

ST. PETER'S CHURCH HAMBLEDON

NOVEMBER 1979

THE RECTOR WRITES

I need to ask for the help of our members for our Almshouses, which over the years have provided for our two residents happy homes here with us in Hambledon. The Trust Fund, together with the small rental (reimbursed to the tenants by the Council) have generally covered the cost of upkeep, but there has been nothing to spare, and in the past year extra repairs have put us a little in the red. For the present the Church has stepped in so that the bills could be paid.

We suggest that the loose collections at 11 am and 6.30 pm on Sunday 25 November could be the occasion for our members to give to the Almshouses, and we feel that many of us will be only too glad of the opportunity to make a personal contribution.

WOMEN'S DAY CONFERENCE

Thursday 15 November 1979

At the Rectory

10.30 onwards	Coffee
11.15 am to 12.30 pm	Morning Session
Lunch Break	Sandwich Lunch provided
2 to 3.15 pm	Afternoon session
3.15 pm	Tea and biscuits

Come for the whole day if you possibly can, or if not, for as long as you are able.

Among other items, the programme includes:-

Life at S. Dominic's (by a Sister from the School)
I can't sleep, Miss: it's too quiet (Mrs G. Grinham)
On taking an Open University course (Hon. Mrs Parker)
25 mile barefoot walk to buy a Bible (Mrs F. Barnes)
Leaves from the Village Scrap Book (Miss Mary Parker)

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CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 1979

- 4 TRINITY 21 Overseas Missionary Fellowship Sunday
Holy Communion at 8 am and 12 noon
10 am Children's Church: Mr Guy Longley
11 am Morning Prayer: Mr Guy Longley
6.30 pm Evening Prayer in modern English: Mr Guy Longley
7.45 pm Young People with Mr Longley: Heath Cottage
Loose collections all day to work of the O.M.F.
- 8 Thu. Parish Fellowship(Village Hall):Mr Cecil Chapman: slides of his journey to Canada
- 11 TRINITY 22 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY
Holy Communion at 8 am
10.50 am Remembrance Service: also Sunday Club
6.30 pm Evening Prayer
7.45 pm Young People at the Rectory
- 15 Thu. Women's Day at the Rectory. See page 1
- 18 TRINITY 23
Holy Communion at 8 am and 6.30 pm
10 am Children's Church
11 am Morning Prayer
6.30 pm Holy Communion
7.45 pm Young People at Heath Cottage
- 24 Sat. 7.30 pm Scripture Union Centenary at Guildford Cathedral. See page 7
- 25 SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE ADVENT
Holy Communion at 8 am and 10 am
10 am Holy Communion Series 2
11 am Morning Prayer: also Sunday Club
6.30 pm Evening Prayer
7.45 pm Young People at Little Woodlands
- 26 Mon. 7.45 for 8 pm Parochial Church Council

AND IN DECEMBER

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2 ADVENT SUNDAY

Holy Communion at 8 am and 12 noon

10 am Children's Church

11 am Morning Prayer

6.30 pm Evening Prayer in Modern English

7.45 pm Young People at Heath Cottage

9 SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Holy Communion at 8 am

11 am Morning Prayer: Rev. Ian Gordon-Cumming,
Rector of Busbridge: also Sunday Club

6.30 pm Evening Prayer

7.45 pm Young People at the Rectory

CHURCH FLOWERS

Nov. 4 Miss E.F. Denny

11 Mrs E.A. Wieler: Remembrance Flowers

18 Mrs Alan Secrett

25 Mrs M.B.P. Stedall

Dec. 2

9 Mrs E.A. Wieler

FREE WILL OFFERING SCHEME

Total for September 1979, £169-61 p.
E.F. Denny

CHURCH REGISTERS

Baptism

September 30 Michael Alexander Leonard Read

4. EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS FROM PAUL ATKINS
(with Project Viet Nam Orphans in Thailand)

Having completed a course of nearly five weeks language study at the YMCA in Bangkok, Paul wrote: "I get up at 6.30 am, leave the house at 7.10 am, arrive at the YMCA at about 8 am and study for four hours at this most ridiculous language which seems intent on teaching me that I am tone deaf!" By the time a second letter arrived he was really enjoying his language course, and had made some pretty hilarious mistakes in conversation: "I asked one of the teachers the other day if she was decaying! I meant to ask if she was hungry".

Instead of Paul going to Surin as planned, after the language course he had to fill a gap in the team at Aranyaprathet, a camp near the border. "We have just had a lot of photos back from a camp near the Thai-Laos border. It's impossible to put into words the physical condition of some of the children. It really seemstthat life is worth next to nothing here. It's great to see so much kindness in the camp though". He goes on: "Everyone is bulk buying and then trekking over the border to the thousands of Khumers on the other side, who are desperate for food. People here get quite wealthy out of it".

Written 18th September: "It is expected that there will be a large influx of refugees soon (several tens of thousands) because the rainy season ends soon and so the fighting will resume again, thus forcing people over".

