

Hambledon Rectory

Dear Friends

I am very grateful to those who have helped to prepare and send out the questionnaire which I hope all our readers have now received.

Would you please complete and return it by the end of September.

The responses will be studied carefully and a general analysis of the findings will be considered by the Parochial Church Council at an "Awayday" on October 9th.

Please remember the PCC in your prayers at this time, as we seek God's guidance for the next stage of the worship and life of the Church in Hambledon, especially bearing in mind that the pattern of ordained ministry in the parish is expected to change in the future.

Most of us do not find change easy, especially as we get older, but the work of God and the life of the Church cannot stand still, or it may fossilize. The Church must seek, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, to respond to changing needs in the parish.

We are particularly concerned at this time about the Church's ministry to the various age groups within the parish and the need to provide adequate opportunities for families to worship together. The integration of

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the work among the children into the full life of the Church is another important need. At the same time, it is important to maintain some provision for those who prefer traditional worship.

The Bible tells us to consider how we can encourage one another in the faith (Hebrews 10:24). So it is important in filling in the questionnaire to remember the needs of others as well as our own. St Peter's needs our wholehearted support if it is going to move forward in the future.

The current shortage of clergy means, as we know, that small parishes like Hambledon can no longer expect to have their own full-time minister. In fact this is already the case following my appointment as the Warden of Readers, as quite a bit of my time has now to be given to work outside the Parish.

It may be that, like many other parishes, we can find one or two suitable people soon who will be able, after a short training course, to become Pastoral Assistants, so that the pastoral work of the Church is maintained.

Let us approach these times of change with hope and expectation, as we see God's plan for the future of the Church beginning to unfold!

Yours very sincerely

CHRISTOPHER BLISSARD-BARNES



FREEWILL OFFERING SCHEME

The sum of £1,921.00 was received in August.

In addition £7,843.55 in respect of income tax paid on covenanted giving has been received from the Inland Revenue.

John Taylor

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

WEDDINGS

September 4th

Geoffrey John Norbury CLARKSON

and

Katharine Margaret LASSETER

September 18th

Ivar Andrade CLAROS and

Fiona Jane BROWN

Andrew Charles BLACKNELL

Alexandra Rachel SWAN



CHURCH FLOWER LIST FOR OCTOBER

October 3rd and 10th

Mrs Muriel Campbell



October 1st/2nd

Mrs Sally Falk and

Mrs Margaret Lewis

8th/9th

* Mrs Ann Smith

15th/16th

* Mr Jay and Mrs Ruth Jervis

22nd/23rd

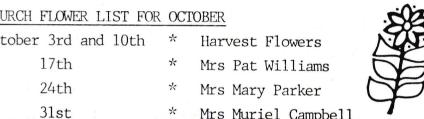
* Mrs Ann Howlett and

* Mrs Pippa Ayres

29th/30th

Mr Jim and Mrs Gay Starling





CHURCH CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER

2nd 7 30pm HARVEST

THE

SUPPER

VILLAGE HALL: Tickets (£3.00)

from the Village Shop until Thursday September 30th or reservation by telephone to Ray or Pat Williams on 0428 682455 until 30th September.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR OWN PLATES FOR MAIN COURSE AND SWEET, PLUS CUTLERY (see also page 11)

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HARVEST FESTIVAL * 17TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8 00am Holy Communion



10 30am HARVEST FAMILY SERVICE (to which harvest gifts may also be brought) with creche and refreshments.

6 30pm Holy Communion

5th 10 45am Ladies' Bible Study Group meet at Dennys

6th 10 30am Ladies' Bible Study Group meet at Silver Leys

8 00pm "Free to be" course, in the Church.

7 00pm "Alpha" course at Little Woodlands

9th 9 00am Combined meeting for prayer at Busbridge.

10 00am-4 00pm PCC "Awayday", Maryvale Pastoral Centre, Bramley.

