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SERVICES

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(with Hymns & Short Address)
On first Sunday in each
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6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer and Sermon.

Weekdays Holy Eucharist on most days.
See notice in Church Porch for details.

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NEWS SHEET

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THE RECTOR'S LETTER

My dear friends,

The great thing for us all to remember is that, if you are a Christian, you can always make a NEW Start. That is what the Christian Religion is about. Jesus did not come just to make us comfortable, respectable, good or moral. He came to make us NEW.

What a good subject to meditate about in the beginning of a new year! Yes - close the old exercise book with all its blots and crossings out, its tale of famine and treachery, and turn it over or out and start afresh determined that in 1977 you will live day by day the New Life. Jesus says that anybody who looks back is no good. We are told in the Old Testament that when Lot's wife turned back she became a pillar of salt! - Not very exciting and not very sweet! We need to be open to God and to begin each day with hope and freshness and trust. The Holy Spirit can never be the inspirer of gloomy thoughts. These are not the work of the Holy Spirit. They may come from the weather, living it up the night before, too much T.V., constipation, etc., etc., but never from the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Joy and Adventure. What does S. Paul say? "When anyone is joined to Christ, he is a new being; the old is gone, the new has come" (2 Cor. 5, 17 G.N.B.).

No! A Christian should not spend his time looking back and thinking of the good old times and how wicked people are today. Nor should we immediately assume that the new Services in the Church are automatically wrong. We should seriously discover whether we are just doing things because they are new or resisting them because we don't like to be disturbed in our habits.

East Bridgford Churchpeople have shown that they are prepared to be open and so we have used the

Series 3 Communion Service for over four years and, although it is not perfect, yet the mere fact that the congregation at 9.00 on Sunday morning is so encouraging is a sign that the experiment has worked.

How much also has our parish fellowship developed! This was so noticeable at the parish breakfast on the first Sunday in December. Those who prepared this, under the able leadership of Mrs. Payne are to be congratulated.

We welcome the new people who have come to the parish. May they be happy in East Bridgford. Some have already started coming regularly to the Parish Eucharist and we are glad to see them.

We hope to have a new setting to the Eucharist and Mr. Wilkins is very kindly teaching a group of singers a Mass by Patrick Appleford which fits Series 3. We are also going to have, in addition to our ordinary hymn book, a new hymn book called "A Hundred Hymns for Today". These are known to some of you already.

1976 was a sad year for quite a number of our people, and towards the end of it two of our people were bereaved. We do express our living sympathy to Mr. Joseph Johnson in the death of his wife who had suffered for a long time, and also to Mrs. Peskett whose husband Ronald died towards the end of the year. May both know the peace of God and feel that this life is not the only one and that, if we have learned to love here, that love will not be lost in the world beyond.

May 1977 be a year of blessing to you all and so I wish you a happy New Year.

+ BERNARD MARKHAM

HOLY BAPTISM

28 November George Jeremy, son of George
Donald and Carol Elisabeth ROBBINS.

12 December Clare Louise, daughter of
Michael James and Jane ROBERTS.

We welcome George and Clare into the family of
God.

R.I.P.

November 3 Edith Ethel Johnson.

November 24 Ronald Peskett.

EAST BRIDGFORD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

"Ideas for Christmas Cookery and Cake Decoration" was the theme of the December meeting when Mrs. A. Gunn gave an interesting and varied demonstration. The ideas were as varied as "Cocktail Loaf", which was made out of a loaf of bread, to "Christmas Pavlovas, Gateaux, marzipan and iced cake decorations".

Members were then served with a good selection of savouries and cakes to celebrate the festive season.

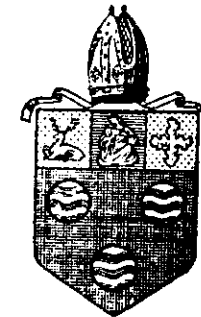
After the refreshments, a General Knowledge Quiz was held. This was arranged by Mrs. E. Gaskell and Mrs. V. James.

The next meeting is to be held at County House on Tuesday, 11th January, with four corners craft demonstrations.

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The Bishop's Letter

The Heart of the Matter

MY greetings to you this New Year are heartfelt and sincere. I have personally received so much kindness this past twelve months that I want to say thank-you very much to you all. May 1977 be a year in which we foster increasingly warm relationships between all the many and varied people who make up our Nottinghamshire community. In days when we



The Rev. Graham A. Firth, who has been appointed Rector of Elston and East Stoke with Syerston and Vicar of Sibthorpe.

are all having to 'tighten our belts' it is easy to be so concerned about the survival of us and ours that life becomes competitive instead of kindly. While we shall have to be clear-headed in dealing with our problems, let us also be warm-hearted.

This becomes possible only if we have the heart of the matter in ourselves. Faith in God's reality and goodness dispels anxiety and instils peace. As St. Paul once wrote to his friends: "The Lord is near; have no anxiety, but in everything make your requests known to God in prayer and petition with thanksgiving. Then the peace of God, which is beyond our utmost understanding, will keep guard over your hearts and your thoughts in Christ Jesus." Let all of us who call ourselves Christians prove our faith by the joy in our hearts. This is the right basis for optimism. Without faith, hope is mere wishful thinking.

Personal faith must support and enliven the fellowship and worship of the Church. People who, often with great trepidation, begin to be interested in the Church need to discover from the start a warmth of welcome and of

companionship which is real without being overpowering. Acceptance of others is not something contrived but unselfconscious; and results from alertness to their needs and sympathy with their situation. This attitude will influence the quality of the worship we offer in Church which will spring from the heart as well as the head; love of our Lord will put reality into our prayers and praises and warm the hearts of those who worship with us. True worship will stir the emotions without giving way to cheap emotionalism.

GOOD NEIGHBOUR

But the majority of a Christian's life is spent off the church premises and what goes on in secular situations is the real test of true religion. In 1977 the Church must concern itself more with the neighbourhood than the Christian fellowship. We should do all we can to support Mr. David Ennals, the Secretary of State for Social Services, in his "Be a good neighbour" campaign. The Statutory Social Services cannot meet all the needs of all our citizens; all of us must help, and Christians more than others just to show the way. A Director of Social Services once said: "Experience has taught us that it is the spontaneous goodwill of ordinary people which does most to relieve misery and distress." But good neighbourliness depends on our being sufficiently interested in others to notice what is going on around us and our being sufficiently unselfish to put ourselves out for those who need help.

Nineteen-seventy-seven is the Silver Jubilee of our Queen's Accession. Of this I am sure, the monarchy in this country holds a very warm place in the affections of the people. That the Royal Family is so loved and respected at a time when all establishment figures are under attack is the result of the unrelenting and unselfish service that the Queen and her family have given to the nation so naturally, so happily, and with such grace and dignity. If we need an example of service which is not just of the head but of the heart, we have it in our Queen. May this year be a happy one for her. We shall enjoy celebrating her Silver Jubilee.

Yours sincerely,

+ Denis Southwell

Diocesan Mothers' Union

Deanery presiding members in the Diocesan Mothers' Union for the next 3 years

Bawtry ..	Mrs. Olive Briggs	Beeston ..	Mrs. Eileen Bradley
Newark ..	Mrs. Jennie Young	Bingham ..	Mrs. Muriel Keene
Norwell ..	Mrs. Sylvia Hemstock	S.Bingham ..	Mrs. Elsie Cope
Retford ..	Mrs. Jennie Mounsey	W.Bingham	Mrs. Christine Thorpe
Tuxford ..	Mrs. Eleanor Lockhart	Bulwell ..	Mrs. Iris Williams
Worksop	Mrs. Brenda Thorpe	Gedling ..	Mrs. Peggy Langford
Mansfield	—	Nottingham	Mrs. Ada Clough
		Southwell	Mrs. Sally Barclay

Pray for Church in Papua, New Guinea

Last summer Mrs. Jocelyn Wesley, President of the Mothers' Union in Papua, New Guinea was the guest of the Southwell Diocesan M.U. at the Centenary celebrations in Southwell Minster. This year the Anglican Diocese of Papua, New Guinea will become an autonomous Province of the Anglican Communion and the new Archbishop will be the present Diocesan Bishop, the Rt. Rev. David Hand. The inaugural ceremonies will take place on Sunday, February 27 at Dogura in the Cathedral Church of St. Peter and St. Paul. Friends in this country are asked to pray for God's blessing on the new Province and for David Hand, the Archbishop-elect.

Around the Diocese

"Let My People Grow" (Sierra Leone) CMS Lent Project 1977. There will be "Teach In's" at the following places: Nottingham: St. Andrew's Church Hall — Tuesday, 18 January. Mansfield: St. Peter's Church Hall — Wednesday, 19 January. Both will be at 7.30 p.m. Please collect as much Project Material and boxes as possible, at the "Teach In's" and not from CMS headquarters — saving on postage is considerable.

The U.S.P.G. Epiphany Gift Service will be held at St. Peter's Church, Nottingham, on Monday, January 10 at 7.30 p.m., when the preacher will be Canon Leslie Greedy, formerly of Bulawayo, Rhodesia, and now at Sheffield.

"Christianity in the Classroom" will be the theme of an Easter Vacation course at Bishop Grosseteste College, Lincoln, arranged by the Christian Education Movement, from April 12 to 16. Details from the Rev. A. Linning, 7 Kingston Road, West Bridgford.

Southwell Minster Events. Sun. 9, 11 a.m. Sung Eucharist; Sat. 15, 7.30 p.m. Concert by Nottingham Bluecoat Gilbert & Sullivan Society in Minster School Hall, 50p. In aid of Minster Overseas Project; Sat. 22, 7.30 p.m. Southwell Choral Society Concert "Hymn of Praise" (Mendelssohn).

The Minster Choir is on holiday until January 6.

One-day Teaching Conference, sponsored by the East Midlands Regional Council of Diocesan Evangelical Fellowships, will be held at the Alderman White Secondary School, Chilwell Lane, Bramcote, on Saturday, January 29. Theme: Pre-NEAC Conference — "Obeying Christ in a Changing World". Cost: Morning 40p; Afternoon 70p; Whole day, when paid in advance £1. Bookings to Rev. Colin Buchanan, St. John's College, Bramcote, Nottingham (Tel: 251114).

"Land of Hope and Glory?" The Archbishop of York has written a very helpful short booklet on how to pray for our country. It faces the reasons why we tend not to pray for our land, and then suggests practical ways in which we can do so. It costs 10p and is published by the British & Foreign Bible Society. It is attractively produced and ought to be in the hands of all regular church attenders.

Mr. Charles Anthony Beck, Assistant Secretary of the Southwell Diocesan Board of Finance, has been appointed Diocesan Secretary to the Diocese of Sheffield, from January 1, 1977.

History of Broxtowe. Broxtowe, Nottingham, is the site of a Roman fort, a Mediaeval Church the advowson of which was held by the Priors of Sempringham, a Hall owned successively by famous men, and (since 1952) St. Martha's Parish Church, erected as a monument to the war-time effort of the British housewives. "The Story of Broxtowe and its Church" by the Rev. M. G. H. B. Tudor, is available from the author at the Vicarage, Frinton Road, Broxtowe, price 40p (30p to callers). The Silver Anniversary Fund remains open during 1977 and any donation will be acknowledged.

A Midland Rally of the Church of England Men's Society is to be held in Southwell Minster on Saturday, May 14, 1977. Theme will be "Living in Christ—Challenge and Opportunity". Former Bishop of Coventry, Rt. Rev. Cuthbert Bardsley, will sum up the discussion.

Diocesan Council for Moral Welfare. Please note Warren House phone is Nottingham 51805 (Not as in Year Book).

News of the Clergy

The Rev. Gilbert Stanley Cheetham, Vicar of St. Leodegarius, Basford, will be instituted as Vicar of All Saints, Clipstone, Mansfield, on Tuesday, January 4, at 7.30 p.m.

The Rev. Cecil Bates Dick, who is on the staff of Nottingham High School, was ordained deacon on December 19, at Christ Church, Cinderhill, where he will serve his title.

The Rev. George Frederick Wright, of East Markham with Askham, has been licensed as Priest-in-Charge of Headon.

The Rev. Norman Henry Todd, the Bishop's Adviser on Training, has been licensed as Curate of Averham with Kelham.

The Rev. Graham Alfred Firth, Vicar of Laxton and Priest-in-Charge of Egmanston, Newark, has been appointed Rector of the united benefices of Elston and East Stoke with Syerston and Vicar of Sibthorpe while continuing to be the Diocesan Stewardship Adviser.

The Rev. David Walter Skyrme James, Vicar of St. Thomas, Kirkby-in-Ashfield, will be instituted Rector of East Leake and Priest-in-Charge of Costock, Rempstone and Stanford, at St. Mary's, East Leake, on Wednesday, January 12.

The Rev. John Edward Palin, Assistant Curate at St. Mary the Virgin, Nottingham, will be instituted by the Bishop of Peterborough to the living of Greetham, Clipsham and Streeton, in Rutland, at St. Mary's, Clipsham, on Monday, January 24 at 7.30 p.m.

The Rev. James Robinson, former Assistant Curate at Tuxford, is now Assistant Curate at Selston with Westwood.

The Rev. James Purdon Neill, Priest-in-Charge of St. John's, Mansfield, is to be instituted Vicar of St. Ann with Emmanuel, Nottingham, on Monday, February 7, at 7.30 p.m.

Retiring: The Rev. Maurice Richardson, Vicar of Lowdham with Gunthorpe and Caythorpe, on January 31, 1977.

THE DIOCESE REMEMBERS IN JANUARY

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| 1 The Diocese | 17 Retired Clergy | } <i>Week of
Prayer
for Christian
Unity</i> |
| 2 Church House, Nottingham | 18 Roman Catholics | |
| 3 Synod Representatives | 19 Eastern Orthodox | |
| 4 Newstead (<i>Frank Lyons</i>) | 20 Methodists | |
| 5 Balderton (<i>Charles Young</i>) | 21 Baptists | |
| 6 St. Saviour, Nottingham (<i>Reginald Hoyer</i>) | 22 United Reformed | |
| 7 Diocesan Boards & Committees | 23 Pentecostals | |
| 8 Hospital Chaplains | 24 Other Denominations | |
| 9 Church Day Schools | 25 Daybrook (<i>William Walker</i>) | |
| 10 Sunday Schools | 26 St. Paul, Hyson Green (<i>Charles Hall</i>) | |
| 11 Youth Organisations | 27 Carlton-in-the-Willows (<i>Walter Harrison</i>) | |
| 12 Church Choirs | 28 St. Paul, Manton (<i>John Stafford</i>) | |
| 13 St. Michael, Sutton-in-Ashfield (<i>Paul Botting</i>) | 29 Kilvington (<i>Brian Woodhams</i> ,
<i>Archdeacon</i>) | |
| 14 Warsop w. Sookholme (<i>Fred Green</i>) | 30 Rempstone (<i>David James</i>) | |
| 15 Teversal (<i>Robin Morrison</i>) | 31 Costock (<i>David James</i>) | |
| 16 Clergy in secular employment | | |

— Please pray for the following ordinands sponsored by the Diocese:
Michael Dobbs (St Michael, Sutton-in-Ashfield) at Lincoln Theological College.
Allan Scriviner (Warsop) at Bishop Grosseteste College, Lincoln.
John Foote (St. Paul, Hyson Green).

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HOW TO LIVE BY FAITH

For him who has faith everything comes from the Father and everything leads to the Father. Health, sickness, wealth, poverty, success, failure, and so on, are only manifestations of the holy will of God. After all, was the Father showing less love to his beloved Son, Jesus, when he allowed him to be condemned and crucified by Pilate and the soldiers, than when he gave him to Mary to be fed and fondled by her?

It is an act of prayer and contemplation to look at the sun, at the stars, at the sky, when faith reveals in them the presence and love of the Creator, since through them he prepared the earth to be the cradle of mankind and the place of the Incarnation. Is it not through the sun particularly, through its light and heat, that life was made possible here below for the children of the Father, and especially for his firstborn, the Lord Jesus, who blessed the sun for ever with his divine glance?

To look with eyes enlightened by faith at trees and plants, at fruits and flowers, at birds and animals - all of them created by the Father to help and serve us and to be used by us in our ascent toward him - is also nothing less than prayer and contemplation. There is indeed nothing in the world whose impact on our senses should not blossom into prayer, when looked at with the eyes of faith, with the eyes of Jesus, the one who knows everything "in the Father". It could even be said that through our eyes and all our senses it is God himself who is looking at his own creation and taking his delight in it, who sees that it is all good (Gen. 1, 9ff).

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SIDESMEN

Jan. 9th	9.00	Mr. Reid	6.30	Mr. Curtis
16th	9.00	Mr. Payne	6.30	Capt. Jay
23rd	9.00	Dr. Brooks	6.30	Dr. Brooks
30th	9.00	Mr. Hand	6.30	Mr. Hand
Feb. 6th	9.00	Mr. Hand	6.30	Mr. Hand

THE EAST BRIDGFORD AND DISTRICT MUSIC SOCIETY

The next meeting of the Society will be on Thursday, 6th January, when Tony Berresford will give his talk on Haydn which was postponed from December. At the following meeting on 20th January, the lady members will present and talk about their own personal selection of musical works.

New members will be very welcome. Meetings are at the School and start at 7.30 p.m.

READERS AND READINGS

January 9th - 1st. after Epiphany - Plough Sunday

9.00 (O.T.)	1 Samuel 16, 1-13a.	Mrs. J. Cornell
(Ep.)	Acts 10. 34-48a.	Mr. K. Finch
6.30 (O.T.)	Isaiah 61	Capt. A. Jay
(N.T.)	Matthew 2.	Dr. G. Brooks.

January 16th - 2nd. after Epiphany

9.00 (O.T.)	Jeremiah 1.4-10	Miss S. Guy
(Ep.)	Acts 26.1, 9-18	Mr. P. Slack
6.30 (O.T.)	Isaiah 44. 6-23	Mr. J. Guy
(N.T.)	Mark 1.35-end.	Mr. R. Hunt.

January 23rd - 3rd. after Epiphany

9.00 (O.T.)	Exodus 33. 12-23	Mr. J. Ruff
(Ep.)	1 John 1. 1-4	Miss H. Slack
6.30 (O.T.)	Isaiah 43. 3-end.	Mr. H. Russell
(N.T.)	Mark 7. 24-end.	Mr. A. Reid

January 30th - 4th. after Epiphany

9.00 (O.T.)	Hosea 14. 1-7	Miss C. Price
(Ep.)	Philemon 1-16	Mr. G. Clayfield
6.30 (O.T.)	Isaiah 54. 1-14	Mr. T. Ashton
(N.T.)	Luke 13. 1-17	Mr. R. Hunt

February 6th. - Septuagesima

9.00 (O.T.)	Isaiah 30. 18-21	Dr. G. Brooks
(Ep.)	1 Corinthians 4.8-13	Miss P. Marson
6.30 (O.T.)	Genesis 2.4-end.	Mr. A. Curtis
(N.T.)	Revelation 4.	Mr. G. Stobbs.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

The 'Fur and Feather' Bingo Drive held annually for the Legion's benevolent fund was this year the most successful so far and cleared £130.

Thank you to all who helped or took part.

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My dear Friends,

The season of Lent begins this month and, although our method of keeping it may change, the observation of such a holy season is more and more necessary. If the Cross of Jesus means anything, it is certainly that no person who claimed to be a follower of Christ and claimed the honourable name of Christian should want to live superficially and frivolously. It is good to be a happy Christian, but it is necessary for all of us to take life seriously and not to be shallow.

There are some who are never happy unless there is a lot of noise and plenty going on. If we were to judge the way people live by some of the programmes on the T.V., we could get some strange impressions. I think of 'The Brothers'. The reaction by one of the actors to any problem is to turn to drink. The Christian religion is not a teetotal religion, nor are Christians meant to be unsociable, nor should they live in an alcohol haze for a major part of their working life. It is important that our young people should realise that it is possible to live a happy life without eating and drinking too much or surrendering to every urge which comes.

I suppose we live in the aftermath of the propagation of ill-digested psychology. I say this advisedly because I have friends who are psychiatrists and have made some study of the subject. In actual fact no healthy person will suffer if he or she practises self-denial, so long as there is an authentic reason for it. We are certainly not forced to follow every suggestion which comes into our minds. We can be selective in the way we spend our time and money and we can decide about the company we keep. In Lent it would be a good thing to practise this. A good example might be to go to bed in suffic-

iently good time to get up on Sunday to come to the Eucharist. Sometimes the programmes we like may be late, but here again we must get our priorities right. The main thing is to develop a life style which is demonstrably Christian and which really fits our personality. The details each one of us must work out, but we need to remember that, if there is no sign of the Cross in the way we live, we ought to ask ourselves how authentic our Christianity is. Perhaps a simple question would be, 'How much do I give to God and His Church in the way of money each week?' Follow this by asking 'How much do I spend on liquor, smoking, or other pleasantries a week?' This will give us some idea where we are. In the Gospel for the first day of Lent, we have the words, 'Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also!'

Every blessing,

+ BERNARD MARKHAM.

COMINGS AND GOINGS

East Bridgford appears to be a village of change at present. In the hymn we have the phrase 'change and decay in all around I see', but this is not the Christian attitude. The Archbishop of the West Indies once said, 'It is not change and decay, but change or decay'. The great John Henry Newman, the author of 'Lead, Kindly Light', wrote that change is a necessary part of life and that not to change is not to grow. Nevertheless, change can be a painful process.

Many new people are coming into the village and we welcome them with all our hearts and we wish them every happiness. Already the Wheeler family and the McDonald Smiths have become regular worshippers, and we are glad to see Mr. John White and his children at church.

We shall be sorry to see the Gould family leave us. They have been great supporters and Matthew,

Claire, Alice and Tony have been faithful members of the choir and Claire and Alice have been two of our keenest servers. They are going to live in Nottingham.

We shall miss in the village, Dr. Bill Taylor who has shown great compassion for his patients.

There is no need for me to stress the great sorrow of Mr. Cooper and his family in the death of his wife, Vera. May God give them comfort. The funeral took place on the 18th. of January.

We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Tucker on their Golden Wedding. How wonderful it was to have all the family round them at Christmastide.

A very faithful member of our congregation, Miss Enid Green, has found it necessary, after many years of faithful service, to give up her parish news round which she has done so well. We do thank her so much.

Mr. Charles Wilkins has now got a group of about 12 singers who are rehearsing Patrick Appleford's Mass for the Parish Eucharist, and we have purchased 100 copies of '100 Hymns for Today', through the generosity of an anonymous giver. These will be used as ancillaries to Hymns A. and M. It is amusing to reflect that when Hymns A. and M. first came out years ago it created a great stir in the Church and many people rather resented its introduction. Now of course, we regard it as the height of respectability!

B.M.

HELEN GARROD

Although Helen was not a member of our congregation, her husband Kenneth comes regularly to East Bridgford when there is no Mass at Kneeton. She died on the 13th. January at the age of 42, full of faith and trust in Jesus. It was my privilege to anoint her and give her Holy Communion and, as is the case with people like her, I feel that she was ministering to me as well as I was to her. Her going from us was sad but triumphant, because we know that death had no dominion over her and that she enjoys a life of union with Christ whom she loved and served so faithfully which is forever.

There is no place for tears for Helen, but it is natural that Kenneth, Diane and Hugh, and indeed all who knew her, will miss her. May she rest in peace and joy and may God comfort those who mourn her going from us.

B. M.

HOLY BAPTISM

January 2. Polly, daughter of
William Ford and Dale WYSALL.

