ST PETER'S CHURCH * HAMBLEDON * JULY 1988

The Rector writes:

My dear Friends

" the Son of God ... loved me, and gave Himself for me." Galatians 2:20

God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son. (John 3:16). Yes, I know that, and am deeply grateful for that assurance. The description of His love narrows: "Christ loved the Church and gave Yes I know, Himself for it". (Ephesians 5:25). and am deeply grateful for that assurance also. But the circle comes to its narrowest radius when Paul tells me that "The Son of God ... loved me and gave Himself for me". How can I possibly assess or express my gratitude for that? The giving God in Christ set His saving purpose on me individually, so that He would have died on the cross if I had been Do you remember the the only sinner in the world. "God be merciful to tax collector in Luke 18:13? me the (as the Greek says) sinner", as if he were the only one, or anyway the worst one!

Surely that I What is our response to all this? must love Him back to the utmost of my capacity and give Him my service to the utmost of my ability.

Yours sincerely

PETER SERTIN

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Lord may the mainspring of all my efforts be that "the love of Christ constrains me" - for your sake and your glory -

CALENDAR FOR JULY 1988

5TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
8 00am Holy Communion (1662)
11 00am FAMILY SERVICE
6 30pm Evening Prayer (1662)
7 45pm Youth Fellowship
8 00pm MEETING FOR BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER
AT THE RECTORY
HAMBLEDON VILLAGE FETE
6TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
8 00am Holy Communion (1662)
11 00am Morning Prayer (1662)
(followed by Holy Communion (1662))
(Sunday Club meets in the Nursery School)
6 30pm Holy Communion (ASB)
7 45pm Youth Fellowship
7TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
8 00am Holy Communion (1662)
10 00am Children's Church
11 00am Morning Prayer (1662)
6 30pm Evening Prayer (ASB)
7 45pm Youth Fellowship
8TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
8 00am Holy Communion (1662)
11 00am Holy Communion (1662)
(Sunday Club meets in the Nursery School)
6 30pm Holy Communion (ASB)
7 45pm Youth Fellowship
9TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
8 00am Holy Communion (1662)
11 00am Morning Prayer (1662)
: Bishop Crispus Nzano
of Mombasa
6 30pm Evening Prayer (1662)
: Rev. J F Sertin
7 45pm Youth Fellowship

AND IN AUGUST

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10TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY August 07 Holy Communion (1662) 8 00am FAMILY SERVICE : : 11 00am Rev. D J Thompson Evening Prayer (1662) 6 30pm Rev. D J Thompson Youth Fellowship 7 45pm

August 14 11TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion (1662) 8 00am Morning Prayer (1662) 11 00am (followed by Holy Communion (1662)) 6 30pm Holy Communion (ASB) Youth Fellowship 7 45pm

CHURCH REGISTERS

Wedding: June 11: Roger John Freeman and Penny Amanda Bourne



FREEWILL OFFERING SCHEME

The total received in May was £4,236.96, including a tax refund of £2,399.58 in respect of covenanted payments made in the tax year 1987/88.

Ray Williams

CHURCH CLEANING ROTA

July 1/2	Rosemary Arden-White and Jean de Berniere-Smart
July 8/9	Rae Taylor and Diana Taylor
July 15/16	Georgina Aylward & Family
July 22/23	Barbara Major and Anne Disney
July 29/30	Joan Hassard-Short

CHURCH FLOWER ROTA

. July 3 Audrey Stedall

July 10 FLOWER FESTIVAL

July 17

July 24 Ann Smith

July 31



DAILY BIBLE READING COMMENTARIES

Either Scripture Union or Crusade for World Revival are now available for the next quarter.

Selwyn Hughes said recently ... "It is so important to develop the habit of daily exposing your mind to the word of God, for what you read drops deep inside you and is laid up on the shelves of the 'good store' ready for use whenever it is needed".

Do let us know if we can help supply your needs if you have not already ordered your Bible Reading Notes. There is a good variety to choose from, as you will see from the "Hanging Pockets Display" in the Church.

Rosemary Arden-White

PERSONALIA

It is always good to start off with news of new babies and this month we welcome Jonathan Michael Atkins born on 13th June to Faith and Paul at the University Teaching Hospital in Bloomfontein just 90 miles from where they are living and working in Lesotho. Congratulations to all concerned and especially to Edna and Michael who have to content themselves to being doting grandparents from afar and to Queenie who must be clutching her 'bus fare and wishing that Lesotho was no further away than Godalming:

On June 17 a welcome daughter was born to
Susie (nee Major) and Peter Willis to whom we send
love and all good wishes as they prepare to return
to their home in Geneva. It has been good to hear
the sound of children's voices coming from Court Farm
where James and Charles have been livening up the
proceedings for Barbara and John whilst waiting the
arrival of their new sister.

