding Suburban Development of Totley and Bradway areas during the 1930's.

This includes housing developments and so she would like to interview parishioners living in 1930's houses particularly if they have retained any original features or if they have an interest in their local

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#### From the Editor



My sincere thanks to you all for your prayers for Heather, my daughter. From literally 'death's door', she is now on a ward and beginning to think positively about coming home - even

though this might well be several months ahead. I feel the power of everyone's prayer has helped not only her but all the family to keep going.

Please continue to pray for her. She still needs a miracle to heal her abdomen.

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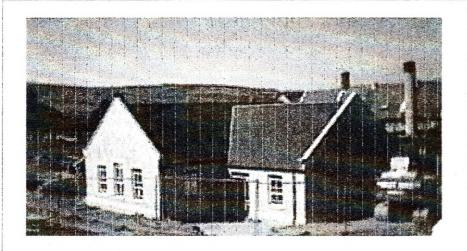
had been rather optimistic about the available space and so a lot of the remaining books had to be stored in the attic. Among those that escaped the purge, were a number about St. Luke's Gospel, treasured and frequently consulted.

To my surprise I have now found another book about St. Luke's Gospel that equally deserves precious shelf-space among them. It is "Luke for Everyone" by Tom Wright, published by SPCK. It does not quite fit into any one category. It is not just a translation of the text, nor just a commentary on the text, nor just an account of the historical background, nor just a devotional exposition of the way Luke presents Christ to us, nor just material for study and discussion. It contains all of these.

Both in his translation and in the rest of the book, Tom Wright tries to use only words that everyone can understand and he does it with great success. This does not mean that he is "dumbing down" the Gospel. Far from it. The book is the work of a distinguished theologian, who uses all his knowledge and skill and experience to convey his deeply felt Christian belief, but in a way that is clear and straightforward. I have found it helpful and inspiring and it has given me fresh understanding even of some of the most familiar passages in the Gospel. The book is the first of a series that will eventually cover all the books of the New Testament. I am sometimes a little dubious about large-scale enterprises from one man's viewpoint, but not in this case. Judging by "Luke for Everyone", many of us are going to owe a great debt of gratitude to Tom Wright.

Martin Loft

#### TOTLEY ALL SAINTS' SCHOOL



The new classrooms are nearly ready for occupation. The infant classes will be moving in around the Spring Holiday. This will allow the Horsa building to be demolished. Before the builders leave the site, they will re-surface the yard nearest to the infant classrooms and later on they will be decorated with floor games. In the meantime, the yard at the front of school will have a large chessboard painted on the floor together with other games on both the walls and floor. The All Weather pitch is now in full use. It is really good to have a flat surface to play games on. The ICT room is the next building project. The Friends of Totley All Saints' School are already planning to raise money to furnish the room with computers with a Summer Ball and the Autumn Fair.



#### JULIAN of NORWICH

Julian was a woman who lived in
Norwich and in 1373, on the 13th

May, she had a series of visions of

Jesus that were so important to her

that she spent the next 20 years

• learning to read and write so that

she could share these visions with

others. Imagine the hard work and

• trouble that must have caused

because it was very rare for anywoman to read and write at that

time, let alone an unimportant

countrywoman. Julian lived most

of her life in a small room that

joined onto one

wall of St Julian's

Church in

Norwich. And you

can actually visit

the room (it was

bombed during the second world

war but rebuilt).

Dame Julian wrote about the love of God and you can still read her

book 'The Revelations of Divine

Love' today. The book ends with

the words "before God

made us, he loved us". Before we were born, God chose us for the work we are to do. And as we know, God doesn't make mistakes. He chose you and me and he loves us. What a wonderful promise!

#### NOR-PUZZLE

All the answers start with the letters NOR. What NOR is....

- 1. The language of the Vikings.
- 2. A compass point.
- 3. Two English counties.
- 4. A country.
- 5. A man's name and a style of church building.
- 6. The town where Julian lived.
- 7. It's not unusual.

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What nut is like a sneeze?

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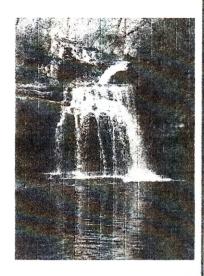
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"Is your father in ?"

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"Can you get him for me?"

"No!"

"Why not?"

"Because he's busy", the child whispered

"Are any other grown-ups there?"

"Yes. My auntie"

"Can you fetch her, please?"

"No".

"Why not?"

"She's busy", whispered the child.

"Well, is there another grown-up in the house?"

"Yes", still in a whisper.

"Who is that ?"

"It's a policeman".

"Can you call the policeman?"

"No!"

"Why not?"

"He's busy," still speaking in a whisper.

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30th June 29th September 29th December

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

If you would like a favourite hymn to be played at the memorial service, please indicate below.