At Arun he was looking after the milk and superintending the food programme, and saw most of the children. After about four weeks Marion Ashe arrived with a new team member to release Paul and allow him to go, as originally planned, to the camp at Surin further north. He writes: "The countryside is beautiful. There are acres of rice paddies and villages dotted here and there. The Surin camp

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is very different from the one at Arun. There are less children, and more young men: also less refugees in a greater camp area: but they still number $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 thousand people. It is not know how reliable these figures are, but a local newspaper estimates that 120,000 to 200,000 Kampucheans are massing along the border: with another 80,000 to 160,000 deeper inside Cambodia: alos that 10 out of every thousand Khumer infants will survive to reach puberty".

PERSONALIA

MR EDWARD WATTS, who lived and worked in the garden of Hambledon House for many years, died suddenly in October. He was well on is his eighties, but alert and active to the last, rising daily at 6 am to be at work early in the garden, and paying his weekly visit to the travelling library where many of us met him. He had a strong trust in God - a fine old Christian countryman.

MR JOHN HOLDER went into St. Luke's Hospital for surgery, but has now been sent home again where his wife is able to nurse him; we send our special greetings to them now. Also to MR IAN TRETHOWAN and his wife and family following the heart attack which took him into a London Hospital: he is now at home for rest and convalescence. "JAY" JERVIS too has had a heart attack, alas, and must rest his way to recovery. MRS LEACH has gone to Hydestile Hospital for treatment, and MR STANDING may at any time go into hopital in Guildford. MRS LJFF has had a long-awaited cartilege operation at Haslemere and is now convalescing. MRS MAUGHAN continues to be very weak and often depressed, though always most patient. JACK SMITH, MRS DEANE, and MRS PEARCE are now all safely home from their stays in hospital. ELIZABETH BOLTON broke her arm while out riding. Our warm remembrances to them all.

OUR WEEK END HOUSE PARTY

for all ages in the congregation

AT FAIRMILE COURT, COBHAM

Friday evening 18 Jan. to Sunday tea, 20 Jan.

Every comfort

Good Food

Time to relax, and to meet others

Weekend Guest: Rev. Eddie Shirras (Christ Church Roxeth)

Brochures and Booking Forms available next month

NOVEMBER NOTES

Nov. 4 Our Guest Preacher thought the day is Mr Guy Longley of the Headquarters Staff of the Overseas Missionary Fellowship. He will bring us latest news from countries of the Far East. Our loose collections at all services will be for the work of this great Missionary Fellowship.

Nov. 8 What promises to be a particularly good and helpful lecture has been arranged on Thursday 8 November, by the University of Surrey, but open to all who like to go. The subject is "Creation" and the lecturer Prof. Robert Boyd, F.R.S. a leading authority on Physics, Astronomy and Space Research, who is also a convinced Christian. The time is 6 pm and the place Lecture Theatre G in the University of Surrey.

Nov. 11 Remembrance Sunday Please note that the special service begins at 10.50 am. Sunday Club will be ready to receive children ten minutes earlier than usual so that parents can make their way up to church in time.

Tuesday and Wednesday Groups continue normally in November, from 10.30 to 11.30 am, on Tuesdays at The Rectory and on Wednesdays at Little Woodlands.

Wednesday Evening Bible Studies The two November dates are 7th and 21st at 8.15 pm at The Rectory. All are most welcome to come always.

TIME TO CELEBRATES.U. Bible Reading Centenary

Sat. 24 November at 7.30 pm

GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL

Speaker, Rev. Dick Lucas

To book tickets in advance, sign board
at Church

COFFEE MORNING

and Sale of Christmas Cards
in aid of the N.S.P.C.C.

Wed. 7 November: 10 am to 12 noon

at The Cottage, Lane End

PARISH FELLOWSHIP

The season begins on November 8, and each month on the second Thursday of the month there will be an open evening in the Village Hall from 8 pm, organised by the Church, but not just for our own membership. Indeed, all who live in Hambledon, and their friends are most welcome to come.

On Thursday 8 November we shall be seeing colour transparencies showing something of the splendour of Canada, including a sea trip up the Pacific coast as far as the snows of Alaska. Mr Cecil Chapman conducts us.

On 13 December, Mr Steele has kindly agreed to conduct another "Call my Bluff" evening. When he last did this for us some time ago we had an hilarious evening. Make a special point of booking the date now, and be sure to come.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The Hambleden W.I. met in the Village Hall on Wednesday 10 October. Mrs Crowhurst the President conducted the business.

Afterwards the members discussed and put forward ideas for the W.I. Sale on 27 October.

Tea was served by Mrs Jeffery and Miss Burr; and Mrs Gardner won the raffle.

E.G. Freemantle

HELP THE AGED CLOTHING AND BLANKETS

The W.I. has again agreed to organise this annual Collection, on Tuesday 4 December from 10 am to 4 pm in the Village Hall. Gifts of suitable clothing and of blankets will be most gratefully received