

ST PETER'S CHURCH \* HAMBLETON

OCTOBER 1989

From the Rector:

Dear Friends,

Freda and I are so grateful for the help we have received from many people as we settle into the parish. We are looking forward to getting to know people better as time goes on and are continuing with the visiting which we have begun. Clearly, however, it will take some considerable time to get round the parish but we shall hope to meet more of you in due course.

As I have been thinking and praying, I feel there are certain priorities which we should have before us as a Church at this time. They are all fairly general and rather obvious, but I hope you will agree that they are important.

First, there is the priority of regular worship. If we can aim to be in St Peter's Sunday by Sunday, worshipping the Lord together, then our spiritual life can grow, and the Holy Spirit can move among us in a deeper way. It is good from time to time to worship at a different service to our usual one, so that we experience the various forms of service now in use in the Church of England, and also get to know better other members of the church who may be younger or older than ourselves.

Secondly, there is the priority of fellowship. Every Church needs to build up a Christ-centred fellowship among members of all ages, through the Sunday Services and through other meetings and events. I was most encouraged by the meeting at the Rectory on September 13th when about 40 people came to the first of the "Jesus then and now" videos, with Canon David Watson, and hope that these meetings and others will provide good opportunities for us to learn more about our faith and grow together in fellowship.

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Thirdly, there is the priority of witness and service. Every Christian is called to be a witness for Christ by our lips and our lives, in showing spiritual and practical concern and care for others. In this connection I am so grateful to the Youth Fellowship for offering to do practical jobs, (gardening, shopping, etc.) for any elderly or housebound people in the parish who would appreciate such help.

Finally, there is the priority of prayer. Christian work is God's work and not ours. Only the Lord can "give the increase" which enables the church to grow spiritually, and if this is to happen, then "shared ministry" is vital, in which we all serve the Lord together, developing the gifts He has given us; and prayer is crucial. It has been wisely said: "When we work, we work. When we pray, God works".

As we give thanks for the Harvest and remember the many in our world who do not have enough food, let us also resolve to play our full part in the great task of gathering in the spiritual harvest.

Yours very sincerely,

CHRISTOPHER BLISSARD-BARNES

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CHURCH REGISTER

### **Holy Matrimony**

16 September 1989

Elizabeth Jane FREEMANTLE

to

John Andrew STOVIN

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### FREEWILL OFFERING SCHEME

The total giving for August 1989 was £1,196.45.

Tax refunded on Covenants £5,292.06.

John Taylor

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CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 1989

October 01    19TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY  
                  HARVEST THANKSGIVING  
                  8 00 am    Holy Communion (1662)  
                  9 45 am    FAMILY SERVICE - followed by coffee  
                  6 30 pm    Evening Praise

October 05    11 00 am    Joint Meeting of the Ladies' Bible  
                                  Study Groups at the Rectory.  
                                  Speaker : Mrs Noreen Riols.  
                                  (see page 6 )

October 08    20TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY  
                  8 00 am    Holy Communion (1662)  
                  11 00 am    Morning Prayer and Baptism (1662)  
                                  (followed by Holy Communion (1662))  
                  6 30 pm    Holy Communion (ASB)

October 15    21ST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY  
                  8 00 am    Holy Communion (1662)  
                  9 45 am    FAMILY SERVICE  
                  11 00 am    Morning Prayer (1662)  
                  6 30 pm    Evening Praise - Preacher  
                                  Mr John Morris

October 17    7 30 pm    Missionary Committee meet at  
                                  Brackenwood

October 20    8 00 pm    Youth Fellowship Parents' Evening  
                                  at the Rectory

October 22    22ND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY  
                  8 00 am    Holy Communion (1662)  
                  11 00 am    Holy Communion (1662)  
                  6 30 pm    Holy Communion (ASB)  
                                  (with the laying-on of hands)

October 29    23RD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY    \*\*\*\*\*  
                  8 00 am    Holy Communion (1662)  
                  11 00 am    Morning Prayer and Baptism (ASB)  
                  6 30 pm    Evening Praise - led by the Youth  
                                  Fellowship - Preacher  
                                  Mr David Jenkins  
                                  (The Rector is preaching at St John's Busbridge at  
                                  6 30 pm)

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October 31 8 00 pm PCC MEET AT THE RECTORY

AND IN NOVEMBER .....

