ST PETER'S CHURCH * HAMBLEDON * MARCH 1988

The Rector writes:

My dear Friends

To begin with may I bring two things to your notice. Firstly, there will be NO FAMILY SERVICE on the first Sunday of the month, March 6th, as the second Sunday is MOTHERING SUNDAY and this year we are having a grand Mothering Sunday Service which we hope everybody will attend. We have a special preacher, the Rev. David Bubbers, who is General Secretary of the Church Pastoral-Aid Society and Secretary of the Trust which appoints our Rectors. He is an old friend and great speaker (he also was brought up in the Salvation Army and plays the trombone!)

Secondly, I hope that you will be receiving a visit from one of our Stewardship Visitors. These intrepid folk are coming to share with you the needs of our Church and indeed the Church world-wide; they will also endeavour to answer any questions you may have. I expect they will be very nervous, so give them a warm welcome and a good hearing.

"... Come, see go quickly, and tell"

(Matthew 28*6-7). How vividly the words recall the first impact of the Easter truth. When once we have for ourselves come to see the glorious fact of the resurrection, we should be ready to pass on the news to others. Have you noticed how, on that first Easter Day, everybody started running about? Bad news gives pause to the feet, but good news gave pace to the feet!! Those first believers were so gripped by this tremendous news that "Jesus is alive", that they just could not keep still, or keep silent. May Hambledon reverberate to our voice of praise on Easter Day!!!

Yours sincerely

PETER SERTIN

CALENDAR	FOR MARCH 1988
Mar. 3	8 00pm Christian Stewardship Meeting at the Rectory
Mar. 4	1.30pm WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER Service at Milford Hospital
Mar. 5	9 00am 9 00 - 12 30pm Morning of Prayer and Intercession for the Nation at St Peter's Church
Mar. 6	3RD SUNDAY IN LENT
	8 00am Holy Communion (1662) 11 00am Morning Prayer (1662) and Commissioning Service for Stewardship Programme (followed by Holy Communion) 6 30pm Evening Prayer (1662) 7 45pm Youth Fellowship
Mar. 7	8 00pm Christian Stewardship Meeting at the Rectory.
Mar. 11	7 45 for 8 00pm STEWARDSHIP SUPPER *** VILLAGE HALL
Mar. 13	4TH SUNDAY IN LENT * MOTHERING SUNDAY
	8 00am Holy Communion (1662)
	11 00am FAMILY SERVICE : Rev David Bubbers
	6 30pm Holy Communion (ASB): Rev. David Bubbers
	7 45pm Youth Fellowship
Mar. 20	PASSION SUNDAY
	8 00am Holy Communion (1662): Canon Charles Oldham
	10 00am Children's Church :
	Mr Nigel Pollock
	11 00am Morning Prayer (1662): Mr Mac. Bolton
	6 30pm Evening Prayer (ASB): Mr Roger Mitchell
	7 45pm Youth Fellowship

Mar. 23 8 00pm Meeting for Bible Study and Prayer at the Rectory PALM SUNDAY : CLOCKS GO ON ONE HOUR!! Mar. 27 8 00am Holy Communion (1662) Holy Communion (1662) 11 00am (Sunday Club meets at the Nursery School) Holy Communion (ASB) 6 30pm 7 45pm Youth Fellowship 8 30pm Performance of Stainer's Crucifixion Mar. 29 in the Cathedral by singers drawn from local churches. MAUNDY THURSDAY Mar. 31 8 00pm Service of Holy Communion AND IN APRIL : Apl. 1 GOOD FRIDAY 11 00am Morning Service : followed by HUNGER LUNCH AT COURT FARM Apl. 2 am Decorating of Church EASTER DAY Apl. 3 8 00am Holy Communion (1662) 11 00am FAMILY SERVICE 12 15pm Holy Communion (1662) 6 30pm Evening Prayer (1662) 7 45pm Youth Fellowship 1ST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER Apl. 10 8 00am Holy Communion (1662) 11 00am Morning Prayer (1662) (followed by Holy Communion) (Sunday Club meets at the Nursery School) 6 30pm Holy Communion (ASB) 7 45pm Youth Fellowship /

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Apl 11 8 00pm PCC meets at the Rectory

Apl 13 8 00pm Meeting for Bible Study and Prayer at the Rectory.

