ST. PETER'S CHURCH, HAMBLEDON

APRIL 1974

We wish all our readers a very Happy Easter

DIARY

April

Holy Communion - Hambledon Homes 2.30 p.m. Mon. 1. Confirmation Class 7.15 p.m.

Tues.2. Coffee Morning and Bring & Buy at Ellingsons in aid of Byways School 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon

Wed. 3. Confirmation at Hambledon Church .8.00 p.m. - Meet the Bishop at Feathercombe after the service.

Sun. 7. PALM SUNDAY

8.00 a.m. and Holy Communion 12 noon Children's Church 10.0 a.m. Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m. Preacher: Dr. Jack Symonds

A Passion Service of Nine Lessons6.30 p.m.

Church Coach leaves Hydestile Crossroads 6 p.m. & Lane End 6.10 p.m. approx. Retiring Collections at all Services for Easter Flowers.

Mon. 8. Mission Unlimited Prayers Mission Unlimited Study &

8.15 p.m. Discussion

7.45 p.m.

Thur.11. MAUNDY THURSDAY

The Lord's Supper 8.00 p.m. ("The night in which He was betrayed)

Fri. 12. GOOD FRIDAY

11.00 a.m. Devotional Hour Address D.G.C. Symonds . Esq. M. A.

Decoration of Church for Easter Services
EASTER DAY
HOLY COMMUNION CHILDREN'S CHURCH Preacher: J.Lewis, Esq., M.A. MORNING PRAYER HOLY COMMUNION EVENING PRAYER & HOLY COMMUNION 6.30 p.m.
FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
Holy Communion Morning Prayer Preacher: J.Lewis, Esq.M.A. (King Edward's School) Evening Prayer
(N.B.No Children's Church-transferred to 14th)
Women's Fellowship at Ellingsons 3.00 p.m Speaker: Mrs. David Symonds
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
Holy Communion Family Communion Morning Prayer Evening Prayer 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6.30 p.m.
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
Holy Communion 8.0 a.m. & 12.0 noon Children's Church 10.0 a.m. Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m. Evening Prayer 6.30 p.m. Church Coach runs for the evening service.
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FREE-WILL OFFERING ENVELOPES

Total for February 1974: £27.19½. E.F. Denny, Hon, Sec. F.W.O. Fund.

CHURCH FLOWERS

Rota for April-May:
April 7. E.F. Denny; 14 & 21. Easter Flowers;
28. Vacant. May 5. Vacant; 12. Mrs. Wiesler;
19. Vacant.

Our grateful thanks to all who so kindly provide and arrange the flowers in church each week-end. There are still a few vacant dates left, and we would welcome offers to provide the flowers on these dates. Please enter your name on the list in Church.

CHURCH REGISTERS

Baptisms

Feb. 24. Justin Ivor, son of Thomas Wood and Sarah Grillo

Mar. 10. George Archie Edward Clunie, son of David Clunie and Penelope Anne Lindsay Cunningham.

Burials

Mar. 19. Sidney Ayling, aged 80 years.

MAGAZINE INSET We apologise for the omission of the usual inset from the March magazine. This was due to the delay in parcel deliveries during the British Rail "Go Slow."

CHURCH FELLOWSHIP - THURS. MARCH 14TH, 1974

There was a large audience, at the final meeting this season of the Church Fellowship, to see a "World-Wide" film, "His Land."
This fine film showed Israel as it is today then flashbacks to 1948 soon after it was restored to God's people-a land then largely waste desert and

swamps. Then was shown the following years, with everyone working hard to "build the wastes-raise up the former desolations," and then again to the present day, modern cities, the old restored, the swamps drained and giant pipelines carrying water from the Sea of Galilee to make the desert blossom abundantly. The readings from the Bible and the songs of Cliff Barrows and Cliff Richards made a meaningful and enlightening commentary showing how the Old Testament prophecies came true and ending with the greatest message of all - "Christ came to our earth as our Saviour," and the greatest prophecy - "He will come again." The Rector gave an Epilogue and made a tribute to Sidney Ayling who died recently, and silence was kept in his memory.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Hammond and Mrs. F. Jeffery.

EASTER FLOWERS

The church will be decorated for the Easter services on Saturday, April 13th, and we should be grateful if flowers could be at church by early that morning. Following our usual custom there will be retiring collections at the services on Palm Sunday (April 7th) for Easter Flowers.

COLLECTIONS DURING LENT have been given to some of the Missionary Societies we support. Details to date:

March 3rd The Ruanda Mission(C.M.S.) £33.90

" 10th Africa Inland Mission 21.65

" 17th British & Foreign Bible Society

Society 29.32 (on Sunday March 10th, there was no Children's Church)

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

A Coffee Morning and Bring & Buy Sale will be held at Ellingsons on Tuesday, April 2nd from 10.30 am to 12 noon. Proceeds for Byways School and Home for the mentally handicapped. (Members of the Women's Fellowship visited this Home last year).

Mrs. Jack Symonds has been very much missed by us at our services and meetings in recent weeks, The Women's Fellowship meetings which she organises have been particularly strange without her. At the time of writing she is in the Royal Surrey County Hospital for an operation. We assure her of our prayers and wish her a speedy recovery.