DAYS TO REMEMBER

February 23. ASH WEDNESDAY, beginning of
Lent.

7.30 a.m. Eucharist

7.30 p.m. Eucharist

February 24. S. MATTHIAS

7.30 a.m. Eucharist

Wednesdays in Lent

7.30 p.m. Eucharist

EAST BRIDGFORD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY invite you to a CHEESE AND WINE EVENING, including refreshments, to be held in the Village Hall on Saturday 12th. February, beginning at 8 p.m.

Admission £1.50. Raffle and auction.
Proceeds for Village Feast.

Tickets from Jim Fletcher, 1 Magdalene Drive (Tel: 685),
Graham Lomax, 20 College Street (Tel: 553). or
C. Widdowson, 30 Straws Lane (Tel: 626).

Mr. Jim Fletcher would be pleased to receive any gifts for the auction, which will be conducted by Mr. T. D. Hanson.

THE KING EDWARD CLUB

The Final for the J. Danks Memorial Cup for Snooker was played on Thursday, 20th. January, between W. Ellis with A. Murphy and B. J. Jackson with T. Cooper. The winners were B. J. Jackson and T. Cooper and the Cup was presented by Dr. G. O. Brooks. L. Johnson provided refreshments.

EAST BRIDGFORD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

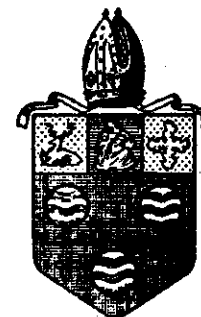
The January meeting was held at the W.I. County House, Newark. A good percentage of members attended. After business items and forthcoming events had been discussed, craft demonstrations were given by Mrs. I. Buckland of West Bridgford (Modern Embroidery), Mrs. J. Eggleston of Burton Joyce (Lace Making) and Mrs. M. Mawhood of Epperstone (Weaving).

Mrs. F. Jay expressed thanks to all the demonstrators. Coffee and biscuits were served by members. Slides of the County House, showing before and after the alterations, were then shown, with a commentary by Mrs. C. Atkins, (President).

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The Bishop's Letter

Beginning with Ourselves

NOT a few parishes are using my Visitation Charge as the background for their study this Lent. This encourages me, as does a discussion which took place at some length in the Bishop's Council about the Archbishop's concern that the Church should prepare for a major initiative in presenting the Christian faith to the nation in two or three years' time.



The Rev. Jim Neill who will be instituted Vicar of St. Ann with Emmanuel, Nottingham. On February 7.

Is the time ripe for such a venture and how should it be mounted? The Bishop's Council seemed to be in no doubt about one thing, namely, that the time is ripe in this diocese for us to build on the work I have been doing with you this last two years and for us now to seize the initiative and set about helping people to come to terms with the Christian faith and with the need for membership of the Church.

Don't let us be deceived; we cannot be Christians and avoid the Church. The Church has many faults but it cannot be bypassed. And those who want their Christianity pure and undefiled by the Churches as they exist are wanting to live in the unreal world of human perfection. Often they end up by becoming a hopelessly exclusive

sect which is as imperfect as the Churches it rejects.

I am aware that the Church of England still suffers from the image of being "middle-class", supportive of "privilege" and the "status quo". Such a view is very out-of-date. The Church of England and those who serve it in the ministry today enjoy little privilege and less desire to have

any. It will take the country some years to come to terms with the truth of this situation, and we shall at present have to put up with uninformed criticism and unfair discrimination: but this is the inevitable experience of any organisation that has been in the field as long as we have. The way to cope with it is to ignore it and show people by our church life that we are only concerned with them and with the God on whom they and we depend.

Let us then go to work. I am fully convinced that where people see that we are seeking to be godly and compassionate, they will join us in what we are doing. Any sort of evangelism that is "confrontational" is bound to be counter-productive nowadays. And so I urge on all to consider these four steps in discipleship which we can invite others to take with us, which will draw them and us into a more vital relationship with God and eliminate the "them" and "us" element in membership of the Church.

Firstly: we can say "Pray with us", whether this prayer begins in the informal context of the group or the formal context of the worship of the Church. If our prayers are sincere and concerned with seeking God's grace for ourselves so that we can serve society better, others will want to join us in our praying. People will not be encouraged by our prayers for their conversion: they will pray with us for their own conversion if they see that we are praying for our own conversion too. None of us is sufficiently converted.

Secondly, we can say "Learn with us". We must be disciples, learners. We have not only become very ill-informed about our religion, but we are faced with the enormous task of relearning our faith to see what it says to us in the context of to-day's world. If we pretend to know all the answers, people will avoid us. They will become learners with us if we are prepared to accept them as fellow-learners and as having experience to share with us.

Thirdly, we can say "Repent with us". We have all got to come to terms with our failures as individuals, as a Church, and as members of a society which has lost its contact with God. The fault is more the fault of Christians than of those who oppose us. If we repent and seek in all humility to amend our ways, others will want to join us in repenting and rebuilding the fallen standards of our society. They will want to be better themselves.

Fourthly, we can say "Love with us". A Church which is engaged in active goodness, regardless of its own survival, will never be short of supporters and members. If our prayer and worship, our study of the faith, our genuine repentance stops short of active goodness, all is in vain. We must not be afraid of being classed as "do-gooders"; that is a slur we shall hardly avoid, but we must be seen to be loving for the good of others and not for any prestige or advantage we acquire for ourselves or our Church. Disinterested love draws men into relationships with one another.

Let us live out our faith, and see the Church grow to the glory of God. It all begins with us.

Yours sincerely,

+ Denis Southwell

Missionary Giving up by £2,787

SUPPORT from the Southwell Diocese for the eight recognised Anglican Missionary Societies during 1975 totalled £23,218, an increase of £2,787 or about 14 per cent over the previous year, when the total raised was £20,431. The total subscribed to the various societies was:—

Church Missionary Society	£ 10,397
United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel	6,637
South American Missionary Society	1,842
Bible Churchmen's Missionary Society ..	1,798
Missions to Seamen	1,151
Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge ..	819
Commonwealth and Continental Church Society	300
Church's Ministry Among the Jews	274
Total	23,218

—Canon A. M. Brown, Bishop's Adviser on Church Overseas.

Around the Diocese

"Dayspring" A week of sharing, celebrating and discovering the "wholeness" of the Christian Gospel—prayer and lifestyle, spirituality and community, contemplation and struggle—searching for a new awareness of God and new way of living together in His world. Two thousand young people aged 16 to 30 (and families too) will be camping in the grounds of St. David's Cathedral, Wales, for a stimulating and enjoyable time from August 13 to 20. Approximate cost between £15 and £20. Our diocesan party will be organized by the Rev. Christopher Gale from whom details can be obtained at St. John's House, Rectory Rd, Colwick. Phone: Nottingham 247618.

South America Speaks to Southwell Diocese. South America is one of the areas of fastest growth in the world church today. What can we learn from them? We have invited representatives of the Anglican Church in South America, including the Assistant Bishop of Chile, to help us find the answer. This will be at St. Jude's Church, Mapperley, on Saturday, February 5 at 7.30 p.m. The Bishop of Southwell will be present, and all are welcome. Further details can be had from the Rev. Ian Savile, Adviser on Evangelism, Telephone Southwell 813243.

Centenary Celebration. On Tuesday February 15 the Parish of St. Augustine of Canterbury, New Basford, Nottingham will be celebrating the centenary of the dedication of the Church. The celebrations will start with a Sung Eucharist of Thanksgiving at 7.30 p.m. when the preacher will be the Bishop of Southwell.

The Mothers' Union, Diocesan Secretary required, as from March 1. Minimum 15 hours per week, typing essential. Salary by arrangement. Inquiries to The Mothers' Union Centre, Warren House, 1 Plantagenet Street, Nottingham. Telephone Nottingham 50711. Applications in writing to Mrs. H. R. Darby, "Applegarth", Halam, Nr. Southwell, Notts.

Netherfield Mission—Bishop Bernard Markham will be leading a Mission from March 13 to 20, at St. George the Martyr, Netherfield. Other team members will be the Rev. Bill Godfrey (Hucknall); Rev. Michael Paice (Misterton) who will be bringing his Group along; and Sister Margarita of the Community of St. Lawrence, Belper. Canon C. H. E. Watson (Priest in charge) and the Rev. Michael Cooper (Parish priest in residence) will be assisting.

Holy Land Visit. Why not spend this Easter in the Holy Land with a Bible Society Party? For further information phone the Rev. J. M. Prothero, Nottingham 248323. The party leaves on April 2 and returns on April 16.

"Magnificent Response"

The Diocesan Board of Finance wishes to express its thanks to all those parishes who have contributed in full or in part to the 1976 Diocesan Budget of £232,386.

The Board is pleased to report that in a year when the Budget increased 112%, at the "close of the books" 95.04% payment had been received — a magnificent response.

The Board naturally hopes that despite some queries over the revised method of apportionment, there will be a similar response in 1977.

News of the Clergy

The Rev. Noel Haden Bevan, Vicar of Everton and Mattersey with Clayworth, near Doncaster, has been appointed Team Vicar in the Team Ministry based at Mildenhall in the Diocese of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich. He expects to take up his new post after Easter.

The Rev. Graham Alfred Firth will be instituted Rector of Elston and East Stoke with Syerston and Vicar of Sibthorpe by the Bishop of Southwell at East Stoke Church on Monday, February 14, at 7.30 p.m.

The Rev. William Francis Robert Batson, Assistant Curate of St. Mary, Eastwood, has been appointed Rector of Long Marton, with Dufton and Milburn, Diocese of Carlisle.

SOUTHWELL MINSTER EVENTS

Wed. February 2, Candlemas (Patronal Festival) 8 p.m. — Holy Communion;
Sun. 6, Commemoration of Benefactors — Canon R. C. Thompson, 11 a.m.;
Sat. 12, Evensong sung by the Choir of Pembroke College, Cambridge, 5.45 p.m.;
Sun. 27, Preacher — Canon R. T. Warburton, 11 a.m.

The choir will be on holiday from February 10 to 21.

Obituary — It is with great regret that we record the sudden death of Mr. Sidney Harry Milnes on January 3. Mr. Milnes was 64 years of age and retired as headmaster of the East Retford Church of England Junior School at Christmas. He had given splendid and devoted service to the school for almost 25 years, and we extend our deepest sympathy to his wife and family.

THE DIOCESE REMEMBERS IN FEBRUARY

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| 1 East Leake (<i>David James</i>) | 14 East Stoke (<i>Graham Firth</i>) |
| 2 Southwell Minster (<i>Francis Pratt</i> ,
Provost) | 15 Diocesan Guild of Bellringers |
| 3 Blidworth (<i>Charles Sawyer</i>) | 16 Lenton } (<i>Reg Dunford</i> ,
<i>Michael Lippiatt</i>) |
| 4 Sherwood Prison | 17 Old Lenton } (<i>Michael Lippiatt</i>) |
| 5 Syerston (<i>Graham Firth</i> , incumbent-
designate) | 18 Nottingham City Hospital
(<i>Raymond Gibson</i> , Chaplain) |
| 6 Collingham N. and S. and Brough
(<i>Rupert Stevens</i> , Canon) | 19 Chilwell Ordnance Depot (<i>Frank
Beech</i> , Chaplain) |
| 7 Holme w. Langford (<i>Herbert
Langford</i>) | 20 Ranby Prison (<i>Edmund Jessup</i> ,
Chaplain) |
| 8 Halam (<i>Charles Bayes</i> , Canon) | 21 Saxondale Hospital (<i>Gerald Pearce</i> ,
Chaplain) |
| 9 Edingley (<i>Francis Pratt</i> , Provost) | 22 St. John's College, Bramcote
(<i>Robin Nixon</i> , Principal) |
| 10 University of Nottingham
(<i>Leslie Morley</i> , Chaplain;
<i>Sister Stella Mary</i>) | 23 Sutton Bonington School of
Agriculture |
| 11 Trent Polytechnic (<i>Nicholas Cribb</i> ,
<i>Paul Watts</i>) | 24 Thorney (<i>Roy Palin</i>) |
| 12 Nottingham General Hospital | 25 Archdeacons |
| (<i>Stanley Lemon</i> , Chaplain) | 26 Thorpe (<i>Walter McBay</i> , Canon) |
| 13 District and Parish Councils | 27 Winthorpe (<i>Herbert Langford</i>) |
| | 28 Carlton-on-Trent (<i>Peter Chamier</i>) |

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The speaker at the next meeting on 8th February will be Mrs. J. Picken, and her subject "Story Writing". The competition will be a Limerick on a W.I. theme.

EAST BRIDGFORD MOTHERS' UNION meets on the third Wednesday of each month. We celebrate Holy Communion at 10 a.m. in church, and meet in the afternoon at the Rectory at 2.30 p.m. where we have speakers, discussions and films. We are a friendly, caring, and practical branch of the Church, who are prepared to listen to problems and help in any way we can to give families and homes faith and understanding.

Please come along to our meetings or contact Margaret Bontoft (Enrolling Member), 47 Main Street. Tel: E.B. 753.

M.B.

EAST BRIDGFORD BROWNIE GUIDES entertained patients from Saxondale Hospital with a Nativity Play. They also gave a tea and entertained the over 60's on New Year's Eve. They are now preparing an Open Evening to show parents how they work during a Brownie meeting. This is planned for Thinking Day, 22nd. February, which is the birthday of the founders of the Scouts and Guides.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL will meet at the Rectory on Thursday, 10th. February.

SIDESMEN

Feb.	13th	9.00	Mr. Reid	6.30	Mr. Curtis
	20th	9.00	Mr. Payne	6.30	Capt. Jay
	27th	9.00	Dr. Brooks	6.30	Dr. Brooks
Mar.	6th	9.00	Mr. Hand	6.30	Mr. Hand

KNOW YOUR FAITH

A Course of Lectures open to all and sponsored by the Bingham Deanery Synod will be held at the Dayncourt Comprehensive School, Radcliffe-on-Trent, on Thursday evenings during Lent 1977 from 7.30 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.

Programme

- 3rd. March What is the Gospel ?
Speaker: Ven. B. W. Woodhams,
Archdeacon of Newark.
- 10th. March Why Suffering ?
Speaker: Miss F. M. Jepson,
formerly Matron, Nottingham
Women's Hospital.
- 17th. March What is the Church ?
Speaker: Rt. Rev. H. R. Darby,
Bishop of Sherwood.
- 24th. March What about the Old Testament ?
Speaker: Rev. P. A. Louis,
Henry Mellish School.
- 31st. March Can we still pray ?
Speaker: Rt. Rev. B. Markham,
The Assistant Bishop.

Enrolment for the course (fee £1) may be made through any member of the Clergy in the Deanery.

The Rector would be very glad to enrol anyone who would like to attend the Course.

THE METHODIST CHURCH

Family Service 10.30 a.m. on -

Sunday 13th February and
Sunday 13th March.

Bring the whole family for 45 minutes of Praise and Worship followed by Coffee and fellowship.

The Jumble Sale on Saturday, 22nd. January, raised £40 for Methodist Church funds and thanks are due to all who helped . . . so THANK YOU.

FOCUS ON YOUTH

Why Youth ? What do they want ?

Haven't they got enough ? What can I do ?

Isn't it about time they did something for themselves ?

To try to answer some of these questions - and others - the East Bridgford Branch of the Liberal Party has arranged a meeting in late February when speakers from the County Council Youth Office, Uniformed Organizations, the local community and Club members will put their points of view.

If you are interested in what happens to our young people, come along and share in the discussion. The Spring Newsletter and posters will give you more details of the time and place.

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EDITORIAL NOTE

Captain A. Jay has very kindly agreed to take over the editorship of the News Sheet and he will be assisted by Mrs. Marson. Items for the March edition should therefore be sent to Captain Jay, Daffodil Cottage, Main Street. (Tel: E.B. 338) by 20th February.

We are all very grateful to Captain Jay and Mrs. Marson for undertaking this work.

The "retiring" editor wishes to thank all the contributors of items over the past few years and others who have helped in any way during his period of office.

READERS AND READINGS

February 13th - Sexagesima

9.00 (O.T.)	Zephaniah 3.14-20	Mr. R. Hand
(Ep.)	James 5.13-16	Mrs.V.Backhouse
6.30 (O.T.)	Genesis 4.1-16	Mr. D.Gould
(N.T.)	1 John 3.1-15	Miss C.Gould

February 20th - Quinquagesima

9.00 (O.T.)	Deuteronomy 8.1-6	Mr. A.Curtis
(Ep.)	Philippians 4.10-20	Miss A.Gould
6.30 (O.T.)	Genesis 6.5-end.	Mr.H.Russell
(N.T.)	Luke 17.20-end.	Dr.G.Brooks

February 27th - first in Lent

9.00 (O.T.)	Deuteronomy 30.15-20	Mrs. S. Guy
(Ep.)	Hebrews 2.14-18	Miss E.Slack
6.30 (O.T.)	Genesis 8.15-9.17	Capt. A. Jay
(N.T.)	Mark 14.1-26	Mr. R. Hunt

March 6th - second in Lent

9.00 (O.T.)	2 Kings 6.8-23	Mr. G.Stobbs
(Ep.)	1 John 4.1-6	Miss E.Church
6.30 (O.T.)	Genesis 11.1-9	Miss S.Nichols
(N.T.)	Mark 14.27-52	Mr. R. Hunt

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SERVICES

Sundays: 9.00 a.m. Parish Eucharist
(with Hymns & Short Address)
On first Sunday in each
month - Family Eucharist.

6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer and Sermon.

Weekdays Holy Eucharist on most days.
See notice in Church Porch for details.

SUNDAY SCHOOL meets at 10.30 a.m. each Sunday
except on the first Sunday in each
month when they attend the Family
Eucharist at 9.00 a.m.

NEWS SHEET

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THE RECTOR'S LETTER

My dear friends,

Lent is here again. Another opportunity for growing close to GOD and following Christ or rather living in Christ. We forget that the Church is the Body of Christ and that we are the Church of the twentieth Century, the Church is the Contemporary Christ, the Church of the 70's in the world today. Therefore we must not be surprised if the Church suffers. It would be a strange Body if it did not share the sorrows of the Head. How can we who follow a thorned crowned Master expect to escape scot free in the world which crucified Him? Of course, we realise how true this is in the case of the Church of Uganda and Jawani Luwum, the Archbishop there, who has already joined the noble army of Martyrs. I met him at the Lambeth Conference - a young priest with obvious gifts but didn't expect to hear of his martyrdom within 10 years of our meeting in 1968. But the story is the same - the bloodstained hands of the Roman Emperors, the tyranny of Henry VIII although they happened a long time ago are all part of the same story. No earthly power can bear the thought that there is a power beyond it which claims universal allegiance - the claim of the King of kings. Uganda is a wonderful country where the Christian Church has grown tremendously. This is not the first martyrdom; the Church there, both Anglican and Roman Catholic was born out of suffering and bloodshed. There were Ugandan Martyrs before Archbishop Luwum. The great Church-writer, Tertullian, said - 'The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church'. How true this is! We in England are not yet called to shed our blood for Christ but of course the day may come. Meanwhile, we might ask ourselves "Is there any sign in my life that I am a disciple of a "crucified Master?"

In Lent we can take stock of our lives and discover where we have abdicated our Christian responsibility. In such ways as the way we spend our time and our money we can discover where our real treasure is. But the Christian hope is not all discipline and certainly not all suffering. If we suffer with Him then we shall reign with Him so says the Epistle. After Lent and Passion-tide comes Easter and we rejoice in Christ's Resurrection.

I think most of you will know that I shall be retiring soon. I am now in my 70th year and feel quite clearly that I ought to give up the responsibility of East Bridgford and Kneeton and being Assistant Bishop. The Bishop has agreed and so I shall be leaving East Bridgford at the end of May. Such changes are never without pain and this will certainly be true as far as I am concerned. I have enjoyed being here and have valued so much the support and affection shown to me by so many. Please remember that the test of the value of a Priest's Ministry is shown by what happens when he leaves a Parish. Priests and Bishops come and go but the Church of God goes on constantly and faithfully and you are a living part of that Body.

+ BERNARD MARKHAM

SIDESMEN

March 13th	9.00 Mr. Reid	6.30 Mr. Curtis
20th	9.00 Mr. Payne	6.30 Capt. Jay
27th	9.00 Dr. Brooks	6.30 Dr. Brooks
April 3rd	9.00 Mr. Hand	6.30 Mr. Hand

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Wednesdays in Lent 7.30 p.m. Evensong

Eucharist

Apart from February 27th - March 3rd. I hope to continue the daily Eucharist. It is remarkable how well people come on weekdays.

On Sundays we shall be having live music at the Parish Eucharist and Series 3 Evening Prayer. This will be an interesting development and we shall see how these changes go.

Mr. Wilkins has got a group of singers together for the setting we shall have at the Parish Eucharist.

HOLY BAPTISM

20th February David Hugh Kerruish, son of
David Roy and Patricia Anne
ANDREWS.

Peter Thomas, son of Thomas
Isaac Henry and Wendy May
SMITH.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL met at the Rectory on February 3rd. Mr. Blandy submitted detailed estimates of Income and Expenditure showing an estimated deficiency of £500 for the year. General maintenance costs had increased three-fold since 1973; next year our Diocesan Quota would be £1,050, more than three times the 1973 figure. There had been encouraging and substantial increases in Income but more would be needed to meet rising costs.

The Annual General Meeting will be held after Evensong, Sunday 24th April. Under revised rules of Synodical Government one third of the Council have to retire annually and will not be eligible for re-election for twelve months. The following members are retiring :-

Mrs. Backhouse, Mrs. Clarke, Mrs. Jones,
Mrs. Lawson, Mrs. Reid, Mr. Guy and Mr. Hand.

They have all taken an active part in our discussions and decisions and their services and help are very much appreciated.

Nomination forms for new councilors are available in church and we shall welcome names of potential candidates.

Revision of the Electoral Roll This will be done during March and April. Any churchgoer who has not already done so is invited to complete a form, available in the church. Newcomers to East Bridgford will be very welcome.

Mr. Wilkins has now relinquished the editorship of the News Sheet, which he took over in 1971. The Parish owes him a great debt of gratitude for all his hard work and for the excellent way in which the News Sheet has been produced during the past six years.