CHURCH REGISTERS

Baptism: 7th February : Benjamin Peter Nicholas

Wainwright

Funerals: 5th February : David Ernest Sopp

12th February : Bill Elton

CHURCH FLOWER ROTA:

March 6th * Mas P Perceval-Maxwell

13th * Mrs Avril Mitchell

20th * Mrs Ann Smith

27th * Mrs Eula Symonds

CHURCH CLEANING ROTA:

March 4th/5th : Mrs Elizabeth Secrett

11th/12th : Miss Anne Disney/

Mrs Barbara Major

18th/19th : Mrs Rae Taylor/

Miss Diana Taylor

25th/26th : Mrs J de Berniere-Smart/

Mrs Rosemary Arden-White

FREEWILL OFFERING SCHEME

Total for January 1988 : £757.30

Edric Hardy

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GOOD FRIDAY : April 1st

The Missionary Committee invite you to a Hunger Lunch at Court Farm, by kind invitation of Major and Mrs John Major, after the Morning Service. Hot soup and cheese will be served. All are welcome and there will be an opportunity to contribute towards the work of Christian Outreach. DO PLEASE COME

Shirley Pollock

PERSONALIA

Many congratulations to Mrs Dorothea Ellingson who celebrated her 95th birthday on 26th February.

We are delighted to have Rosemary, Tom and Louie Arden-White back with us following their successful trip to Thailand to see Felicity and to take a closer look at the work that she is doing with Christian Outreach. En route they touched down in Hongkong and were able to see Tim and Zinnia Symonds and Pippa Duffy.

Keith Fish has been selected for training as a Reader in the Church of England. Many congratulations:

It was good to welcome Caroline and Ian Jameson at church for a recent Sunday evening service.

Caroline (Lee as she was prior to her marriage) was a one-time co-leader of our YPF. We much enjoyed seeing Caroline's father too.

Nick Pollock is spending 5 months in India and we wish him a safe journey.

Our prayers are with Paul Kershaw at this time following his recent baptism at a London church and also with James Sertin who is being confirmed on Sunday March 20th.

Good wishes for a speedy recovery to all our sick friends: to Betty Paine, now at home following a successful operation and to Brenda MacLachlan also at home following a fall and a spell in hospital at Roehampton. We were sorry to learn that Mrs Page had suffered a setback following her discharge from hospital but glad to hear that she is now on the mend again.

We send our sympathy and remember in prayer the family of David Sopp who has recently died and also to Caroline Elton on the death of her husband, a son-in-law to Arnold Ryde.

EASTER MUSIC

In preparation for special Easter music, there will be choir practices in the church on Wednesdays 16, 23 and 30 March, commencing at 8.00pm.

Apart from an Easter anthem, the aim will be to make greater use of the canticles, including the Te Deum, in congregational worship, but this does entail a good lead from the choir.

There was excellent support for the Christmas services and it is hoped that others may join the small but enthusiastic band of singers.

Please come along on 16th March and help us to improve the already good standard of music in our worship.

For any further information, contact Peter Gardner (Wormley 2158) or Paddy Newel (Wormley 3057).

Paddy Newel

MOMEN'S PELLOWSHIP

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In January we gathered for our New Year Party at Ellingsons and had a happy time, together with games and party fare. We especially enjoyed the super cake which Rosemary left for us before departing for Hongkong. We missed Rosemary but were grateful for the cake:

We meet next at Ellingsons on Wednesday 23rd March when we look forward to the visit from Miss Beryl Morgan which had to be postponed from last year.

Brenda Gardner

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WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON GROUP

Our February meeting found us warm and comfortable in Hilary Morrison's sitting room on a sleet-swept afternoon as we watched Mr Roger Dellar bringing his picture to life as he demonstrated his art of painting in watercolours. He specialises in painting seascapes and boats, combining his love of sailing with painting.

It was fascinating to watch him at work - the spinnaker filling, pushing the boat towards us, as she ran before the wind the mainsail was reefed. The land became a smudge on the horizon, hardly telling where land, sea, sky, began and ended. The sky becoming a deep weird-washed blue overhead, as the clouds raced across the sun, making deep troughs of colour on the sea.

Mr Dellar explained how his knowledge of the sea and the construction of boats, their sails and rigging, helped him to paint. He displayed several of his works around the room, ranging through the changing moods of our climate, from peaceful sunsets to approaching storms. Look out for his pictures at exhibitions and see them for yourself.

Our next meeting is on March 9th at
Miss Judith Ledeboer's house - Hilltop Farm 2.45pm.
Subject - Homeopathy. Come and meet Eileen of
Grayshott, an expert in alternative medicine.

Joan Hardy

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY *

March 4th Women's World Day of Prayer

1 30pm Service at Milford Hospital

ALL LADIES ARE MOST WELCOME

March 5th

9 00am - 12.30pm Morning of Prayer and

Intercession for the Nation. St Peter's Church Hambledon.

April 17th

11 00am Service of Thanksgiving

following the Stewardship Programme.

April 28th

8 00pm Annual Church Meeting in the

Village Hall.

May 13th

Link Visit to Ashton under Lyne

organised by St Stephen's Parish Church,

Shottermill, Haslemere.

