

ST. PETER'S, HAMBLEDON

JUNE 1978

THE RECTOR WRITES

The Church Council recently agreed to make two further provisions for our Sunday services:-

(1) To increase the supply of pointed Psalters, and then to help and encourage our members in their use, so that a larger number of our congregation can use them and we can sing the Psalms with greater confidence, and more worthily to God's praise. We are still seeking some further copies of the Psalter we use, and hope to have these in the pews soon.

(2) To provide, for as many as would like to make use of them, copies of the Bible, in the Revised Standard Version which has become probably the most widely used version, and will often be read at our services. We plan to provide two copies in each long pew, and one in each short pew, so that those who wish can pick a copy up as they enter their pew, and return it there after the service. Many (though not all of course) find that to follow with the eye while a lesson is being read draws extra attention to the meaning. It may also help during the sermon. The preacher is likely to be basing his sermon on a verse or passage from the Bible, and it may well aid the understanding of some members if they are able to "see where he gets it from."

We hope that many will find both Psalters and Bibles useful aids.

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DIARY FOR JUNE

4 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion at 8.0 am and 12 noon
10.0 am Children's Church
11.0 am Morning Prayer
6.30 pm Evening Prayer: Mr. G.M. Bolton
7.45 pm Young People at Heath Cottage

11 THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY: ST. BARNABAS

Holy Communion at 8.0 am
11.0 am Morning Prayer: Sunday Club
6.30 pm Evening Prayer
7.45 pm Young People at the Rectory

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

18 FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion at 8.0 am and 6.30 pm
10.0 am Children's Church: Canon Hawksbee
11.0 am Morning Prayer: Canon Hawksbee
6.30 pm Holy Communion: Canon Hawksbee
7.45 pm Young People at Heath Cottage
Sermons will be on behalf of the South American
Missionary Society, and collections to it.

25 FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Holy Communion at 8.0 am and 10.0 am
10.0 am Series II Communion Service: Canon
Oldham
11.0 am Morning Prayer: Dr. Hugh Sansom.
Sunday Club.
6.30 pm Evening Prayer: Preacher on behalf of
The Gideons, and collections to its work.
7.45 pm Young People at Little Woodlands

28 Wed. 8.15 pm Bible Study and Prayer at Bermonde
the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Williams.

VISITING PREACHERS

We look forward to welcoming again Dr. Hugh Sansom and, from Emmanuel Church, Stoughton, the Revd. Timothy Atkins. Another who has been to Hambledon before, though not for a few years, is Canon Hawksbee who comes on June 18th to preach on behalf of the South American Missionary Society at both morning and evening services. Collections throughout the day will be for S.A.M.S. Then at the evening service on June 25th we have been promised a preacher on behalf of The Gideons, a small society which does an important work in making the Bible available in hotels, hospitals, prisons..... and has gathered much evidence of the way God uses this to transform and bless many lives. We give our gifts at that service to their work.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDIES

Continuing our informal studies in John's Gospel we meet at The Rectory at 8.15 pm on May 31st and June 14th, and on June 28th at Bermonde, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Williams. All are welcome as always.

ORGAN RECITAL

We remember with pleasure the recital Christopher Mabley gave us last summer, and now we look forward to another, on Thursday, July 13th, at 8.0 pm, with coffee afterwards at The Rectory. Details of his programme will be given later.

Several of our members have been in hospital:-
MRS STAINES was in Mount Alvernia for an operation on both her feet, so that it will be a little while before we see her exercising the dogs again. IVOR HUDSON, a medical student in our Young People's Group, found himself at the receiving end of surgery when he went into the County Hospital with appendicitis. MRS GILL was kept strictly off her feet for a while in Hydestile Hospital, but hopes to be back home soon. MRS WINTER, after many weeks when she had been far from well, was taken into Milford Chest Hospital and soon showed great improvement. MRS JEFFERY of Oakhurst has had severe back pain and is under Doctor's orders. And MRS PETTIT has mumps, als. To them all we send best wishes for a good recovery.

JUNE WOOD and JOHN RODD are to be married on June 17th and our prayers go with them as they begin married life together.

Several of our young people are involved in important examinations now: "O" and "A" levels, and college and university examinations. We wish them all a "happy issue out of all their afflictions".

UMBRELLA IN THE WRONG HOME

Miss Harcourt-Clarke left behind in Church a man's umbrella one Sunday just before Easter, taking another by mistake. She promptly returned this to Church where it still waits to be claimed by its rightful owner. Her own is still missing. She describes it as "a large, man-sized black umbrella with a button for automatic opening". Would our members kindly have a second look at their umbrellas? Miss Harcourt-Clarke lives at Laurel Cottage (Wormley 2417).

Causes to which over £50 was given:-

SOUTH AMERICAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY. The Churches in this Continent are generally small and poor, but growing very rapidly indeed, and there is special need for mature teaching from this country.

THE BRITISH & FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY. Constantly translates, prints and sends Bibles in "a thousand tongues", at a price the readers can afford. So it is a handmaid to all the other societies.

TEAR FUND. Channels our giving for relief the world over, not only towards the great disasters which hit the headlines, but in countless small gifts to individuals about whom we could never hear.

EARL HAIG'S FUND. For those hurt in the World Wars.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND CHILDREN'S SOCIETY Both do loving

MR. FEGAN'S HOMES) work among otherwise stricken children, upon a Christian foundation. (Other societies like Shaftesbury Homes and Dr. Barnardo's will be listed next time.)

• UNIVERSITIES & COLLEGES CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP. The parent body which links the lively Christian Unions that God is using so much among students - a key work in our country. The books they publish are among the very best Christian reading for us all.

To be continued.....

THE BIBLE SOCIETY IN GODALMING AREA

The Ladies Committee are holding a Coffee Morning/Gift Day, at the home of David and Eula Symonds, Blue Posts, Grosvenor Road, Godalming, on Wednesday, June 7th, from 10.30 am to 12 noon. Coffee is given, and there will be opportunity to give a gift (in an anonymous envelope, please) for the work of the Bible Society. There will be a short talk on the title "Good News for Gypsies".

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

A good number gathered at Ellingsons in April and gave a warm welcome to Mrs. Priscilla Grillo, in whose home the Fellowship used to meet some years ago when she was living in Hambledon, so we were delighted to have her as our guest speaker. Her subject was absorbing on "a day in the life of a magistrate", and she certainly revealed many aspects of the workings of both adult and juvenile Courts, and the complete dedication to all the work in which a magistrate is involved. Following her talk the meeting was open to questions, and finally tea was served during which time the subject continued to be discussed.

The last meeting for the summer will be held at Ellingsons on Thursday, June 22nd, at 3.0 p.m.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

At the meeting on May 10th a new member, Mrs. Redman, was welcomed. Trips to Uppark (June 21st) and to Witley Common (July 18th) were arranged. Mrs. Hardy reported on the lecture "Know your county" given at the Dorking Hall recently.

The main interest centred on the discussion of County resolutions as follows: (1) Danger to Marine Life. (2) Complexity of taxation and Social Security systems. (3) Display and sale to children of unsuitable literature. (4) The continuation of the Milk Marketing Board and of doorstep milk delivery. A lively discussion followed. Miss M. Parker thanked Mrs. Steele for her clear exposition.

Mesdames Hardy and Locke served tea. Mrs. Crowhurst won the competition: white orchids. And Mrs. Wieler won the raffle.

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