Memorial Service 30th June 2002	
Name to be remembered	
Name(s) and address of principle family members attending the	service
Favourite hymn	
Please return completed forms to David Rhodes at the Vica	arage.

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BAPTISM:

None in April

The Baptism follow-up team will visit the following families in March as they celebrate the anniversary of the

Baptism of their children:

7th Claire Emma Munday 9th Alex Simon Cooper 13th Sarah Lucy Shaw

Harry Austin Lashmar Mark William Hibbard

Christian Alexander Hibbard

Emilie Sophia Hibbard

WEDDINGS:

None in April

**FUNERALS:** 

None in April

The next Memorial Service will be held on 30th June 2002.

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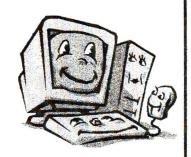
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The 'Alive Gang' and 'Under Three's' remain in the 9.30 a.m. service for the first part and then go to age appropriate activities in the Church Hall except for the Family Services when we all stay in the Church.

May	Altar	Memory Table	
5th	Care & Share	Mrs. Jones	
12th	Mrs. Loft	Care & Share	
19th	Mr. Lowe	Mrs. Bryer	
26th	Miss Perfect	Mrs. Ruthven	
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#### **April 2002 Diary Dates**

Wed. 1st Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.	
Sat. 4th Prayer for Cell Group Leaders 8.00 a.m.	
Tues. 7th Ladies Club Hall 7.30 p.m.	
Tues. 7th Journeying On 12 Marstone Crescent 8.0	00 p.m.
Wed. 8th Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.	
Sun. 12th Vision Group Vicarage 6.00 p.m.	
Sun. 12th Sunday Youth Group Hall 6.30 - 8.30 p.r	m.
Mon. 13th Contemplative Prayer Group 50 Rowan Tree Dell 2.	15 pm.
Mon. 13th Standing Committee Vicarage 8.00 p.m.	
Wed. 15th Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.	
Thurs. 16th Toddler Praise Hall 10.00 a.m.	
Sun. 19th Training for Asst. Cell Leaders Vicarage 6.30	p.m.
Mon. 20th Cell Group Leaders with their Co-ordinator 8.0	00 p.m.
Mon. 20th P.C.C. meeting Hall Lounge 8.00 p.m.	
Mon. 20th Last day for items for magazine	
Tues. 21st Ladies Club Hall 7.30 p.m.	
Wed. 22nd Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.	
Sun. 26th Gift Day for Church Hall Rook and Kenya	
Sun. 26th Sunday Youth Group Hall 6.30 - 8.30 p.m	
Mon. 27th Collation of Magazine Hall from 9.30 a.m.	
Mon. 27th Contemplative Prayer Group 50 Rowan Tree Dell 2.	
Tues. 28th Martha and Mary Group Hall Lounge 10.3	30 a.m.
Wed. 29th Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.	
June	
Sat. 29th Ladybower Challenge Walk 2002	

#### Saying for Stillness

"Just as the clay in the hands of the potter, so are you in My hands". (Jeremiah 18:6)

Final Date: Items for June 2002: 20th May 2002

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7.00 p.m. Guides

235 1262 Maureen Allum

Tuesday: 10.30 a.m. Martha & Mary Group (4th)

Sheila Eke 236 7457

7.30 p.m. Ladies Club (1st & 3rd)

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Wed'day: 10.00 a.m. Parent & Toddler Group

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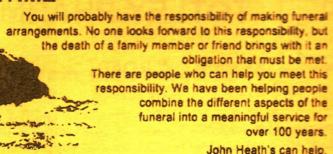


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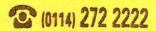


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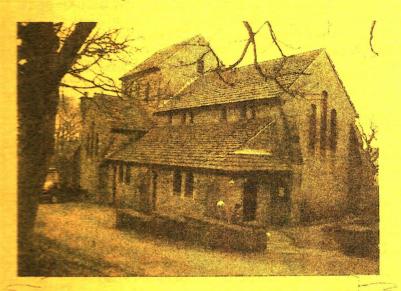
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#### From the Vicarage



Dear Friends,

The royal family are never far away from the news, but this year will leave more of a mark than usual. The deaths of Princess Margaret and the Queen Mother. and the celebration of the jubilee will mark out 2002 as one with more than its fair share of land-marks. Watching a TV programme looking at the way the conduct of the royal family and the reaction of people (and the press) to them has changed in fifty years underlined for me how much our world as a whole has changed in that time. I don't mean in terms of technology, transport, communication and such like, phenomenal though that has been, but rather in terms of popular attitudes and assumptions. In 1953 the monarch was remote, unapproachable. above any form of criticism. Many other forms of authority also received a far fuller and more unquestioning respect than would be true today. In 1953 the aftermath of the second world war was still strong. We were a country largely untouched by overseas immigration. Television was the wonder of the age, gradually creeping into an increasing number of homes, but not in the early evening when nothing was broadcast, so that homework could be done! Some of us may regret the passing of what feels to be

a more wholesome age. But popular attitudes have always waxed and waned. Victorian morality replaced Regency moral laxity. Our own freedom of opportunity, public responsibility for the disadvantaged, and increasingly classless society has replaced a world where privilege was deep-set and crossing class barriers was harder than crossing the Atlantic (only available to the 'haves'!). The welfare state we take so much for granted is, after all, still less than sixty years old!

