ST. FETER'S, HAMBLEDON AUGUST 1981

THE RECTOR WRITES

You will be able to read on page 5 an open letter which has been written by Mr Nigel Pollock to the parents of our Sunday Club children.

I have often expressed our very real thanks as a church to the staff of Sunday Club, who put so much into their preparation throughout the year. Now, after carrying the leadership of the team for the first three years, Mrs Mac Bolton is for the present laying down the reins for a well-earned breather. We owe Sheila a special debt. Her years of experience as a trained and practicing teacher have been a tremendous strength to the rest of the staff. She has been able to guide Sunday Club into the right lines, and the other members of the team have unconsciously learned from her. I want to say on behalf of us all how very grateful we are to her for her unstinting work and care during three years when she already had too much to do. We give her our warmest thanks.

CALENDAR FOR AUGUST 1981 EVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Foly Communion at 8 am and 12 noon 10 am Children's Church 11 am Morning Prayer 6.30 pm Evening Prayer (A.S.B.) 7.45 pm Young People at Heath Cottage * Wed. 8.15 pm Bible Study and Prayer (Rectory) * EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Foly Communion at 8 am Morning Prayer 11 am 6.30 pm Evening Prayer 7.45 pm Young People at The Rectory NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Holy Communion at 8 am and 6.30 pm Children's Church : Baptism 10 am 11 am Morning Prayer 6.30 pm Holy Communion (A.S.B.) 7.45 pm Young People at Heath Cottage Wed. 8.15 pm Bible Study and Prayer (Rectory) TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Holy Communion at 8 am and 9.45 am 9.45 am Holy Communion (A.S.B.) 11 am Morning Prayer 6.30 pm Evening Prayer 7.45 pm Young People at Little Woodlands LEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Holy Communion at 8 am and 7.30 pm 11 am Morning Prayer 6.30 pm Evening Prayer Young People visit "Greenbelt" Festival

AND IN SPTEMBER

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- TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 6 Holy Communion at 8 am and 12 noon Children's Church 10 am Morning Prayer 11 am 6.30 pm Evening Prayer 7.45 pm Young People at Heath Cottage
 - THIRTEENTH SUNDAY 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
 - 16 Wed. 8.15 pm Bible Study and Prayer (Rectory)

CHURCH FLOWERS

- Miss E.F. Denny Aug. 2 Mrs E.A. Wieler
 - 9 Mrs D. Symonds 16
 - Mrs R.C. Steele 23
 - Mrs M.B.P. Stedall Miss E.F. Denny 30
- Sept.6 Mrs E.A. Wieler
- FREE WILL OFFERING SCHEME Total for June 1981

£322.80p. E.F. Denny

CHURCH REGISTERS

Confirmations July 17 at Grayswood:

Laura Smith Elizabeth Mary Edith Vacher

July 11: Andrew Metcalfe & Debirah Anne Bourne Marriages

Several of our sick friends have had setbacks, and we send them our special greetings now.

MRS CECIL CHAPMAN, though better from her shingles, has had a new development which has left her greatly weakened, so that she is in a nearby nursing home for a period of complete rest.

MRS VARDEN has added to her misfortunes by breaking her wrist, and her stay in the County Hospital has had to be prolonged.

MR JOHN HOLDER has had a very trying period of weakness which kept him in bed for a while, but has now improved and has been out again.

MISS IRIS CULLIS has had a course of treatment at St. Luke's Hospital which has left her rather exhausted, and we hope that a period quietly at home will enable her to build up her strength.

CLOTHING NEEDED

Jennie Arden-White in a message home from the Philippines tells of the great need for light clothing, especially T shirts and jeans, for the 4 to 14 year oll orphans in her care. Please contact the Arden-Whites (Litthe Woodlands, New Road, Wormley, Tel. 2582) within a few days if you have something you can spare.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDIES

Our fortnightly Wednesday evening Bible Studies, open to all men, women, and young people who can come, continue throughout the holiday period. The dates are August 5 and 19, and September 2 and 16. Come and join us, in the Rectory at 8.15 pm.

FOR THE CHILDREN

CHILDREN'S CHURCH continues as usual throughout the holidays, and all children and parents who are not away from home are welcome for our short Children's Service at 10 am on the first and third Sundays of August and indeed of every month

SUNDAY CLUB, on the other Sundays, only takes place during school term time, so is in abeyance during the summer holidays. The Open Letter here tells you more

OPEN LETTER TO SUNDAY CLUB PARENTS

Dear Parents, We have completed our third year of Sunday Club with the same number of children as we first started with. It has been an enjoyable three years for us on the staff, and it seems to have been enjoyable for the children as well.

The mixture, as you may have gathered from the children, is activities to suit the age group combined with a period of teaching. We have, as you know, just resumed the creche, which is now well populated; and we have split the older group into (a) $8\frac{1}{2}$'s to $10\frac{1}{2}$'s and (b) 11's and above.

We look forward to hearing about the summer holidays from the children at the first Sunday Club in September, on the 13th. Then on October 10th we are holding our birthday party when we are having as our guest to speak to us a blind teacher with his dog. More about that nearer the time.

Yours sincerely, Nigel Pollock

We were pleased to see our leader Mrs Jack symonds at the June meeting, as she had been feeling rather unwell. We pray that she will soon be quite fit again. Her few words about her trip to Canada were most interesting.

Irs Joan Hardy also spoke about Sunday Club and how it worked. This entails quite a lot of preparation, and she and her husband and the other members of the staff must work very hard arranging the programmes, which are instructive and interesting ... as they were indeed to some of us.

We meet again on Thursday 24th September.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Hambledon W.I. are very fortunate in having so many lovely gardens in which to hold their summer meetings. This time it was the President Mrs Najor who had invited us to Court Farm.

The President conducted the meeting and tlans were finalised for a Bring and Buy at "eadowcroft on August 12 in aid of The Year of the Disabled."

The fun part of the afternoon was a game of "Call my Bluff" against a team from Busbridge, and this proved very entertaining indeed.

Hambledon won by 8 to 4. Thank you Busbridge for your participation; we couldn't have done at without you.

I delightful tea was provided by Mrs Major; and Irs Simmonds, Davis and Brunt won the raffle

Ilease remember August 12 at 2.30 pm, Bring and Buy at Meadowcroft, Lane End. There will be refreshments available, raffle, swimming etc. The Disabled need our help. If wet, in Village all.

E.G. Freemantle

The following paragraph, quoted by Mr Tom Houston of the British & Foreign Bible Society is included here NOT because it is thought to be specially applicable to Hambledon, but simply because it is rather fun!

"There are 566 members in our church, but 100 are frail and elderly and that leaves 466 to do all the work; but 80 are young people at college, and that leaves 386 to do all the work; but 150 are tired business men, so that leaves 236 to do all the work; and 150 are busy housewives with children, which leaves 86 to do all the work; but a further 46 have important outside interests which leaves 40 to do all the work; but 15 live too far away to come regularly, so that leaves 25 to do all the work; and 23 say they have already done their bit for the church. That leaves you and me, and I'm exhausted ...Good luck to you."