

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, HAMBLEDON

APRIL 1975

THE RECTOR WRITES

Among the many happy features of being Rector of Hambledon is the fact that in so small a community it will be possible before long for my wife and me to know everybody who lives here. I hope soon to have visited you all in your homes as well.

In addition to this, however, my wife and I greatly hope that you will freely come to us. The fairly long drive at The Rectory must not be allowed to act as a barrier and to set us in remote seclusion! We should be sad indeed if anyone were shy to come to us. We want everyone who lives in Hambledon, whether a member of the Church of England or not, to be free to call and see us, or to telephone or send a message, at any time when there is sickness, or a problem to be talked over, or some occasion when we can help. We hope our own church members know this for themselves already; and they can be a most helpful link with others too, not assuming that we know all the news!

A VERY HAPPY EASTER TO YOU ALL.

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DIARY FOR APRIL

6 SUN. FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

Holy Communion at 8 am ONLY (N.B. not at noon)

10 am Children's Church: Mr. John Hamilton

11 am Morning Prayer: Canon C. Oldham

6.30 pm Evening Prayer: Dr. Hugh Sansom, OBE

7.45 pm Young People at Heath Cottage

10 THU. 8 pm Annual Parochial Church Meeting in Village Hall (see page 4)

13 SUN. SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

Holy Communion at 8 am

11 am Morning Prayer

6.30 pm Evening Prayer

7.45 pm Young People at The Rectory

14 MON. 2.30 pm Hambledon Homes Holy Communion

20 SUN. THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

Holy Communion at 8 am and 7.30 pm

10 am Children's Church

11 am Morning Prayer

6.30 pm Evening Prayer

7.45 pm Young People at Heath Cottage

27 SUN. FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

Holy Communion at 8 am and 10 am

10 am Series 2 Holy Communion

11 am Morning Prayer

6.30 pm Evening Prayer

7.45 pm Young People at Little Woodlands

AND IN MAY

4 SUN. ROGATION SUNDAY

Holy Communion at 8 am and 12 noon

10 am Children's Church

11 am Morning Prayer

6.30 pm Evening Prayer

7.45 pm Young People at Heath Cottage

5 MON. 2.30 pm Hambledon Homes Holy Communion

8 THU. ASCENSION DAY

10.30 am Holy Communion

11 SUN. SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION (BIBLE SOCIETY SUNDAY)

Holy Communion at 8 am

11 am Morning Prayer: Rev. Brian Stalley
(B. & F.B.S.)

6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer: Rev. Brian Stalley

7.45 p.m. Young People at The Rectory

Loose collections all day to British &
Foreign Bible Society.

CHURCH FLOWERS

April 6 Miss M. Parker

May 4 Mrs. M. Caroe

" 13 Mrs. E.A. Wieler

" 11 Miss F. Denny

" 20 Mrs. de Berniere Smart

" 27 Mrs. Alan Secrett

FREE WILL OFFERING ENVELOPES

Total for February 1975 £31.38p E.F. Denny

CHURCH REGISTERS

Funerals March 11 Winifred Lyon (86) formerly of
Hydon End" 12 Alice Dietz (90) of Hambledon
HomesCAR PARKING AT CHURCH SERVICES

We ought to try to use in the first place the widened roadway immediately opposite the church. There is only limited room there and we can use it most economically if cars are parked not parallel to the road but nose in to the bank, obliquely, at an angle.

When this is full, we are allowed also to use the open courtyard which is part of Court Farm. It is only through the kindness of Major and Mrs. Major that we can do so, and we are most grateful to them for continuing to allow it. Members who need to park their cars in their private courtyard should

- (i) Avoid blocking the way into the garages there
- (ii) Avoid spoiling the edges of the grass verge
- (iii) Be sure not to damage the gates or gate posts when entering or leaving.

THE CHURCH ANNUAL MEETING - Thursday, 13th April

All whose names are on our Church Electoral Roll can come and take part in this, and I hope that we shall have a large number present. For all our church members young and old it should be a thoroughly absorbing evening.

This is when you hear the news. Parts of course are published in this magazine as the months go by. But here all the news of the year comes together. You can hear about the Diocesan Surveyor's recent report on the Church building, and about the need to renovate our organ. You can hear from the treasurer how far our giving is keeping abreast of rising costs and what we are giving to missionary and other needs. You can discover from the secretary's report what the Church Council has discussed and decided. The Rector also gives his own impressions on how the work is going, and his hopes for the coming year.

This, too, is where you can ask your questions and make your suggestions for the Church Council to consider, for this is essentially a church members' evening.