So much for the musings of a one-time history teacher. All this leads me to leave you with two thoughts this Jubilee month.

We must live in the present. We may love it or hate it. We may revel in memories of the past, or cherish dreams for the future. But all we have is now. Paul said, "Make the most of the time, for the days are evil." We must. We must know and love and serve the Lord with all we have today, in a manner fitting for today. Yesterday has gone, and will never return. Tomorrow is unknown for us all.

But the past leaves its mark. We are formed, for good or ill, by the influences and experiences that have brought us to this day. How I react today is largely determined by what happened to me in the days and years gone by. And for all of us there are painful, sinful and regretful aspects to that. Sometimes their influence is overwhelming. For all of us, there are chapters we wish could be rewritten. In the Old Testament, as I wrote last month, God's people were given a jubilee, where in a practical way, many aspects of life were put back to square one. A bit like

passing "Go" in Monopoly, and getting a new lease of life. God is in business of rescuing and releasing us from things which grip and control us, and keep us separate form Him.

Often they have a root in our past. That is why we are taking a leaf out of the Old Testament, and celebrating a spiritual jubilee as well. A practical opportunity to put behind us things from the past which cast a shadow, and receive from the Lord grace, forgiveness and freedom.

On Sunday 9th June there will be one special morning service at 10.00 a.m. which will centre on this. If there is some physical artefact which you have, which in some way is a link with the past in a harmful or sinful way, then there will be the opportunity, in a proper way, to dispose of it, and say to God, "I am coming back to square one in this regard. Please pour your grace in afresh into that area of my life."

Jubilees only happen every fifty years. I suspect this will be new for all of us. But it's not new to the One who counts most, the Father who gave it to us in the first place.

With all best wishes

Sung!

The Associate Minister unveiled the church's new tithing campaign slogan last Sunday:

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#### Services in June

#### 2nd Trinity 1

Theme: First hand experiences of Christian Beginnings in another land

9.30 a.m. All Age Worship 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

3.30 p.m. Holy Communion at the Cheshire Home

6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer

#### 5th Wednesday Service

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

#### 9th Trinity 2

Theme: Burning your boats - making a fresh start.

10.00 a.m. Jubilee Day Family Communion 3.00 p.m. Informal Service at Green Oak View

6.30 p.m. Worship, Word and Ministry.

#### 12th Wednesday Service

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

#### 16th Trinity 3

Theme: Is prayer worth doing?

9.30 a.m. Baptism Service 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

3.30 p.m. Informal Service at the Cheshire Home 6.30 p.m. Worship, Word and Ministry with Healing.

#### 19th Wednesday Service

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

#### 23rd Trinity 4

Theme: But I never know what to say!

9.30 a.m. Family Communion 11.15 a.m. Morning Prayer 6.30 p.m. Holy Communion

#### 26th Wednesday Service

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

#### 30th Trinity 5

Theme: Isn't it supposed to be a two way street?

10.00 a.m. All Ages All Together followed by Communion

followed by Barbeque

6.30 p.m. Memorial Service

# CELLS - THE BUILDING BLOCKS OF LIFE

All life is built on the basis of cells. As the cells work together, so life flourishes and grows. Where cells don't function properly, then the plant or living being will struggle. This is a principle in other areas too, including the church and so increasingly at All Saints, cell-life is of great importance.

- They are there to help us grasp and live out the values we hold
- They are there to help us build healthy, open, loving relationships
- They are there to help us work through how we apply God's word to our lives in real ways
- They are there to help us reach out with good news and in love to those around us

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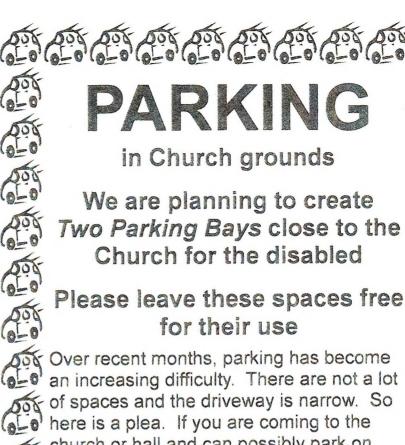
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#### THE VALUES THAT WE HOLD

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#### JUSTICE

Every time there is a story about the law and justice in the newspapers or on television they always use the same symbol to show justice – a woman wearing a



blindfold over her eyes, holding a set of scales in one hand and a sword in the other. The blindfold is there to show that

nothing affects the decision except
the scales. The scales show that
justice is only right when both
sides weigh the same and that all
are equal before the law. The
sword is there to show that the
good are protected and the wicked
punished.