Our thoughts and prayers have been with Mr. and Mrs. Goad, who have been ill, and we trust that they will soon be well again.

Mr. Sidney Ayling, who had been ill for several weeks, died at his home (Hope Cottage, Lane End) on Tuesday, March 12th. By his death we have lost another of Hambledon's cldest residents and one who had done a great deal for the Parish Church. The following is a resume of the reference made to Mr. Ayling at the funeral service in Hambledon Church on March 19th:-

"Sidney Ayling had given many years of devoted service to St.Peter's Church-for a long period as People's Warden and as a member of the P.C.C.. In recent years he had taken duty as a sidesman at the evening services.

He always took a keen interest in the life of the village. He had served as a Trustee of the Almshouses, and until quite recently was the Secretary. We remember him with thanksgiving to God for his devotion to duty-we remember his cheerfulness at all times. All through his recent illness he has never grumbled about pain and discomfort, but has rather spoken of looking forward to the time when he hoped to be in his place in church once again, and working in his garden, which he had tended with great care for many years.

We will long remember the happy smile which welcomed visitors to the church and to his home.
We do not mourn for him-for we believe that he had put his personal faith and trust in Jesus Christ

Who is the Resurrection and the Life. Now he enjoys the wonder of that Life Beyond, to which St. Paul referred when he wrote-"To me to live is Christ, and to die is gain."

We mourn for ourselves, for we have lost a good friend. His widow and family are assured of our sympathies in their bereavement."

It is with regret that we also record the death of Mr. Thomas F. Turner of Bryony Lodge who died at Mount Alvernia Nursing Home, Guildford. His courage and cheerful attitude throughout his long illness was an example to us all. Our thoughts are with his widow and family in their sorrow.

Our thanks to Mr. Bert Jeffery for the copy of a photograph of the choir taken in about 1908. The photograph was taken just after the choir wore robes for the first time - it now hangs in the choir vestry.

Mr. A.G. Goad, former Verger and Sexton, has kindly made a new copy of the grave-plan for the 1910 extension to the church-yard. We record our grateful thanks for the work he has done.

Mr. & Mrs. Stuart Piggin of Sydney, Australia, who have entered wholeheartedly into the fellowship of St.Peter's Church during their short stay in this area, will be leaving us early in April. We are grateful to them for the help they have given us in many ways-and in particular for Stuart's contribution to the Mission Unlimited STudies and Discussions and to the Youth Group on Sunday evenings. His Australian "directness" has made us "see ourselves as others see us" on occasions, and we should benefit from this!

The Y.P. Group will miss his "with-it" approach to their problems. We congratulate Stuart on his recent appointment to a post at Wollongong University. Our thoughts and prayers will follow Stuart, Rosemary and their small daughter, Marianne, as they return to Australia.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S GROUP

The Continuation Meeting, which started in January, will meet on Sunday,7th April and 21st April, at Heath Cottage, Hambledon at 7.45 p.m. Mr. John Fortnum has kindly agreed to lead the discussion. A highlight of our recent meetings was a visit from Mr. Malcolm Prior from Australia. With the aid of his fine tenor voice he taught us several new songs, and spoke to us of his past experiences including a visit to the Iona Community in Scotland.

On Easter Sunday(14th April) a special get-together with lots of music, food, and talk will be held at Ellingson's at 8 p.m. John Hamilton will address us. It is hoped that all young people-including those home from school or university-will attend this Happening.

EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS OF THANKS RECEIVED BY OUR TREASURER FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO VARIOUS SOCIETIES:

Overseas Missionary Fellowship

"How very kind it was of our friends at St.Peter's Hambledon to send that generous amount of £90 to us. We are delighted to think of your continuing interest and of the share that you all take so steadily in the work of the 0.M.F. We are glad to have such help and I trust you will be able to thank the friends who have been giving and who have taken this share in the work of the Lord."

(Children's Church collections on the first Sunday in the month are usually given to the work of the 0.M.F.).

THE SOUTH AMERICAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

"We gratefully acknowledge the gift of £40 from St. Peter's Hambledon."

AFRICA INLAND MISSION

"We are deeply grateful for the generous gift you have so kindly sent...we would ask you to convey to every friend concerned our warmest gratitude. We do value the interest shown in the work God has entrusted to our missionaries in Africa,"

THE MISSIONS TO SEAMEN

"We send our best wishes and warm thanks to all in your Church family for your gift to the Church's work among seafarers. We are greatly encouraged by your prayers and concern."

TELEPHONE SAMARITANS, GUILDFORD

"I am pleased once again to write to express our appreciation for the donation received, and for the support you have given us over the past years."

DR. BARNARDO'S

"I have pleasure in enclosing our receipt for the wonderful donation of £30...We are grateful for this addition to our funds and send sincere thanks and appreciation to all who made it possible."

HAMBLEDON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE held its monthly meeting on Wed.March 13th at 2.45 in the Village Hall. Mrs. Steele, the President, presided, & during the business Mrs. Hardy thanked all members who had brought items for the exhibition of handicraft at the last meeting, & especially those members who had given demonstrations of various crafts, including uphol stery, lace-making & rug-making. The Film"A garden for all seasons" was shown, which has been made by Fisons and the Royal Horticultural Society at the R.H.S.gardens at Wisley.

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