READERS AND READINGS

March 13th - third in Lent

9.00 (O.T.)	Isaiah 59. 12-20	Mr. J. Guy
(Ep.)	1 Peter 2. 19-25	Mrs. J. Cornell
6.30 (O.T.)	Genesis 24.1-28	Mr. D. Gould
(N.T.)	Mark 14.53-end	Miss A. Gould

March 20th - fourth in Lent. Mothering Sunday

9.00 (O.T.)	Exodus 34.29 - 35	Mr. G. Clayfield
(Ep.)	2 Corinthians 3.12-18	Miss C. Gould
6.30 (O.T.)	Genesis 24.29-end	Mr. G. Stobbs
(N.T.)	Mark 15. 1-21	Mr. R. Hunt

March 27th - fifth in Lent: Passion Sunday

9.00 (O.T.)	Isaiah 63.1-9	Miss S. Guy
(Ep.)	Colossians 2. 8-15	Mr. K. Finch
6.30 (O.T.)	Exodus 4.27-61	Mr. A. Curtis
(N.T.)	Mark 15.22-39	Mr. A. Reid

April 3rd Palm Sunday

9.00 (O.T.)	Zechariah 9.9-12	Mr. P. Slack
(Ep.)	1 Corinthians 1.18-25	Miss C. Price
6.30 (O.T.)	Isaiah 52. 13. vv 53-end	Mr. H. Russell
(N.T.)	Luke 19.29-end	Mr. T. Ashton

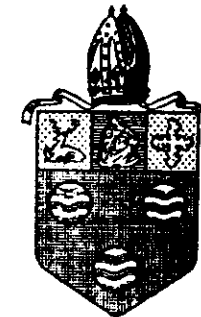
April 10th Easter Day

9.00 (O.T.)	Exodus 14.15-22	Capt. A. Jay
(Ep.)	1 Corinthians 15.12-20	Mr. R. Hunt
10.30 (O.T.)	Isaiah 12.1-6	Miss E. Church
(Ep.)	Revelation 1.12-18	Mr. G. Stobbs
6.30 (O.T.)	Exodus 14.5-end	Dr. G. Brooks
(N.T.)	John 20.11-23	Mr. P. Blandy

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The Bishop's Letter

The Child in the Church

THE Report of our Diocesan working party on policies concerning Infant Baptism has been referred to Deanery Synods for study. Any informed debate on this subject must take into account the quite excellent report published by the British Council of Churches entitled "The Child in the Church". This is compulsory reading for clergy and laity alike and sets out clearly our present pastoral and evangelistic task in the nurture of our children in the Christian faith.



The Assistant Bishop of Southwell. The Rt. Rev. Bernard Markham, who will be retiring at the end of May

Firstly we have got to take very seriously the concept of Christian commitment being a journey of discovery and not the acceptance of a set of dogmas. The earliest recorded name for Christianity is "The Way" and we must never lose that emphasis. Of course we are the heirs of the Christian revelation of God in Christ, but all competent educational theory reminds us that effective learning is not by indoctrination but by experience.

There are many people today who will not call themselves Christians because they are expected to accept christianity as a package deal as though orthodoxy preceded faith. But faith is the capacity to live with uncertainty, and "the task of Christian nurture is to develop a future in which the uncertainty of doubt is replaced by the uncertainty of faith".

People will only be able to achieve real faith in Christ if they are allowed to be seekers whose goal has not been predetermined before even the search is begun instead of being required to accept at face value the Christ of other people's experience.

The difference in approach could be likened to that of the person who is required to paint a picture in oils by putting the appropriate colour on a previously marked out chart rather than by taking the paints and being encouraged to express what he sees.

This concept of learning by experience and setting off on a pilgrimage is vital for children as well as adults. Education is the process of providing the chance of fruitful experience. And because religious experience is vital to all people and all education takes place within some cultural framework, the task of the Church in nurturing its children must be seen as the provision of Christian experience, the significance of which the child is able to discern with integrity now and on which he can build later. This experience of God must not be a watered down experience or it will not be true to the nature of God and will have to be unlearned later. It must be some facet of the full truth which is capable of being received by a child of that age and discernment.

Perhaps the most important fact we must remember is that a child is important, not merely for what he can become but for what he is now. A child does not become the child of God when he is able to make an adult response to God. Christ taught the opposite. Adults can only become children of God if they relate to God as children. Christ accepted children as his because they were children, not because they were innocent, humble, baptised, pious or converted. At each stage in life from the first the child can be fully the child of God living by faith in God, that is, in a Father who is real and trusted implicitly. Nurture enables this trust to develop by a widening experience of God as the child is able to take it. This process goes on all through life and for adults requires the testing of that trust by bitter and painful experiences that deny God's love and his very existence. A faith based on a package deal is devoid of foundations.

These ideas have much to teach us about the role of the family in Christian nurture, and the role of the Church and the role of the day school. It is also vital to our decisions about Infant Baptism. Space prevents me from developing this inquiry. Please acquire and study the report "The Child in the Church".

Yours sincerely,

+ Denis Southwell

It's now the Council for Family Care

As one who has taken an active interest in the work of Moral Welfare at parish, deanery and diocesan level for many years, I have always felt embarrassed by our title, the Council for Moral Welfare, not only because it leads today to false assumptions about the beliefs upon which the work is based, but also because it does not adequately describe what is done.

The word *Moral* is concerned with character and disposition — with the distinction between right and wrong. It is a big word, relevant to all areas of life. The Christian Church, amongst others and seemed to narrow it to personal morals, even worse, in everyday parlance, to personal sexual morality. Fifty years ago we talked about "bad girls", "fallen women", "rescue work", "shelter work", or, in another field entirely, "Waifs and Strays"; that language went out in the thirties.

Even *Welfare* is an ambiguous word — the Oxford English Dictionary defines it as "efforts to make life worth living for workmen" but the Church's help is not limited to one class by any means.

The change in wording, therefore, is no denial of the importance of morality, sexual or any other — rather it is recognising that this covers far wider issues; to build or not to build a new generation of nuclear power stations; equality of opportunity for black and white; the distribution of wealth; pollution of the environment; the use of the earth's resources, etc.; and issues with which the Council cannot be concerned.

Such thinking was behind the discussion of the Council for Moral Welfare when, after years of debate, it was decided, to change the title to "Family Care". This accurately describes what is done at Warren House, at Gwendoline Grove House and by the caseworkers. It is language easily understood by referring agencies, by clients and even by the staff themselves!

To all supporters of this central piece of Christian Social Work — and particularly to the Mothers' Union — I would say, "Thank you — please continue your support. If you want to discuss the change in detail, the writer or any of the caseworkers would be glad to visit you". — Ron Lacey, *Bishop's Adviser in Social Work*.

News of the Clergy

The Rev. Peter Lewis Deschamps Chamier, Vicar of Sutton-on-Trent, Newark, was licensed by the Bishop of Sherwood as Priest-in-Charge of Normanton-on-Trent and Marnham on Thursday, February 10.

Canon Robert T. Warburton, Vicar and Rural Dean of Mansfield, has been elected chairman of the newly formed Ashfield and Mansfield Council for Inter-Racial Unity.

The Rev. Ian Savile, Vicar of Holy Trinity, Southwell, and the Bishop's Adviser on Evangelism, will lead an inter-denominational church mission to be held in Newark from October 8 to 16.

The Rev. Peter Tennant Miller, Precentor of St. Mary the Virgin, Nottingham, has been appointed Priest-in-Charge of the Parishes of Edith Weston with North Luffenham and Lyndon with Manton in the Diocese of Peterborough. His address after his institution on Monday March 28 will be Lyndon Rectory, Oakham, Rutland.

Canon Frank Edward Worwood, Rector of West Bridgford and Rural Dean of West Bingham who has served on Nottinghamshire County Council since 1966, will not be seeking re-election next May.

Canon Stephen Edmund Verney, who was formerly curate at Gedling and Priest-in-Charge of St. Francis, Clifton (1952-58) has been appointed Suffragan Bishop of Repton, in the Diocese of Derby.

Obituary — The Rev. Frank Robert Price, former Vicar of Clarborough with Hayton, died on January 29 at the age of 71.

Southwell Minster Appeal

It was in February 1976 when it was first publicly announced that preparations had begun for a major financial appeal on behalf of Southwell Minster. This state of affairs has been brought about by an Order in Council in 1963 by which the Cathedral Council were made entirely responsible for the affairs of the Minster.

The upkeep of a large and ancient building of such historic and architectural importance, and maintaining the Cathedral Choral tradition, achieved to a very high degree at Southwell, is beyond the normal resources of the Cathedral Council. The day to day running costs of the Minster are as much as the 5,000 parishioners of the smallest Cathedral parish in the county can be expected to finance.

Much of the preparatory work for the Appeal for £365,000 has now been completed. The Lord-Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire has formed a President's Council of some 70 persons throughout the county who have indicated that they are willing to support our appeal. Mr. Harold Jowitt as chairman, and Mrs. T. E. Forman Hardy as his deputy have formed an Appeal Committee numbering some 200 persons.

A special Preservation Trust, responsible for the receipt of all donations and subsequent expenditure has been formed and we are honoured that the Duke of Gloucester, has graciously accepted the presidency.

There is to be a Special Service in the Minster on Saturday March 19 at 11.30 a.m. to mark the inauguration of the appeal. All who wish to attend will be welcome and are asked to be seated by 11.10 a.m.

After this Special Service the dedicated and hard working members of the Appeal Organisation will be explaining the needs of the Minster to many throughout the County. They will be delighted to explain how you can, if you wish, accept responsibility for your share in the preservation of this architectural jewel — our Cathedral Church of Nottinghamshire.

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Around the Diocese

A new Passion Play — "Four Soldiers and a Crucifixion will be presented in Greasley Parish Church on Wednesday and Thursday in Holy Week April 6 and 7 at 7.30 p.m.

Mothers' Union events in the Diocese during March — Wednesday 23, Lady Day Service for Gedling Deanery at Gedling Church, 3 p.m.; Friday 25, Lady Day Service for West Bingham Deanery at Gotham Church, 7.30 p.m.

Missions to Seamen. The Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday, March 21 at 7.30 p.m. at the Chapter House, St. Mary's Church, Stoney St., Nottingham (parking available nearby). There will be a short slide show given by the Area Director, the Rev. Watson Pegman.

TAP Fund. The Church Times is issuing its TAP Appeal once again in Lent. The fund, which is administered without cost, is the chief source of grants for the support of families of men who are already married when they are selected for ordination training. It has also been possible, thanks to the continuing generous response to the Appeal, to help married men in moving into their first curacy. Cheques should be made payable to 'Church Times TAP Fund' and sent to Church Times, 7 Portugal St., London, WC2A 2HP.

Personal Newsletters by the Rev. Malcolm Goldsmith, the Bishop's Adviser on Industrial Society, during 1977 together with a variety of articles and papers, should be ordered from Miss I. Straw, 100 Costock Avenue, Nottingham NG5 3AS. One copy for £1.50 p.a.; three copies, £4.25 p.a.; four copies, £5 p.a.; five copies, £5.25. Additional copies, £1 each p.a. Cheques/postal orders should be made payable to "Southwell Diocesan Board of Finance".

Obituary — It is with great regret that we record the sudden death of Mr. Daniel Leonard Jones on January 19, and we extend our deepest sympathy to his wife and family. Aged 56, he had been headmaster of the Worksop Abbey Junior School since its opening in 1970 and prior to that was headmaster of the Abbey Boys' School. He was keenly interested in all youth work, and was a past chairman of the Service of Youth Committee for North Nottinghamshire.

Truths that Endure. A programme of Meditation for Lent by the Bishop of Blackburn, published by SPCK at 60p is a simple daily guide in personal devotion. It suggests a short reading, a prayer, a few reflections, and simple ideas for action e.g. "During the day give three people a word of praise". The Blackburn diocesan Lent book could help many beyond Blackburn's boundaries—M.C.G.

Anglican Association Southwell Diocesan branch Spring meeting at St. Giles' Church Hall, West Bridgford on Wednesday March 23 at 7.30 p.m., when Canon A. Inglis will give a paper on 'Cranmer's reply to Mrs. Hickman'. All are welcome.

Newark & District Annual Day Pilgrimage to Walsingham, Saturday, May 7. Coach leaves St. Mark's Church Mansfield 7.30 a.m. Picking up pilgrims at Southwell Minster Car Park 7.55 a.m. Arriving at Newark Parish Church at 8.15 a.m. All pilgrims should assemble in Newark Parish Church for the Itinerary Service at 8.30 a.m. departing for Walsingham at 8.45 a.m. Cost which includes lunch, tea, fare, badge and coffee en route £3 (£1 non-returnable deposit with application please). Names should be sent to the organiser Mr. S. Attenborough, 11 Leeway Road, Southwell, Tel.: 812093, not later than April 23. Leader: Rev. David Hatter.

Trustees of the late Miss Mary Dickinson are revising the list of pensioners and also endeavouring to make payments relate adequately to present day needs and costs. More immediately there are available two flats and a bungalow. The concern is 'with widows and fatherless daughters of Clergymen and professional persons... members of the C. of E. or Protestant and Trinitarian communion who have lived in Nottinghamshire for a period or periods of at least ten years. Full details from the Clerk: Mary Dickinson Charity, 20 Low Pavement, Nottingham NG1 7EA.

Diocesan Synod Looks Ahead

Much of the Diocesan Synod on February 12 was taken up by work which had already been begun, either by itself or by other bodies. Thus the first debate centred around Infant Baptism. A previous Synod had set up a Working Party to hammer out a diocesan policy, and after months of discussion, it came back with a recommendation that parishes should adopt one of two codes of practice—either 'General' or 'Discriminate' baptism. It recognized that some parishes wish to baptise every child that is brought, while others asked for a degree of Christian commitment from the parents. Its report seeks to regularise these positions and to iron out potential areas of conflict between parishes of differing outlooks. The Report was 'received' by the Synod which now asks Deanery Synods to debate it and to make known their views by September 30.

The chairman of the Board of Finance, Mr. Alan Davis, congratulated parishes on producing 95% of the greatly increased quota for 1976 and outlined the difficulties in producing a budget for 1978, in particular the forecasting of the Government's pay code, which largely determined the level of clergy stipends. The Church Commissioners were faced with an increased contribution as employers for national insurance, which may mean that they will be unable to increase their allocation to diocesan stipend funds, and this could result in the inevitable increases in stipends having to be borne by the diocese. Mr. Davis thought that an increase of about 22% in the 1978 budget for all purposes was not unlikely.

Bingham Deanery questioned the new basis of the parish potential system which meant that some deaneries had had a quota increase of as much as 40% while others had had only a small increase or even none at all. Rural areas appeared to be more heavily hit than others. Mr. Davis offered to meet Rural Deans and deanery treasurers to discuss any difficulties.

Mr. Davis also explained the position regarding the move to Southwell of the Diocesan Headquarters. There was a potential buyer for Church House, Nottingham and a potential lessee for the excess space in Dunham House, Southwell, and negotiations were going forward on that basis. An option had been obtained from Newark District Council to purchase Dunham House for £85,000. It was not expected that any financial burden would fall on the Diocese. Synod agreed that negotiations should be continued and completed.

In his presidential address, the Bishop spoke of the financial burden which parishes were having to bear. He said that their capacity to meet these demands "on a variety of factors, not the least of which is the spiritual temperature of the parish concerned." He reported that there had been a 12% increase in confirmation candidates in 1976 after the slow decline of recent years. Speaking of the ministry, he stressed the need to foster vocations. A quarter of the clergy in the diocese were over 60, and men are needed to maintain the parochial ministry. "To reduce our numbers further would mean jettisoning the duty laid upon us as the Established Church to be responsible for every inhabitant in the land." He concluded: "The Churches are becoming more alive, numbers are growing, and now is the time to advance."

£1,250 For the Church in Burma

May I please thank the Parishes for the £1,250 received in the Confirmation Collections for 1976. This money is going to help the Church in Burma and I know it will be a real encouragement to the leaders and members of that Church, their Centenary Year.

Confirmation Alms in 1977 are to go to help the Church in Namibia, South Africa. The money raised will help them train men for Ordination and also lay leaders. In Namibia it costs £750 per annum to train a man for Ordination.

The Mothers' Union Overseas Fund also raised over £1,277 for the Church Overseas from this Diocese in 1976. This was a record and was an additional offering above our gift to Missionary Societies.

—Canon Albert Brown (Bishop's Adviser re Church Overseas).

"Action for Epilepsy" Group

Fear of the unknown is often referred to as a frequent human failing; a failing to provide the necessary tolerance and patience to learn and overcome that unknown area. The person with epilepsy has a difficult task in coming to terms with the practical implications of this disability, and even where this is achieved, there is a much greater problem for the individual in facing a public which, so often, is only prepared to go along with the aged myths and untruths which have surrounded epilepsy for centuries, leading to the stigma felt by many.

Happily this situation is rapidly changing, mainly due to the efforts of the British Epilepsy Association and its Action Campaign. The Campaign to recruit local voluntary "Action Groups" commenced in 1974 and the Nottingham Action for Epilepsy Group is one of nearly 80 Groups in the country, determined to improve public concern for the person with epilepsy. (Referring to someone as an "epileptic" only labels and categorizes the individual; there is no such thing as an epileptic.)

The Nottingham Action Group meets on the first Wednesday of the month, 7.30 p.m. at the International Community Centre, Mansfield Road, Nottingham. At our meeting on March 2 there will be a discussion on the book "About Epilepsy" by Donald Scott. Saturday March 5 sees an exhibition and collection in Victoria Centre, Nottingham. It is hoped to begin a national "Epilepsy Week" with a national day of prayer on Sunday May 22.

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<i>Canon: Tony Snasdell; Patrick</i>
<i>Roshenvel</i>) |
| 2 S. Chad Stuffrywood (<i>Dilwyn Davies</i>) | |
| 3 E. Drayton (<i>Thomas Swift, Rural Dean</i>) | 21 Bilborough S. John (<i>Alan</i>
<i>Haydock; Ronald Smith</i>) |
| 4 Laxton (<i>Vacant</i>) | 22 Hayton (<i>Colin Perkins</i>) |
| 5 Clayworth (<i>Noel Bevan</i>) | 23 S. Saviour Retford
(<i>John Tompkins</i>) |
| 6 Marnham (<i>Peter Chamier</i>) | 24 North Leverton
(<i>Claude Billington</i>) |
| 7 North Muskham (<i>William Snow,</i>
<i>Canon and Rural Dean</i>) | 25 Mothers' Union (<i>Betty Darby,</i>
<i>Diocesan President</i>) |
| 8 South Muskham (<i>William Snow,</i>
<i>Canon and Rural Dean</i>) | 26 Greasley (<i>Philip Walker</i>) |
| 9 Normanton-on-Trent (<i>Peter Chamier</i>) | 27 Radcliffe-on-Trent (<i>Gerald</i>
<i>Pearce, Rural Dean; David Rake;</i>
<i>George Sinfield</i>) |
| 10 Norwell (<i>Billie James</i>) | 28 Rampton Hospital
(<i>Charles Lord, Chaplain</i>) |
| 11 Bothamsall (<i>Douglas Woodgate</i>) | 29 Trent Polytechnic (<i>Nicholas</i>
<i>Cribb, Paul Watts, Chaplains</i>) |
| 12 Fledborough (<i>John Brown</i>) | 30 Ordsall (<i>Philip Allin</i>) |
| 13 Sutton-on-Trent (<i>Peter Chamier</i>) | 31 Nottingham Childrens'
Hospital (<i>Michael Jackson,</i>
<i>Canon, Chaplain</i>) |
| 14 Weston-on-Trent (<i>Thomas Swift,</i>
<i>Rural Dean</i>) | |
| 15 South Leverton (<i>Claude Billington</i>) | |
| 16 Babworth (<i>Edmund Jessop</i>) | |
| 17 Nuthall (<i>Kenneth Gratton</i>) | |
| 18 Eaton (<i>John Bishop</i>) | |
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LUKE 9 38-42

Recently on the feast of Candlemas, February 2nd a friend of mine made the final ratification of her vows at the Convent of the Love of God at Fairacres, Oxford. The Bishop of Oxford preached and received the vows. Here is part of his sermon. When we are tempted to regard the life of prayer as a waste of time perhaps the Bishop's words may help us to see straight!

And this is where you, dear Sister Christine, and you dear Sister Elsie Mary, come in, because what you are doing today is right at the heart of this whole matter, absolutely at the centre of it. First of all, let me tell you that you are doing something that is required by all Christians. Every single Christian has to promise to be poor, chaste and obedient. There is nothing strange about those three vows. We make that promise when we ask for Baptism. Therefore when you renew your vows, you are doing what we are all required to do. You are doing as Mary did. Can you imagine a mother giving her child totally to God, what the cost of that must be? So you are giving yourselves wholly, totally to God. You are going beyond the mere requirements of poverty, chastity and obedience, and offering yourself in your totality, because you realise that God has given you this calling and you have no choice but to follow it.

But here is where the excitement begins to come in for you, for all the Sisters already professed, and for the rest of us who are here to watch, witness and to receive. The excitement comes in this way. In your total self-offering there is a concentration of the Light of Christ, and it is in your self-offering that the Light of Christ will shine through you to the world, as Teilhard said, as through a crystal. You will be saying - Here am I in Fairacres and who

is going to see much of my light? The answer I will give you by analogy. X-rays are not seen but they get to the most extraordinary places. Infra-red rays are not seen, and they get to the most extraordinary places. They go by ways of their own in the spectrum, which are ways we do not fully understand and cannot observe. The rays of light which will shine through your self-offering as through a crystal, will travel by ways that you do not altogether understand, but they get there.

Christ's Love and Light travel through the ways of prayer and we do not know the wavelength. All we know is that the waves reach the people who need the service we offer. The exciting thing is that through your offering the Light of Christ gets through, and by just being yourselves and doing what you are called to do as totally as you can, you teach the Church.

The Bishop of Southwell's Liturgical Committee

PRESENTING THE WORD AND THE SACRAMENT

SATURDAY, 12th MARCH, 1977

A DAY CONFERENCE LED BY

The Rt. Rev. Michael Marshall, Bishop of Woolwich
and

Rev. Michael Baughen, Rector of All Souls,
Langham Place

at The Minster Comprehensive School, Southwell.

All queries to Conference Sec. - Barrie Hodges,
St. Peter's Vicarage, Ravenshead, Notts.
Blid. 2716

SILENCE

To return to the Bible is to be reminded of Silence as the precondition of right relationship with God. We have always the need to hear these questions which the Biblical writers so curtly pose - 'Where are thou? Who told thee thou wast naked? What doest thou want? What does God require of thee?' - Since it is these which define and re-order the scope of man's life. Yet we have been strangely profligate with our talking about God and to forgetting the censure of Jesus of those who thought that then much talking earned them the right to be heard and merrily the gibe of the humanist "poor talkative Christians". In failing to keep men and women to use silence well the Christian Church has added to rather than lightened the burden of lostness of isolation, of meaninglessness, felt by so many. Its recourse to silence has been too intermittent to make it a supremely important weapon to men battling for their lives. Men need a solvent at all times of those rigid forms and devices which are imposed upon life and silence is such a solvent. The silence that liberates us from the thick shell of faction and prejudice and ready made phrases, which separates man from man, is among the great needs of our time.

Alan Ecclestone in
'A Staircase for Silence'.

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On Saturday, 2nd April 1977 from 10.00am - 4.30

Conducted by the Rt. Rev. BERNARD MARKHAM,
Assistant Bishop of Southwell, at FLINTHAM
PARISH CHURCH

PROGRAMME

- 10.00am Arrive & Coffee
- 10.30am Talk given by Bishop Bernard Markham
- 11.30am Silence
- 12.30pm Lunch
- 1.30pm Holy Eucharist
- 2.30pm Talk given by Bishop Bernard Markham
- 3.30pm Evensong
- 4.00pm Tea & Depart

Silence will be observed from 10.30am until 4.00pm
Please bring your own packed lunch, coffee will
be provided. The surrounding grounds are pleas-
ant to walk in if you so wish during the times
of silence.

We welcome you and any friends from other parishes
to this one-day Retreat.

EAST BRIDGFORD W.I. At the February meeting the
subject of the speaker was 'STORY TELLING'. Mrs.
J. Picken of Bingham gave many interesting ideas
for story writing. As a finale to her talk Mrs.
Picken read one of her 'short stories'. The
vote of thanks was given by Mrs. E. Gaskell.
Members from R.A.F. Newton Wives Club joined in
the evening and after refreshments East Bridgford
challenged Newton to a game of 'CALL MY BLUFF'.
The game was arranged by Mrs. V. James and Mrs.
E. Gaskell. Mrs. C. Atkins won the competition
for a Limerick.