10th 18TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8 00am Holy Communion

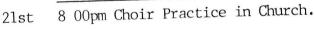
10 30am Holy Communion (1662) (followed by Baptism)

6 30pm Evening Prayer



8 00pm Missionary Committee meet at Stonecrest, 11th Manor Lea Road, Milford. 12th 10 45am Ladies' Bible Study Group meet at Dennys 8 00pm "Free to be" Course, (not on the 13th) in 7 30pm Clergy/Readers' Conference, Cathedral 13th Education Centre. 7 00pm "Alpha" Course at Little Woodlands 8 00pm for 8 15pm Men's Fellowship, Village Hall 15th (see page 7) 9 00am Meeting for Prayer at the Rectory 16th 19TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 17th 8 00am Holy Communion 10 30am Morning Prayer (ASB) 4 00pm Tea Party at Busbridge Copse Farm (by kind invitation of John and Jacqueline Hindley) 6 30pm Holy Communion (with Healing Ministry) The Preacher at the 10 30am and 6 30pm Services will be Mr Ray Porter, Overseas Missionary Fellowship. (see page 7) 7 00pm HYF/TNT meeting at the Rectory. 18th 10 45am Ladies' Bible Study Group meet at Dennys. 19th 8 00pm Clergy/Readers' Meeting at the Rectory. 10 30am Ladies' Bible Study Group meet at Silver Leys 7 00pm "Alpha" Course at Little Woodlands 20th

7 30pm Clergy/Readers' Conference, Cathedral Education Centre. 8 OOpm Healing Service, Cathedral. NO "FREE TO BE" COURSE THIS WEEK





9 00am Meeting for Prayer at the Rectory 12 noon Wednesday Afternoon Group Bring and Buy Sale and Ploughman's Lunch in the Village Hall (see page 12)

SAT. NIGHT **Put Clocks Back** 23rd!



24th 20TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8 00am Holy Communion

10 30am Morning Prayer (1662)

(followed by Shortened Form of Holy Communion)

6 30pm Evening Prayer

10 45am Ladies' Bible Study Group meet at Dennys. 26th

3 00pm Women's Fellowship meet at the Rectory. 27th

7 00pm ''Alpha'' Course at Little Woodlands 8 00pm "Free to be" Course in Church.

9 00am Meeting for Prayer in the Vestry. 30th

8 00pm-12 Midnight - A Lively Event in the Village Hall!! (see page 8)

31st 21ST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8 00am Holy Communion

10 30am Parish Communion

6 30pm Special Service, led by the "TNT" Group.

AND IN NOVEMBER

10 45am Ladies' Bible Study Group meet at Dennys. 2nd

3rd 10 30am Ladies' Bible Study Group meet at Silver Leys.

7 00pm "Alpha" Course at Little Woodlands

8 00pm "Free to be" Course in Church.

9 00am Combined meeting for prayer at 6th St Peter's Church, Hambledon.

FINANCE

Since the financial up-date was published in the September magazine, we have received three more donations amounting to £1,350.00 and the PCC is very grateful for these generous gifts.

Although the gap between forecast income and expenditure this year has now been considerably reduced, it has not been closed and further contributions would be most welcome.

Ray Williams

MID-AFRICA MINISTRY (CMS)

Prayer Letter No. 12 has now been received from Andrew, This can be found Felicity, Timothy and Benjamin Maclay. on the noticeboard at the back of the Church but if you would like to be more closely involved with the Maclay family and their work in Burundi, do ask Rosemary Arden-White for further information.

OVERSEAS MISSIONARY FELLOWSHIP

John and Jacqueline Hindley are kindly hosting a tea party at Busbridge Copse Farm at 4 00pm on Sunday, 17th October, to welcome Mr Ray Porter, who is the Eastern Regional He will give a short Secretary for OMF in Britain. illustrated talk about the work of OMF in South-East Asia, which is of course particularly interesting within the "family" of St Peter's Hambledon through the work that Tim and Zinnia Symmonds are doing in Hong Kong.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

On Friday, 15th October, Mr Derek Edwards is the Speaker at the Men's Fellowship. Mr Edwards has spent a lifetime in the insurance world, latterly with the Sedgewick Group, as Chairman of their Southern Region, a Director of Training, a Fellow of the Institute of Directors, and of

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the Chartered Insurance Institute. A keen sailor in his spare time. His subject: "A Risk Manager looks at the Gospel".