November 05 8TH SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS

8 00 am Holy Communion (1662)

9 45 am FAMILY SERVICE : followed by coffee

6 30 pm Evening Praise

November 12 7TH SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY (see page 8 )

8 00 am Holy Communion (1662)

10 50 am REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

(followed by Holy Communion (1662))

6 30 pm Evening Praise

(Collections throughout the day will be devoted to the  
Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal)

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The Youth Fellowship meets after the Evening Service each  
Sunday at 7.45pm.

There is a meeting for prayer at the Rectory each Saturday  
morning at 9.00am.

The fortnightly Wednesday evening Bible Studies will be  
held as follows: October 11th (at venue to be announced)  
at 8 00pm on the subject of 'Disciples'. On October 25th  
at the Rectory at 8 00pm on the subject of 'Miracles'.  
We are at present following the "Jesus then and now" videos  
from which these subjects are taken.

Sunday Club meets at the Nursery School on October 8th,  
22nd and 29th and November 12th at 11 00am.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

October 03 8 00pm Bible Society A.G.M. at  
St John's Farncombe.

October 04 12 noon Diocesan Evangelical Fellowship meet  
to 3 pm at St John's Stoke, Guildford.  
The Rev. Tony Highton: "Restoring the  
Kingdom"

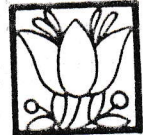
October 07 Day Conference on Family Worship at Guildford  
(please ask the Rector for further details if  
you are interested) / .....

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October 09 7.15 pm Gideons International Meeting  
(see page 6 )  
October 21 10 00 am "Teach-In" at Shottermill on  
- 12 noon "Children in the Way" Report.  
October 25 8 00 pm Deanery Synod at Shackleford.  
November 04 2 30 pm W.A.G.S sale in the Village Hall  
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CHURCH FLOWER ROTA FOR OCTOBER

October 01	HARVEST DECORATIONS
08	Mrs Pat Williams
15	Mrs Elizabeth Secrett
22	Miss Harrill and Miss Bather
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CHURCH CLEANING ROTA FOR OCTOBER

October 6/7	Mrs Rosemary Arden-White
13/14	Mrs Muriel Campbell
20/21	Mrs Rae Taylor and Miss Diana Taylor
27/28	Mrs Olive Roderick and Mrs Joan Lee

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CHURCH LESSON READING:

From the beginning of October, the lesson readings for church services will be posted in the church porch and will be on display on the last Sunday of the previous month. It is hoped that this will reduce the number of 'phone calls we all have to make to check the readings! If, however, anyone is away and unable to check their reading in advance, please ring the Rectory. Any preacher who wishes to change a reading should ring the appropriate reader during the week.

I hope this will simplify the arrangements for lesson reading, but if there are any difficulties, do please let me know.

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PERSONALIA

Mr Brian Roe, from Hambledon Cricket Green, has recently suffered a heart attack and was in intensive care for a time before being allowed to return home.

We were also sorry to learn that Mrs Muriel Richardson is

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also in hospital. We send to them both our good wishes  
for a speedy return to health and strength.

Like the rest of us, the Rector needs a day each week when  
he is free from routine demands, and the Diocese has  
emphasised the importance of every incumbent having a known  
regular day off. Christopher has chosen Thursday for this,  
so please avoid contacting him then unless the matter is  
really urgent.

In the church vestry there is much lost property! Please  
have a browse and take away anything that belongs to you.

October sees the departure of our friendly Village Carpenter  
and his family from Lane End to Devon. We wish every  
happiness in their new home to Alison, Keith and Martha  
and to the new brother or sister who is due to arrive in  
December.

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The Ladies of the Bible Study Groups invite their friends  
to Hambledon Rectory on Thursday October 5th at 11 00am  
for Coffee and a Bring-&-Buy. The speaker is  
Mrs Noreen Riols from Paris, who is in England for the  
launch of her fourth book. She is a friend of  
Marilyn Sertin. The talk will be followed by a pot-luck  
lunch and there will be a creche for all younger friends!