All through Jesus' teaching is the
idea of judgement – that we all
shall stand before the throne of
God and answer for what we have
done. And when we do, the judge
will be Jesus because he lived on
earth as we do. St Matthew's

Gospel, chapter 25, verses 31 to 46 tells us about this judgement. Will you be a sheep or a goat?

#### SHEEP & GOATS

The answers to these are all animals in different books of the Bible. Answers below.

- 1. 400 young men escaped on these (1 Samuel 30:17).
- 2. They eat under the table (Mark 7:28).
- 3. They live in the high mountains (Psalm 104:18).
- 4. One was lost and 99 were safe (Luke 15:6).
- 5. Benaiah killed this animal in a pit on a snowy day (1 Chronicles 11:22).
- 6. There were 4 of them, coloured white, red, black and pale green (Revelation 6:1-8).
- 7. Jesus rode this into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:21).
- 8. Their dung is used to bake bread (Ezekiel 4:15).

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#### Why do lions eat raw meat?

Because they've never been to cookery classes

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B. COW

Answers: 1. camels 2. dogs 3. goats 4. sheep 5. lion 6. horses 7. donkey

By Angela Webb

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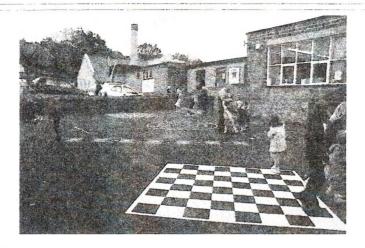
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#### TOTLEY ALL SAINTS' SCHOOL



The Junior yard has been marked out with various games. The new Infant classrooms are finished. The great 'moving day' was Friday 24th May.

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#### SAINT BONIFACE

We must cross the centuries to meet this man, who probably hailed from Crediton in Devon. In the eighth century, much of Europe had yet to hear the gospel. The Christian heritage, which has so fashioned our culture over the centuries, was still taking root here and elsewhere. Spiritual issues were more stark, although perhaps more open to political manipulation. In our day and age we may be guilty of not seeing things clearly, because of the general Christian background, mixed with the pluralist society we are part of. In the eighth century, the temptation could be that you had to accept the dictat of king, or social superior, or it would be the worse for you.

However, at heart we are no different to people all those centuries ago. We need to trust Christ for ourselves, and encourage others to do so. That is exactly what Boniface did. and showed huge faith and sacrifice in the way he did so. Born (and known as Wynfrith) around 675 he was to be martyred in 755, on 5th June - the day he is remembered in the Anglican calendar. As a youngster he was inspired by missionary monks, who visited his home and shared the gospel. His parents had secular ambitions for him, but his heart now lay elsewhere. He went to a nearby monastery (known as Adescancastre, on the site of Exeter) to continue his education, and was to become head of the school in a monastery near Southampton. By his early 30's he had gained a considerable reputation as a scholar, teacher and preacher. He could readily have achieved high office in his native kingdom of Wessex. His heart, though, lay with his forbears, the Saxons of Germany, who had yet to hear the gospel in any thorough way. Eventually his monastic superiors gave him permission to go and undertake missionary work there, and it was in Germany that the rest of his life would unfold.

Having visited Rome, to gain papal blessing for his work, in 719 he arrived in Germany, to see just how far the church had advanced. It was a mixed picture. In some places the early shoots of faith had been badly damaged by warfare. In

Friesland, however, a revival happened, and for three years he travelled and preached. Thousands were converted or returned to a faith that they had abandoned under the persecution of a recent king, Radbod. This success continued in neighbouring regions, where he established monasteries as centres of mission and renewal. In 722 he returned to Rome, to give an account of events. He was warmly received, and created bishop for the region, with the name of Boniface.

An example of the spiritual battle which was so evident to him and others occurred at the village of Geismar. Here there was an oak tree, sacred to the thunder-god, Thor. Boniface felled this tree, and built a chapel with the wood. When no thunder-bolts descended on Boniface, many were converted. Looking back he saw the fall of the tree as symbolic of the fall of paganism in the area. Did he have Elijah's contest with the prophets of Baal in mind, I wonder?

As ever, there were of course difficulties. Other Christian leaders from neighbouring areas were jealous, and sought to subvert his authority. Some clergy mingled paganism with their Christian faith, and could be found leading worship one day, and offering sacrifices to idols the next. Such issues are still, of course, very real in some third world countries today. Perhaps they are at home as well, except that the false gods may be more likely to be found in the bank or shopping centre, or self-centred life-style, than in a pagan idol.