For details see leaflet on the church

font at St Peter's.

Parish News

HAMBLEDON FETE IN '88

Flower and Vegetable Show - Saturday 9th July

We need as many entries as possible, so the categories have been kept relatively simple, to encourage all gardeners - but you've still got to grow them:

Plower Section*

- A A pot plant.
- B A hanging basket.
- C Vase of sweet peas (12).
- D Arrangement of garden flowers.
- E Six blooms or sprays of roses.

Vegetable Section*

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- A Five potatoes.
- B Five carrots.
- C One dozen French or runner beans.
- D Two cabbages.
- E Pive tomatoes.
- F Two cabbage lettuces.
- G Exhibit of soft fruit. (A saucerful of each)

Children's Section's

Age Group up to and including 6 years:

- A Decorated hard-boiled egg.
- B Miniature garden on a tray.

Age Group 7 years up to and including 11 years:

- A Novelty object made from vegetable matter.
- B Miniature garden on a tray.
- C A coloured picture.

Age Group 11 years up to and including 16 years:

- A "Mr Rubbish" a model made from waste material.
- B Miniature garden on a tray.
- C A coloured or sketched picture.

RULES:

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1 The judges' decision is final in all cases.

- All entrants are to provide their own vases or receptacles that have their name and address on a sticker placed on the underside.
- 3 All exhibits are to be home-grown.
- 4 No responsibility can be accepted for any damage to exhibit or receptacle whilst on display.
- 5 All entries are to be staged in the Village Hall by 10.15am. on Saturday 9th July.
- All exhibitors shall leave the venue before judging commences and not again admitted until the Hall is re-opened to the public.
- 7 The fee for each entry to be 10p.
- 8 First, Second and Third Prizes will be awarded in each class at the judges' discretion.
- 9 E.hibits, vases, etc. must be collected between 5 40 6 00pm.
 Please let the steward know if you will allow your entry to be sold off. Any exhibit left after 6 15pm will be sold.
 All proceeds will go towards the Village Hall Extension and Refurbishment.
- 10 Entry is restricted to Hambledon parishioners, plus those living at Hydestile, New Road and Wormley Hill.

Keith and Alison Prangnell on Wormley 2086 will help with any problems or queries you may have regarding the Show.

ANYONE FOR TENNIS? * FETE '88

Any age, any standard, either sex.

As part of the activities for this Fete year, it is proposed to hold a Tennis Tournament during the Spring and early Summer.

A number of people in the village who own tennis courts have agreed to their use for the tournament.

Five games can be played with anyone on the list - at your mutual convenience and the court owner's permission. Even if you have limited time, please join and play a few people. It is a pleasant way to get to know new friends and have fun.

All you have to do at this stage is to contact Muriel Campbell at Feathercombe (Hascombe 264) as soon as possible and she will give you all the details.

Mic. Coleman

MUSIC COMPETITION * FETE '98

The response for musicians to come forward to form a Hambledon orchestra has been rather slow. To encourage everyone, we would like to hold a music competition. There will be seven classes:

a) for solo instrument

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b) for two or more players.

These will be for children up to 11 years; for 11 to 18 years; and for adults.

There will also be a class for family groups.

If we get enough support, the winners of each class will be asked to play in a concert on the Sunday afternoon of Fete '88 (Sunday July 10th).

Please can you support this event? Contact us for further details - it could lead to something rather good:

Sally Falk (Wormley 3863 Philip Underwood (Wormley 2742

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A FURTHER COMMUNICATION FROM THE DHSS:

INCOME SUPPORT/SOCIAL FUND

Supplementary Benefit is being replaced by a new benefit called Income Support in April 1988. It will replace the present complicated Supplementary Benefit System with simpler rules. There will be a basic allowance, in addition all families will get a family premium as well as extra for each child.

Pensioners, lone parents, those who have been sick for more than 6 months and disabled people will get special premiums to meet their extra needs.

People will be able to keep more of their savings, up to £6000. The first £3000 will be ignored, the remainder being taken into account as weekly income - for every £250 over £3000, £1 will be assumed as weekly income.

Disabled people, lone parents and those who have been unemployed for more than 2 years will be able to keep more of their part-time earnings.

A new Social Fund will replace the single payment system. The Fund will help people with exceptional expenses which are difficult to meet from regular income. The first part of the Social Fund came into operation in April 1987. This Fund can provide help for people on low incomes with Maternity Payments and Funeral Payments.

Those in receipt of Income Support from April 1988 will be able to apply for an interest-free loan to assist with the payment of sudden or heavy expenses which they are unable to budget from their income.

More information will be available as the year unfolds. You may like to contact our DHSS Advice Service 'Freeline' if you wish to seek further help. Their number is:

0800-666-555