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**THE GIDEONS INTERNATIONAL - Surrey South Branch**

You are cordially invited to the  
**ANNUAL MEETING OF FRIENDS**

on

**MONDAY, 9th OCTOBER, 1989, at 7.15 p.m. for 7.30 p.m.**

at

**The Millmead Centre, Buryfields, Guildford**

**Local, U.K. and International News**

**Talk with slides on Brazil**

*Speaker: Mr. Dan Maynard, National Chaplain*

*Light Refreshments. Car parking in Millmead and nearby streets.*

Enquiries to:- Friends' Secretary, Roy Goodship,  
16, Ecab Close, Keens Park, Worplesdon, Guildford, GU3 3HP  
(Guildford 234545)



# MISSIONARY NEWS

## Musical Evening

About 120 people gathered in the beautiful timbered barn of Vann, by kind invitation of Martin and Mary Caroe, on Saturday 9th September, to hear the Nesbitt family perform in a delightful concert of small compositions. The audience were served with a glass of wine in the interval. The proceeds amounted to £560. after expenses. This will be used by the Missionary Committee where felt needed. The Committee would like to thank all those who gave their support.

## NEWS FROM THE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP:

Richard Hemery writes:

"On Saturday 16th September sixteen from the Hambledon Youth Fellowship left Godalming Station as a small part of the nationwide March for Jesus. In the end, 25,000 people marched through London, and an estimated quarter-million in more than 40 other locations throughout the UK. It was a very public declaration of faith, and probably achieved even more spiritually.

We all prayed for the country and for our village. Every area of life was prayed for and God was worshipped and given the glory He deserves on the streets of our capital."

Wesley Robinson writes:

"Greetings to everyone in the name of our Lord Jesus.

Hello to all who know me; those who have prayed and supported me, your faithfulness was great encouragement to me during the 'Discipleship Training School' which I have just finished; three months of teaching, learning and getting to know God better. He is so big, you can never stop getting to know Him!

The school finished on September 14th and I'm now going to work with a 'Small Team' of 10 others in central London, mainly Kensington. We are basically going to serve and encourage the churches we come into contact with, in areas such as Evangelism and Lifestyle (all very professional-sounding, isn't it?). Anyway, I shall be back home around December 14th: in the meantime I'll send a newsletter and keep you all informed. Much love in Christ."

Shirley Pollock

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ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal achieved an all-time record collection last year - raising £11,033,091.91, enabling them to help over 75,000 people with welfare and relief. Their records show that House-to-House collections bring in far more money than collections on the street and in public places.

A number of valued helpers have moved away from the village during the past year, so I am appealing for more collectors to help me with the 1989 Appeal. If you are interested in helping, please let me know as soon as possible.

The House-to-House Collection will take place this year between 30th October and 11th November. If you do not receive a visit from a collector during this time please let me know - the reason will probably be down to me not knowing the individual houses ex-collectors visited, as so many of the houses in this area are tucked away or off the beaten track.

The Royal British Legion have published a book entitled "For Crown and Country", with a forward by HRH The Prince of Wales, and there are also a number of Commemorative Covers issued during the past 10 years which are for sale. If anyone would like further details, please contact me on Hascombe 544. All proceeds from the sale of these publications go to the Poppy Appeal.

I hope that the Poppy Appeal this year is as successful as it was last year, so please give generously in remembrance of the large numbers of ex-service men and women and their dependents who benefit from your donation.

The Remembrance Sunday Service will commence at 10.50 am on Sunday 12th November, in readiness for the Act of Remembrance at 11.00am.

Alison Bouckley

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John and Barbara Major have left us their new address which is :

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Llanychan  
Ruthin  
Clwyd LL15 1UF.

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"MUSIC WITHOUT A SENSE OF FUN ...."

I have had great fun trying to find a suitable heading that would ensure that people might read a bare announcement and perhaps just remember a little of the contents. The quotation came from Sir Thomas Beecham at the end of a rehearsal with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, which, as a mere youth, I was privileged to hear. After berating the orchestra at some length about stodgy playing, he said: "The comprehension of music without a sense of fun is about as stimulating as a greasy fried egg".

If I were to add Alexander Pope's comments in his Essay on Criticism (which I can assure Christopher, is totally inappropriate for Hambleton!):

"As some to Church repair,  
Not for the doctrine, but the music there .... "

then, perhaps there might be a clue as to where this preamble was leading.

Yes - the Choir, and, hopefully some new members!

The highlight of the music at St Peter's for the last few years has been our Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols, and by the time this magazine appears, you will have just about two-and-a-half months in which to buy those presents and cards. While people like me usually leave it until the last moment, alas, our choristers must start work earlier.