By perseverance and humble strength of character Boniface was able to steer the church along godly ways, despite these things. In 738 he visited Rome for a third time, wanting to lay down his duties as a bishop, to concentrate on pioneering work among further Saxon areas. The pope persuaded him to continue as he was, build up the church in Bavaria as well, and gave him authority to appoint additional bishops to share the load. Ten years later, he was appointed archbishop of Mainz, and primate of Germany.

The next years were spent in consolidating the church across Germany, seeking to ensure strict standards of holy behaviour for clergy and a common loyalty to his (and the pope's) leadership. However, he remained a missionary apostle at heart. In 754 he resigned as archbishop, and set of once more for Friesland, to take the gospel to further parts of that land. In 755 he planned a great celebration and confirmation service for new converts. As they gathered, they were attacked by pagans. Boniface, and fifty or so of his companions were murdered.



He left behind him a vibrant, and well organised church in Germany, and a number of written works, in particular a collection of his letters.

Boniface with the blood-stained book he was reading when he was killed.

It has been said that more people have laid down their lives for Christ in the twentieth century, than in the previous nineteen hundred years. It is common to hear of such awful things in countries such as Pakistan and Indonesia. Twelve hundred and fifty years ago, a native of Devon did just that a few miles from our shores, across the North Sea. His legacy was in the hearts of the many believers in Germany and surrounding lands. Whether we die in our beds, or in some other way, what better legacy can we leave?

"Die, my dear doctor?
That's the last thing I shall do!"

Samuel Johnson



#### **Light of My Life**

You Lord, are the light of my life The ruler of my days Also the keeper of my night And the essence of my praise.



You are the source of my laughter The comforter of my tears The desire of my heart And the conqueror of my fears.

You're the reason for my waking At early morning light The One I want to follow Stay forever in Your sight

See I cannot live without You My life depends on You Many minutes, hours, the whole day through Bring You all the praise that's due.

So I thank You blessed Saviour You gave Your life for me You paid the price of my sin Now I can live life free.

The end of these thoughts, I cannot find They go on without end Our lives are now so intertwined My Master and my Friend.

Vivien

#### Things children say:

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Anna Kale, farmer, Agbazo, Ghana. (article in May magazine)

#### Act

The whole world is upside down because it puts economics before the human and social needs of people. We need to have different rules.

Trinidad Sanchez, director of COMAL, Siguatepeque, Honduras

#### Pray

My children mean the world to me. I fear for their future. Life is difficult but fishing is my life and I will continue to fish. When the sun sets you will find me here.

Eugenio Obregon, fisherman, Mindoro, the Philippines (article May magazine)

#### The Ladybower Challenge Walk 2002

Do you enjoy walking in the beautiful Derbyshire countryside? King Ecgbert School Association is organising

# a 26 mile Challenge Walk on Saturday 29th June

It will start and end at our Wessex Building on Totley Brook Road in Dore, going out to Ladybower Reservoir via Burbage Rocks and returning via Hope and Grindleford Café, where the main walk ends and lifts are available back to school. There will also be a short walk of about 14 miles for those who don't wish to do the full walk. The walk is part of the parent-teacher association fundraising effort and for the entry

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- Free travel from checkpoints back to the finish for walkers wishing to retire
- A certificate if the walk is completed in 12 hours
- A ploughman's platter and tea at the finish point
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For both walks, it is up to you to decide on your route, but you have to check in at the checkpoints. The cost of the walk is £7.00 (£4.00 for under 18's) or £8.00 on the day.

Badges and T-shirts will be available at extra cost, please see the application form.

Under 16's will have to walk with a responsible adult and under 18's need written parental consent.

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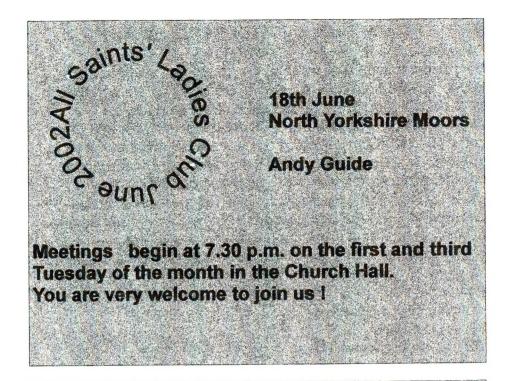
Liberty to the Land

Only since the campaign to relieve third world debt has the idea of jubilee come to the fore, but in Old Testament times it was well understood. In broad terms, in every seventh year debts were released and those in servitude set free, and after every seven years of release there was a fiftieth year of Jubilee. In this special year, land which people had been forced to mortgage or sell through adverse circumstances would be returned to its ancestral owners.

