ST. PETER'S CHURCH - HAMBLEDON

NOVEMBER 1963

Additions to details of Personnel and Services (inside cover page):-

Hon. Lay Reader: Roderick West Esq., B.A., B.D.

Rye Street Cottage, Chiddingfold.

"For Parents and Children" - at 10.0 a.m. on the second, fourth and fifth Sundays in the month. (Children's Church continues as usual on the first and third Sundays).

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Nov.	3.	Sun.	Trinity XXI.			
			Holy Communion 8.00 a.m. and	after		
			morning Prayer.			
			Children's Church	10.00 a.m.		
			Morning Prayer	11.00 a.m.		
			Confirmation Class (in Church)	3.00 p.m.		
			Evening Prayer	6.30 p.m.		
Nov.	6.	Wed.	Holy Communion at Hambledon			
			Homes Chapel	10.00 a.m.		
Nov.	10.	Sun.	REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY.			
			Holy Communion	8.00 a.m.		
			"For Parents and Children"	10.00 a, m.		
			REMEMBRANCE SERVICE	10.55 a.m.		
			Evening Service	6.30 p.m.		
			(Using Remembrance Service For	ms)		
			Preacher: The Rev. P. M. Towner	nd, M.A.,		
			Recently Vicar of Novington.			
			Offerings: Earl Haig Fund.			

Nov. 14. Thurs. Church Fellowship at 8.00 p.m. in the Village Hall. - "Musical Evening"-

Nov.	17.	Sun.	TRINITY XXIII				
			Holy Communion 8.00 a.m. a	nd after			
			Evening Prayer.				
			Children's Church	10.00 a.m.			
			Morning Prayer	11.00 a.m.			
			Evening Prayer	6.30 p.m.			
Nov.	24.	Sun.	SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE ADVEN	NT.			
			Holy Communion	8.00 a.m.			
			"For Parents and Children"	10.00 a.m.			
			Morning Prayer	11.00 a.m.			
			Evening Prayer	6.30 p.m.			
Nov.	28.	Thurs.	Ladies' Home Mission Union (C Annual Meeting at Tigbourne C Speaker: The Hon. Lady Smith Tea will be served. Collection Home Mission Union.	Court 3.00 p.m of Pirbright.			
DEC.	1.	Sun.	ADVENT I.				
			Holy Communion 8.00 a.m. a	nd after			
			Morning Prayer.				
			Children's Church	10.00 a.m.			
			Morning Prayer	11.00 a.m.			
			Evening Prayer	6.30 p.m.			
Missionary and other Collecting Box-holders please bring boxes to Church for half-yearly Box Opening.							
Dec.	4.	Wed.	Holy Communion at Hambledon	Homes			
			Chapel	10.00 a.m.			
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Dec.	8.		ADVENT II. BIBLE SUNDAY.				
			Holy Communion	8.00 a.m.			
			For Parents and Children"	10.00 a.m.			
			Morning Prayer	11.00 a.m.			
			Evening Prayer	6.30 p.m.			
			Offerings: British and Foreign Bible				
			Society.				

Unless otherwise stated our Offerings are for the General Funds which are allocated to Home and Overseas Mission and Charities.

PLEASE NOTE that the December magazine will not be distributed until the second Sunday in December.

A MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR.

"I believe in God, but I don't see that it will do me the least bit of good to go to Church and sing hymns, and so on". This opinion was expressed by a well-known racing motorist during a television interview, and many who never, or seldom, go to Church would re-echo these sentiments.

One who finds that regular attendance at Church does "do him good" has given following answers to "Why go to Church?" :-

- " 1). Jesus went regularly to corporate worship. If we profess to follow His example we might begin here.
- 2). Christians have always, from the very first, met together for worship even under the most severe persecution, past and present.
- 3). One of the great keynotes of the New Testament is Christian "fellowship"; and this was expressed in worship, especially around the "Breaking of Bread". The New Testament knows nothing of isolated Christians.
- 4). The first duty and the first need of a Christian is to worship God through Jesus Christ. The common idea that a Christian's first duty is to behave decently, and to worship if he feels like it, is putting the cart before the horse.
- 5). Christian standards of life and conduct cannot be maintained indefinitely apart from the corporate worship and work of the Christian Church. There are limits to the luxury of living

on capital, spiritual or physical.

6). The Church (building) was built for the corporate worship of The Church (Christian people), and for no other reason. Are you prepared to follow the logic of the argument that if there is no need for Christians to worship there is no need for the Church building either?

YOU are warmly invited to worship with us in your Parish Church next Sunday.