This year, by popular request to facilitate people who have regular engagements on Thursday nights, we are changing to TUESDAY practices. There will be eight in all between now and Christmas, commencing at 8.00pm in the Church and ending about 9.15pm. The dates are as follows:

October	-	10 and 24
November	-	7, 21 and 28
December	-	5, 12 and 19



So, where is the relevance to the opening quotation? Quite simply, it is the fact that we do not take ourselves too seriously and, while working hard for a few weeks, we also have "a sense of fun" and enjoyment. So,

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why not come along and join us? If you can sing in tune,  
then you can be a chorister!

In a large Church, there is usually no problem in  
recruiting a small choir. In a small Church, it is  
sometimes more of a problem, so we do rely heavily on  
those with a talent to help us out. And just one more  
plea - I have heard the young people singing and there are  
some marvellous voices. Might we hope that this year,  
the average age of the Choir might come down a few points?

I cannot resist one more quotation from a 19th century  
poet:

"We are the makers of music. We are the dreamers of  
dreams".

My dream is for about 24 budding Choir Members on  
TUESDAY 10 OCTOBER.

Paddy Newel

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THE SURREY VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

The Monthly Magazine of this Association are needing  
contributions in the form of interviews or articles  
associated with Surrey life. Such material is  
distributed on tape to Registered blind people and is  
always welcome. If you are able to help, please  
contact Mr Clayton on Guildford 810587.

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WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON GROUP

A right Royal afternoon in more ways than one was spent  
with Beryl Pooley in the Village Hall on 13th September.  
Some of our members had not seen the Village Hall since  
its facelift, so it was a good opportunity to look  
around and say "Well done".

Mrs Pooley took us back to Royal Occasions with slides  
and memorabilia collected by her aunt - a spry five-foot-  
nothing, who worked for many years in Westminster Abbey  
in charge of the bookshop, which was originally started  
on a trestle table! This, and other work, gained her

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great affection and she was invited to many grand ceremonies which gave her the opportunity to collect items connected with these occasions.

The splendour of colour and pageantry came to life as we saw slides of the Coronation and Wedding of our Queen. Other Royal Weddings followed, after we had seen the splendid sight of the marching Guards Division and the crowds lining the decorated route. We could browse through news cuttings, souvenirs, and see the Order of Service for several Royal Weddings.

The next meeting, on October 12th, again in the Village Hall at 2.45pm. The subject - "A day in the life of Caledonian Airways".

Our Annual Sale, on Saturday November 4th at 2.30pm.

We would be grateful for any good saleable things - anything from good clothing, gifts, brick-a-brac, cakes, etc. All proceeds to local charities.

Joan Hardy

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#### WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The first meeting of the Fellowship, following our summer break, will be on Wednesday 25th October. We look forward very much to another visit from Amy Nicholls, who will be bringing us further news of the 'Boys Home' in Brazil, and showing some colour slides.

For a long time we have enjoyed holding our gatherings in the warmth and comfort of Dorothea Ellingson's lovely home and we are very grateful to her for all her hospitality, but the time has now come for a change of venue and we do thank Faith Denny very much for offering to have us!

So please note that the October meeting will be at Dennys, and come along to enjoy Amy's slides and hear what she has to tell us.

Brenda Gardner

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### VILLAGE HALL NEWS

The Open Day on 12th August was very successful, some 100 people coming to the Opening by Karen Vickery at 7.30pm and quite a number more during the day. The Committee would like to thank all who helped both physically and financially in the extensions and refurbishment.

We now need to raise funds to pay off our £4,000 loan, to extend the car park and buy some new furniture. To this end we intend to hold another Fete, in 1990 - Saturday 7th July. Anyone who is interested in helping to organise the Fete is invited to attend the first Fete Committee Meeting to be held at the Village Hall on Wednesday 18th October starting at 8.00pm.

We need a few more players, of any standard, for the SHORT-MAT BOWLS each Wednesday evening from 7.30 - 9.30pm

Mic Coleman

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## **RELIEF MAN HONOURED**

citiation was for 'services to Tear Fund' but this must summarise 'services to many thousands of people worldwide'; George Hoffman led the work from its launch until the beginning of this year.

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An OBE in The Queen's Birthday Honours went to George Hoffman who founded Tear Fund, the Christian relief and development agency, 21 years ago. His



**Congratulations** to the O'Donovan family in New Road - Marcella and Hugh on the arrival of their third son, Robert, a brother for Marcus and Oliver.