The pattern is set out in Leviticus 25, Deuteronomy 15,1-2 and 12-14, and in Exodus 23,10. Special cases are covered in Numbers 36 and Leviticus 27,17-18. As Roger Dowley points out in his book 'Lost Bequest', these provisions struck at the root causes of poverty and oppression, the amassing of land in the hands of acquisitive landlords and money-lending at crushing rates of interest. Isaiah 5, 8 similarly condemns those who "join house to house and add field to field". Ultimately all land belonged to God, and the jubilee provided what was in effect a renewable fifty-year lease. Leviticus 25, 9-10 requires the trumpet announcing the jubilee to be sounded on the Day of Atonement, so the release combined an economic adjustment with a saving experience of God. It was against this background the Jesus proclaimed "liberty to the captives".

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#### Youth work news for \$17 Churches

#### The Oakes

I wrote last month, that some of the young people from the Bridge and All Saints were going to the Oakes Centre in Norton for the weekend. Well we had really great time together. The weekend was structured with organised games, free time and Christian talks. We did archery, an assault course, a wide game and challenge evenings. We played pool, table football, basketball, football and table tennis. We had talks on what a Christian is and following Jesus. We had a concert, some testimonies and time for questions. All this was packed into a weekend and was a great opportunity for the young people to get to know each other and the leaders better and be challenged on knowing God better. The St. John's and U.R.C. youth and some of the other All Saints' youth will have the opportunity to go to the Oakes in November.

#### Blitz'n the Park

We had great success in our project in Green Oak Park last month. About 20 young people came together on a lovely hot day and worked really hard on making the park a better place for the local community. They sanded down and then painted the pavilion. They cleared the stream and built the bank up with dry stonewall and picked litter. Some of us finished the afternoon with a game of football. It was a great time for the young people to demonstrate their good characters by showing the community that young people are not always negative but can give positively in their local community.

#### **Rock Solid**

Next month is very important for the Rock Solid programme as that is when I am hoping that we can have some leaders training and also recruit some young people from King Ecgberts to come along when it starts in September. If you don't know what Rock Solid is, it is youth club for 11-14's. It differs from the other existing youth groups because it is designed for the 11-14's particularly and is made up of games, discussion and a small talk. The idea of it is to introduce the young people to Christianity and help them see the relevance of it for them today. Matt conant

# Care & Share Groups invite you to a Community Event in the Church Hall on Saturday 6th July

If you can demonstrate some of your talents or loan any Coronation memorabilia or anything to do with Totley over the last 50 years please contact Neil Hayden or Ken Filleul

# A Gifts Day and Jubilee Exhibition

Everyone welcome between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m. Light refreshments will be available.

Offers from potential exhibitors/demonstrators (with available times) and requests for transport will be welcomed by Ken or Vivien Filleul (Tel. 236 0872) and any member of their Care and Share Group.

#### From the Editor

collector for Christian Aid will have taken 1,500 paces, delivering and collecting envelopes. The average gift is said to be around £2.30/€3.7, so a lot of money will have been collected! We have celebrated Pentecost, had a Bring and Share lunch and a long but satisfying P.C.C. meeting. As I write, the gift day (for the church hall roof and to help pay for teenagers' education in Kenya) and the Joint Prayer Service at Totley Rise Methodist Church are yet to come. Please remember that the next issue of the magazine will cover both July and August. Please let me have your dates or meetings for both months. If you are not holding your regular meetings, please make this known so that diary dates are correct. Thank you all for your prayers and enquiries about Heather. She is making progress. Sometimes she appears to 'go backwards' but then she takes off again and shows her determination to get well! We are still hopeful that healing will take place and she will return home - it is still a long way off.

This month has been a busy month. ... The average

Jeanne

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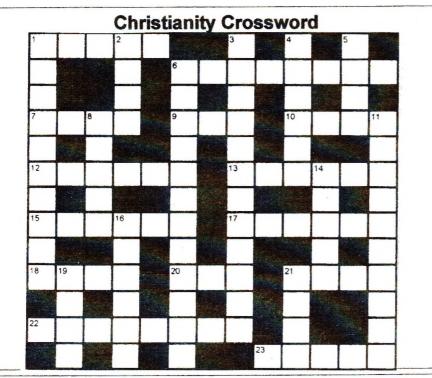


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1 tsp. lemon juice

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Sift flour, salt, spice and soda and set aside. Blend together sugar, treacle, butter and water in pan over low heat - let cool. Add unbeaten egg and beat thoroughly. Stir in milk and flour mixture. This makes a very runny mixture. Line a loaf tin with greaseproof. Bake at 325° F in centre of oven for approximately 40 to 50 minutes. Freezes well.