This is also the time when we elect our two Churchwardens, members to our Parochial Church Council, and sidesmen for the ensuing twelve months, and there is no need to say how important that is if God's work is going to be done to His glory.

Come, then, and take your share in what should be a thoroughly happy and interesting evening. Even to come and listen will be an encouragement to us all; will help you to remember us in your private prayers, and it will help you to feel an active

member.

We meet in the Village Hall at 8 pm on Thursday, 13 April.

PERSONALIA

Charlotte de Berniere Smart and Christopher Lewis are to be married in Hambledon Church on 19 April. Our warmest good wishes go with them as they begin their married life together.

Timothy Arden-White was confirmed at Sherborne School in March and we welcome him into the full family life of St. Peter's Hambledon now.

It was very good to hear news of the safe arrival of a baby son for Dr. Chris and Mrs. Maggie Jagger, leaders of our Young People's Group. Just after the happy event, at the group's next Sunday meeting, a Teddy appeared briefly before going off with father to make arrangements for the "welcome home."

News of our sick members Mr. Peter Roderick, who has suffered much pain from an arthritic hip for a long time, has undergone an operation for the provision of a plastic hip joint. He should be safely home by the time you read this, and we hope the operation proves a complete success. Mr. Bert Jeffery has been in trouble for a month with sickness and some pain, and awaits the result of an X-ray. Mrs. Tom Grillo's mother has had a major operation and hospital treatment following. And Mr. Pettit's elderly father, who has for long been a very sick man, is now very frail indeed. Remember them all in your prayers.

MANAGERS OF THE CHURCH SCHOOL

It transpires that some parents do not know who are the managers of the church school, and as the managers are keen to be fully available to any who wish to contact them, their names and addresses are listed below.

Foundation Managers

The Rector (Chairman), The Rectory. (Wormley 2753)
 Mr. Cecil Chapman, Little Court (Wormley 2853)
 Mrs. B. Grillo, J.P., Rose Garden, Milford
 (Godalming 4777)
 Miss Mary Parker, Feathercombe (Hascombe 264)

Representative Managers

Mrs. F. Baker, Feathercombe Lodge (Hascombe 280)
 Mr. George Freemantle, Fedway (Wormley 3395)

There is so far no news of a decision from the Department of Education and Science as to whether they will continue to support our school. The argument for retaining it has been strongly put, and it may still be some time before every point has been fully considered. We will let our readers know the result as soon as we are able.

PARISH FELLOWSHIP

The last of our monthly meetings was held on 13 April when Mr. Denby Wilkinson MBE showed us his superb colour transparencies and enthralled us for an hour with a fascinating lecture "Through the Year" in the beautiful countryside nearby. It was a fine finish to the season.

We shall plan another series of these excellent evenings for next Autumn and Winter, beginning as usual with the Harvest Supper.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

We welcomed again Mrs. Sue Sansom as our speaker at the fellowship meeting on 27 February. All the members were present and we were pleased to have Mrs. Booth with us as a new member. Mrs. Sansom gave a stimulating talk on the subject of "Problems" which confront everyone these days, pinpointing the most obvious such as loneliness, worry, anxiety, discontent, being too busy etc.. These things affect young people as well as those who are older. She quoted the remedy from Psalm 23 and Revelation 3, verse 20, stressing that the Christian way of life holds the answer to these problems. She illustrated her talk from personal experiences.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 24 April at 3 p.m.. The speaker will be Miss Joan Hall who has recently returned from Uganda, where she was Headmistress of a Government Secondary Girls School.

S. Symonds

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The many and varied talents of the people of Hambledon were much in evidence on Wednesday 12 March when the W.I. held their monthly meeting in the Village Hall. The business of the day was dealt with in record time, and members and visitors were then able to admire the exhibits and demonstrations. MISS BURR demonstrated the ancient art of hand made lace, MRS. FREEMANTLE her unusual bead work which she learnt when she was in Canada, and MISS DAVIS a particularly topical exhibit, the "Gardening Course," beautiful boxes of seedlings, mouth watering vegetables and colourful flowers, which must have encouraged even the least enthusiastic gardener. MRS.

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BRUNT and MR. CROWHURST offered samples of their delicious home made wines, and these went down well with the tasty refreshments provided by MRS. FANNY JEFFERY.

On the stage MR. VACHER showed some of the films he had made; these were very professional and complete with sound effects; while MRS. HARDY's slides, many showing local personalities and scenes, were much enjoyed.

The exhibits covered a wide range of handicrafts and skills, too many to mention, but all showing what a wealth of talent there is in the village.

B.J. Major

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