Please note the alteration of date The next
meeting will be the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING to
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On first Sunday in each month
- Family Eucharist.
6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer and Sermon.

Weekdays Holy Eucharist on most days.
See notice in Church Porch for details.

SUNDAY SCHOOL meets at 10.30 a.m. each Sunday
except on the first Sunday in each
month when they attend the Family
Eucharist at 9.00 a.m.

NEWS SHEET

April 1977

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HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

- 3rd. April Palm Sunday
9.00 a.m. Parish Eucharist and
distribution of Palms
6.30 p.m. Evensong
- 4th, 5th
& 6th. 7.30 a.m. Eucharist
- 7th. April MAUNDAY THURSDAY Day of the
Institution of the Holy Eucharist
7.30 p.m. Sung Eucharist followed
by a Watch in the Blessed
Sacrament Chapel of St. Michael
from 8.30 p.m. - Midnight.
Please fill in the chart in the
Church porch the time you can
come to pray. Books will be pro-
vided to help and the story of
Gethsemane will be the best.
You can find it in Matthew 26
36 - 46, Mark 14, 32 - 42 and
Luke 22, 40 - 46.
- 8th. April Good Friday Day of the Cross
10.30 a.m. Family Service
7.30 p.m. Reading of the
Passion and Prayers.
- 9th. April Holy Saturday
8.00 p.m. Easter Vigil.
- 10th. April EASTER DAY Day of the Resurrection
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (Kneeton)
9.00 a.m. Parish Eucharist
10.30 a.m. Family Eucharist
6.30 p.m. Evensong

The Rector will be in Church on Thursday at
3 p.m. and Friday at 4 p.m. and Saturday at
5.30 p.m. for counselling & Confession in Holy
Week.

THE RECTOR'S LETTER

My dear friends,

At this time of the Church's year we get down to the basics. For many years, in fact from the beginning of Christianity, Christians have realised that the so-called Holy Week is the most important week in the whole year and that the Thursday, Friday and Saturday of that week leading up to the Sunday brings to a point of intersection this world of sight with the world which while unseen is nevertheless more real. A philosopher of recent years says that if a religion is true it must give you 'a sense and taste of the Infinite! If it begins in this world and ends in this world it is obviously useless and untrue and in these days almost unbearable. There is so much evil and suffering in the world that unless we can find an answer we appear to be just the victims of an unjust fate. The Christian Faith says and shows that while there is much that is evil and dreadful in the world yet this is not the last word. We believe that human nature is inherently good and can be transformed where it has abysmally failed. We also believe that the sin of the world is so overwhelming that it cannot be dealt with by mere human exercise but needs an injection of power from beyond itself. We believe that Jesus Christ who entered this world in a human body provides that power and purchased it for us at great cost - the ultimate cost of the sacrifice of his life on the Cross which we celebrate every Good Friday. We believe that far from being a defeat the Cross of Christ is the sign of the triumph of love over sin and that this victory was sealed and made evident by the rising of Jesus from death which we call the Resurrection and that because of this we regard EASTER DAY as the greatest day in the

whole year. We also believe that in authentic Christian worship this victory is proclaimed by the service which we call the Eucharist, that this is the Christian service. We may call it the Holy Communion, the Mass or the Eucharist or as in the Eastern orthodox church the Liturgy - the name isn't the important thing; The Act is what matters. Christians have for centuries done this to recall the Crucified and Risen and Ascended Christ. It is obvious that any Christian who takes his or her religion seriously will 'do this' if possible every Sunday but Easter Day seems to be the day on which anybody who would call himself or herself a Christian would come and celebrate the great act of our Redemption. May I wish you all every blessing this holy season. May its message find a loving response in your hearts!

+ BERNARD MARKHAM

HOLY BAPTISM

20th March Hilary Jane, daughter of
Robin Grenville and
Jean Helen POLLARD.

Jeremy Mark, son of John and
Jacqueline ROSSALL.

We welcome these children into God's family

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

This meeting will be held at 7.00 p.m. after Evensong on Sunday, April 24th. when it is hoped as many parishioners as possible will attend. We shall have a number of vacancies to fill on the Parochial Church Council; nomination forms are available at the back of the church, completed forms may be handed to the Churchwardens or the Secretary.

Electoral Roll

The annual revision of the Church Electoral Roll is now taking place and enrolment forms are available at the back of the church. Every baptised member 17 years old or over is urged to enrol. Only those who have enrolled, are entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting.

Mothers' Union

At the March meeting, Canon McBay gave a most interesting talk on the Church's work in Nigeria. The vote of thanks was given by Mrs. D. Turner.

The Next meeting will be held at the Rectory, April 20th., at 2.30 p.m. and the Speaker will be Sister Margareta.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED - The enrolling member is Mrs. Bontoft, 47 Main Street.

Please Note - A Coffee Morning to be held at the Rectory on Saturday, April 30th at 10.30 a.m. There will be a Bring & Buy Stall, Cakes, etc.

READERS AND READINGS

April 17th - First after Easter

9.00 (O.T.)	Exodus 15.1-11	Mr.J.Ruff
(Ep.)	1 Peter 1.3-9	Miss H.Slack
6.30 (O.T.)	Exodus 15.1-18	Mr.J.Guy
(N.T.)	John 20.24-end	Miss C.Gould

April 24th - Second after Easter

9.00 (O.T.)	Isaiah 25.6-9	Mr.A.Reid
(Ep.)	Revelation 19.6-9	Miss E.Church
6.30 (O.T.)	Exodus 24	Mr.H.Russell
(N.T.)	John 21.1-14	Miss S.Nichols

May 1st. - Third after Easter

9.00 (O.T.)	Isaiah 61.1-11	Mr.A.Curtis
(Ep.)	1 Corinthians 15.1-11	Dr.G.Brooks
6.30 (O.T.)	Exodus 33.7-end	Capt.A.Jay
(N.T.)	John 21.15-end	Mrs.J.Goddard

May 8th - Fourth after Easter

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(Ep.)	Revelation 3.14-22	Miss E.Slack
6.30 (O.T.)	Exodus 35.30-36.1	Mr.G.Stobbs
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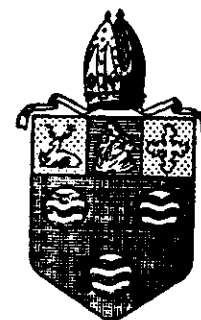
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	10th	9.00	Mr. Reid	6.30	Mr. Curtis
	17th	9.00	Mr. Payne	6.30	Capt. Jay
	24th	9.00	Dr. Brooks	6.30	Dr. Brooks
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The Bishop's Letter

Time to Change Church's Role

THERE is widespread feeling that the Church should take the initiative and become far less apologetic about its work. It is said that people are looking for a "simple faith" in God and are wanting the Church to help them find it. By a simple faith is not meant something puerile but something that does not depend for its validity on structures, or authority or dogma or anything that has to be accepted on a take it or leave it basis. What is wanted is for the Church to point people in the right direction, engage them in a search for God and enable them to travel as far and as fast as they feel able to with integrity.

I believe that this is so. The evangelistic opportunity is therefore quite surprisingly great; but the evangelistic task has now to be seen in a very different light requiring a very different role for the Church and for the clergy. In the past evangelism has too often been defined as the presentation of a given gospel in such a way that it will evoke the response of repentance and faith in order to lead to commitment to Christ and the Church.

To-day, however, people suspect any institution that demands anything so 'cut and dried' of its members, not because they do not want certainty but because they cannot conceive of truth as anything so neat and final. From experience in other fields of thought truth is found to be evolving and requiring constant redefinition.



Mr. Charles W. Watkinson,
who is now Assistant Secretary
of the Southwell Diocesan Board
of Finance.

For this reason, if for no other, evangelistic 'campaigns' and 'missions' have little appeal, except for those who believe that they possess a final truth that other benighted souls must be urged to accept. I believe it to be from such people in the main that the request comes for the Archbishops to call the nation to repent of its slack moral standards, heed afresh the gospel and, because the nation seems peculiarly deaf to such appeals, to band together and all shout louder and at the same time. Such action disregards the ongoing work and mission of the institutional Church.

It is significant to me that such calls to national mission are generally made by those who would by-pass the official church structures as too slow-moving and constricting. Evangelism is thus seen not as an activity of the Church but a vote of no-confidence in it. Naturally the Church finds it hard to accept such a judgment on itself and to co-operate in such a venture.

The Church has many defects: it has much of which it needs to repent and it has of late been shaken in its confidence and uncertain of its mission but it is still the home of the majority of Christians in this country and cannot be ignored. Great efforts have been made since the last war, first by the Church Assembly and then by the General Synod to drag the Church of England into the twentieth century. This has been necessary and helpful but one result must be noted. Membership of the Church of England is being tightened up and people are far less free to be agnostic about things which they cannot as yet accept. Previously anyone could happily call himself C. of E. People said that it meant little or nothing. Our practice was to include rather than exclude.

Have we now reached the stage where people have to "sign on the dotted line" before they can belong? If so, this is in flat contradiction to the spirit of the age as outlined above. Faith is surely the acceptance of the search for God in the simple hope that God may well be worth finding rather than the acceptance of a pre-packaged idea of God which has to be taken or left.

In this light evangelism is the encouragement of all 'to taste and see how gracious the Lord is', trusting in the Holy Spirit to work the miracle of faith that turns a man from being apathetic or antagonistic into an eager disciple of Jesus Christ in the hope that one day what are partial insights will be exchanged for what is "Whole like God's knowledge of us." The role of the priest is then much more that of the counsellor than of the controversialist or the preacher, and the role of the Church that of "a school for sinners rather than a club for saints".

Yours faithfully,

+ Denis Southwell

Parochial Fees. The Bishop of Southwell is a member of the Commission which has been appointed by the Standing Committee of the Church of England's General Synod to examine afresh the justification of charging fees for such offices as the taking of funerals. Any views for consideration by the Commission should be addressed to the Secretary to the Commission, Church House, Dean's Yard, Westminster, SW1P 3NZ, if possible, not later than June 30.

News of the Clergy

The Rev. Frank Crowther, Team Vicar of St. Francis, Clifton, has been appointed Vicar of St. Thomas, Kirkby-in-Ashfield.

The Rev. John Albert Bishop, Rector of Gamston with Eaton and West Drayton, will be Acting Rural Dean of Retford until a new appointment is made.

The Rev. John Gilbert Turner, of The Laurels, Cropwell Butler, who has served the greater part of his ministry in the Wiverton group of parishes, will be officially retiring on April 30.

Canon Lindsay Shorland-Ball, Vicar of East Retford, and Rural Dean of Retford, has retired from the ministry and he and his wife have now moved to The New Bungalow, The Green, Leafeld, Oxford.

Around the Diocese

Change of address: Mr. Edwin Ward, U.S.P.G. Area Secretary for Derby, Sheffield and Southwell Dioceses is now at 330 Carlton Road, Worksop, Notts. S81 7LP. Telephone: Worksop (0909) 81569.

Help the Church in Namibia by going along to St. John's Church, Bilborough, on Friday, May 6 to a Sung Eucharist at 7.30 p.m. when the preacher will be the Rev. Cecil Begbie, a Methodist minister and a coloured South African who has worked in Namibia. Further details from the Rev. Alan Haydock (Tel: 293320), or Mr. Edwin Ward (See above).

On duty in Ulster. The Bishop wishes all parishes in the Diocese to pray for the 1st Battalion of the Worcestershire and Sherwood Foresters Regiment as it begins its third tour of duty in Northern Ireland between April 18 and August 18. Prayers in Church are particularly urged on Sunday, April 17.

Bach: St. John Passion at Worksop Priory on Monday, April 4 at 7.30 p.m. by Yorkshire Baroque soloists with Richard Hill (counter-tenor), Paul Elliott (tenor), Stephen Varcoe (bass), Martyn Hill (Evangelist) and Jonathan Roberts (Christus). Tickets £1 and 75p from C. V. Berry, Bridge Place, Worksop (Tel.: 3532) Worksop and Retford Libraries.

Gotham Parish Church is seeking the services of an organist. Inquiries should be addressed to the Rector, the Rev. A. D. Williams (Nottm. 830608) or to Mr. D. W. Power, 4 Gilbert Avenue, Gotham (Nottm. 830400).

Prayers for help for children in need are urged on Sunday, April 24 which is the first day of the national Save The Children Week.

Mothers' Union Mansfield Deanery Festival will be held at St. Michael's, Sutton-in-Ashfield on Wednesday, April 27 at 7 p.m.

Warden required for the Royal British Legion Housing Association Flats at Sharratt Court, Mansfield. The Court consists of 36 self-contained flats for elderly people, capable of looking after themselves. Applicants should be fit and able to accept responsibility. A three-bedroomed flat, free rent, rates, heating and lighting and a small salary (£560 p.a.) are offered. Nursing experience desirable. Would suit retiring priest and wife — opportunity for pastoral duty in busy parish and hospitals. Apply in writing to: Mrs. Y. Neville, 20 Lichfield Lane, Mansfield.

SOUTHWELL MINSTER EVENTS

April 3, Palm Sunday, Evensong Sung by the Choir of St. Andrew's, Nottingham (3.15 p.m.); Good Friday, 8, 12—3 p.m. Rev. W. R. Derry, Provost, Midland Division, Woodard Corporation; Easter Day, 10, 11 a.m. Sung Eucharist. Celebrant and Preacher, the Lord Bishop; Tues. 12, Age Concern (Derbyshire) Service, 2.30 p.m.; 13, 14, 15, R.S.C.M. Choristers Course; Sun. 17, South East Notts. Scouts Service (3 p.m.); Wed. 20, Organ Recital: Christopher Daly Atkinson (Ashbourne Parish Church) (7.30 p.m.); Sat. 23, Central Notts. Scouts Service (3 p.m.); Sun. 24, Preacher, Canon F. E. Worwood (11 a.m.); Music in the Crossing (40p) (8 p.m.); Sat. 30, Southwell Choral Society Concert (7.30 p.m.); May 1, Notts Miners' Choir Recital and Service (Rev. W. B. Wilkinson) (6.30 p.m.).

The Choir is on holiday from April 1 to 9 and from April 11 until 21.

The Diocese Remembers in April

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| 1 Whatton Detention Centre
(<i>Geoffrey Blackmore, Chaplain</i>) | 16 Bawtry Deanery (<i>Geoffrey Springett, Rural Dean</i>) |
| 2 Scrooby (<i>Frederick Osborn</i>) | 17 Tuxford Deanery (<i>Thomas Swift, Rural Dean</i>) |
| 3 Ranskill (<i>Frederick Osborn</i>) | 18 Norwell Deanery (<i>William Snow, Canon and Rural Dean</i>) |
| 4 Sturton-le-Steeple (<i>John Ford</i>) | 19 Worksop Deanery
(<i>Arthur Brown, Rural Dean</i>) |
| 5 West Retford (<i>Colin Nield</i>) | 20 Retford Deanery (<i>John Bishop, Acting Rural Dean</i>) |
| 6 S. Ann with Emmanuel, Nottm.
(<i>James Neill</i>) | 21 Treswell (<i>Trevor Gibson</i>) |
| 7 W. Drayton (<i>John Bishop</i>) | 22 Barton-in-Fabis
(<i>Andrew Woodsford</i>) |
| 8 Nottingham Deanery (<i>Michael Jackson, Canon and Rural Dean</i>) | 23 Netherfield (<i>Michael Cooper</i>) |
| 9 Beeston Deanery (<i>Derek Shewring, Rural Dean</i>) | 24 N. & S. Clifton (<i>Roy Palin</i>) |
| 10 Bulwell Deanery (<i>David Williams, Canon and Rural Dean</i>) | 25 Mansfield S. Mark
(<i>David Hatter; Stephen Lowe</i>) |
| 11 Gedling Deanery (<i>Cecil Watson, Canon and Rural Dean</i>) | 26 Woodthorpe (<i>David Bartlett; Timothy Oliver</i>) |
| 12 Bingham Deanery (<i>Gerald Pearce, Rural Dean</i>) | 27 Rampton (<i>Trevor Gibson</i>) |
| 13 Southwell Deanery (<i>Bernard Hill, Canon and Rural Dean</i>) | 28 Dunham-on-Trent (<i>John Brown</i>) |
| 14 Newark Deanery (<i>Rupert Stevens, Canon and Rural Dean</i>) | 29 Headon (<i>Frederick Wright</i>) |
| 15 Mansfield Deanery (<i>Robert Warburton, Canon and Rural Dean</i>) | 30 Kirton (<i>Hywel Evans</i>) |

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SILVER JUBILEE

The Royal Visit - The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh will be in Nottinghamshire on Thursday, 28th. July.

Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal - A committee with the Prince of Wales as chairman has been set up to organise a national appeal on the lines of the King George V Jubilee Fund which provided playing fields all over the country. Among the measures planned for this appeal the Prince of Wales' Committee has asked the Royal British Legion to organise a house-to-house collection nationally during the week beginning 8th. May and to invite other organisations to help it to do so. East Bridgford and District Branch of the Legion has agreed to organise this effort within its district and will welcome the aid of local youth organisations and any other organisations willing to co-operate. The national committee is producing a leaflet describing the appeal and its purpose and we hope to distribute this to all households in the village a week or so before the collection. Any organisation in the village willing to help with this national appeal is invited to be represented at a meeting called by the Legion at 8 p.m. on Tuesday 5th. April, in the Village Hall committee room.

East Bridgford Silver Jubilee Celebrations

Like other communities, large and small, all over the country, East Bridgford will be celebrating the Queen's Silver Jubilee on Tuesday, 7th. June. On the initiative of the Parish Council, a committee has been formed of representatives from village organisations to arrange and co-ordinate the village celebrations.

Mr. Alan Roffey is Chairman and Mrs. Iris Lester

Secretary. A house-to-house collection has been made to raise funds. It is intended to give a memento of the event to every child up to school-leaving age and also to provide some permanent memorial. What form the latter will take has yet to be decided and any thoughts on the subject will be welcome. A programme for the festivities on 7th. June is evolving and information on these will be made known in greater detail as the weeks pass. It is intended that there should be a Village Picnic on the Butts Field with such events as a special cricket match, an open bowls competition, the choosing of a village Jubilee Queen and a Morris dancing display. In the evening there will be a dance in the School Hall and a disco in the Village Hall.

There is bound to be a good deal to do and any offers of help will be appreciated. The committee is by no means exclusive and we will be happy to co-opt anybody who can make an effective contribution.

It is a mathematical certainty that there cannot be many Royal Jubilees in anybody's lifetime. Let us all do our best to ensure that as far as our village is concerned this one is both enjoyable and memorable.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE - Diamond Jubilee

1977 is the Diamond Jubilee of East Bridgford Institute and a busy programme is planned to celebrate this throughout the year. The first event will be a Gala Afternoon on Saturday, 28th May when we intend to have a pet show, children's sports, stalls and other activities to which everyone is welcome. There will be more details and news of other events in future news sheets.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE - Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting was held on 15th. March, when Mrs. Drury, VCO spoke on the 'History of Nottinghamshire' and was thanked by Mrs. Gaskell. Mrs. Atkins was elected President, Mrs. Bontoft and Mrs. James, Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Chapman, Treasurer and Mrs. Meylan Secretary. Mrs. Jay showed slides of her visit to America and gave an interesting commentary on them. She was accorded a vote of thanks proposed by Mrs. Peacock.

Coffee Evening To finance the Diamond Jubilee celebrations,

A COFFEE EVENING

will be held on FRIDAY 22nd. APRIL at 23 COLLEGE STREET, by kind permission of - Mr. and Mrs. David Atkins from 5.30 to 9.00 p.m. There will be various stalls, including White Elephant, Bring and Buy, Cakes, Tombola and Refreshments.

Methodist Church, Main Street

EASTER SERVICES

Sunday 10th. April

Family Service ... 10.30 a.m.

Evening Worship ... 6.00 p.m.

Preacher ... Mr. D. Morris

LIFE-BOAT GUILD

Thanks mainly to the splendid support we received for the sponsored walk last May, East Bridgford Guild's contribution of £1.280 for 1976 was fourth among the fourteen Nottinghamshire R.N.L.I.

Branches and Guilds. It was surpassed only by Nottingham with £7,463, Mansfield - £1,954 and Retford - £1,570.

We organise a sponsored walk every other year and so there will be none in 1977. Our next event will be :

A MUSICAL EVENING IN EAST BRIDGFORD VILLAGE HALL

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Membership fees are:-

Juniors under 16 yrs. £1

Adults £3

Families £5

More information may be had from the Secretary at ... 3 Moss Close, East Bridgford, Tel: 471.

To open the season we are holding an

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BRIDGFORD'S HISTORIC HOUSES

1. The Brunts House

In the 17th century Walnut Lodge in Walnut Tree Lane was the home of the Brunt's family. Gabriel Brunts, a well-to-do farmer who lived there until he died in 1638 was the grandfather of Samuel

Brunts, merchant and benefactor, who founded Brunts' Charity and Brunts' Grammar School, so starting the association which still goes on between that school and our church. Gabriel's daughter, Isabella, married the squire's eldest son, Francis Hacker of The Old Hall, off Kneeton Road. When the civil war broke out, perhaps from conviction or perhaps in order to ensure that the property remained in the family which ever side won, Francis fought for the Parliament and his younger brothers Rowland and Thomas for the King. It was to Col. Francis Hacker that the King's death warrant was issued commanding him to produce him for execution, which he duly did. When the king's son regained the throne, Col. Hacker was arrested and, despite strenuous effort by his devoted to get him pardoned Samuel Pepys' diary for October 1660 reads:

"18th. ... This morning, it being expected that Colonel Hacker would die, I went to Newgate, but found they were reprieved until to-morrow.

19th. ... This morning Hacker and Axtell were hanged and quartered as the rest are ...

Replicas of the death warrant, signed by O. Cromwell and others can be seen in the Reindeer and Royal Oak. The Hacker and Brunts memorials face one another across the north east corner of the north aisle of the church.

We hope to give accounts of other historic houses in the village when space permits and will welcome information which anyone who reads the News Sheet can give us.

ST PETER'S CHURCH EAST BRIDGFORD

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SERVICES

Sundays: 9.00 a.m. Parish Eucharist
(with Hymns and Short Address)
On first Sunday in each month
- Family Eucharist.

6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer and Sermon.

Weekdays Holy Eucharist on most days.
See notice in Church Porch for details.

SUNDAY SCHOOL meets at 10.30 a.m. each Sunday
except on the first Sunday in each
month when they attend the Family
Eucharist at 9.00 a.m.

NEWS SHEET

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THE RECTOR'S LETTER

My dear friends,

Once again the merry month of May is here - a glorious month of Eastertide, Ascension and Pentecost and, of course, May is Mary's month and we ought to rejoice that God did find one human person who was prepared to say 'Yes' and from being Mary of Nazareth to be Mary, Mother of God the Son, and Queen of heaven. It's surprising what God can do if we let Him get on with the job and don't, in our blindness and foolishness, get in the way. I shall as you know, be leaving you at the end of May with pain at parting from those who have supported me so wonderfully and I do thank you for your love and co-operation and not least for the splendid support of Fred Hunt and Gordon Stobbs. It's a happy parish which has two such churchwardens but they are two among many who have encouraged and helped me. Of course, there are those who haven't 'cottoned on' to me. This is perfectly understandable and I hope they will 'cotton on' to my successor, but above all I hope that you will all realise God's Love for you and respond by giving your own Love to Jesus. If you drop off when I leave it will be a bad sign for you and for me because it will mean that the Churches' life circulated round me and not round the Lord! So keep on being faithful and follow the Rider on the white horse, Faithful and True, King of Kings and Lord of Lords. We are sorry Andrew and Norma Reid are soon to leave us, and we shall certainly miss the Gould family, especially Claire and Alice who have served so faithfully, not forgetting Mathew and Tommy, Mr. and Mrs. Gould. God bless you in the days ahead. We also said 'Good-bye' to Mr. and Mrs. Windrow who have gone to live in the Channel Islands.

