

APRIL 1993

Hambledon Rectory
March 1993

Dear Friends

I am very glad that the Archdeacon of Surrey, the Ven. John Went, has kindly agreed to come to our Annual Parochial Church Meeting on Friday April 30th at 7 45pm at the Village Hall. After we have concluded the business part of our meeting and had a cup of tea, he will address the meeting on the subject of possible pastoral arrangements for the parish in the future, and answer questions. In these days, when there is a shortage of clergy and much pastoral reorganisation has already taken place, this will provide a very good opportunity for us to consider what the future may be for St Peter's Hambledon. I hope many people will be able to be present.

Mr Tom Arden-White has indicated that he will not be standing for re-election as churchwarden this year. He has done a wonderful job in so many different ways, and we owe him an enormous debt of gratitude for all that he has done in the past 7 years. He has been wonderfully supported by Rosemary, who has also worked very hard in the church and parish.

If you would like to contribute to a presentation to be made to Tom at the AGM, please send your gift to Mr Ray Williams. Cheques should be made out to St Peter's PCC. Please make it clear that it is for the Presentation Fund. I am very glad to say that Ray is willing to serve as churchwarden for another year, if elected.

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I also want to express our warm thanks to the Rev. Geoffrey Willis and the team from Lee Abbey for all that they did during their recent visit here. I know that many good things have happened during these days, and I believe that in the coming weeks we shall see more evidence of God's blessing on this visit. May I also express our thanks to all who helped with hospitality for the team, held meetings during the day or in the evening, served on the Mission Committee, and assisted in other ways, not least in prayer support.

Let us move forward in our faith and commitment from this point, and make full use of the opportunities for doing so through the Discipleship Course, or by attending the Confirmation Classes, coming to the Special Services on the 3rd Sunday Morning, and the meeting to be led on May 22nd by a team from Holy Trinity Brompton. Details of all these events will be found elsewhere in the magazine.

Yours very sincerely

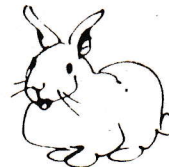
CHRISTOPHER BLISSARD-BARNES

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

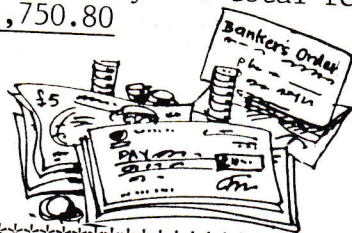
<u>BAPTISMS</u> * <u>28 February 1993</u>	*	Louis George <u>DAVIS</u>
<u>7 March 1993</u>	*	Stephanie <u>TAYLOR</u>

We extend an especially warm welcome into the fellowship of St Peter's to Louis and Stephanie, two 'village' babies whose arrival was missed in the parish magazine.



FREEWILL OFFERING SCHEME

In February the total received under the scheme was
£1,750.80



John Taylor

CHURCH FLOWER ROTA FOR APRIL

April 04 Mrs Muriel Campbell
" 11 EASTER FLOWERS
" 18 " "
" 25 " "



CHURCH CLEANING ROTA FOR APRIL

April 02/03 Mrs Rosemary Arden-White
" 09/10 Mrs Pat Williams
" 16/17 Mrs Gay and Mr Jim Starling
" 23/24 Mrs Joan Hassard-Short



**DON'T
FORGET**



FRIDAY APRIL 30TH AT 7 45PM IN HAMBLEDON VILLAGE HALL
ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING * FOLLOWED BY A TALK
BY THE ARCHDEACON OF SURREY

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR APRIL

02 8 00pm Meeting re Christian Discipleship Course
at the Rectory (see page 8)

03 9 00am Meeting for Prayer at the Rectory.

04 PALM SUNDAY

8 00am Holy Communion

10 30am Family Service with Creche and Refreshments

6 30pm Holy Communion

06 8 00pm PCC Meet at the Rectory

08 MAUNDY THURSDAY

8 30pm Informal Communion Service at
St John's Church, Busbridge. EVERYONE WELCOME

09 **GOOD FRIDAY**



10 30am Morning Service

12 00 noon Soup and Cheese

Lunch at the Rectory with
slides of Andrew and Felicity
Maclay in Burundi.

(see page 9).

10 9 00am Meeting for Prayer at the Rectory.

