

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, HAMBLEDON

D I A R Y

1972

May

- Mon. 1: Holy Communion - Hambledon
Homes 2.30 p.m.
- Fri. 5: Young Wives, 1 Church Lane.
See notes. 8.0 p.m.
- Sun. 7: EASTER V. ROGATION SUNDAY
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 leaves Hydestile Crossroads
6.0 p.m., and Lane End 6.10 p.m.,
approx.
- Thu. 11: ASCENSION DAY
School Service 9.5 a.m.
Holy Communion 10.30 a.m.
- Sat. 13: Church Coach Outing to Puttenden Manor.
- Sun. 14: SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION
Holy Communion 8.0 a.m.
Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.
Installation of Church Officers.
Offerings: Christian Aid.
No Evening Service at Hambledon.
Deanery Evensong at Farncombe
Parish Church 7.0 p.m.
- Mon. 15: Hambledon School Managers
meet 10.0 a.m.
- Sun. 21: WHITSUNDAY
Holy Communion 8.0 a.m.
Children's Church 10.0 a.m.
Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.
Evening Prayer & Holy Commn. 6.30 p.m.

Thu. 25: Women's Fellowship at Rectory.
See notes. 3.0 p.m.

Sun. 28: TRINITY SUNDAY
Holy Communion 8.0 a.m.
Family Communion 10.0 a.m.
Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.
Evening Prayer 6.30 p.m.

June

Sun. 4: TRINITY I
Holy Communion 8.0 a.m. & 12 noon
Children's Church 10.0 a.m.
Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.
Preacher: Rev. B. F. Adeney, M.A.,
Assistant Secretary Church Pastoral-
Aid Society.
Evening Prayer 6.30 p.m.
Offerings: Church Pastoral-Aid Soc.
Church Coach runs for evening service.

Mon. 5: Holy Communion - Hambledon
Homes 2.30 p.m.

Sun. 11: TRINITY II. ST. BARNABAS
Holy Communion 8.0 a.m.
Morning Prayer 11.0 a.m.
Evening Prayer 6.30 p.m.

Christian Aid Week is May 14th - 21st, 1972.

Offerings at Hambledon on Sunday, May 14th, will
be for Christian Aid.

FREE-WILL OFFERING ENVELOPES

Total for March 1972: £26.45.

E. F. Denny, F.W.O. Secretary.

BAPTISMS

Mar. 26: Wendy Jane, daughter of Ronald Stanley
and Elizabeth Ann Vickery.

BURIALS

Mar. 1: Matilda Heath, aged 90 years.
23: Douglas George Henry Petter, aged 74 yrs.
Apr. 14: Robert Henry Hammond, aged 66 years.

CHURCH FLOWERS

The provision of flowers to beautify our church each week is a service which is much appreciated, and we are grateful to the following who will be arranging the flowers on the Holy Table this month:

May 7: Mrs. Allum.	May 28: Wedding.
May 14: Mrs. Wieler.	June 4: Miss Parker.
May 21: Mrs. Secrett.	June 11: Mrs. Wieler.

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING - Brief Report

The meeting was held in the Village Hall on 15th March 1972. The retiring Churchwardens, Messrs. C. A. Chapman and C. A. Cronhelm, were re-elected and thanked for their valued services in the past.

Mr. N. Head, the Electoral Roll Secretary, reported that an entirely new roll had been prepared this year, and he was thanked for all the work he had done.

According to the new rules, decided by a previous Annual Meeting, four members of the Parochial Church Council had resigned and were not eligible for re-election this year, viz.: Mr. T. Grillo, Mr. N. Head, Mrs. J. Thorne and Miss M.

Parker. Thanks were expressed for the help they had given as members of the P.C.C. One vacancy had not been filled at the previous election and there were therefore now five vacancies, and the following were elected to fill these vacancies: Mrs. I. Adgie, Mrs. S. Blackman, Mrs. D. Ellingson, Mr. G. Heath and Mrs. D. Jeffery.

The following Sidesmen were appointed: Messrs. J. Adgie, S. Ayling, S. Frogley, D. Gibbes, T. Grillo, D. Head, N. Head, P. Harvey, G. Heath, P. Roderick, A. Secrett, R. Sharpington, D. Symonds, A. Wieler, Mrs. J. Lee and Miss F. Denny.

A report of the Church Council's work during 1971 was presented by the Secretary, Mr. T. Grillo. The Treasurer, Mr. C. A. Chapman, presented the accounts and stated that over £1,200 had been donated to various missionary societies and charities, and in addition to this some contributions had been sent from collecting boxes. It had been necessary to spend £119 on the repair and maintenance of the fabric of the church last year. The cost of churchyard maintenance had increased, as had certain other normal expenses. There had been an increase in the church collections, and in the contributions to the Free-Will Offering Fund. In her report, the Free-Will Offering Secretary, Miss F. Denny, mentioned that the covenanting of subscriptions was a considerable help and that almost £600 from recovery of tax had brought the total contributions through the F.W.O. in 1971 to £1,931. She pointed out, however, that with the reduction in income tax this year, there would also be a reduction in the amount to be recovered from this source.

The Magazine (Mr. R. Williams) and Church Fellowship (Mr. P. Roderick) treasurers also presented their accounts. Gratitude was expressed to Mr. Chapman and all the treasurers for their

hard work. Mrs. Cronhelm, the Church Auditor, was warmly thanked for her service to the Council. A report of proceedings at the Deanery Synod was given by one of the representatives, Mr. C. A. Chapman.