I shall be going to Barnes, which is on the river

Thames and part of greater London. Miss Render who has looked after the Rectory so wonderfully and made so many friends in the parish will, of course, be going with me and we shall welcome visits from friends.

The address will be -

41 Elm Bank Gardens,
BARNES,
London. SW1 3ONX.
Tel: 01-878-0700

We are so grateful to Capt. Jay and Mrs. Sally Marson for taking on the Parish News after the splendid work of Mr. Charles Wilkins who has already done such a splendid job in teaching the Patric Appleford Mass to the singers at the Parish Eucharist.

The Establishment of the Parish Eucharist on Sundays is perhaps the greatest thing in the last five years. The Lords own Service is now the principal act of worship every Sunday with a congregation which compares well with many a larger Church and Parish. So keep it up, and may it grow as a focus of the parish life. Remember that the parish church is the centre of the life of East Bridgford Village and all should feel made welcome.

My last full Sunday as Rector will be 22nd. May and I shall celebrate the Eucharist on Whit Sunday 29th May at 9 o'clock. For the rest of that day I am going to be busy elsewhere and throughout May I shall be busy taking Confirmation and preaching.

May God have you in his keeping and bless St. Peter's parish in the days ahead.

+ BERNARD MARKHAM

May and the Saints - Quote from Simon Tugwell

Our Christian life is not lived in splendid isolation, it is lived in this communion of saints, which means both the company of the holy ones, and the sharing in holy things. When we feel low and spiritually run down, we need not lose heart, because we are still one with those who rejoice with unutterable and holy joy in the presence of God, who already have the vision of light and life without ending. That is why it is so natural for Christians to pray to the saints.

How perfect the story is of our Lady at Cana. So gently she reminds her son: "They have no wine" (Jn 2:3).

In the course of our Christian lives, we often run out of things, maybe even the faith that would let us tell God about it ourselves. But she is there, still present at his side, "they have no love, they have no faith, they have no humility . . . "

In the Church we are all living off one another's faith in this way, but especially off the faith of Mary. It was her faith that made our redemption possible. In a very literal sense her faith is the source of the Church's faith, for without her faith Christ would not have been born. From all eternity God had prepared her to make that act of faith from which all salvation would flow. This is why we call Mary our Mother, and this is also why it is meaningful for us to regard the Church as our Mother. Faith never means simply your faith or my faith. In one of the prayers in the Mass we say, "Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church". To invite God to look simply upon our individual faith might be a

little better than offering him our splendid virtue! It is not our faith, but the faith of the Church that we present before him, and that means the faith of Mary, the faith of all those many people who have made the Body of Christ healthy and glorious; we, when we are weak and poor, can live off their faith. "Jesus, looking upon their faith, said to the man, 'Son of your sins you are forgiven'". (Mt. 9:2).

Days to Remember

19th May - ASCENSION DAY - 7.30 a.m. Eucharist.

29th May - PENTECOST - Whit Sunday.

5th June - TRINITY SUNDAY - Day for
Thanksgiving
for the Queen's
Jubilee

A FAREWELL BREAKFAST FOR THE RECTOR

As the 22nd. May will be the last full Sunday for the Rector, an invitation is extended to all members of St. Peter's Church and the Parish of East Bridgford to join him for Breakfast after morning Eucharist in the W. I. Hut.

R.S.V.P. on list in Church Porch

READERS AND READINGS

May 15th - Fifth after Easter - Rogation Sunday

9.00 (O.T.)	Isaiah 51. 1-6	Miss E. Slack
(Ep.)	1 Corinthians 15.21-28	Mrs.V.Backhouse
6.30 (O.T.)	Deuteronomy 6.	Mr.A.Curtis
(N.T.)	Luke 10.38-11.13	Dr.G.Brooks

May 22nd - Sunday after Ascension

9.00 (O.T.)	Daniel 7.9-14	Mrs.J.Cornell
(Ep.)	Ephesians 1.15-23	Mr.G.Clayfield
6.30 (O.T.)	Jeremiah 31.1-13	Mr.H.Russell
(N.T.)	John 14.1-14	Mr. J. Guy

May 29th - Whitsunday

9.00 (O.T.)	Joel 2.23-29	Mr.R. Hunt
(Ep.)	Acts 2.1-11	Mr. P.Slack
6.30 (O.T.)	Isaiah 11.1-9	Mr. T.Ashton
(N.T.)	Romans 8.18-end	Mr.G.Stobbs

June 5th - Trinity Sunday

9.00 (O.T.)	Isaiah 6.1-8	Miss E.Church
(Ep.)	Ephesians 1.3-14	Dr. McDonnell
6.30 (O.T.)	Isaiah 40.12-end	Capt.A.Jay
(N.T.)	1 Peter 1.3-12	Mr.R.Hunt

June 12th - First after Trinity

9.00 (O.T.)	Exodus 19.1-6	Miss C.Price
(Ep.)	1 Peter 2.1-10	Mr.K.Finch
6.30 (O.T.)	Hosea 6.1-6	Miss S.Nichols
(N.T.)	Acts 1.1-14	Mrs.J.Goddard

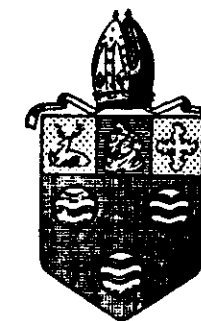
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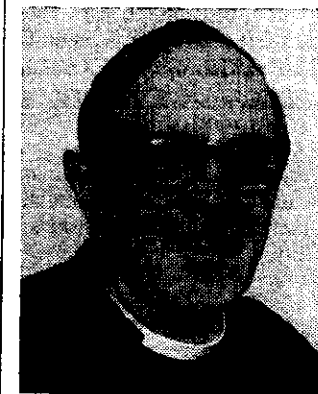


The Bishop's Letter

Christian Focus on Industry Needed

In recent months we have been urged to share in a "Great Education Debate" to discuss and to examine the quality, direction, content, and nature of our schools and colleges. I welcome this debate, but it needs to be extended beyond the boundaries of education. We need also a "Great Industrial Debate" for there is much confusion and uncertainty about the world of work at the moment.

Kenneth Adams, who spoke to our House of Laity a few years ago, writing in the last issue of the magazine "Industrial Society" had this to say:



The Rev. Derek I. G. Shewring who has been appointed Vicar of East Retford, and P. in C. of Grove.

"...we esteem those who work in the professions and the public service more highly than those who work in business and there is a widespread view that business is some sort of rat race and is only concerned with personal or group aggrandisement. A society which generally conveys that view of its attitude to industry and commerce will slowly but surely undermine the confidence of those who work in business. The undermining of that confidence will lead to poor recruitment into business, that poor recruitment will lead to a lowering of standards, and that lowering of standards will in turn lead to a lowering of performance. That seems to me to be the vicious spiral in which our society is caught."

I believe that he is right, and that we therefore need to open up a much wider debate on the industrial concerns of our nation. Such a discussion would raise many ethical problems, and would demand realistic views from those of us who believe that the ascended Christ is indeed Lord of all powers and all situations. Is the lack of esteem in industry caused by its

ends or its means? What is good growth? Who should benefit from growth, and how? How should wealth, created by industry, be distributed? What are fair and just differentials? How do we speak of profit, ownership, participation and industrial democracy without being the victims of our own prejudices?

SIGNS OF HOPE

These are questions of vital importance, and I am aware of the fact that a great many Christian men and women are deeply concerned with them. I am also aware of the fact that, by and large, the Christian Church has projected a negative view of industry and the creation of wealth. This goes back over many centuries, and there is little chance that it will be quickly remedied. There are, however, signs of hope and there is evidence that a small, but increasing, number of Christians are turning their hearts and minds towards discovering anew what the Gospel insights are in this complex and ambiguous world of industry and commerce.

It is obvious that if we want a society with good health and social services, then these have to be paid for. If we want to tackle the urgent and serious problems of world hunger and poverty, then we cannot do it if we ourselves are living off borrowed money. Pensions, welfare benefits, housing, education, the arts, and even the Diocesan Quota all depend upon the creation and distribution of wealth.

How we produce and distribute this wealth, and how we live in harmony with each other, and with other nations and the environment are urgent questions. How we look after the resources of the world on trust for future generations is a real issue of Christian stewardship. The primary task of any industrial enterprise is to make a profit. If it does not, the enterprise collapses. To pour scorn on the profit motive therefore is as unhelpful as to refuse to acknowledge the real problems that the pursuit of profit throws up. I am very conscious of the need to support the men and women of this diocese in their work situations and to confirm the view that it is their working hours in industry just as much as their leisure hours in the church which need to be committed to God.

How best can this industrial debate take place? One useful way of proceeding is for a small group of Christian men and women who have similar responsibilities at work to meet in order to share experiences and to question motives, methods and performance in the light of their Christian faith, engaging the help of someone with an independent viewpoint to act as a "consultant" to them. In this and other ways I should like to see churches and organisations in the diocese turning their attention to the problems and possibilities of industry and commerce and seeking out ways of affirming what is good in them and correcting what is wrong.

Yours sincerely,

+ Denis Southwell

News of the Clergy

The Rev. Benjamin Alaric Hopkinson, Priest Missioner to the parishes of St. John's, Carrington, and St. Martin's, Sherwood, has been appointed Vicar of the parish of Lowdham with Gunthorpe and Caythorpe.

The Rev. Leslie Cowley, Priest-in-Charge of Awsworth with Cossall, near Ilkeston, is to be Vicar of St. Leodegarius, Basford, Nottingham. He will be instituted by the Bishop of Sherwood on Tuesday, June 14 at 7.30 p.m.

The Rev. Henry Rymer Heritage, Vicar of Kirklington with Hockerton and Priest-in-Charge of Winkburn, near Newark, officially retired from the ministry on April 30. He is now living at The Cottage, Galley Hill Road, Southwell. He has the Bishop's permission to officiate in the Diocese.

The Rev. Derek Ivan Gordon Shewring, Rural Dean of Beeston and Rector of St. Martin's, Bilborough, with Strelley, has been appointed Vicar of East Retford and Grove.

The Rev. Peter Harry Jordan, Assistant Curate at St. Ann with Emmanuel, Nottingham, is leaving the Southwell Diocese at the end of May to become Curate in charge of St. Peter's Edgware, Diocese of London.

The Rev. John Argyle Wardle, Assistant Curate at St. Peter and St. Paul, Mansfield, is to be chaplain at St. Felix School, Southwold, Diocese of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich. His last Sunday at Mansfield will be July 17.

The Rev. Frank Crowther will be instituted as Vicar of St. Thomas, Kirkby-in-Ashfield, by the Bishop of Sherwood on Tues. May 31, at 7.30 p.m.

The Rev. Arthur Henry Brown, Vicar of St. Anne's, Worksop, and Rural Dean of Worksop, has been appointed to the Honorary Canonry of Dunham in the Cathedral Church of Southwell, made vacant by the resignation of Canon Lindsay Shorland-Ball. His installation will take place on Friday, July 1. Canon Lindsay Shorland-Ball has been appointed a Canon Emeritus.

Around the Diocese

Canon Ronald Thompson is celebrating the 50th anniversary of his Ordination on Monday June 13 with a Sung Eucharist at 7.30 p.m. in Newark Parish Church, at which the Lord Bishop will preach. All who would like to come are invited to attend; a presentation will be made to Canon Thompson at a reception after the service, and gifts should be sent to the Vicar of Newark, The Vicarage, Appletongate, Newark.

Radio City Appeal. Nottingham Hospitals Radio, which has been providing programmes for patients and staff in the City, Sherwood and St. Francis hospitals since 1974, has been allocated accommodation in the New University Teaching Hospital for two new studios and a record library in the late autumn of this year. This entails the purchasing of more equipment in the region of £10,000 to ensure an efficient service to the five main hospitals in Nottingham. At present it has a staff of about thirty unpaid volunteers and depends on money from external organisations. Any fund raising by church organisations would be greatly appreciated. For details, contact Nottingham Hospitals Radio — Nottm. 624300.

Mothers' Union events in May — 3, Beeston Deanery Festival, Kimberley, 3 p.m.; 3-5, Diocesan Retreat, Morley, Derbys.; 6, South Bingham Deanery Coffee Evening, The Lawns, Normanton-on-the-Wolds, 6.30 p.m.; 12, Nottingham Deanery Festival, Christ Church, Cinderhill, 3 p.m.; 17, Newark Deanery Festival, North Collingham, 7.30 p.m.; 18, Bulwell Deanery Festival, Greasley, 3 p.m.; Bingham Deanery Festival, East Bridgford, 7.30 p.m.; 19, Norwell Deanery Festival, Ossington, 3 p.m.; 24, Bawtry Deanery Festival, Misterton, 7.15 p.m.; 25, Worksop Deanery Festival, St. John's, Worksop, 3 p.m.; 31, Commissioning Service, Southwell Minster, 3 p.m., preacher Bishop of Southwell.

Bookings at Morley for 1978 are already very heavy. The Sisters there suggest that parishes in the Southwell Diocese should ensure that they book soon should they wish to use the facilities.

C.M.S. Lent Project Thanksgiving Service, Saturday May 7 at St. Giles, West Bridgford, 2.30 p.m. — a time to sing, dance and praise the Lord. Starting 11.30 a.m. there will be our usual games/races for all the family, bring your own lunch — Graham Bewley (0742-301396).

The Women's Offering Service will take place at Southwell Minster on Tuesday, June 21 at 3 p.m. when the preacher will be the Archdeacon of Derby, the Ven. Robert S. Dell. Gifts for the Southwell Diocesan Council for Family Care will be received by the Bishop of Southwell to extend its adoption work.

"Burma Harvest" is the title of a joint B.C.M.S. and U.S.P.G. study kit devised to alert parishes to the splendid example of Burmese Christians as well as raise money for the impoverished clergy and lay workers. Details from the Rev. Duncan McMann, B.C.M.S. Area Secretary, 56 Cecily Road, Coventry (Tel.: Coventry 503691) or Mr. Edwin Ward, U.S.P.G. Area Secretary, 330 Carlton Road, Worksop (Tel.: Worksop 81569).

Safety '77 — the national conference of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents, is being held at Harrogate from May 24 to 26. Parishes are urged to remember their work in prayers on Sunday, May 22.

Bunny Church Flower Festival. Will be held from Friday, June 3, to Sunday, June 5. All displays will be arranged by the Nottingham Flower Club. Concerts at 7.30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, Tickets — 50p; children — 25p.

St. George's, The Meadows, Nottingham, has for sale about 120 solid wooden chairs suitable for a hall at 50p each. Contact Canon L. Ward-Andrews. Phone 864881.

Minster Events in May, — 1, Miners' Choir Recital, 6.30 p.m.; 7, 8 p.m. Concert English Sinfonia Chorale; 9, Exhibition of Brass Rubbings; 14, C.E.M.S. Rally; 15, 11 a.m. Rogation Service. Preacher: Rt. Rev. Cuthbert Bardsley; 18, 7.30 p.m. Organ Recital — Peter Wood; 19, Ascension Day: 3 p.m. Confirmation, 8 p.m. Sung Eucharist; 22, 8 p.m. Music in the Crossing (40p) Michael Bell — Piano; 24, 11 a.m. Federation of Catholic Priests Eucharist; 28, Choir Festival; 31, 3 p.m. Diocesan M.U. Commissioning Service: The Bishop.

The Diocese Remembers in May

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| 1 Laneham (<i>Trevor Gibson</i>) | 19 Stokeham (<i>Thomas Swift</i>) |
| 2 Ragnall (<i>John Brown</i>) | 20 Portland Training College |
| 3 Epperstone (<i>Ernest Weil, Canon</i>) | (<i>Barrie Hodges, Chaplain</i>) |
| 4 W. Markham (<i>Thomas Swift</i>) | 21 Mansfield General Hospital |
| 5 N. Wheatley (<i>John Ford</i>) | (<i>Robert Warburton Canon</i> |
| 6 Carrington (<i>John Wilkins</i>) | <i>Chaplain</i>) |
| 7 Colston Bassett (<i>John Milner</i>) | 22 Thieves Wood School |
| 8 S. Bingham Deanery (<i>Ernest Sheeran</i>) | (<i>David Hatler, Chaplain</i>) |
| 9 W. Bingham Deanery (<i>Frank Worwood</i>) | 23 Kirkby S. Thomas (<i>Frank Crowther</i>) |
| 10 Plumtree (<i>Norman Chadwick</i>) | 24 Diocesan Readers (<i>Archdeacon of</i> |
| 11 Askham (<i>Frederick Wright</i>) | <i>Nottingham, Warden</i>) |
| 12 Barnby Moor Church (<i>Richard Hall</i>) | 25 Missionary Societies (<i>Robert</i> |
| 13 Stanton-on-the-Wolds (<i>John Ottey</i>) | <i>Warburton, Diocesan Secretary</i>) |
| 14 S. Matthias Sneinton | 26 Flintham (<i>Allan Chappell</i>) |
| (<i>Kenneth Bennett</i>) | 27 Mansfield S. Augustine |
| 15 Carlton-in-Lindrick (<i>Antony Lambert</i>) | (<i>Lionel Boniface</i>) |
| 16 Clumber Chapel (<i>Peter Boulton</i>) | 28 Women Workers (<i>Archdeacon of</i> |
| 17 Thrumpton (<i>Andrew Woodsford</i>) | <i>Newark</i>) |
| 18 Tollerton (<i>John Ogley</i>) | 29 Willoughby-on-the-Wolds |
| | (<i>Kenneth Brazier</i>) |
| | 30 Wysall (<i>Kenneth Brazier</i>) |
| | 31 West Leake (<i>Donald Williams</i>) |

Please pray for the following ordinand: Nicholas Bralesford (Plumtree)

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NEW RECTOR

In an attempt to use to full advantage the period of notice of the Rector's retirement the Churchwardens have been in touch with both the Bishop of Southwell and the Dean of Magdalen College Oxford, so setting in motion the machinery which will decide who we get as a new Rector. The College, as our Patron, has certain rights and responsibilities in the selection of a replacement but in practice liaises with the diocesan bishop in putting forward someone for consideration by the churchwardens. They in turn would seek the views of the parochial church council. We do not know quite what would happen if we objected to a prospective appointee but clearly at best a delay would occur; hopefully the situation will not arise.

At the Bishop of Southwell's request the Churchwardens have considered with the P.C.C. the kind of man we should like and have forwarded our views to Magdalen College. We have not been too specific save on one issue; we want a man who is prepared to follow the tradition of worship and pastoral care established by Bishop Markham, someone who will accept the foundation and build upon it. We have expressed concern too about our inability to attract and keep our young people.

Inevitably there will be an interregnum, a period when we are without a Rector. We shall strive to keep it as short as possible, but through the good offices of the Rural Dean and his supporting clergy at Radcliffe, are assured of excellent assistance as those who heard Dr. David Rake at Eucharist on Low Sunday will testify.

Mr. Neale and Mr. Garrod representing Kneeton have been privy to our discussions as both they and we wish to continue the association we have

enjoyed under Bishop Markham. The likelihood is that it will continue but consideration of all matters is now back in the hands of our Patron and the Bishop of Southwell. The Churchwardens will keep readers advised of developments.

EAST BRIDGFORD SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

The programme for the village celebrations of the Queen's Silver Jubilee on Tuesday 7th June is taking shape.

The Village Picnic will start at 2 p.m. Refreshments will be available, and some seating will be provided. There will be donkey rides, a competition for decorated bicycles and tri-cycles for the under-fives and children's sports as well as the special cricket match and the open bowls competition already announced. The Morris Dancers are due at 3.15 p.m. Arrangements for the Jubilee Queen competition and details of the dance at the school and the disco at the Village Hall will be available soon.

Watch the posters for further information.

EAST BRIDGFORD LADIES' LIFE-BOAT GUILD

Silver Jubilee Serenade

will be held at

East Bridgford Village Hall

on Friday, 13th May, 1977

From 8 p.m.

Music - Cheese and Wine - Raffle - Tickets £1

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE - April Meeting

A most enjoyable talk was given to the members at their April meeting when Mrs. Sally Ashworth spoke of her 'EXPERIENCES AS A BLUEBELL GIRL'. Mrs. Ashworth told of her travels in Europe and America and showed photographs, programmes and postcards of her life as a Bluebell Girl. The vote of thanks was expressed by - Mrs. A. Metcalfe.

Mrs. D. Willetts gave the report of the Spring Council meeting and Mrs. V. James the report of the Sports Weekend at Brackenhurst College.

The next meeting - Resolutions - will be held on Tuesday 10th May. New members are most welcome.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE - Diamond Jubilee

GALA AFTERNOON

Saturday 28th May

A GALA AFTERNOON is to be held on Saturday, 28th May at 2 p.m. in the W. I. Hut, the School Grounds and the Playing Field.

There will be a PET SHOW when everyone is invited to come along and bring their pet. CHILDREN'S SPORTS, various STALLS, GAMES and REFRESHMENTS.

Everyone is very welcome to this GALA AFTERNOON

EAST BRIDGFORD TENNIS CLUB

The Tennis Club in East Bridgford has two grass courts sited next to the Rectory on Kirk Hill. New Members of all ages and playing standards are welcome for the coming season which starts on 30th April.

Membership fees are:-	...	£1
Juniors under 16 years	...	£3
Adults	...	£5

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BRIDGFORD'S HISTORIC HOUSES

2. The Manor

(With acknowledgements to the Revd. Arthus Du Boulay Hill.)

In the Middle Ages two Norman families, the Deyncourts and the Caltofts owned equal halves of the Manor of East Bridgford. The Deyncourts held their share from 1349 until 1468 when they gave it to William Deyncourt's friend William de Waynflete, Bishop of Winchester, as part of the endowment of Magdalen College, Oxford, of which the Bishop was the founder. Thus Magdalen became the owners of half the village and acquired the right, which they still have to appoint the Rectors of East Bridgford.

The original 'Manor Place' in which the business of both halves of the manor was probably conducted stood at the corner of Main Street and College Street. In the early 16th century this house was apparently becoming dilapidated and between 1530 and 1548 a new house, called 'Burneham House', was built alongside it. Both are shown in the map dated 1614 on the south wall of the church near the font.

The site with both houses was let by Magdalen College to a succession of tenants between 1569 and 1620 for a rent of £4.12s.8d.

Nothing now remains of the original Manor Place. Burneham House was partially re-built in the 18th century, but a good deal of the original structure remains. In 1924 Magdalen sold its East Bridgford estate. Burneham House was bought by its tenant and later re-named - 'The Old Manor House'. The adjoining Tithe Barn, used by 'The President and Scholars of The College of St. Mary Magdalen', with farm buildings and farm-yard were converted with the house now called 'The Barn' and its out-buildings and garden.

ST PETER'S CHURCH EAST BRIDGFORD

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SERVICES

Sundays: 9.00 a.m. Parish Eucharist
(with Hymns and Short Address)
On first Sunday in each month
- Family Eucharist.
6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer and Sermon

Weekdays Holy Eucharist on most days.
See notice in Church Porch for details.