Caroline Atkins and Graham Trevorro have announced their engagement and we pray for God's blessing on them as they prepare for their wedding on September 10th.

Welcome home to Fizzy Arden-White from Thailand where she has been working with Christian Outreach and to Johnnie Sertin from the Caribbean area where he has been with one of the Youth-with-a-Mission Mercy Ships. been with one of the Youth-with-a-Mission Mercy Ships. We also remember Simon Mabley as he prepares to leave We also remember Simon Mabley as he prepares to leave Bedwardes College in Peshawar, Pakistan, where he has been teaching for the past 2 years. May God guide been teaching for the past 2 years. May God guide all our young people as they seek His will for the future.

Sonia Symonds has recently had a spell in hospital for an operation and is now recuperating at home.

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Judith Ledeboer has recently suffered two minor strokes but is battling on and Davina Townsend has taken a few tumbles lately resulting in the breaking of a small bone in her foot; this has meant being confined to her bedroom but the good news is that she is now able to put some weight on to the foot.

To all our sick friends our love and prayers for an improvement to health.

Mr and Mrs Riches have now moved from Hydestile
Cottages where they had lived for many years. We
send our good wishes to them as they settle into their
new home in Farncombe. Mr Riches has been in poor
health for some time but we pray that their new
bungalow will make life easier for them both.

Brom Joan Hardy:

My dear Friends

I do thank you for kind and loving thoughts; for the beautiful floral tributes for Edric and the donations for the church.

It is a great help to me to know that I am remembered in your prayers. I have been most uplifted and realise more than ever the comfort and peace that can come from being one of the family of God.

Thank you for cards and letters, flowers and plants you sent to me. I have tried to acknowledge them all, so forgive me if I should have missed you.

I have been so overwhelmed by your sympathy and love I hardly know where to start to say thank you.

Joan Hardy

HAMBLEDON YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The Youth Fellowship is going well and we have had very good Sunday evening meetings. We recently took a Service at Aldro School and it was great fun sharing God's love with the young boys there. We also learned a lot and discovered new talents in the Group. Afterwards we had a praise and prayer meeting.

We have had several meetings on the minor prophets such as Jonah, Micah, Daniel and Hosea, which proved to be very interesting and informative.

Dr Jack Symonds was kind enough to take a recent meeting on prayer, with special emphasis on quiet times. It was good to hear from the initiator of the Group which was founded about 15 years' ago.

On the social side we had a barbeque at the Clarkson's with plenty of beefburgers, sausages and badminton. We have a football match planned for Tuesday 28 June at 7.00pm on the football field against the Loxwood

We are especially indebted to Don Smith and his gallant band of helpers who have started the daunting task of smartening up the churchyard. We are most grateful for their efforts and already the difference is noticeable! The offers of help for the churchyard came through the recently conducted Stewardship Programme. Unfortunately the other two likely avenues of 'help' did not fare so well and we are still very short on folk to join the teams for church cleaning and flowers.

Mary Parker (Hascombe 339) would be pleased to have more names on the flower list in the church porch and Rosemary Arden-White (Wormley 2582) is always in need of extra help for church cleaning.

HAMBLEDON BROWNIES

The Brownies will be in need of a new 'Helper' when they start up again in September. Mary Grove (Wormley 3532) would be pleased to hear from anyone interested; the Brownies meet in the Village Hall every Thursday during term-time from 5-6.30pm. The Brownies are the last remaining uniformed organisation left in the village; they are a small band but keen and enthusiastic and it will be a pity for the village to lose its Brownie Pack through lack of a 'Helper'. Do give this some thought and have a chat to Mary.

SUNDAY 31 JULY AT 11 00AM

Hambledon are privileged indeed to have a visit from Bishop Crispus Nzano of Mombasa at this Service. Do come along if you can and give him a warm Hambledon welcome. Unfortunately it is the holiday season and many are away - including the Rector - but the Rev. John Sertin will be in residence on this Sunday.

On Sunday 7th August David and Eve Thompson will be back with us again - we extend a warm welcome.

young people. Any support will be most welcome!

PCC MEETINGS

In response to requests for details on topics discussed at PCC meetings, it is intended to publish a short synopsis of each meeting in the magazine. It is hoped that will be helpful and if anyone has any topics that they wish to have discussed at PCC level, then please contact either the Rector, Churchwardens or myself.

PCC Meeting held on 16th May 1988

The meeting opened in prayer and the Rector reported the sad news of Edric Hardy's death.