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL 1993

This year's Remembrance Day Service will be at 10 30am on Sunday 14th November - three days' after the 75th Anniversary of the signing of the armistice after World War I.

Two thousand five hundred veterans of that war are still being cared for by the Poppy Appeal, as are an increasing number of the 250,000 World War II pensioners and widows, together with some of the younger men and women who have served in recent conflicts - often as members of UN peace-keeping forces.

Many people are thus in need of support and I would therefore urge you all to contribute generously to this year's house-to-house collection which will take place during the two weeks beginning 1st November.

PRAY FOR PEACE!

Jane Woolley

COME AND DANCE TO A LIVE BLUES BAND

"STICK IN THE WHEEL"

at THE VILLAGE HALL, HAMBLEDON on

SATURDAY 30th OCTOBER

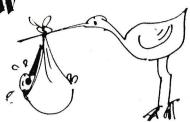
from 8pm till midnight.

LICENSED BAR APPLIED FOR.
Tickets price £4 from Mary Grove (683532), Jenny Fuller (685450)
Mic Coleman (682977).

Proceeds in aid of the village hall funds.

DID YOU KNOW

Many congratulations to Jonathan and Kate Fry of Mervil Bottom on the safe arrival of their daughter, Charlotte.



All good wishes go to Roger and Margaret Lasseter as they prepare to leave the area to live in Banbury. We shall miss Margaret very much indeed and thank her for all her work and support over the years - especially over the work and design of the 'banners' by which we all at St Peter's will best remember her.

To <u>Peter Roderick</u> our commiserations as we learn of his "sojourn!" in hospital following damage to one of his already troublesome hips. It would seem that further surgery is inevitable and we pray that he will soon have this well behind him, although perhaps not soon enough to take part in the event mentioned for Saturday 30th October in the Village Hall!!

A WALK TO REMEMBER

The wild rocky mountains of the
Lake District, with its high lofty
ranges and standing stones put there by
long gone people; over the fells and the
Pennine watershed, into the dales, with ruins of the lead
mining days. Then down into the more gentle valleys of
stone-built villages with a patchwork of small fields
divided by dry-stone walling; up to the Cleveland Hills
to the edge of the North Yorkshire moors, Old Ralph,
Fat Betty, with other stones and crosses that mark the way.
It is just as wild to-day as when it was used as a
drovers' road with heather as far as the eye could see.

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Vast open spaces, and on some days we hardly saw a person or building - it was fantastic! Then suddenly we saw the sea - a sobering thought!. It was still a day's walk, some 17 miles, away. The steep street into Robin Hood's Bay goes straight into the sea and the fishing boats are launched from there.

We had walked the 190 miles across England from St Bees Head - well most of the party had accomplished it -I only managed 154 miles. By tradition we had dipped our feet in the sea at the beginning in the East and again in the West at the end!

As one of the party remarked - I feel clean in my body, clear in my mind and spiritually uplifted - and I agreed with him. Meeting such lovely people and seeing the beautiful country I said "Thanks be to God"!

Thank you to all who have sponsored me, though I did fall partly by the wayside. I should get about £380. when I have collected all the money (big hint!) to share between St Peter's Church and the Village Shop.

Joan Hardy

PARISH NEWS

Twenties and Thirties Group

Simon Gray has kindly agreed to join the Leadership team of TNT. We welcome him warmly into this work and are grateful for his help.

Sunday Club and Pathfinders

Children aged 3 to 9 are continuing to meet on Sundays in the Nursery School at 10 30am, and those aged 9 to 14 are now meeting in the Rectory. This new arrangement



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has got off to a good start. On the first Sunday of the month we all meet, as usual, for the Family Service in Church at 10 30am.