SUNDAY SCHOOL meets at 10.30 a.m. each Sunday
except on the first Sunday in each
month when they attend the Family
Eucharist at 9.00 a.m.

NEWS SHEET

June 1977

Price 7p.

BISHOP MARKHAM - our Rector

We never discussed retirement. Had we been asked we would have acknowledged its inevitability, but we preferred not to mention it, and pretended our enviable state would go on indefinitely. We were rather special, a bishop as our Rector; superficially perhaps it gave us a sense of unchristianlike superiority but in truth there is no denying it has been rather special. It is ironic to think that our preconceived ideas of a young and married Rector should have been negated so successfully for we have had five years of splendid leadership, pastoral care and concern for our well-being many of us had not previously known.

We have been welded together as a Christian community which as an objective for a rector must be obvious enough but for Bishop Markham's ability was to care for us individually, each an important part of the whole. Not least he did this with the children and though he was greatly troubled by our failure to retain their commitment in adolescence they will remember the warmth of his affection, his understanding - there was no generation gap here - and come to remember his teaching, and hopefully share his faith.

We adults will remember too a north country directness tempered with a bubbling humour which inspired, almost demanded a like response. He was saddened on the occasions he felt he had not 'got through' but they must be rare and his message was clear for most of us. We shall miss him for many reasons but above all for the authority with which he spoke, not the authority imposed by rank alone but the authority of one who knows God.

Sylvia Render too will be missed by her many friends. She has impressed us by her devotion,

service and charming hospitality in assisting the Rector to make his home open house for us all.

Sadly illness has marred the last few weeks of the Rector's time here but happily he is fast regaining health and we shall look forward to him visiting us from time to time to give us the missed sermons.

We shall never forget him, but as he occasionally reminded us our best tribute to him will be seen in how we manage without him; in what picture we paint for his successor.

THE MEANING OF EAST BRIDGFORD FEAST

East Bridgford Feast is the festival of Saint Peter, patron saint of the village, whose saint's day is 26th. June. Feast week, the week in which St. Peter's Day falls, has for centuries been a time of celebration and of thanksgiving for all that we value most in our village way of life. As Du Boulay Hill wrote half-a-century ago in his book 'Story of an English Village', 'it has been observed by East Bridgford folk as a holiday time and for the re-union of absent friends'. For over a hundred years now the flower show and feast cricket match have been part of the celebrations and in recent years a dance on flower show night has replaced the former fair.

Feast Sunday is the special day of thanksgiving. At the festival evensong we come together, the old and the young, the Legion, Scouts, Guides, Cubs and Brownies in their groups with their standards, to give thanks for St. Peter and for our forbears. Britains, Romans, Saxons, Danes, English who built our way of life and worked and when necessary fought to maintain it. And after evensong we go out to the memorial to remember and give thanks for those who went out to fight for the preservation of that way of life and did not come back.

Feast Sunday, 26th. June, 1977

The Revd. Roger McLean, rector of East Bridgford from 1947 to 1963 has been invited to take Feast Sunday Evensong this year.

The Royal British Legion, the Scouts, Guides, Cubs and Brownies will assemble at the lych gate in Kirk Hill at 6.20 and at 6.25 will move into church for evensong at which their standards will be presented at the altar. The ceremony of calling the roll and laying the wreaths will be held immediately after evensong.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting - 24th. April, 1977

At this meeting Mr. Fred Hunt and Mr. Gordon Stobbs were unanimously re-elected Church Wardens.

In the absence of Bishop Markham, the chair was taken by Mr. Tom Ashton.

Apologies for absence were received from - Bishop Markham, Patrick Blandy and Mr. and Mrs. Moore.

The revised Electoral Roll, showing a membership of 145 was received; the Secretary said that this included a number of newcomers to the village and it was hoped that others would enroll.

The Secretary reported that the P.C.C. had held five very well attended meetings and expressed appreciation of the hospitality they enjoyed at the Rectory. The Council had been much concerned with rising costs. Liturgical matters had also been the subject of serious consideration and further changes in services were expected and would be carefully considered. The last meeting discussed Bishop Markham's impending retirement and the question of his successor. Thanks were recorded to Mrs. Payne and her helpers, for two very successful Parish Breakfasts and to Mr.

Wilkins of his resigning editorship of the News Sheet after six years of excellent work.

The Chairman submitted audited accounts, which showed an improvement on the previous year with a deficiency of only £2.77 between income and expenditure. Investments were valued at £2,574 and balance at the T.S.B. amounted to £1,054. The accounts were unanimously approved and Messrs. Spicer and Pegler were appointed Auditors.

Mr. Stobbs gave a brief report on the Fabric and Ornaments of the church which were in good order.

Mr. Guy reported the Bells in good condition. He had 3 new recruits and the ringers were progressing well.

Mr. Sainsbury reported the recent loss of four choristers when the Gould family left the village; four new members were joining and more would be welcome.

Mr. Clarke expressed concern at the reduced numbers of children coming to Sunday School and suggested a recruitment drive might be considered. The Sunday School corner had been well furnished. They were mainly concerned with Bible teaching; the children were encouraged to attend the Family service and had gone to the Christingle service at Radcliffe in December.

Mrs. Bontoft reported a very happy and successful year for the Mothers' Union, with an average attendance of 22 members at their meetings. They were continuing their work for patients at Saxondale and had sent birthday cards, Christmas greetings and parcels. They were taking an active part in the Queen's Silver Jubilee celebrations. Thanks were due to Mrs. Lawson and Mrs. Stobbs for their work as secretary and treasurer for nine years.

Mrs. Reic reviewed the work of the Sanctuary Guild and said they were fortunate that so many people had worked quietly to give a live welcoming and cared for appearance to the church. Vestments and altar panels had been provided, for Christmas and Easter, the Lady Chapel restored and 24 kneelers worked. St. Michael's Chapel would be attended to and 24 more kneelers completed by Easter 1978.

Elections

Deanery Synod Representatives. Mr. P. Blandy, Mr. A. Curtis.

Parochial Church Council

Mesdames Bontoft, Brooks, Marson, Moore, Slack, Scragg and Wheeler.
Messrs. Ashton, Buillivant, Clayfield, Clarke, Curtis, Finch, Guy, Moore, Nichols, Payne, Ruff and Wheeler.

Sidesmen

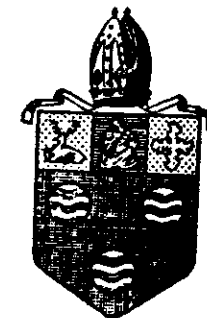
Dr. Brooks, Mr. Curtis, Mr. Hand, Capt. Jay, Dr. Macdonald Smith and Mr. Payne.

(New Rota in Church Porch)

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The Bishop's Letter

Be grateful for the Silver Jubilee

THIS month we celebrate officially the Silver Jubilee of the Queen's accession to the throne. This will be marked by a national service in St. Paul's Cathedral on Tuesday, June 7 and by local services in churches of all denominations on the previous Sunday, June 5. A special order of service has been issued and is commanded to be used in all churches on that day. It is also hoped that wherever possible the church bells shall be rung on June 7 as a sign of our happiness and thanksgiving.

Of course each community is organising its own merriment, street parties, exhibitions, outings and so on, quite apart from money raising events in support of the Prince of Wales' Jubilee Appeal. It is right that we should take this opportunity to enjoy ourselves. But never let us forget our first responsibility is to express our gratitude to God for all that our Queen has done for us since her Accession. I underline a little of what this means.

The monarchy enshrines the spirit of the nation. Any leader has to embody and further the task of the institution he leads. This holds good, for instance, in such different situations as that of a priest in his parish, the manager of a football club, the chairman of a county council, the general secretary of a trade union. If the leader can hang on to the primary task of the institution, then everybody else in that institution can fulfil that task. If the leader does not hang on to that primary task, then fragmentation of effort, frustration and the eventual collapse of the institution results.



The Rev. Leslie Cowley, who will be instituted as Vicar of St. Leodegarius, Basford, on Tuesday, June 14, at 7.30 p.m.

What is the primary task of the nation at this time? I would put it in one word, service. Archbishop Michael Ramsey once enunciated the famous phrase "a Church that lives to itself will die by itself". The same holds good for any institution. It is because as a nation we are increasingly forgetting that all work is a service rather than a means of earning one's living that our country is losing its self-respect before the world. We see this operating in the Health Service, the Railways, the Teaching Profession, Industry, Local Government, even in the Church, to name but a few. Of course economic pressures tend to make us "look after ourselves whatever else happens" but this is precisely what has to be avoided. Shoddy craftsmanship, clock watching, absenteeism, boredom, vandalism, a whole host of ills follows from the loss of the sense of vocation.

The Queen and the Royal Family embody this concept of service. To be constantly in the public eye and at other people's disposal is most exhausting. Only a very prejudiced person could fail to see with what selfless devotion our monarchy serves the nation. The fall of President Nixon is a classic example of what happens if leadership becomes corrupt and selfish. Many people don't realise how fortunate we are in having constitutional monarchy as opposed to an elected President. The Monarch rules because of what he is; the President as the result of political muscle, industrial backing or party support. The Monarch is free to represent everyone; the President is part of the power struggle which is, by definition, a greedy selfish struggle. Monarchy embodies the concept of free and willing service which we lose to our peril.

Because service is essentially a question of personal relationships, it is well embodied in a family. It is no accident that a self centred society and a denigration of the importance of the family go hand in hand. Our Royal Family has embodied the concept of happy and responsible family life. In their home we see the same human pressures we have to struggle with and yet their obviously happy family life is lived in the context of unswerving devotion to duty. A family is a complex of caring relationships in which headship is expressed in a true sense of responsibility and service of other members of the family. The Monarchy encourages us to see the nation as one big family and not just as a political or commercial arrangement. By holding fast to this primary task of service, the Queen is enabling us to serve one another. I think this is an intensely christian ideal.

We wish her Majesty a long and happy reign and send her our grateful and loyal greetings on this her Silver Jubilee.

Yours sincerely,

+ Denis Southwell

Missions to Seamen Diocesan Festival will be held in Southwell Minster on Thursday, July 7 at 7.30 p.m. just before Sea Sunday. The Bishop of Sherwood will preside and the preacher will be the Rev. W. J. D. Owen, General Secretary of the Missions to Seamen.

SPIRITUALITY TODAY — The Call from East and West

ONE of the quieter revolutions taking place today has been called "the meditation movement". Many ordinary people, more young than old, are discovering that this is something that concerns them deeply. In traditional Western forms and also in Yoga, Zen or Transcendental Meditation many are hearing a call from within their inmost being which is the call of the living God.

A number of Christian monks have explored the Eastern traditions and discovered enriching insights and methods. One of these, an Anglican, Herbert Slade will be coming to help with part of a Diocesan Conference Retreat at Morley in September. In his book "Exploration into Contemplative Prayer", Fr. Slade writes:

"The prayer of the exploration with which this book is concerned is deliberately called contemplative though undertaken by many who were not professionally religious but very amateur and inexperienced. It has been called contemplative prayer because it is the prayer of all who are seeking the vision of God as the end of man. One of our discoveries is the number of people who are being led to desire this end and are still essentially human. This is to be expected for the contemplation of God is leading them not away from the world but into a relationship with the One who is engaged in the adventure of cosmic renewal in which human beings of every nation and kind are being inspired and prepared to take a part."

The Conference-Retreat at Morley will be from September 12 until 15 and is for clergy and laity. There will be introductions to, and practice of, relaxation of body, mind and spirit, and the ways in which we respond to God and co-operate with His work of cleansing the doors of our perception.

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St. Petertide Ordinations

At Southwell Minster on Sunday, June 26 the Bishop of Southwell will ordain the following:—

Deacons:

Lance Edgar Dennis Clark, Lincoln Theological College, licensed to St. Mary's, Arnold; Michael John Dobbs, Lincoln Theological College, licensed to St. Peter and St. Paul, Warsop; Anthony Nigel Evans, B.A., Nottingham University and Westcott House, Cambridge, licensed to St. Cyprian's, Sneinton; David John Fudger, College of the Resurrection, Mirfield, licensed to St. Mary Magdalene, Sutton-in-Ashfield; Thomas James Heggs, Lincoln Theological College, licensed to St. Mary Magdalene, Newark; Peter Hulett, Wycliffe Hall, Oxford, licensed to St. Mary's, Eastwood; John Michael Lowen, Nottingham University and Lincoln Theological College, licensed to St. John the Baptist, Beeston; Michael Mac-Lachlan, Wycliffe Hall, Oxford, licensed to St. Peter and St. Paul, Mansfield; Anthony R. Roake, Wycliffe Hall, Oxford, licensed to St. Mary's, Clifton.

Priests:

Arthur Clarke, B.D., M.Phil., London and Nottingham Universities, Salisbury Theological College, Assistant Curate at St. Leonard's, Wollaton; David Edward Clayden, Oak Hill College, Assistant Curate at St. John the Evangelist, Worksop; Michael Alan Taylor, Trinity College, Bristol, Assistant Curate at Christ Church, Chilwell.

Diamond Jubilee annual conference, organised by the Modern Churchmen's Union, will be held at Culham College, Abingdon, from 25 to 29 July. It is entitled "Whither? A Study of the Shape of the Future". Speakers include Dr. Allan Cook, Jacksonian Professor of Physics, Cambridge; Dr. Maurice Wiles, Regius Professor of Divinity, Oxford; Rev. Don Cupitt, of Emmanuel College, Cambridge; Professor Ronald Preston, of Manchester. Full details may be obtained from the Conference Secretary, Caynham Vicarage, Ludlow, Salop SY8 3BN.

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What Future for Broadcasting?

THE Government has allowed until the end of June for public discussion on the recently-published Annan Report on the Future of Broadcasting, and has asked that comments should be sent to the Home Office. After that, the Government will have to decide what parts of the report it is prepared to accept and which, if any to exclude from its legislation — which will probably be contained in a White Paper.

It is right that the Church at large should consider its attitude to legislation which will shape television and radio in this country into the next century, for we are here dealing with two of the most powerful elements in the media, in terms of informing and influencing public opinion alike. (Later in the year it will also surely be appropriate for the Church to react to the Royal Commission's findings on the Press, whatever those findings are.)

In this Diocese the Bishop has asked a group of advisers formed chiefly from the Publicity Committee to report to him in the first instance on the implications for the Diocese of the Annan Report, and it is likely that they will concentrate their thinking on local radio.

In the last decade this has become a significant and indispensable part of the media, and we enjoy close relationships with both BBC Radio Nottingham and Radio Trent.

The Annan Report, if implemented, would mean substantial changes to both organisations, for local radio would be divorced both from the BBC and the IBA (Independent Broadcasting Authority) and would be placed under the overall control of a new Local Broadcasting Commission. It is envisaged that it would be financed largely by advertising and partly by non-profit making trusts, and this calls into question whether cities like Nottingham (and Sheffield) would be so fortunate as to be able to sustain two stations. There is also a threat to the continuation of advisory councils which both stations now have and which represent listeners.

Whatever happens we shall surely want to see that minority programmes are not put at risk — and among these must be included religious programmes as well as those for the immigrant community and for education. Minority programmes attract smaller audiences and are less attractive to advertisers, but commercial interests must not be allowed to wholly govern what is broadcast to local communities.

Far from abolishing local radio councils there is perhaps a need to strengthen them so that they can more effectively advise on behalf of the public and ensure a proper programming balance between popular items for the mass audience and specialist programmes for smaller numbers.

It is undeniable that in all this the Church (and not just the Church of England!) has a vested interest — and now is the time for its voice to be heard.

Inter-Faith Dialogue

The Bishop's Adviser in Social Work writes: There is a growing interest in Inter-Faith Dialogue in those parts of the country with a significant Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist or Sikh population. In this diocese little has been done as the majority of our immigrants from overseas are from a Christian background. There are, however, growing numbers of those from the Asian religions. I should be glad to hear from anyone in the Southwell Diocese with a working knowledge of these religions so that we might begin to meet with those of other faiths.

In the meantime the Standing Conference of Christians and Muslims has organised three events for 1977:

Open Conference on the Family	—Christian and Muslim, June 18, Leicester;
Women Only	Home and Family, Oct. 8. Birmingham;
Younger Generation	Conference for Christian—Muslim Young People, Nov. 26, Peterborough.

Full details from Bishop's Adviser in Social Work, 1 Standard Hill, Nottingham. Telephone: Nottingham 43651.

News of the Clergy

The Rev. Denys Charles Sherwood, Vicar of St. Barnabas, Lenton Abbey, Nottingham, has been appointed Vicar of St. Mark's, Basford, Newcastle-under-Lyme, in the Diocese of Lichfield.

The Rev. Walter William Harrison, Rector of St. Paul's, Carlton, has moved from 15 Redland Grove, Carlton to St. Paul's Rectory, Church St., Carlton, Nottingham.

The Rev. Derek Ivan Gordon Shewring, Rector of Bilborough with Strelley, will be instituted as Rector of East Retford and Grove by the Bishop of Southwell on Tuesday, June 28 at 7.30 p.m.

The Rev. Allan Wakefield, Assistant Curate at St. John the Baptist, Kings-thorpe, Northampton, Diocese of Peterborough, has been appointed Team Vicar of St. Francis, Clifton, Nottingham. He will be licensed by the Bishop of Southwell at St. Francis on Friday, July 15 at 7.30 p.m.

The Rev. Allan James Brown, Assistant Curate at St. Mary's, Clifton, Nottingham, is leaving on June 9 to take up a short term commission in the Royal Army Chaplains Department.

The Rev. Linsan Alfred William Graves, of 7 Village Close, Edwalton, will celebrate the 60th Anniversary of his ordination on Monday, June 13 when the South Bingham Chapter will hold a special meeting at his home and make a small presentation.

Obituary: The Rev. Frederick Henry Smith, formerly Vicar of Skegby (1938-55) and Beckingham (1955-69) who died in hospital at Gainsborough on April 29.

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Around the Diocese

Mothers' Union events: June 14, Retford Deanery Festival, East Retford, 2.45 p.m.; 21, Women's Offering Service, Southwell Minster, 3 p.m.; 22, West Bingham Deanery Festival, Normanton-on-Soar 8 p.m.

The Archdeacon of Derby, the Ven. Robert S. Dell, will be the preacher at the Women's Offering Service in Southwell Minster on Tuesday, June 21 at 3 p.m.

Burton Joyce Council of Churches has arranged a Jubilee Bible Exhibition in Burton Joyce Library and the Methodist Church from Monday, May 30 to Saturday, June 11. For further information, contact the Rev. D. W. Johnson, (Burton Joyce 2109).

A Student Summer School is being held at St. John's College, Bramcote, in conjunction with the Shaftesbury Project on "Christians and Political Action" from July 11 to 15. Guest speakers are Andrew Quicke, Labour candidate for Harrow Central and a TV film director, and the Rev. Dr. Clifford Hill, Director of the Newham Renewal Programme. Details from the Rev. Graham Dow, St. John's College, Bramcote (Tel. Nottingham 251114).

Adult Men's cassocks (blue) required. Any offers! Contact Rev. Philip Humphreys. Tel. Nottingham 606185.

COTTAGE TO LET: The Diocesan Education Committee have available an old schoolhouse at West Markham. Accommodation includes one living room, kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom, etc. Particulars of rent, etc., from John E. Mitchell & Sons, 12 Shakespeare Street, Nottingham. Applications particularly welcome from retired clergy.

Organist is required by St. Paul's Church, Carlton. All inquiries to the Rector, the Rev. W. W. Harrison, St. Paul's Rectory, Church St., Carlton. Phone Nottingham 248555.

Miss Mavis Bexon, of 51 Flaxton Way, Top Valley, Bestwood (Nottm 277229) has been licensed by the Bishop of Southwell as a church and community worker in the parish of St. Matthew-on-the-Hill, Bestwood.

Centenary of the St. John Ambulance is being celebrated this year when it is suggested that special prayers should be offered on June 26, the Sunday nearest to St. John's Day. If Churches wish to have a collection on the same Sunday, it could be given to their local branch of St. John Ambulance.

Extension at Rise Park Ecumenical Church. Six years after the formation of the Anglican/Methodist Church at Rise Park, Nottingham, it has proved necessary to build a substantial Extension building to accommodate the life and activities of the Church. This is to be officially opened on Saturday, June 18 at 2.30 p.m. by Mr. E. R. F. Pogmore. Participating in the Opening Service will be the Bishop of Sherwood, the Archdeacon of Nottingham, and the Chairman of the Methodist District. You are invited to attend. Any gifts towards the cost of building the Extension will be most gratefully received. For further information — or to send gifts — contact Rev. D. W. Wilde The Rectory, Bestwood Village, Notts. Tel: 278386.

Evangelical Fellowship. A Quiet Day at Southwell will be led by the Bishop of Southwell on Tuesday June 28. It will begin at 11 a.m. and conclude at 4 p.m. at the Trebeck Hall. Clergy and lay people are welcome.

MINSTER EVENTS IN JUNE

Wed. 1, 8 p.m. English Sinfonia Summer Concert; Mon. 6, 3.30 p.m. Organ Recital - Kenneth Beard (A recital of music for royal occasions); Sun. 12, 3 p.m. Mentally Handicapped Children's Service; Wed. 15, 7.30 p.m. Organ Recital - Peter King (Asst. Organist, Lichfield Cathedral); Sat. 18, Friends of the Cathedral A.G.M. - Speaker Dean of Gloucester; Sun. 19, 11 a.m. Judges Service, Preacher, The Bishop; 6.30 p.m. Rotary Service - Preacher, the Bishop of Sherwood; Tues. 21, Women's Offering Service - Preacher, Ven. R. S. Dell; Sun. 26, 10.45 a.m. Ordination; 6.30 p.m. Royal British Legion Rally and Service - Preacher, The Bishop of Sherwood;

The Minster Choir is on holiday from June 3 until June 13.

The Diocese Remembers in June

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| 1 Ratcliffe on Soar (<i>Donald Williams</i>) | 15 Attenborough (<i>Frank Beech</i>) |
| 2 Perlethorpe (<i>Robert Baily</i>) | 16 Chilwell (<i>John Williams; Michael Taylor</i>) |
| 3 East Midlands J.O.T.S. (<i>David Wilcox, Warden</i>) | 17 Forest Town (<i>Arthur Parsons</i>) |
| 4 Scofton (<i>Arthur Brown, Rural Dean</i>) | 18 Everton (<i>Noel Bevan</i>) |
| 5 Newark Hospital (<i>Ronald Thompson, Canon. Chaplain</i>) | 19 Elston (<i>Graham Firth</i>) |
| 6 Shireoaks (<i>Herbert Newton</i>) | 20 Awsworth (Vacant) |
| 7 Worksop College (<i>Michael de Brisay, Chaplain</i>) | 21 Kimberley (<i>Ernest Banks</i>) |
| 8 Worksop S. John (<i>Albert Brown, Canon; Edwin Mitchell; David Clayden</i>) | 22 S. Alban-Ordsall (Church) (<i>Philip Allin</i>) |
| 9 Coddington (<i>Peter Wright</i>) | 23 Granby (<i>John Milner</i>) |
| 10 Barnby in the Willows (<i>Peter Wright</i>) | 24 Beeston (<i>Jack Johnson</i>) |
| 11 Pleasley Hill (<i>Raymond Skinner</i>) | 25 E. Markham (<i>Frederick Wright</i>) |
| 12 S. George Nottingham (<i>Lewes Ward-Andrews, Canon</i>) | 26 Clarborough (<i>Colin Perkins</i>) |
| 13 Worksop S. Anne (<i>Arthur Brown, Rural Dean</i>) | 27 Widmerpool (<i>Kenneth Brazier</i>) |
| 14 Lenton Abbey (<i>Denys Sherwood</i>) | 28 Shelford (<i>Gerald Pearce, Rural Dean</i>) |
| | 29 Mansfield S. Peter (<i>Robert Warburton, Canon; John Wardle; Michael McLachlan</i>) |
| | 30 Ruddington (<i>Clive Shrimpton</i>) |

Pray for the following ordinands: Alan Howes (S. George Nottingham), John Kerr (Beeston), Garry Taylor and Bob Rollett (East Markham), Robin Walford (Elston), Nicholas Thistlethwaite (S. Peter Mansfield), Philip Dixon (Chilwell).