11 EASTER DAY

8 00am Holy Communion



10 30am Morning Service for all
the Family with creche
(see page 9)



(followed by shortened form of Holy Communion)

6 30pm Evening Prayer

'Christ is risen

...He is risen indeed'

HALLELUJAH

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- 13 8 00pm Clergy/Readers' Meeting at the Rectory.
- 14 Home Meetings.
- 16 8 00pm Men's Fellowship meet in the Village Hall.
- 17 9 00am Meeting for Prayer at the Rectory.
- 18 FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
 - 8 00am Holy Communion
 - 10 30am Morning Prayer (ASB)
 - Sermon theme: "What shall we tell the children
- about Jesus?" (see page 9)
 - 6 30pm Holy Communion (with Healing Ministry)
- 21 10 30am Ladies' Study Group meet at Silver Leys.
- 22 8 00pm Choir Practice.
- 23 8 00pm ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY IN THE VILLAGE HALL
(see page 14)
- 24 9 00am Meeting for Prayer at the Rectory.
 - 10 00-4 00pm Renewal Training Day at
St Paul's Camberley (see page 12)
- 25 2ND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
 - 8 00am Holy Communion
 - 10 30am Morning Prayer (1662)
(followed by shortened form of Holy Communion)
 - 6 30pm Evening Prayer
- 26 8 00pm TNT/HYF Leaders' Meeting at the Aylwards.
- 27 10 45am Ladies' Study Group meet at Dennys.
- 28 3 00pm Women's Fellowship meet at the Rectory.
 - 8 15pm FEBA Prayer Meeting at Hascombe Rectory
- 30 7 45pm ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING IN
HAMBLEDON VILLAGE HALL * followed by a
talk by the Archdeacon of Surrey.

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AND IN MAY

- 01 9 00am Meeting for Prayer at the Rectory.
- 02 3RD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
8 00am Holy Communion
10 30am Family Service with Creche and Refreshments
6 30pm Holy Communion
- 04 10 45am Ladies' Study Group meet at Dennys.
- 05 8 00pm Healing Prayer Group meet at the Rectory.

**DID YOU
KNOW?**

The Maclay and Waring households are delighted to welcome Benjamin John, born to Andrew and Felicity Maclay. A brother for Timothy Strang and second grandson for Elizabeth and Tom Waring.



We are delighted to learn that we shall have the opportunity of hearing Andrew speak at St Peter's at the Evening Service on May 16th before they return to Burundi. (see also page 9)

The Atkins' family return from Malawi during April. We extend a very warm welcome home to Paul and Faith, Jonathan, Thomas and Benjamin. The three boys have never lived in the UK so it will be quite a new experience for them and Jonathan hopes to be attending school in Busbridge. We know that they are all very sorry to be leaving their much-loved "Africa" behind.



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Many elderly residents from the village have had the misfortune to be landed in hospital during the past month. Please remember in your prayers:

Dr Jack Symonds and Mr Peter Dean who are both in Milford Hospital.

Mr Bill Pearce from Cherryhurst, now at home following a second hip replacement operation and we remember him as he tries to cope in these post-operative days.

Mrs Elsie Frogley in Haslemere Hospital following a fall in her home and Mrs Ruth Steele in the County Hospital also following a fall at home.

Miss Christine Bather, a Milford resident but a faithful member of the ministry at St Peter's, has recently undergone surgery at Frimley Park Hospital but we are glad to hear that she is now at home being splendidly looked after by Miss Marjorie Harrill, whose skills as a physiotherapist are being put to good use! We send kind remembrances to them both.

Lastly, we remember Mr Reg Vickery, who is not in hospital, but is experiencing some difficulty getting around on his "Roehampton" leg. We hope that his discomfort will soon ease.

MRS HILARY MORRISON

We have learned with much sadness of the death on Saturday 20th March of Mrs Hilary Morrison, who had endured a long and distressing illness.

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Hilary and Ken Morrison were much to the fore in village activities when they lived amongst us and it was evident, when the time came for them to leave, what the village and the community had come to mean to them.

Hilary was a very active member of the WAGS and attended their meetings regularly from her home in Rudgwick. She was at one time the WAGS' President until poor health forced her to resign. Hilary was also a "Steward" for Oakhurst Cottage and we used to enjoy seeing both Hilary and Ken at the Oakhurst "get-togethers" kindly staged at Feathercombe each autumn.

Those of us who were not closely connected with Hilary will recall her "bubbly" personality and this is how, we are sure, she would most like to be remembered.

To Ken and Hilary's family we send our loving prayers and deepest sympathy.

PARISH NOTES AND NEWS

"Where do we go from here?"

Following the visit of our friends from Lee Abbey, a Discipleship Course is being planned, using videos, for those who would like to think further about the basic principles of living the Christian life.

