

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, HAMBLEDON

December 1972

A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OUR READERS

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Dec.

- Sun. 3: ADVENT I
Holy Communion 8.0 a.m. & 12.0 noon
Children's Church 10.0 a.m.
Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.
Evening Prayer 6.30 p.m.
Church Coach leaves Hydestile Crossroads
at 6.0 p.m., & Lane End 6.10 p.m.
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- Mon. 4: Holy Communion - Hambledon
Homes 2.30 p.m.
Parochial Church Council -
Rectory 8.0 p.m.
- Thu. 7: Women's Fellowship at
Ellingson's 3.0 p.m.
Christmas Carols - Mrs. Hugh Sansom
- Sun. 10: ADVENT II - BIBLE SUNDAY
Holy Communion 8.0 a.m.
Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.
Evening Prayer 6.30 p.m.
Sound-strip: "Time for the thoughts
of God" (Reaching China with God's
word)
Offerings: British & Foreign Bible
Society.
- Mon. 11: Prayer Meeting at Rectory 7.45 p.m.
Bible Study at Rectory 8.15 p.m.

Thu. 14: Church Fellowship - Village Hall 8.0 p.m.
 "West Wales" illustrated by Mr. & Mrs. H. B. Thornton of Ewhurst.

Sun. 17: ADVENT III
 Holy Communion 8.0 a.m.
 Children's Church TOY SERVICE 10.0 a.m.
 Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.
 Evening Prayer & Holy Commn. 6.30 p.m.

Thu. 21: Hambledon School Carol Service 2.0 p.m.

SUN. 24:	<u>CHRISTMAS EVE - ADVENT IV</u>	
	Holy Communion	8.0 a.m.
	Morning Prayer	11.0 a.m.
	(No 10 a.m. Family Communion)	
	CAROL SERVICE	6.30 p.m.
	<u>HOLY COMMUNION</u>	<u>11.30 p.m.</u>
MON. 25:	<u>CHRISTMAS DAY</u>	
	<u>HOLY COMMUNION</u>	<u>8.0 a.m.</u>
	<u>FAMILY SERVICE</u>	<u>11.0 a.m.</u>
	<u>HOLY COMMUNION</u>	<u>12.0 noon</u>
	Offerings: Children's Charities	

Sun. 31: SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
 Holy Communion 8.0 a.m.
 Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.
 Evening Prayer & Holy Commn. 6.30 p.m.

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Mon. 1: Holy Communion, Hambledon Homes 2.30 p.m.

Sun. 7: EPIPHANY I
 Holy Communion 8.0 a.m. & 12.0 noon
 Children's Church 10.0 a.m.
 Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.
 Evening Prayer 6.30 p.m.
 Church Coach leaves Hydestile Crossroads 6.0 p.m., & Lane End 6.10 p.m., approx.

WORLDWIDE WEEK OF PRAYER - Jan. 7th-14th.

Thu. 11: Church Fellowship - Village Hall 8.0 p.m.
"Palestine Visits" in colour
by D. G. C. Symonds Esq.

Sun. 14: EPIPHANY II
Holy Communion 8.0 a.m.
Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.
Evening Prayer 6.30 p.m.

CHURCH FLOWERS

We are most grateful to all who have been responsible for the provision and arrangement of the flowers in Church during the past year, and we invite those who would be willing to undertake this service in 1973 to enter their names on the list which will be found in the Church Porch. The flowers are usually arranged on the Friday, or Saturday morning, in preparation for the Sunday services. The rota for December:

Dec. 3: Mrs. Elton.	Dec. 17) Christmas
10: Mrs. Wieler.	24) decorations
	Dec. 31: Miss Parker.

FREE-WILL OFFERING ENVELOPES

Total for October 1972: £37.32.

E. F. Denny, Sec.

We record our sincere thanks to all who support the funds of Hambledon Church through the Free-Will Offering Fund. Our grateful thanks to Miss Denny, the F.W.O. Secretary, for the many hours spent in collecting subscriptions and in keeping the accounts. She will always be pleased to enrol new members; her address is:

Denny's, Hambledon (Tel.: Wormley 2461). Contributions to the F.W.O. Fund not only enable us to pay the expenses of our local church, but also to send contributions to many missionary societies and charities.

WORLDWIDE WEEK OF PRAYER 1973

Sunday January 7th to Sunday January 14th 1973

During the first week of January, Christians in many parts of the world will be participating in this week of prayer. The theme this time will be "The Joy of the Christian".

BIBLE SUNDAY - 10th DECEMBER 1972

This is a day when Christians all over the world give thanks for their greatest single asset, the Bible. At the same time they consider again their responsibility to use this asset and make it available to those who do not yet have the Bible in their own language. It was for this purpose that the British and Foreign Bible Society came into being and still works to-day.

In many parts of the world men and women, and boys and girls, have come to possess the Word of God in their own tongue because Christians here have supported the Bible Society by their prayers and gifts. The Society helps in translation work and prints and distributes the Bible and portions of Scripture in almost every language and country. Offerings in Hambledon Church on Sunday, Dec. 10th, will be for the British and Foreign Bible Society, and we ask for your generous support. A Sound-strip about the work will be shown at the evening service.