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READERS AND READINGS

June 19th - Second after Trinity

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| 9.00 (O.T.) | Deuteronomy 6.17-25 | Mr. J. Ruff |
| (Ep.) | Romans 6.1-11 | Miss H. Slack |
| 6.30 (O.T.) | Hosea 11.1-9a | Mr. J. Guy |
| (N.T.) | Acts 2.1-21 | Mr. A. Curtis |

June 26th - Third after Trinity

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|-------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| 9.00 (O.T.) | Deuteronomy 7.6-9a | Miss S. Guy |
| (Ep.) | Galatians 3.26-47 | Dr. K. Macdonald-Smith |
| 6.30 (O.T.) | Hosea 14 | Miss S. Wheeler |
| (N.T.) | Acts 2.22-42 | Mr. H. Russell |

July 3rd - Fourth after Trinity

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| 9.00 (O.T.) | Exodus 20. 1-17 | Mr. J. Guy |
| (Ep.) | Ephesians 5.1-10 | Dr. G. Brooks |
| 6.30 (O.T.) | Joel 2.1-14 | Mr. R. Hunt |
| (N.T.) | Acts 3.1-16 | Miss E. Church |

July 10th - Fifth after Trinity

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| 9.00 (O.T.) | Exodus 24. 3-11 | Mr. A. Curtis |
| (Ep.) | Colossians 3.12-17 | Mr. T. Ashton |
| 6.30 (O.T.) | Joel 2.15-27 | Mr. G. Stobbs |
| (N.T.) | Acts 4.1-22 | Capt. A. Jay |

THE QUEEN'S SILVER JUBILEE APPEAL

East Bridgford has contributed £107 to the Queen's Silver Jubilee Fund. This was achieved by a joint effort of the young and the old of the village. After the Prince of Wales' broadcast the scouts, guides, cubs and brownies distributed explanatory leaflets all round the parish and they were followed a week later by the Legion's collectors who brought in £98. The inns, shops and boatyard made up the balance £9.

Neighbouring villages contributed:

Shelford	...	£23
Newton	...	£ 8
Kneeton	...	£ 8
The Fosse and beyond	...	£ 5

Half of the proceeds of the collection in the county will be available for Financing projects within the county within the next three years. The other half will help to form a national Queen Elizabeth Silver Jubilee Trust for use in future years.

The Village Hall Committee

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SATURDAY, JUNE 18th 1977

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Mrs. J. Wheeler. 2 Moss Close. Tel.460

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

A discussion of resolutions for the national annual general meeting was held at the May meeting. Speakers on the resolutions were Mrs. M. Bontoft, Mrs. D. Willetts, Mr. D. Meylan and Mr. A. Willetts. Mrs. Willetts is the Institute's delegate to the annual general meeting at the Royal Albert Hall in London. The Speakers were thanked by Mrs. P. Beresford. Mrs. E. Gaskell won the competition for a posy of spring flowers. After refreshments Mr. Gaskell showed some of his 'Favourite Slides' and was thanked by Mrs. J. Richardson. The entry for Newark Show entitled 'TRIPLE JUBILEE' was on show at the meeting. The members who constructed it were Mrs. A. Metcalfe, Mrs. P. Curtis, Mrs. C. Stobbs, Mrs. P. Beresford, Mrs. J. Hunt, Mrs. P. Clarke, Mrs. J. Jones, Miss D. Hand and Mrs. B. Mawby. The Spring Fayre held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Atkins raised \$55.50 for the Diamond Jubilee Fund. The speaker at the next meeting on 14th June will be Mr. E. Spafford and his subject - NATURAL HISTORY FILMS. The competition at the meeting will be 'A Countryside Photograph'.

LIVING WHIST

As their Diamond Jubilee contribution to this year's flower show East Bridgford Women's Institute will present a revival of the game of whist with live cards which was devised by their founder president, Miss Fox, nearly sixty years ago. The 'pack' will be formed by W.I. members, Bridgford Guides and other volunteers. The tunics which the 'cards' will wear are the actual ones designed and produced by Miss Fox and at least one of the original 'pack' will be played again this year. The pack is almost complete and rehearsals have started but there is room for a few more volunteers to act as 'cards' or reserves.

Diary of Events

A diary of forthcoming events being organised by village institutions is being kept in the Post Office. It is intended to help organisers of such events to avoid arranging them on dates which clash with other activities. It will also be available to anyone who wants to know what is going on.

A CENTURY AND A HALF AGO

Extracts from Nottinghamshire Journal (28.7.1821)

Coronation Festivities at East Bridgford

Monday last, being the day appointed for the celebration of this event, was ushered in at an early hour with ringing of bells, whilst preparations were making for the festive board. Three fine fat sheep (a gift from some of the respectable inhabitants), were slaughtered for the occasion. A long table was spread on a beautiful green plot of ground near the centre of the village, and by two o'clock the whole was covered with roast and boiled, together with excellent vegetables, plumb puddings etc. The whole of the village, men, women and children, partook of this cheer; and even the passing stranger was invited to the feast. After the cloth was removed, the nut brown ale went merrily round; and his Majesty's health was drank with one mingled shout of heartfelt loyalty and glee. At six o'clock, tea, toast, plum cakes etc. were set out for the female guests; this favourite repast was no sooner finished, than an excellent band of music struck up a lively air inviting the merry throng to join in the dance, beneath the foliage of some fine trees. The rustic swains and their fair partners were all decorated in their best attire. The evening of this happy day closed with a beautiful display of fireworks and the party retired to their respective homes, highly delighted with the festivities of the day.

And at Kneeton

Kneeton has been amongst the most forward to testify their attachment to our most gracious Sovereign. On Thursday the whole of the inhabitants partook of a most excellent dinner, accompanied with plentiful draughts of good strong ale.

The females and children were regaled with their favourite beverage, tea. At the conclusion of the day as much victuals and drink remained on hand as would have given the whole parish an excellent treat the day following; unfortunately a Bacchanalian got access to the stingo and either drank or wasted the better half of it in consequence of which the company were obliged to retire at an early hour, highly chagrined at their disappointment.

stingo - strong beer.

BEST KEPT VILLAGE 1977

East Bridgford has won this competition twice in recent years in the 700 - 2,000 inhabitant class. Judging is in June and again in July if we reach the finals. The judges award points for the general state of:

Churchyard, Butt Close, inns and bus shelters	50
Gardens, allotments, outhouses and sheds	- 20
Hedges, fences and verges	- 10
Notices and advertisements	- 10
Absence of LITTER	- 10

A quick look round the village suggests that if we were judged now we should lose points for:

LITTER, particularly in Butt Close, Walnut Tree Lane, in the Brown's Lane - Cherryholt Lane Twitchell and in bus shelters.
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A LETTER

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AND

My dear Friends,

I want to thank you all for your kindnesses to me during my stay as your Rector for the past five years. They have been years of blessing and they reached their climax on Sunday 22nd of May when 140 people came to the Parish Eucharist and about 110 of these received Holy Communion and then this was followed by the Parish Breakfast so ably provided by Mrs. Payne and her capable assistants. I am most grateful to Mr. Tom Ashton for the gracious way in which he expressed the thanks of the members of East Bridgford church and made the presentation of so handsome a gift. I am also very grateful to the Mothers' Union and the Music Society for their gifts and it gave me great pleasure to see Miss Sylvia Render so greatly appreciated for her support and loyalty. It was a strange mixture of joy and sadness as indeed is life. All I can say is that I shall never forget you my dear friends of East Bridgford and may the bonds of love and friendship in Christ which were forged in 1972 - 77 prove stronger than the passage of time and indeed find their fruition in Heaven.

God bless and good bye,

+ BERNARD MARKHAM

A GIFT FROM BISHOP BERNARD MARKHAM

It is typical of Bishop Markham's kindness that he should wish to present to us a tangible expression of his appreciation of the time he spent as our Rector. Accordingly he has sent us some splendid violet vestments to fill a gap in the Church Wardrobe. The Chasuble, the Sleeveless vestment which the celebrant wears at Eucharist has its colour regulated by the feast of the day. Thus at Christmas white is worn, as it is also from Easter to Ascension, and red is worn on the feast days of the apostles and martyrs. Currently and right up to Advent, green is worn but during Advent it is the turn of violet and again from Septuagesima through to Maundy Thursday. It is a long time to the first Sunday in Advent, but watch out then for the celebrant wearing our superb new violet vestments with their golden orphrey, the richly embroidered stripes and borders.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

The Day of a Lifetime - by our Standard Bearer.

June 12th 1977 at 3.30 a.m. began a day which was to be for me 'The Day of a Lifetime'. With equipment spick and span and iron rations packed I ventured forth for Windsor via London to be a participant in a parade of massed standards at the castle. Arriving in London I was fortunate to obtain a spectator's ticket allowing me to see a most spectacular parade of 1,000 standards for a drumhead service and review in the presence of the Prince of Wales on Horse Guards Parade.

Leaving London at midday our coach headed for Windsor. As we drew nearer to the outskirts of the town the odd standard was observed, then small groups then larger groups until finally near the castle they were to be seen everywhere. With zero hour approaching 2,500 Royal British Legion and Women's Section standard bearers were marshalled rank upon rank on the East Lawn presenting a vast array of red, white, blue and gold on this lush green background.

Precisely at 3 p.m. Her Majesty the Queen and His Royal Highness Prince Philip appeared on the East Terrace. After the National Anthem Her Majesty and His Royal Highness began to review the parade. In a state land-rover they passed up and down each rank then returned to the terrace steps for the march past. This was the climax as with colours flying contingent after contingent passed in front of Her Majesty resembling an endless ribbon of colour as they disappeared away from the castle into Windsor Park.

So ended the Royal British Legion's tribute to Her Majesty the Queen on her Silver Jubilee. It was indeed 'The Day of a Lifetime.'

BRIDGFORD'S JUBILEE

Perhaps an event like the Jubilee brings out the best in us. This village, with its annual flower show, its flourishing games, youth, music, art, drama and other groups and the two outstanding exhibitions organised by the church in recent years, can hardly be said to be lacking in energy or imagination. Yet it must be a long time since all sections have got together as they did for this Jubilee effort. For weeks beforehand the work of organisation and preparation had been going on. Then, in the first week end of June it began to take a visible shape as strings of bunting appeared spanning Main Street at our shopping centre. Union Jacks sprouted from windows and hedges and St. George's cross from the Captain of the Bells sailing dinghy mast mounted on the church tower.

The morning of the day could have been less promising; but the work of rigging Butt Close in all its finery proceeded regardless of wind and driving rain. Meanwhile from television watchers, including pensioners invited in to neighbours' houses to watch the Queen's progress came the news that the sun was shining on her and on the crowds between St. Paul's and the Guildhall. Then as our church bells began their Jubilee peal the clouds thinned and the sun broke through to welcome Bridgford's Queen and Rushcliffe's mayor. Butt Close filled up steadily with life and colour as the Jubilee activities proceeded on the sports arena, the cricket ground and more sedately on the bowling green.

As the day ended with music and dancing in the school and village halls and celebration parties in people's houses and up Kneeton church tower, how many people looked back to the first week of June 33 years ago? The events of that week with the launching of the invasion in Normandy, marked a turning point in history, the beginning of the end of a time of great trial. Is history repeating itself this year?

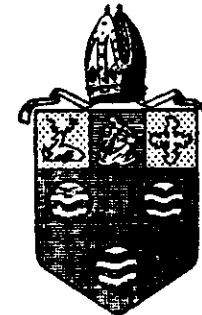
The Chairman of the Jubilee Committee writes:

Although it seems almost presumptuous to do so, I feel I must express publicly my thanks, to all those people who worked so hard, both during the preceeding months and on the day, to make the village Jubilee celebration so enjoyable. To mention any names would be to omit others. It was a pleasure to work with people who not only said they would do a job but did it, and gladly.

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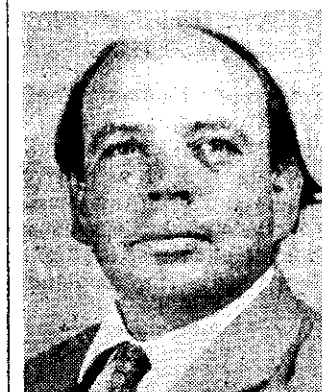


The Bishop's Letter

Ugandan Christians to visit Diocese

At this time when we are celebrating the Queen's Silver Jubilee and the leaders of the Commonwealth countries are meeting in London, it is perhaps appropriate to consider our partnership with Christians of other lands in the propagation of the gospel. Our Lord's command to his Church still stands: "Go forth and make all nations my disciples". Now that we live with people of other faiths amongst us, it is sometimes suggested that missionary activity amongst them in order to persuade them to become Christians is inappropriate. Their faiths are missionary hearted and ours must remain so. If our religion is for us the truth, we cannot compromise that truth. This does not mean that we cease to respect people of other faiths; nor that we decline to learn from them what truth they have to teach and be persuaded by it if convinced; nor that we make it difficult for them to practise their religion if they are resident among us; it means only that we must not be deflected from our proper missionary stance by those who seem to imply that it doesn't matter what you believe.

This year the Church in Uganda is celebrating its Centenary. It is sad that it should also be the year when our Archbishop there was murdered by the oppressive regime now in power. The full extent of the terror and atrocities is unknown to us but enough is known to demand of us



The Rev. Ben Hopkinson will be instituted Vicar of Lowdham with Gunthorpe and Caythorpe by the Bishop of Southwell on Saturday July 1, at 8 p.m.

urgent prayer to God for the protection of the Ugandan people from persecution and fear, and for the witness of the Christian Church there at this perilous time. We have much to learn from the Church in Africa about faith, courage and zeal for the gospel.

It is therefore with great joy that I inform you that we are to be visited this autumn by two Ugandan Christians who will come to share their faith with us. They will be staying in the diocese for about six weeks and will be able to visit different deaneries and parishes to fulfil a wide variety of engagements. Canon A. M. Brown, Vicar of St. John's, Worksop, who formerly worked in Uganda, is in charge of the arrangements for their trip and I hope you will get in touch with him and discover how best you can meet our visitors and enable them to meet you.

This visit is being arranged by the Southwell Diocesan Board for Mission and Unity and it is at our invitation that these two Ugandan Christians are coming. Let us pray and work to make this occasion one of real spiritual revival for each one of us.

Our support for the Missionary Societies who have for many years been the channel of our communication with the Church overseas must not diminish. The pattern of work for these societies changes as the countries overseas change. The Churches there are largely autonomous and self-supporting and they and we would not wish it otherwise. But we and they are helped by interchange of personnel and by mutual consultation about our several problems. We have recently sent priests from this diocese to work as far away as Malaysia and Ascension Island and others are thinking of work overseas in this way. We must remember them in our prayers and support them financially, remembering that the Church overseas is poor compared to us in the affluent West.

Next year's Lambeth Conference will hopefully bring to Canterbury bishops from every Anglican diocese overseas. In our consultations we shall meet as equals and brothers, helping one another to solve the problems of the Church as it develops its life and witness in these changing times. We plan in this diocese to try to support financially the visit of one of our fellow bishops whose diocese would otherwise find it hard to pay for his attendance at the Conference. Pray for this Conference too and all that must go into its planning.

Yours sincerely,

+ Denis Southwell

SOUTHWELL MINSTER EVENTS

July 1, Installation of the Rev. A. H. Brown as honorary Canon (5.45 p.m.); Sat. 2, 2nd Choir Festival (5.45 p.m.); Thurs. 7, Missions to Seamen Service—Preacher: Rev. W. J. D. Down (7.30 p.m.); Sun. 10, County Council Service (3 p.m.); Fri. 15, Minster Choir on holiday; Sun. 17, Evensong sung by the Choir of Emmanuel Church, Loughborough (3.15 p.m.); Wed. 20, Organ Recital—Johannes Geffert (7.30 p.m.); Thurs. 21, Nottinghamshire Masonic Service (6 p.m.); Sun. 24, Evensong sung by the Choir of St. Mark's, Mansfield (3.15 p.m.); Sun. 31, Evensong sung by Minster Consort, Lincoln (3.15 p.m.).

Synod discusses Church Unity

THE main business of the Diocesan Synod on May 21 was the discussion on the Ten Propositions of the Churches' Unity Commission. The Bishop welcomed Dr. Margaret Hewitt from Exeter, a member of the commission who introduced the Report. Following the failure of the Anglican/Methodist Unity Talks, the Commission, which represented eight different denominations, had made Ten Propositions towards eventual unity. At a certain date each Church wishing to go forward would "covenant" themselves to each other before God, recognise each others' membership and initiation practices and accept the "ordained ministries" of the other covenanting Churches as true ministries of Word and Sacraments. The rights of conscience within the membership of the covenanting Churches would be fully respected.

It was clear that this was an ambitious and far-reaching attempt at unity which cut through the problem of the Ministry which had been at the heart of so many previous discussions by simply recognising all Ministries. Dr. Hewitt spelled out the complexities which would be involved for the Church of England because of its established position and its comprehensive character. There would be many "sacred cows to be slaughtered", and possibly much heart-searching for individual Anglicans if this scheme was to go forward. It would be foolish to consider the Propositions without considering also the pain that would be involved.

It was agreed that the Ten Propositions should be referred to the Deanery Synods and they were asked to submit their views by the end of 1977.

In his Presidential Address, the Bishop spoke of the Jubilee and hoped that it would be "not merely a proper time for exuberant jollification but a time of prayerful thanksgiving to God for all our Queen has done for us". The Synod acclaimed the Bishop's proposal to send a loyal address to the Sovereign. The Bishop also spoke of the problem of religious education, and asked for support for all who have the teaching of R.E. in schools. Speaking of local broadcasting, he said it had to "be a service which uplifts the nation, not just the gratification of the need of those with the money and the influence to buy time".

— J.T.F.

Around the Diocese

On St. Swithin's Day, Friday, July 15, Wellow Church is holding its first Festival of Flowers and Arts in connection with its patronal festival. The Bishop of Sherwood will preach at a Festal Evensong at 7.30 p.m. and on Sunday, July 17 at 6.30 p.m. the preacher will be the Archdeacon of Newark.

Rampton Hospital Appeal. The Chaplain would be grateful to receive any spare copies of Hymns A & M (standard edition). Also any pictures of religious themes. Collection can be arranged. Please contact the Rev. Charles Lord, Rampton Hospital, Retford, Tel: Rampton 321.

Ravenshead Garden and Flower Arranging Group presents a floral pageant to celebrate the Queen's Silver Jubilee in St. Peter's Church, Ravenshead, on July 8 (10 a.m. - 9 p.m.), July 9 (10 a.m. - 8 p.m.) and July 10 (12 noon - 5.30 p.m.). Light refreshments. Proceeds in aid of Cancer Research.

South Collingham House Garden, near Newark, (Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Allen) will be open in aid of the Southwell Minster Appeal on Sunday, July 31 (2 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.). Shrubs, herbaceous border, herb garden. Admission, 15p, children 5p.

CMS Northern Congress will be held in Carlisle, Cumbria, over the weekend October 14-16 when the theme will be "Partners in Mission". For further information contact the Hospitality Secretary, Mrs. E. Nelson, Drumburgh House, Drumburgh, Carlisle. Tel: Burgh-by-Sands 345.

The 49th Annual Pilgrimage to the Shrine of our Lady at Egmont Church (Tuxford 1 m.) will be made on Saturday, July 2. Sung Eucharist at noon; preacher—Rev. Alan Watson, Vicar of Gorton, Manchester. Outdoor Procession of Incarnation at 3 p.m. Lunch 75p.

Book this date now. A Harvest of Fashion on Friday, October 14 at 8 p.m. in Worksop Priory.

C.M.S. and the Black Churches

The C.M.S. is seeking information about Black Churches (and other congregations consisting largely of immigrants to this country) in the diocese of Southwell. The Society is encouraging members to make contact with Christians from overseas who now live here permanently. They are particularly interested in:

The New Testament Church of God
The Church of God of Prophecy
The Apostolic Church of Jesus Christ

Any news of groups of Asian Christians in Nottinghamshire would also be appreciated. Please contact the Bishop's Adviser in Social Work, 1 Standard Hill, Nottingham NG1 6FX. (Tel. Nottingham 43651).

News of the Clergy

The Rev. John Charles Roberts, Assistant Curate at Newark Parish Church, is to be a Chaplain to the R.A.F. He will begin his training at RAF Henlow, Bedfordshire, on June 26.

The Rev. George Frederick Wright, Vicar of the united benefice of East Markham with Askham, is to retire on July 31 when he and his wife will move to Collingham, near Newark.

The Bishop of Taunton, the Rt. Rev. Francis West who was Archdeacon of Newark from 1947 to 1962, is to retire in November. He is 68.

The Rev. James Stanley Lemon, Vicar of St. Peter's, Old Radford, Nottingham, for the past 16 years, is retiring on August 31 when he and his wife will move to Bramcote.

The Rev. David J. Bartlett, Vicar of St. Mark's, Woodthorpe, is exchanging pulpits in July with the Rev. Arthur Dasher of St. Mark's, Cocoa, Florida, near the Cape Kennedy Space Center.

THE DIOCESE REMEMBERS IN JULY

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| 1 Flawborough (Brian Woodhams, Archdeacon) | 19 Langar (John Milner) |
| 2 Edwinstowe (Harold Pickles) | 20 Bilsthorpe (Gordon Calthrop-Owen) |
| 3 Carburton (Harold Pickles) | 21 Owtorpe (Brian Bathdale) |
| 4 Blyth (Richard Hall) | 22 Keyworth (John Ottey) |
| 5 Woodborough (Geoffrey Halliday) | 23 Hucknall (David Williams, Canon and Rural Dean) |
| 6 Farndon (Walter McBay, Canon) | 24 Sutton in Ashfield (John Hardy; David Fudger) |
| 7 St. Peter, Nottingham (Angus Inglis, Canon) | 25 St. James, Porchester (Philip Humphreys; Peter Newton) |
| 8 Bingham (David Keene) | 26 Sutton Bonington (Philip Pennant) |
| 9 Car Colston (Allan Chappell) | 27 Newark (Ben Lewers; Graham Holloway; Stephen Oliver; Andrew Read; Tom Higgs) |
| 10 Skegby w. Stanton Hill (Geoffrey Maltby) | 28 Tythby with Cropwell Butler (John Milner; Gerald Mann, C.A.) |
| 11 Gamston (John Bishop) | 29 Broxtowe (Malcolm Tudor) |
| 12 East Bridgford (Vacant) | 30 St. John's, Mansfield (Vacant) |
| 13 Lowdham (Ben Hopkinson) | 31 Bunny with Bradmore (Charles Jones) |
| 14 Wellow (George Firth) | |
| 15 East Retford (Derek Shewring) | |
| 16 Kirklington (Vacant) | |
| 17 Orston (Geoffrey Blackmore) | |
| 18 Kneeton (Vacant) | |

From the above parishes the following ordinands have been sponsored: Tim Edgar (Newark), Stuart Hadley (Sutton in Ashfield), Edward Pogmore (Bingham), Richard Tebbs (Hucknall).

