

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, HAMBLEDON

A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OUR READERS

D I A R Y

1971

December

Thu. 2: Young Wives at "Bermonde" 8.0 p.m.

Sun. 5: ADVENT II

Holy Communion 8.0 a.m. & 12 noon

Children's Church 10.0 a.m.

Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.

Evening Prayer 6.30 p.m.

"The Church in Sudan" - C.M.S.

Church Coach - Hydestile Cross-roads

6 p.m. & Lane End 6.10 p.m. approx.

Thu. 9: Women's Fellowship at  
'Ellingsons" 3.0 p.m.

Church Fellowship in Village  
Hall - "Book-binding" (illustrated)  
by Anthony Gardner Esq.,  
O.B.E. 8.0 p.m.

Sun. 12: ADVENT III

Holy Communion 8.0 a.m.

Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.

Evening Prayer 6.30 p.m.

Mon. 13: Bible Study at Heath Cottage 8.0 p.m.

"The Christian Attitude to Other  
People" - Matthew 7, 1-29.  
(Dr. H. W. Sansom)

Fri. 17: Hambledon School End of Term Carol  
Service 2.0 p.m.

(Continued overleaf)

Sun. 19: ADVENT IV  
 Holy Communion 8.0 a.m.  
 Children's Church - Toy Service 10.0 a.m.  
 Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.  
 Carol Service 6.30 p.m.  
 (No Evening Communion)

Fri. 24:	<u>CHRISTMAS EVE</u>	
	Holy Communion	11.30 p.m.
Sat. 25:	<u>CHRISTMAS DAY</u>	
	Holy Communion	8.0 a.m. & after
	Family Service	
	Family Service	11.0 a.m.

Sun. 26: CHRISTMAS I - ST. STEPHEN  
 Holy Communion 8.0 a.m.  
 Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.  
 Evening Prayer (said) 6.30 p.m.  
 (No Family Communion 10.0 a.m.)

1972  
January

Sun. 2: CHRISTMAS II  
 Holy Communion 8.0 a.m. & 12 noon  
 Children's Church 10.0 a.m.  
 Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.  
 Evening Prayer 6.30 p.m.  
 Church Coach - Hydestile Cross-roads  
 6 p.m. & Lane End 6.10 p.m., approx.

Sun. 9: EPIPHANY I  
 Holy Communion 8.0 a.m.  
 Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.  
 Evening Prayer 6.30 p.m.

Thu. 13: Church Fellowship in Village Hall -  
 "News on Television" by Julian  
 Haviland Esq., Parliamentary  
 Reporter I.T.V. 8.0 p.m.

### CHURCH FLOWERS

The provision of flowers for the Holy Table during another year has been very much appreciated, and we thank all who have been responsible for this service. The list for 1972 is now in the Church Porch and we invite any who would like to give and arrange the flowers to enter their names on the list now.

December 1971 arrangements are:

Dec. 5: Mrs. Richards. Dec.19) Christmas  
Dec.12: Mrs. Wieler. Dec.26) Decorations.

### FREE-WILL OFFERING ENVELOPES

Total - October 1971: £27.91.

E. F. Denny, Secretary.

### CHURCH REGISTERS

#### Baptisms

Oct.31: Tracey Joanne, daughter of Robert James and Jill Rosetta Campbell Secrett.  
Nov.14: Sally June, daughter of Edward John and Julie Tizzard.

#### Burials

Oct.28: Lily Freemantle, aged 95 years.

Mrs. Freemantle was one of Hambledon's oldest inhabitants and had lived at Grange Terrace, Lane End, for many years. She moved to Hambledon Homes quite recently and settled in there very well. We are grateful for her life and example of faith in Christ, and we assure her relatives and friends of our sympathies in their bereavement.



### REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

At the Remembrance Service at 10.30 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 14th, Major-General J.M.W. Martin read the Legion Exhortation, the Lesson was read by Major R.P.A. de Bernière-Smart and Mr. S. Ayling laid the wreath at the War Memorial in Church. The Offerings were for the Earl Haig's Fund and the total collected at all the services was £45.58.

### CHRISTMAS 1971

#### CHRISTMAS EVE

Holy Communion 11.30 p.m. Offertory for work among Refugees and Homeless.

#### CHRISTMAS DAY

Holy Communion 8.0 a.m. and after Family Service.  
FAMILY SERVICE 11.0 a.m.  
Offerings for Children's Charities.

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19th:

Children's Toy Service at 10.0 a.m. Gifts of toys, books, games, etc., received for distribution to "Children's Homes".

Carol Service of Nine Lessons at 6.30 p.m.

#### CHURCH DECORATION

Saturday, Dec. 18th, in preparation for Toy and Carol Services. Gifts of evergreen, flowers, etc., will be gratefully received. Please send on Friday, or early Saturday morning (17th & 18th).

#### CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS

The sets of coloured lights for the tree etc. are in need of replacement, and we should be pleased to receive any donations towards the cost.

### THE CHRISTMAS CARD

This year the Christmas Card has a drawing of Christ Church, Amsterdam, in 1820. The exterior of the Church building (which houses both the Church and the chaplain's flat) and the old canal with its swing bridge has changed little since. Recently the flat was completely modernised, and the church restored. The Anglican Chaplaincy in Amsterdam is one of the oldest in Europe, and there is a note about this on the card. The present Rector of Hambledon was Chaplain there just after the Liberation of Holland, and he and Mrs. Elton re-opened the Church for services - it had been closed during the German Occupation.