Themes will include Faith, a Christian outlook, the Bible, Living in to-day's world, Prayer and the Church. There will be a preliminary meeting on Friday April 2nd at the Rectory at 8 00pm to look at the course and consider possible dates for the meetings. All are very welcome.

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On the 3rd Sunday Morning at the 10 30am Service, a series of sermons will be preached in which we shall look at questions which often come up when our children ask us about God, Jesus, Prayer, Family Life, and the Life to come. There is a leaflet about this at the back of the Church. The services will end at 11 15am so that children can be collected from Sunday Club afterwards.

There will also be a special event on Saturday May 22nd at St John's Busbridge, at 7 30pm when the Rev. Sandy Millar, Vicar of Holy Trinity Brompton, will be coming with a team from his Church. The Service will be designed to help us move forward in our Christian lives, and will be open to members of Busbridge, Hambledon and Hascombe Parishes. We are very fortunate indeed to have such an outstanding speaker and team coming, and do hope people will book the date now and plan to be there!

On Good Friday, April 9th, there will be a Soup and Cheese Lunch at the Rectory at 12 noon at which we shall have the opportunity of learning more about the Maclays in Burundi, when Mrs Elizabeth Waring has kindly agreed to talk and show slides. Tickets for this event are now available. Price £2.00 for those over 14



£1.00 for those aged 5-14 and children under 5, free.

Easter Morning at St Peter's

It has been agreed, after consultation, that the 10 30am Service on April 11th will be for all the family, with well-known Easter hymns and an illustrated talk, so we hope that people of all ages will come. There will be a creche. This will be followed by a short Prayer Book Service of Holy Communion.

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Confirmation Classes will be starting in May, with a view to a Confirmation Service next October. Please sign the list at the back of the Church if you are interested in coming. Candidates should be 14 years of age by the time of the Confirmation. There is no upper age limit!

Electoral Roll

This is being brought up-to-date for the AGM. If you are aged 16 or over, are baptized, and either live in the parish, or if not, have worshipped at St Peter's for the past 6 months, you are eligible to join. Application forms at the Church.

Nomination forms for proposing people for election to the PCC are available at the back of the Church.

Missionary Committee

Mrs Shirley Pollock has decided (after a number of years of devoted service) that the time has come for her to hand over as Secretary of the Missionary Committee. She has done so much to encourage our interest and support for the work of the Missionary Committee, helping us to retain our links with people we know overseas, and organizing very successful fund-raising events. We are all very grateful indeed for all that she has done and for all her hard work.

Miss Clare Cuckney has kindly agreed to take over as Secretary, and we warmly welcome her in this post.

AND NEWS AND EVENTS FURTHER AFIELD

Christian Resources Exhibition



This national event will be held again at Sandown Park Esher, from May 25th-28th, with many exhibitors, lectures, training talks, special features, music and drama.

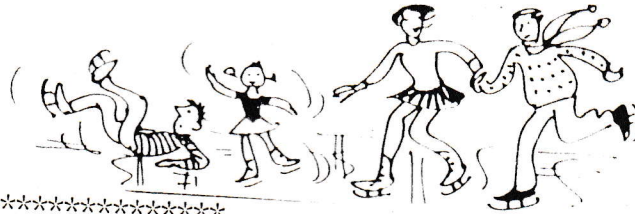
Leaflets with full details are at the back of the Church.

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YMCA Day Camps

These are being held at the Crusader Hall, Stoke Park, Guildford, from April 13-16th, with a programme for 8-14 year olds which includes ice-skating, swimming, special outings, art and craft, mime and drama, tug-of-war, the Day Camps' Challenge, football skills, earthball and parachute games, all for just £39.00. For full details ring YMCA Day Camps on Guildford 32555.



The Keswick Convention will be held from July 17-24th and the Holiday Convention from July 24-31st. For full information, please write to Mr David Gray, the Administrator, The Keswick Convention Centre, Skiddaw Street, Keswick, Cumbria CA12 4BY, or 'phone 07687 72589.

On Easter Monday there is a Youth Pilgrimage to Guildford Cathedral, followed by a Service at 3 00pm



Excerpts from Handel's "Messiah" will be performed by "The Melodists" at Godalming Parish Church on Good Friday,

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April 9th, at 7 30pm. Free tickets are available from The Cellar. Donations will be welcome in aid of The Cellar.