The Rector prefaced his short report by reminding the meeting that the life and vitality of the local Church (which is a body of people and not just the building in which they met for public worship) depends upon the life and vitality of individual members. Reports presented had largely referred to material things, such as finance, fabric, organisations, contributions to various missions, etc., and these may give some indication of the achievements of the local Church, but the contribution that really counted was personal devotion and service to Christ which resulted in the extension of His kingdom in the hearts of men.

All who had in any way assisted in the work of the Church in Hambledon were thanked for their help, and particular mention was made of the loyal support given by the church officers, lesson readers, flower arrangers, kneeler embroiderers, the organist and the choir. The facilities provided by Mrs. Dowson for car parking was much appreciated, as was the help of "traffic wardens". Leaders of week-day activities, Women's Fellowship, Young Wives and the Bible Study Group were thanked. Reference was made to the valuable contribution to the life of the village made by our Church School, and the real regret that there was a threat that it may be closed in the not very distant future. The Managers had recently helped to provide improved lighting in the classrooms and re-decorate the exterior of the building. The Rector and Churchwardens were now the Trustees of Hambledon School. Reference was made to the 25 years' service given to the school as caretaker by Mr. R. Hammond, and

EMBROIDERY CLASS

We are very grateful to Mrs. Chapman for organising the embroidery of the kneelers in church. Quietly, and unknown to many, friends have been working at home, and some in hospital, to beautify our church by embroidering covers for the kneelers. The ones in the pews have all been completed, and there only remain one or two choir kneelers to be replaced. The beautiful designs, which are varied, are well worth a closer examination than one can make when visiting the church for a service. Will all who have undertaken, and are undertaking, this work please accept our thanks for the many hours spent in embroidery.

HAMBLEDON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

An Open Meeting of Hambledon W.I. was held at the Village Hall on Wednesday evening, 12th April, in place of the usual afternoon meeting, and husbands and friends were invited. Attendance, unfortunately, was smaller than expected, as those who were able to be there enjoyed a very interesting evening.

The meeting was opened by Mrs. Steele, the resident, who welcomed the guests, and then proceeded to the normal business. A report of the County Meeting of the Surrey Federation of Women's Institutes was given by Mrs. Cecil-Clarke who had attended as Delegate. She emphasised the very great interest of the County Meeting, and hoped that more members would attend this well-worthwhile event next year.

The evening's entertainment was one of the best which has ever been given at Hambledon; Miss Allen, a most gifted woman, amazed and delighted the audience with "Characters from Books and Plays". She appeared on stage and proceeded

the Ruri-decanal Conferences. We will miss them here and wish them much happiness in their new home.

Mr. Robert Hammond, whose long service as caretaker at Hambledon School was referred to in the last issue of the magazine, died in St. Luke's Hospital, Guildford, on April 9th. He had been ill for some time, and throughout his sickness he was an example to others of courage and patience. Bob Hammond will be greatly missed by many, and we assure his widow and family of our sympathy in their bereavement.

The Ven. Austin Studdert, who was rector of our neighbouring parish of Busbridge for over 30 years and also our Archdeacon for some time, has died. The contents of the Bishop of Guildford's address at a memorial service in the Cathedral are included in this month's Diocesan Leaflet. We extend our sympathies to Mrs. Studdert and the family.

EASTER SERVICES

Gratitude - Easter Offering. My wife and I would like to express our very sincere thanks to you all for the most generous Easter Gift this year. Words cannot adequately convey the gratitude we feel for this and the many kindnesses you show to us in so many ways. C. Edward Elton.

Decorations. Many thanks to all who sent gifts towards the decoration of the church for Easter, and to those who so beautifully arranged the flowers.

HAMBLEDON WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Mrs. Eric Hunt, the wife of a retired schoolmaster from Esher, gave a memorable talk at the March meeting of the Fellowship. She spoke on the

Parable of the Good Samaritan from St. Luke's Gospel, Chapter 10, taking as her three main headings: the Caring Heart, the Sharing Heart, and the Daring Heart! With the means of a visual aid, she stressed the need in our lives for four right relationships. With God first, with myself, with my family and with my neighbours. She spoke with a great sense of humour and understanding, and illustrated her talk from her own personal experiences.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 25th May at the Rectory. Mrs. Branse Burbridge will be showing a film strip on the Bible and the work of the Scripture Union.

HAMBLEDON YOUNG WIVES

In our April meeting, we had a very interesting talk by Mrs. Green of the "Samaritans". She gave us a few of the day-to-day problems they come across, and spoke about the help the Samaritans try to give.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, 5th May, at 1 Church Lane. We will be having a demonstration on "Home Flower Arranging" given by Mrs. McCormick. All who are interested will be very welcome.

Sue Blackman.

PALM SUNDAY

A PASSION SERVICE OF NINE LESSONS was held at 6.30 p.m., when the readers were: Miss R. Parker, Miss Juliana Jervis, Miss Joyce Dedman, Miss Caroline Jervis, Miss F. Denny, Mrs. D. Ellingson, Dr. J. Symonds, Mr. P. Harvey and Mr. N. Head. The augmented choir was led by Mrs. J. Thorne, and four members sang "Lord of the Dance" accompanied by guitars, and a duet "Joseph and Mary" was also sung by Mr. W. Jervis and his daughter Juliana.