

ST. PETER'S HAMBLEDON

AUGUST 1978

THE RECTOR WRITES

Every tenth year the Bishops of the Anglican churches throughout the world come together for the "Lambeth Conference". The present conference is being held in the University of Kent from July 22 to August 13. It is the first to be residential, and over 400 Bishops, from Africa, Asia, and the Americas as well as from the Commonwealth, will be there. May I commend it to your prayers.

Matters of importance to be considered include:-
Training for the Ministry, and its future. It is chiefly the financial problem of paying for churches and for clergy to staff them in small populations (much more than the dwindling supply of men) that has led to widespread amalgamation of parishes. The number of clergy is being cut down. Some feel the type of minister needed and the training he receives must change. What is God's will here?

The Ordination of Women. We are all aware of varied views in the churches, both as regards the rightness of the principle, and as to how far such a move would be universally welcomed. What is God's will?

Anglican relations with other Churches. Thank God that the spirit between the denominations in recent years has been transformed, and is often now warm and co-operative indeed. We need now to move on to official recognition of each others ministries; and that has made only slow progress. Pray that God will show the right way.

Beyond all this, pray for a fresh touch of God's hand, to re-establish faith in Him, and confidence in his truth, and for the renewal of love for Him, not only among the Bishops, but among us all.

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DIARY FOR AUGUST

6 ELEVENTH AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion at 8 am and 12 noon
10 am Children's Church: Public Baptism
11 am Morning Prayer: Mr G.M. Bolton
6.30 pm Evening Prayer

9 Wed. 8.15 pm Bible Study and Prayer (Rectory)

13 TWELFTH AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion at 8 am
11 am Morning Prayer
6.30 pm Evening Prayer
7.45 pm Young People at The Rectory

20 THIRTEENTH AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion at 8 am and 6.30 pm
10 am Children's Church
11 am Morning Prayer
6.30 pm Holy Communion
7.45 pm Young People at Heath Cottage

23 Wed. 8.15 pm Bible Study and Prayer (Rectory)

27 FOURTEENTH AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion at 8 am and 10 am
10 am Series II Holy Communion Service
11 am Morning Prayer
6.30 pm Evening Prayer
7.45 pm Young People at Little Woodlands

AND IN SEPTEMBER

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3 FIFTEENTH AFTER TRINITY

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

6 Wed. 8.15 pm Bible Study and Prayer (Rectory)

10 SIXTEENTH AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion at 8 am

11 am Morning Prayer: Sunday Club reopens

6.30 pm Evening Prayer

7.45 pm Young People at The Rectory

CHURCH FLOWERS

Aug. 6 Wedding flowers

13 Mrs E.A. Wieler

20 Mrs D.F. Ringe

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Sep. 3 Mrs M. Stevens

10 Mrs E.A. Wieler

FREE WILL OFFERING ENVELOPES

Total for June 1978 £98 - 66p.

E.F. Denny

The Church of England Children's Society has written to Mrs J.E. Vickery to thank her for the gift of £10-77p which was sent up from the last half yearly Box Opening.

CHURCH REGISTERS

Baptisms June 18 Jacqueline Louise Hammond

July 9 Julian Andrew Cook

July 16 Andrew James Anthony Parker

Burial July 13 Elsie Emily Patricia Jeffery

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ELSIE JEFFERY

The very large number who came to our church for the funeral service of Elsie Jeffery was a clear token of the affection we all felt for her. She first came to Hambledon some 55 years ago when she was about 20 years old, and she worked on the household staff at Tigbourne Court for over 20 years. Ted was gardener there at the time, and so began, in the goodness of God, the growing friendship which led on later to a most happy marriage. They were married by Canon Seymour in 1942, so that Elsie had to say goodbye to her husband until the war was over. After the armistice they moved to Oakhurst, and there she made a home of peace for 30 years, beautiful in the things which matter most.

We shall remember her with much pleasure as a friend and neighbour, as a member of the Women's Institute, and of the Women's Fellowship, and as a worshipper without fail every Sunday evening. She was always the same, unruffled, kind and generous (she always thought and spoke kindly of others), and uncomplaining even when her illness latterly brought her much pain to bear. We are thankful that she was able to end her days here in peace, and in her own home, and without fears and distress. To Ted especially, and indeed to all the Jeffery family, we send our love now.

PERSONALIA

We are most sorry to hear that MRS GILL, who had been improving slowly in hospital and for whom no anxiety was felt, had a sudden heart attack and died at the beginning of July.

MRS CONNIE WHITE and MRS WINTER are both much better and it is good to have them back in church again.

CHARLES VACHER is home, and making slow progress there; but he is very strictly limited in what he is allowed to do, and finds this very irksome and depressing indeed. MR CROWHURST is in Milford Chest Hospital suffering from a heart attack, but we hope it will not be long before he is able to return home again.