A Renewal Training Day will be led by the Rev. Michael Mitton and a team from Anglican Renewal Ministries at St Paul's Camberley on Saturday April 24th from 10 00am to 4 00pm. Price £5.00. Booking forms are at the back of the Church. (Please bring your own lunch).

Waverley Abbey Prayer Morning

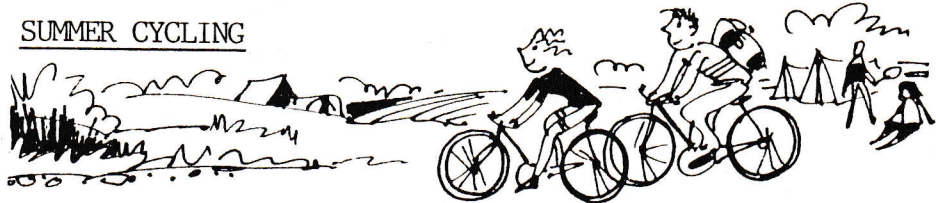
The next gathering takes place on Saturday April 3rd. There will also be a men's prayer breakfast on Saturday April 24th. For further details ring 02518 3761.

Spring Harvest weeks run from April 2nd-22nd. For further details ring 0825 769000.

The Alpha Conference

Holy Trinity Brompton are arranging a Conference on May 18th and 19th which will look at the Alpha Course, a 10-week introduction to the Christian faith which has been run for the past 10 years at their Church. Any Home Meeting Leader or other interested Leader is welcome to take a leaflet about this from the back of the Church.

SUMMER CYCLING



Come cycling with us every Thursday evening from 6 - 8 00pm Everyone is welcome. We average 10 miles

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an evening with a stop for liquid refreshment half-way along the route. We negotiate a different route each week. Please meet at the Village Hall on Thursday April 15th for the first of these Summer Cycling Evenings.

Caroline Pitt
Alfie Hammond

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON GROUP

The Valley of Rocks with its wild goats, the rugged coastline situated near Lynmouth and Lynton, makes a magnificent setting for Lee Abbey in North Devon, where Exmoor meets the sea. Mainly a Victorian house set in grounds of some 260 acres, one could well imagine that part of it had at one time been an abbey - although we are reliably informed simply a whim of the builder! It provides a tranquil setting for holidays, blending together worship, teaching and relaxation.

Forty-five years' ago it had its beginnings as a Christian community. Coming from all walks of life, now over sixty people help in all aspects of working together. From the outside staff on the estate - with two miles of coastline, including an almost private beach - to administration and every job needed to run a first-class hotel. A Community indeed that shares its faith as they work together.

Thank you to the four who came to share with us in the work that they do and let us have a glimpse of Lee Abbey with the slides that they showed.

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On Wednesday April 14th in the Village Hall - "Memories are made of this" - so the song goes! This will be a fascinating afternoon with shared memories of our past.

Do come and join us!

Joan Hardy

HAMBLEDON PARISH ASSEMBLY

The Parish Assembly for 1993 will be held on Friday April 23rd at 8 00pm in the Village Hall.

In previous years the evening has been split between the "official business", a guest speaker and refreshments. The Parish Council has decided, for this year, to forgo a guest speaker, in order to allow a greater time for refreshments and the opportunity for people to meet and to discuss with the Parish Councillors, on an informal basis, any problems or concerns they may have.

In the past few years the Assembly has been well attended and once again the Parish Council extend a warm welcome to all of you to attend on April 23rd.

We particularly extend a welcome to all newcomers to the Village. Who knows, you may decide to stand as a Parish Councillor in the elections in 2 years' time?!!

Elizabeth Waring



BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION

Once again the Parish Council has sponsored Hambledon's entry for the 1993 competition. We continue to enter, partly in the hope of winning but primarily to maintain Hambledon as an attractive, clean and tidy place in which to live. To this end the ANNUAL VILLAGE CLEAN-UP will take place on SATURDAY APRIL 24TH with a 10 00am start from the Village Hall.

The Village will be divided into areas and the Parish Council will supply bags (and arrange to collect any large/heavy items) for rubbish.

All we ask is for an hour or so of your time.

Please come and help us, children and dogs are very welcome to assist!

Refreshments will be served in the Village Hall upon your return.

Elizabeth Waring

AND SOME STOP PRESS NEWS OF A NEW BABY!

To Chris and Fleur Thomas of 2 Beech Hill Cottages, a daughter, Charlotte.

We send our congratulations and good wishes to the Thomas family who are newcomers to the Village; to them and to all our readers - A VERY HAPPY EASTER.