Harvest Supper

At the Harvest Supper (October 2nd) in the Village Hall at 7 30pm there will be an entertainment to which the various organisations are invited to contribute an item lasting up to 5 minutes. Offers please to Mr Richard Nagioff on Wormley 683073.

HAMBLEDON PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Council is on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>26th October</u>, at 8 15pm in the Village Hall.

The meetings are all open to the public and you will be very welcome.

The meeting is open to questions from the Floor from 9 30pm to 9 45pm and you will find the Agenda on the Noticeboards at the Village Hall and Hydestile Crossroads.

Elizabeth Waring

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON GROUP

The magnificent Drackenburg mountains made a spectacular backdrop to the Royal Natal Park and this was the starting point of Mr White's tour by slides. Leaving there we visited Zimbabwe and almost heard the thunder of the Victoria Falls! A tremendous volume of water creating rainbows in the spray.

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On to Aberdare National Park and the famous Treetops, where big game was "shot" on film. Some lions would have been a bit too close for my liking! Then on to Masaimara, where only the sunset rivalled the pink of the flamingoes on Lake Noivasha.

Thank you for a look at how people live along with the wildlife in this vast country.

There are a few seats available for "The Sound of Music" at Haslemere on the evening of Tuesday 26 October. If you are interested, get in touch with Bobby Allen on Wormley 683019.

On October 13th we meet Mr Head who is coming to talk to us on Old Godalming. His talk will be illustrated with slides. Everyone welcome.

Joan Hardy

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SATURDAY October 23rd from 12 noon

the Wednesday Afternoon Group
are holding a
BRING AND BUY and
PLOUGHMAN'S LUNGH

in the Village Hall,
DO COME ALONG AND SUPPORT THEM.

SOME FURTHER EVENTS VIA THE RECTORY LETTERBOX!

"An Autumn Feast" of Courses at St Mary's Centre, Park Road, Camberley, on Basic Christianity, Thinking about God, Understanding Behaviour, Parenting, and Developing Listening Skills. For information, ring 0276 685167.

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Courses at the Royal Holloway College on The Bible and Church History. 'Phone 0784 443070.

Courses at the Cathedral Education Centre on the New Testament, Leading Housegroups, Surviving Stress, Ecumenism and Praying for our World. 'Phone 0483 450423.

Waverley Abbey is offering weekend courses on Marriage Enrichment, Personal Discovery and Vocational Guidance, and one-day seminars on different aspects of counselling. 'Phone 0252 783695.

The Diocesan Evangelical Fellowship meets at Loseley Park on Tuesday 12th October for a lunch meeting at 12 30pm. The Rev. Geoffrey Cox will speak on Rural Ministry.

Christian Viewpoint, Godalming

The next meeting will be on Friday 8th October at 8 00pm at St Hilary's School, when there will be a talk on "Relationships" by Sigrid Mustow, a Marriage Guidance Counsellor. Tickets £3.00 (to include light refreshments) from Clare Haddad, tel. 0483 422349.

The Wey Institute for Religious Studies is arranging weekly lectures at the Cathedral Education Centre from October 14th to November 18th. Details are at the back of the Church.

The Healing Ministry - an Ecumenical Celebration. This Annual Service at St Luke's-tide will take place in the Cathedral on Wednesday October 20th at 7 30pm. The address will be on the "Healing of the Memories" and there will be some testimonies. There will be an opportunity to receive ministry afterwards for those who wish.

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God's love in Action

TEAR Fund is arranging special 25th Anniversary events in the Central Hall, Westminster on Saturday, October 30th at 2 30pm and 7 30pm with Jun Vencer (Philippines), Wellspring, Garth Hewitt, Stewart Henderson and Nick Page. For tickets, apply to Support Services, TEAR Fund, 100 Church Road, Teddington, Middlesex TWll 8QE tel 081 977 9144. Tickets £5.00 (children and usual concessions £3.00). Make cheques payable to TEAR Fund.

Churches Together in Surrey

A leaflet about this event on November 6th at High Cross United Church, Camberley, is at the back of the Church.

The London City Mission is having Open Days on November 13th and 20th. Details at the back of the Church.