Ann Ruthven

#### **Crossword clues**

#### **CHRISTIANITY** by Michael Dawney

#### Across

- 1 Planet created by God (5)
- 6 Christ's robe was said to be ...... (8)
- 7 Hypocrisy (4)
- 9 Bring legal action against (3)
- 10 Home of Adam and Eve (4)
- 12 An Eastern church prayer consisting of short repetitions (6)
- 13 Belief in the existence of God without revelation (6)
- 15 Doing wrong (6)
- 17 Head covering worn by Muslims and Sikhs (6)
- 18 Hour at which Christ is said to have died (4)
- 20 Also (3)
- 21 They pierced his hands and his .... (4)
- 22 People who provide funds for a project (8)
- 23 Musical instrument (5)

#### Down

- 1 Swiss abbey visited by pilgrims (10)
- 2 To be full of (4)
- 3 Old testament book dealing with the desolation of Judah (12)
- 4 The wool of sheep (6)
- 5 A small island (4)
- 6 Free church fund to provide support for ministers (12)
- 8 Communion table (5)
- 11 Person proposed for an appointment (10)
- 14 To fill (5)
- 16 Roof-like cover (6)
- 19 Former organisation for combating counter-revolutionary activities in Russia (4)
- 21 Number of authors of the canonical gospels (4)

#### **ANSWERS ON PAGE 35**

Can you help?

Rachel Richardson is a history student at Sheffield Hallam University currently undertaking research regarding Suburban Development of Totley and Bradway areas during the 1930's.

This includes housing developments and so she would like to interview parishioners living in 1930's houses particularly if they have retained any original features or if they have an interest in their local history.

If you wish to help her please telephone 01246 418814 or e-mail rachael richardson@yahoo.co.uk



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

Ann Powell

235 0612

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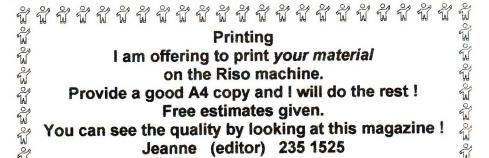
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#### **JUST A MINUTE**

1 \* 1 \* 1 = 1

The last book of the Bible is symbolical. Heaven, for example, is presented as cubic - 'as wide and high as it is long.' To Jews and Greeks a cube stood for perfection. A cube is also three in one. It exists in three dimensions. which indwell one another in space, as the Father, Son and Holy Spirit indwell one another in the Being of God. If each of the dimensions is one, the three together are one. As they are not separable from one another, you cannot add them up. Even so, the Father. Son and Holy Spirit are so interwoven, sharing one another's existence, life and glory, that together they are one God. 1\*1\*1=1 This God in three Persons is the foundation, life and glory of heaven, as he is of the Church on earth. He is above the

Revelation 21:16

almighty Holy Spirit.

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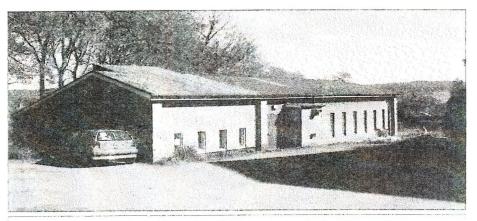
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Here above is a picture of the church hall roof. The cost of replacing the roof will be over £9,000. 10% of the money raised will be sent to Kenya to support the education of teenagers whose families cannot afford to pay for their education.

#### Things children say:

It was her first wedding and the little girl was so excited and curious about everything, she could not stop asking her mother questions. 'Why is the bride all dressed in white?' she whispered.

Her mother explained that white was the colour of happiness, 'And this is the happiest day of her life.'

'Oh,' the child retorted, 'then why is the groom all dressed in black?'



The Bible is full of interesting caricatures. In the first book of the Guinesses, Adam and Eve were cremated from an apple tree. One of their children, Cain, asked, 'Am I my brother's son?'

#### A big "Thank You"

to all my friends at All Saints (not forgetting the Choir!) for all my lovely cards, flowers and good wishes on my 80th birthday.

It isn't everyone who has
"Happy Birthday"
sung to them with full Choir
and Organ Accompaniment!
God Bless You All!

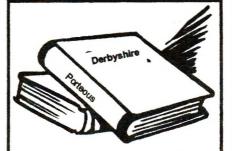
Joan Nixon





#### Hats and Mittens/Gloves

The Wednesday Care and Share Group are collecting warm hats and mittens to be put in Christmas boxes for Operation Christmas Child. If you have spare moments between now and late Autumn why not use up your oddments of wool to knit these for children from 2 years up to teens? You can give the finished articles to Pauline Perkinton. Any knitting patterns can be used but I do have a photo copy of a pattern if needed. Happy knitting!



Has anybody at All Saints got a book of mine?

It is "Derbyshire", by Crichton Porteous.

It seems to have left home, but I can't remember lending it to anyone.