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### OBITUARY

Major Leonard P. Haviland, who died at Musselburgh, Midlothian, on November 15th, had been a member of Hambledon Church for many years. He and Mrs. Haviland left Hydon Corner, Hydon Heath, about two years ago to make their home in Scotland, and have been very much missed by us all. Major Haviland had served on the Parochial Church Council and was for some time our representative at the Diocesan Conference. His experience as Secretary to the Lord Chancellor meant that he had a wide knowledge of Church affairs and personnel, and his advice and guidance as a member of our Church Council proved most helpful on many occasions. Hambledon School was privileged to have his help as a Manager and also as the Hon. Treasurer to the Managers. We are grateful for all that Major Haviland has done for our Church and village over many years, and we thank God for his Christian witness, his family life and his fellowship with us. We assure his widow and family of our sympathies in their bereavement.



## CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

December 9th. In the Village Hall at 8.0 p.m., Mr. Anthony Gardner will be giving his illustrated talk on "Book-binding". Mr. Gardner is one of the few experts in this interesting craft, and we owe him a great deal for the provision of some of the beautifully bound Bibles and record books in our church. We are indebted to him for his willingness to tell us more about his work. Do book the date!

January 13th, 1972. Mr. Julian Haviland has kindly promised to speak about his work as a Parliamentary Reporter I.T.A., at the meeting in the Village Hall at 8.0 p.m. His talk will be illustrated. This is a "must" for your 1972 diary!

Church Fellowship Report. There was a large attendance at the Village Hall on November 11th for the first meeting this season of the Church Fellowship. The Rector opened the meeting and Mr. John Symonds showed a colour film of his friend David Shepherd in Africa and at home.

There were beautiful pictures of wild animals in Zambia with the artist painting them from life protected by armed game-wardens against a sudden charge by his elephant "models". There were also shots from England of David Shepherd's second love, steam engines, where we saw him not only portraying them on canvas, but also literally painting and cleaning and driving the locomotives himself. The film ended with pictures of the artist and his wife and daughters in their lovely home, Winkworth Farm, Hascombe.

Mr. C. A. Chapman thanked Mr. J. Symonds for showing this outstanding film and the Rector closed with special prayers for Remembrance Day.

### WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The new session of the Women's Fellowship reopened on Thursday, 28th October, and the meeting was held at "Ellingsons" on a lovely sunny afternoon. As a group, we do appreciate the kindness of Mrs. Ellingson in welcoming us to her home each month. We were delighted to have six of the ladies from the Hambledon Homes with us.

Our speaker, Mrs. Fred Barff, gave an inspiring talk on the story from St. Matthew's Gospel, ch. 14, of Peter walking on the water to go to Jesus. She emphasised the necessity, in these storm-tossed days, of crying out "Lord, save me", believing that Christ alone can meet our every need. She illustrated her talk from personal experience and therefore her message was challenging and sincere.

The next meeting will be held on Thurs. 9th Dec., at which we shall be singing carols led by Mrs. Hugh Sansom.

### THE YOUNG WIVES -

met in the home of Mrs. Margaret Lasseter on 21st October for the first in a series of Bible studies. These got off to a good start when Dr. Jack Symonds talked about the Bible, and various themes which run through the Book. On 4th November we discussed the responsibilities and difficulties of living in a community, after an interesting talk by Mrs. Sue Sansom, in the home of Mrs. Margaret Heath. We are grateful to those who are kind enough to open their homes for these meetings.

On December 2nd, we shall be meeting at Bermonde, home of Mrs. Beryl Williams, when Mr. Norman Jervis from Enton Hall will be giving his views on our eating habits! And two weeks later on 16th, the third Bible study, when we shall be considering Prayer, will be held at No. 2 Beech Hill Cottages, home of Mrs. Brenda Brown.



### HARVEST SUPPER REPORT

St. Peter's Church held their third annual Harvest Supper on Thursday last in the Village Hall, which was brilliantly decorated with autumn leaves, bowls of chrysanthemums and dahlias and a harvest loaf. Parishioners were greeted in the entrance lobby by a colourful scarecrow standing guard over a display of fruit and vegetables.

The Rector thanked all who had contributed to the successful preparation of the hall and the excellent meal with home-made wine. The helpers were too numerous to mention by name, but in particular gratitude was expressed to Mrs. Thorne, the organist, who was responsible for both the organisation of the supper and for the entertainment. In addition to many older members who had given their usual faithful assistance, there were many younger people involved in the arrangements this year.

After the supper, a musical entertainment by members of the choir and church was much enjoyed. This included community singing, folk songs with guitar accompaniment and ensemble items by the performers, the pièce de resistance of which was an "Ode to the Organ", to the words of which Mrs. Thorne requested particular attention should be paid - it concluded with a plea to "rebuild".

The evening ended with all present singing "Auld Lang Syne", and when 100 people in Hambledon, at the conclusion of a happy evening, sing such a well-loved song, it can be heard well outside the confines of the village hall!