BIBLE READING

DO YOU READ THE BIBLE REGULARLY AND SYSTEMATICALLY? Among the societies which help Christians to do this is THE SCRIPTURE UNION. Helpful notes are supplied, graded to suit all ages, and our local secretary of the Scripture Union will be pleased to give further information and enrol you as a member of the S.U. Her name and address: Mrs. Pettit, Burgate Farm, Vann Lane, Hambledon.

CONFIRMATION

The following were confirmed at Haslemere Parish Church by the Lord Bishop of Dorking on Wednesday, November 8th:-

Marilyn Wendy Belchamber, Shirley Dedman and
Elaine Marie Harding.

We welcome them into the full membership of our Church and wish them every blessing for the future.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Children's Church Toy Service will be on SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17th, at 10.0 a.m. when we invite children to bring toys, books, games, etc., to Church. These will be sent to Children's Homes for distribution at Christmas.

Christmas Eve - Sunday, December 24th

Holy Communion	8.0 a.m.
Morning Prayer	11.0 a.m.
Carol Service	6.30 p.m.
HOLY COMMUNION	11.30 p.m.

Christmas Day. HOLY COMMUNION 8.0 a.m., and
after Family Service. FAMILY SERVICE 11.0 a.m.

CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

At the first meeting this season of the Church Fellowship, the Rector welcomed Messrs. Peter Caudle and Alan High on a return visit to Hambledon.

The large and appreciative audience were delighted with Messrs. Caudle & High's programme, "Home and Abroad with a Cine Camera". We were shown superb colour films of a trip on the narrow-gauge Festiniog - Tan-y-Blwch stean railway; a marvellous sequence of a gale round the Scilly Isles; Brunels' first iron ship, the "Great Britain", built in 1843 and now being restored near Bristol; ski-ing in the Austrian mountains; and a cruise on the Rhine in the Seven Mountains district of West Germany. All these were accompanied by apt commentary and appropriate music.

Mrs. Adgie thanked Messrs. Caudle & High for a wonderful evening's entertainment, and the Rector closed with an epilogue. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Hammond and Mrs. F. Jeffery.

Next meeting: Thursday, December 14th, at 8 p.m. in the Village Hall. Subject: "West Wales". Speaker: Mr. & Mrs. H. B. Thornton of Ewhurst. The colour slides and commentary, we are told, are "superb"!

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Our opening meeting was held on the 26th October at Ellingsons, and we were warmly welcomed, as usual, by our hostess, Mrs. Ellingson. Most of the members were present, including ladies from the Hambledon Homes.

Our speaker was Lady Arthur Smith, from Pirbright, who gave a searching talk on the Ten Commandments, dealing with each one in turn with

their relevant application for us in these days; she stressed the necessity to put God first in a generation which is losing its Christian teaching and standards.

The next meeting will be held a fortnight earlier than usual on the 7th December, when Mrs. Hugh Sansom will lead us in the singing of Christmas carols.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

At the October meeting of Hambledon W.I., Mrs. Steele, President, said that the Institute had been asked to contribute to the Produce Stall at Haslemere Outpatient Group Bazaar. This event is very near the Institute's own annual bazaar on 11th November, so it might be difficult for members to contribute to both. Instead, a coffee morning, with a Bring & Buy stall had been arranged to take place at Juniper Hill on 25th October.

The President told members that after many years of providing tea for the Institute, Mrs. Jeffery had decided to have a rest, and new arrangements would come into operation at the beginning of the next year. On behalf of the Institute she thanked Mrs. Jeffery warmly for her wonderful record, and said that everyone would miss her delicious cooking.

Hambledon Parish Council had asked if W.I. members would take part in the Keep Britain Tidy campaign by taking responsibility for clearing rubbish dropped by uncaring people. Miss Denny, Miss Gore, Mrs. Vacher and Mrs. Steele would take the first stint, dealing with four areas, and other members would follow later.

Finally, Miss Thomas gave an interesting talk

on raffia work, and members were able to see some of the prize-winning articles which she had made.

The November meeting of Hambledon W.I. was chaired for the first time by the Vice-President, Mrs. Vacher.

The Vice-President announced that over £6 had been raised and sent to the Haslemere Group Hospitals Bazaar fund by the coffee morning given by Mrs. Steele.

Members were reminded to bring their entries for the December meeting competition, for a gift label, and it was hoped that everybody would bring something original.

The President, Mrs. Steele, had attended the half-yearly Council Meeting of Surrey County Federation of W.I.s at Dorking on 6th November, and gave a report of the proceedings.

The Secretary, Mrs. Crowhurst, had represented Hambledon at the Group Meeting, held at Grayshott on 3rd November, and she reported this event to members.

Mrs. Phillpot gave a talk and demonstration on millinery, and although few members appeared wearing hats, the interest aroused by Mrs. Phillpot's amusing comments may well inspire members to try their hands at this seemingly simple craft.

NEXT YEAR'S "PARISH MAGAZINE"

An Order Form for next year's Parish Magazine will be found inserted in this month's issue. As you will see, the magazine can be either posted to you or - if you live in the parish of Hambledon - delivered to you by one of the Distributors; or you may collect it from the Church each month.