Joan Nixon

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I would like to put the record straight. At the 11.15 a.m. service on April 28th I told the congregation that it was O.K. to be fat Christians. For those of you who weren't there, I should explain that we had been in Gloucester the previous week and had been told this by the preacher. What about it?

Before you throw away your slimming recipes, let me go on. The three initials of the word FAT stand for Faithful, Available and Teachable

I felt sure that seeing FAT in that light was as important for us in Totley as anywhere else. So go to it! Let us all be FAT Christians.

Maurice Snowdon

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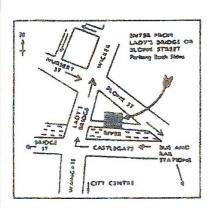
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None in May

he next Memorial Service will be held on 30th June 2002. i you would like a loved-one to be remembered at that ervice, please complete the form on the page opposite and turn to David Rhodes at the Vicarage.

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BABY BAPTISED PLEASE CONTACT
David Rhodes at the Vicarage

Telephone number: 236 2322

#### MEMORIAL SERVICES AT ALL SAINTS

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.

30th June 29th September 29th December

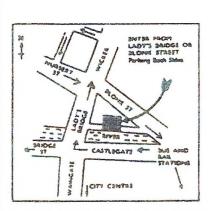
The services will start at 6.30 p.m., last for about an hour and be followed by light refreshments in the church.

There will be memorial services on the following dates in 2002:

If you would like a favourite hymn to be played at the memorial service, please indicate below.

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#### From the



BAPTISM:

12th May

Kacey Richardson of 8 Laverdene Way Charlotte Foster

of 98 Queen Victoria Road

The Baptism follow-up team will visit the following families in June as they celebrate the anniversary of the

Baptism of their children:

10th Penny Ann Ashmore10th Faye Mary Unwin

13th Jonathan David Nolan

28th Victoria Louise McCann

28th Samantha Ellis

WEDDINGS:

Nicholas Anthony Shaw and

Lucy Jane Hadfield

**FUNERALS:** 

None in May

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#### Children and young people

The 'Alive Gang', Sparklers 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.



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#### June 2002 Diary Dates

Sat.	1st	Prayer for Cell Group Leaders 8.00 a.m.
Wed.	5th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.
Sun.	9th	Sunday Youth Group Hall 6.30 - 8.30 p.m.
Sun.	9th	Training for Asst. Cell Leaders Vicarage 6.30 p.m.
Mon.	10th	Contemplative Prayer Group 1 Quarry Road 2.15 p.m.
Tues.	11th	Journeying On 12 Marstone Crescent 8.00 p.m.
Tues.	11th	Standing Committee Vicarage 8.00 p.m.
Wed.	12th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.
Thurs	. 13th	Toddler Praise Hall 10.00 a.m.
Mon.	17th	P.C.C. meeting Hall Lounge 8.00 p.m.
Mon.	17th	Last day for items for magazine
Tues.	18th	Ladies Club Hall 7.30 p.m.
Wed.	19th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.
Mon.	20th	Cell Group Leaders Vicarage 8.00 p.m.
Sun.	23rd	Vision Group Vicarage 6.00 p.m.
Sun.	23rd	Sunday Youth Group Hall 6.30 - 8.30 p.m.
Mon.	24th	Collation of Magazine Hall from 9.30 a.m.
Mon.	24th	Contemplative Prayer Group 1 Quarry Road 2.15 p.m.
Tues.	25th	Martha and Mary Group Hall Lounge 10.30 a.m.
Wed.	26th	Over 50's Keep Fit Class Hall 2.00 p.m.
Sat.	29th	Ladybower Challenge Walk 2002
Sat.	29th	Totley Summer Special Totley Primary School
July		
Wed.	3rd	Coffee Morning 2 Sunnyvale Road 10-12 noon
Sat.	20th	Monuments Challenge Walk Totley Primary School

#### Saying for Stillness

"I am the true vine . . . You are the branches".

(John 15 verses 1 and 5)

Final Date: Items for July/Aug. 2002: 17th June 2002

#### ORGANISATIONS AND REGULAR MEETINGS IN **CHURCH & HALL**

Sunday:

9.30 a.m. Creche (under 3's)

Lorna Davis

236 9878

Sparklers (3's to 5's)

Heather Johnson

235 0978

The Alive Gang (5-early teens)

Sally Rhodes

236 2322

6.30 – 8.30 p.m. Sunday Youth Group (2nd & 4th)

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 (4th)

Sheila Eke

236 7457

7.30 p.m. Ladies Club (1st & 3rd)

Ann Ruthven

236 8643

Wed'day: 10.00 a.m. Parent & Toddler Group

Vicki Waite

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2.00 p.m. Ladies Keep Fit

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Thursday: 7.00 p.m. Choir Practice in Church

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