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- 2 Matters Arising from previous meeting
 There was some discussion on Sunday Club developments
 and it was reported that Don Smith has agreed to
 oversee the churchyard. The Diocesan newspaper was also
 mentioned regarding the numbers required.
- Committees
 The various PCC positions and Committees were renewed and the following were elected:

Vice Chairman : Mr Williams Secretary : Mr Clarkson Treasurer : Mr Redman

Standing

Committee : The Rector, the Churchwardens, the Secretary and the Treasurer.

Missionary

Committee : Remains unchanged

Freewill

Offering : Mr Williams agreed to investigate

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Secretary an interim replacement

The Fabric
The damage to the wall from the storm was discussed.

/ There has been a visit from the Architect to look at the wall and advise on other matters. It was confirmed that recent improvements did not require a faculty.

Pew Bibles .It was recognised that some form of standardisation is needed between Lectern and pew Bibles for synchronisation.

Any Other Business Improvements need to be investigated for toilet facilities at the church. The noticeboard at the bottom of the lane needs repainting and visitor cards are required for the pews.

Geoff Clarkson

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CHRISTIAN OUTREACH

The Chairman writes:

"This year of 1988 sees the 21st anniversary of our founding as Project Vietnam Orphans, and our continuance as Christian Outreach. We are so grateful to God for all His leading over the past 21 years and lock to Him to guide us in years to come.

"Christian Outreach exists to show forth the love of Christ to people in need, especially children. Through our various programmes throughout the world, we pray that Jesus may be uplifted and His love imparted to all those who come into contact with us."

Please continue to pray for the work of Christian Outreach, especially for Stephen Clarke working as Assistant Director at the headquarters in Leamington Spa and for all the support which his wife, Sarah, is able to give him. Also for Keith Etherington from Busbridge Church, who flew out in May to the Sudan. Keith has trained in agriculture and has recently been self-employed as a mechanic.

Please keep the used stamps rolling in. Many .
charities rely on these to augment their income,
Christian Outreach among them. Also any spare
blankets? Clothes for young babies? If you can
supply any of these, they can be left for Pat Williams
either at the village shop or church. If you need
them to be collected, please telephone Wormley 2455.

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WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON GROUP

Our meeting on June 8th was not quite as we had expected; the Fire Officer who was to talk to us did not arrive. I had a very abject apology from the service the next day; apparently the Officer had been sent on a course and the young lady to whom I spoke on the previous day when ringing to make sure that someone was coming to speak to us, had gone sick - so I imagine that my message was forgotten!

However, we all discussed our Sale instead and nobody seemed to mind a bit. In fact several people said they had enjoyed chatting to people they do not see very often. We were able to look around Dorothea Ellingson's garden as well, which was a bonus. Thank you Dorothea.

Our next meeting will be on July 13th at Little Court by kind invitation of Mrs Ruth Steele, when Mr Arnold Madgwick will show us some more of his interesting slides.

Molly Vacher

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WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Our May get-together at The Hill was a very happy affair and in spite of a cloudy start, the sun came out in time for us to enjoy the garden and have tea outside.

Our Rector will be with us for the last meeting of the session which will be at Ellingsons on Wednesday 27 July

Brenda Gardner

IAN DAVID WILLIAMSON has left a copy of Good News Bible at the back of St Peter's Church. It has been there for some weeks now - could someone make sure that he knows where it is?

All are sad at the Rectory at the disappearance of one small black cat with white markings. If you have any information Wormley 2753 will be pleased to have it.

DON'T FORGET + HAMBLEDON VILLAGE FETE + SATURDAY

9TH JULY

Fete News:

For Saturday Afternoon see page 12.

PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION * Entries to Cricket Green Stores as soon as possible. Judging will take place just before the Fete and photographs will be on show in Marquee.

by 10.15 on Saturday 9th July. We need lots of entries. Open to view after judging about 11.15am. Section List on Parish Notice Boards and Cricket Green Stores.

MUSIC COMPETITION * At Church on Sunday afternoon 10th July. Details from Philip Underwood on Wormley 2742.

CHURCH & VILLAGE MEMORABILIA * On show in Church Vestry between Services on Sunday 10th July.

To coincide with the Fete there will also be the Church Flower Festival at which various village organisations will be depicting their work through the skill of flower arranging.

REMEMBER THE DATE FOR

HAMBLEDON FETE SAT 9th JULY

FROM 2 p.m. ON THE CRICKET GREEN (Free Parking on a field close to the Green)
FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY WILL INCLUDE:

Vintage Vehicles

Morris Men
Childrens' Sports
Childrens' Fancy Dress
Novelty Dog Show
Tug of War
Grand Draw
Tombola

Pony Rides
Children's Roundabout
Lace Making Dem.

plus ab ut 30 other stalls.

Services will include Hot and Cold—
Refreshments Cream Teas and a
supervised Toddlers Play Area.