FROM COVENTRY CATHEDRAL.

One tourist to another, viewing the queue for morning service at the Cathedral: "I think it's scandalous allowing services here when visitors want to look round". Quoted in "The Winchester Churchman".

THE CHURCH FELLOWSHIP meets in the Village Hall on the second Thursday in the month (during winter). A varied programme has been arranged and you are warmly invited to join us.

The November meeting will be on Thursday the 14th. A "Musical Evening" is being arranged by Mr. J. Vine our Organist and Choirmaster. In December Mrs. Haviland will be showing colour transparencies taken during her recent visit to Australia and New Zealand.

THE HON. LADY SMITH of Pirbright will be visiting Hambledon for the Annual Meeting of the Ladies' Home Mission Union at Tigbourne Court on Thursday, November 28th, at 3.0 p.m. Lady Smith is the wife of the President of the Church Pastoral-Aid Society (Lt. General Sir Arthur Smith, K.C.B., K.B.E., D.S.O., M.C.) and we are very privileged to have her at our local meeting.

All ladies are invited to attend. Tea will be served by kind invitation of our hostess, Mrs. G. A. Chapman. There will be a retiring collection for the L.H.M.U.

CHURCH FLOWERS

We record our grateful thanks to those who provided the flowers last month. The following have kindly promised to be responsible for next month:

November 3rd. Mrs. Dowson;
November 10th. Mrs. Wieler;
November 17th. Miss Denny;
November 24th. Mrs. Chapman;
December 1st. Mrs. Dowson;
December 8th. Mrs. Wieler.

HARVEST FESTIVAL.

We were delighted to welcome as our preacher Dr. Coleman, a Medical Missionary of the Church Missionary Society in Iran. We were grateful to him for his helpful and informative addresses. It was interesting to learn from him that he had been trained at St. Thomas' Hospital and had spent about two years at Hydestile. The collections at the services were for Freedom from Hunger and Refugee work, and we have sent £25. 0. 0d. to the C.M.S., for the work they are undertaking, and £25. 0. 0. to Christian Aid (Inter-Church Aid and Refugee Service).

The Church was beautifully decorated and we thank all who so kindly sent gifts for this purpose and all who helped to decorate. The produce etc., was distributed to sick and elderly in the parish, and also to Hambeldon Homes, St. Thomas'

Hospital and the Children's Society Home at Hindhead.

CHRISTIAN AID (The British Council of Churches' Inter-Church Aid and Refugee Service).

As a proportion of our Harvest Festival collections was sent to this fund, a note about Christian Aid will be of interest:-The Archbishop of Canterbury is President of the British Council of Churches, which incorporates the Anglican, Presbyterian and Free Churches throughout the British Isles and sponsors Christian Aid. "Why does Christian Aid make the first call on the Christian's generosity? Because - in the world battle against hunger and death - the Churches have a vast army of men and women in the front line - on the spot - living with hunger, knowing its victims not simply as statistics but as families and individuals. These are the men and women who act for you - and you help them help the hungry every time you give to 'Christian Aid' the united service arm of the worldwide Church. They are always there with every aid - from famine relief to long term projects designed to boost the world's food production.'

THE LATE MRS. D. GRANT.

It is with sorrow that we record the death of Mrs. Grant who has died in a Nursing Home at Godalming. When she was living with her daughter, Mrs. B. Grillo, at Beech Hill, she was a regular worshipper at St. Peter's Church until sickness prevented her from journeying to the Church. She was a faithful Communicant and had for some time been a member of the Women's Fellowship. We thank God for her Christian example., and we extend to her family our sincere sympathies in their bereavement.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

The Rector is arranging to hold Confirmation Classes during November and December and hopes that all who wish to be prepared for Confirmation will attend the first class on Sunday, November 3rd., at 3 p.m., in Church.

CHURCH REGISTERS

Holy Baptisms.

Sept. 29th. Sarah, daughter of Donald Roberts and Susan Charlotte Clarke.

Oct. 6th. Andrew Stephen Patrick, son of Colin
Hugh and Margaret Patricia Fenn.
Sophia Charlotte Matilda, daughter of Colin
Hugh and Margaret Patricia Fenn.
Joanna Rebecca Lucy, daughter of Colin
Hugh and Margaret Patricia Fenn.

Marriages

Sept. 7th. John Reginald Strudwick and Dorothy Billiald.

Burials

Sept. 2nd. Lucy Stenning aged 87 years.

Free-Will Offering Envelopes

Total for September £29. 17. 10.

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