JOHN MAY has been winning further distinctions in motor cycle rallies. He recently won a silver medal in the 2 day trial in Germany, and a gold in Austria, and is to ride in the British team for a major 6 day event in Sweden.

JENNIE VRANCH has successfully completed her massage course for L.C.S.P. at Enton Hall. JOHN COLEMAN has taken his B.A. degree after studying Art at Camberwell School of Art. At Exeter University JANE HANSFORD was awarded her B.A. degree for modern languages (German), and JUDITH THOMPSON her Ph.D for English research.

SUSAN HILL, who is studying medicine at Southampton University, is using her long vacation on a two months visit to a hospital in Hong Kong to gain experience.

CHURCH SCHOOL STAFF CHANGE

Mrs Hubbarde has accepted an appointment to teach Art at a Comprehensive School in Cranleigh, and we are most sorry to be saying goodbye to her at the end of this present summer term. She has served as a full time teacher here for two years, and won warm praise from the parents for the work she did. We give her our very best wishes as she moves on now to her second teaching post.

The vacancy will have to be publicly advertised, and the Managers are responsible for the permanent appointment, though there may have to be temporary supply for a short time.

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CHILDREN'S CHURCH and SUNDAY CLUB

During August Children's Church continues as usual on the 1st and 3rd Sundays at 10 am; but Sunday Club is discontinued for holiday time and is to reopen on September 10th as the new school term begins.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDIES

These also continue fortnightly at The Rectory at 8.15 pm. The dates are 9th and 23rd August. We are now studying the later chapters of John's Gospel. All are most welcome to come.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sun. 20 Aug. Open Tea at The Rectory, 4 to 5.30 pm
Wed. 27 Sep. British & Foreign Bible Society A.G.M. in Godalming Library at 8 pm (with our Young People's Group taking part)
Frid. 29 Sep. Harvest Supper (Village Hall).
Sun. 1 Oct. Harvest Thanksgiving Services
Thu. 12 Oct. Parish Fellowship season begins in the Village Hall at 8 pm (and thereafter on the 2nd Thursday of each month).
Sun. 15 Oct. Visit of Rev Garth Grinham of the Church Pastoral-Aid Society.

A NOTE FROM MAJOR R.P.A. de BERNIERE-SMART
Gen. Secy of Shaftesbury Homes & Arethusa

"May I ask you, through the medium of the Parish Magazine, to express my warm thanks to Christopher Mabley and to all who attended his excellent recital, for their generous support of the Shaftesbury Homes and Arethusa. The collection amounted to £30-85p, a noble gift indeed, and one for which my Council will be most grateful"

A N O P E N T E A**AT THE RECTORY**

on Sunday 20th August

from 4 to 5.30 pm

All are most welcome to come and join us

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Owing to a rainy afternoon the planned 'garden meeting and tea' in June had to be held indoors, but Mrs Ellingson warmed our hearts with a moving and interesting talk on her visit to Turkey as a member of the party led by Mr and Mrs Gordon Humphreys during May. She concluded her talk by saying that the Bible had come alive to her in a new way since visiting the land covered by St. Paul in his missionary journeys. We were amazed how she remembered so many details of the tour.

The Fellowship were grieved to hear of the passing of one of its most faithful members, Mrs Elsie Jeffery. A spray of flowers was sent to the funeral in her memory. We extend our deepest sympathy to her husband, Mr Ted Jeffery.

The Fellowship reopens on Thursday 26 October.

S.M.S.

PRODUCE AND HANDICRAFT SHOW

Hambledon W.I. held a Produce and Handicraft Show on July 12th. By kind invitation of Major and Mrs Major, the exhibits were displayed at Court Farm Barn, on very effective staging put up by Miss Davis and her helpers. There were about 190 items including flowers, vegetables, fruit; cakes, bread, jams; jerseys, shawls, and machine made garments. The four judges, Mr Austin, Miss Liberta, Miss Lingham and Mrs Jackman were encouraging about the standards of the work.

After the business meeting, the President Mrs Crowhurst introduced Mrs Pepper from Hambledon's linked institute in New Zealand. She comes from Kohn Kohu, and answered questions about her life in the remote North land. She said when she first went there with her husband it was the W.I. which was her link with people, and helped her settle down to a very different kind of life, where distances from neighbours were great, and any social gatherings had to be carefully arranged.

Mrs Major entertained the company to a delicious tea, ending the strawberries and raspberries, and the whole afternoon was much enjoyed by members and visitors alike. The President warmly thanked Mrs Major for her hospitality, and Miss Davis for all her work in organising the show.

R.S.

CORRECTION of an error in last month's magazine when we gave details of missionary societies to which we send gifts:-

The parent society of which the Ruanda Mission is a special interest of ours is the C.M.S. (Church Missionary Society), not the B.C.M.S.