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READERS & LESSONS

July 17th. - Sixth after Trinity

9.00 (O.T.)	Hosea 11: 1-9	Mr. K. Finch
(Ep.)	1 Corinthians 13	Mr. G. Stobbs
6.30 (O.T.)	Zechariah 2	Dr. G. Brooks
(N.T.)	Acts 6	Mr. A. Curtis

July 24th. - Seventh after Trinity

9.00 (O.T.)	Ezekiel 36; 24-28	Miss E. Slack
(Ep.)	Galations 5; 16-25	Mrs. V. Backhouse
6.30 (O.T.)	Zechariah 8; 1-17	Mr. J. Guy
(N.T.)	Acts 8; 4-17	Mr. T. Ashton

July 31st. - Eighth after Trinity

9.00 (O.T.)	Joshua 1; 1-9	Mrs. J. Cornell
(Ep.)	Ephesians 6; 10-18a	Mr. G. Clayfield
6.30 (O.T.)	Jonah 1 and 2	Mr. G. Stobbs
(N.T.)	Acts 8; 26-39	Mr. P. Blandy

August 7th. - Ninth after Trinity

9.00 (O.T.)	Job 42; 1-6	Miss S. Nichols
(Ep.)	Philippians 2; 1-13	Mr. R. Hunt
6.30 (O.T.)	Jonah 3 and 4	Mr. H. Russell
(N.T.)	Acts 11; 1-18	Mrs. J. Goddard

NEWCOMERS

As the houses now being built in the village fill up we shall have a lot of newcomers some of whom would probably like to be news sheet subscribers. The best way to let them know about it will be for subscribers to pass on their copies when they have finished with them to anyone they know who might like to take it. Will you do this?

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

June Meeting

Two remarkable natural history films were shown to members at the June meeting by Mr Spafford, who had made the films and who gave a most interesting and informative commentary on them. He had his audience enraptured with his filming of wildlife in Clumber Park and Sherwood Forest. Miss Hand won the competition for a countryside photograph.

In the absence through illness of Mrs. Willets, our delegate to the national annual general meeting at the Albert Hall in London her excellent report of the meeting was read by Mrs. Seal. Our president, Mrs. Atkins, thanked everyone for making the Diamond Jubilee Gala Day such a success, and reported that the seat presented to the village on that day had now been cemented into position.

The next meeting on 12th July will be a visit to the Castle Gate Textile and Costume Museum.

Preliminary notice - It's a knockout - 3rd September on the Teindeer Field.

Diamond Jubilee Gala Day, 28th May 1977

A Gala Day, held as one of the special events to celebrate our Diamond Jubilee, took place in beautiful sunshine on Saturday 28th May. The Children's sports gave it a fine start. They were followed by a special event, the judging for the selection of the village Jubilee Queen and her two attendants, for which fourteen girls from the village aged between eleven and seventeen entered. The title of Queen and with it the privilege of presiding over the village celebrations for the Royal Silver Jubilee was won by Miss Delia Curtis, and Miss Libby Slack and Miss Sarah Jackson were chosen as her attendants.

A huge success was the Pet Show. The prizes were presented by Mrs. Lambert, the county W.I. chairman and by our newly elected village Jubilee Queen. The final event of the day was the presentation to the village of our Diamond Jubilee gift of a seat for the children's playground. In the absence of the chairman of the parish council it was received by the vice-chairman, Mr. Atkins, from Mrs. Atkins, our president.

BRIDGFORD'S HISTORIC HOUSES

3. The Old Hall

In 1591 the house then known as Sheffield Hall off Kneeton Road was sold by Lord Sheffield to Mr. John Hacker, whose family owned it until 1878, except for a short spell between 1660 and 1662. John Hacker can be seen on the north wall of the church kneeling opposite his wife with their four sons and two daughters below them. The eldest of these four sons, Francis Hacker, inherited the house in 1616 and was living there when the civil war broke out. His eldest son, also Francis, who was married and living at Stathern, opted for the Parliament and his two younger ones, Rowland and Thomas, for the King. Thomas was killed in a skirmish near Colston Bassett in 1643. Rowland for a time commanded the Royalist fort erected at the southern end of Trent Bridge to prevent the Parliamentary garrison of Nottingham obtaining supplies from south of the river. He also organised a raid on Nottingham by Royalist soldiers disguised as farmers bringing produce to market, but they were detected and thrown into the Trent, from which some emerged.

Meanwhile Francis was serving with distinction as a colonel in the Nottingham garrison. In 1646 his father died and he inherited the East Bridgford property, but apparently never lived there. In 1649 he was in charge of the execution of Charles I and in consequence when Charles II regained the throne he was arrested, tried as a regicide and executed on 19th October, 1660. His East Bridgford estate was confiscated and became the property of the king's brother, the Duke of York, afterwards James II. Rowland, who had lost an arm in the king's service petitioned for its return to him as a recognition of his loyal service, and was allowed to buy back the house and 383 acres for £213.9.4. By then Sheffield Hall apparently unoccupied for several years, had fallen into disrepair and so Rowland rented Burneham House (now the Old Manor House) from Magdalen College and died there in 1676. His son, Charles, rebuilt the old house in 1690, in the form in which it stands today as 'The Old Hall.'

(With acknowledgments to Rev'd. Arthur DuBoulay Hill)

WHAT CAN I JOIN ?

As new houses are completed and occupied there will be a lot of newcomers to the village in the next few months. We hope that they will feel welcome here and that they will enrich our community life by making their contribution to our village activities. To help them to do so we intend including in the News-sheet whenever space permits lists of village institutions shewing briefly what they each do and with whom newcomers should make contact in order to join or find out more about them. May we suggest that readers of the News-sheet should keep these lists and pass on the information in them to newcomers with whom they come in contact.

1.

CHURCH GROUPS

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Bell Ringers

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Mr. Guy, Lammas House Tel. 296

Sunday 6 p.m. Monday 8 p.m.

Choir

Meet in Church

Mr. Sainsbury, 4 Haycroft Way.

Sunday 6.15 p.m. Tel. 323

Mother's Union

3rd Wednesday

Mrs. Bontoft, 47 Main Street

10 a.m. Holy Communion-Church

2.30 p.m. Meet in Church or

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Weekdays

Holy Eucharist on most days.
See notice in Church Porch for details.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

meets at 10.30 a.m. each Sunday
except on the first Sunday in each
month when they attend the Family
Eucharist at 9.00 a.m.

NEWS SHEET

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Price 7p.

My dear friends,

One of the joys of being a Rural Dean is the opportunity that is given to one to make such a wide circle of friends, - an opportunity afforded not least when a parish in the Deanery is without an Incumbent, as we find ourselves in East Bridgford at present.

An Inter-regnum therefore has its compensations. It has even been said that a parish appreciates its Rector the more when it has not got one! Well, I hope so, though remembering how faithful and loving a Ministry Bishop Markham fulfilled with us here, and how much he endeared himself to everyone, I suspect that you do not need a vacancy to remind you of what ideally a Rector can be.

Nevertheless, there is much to be said for having someone of our own in the Rectory, and I hope it will not be long before an appointment is made. The wheels are turning, but as I write, I personally know no more than you.

In the meantime, August brings us to the month when for many a little of the pressures of the rest of the year are eased somewhat, and if this is true for you, may your time of rest and relaxation be a time also of re-creation.

Studdart Kennedy may have been ruminating on the bliss of relaxation when he wrote this poem entitled, 'If I had a Million Pounds'

'I would buy me a perfect island home,
Sweet set in a southern sea,
And there would I build me a paradise
For the heart o' my love and me.

I would plant me a perfect garden there
The one that my dream soul knows,
And the years would flow as the petals grow,
That flame to a perfect rose.

I would build me a perfect temple there,
A shrine where my Christ might dwell,
And then would I wake to behold my soul
Dammed deep in a perfect Hell.'

'Getting away from it all' on holiday is delightful, so long as we remember that the heaven we find there is also to be found in our daily busyness in our home and at work for the remaining eleven months of the year.

God bless you all,

Your sincere friend and Rural Dean,

GERALD N. PEARCE

The Vicarage,
Radcliffe-on-Trent.

MOTHER'S UNION

July Meeting was held in The Church, Captain Jay gave a most interesting talk on the history of St. Peter's Church. Afterwards refreshments were available at Mrs. Bontoft's house, which was enjoyed by all.

As we have no meeting in August the next meeting will be An Enrolment Service in Church on September, 21st at 2.30 p.m.

READERS AND READINGS

August 14th - Tenth after Trinity

9.00 (O.T.)	Isaiah 42. 1-7	Miss C. Price
(Ep.)	2 Corinthians 4. 1-10	Mr. P. Slack
6.30 (O.T.)	Proverbs 1.20-end	Mr. R. Hunt
(N.T.)	Acts 15:1-31	Mr. J. Guy

August 21st - Eleventh after Trinity

9.00 (O.T.)	Isaiah 49.1-6	Dr. K. Macdonald-Smith
(Ep.)	2 Corinthians 5.14-6.2	Mr. J. Ruff
6.30 (O.T.)	Proverbs 8.1-17	Capt. A. Jay
(N.T.)	Matthew 4.23-5.20	Dr. G. Brooks

August 28th - Twelfth after Trinity

9.00 (O.T.)	Isaiah 50.4-9	Miss E. Church
(Ep.)	1 Peter 4.12-19	Mr. J. Guy
6.30 (O.T.)	Proverbs 8.1,22-end	Miss S. Nichols
(N.T.)	Matthew 5.21-end	Mr. A. Curtis

September 4th - Thirteenth after Trinity

9.00 (O.T.)	Leviticus 19.9-18	Mr. P. Blandy
(Ep.)	Romans 12.9-end	Mr. A. Curtis
6.30 (O.T.)	Proverbs 14.13 - 15.17	Mr. G. Stobbs
(N.T.)	Matthew 6.1-18	Miss S. Wheeler

CRICKET

Congratulations to East Bridgford Cricket Club on winning the final of the Singleton Cup Competition. The scores in the final match, played at Caythorpe on Thursday, 21st July were:

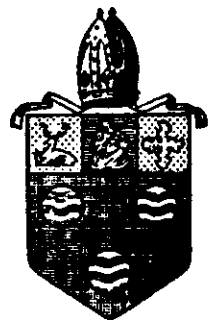
East Bridgford 109 for 4 wickets
Saxondale 56 for 10 wickets

Top Scorer for East Bridgford was A. Bostock with 30. J. Atkin took 5 wickets for 19.

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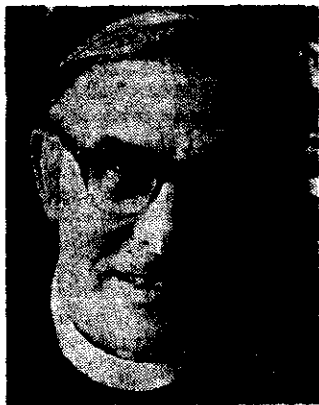
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The Bishop's Letter

Church's Opportunities Immense

ATTENDANCE at the General Synod of the Church of England is not something I look forward to. The July session, just over as I write, was held in London in hot weather which made the debating chamber almost intolerably oppressive. This did not stop the Synod, however, from doing some very valuable work. The important debate on Education was enlivened by powerfully sponsored amendments to the official resolutions calling for the full implementation of the 1944 Education Act so far as the observance of the clauses about religious education are concerned. Most members appeared to be unable to distinguish between Christian education and Christian nurture, (see my comments on the Child in the Church in the March issue of this leaflet) so that vast confusion in the voting resulted but a tolerable amendment prevailed calling for an effective partnership in religious education between Church and State.



The Bishop of Southwell

The debate on The New Black Presence was a memorable one and faced the implications of the report of that name produced by the British Council of Churches. Positive discrimination in favour of depressed areas of our big cities where many immigrants live was called for and Synod supported the view that we should welcome and learn from the people of other races, cultures and faiths that now are indigenous in our country.

The debate on Finance, the only other debate I have space to comment on, was very different from what I expected. The Central Board of

Finance was asking for a considerable increase in funds from the dioceses almost wholly for the training of men for the ministry. We need over a million pounds a year for this item on the budget alone. Amendments were tabled cutting down expenditure on every item to limit the rise in demand from the dioceses to five per cent. It was the sort of call we have heard in our own Diocesan Synod. But the Synod would have none of it. Men for the ministry are urgently needed; men are responding to the call for ordination; their training must not be skimmed; the money must and will be raised. The full budget request was unswervingly endorsed.

This financial debate has a lot to say to this diocese. It was a debate that focussed on the Christian's obligation to tithe his income, so that one tenth is given away to good causes. The Church of England is the least generous church in the world; no other church has a similar record of niggardliness on the part of its members. At a time when wages are increasing in line with the increasing cost of living, the giving of church members to their church is not keeping pace. As the Nottingham Evangelical Anglican Congress said in its report "we believe that God has given to our church all the money that it needs — but that too much of it is still firmly in the pockets of its members". The result is that the Church of England has lagged behind in its payment of its clergy and put the central and diocesan administration of the Church under great strain, expecting the work still to be done with fewer people and less resources.

If we believe in the work we are doing, we shall never say that we can't raise the money. I have heard too much talk recently "that the limit has been reached on what can be demanded of the parishes." Please remember that the money provided by the parishes in Quota is almost entirely ploughed back into the parishes in maintaining the ministry. Failure to meet our budget requirements will mean that the sufferers will be the parochial clergy who will not have their stipends met or their working expenses. And when all is done, we are aiming not at the top level of agreed stipend but something well down the scale. I am sure that no one will agree to such a state of affairs. We must raise the money to do the job and it is well within our capacity to do so.

I therefore make these suggestions: Every parish to accept the realities of the situation whereby we are going to have to increase quota each year by a substantial amount if we are to keep pace with inflation. Every parish to search its own conscience and its own pockets to ensure that it meets its obligations. Every parish to consider increasing its contribution to the diocese beyond its quota requirement, recognising that it is a voluntary contribution for the extension of Christ's Kingdom in this country. Each of us to consider prayerfully the Christian obligation to tithe his income, so that some responsible portion of that tenth is given to the work of the Church as the charity that is most clearly our responsibility.

The opportunities before the Church are immense. There is a lot of faith and hope around. Let us give practical effect to this by our giving.

+ DENIS SOUTHWELL

Catholic Renewal in the C. of E.

'The Church must return to its roots and recover the wholeness of its faith so that it can present to the world of today a true life in the Spirit which is both Catholic and Evangelical.'

THIS is an extract from the letter signed by Dr. Eric Kemp, Bishop of Chichester, on behalf of a group of bishops, clergy and laity widely representative of the catholic movement in the Church of England and addressed now to those who cherish that tradition and desire its renewal.

Accompanying the letter is a statement entitled 'A Basis for Catholic Renewal'. This is a wholly positive declaration of the Trinitarian basis for the Church's doctrine, spirituality and action. It seeks to recall catholics in the Church of England from partiality to wholeness; from preoccupation with subordinate matters and negative thinking towards the primary concerns of their fathers in the faith i.e. to see the great doctrines of creation, incarnation, redemption and of the Church expressed in a spirituality for the people of God living in this world. The 'lex credendi' is to be seen not primarily as a subject for creeds and confessions, but rather for the liturgy and spirituality — the 'lex orandi'. Equally, Christian action in the realms of social concern or evangelistic outreach is primarily to be done in order that God may be glorified. Again the 'lex orandi' is the primary task of the Church and its regulative principle. The call to confess Christ today is seen first in confessing Him to the Father in the power of the Spirit before the world; that is, in liturgy and life seen as a unity.

As catholic churchmen look at their Church of England (and their numerous membership of it), they see distortions of its historic place within Christendom and its mission to the nation presented as its official policy. They accept considerable blame for lethargy and lack of vision, and now set about a renewal of spirituality aimed at deepening and integrating the contributions made by the catholic movement to the life of the Church of England in doctrine, liturgy and mission, convinced that renewal in truth begins in God.

The practical foci of Catholic Renewal over the next 18 months will be disciplined prayer, penitence and thinking, leading to the Loughborough conference in Easter Week 1978 and a series of regional day-meetings in the autumn of that year. The Church of England cannot fail to gain from this long-awaited initiative. The initial response from bishops, clergy and laity is both massive and expectant.—

Peter Boulton, Vicar of Worksop and member of the Planning Committee for Catholic Renewal in the Church of England.)

News of the Clergy

Canon Harold Arthur Kirton, Rector of St. Wilfrid, Wilford, Nottingham, is to resign from the benefice on his retirement in the autumn.

The Rev. David Alan Roberts, Assistant Curate at St. Giles, West Bridgford, has been appointed Vicar of Awsworth with Cossall. He will be instituted by the Bishop of Southwell on Thursday, September 29 at 7.30 p.m.

Canon Michael J. Jackson, Rural Dean of Nottingham, attended a conference at the World Council of Churches centre near Geneva last month on the theme "Confessing Christ in Different Cultures".

SOUTHWELL MINISTER EVENTS

The Minster Choir is on holiday during August.

Evensong at 3.15 p.m. on Sundays will be sung by: August 7, St. Mark's Singers; August 14, Nottingham Hospitals choir; August 21, Peterborough Consort; and on August 28, Lafford Consort. On Monday, August 29, there will be an organ recital by Nicolas Kynaston, 7.30 p.m. On Wednesday, August 31, Nottingham String Orchestra (Members of the Nottingham Youth Orchestra and the Orchestra of the Nottingham Schools of Music) 7.30 p.m. Admission 40p.

Around the Diocese

Flower Festival at Newark Parish Church, opens at 5 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 1, & open all day Friday, Saturday & Sunday. Refreshments; concerts on Friday, & Saturday evening & Sunday afternoon. Town Medieval Market on Thursday evening; Sunday services: 9.30 a.m., Sung Eucharist; preacher, Mr Peter Blatherwick; 6 p.m., Festal Evensong, preacher, the Rural Dean of Newark. In aid of the Refreshment of St. Mary Magdalene.

An Evangelical Urban Training Project. On six consecutive Thursdays, Sept. 15 to Oct. 20 at 7.30 p.m. there will be a workshop for ministers and laity at St. Andrew's Church House, Chestnut Grove, Nottingham. led by the Rev. Neville Black, of Liverpool, to help Christians understand the way urban communities tick and to help churches develop plans for mission. Cost £2. Further details from the Rev. John Burgess, St. Andrew's Vicarage, Chestnut Grove, Nottingham (Tel: 604961).

Change of Address. The address of the Bishop's Adviser in Social Work, the Rev. Ron Lacey, is now St. Catharine's Vicarage, St. Ann's Well Road, Nottingham NG3 1EJ. Tel. 52497.

Sister Peggy Smith, Church Army parish worker at St. Helen's, Stapleford, is leaving in September for the Chichester Diocese where she will work as a missionary in the Worthing deanery, specialising in family worship and children's work.

DIOCESAN HEADQUARTERS

As from Monday, 22nd August, the new address for the Southwell Diocesan Offices will be:

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The Village Hall Committee hope the Village will support them in three events organised for September and October.

On Friday, 23rd September, at 8.00 p.m. a Musical Evening will take place in the Hall. This is an excellent opportunity for an enjoyable musical evening and supporting local artistes. Tickets 50p. from - Andrew James, 67 Main Street.

On Sunday, 2nd. October, there will be a sponsored walk round the Village footpaths. You can start any time between 9.00 a.m. and 11.00 a.m. from the Hall and finish at The Reindeer. Sponsor forms will be available at the Village Post Office.

On Saturday, 29th. October, the Committee is organising a Hallowe'en Thrash in the Hall starting at 8.00 p.m. Further details of this will appear in the September issue but a note should be made now in engagement diaries.

The Village Hall kitchen will be refurbished at the end of August and early September. If any one has a good condition second-hand electric cooker they would like to dispose of please contact - Andrew James at East Bridgford 512.

EAST BRIDGFORD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

A journey to Nottingham to visit the CASTLE GATE TEXTILE and COSTUME MUSEUM was enjoyed by members as their July meeting. The visit was followed by supper at Gunthorpe on the return journey.

In June members had been to Brackenhurst College of Agriculture to an Evening Demonstration of Cold Sweets using fruit.

Arrangements were made for 'It's a Knock-out' on the Reindeer Inn Field on 3rd. September. The Institute's visit to Denham College, one of the special events to celebrate their Diamond Jubilee was discussed and plans made for the day there in August.

The speaker at the next meeting on 13th. September will be Mrs. D. Orridge and the title of her talk 'Pigs should be pear-shaped'.

The competition of the evening - a bottle of white wine.

It's a Knockout - Reindeer Inn Field - 3rd. September.

Come along and have an entertaining afternoon on Saturday, 3rd. September at 2.30 p.m. and cheer the teams in the 'It's a Knockout games'.

Also sideshows, Refreshments and Ice Cream.

WHAT CAN I JOIN?

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- Fridays 12.30

Royal British Legion - Mr. Blagg, 16 Closes Side Lane.

and

R.B.L. Women's Section - Mrs. Jay. Tel: 338 21 Main Street.

Parade for Feast and Remembrance Sundays.
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- Family Eucharist.
6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer and Sermon

Weekdays

Holy Eucharist on most days.
See notice in Church Porch for details.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

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except on the first Sunday in each
month when they attend the Family
Eucharist at 9.00 a.m.

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My Dear Friends,

There is a legend which relates how our Lord, when he returned to Heaven after His Ascension, was met by the Archangel Gabriel, who asked what plans he had left behind for the continuation of the work which He had begun. To which our Lord replied, 'I have left behind me 12 men'. Asked by Gabriel what would happen if they failed, Jesus said, 'I have no other plans'.

Considering that of these twelve, one betrayed Him, one denied Him, and the rest forsook Him and fled, it is really surprising that you and I find ourselves Christians to-day!

Yet as Christians, it is that same work which our Lord instituted to which we are called in our day, and our Lord's dependence on us is no less than it was on those first disciples long ago. It is salutary to remember this, both in an age which makes us wonder sometimes whether anything of value is any longer worth fighting for, and also when the significance of the individual is so often lost in pandering to masses.

It is appropriate too for us to remember while we are without a Rector. So often people think of the Church in terms of the Priest in the parish, but while he obviously has his role to play, and that a very important one, nevertheless the Church is in fact the whole body of Christians in that place, and each individual layman is just as significant and just as vital in God's purposes as the Christian next to him. And never more so than during an interregnum,

for if we fail now, God has no other plans!

God bless you all,

Your sincere friend and Rural Dean,

Gerald H. Pearce.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

May 15 Gregory James, son of Raymond
Frederick and Christine Kirkland.
August 14 Victoria Elizabeth, daughter of
Anthony Charles and Elizabeth
Rachel Hawkins.

Holy Matrimony

May 14 Richard Lawrence Underwood and
Sally Virginia Susan June Hanson.
July 16 Graham Arthur Porter and
Judy Zoe Ruth Morris.
July 30 (at Kneeton) Philip Dewick and
Sarah Ellen Layard Hunt.

Funerals

May 12 Douglas Marriott, aged 46 years.
July 7 John Roy Fletcher, aged 70 years.
July 20 Nelly Guy, aged 78 years.

A NEW RECTOR?

We promised to keep you informed of developments. Well, at the Bishop of Southwell's request the Churchwardens together with Mr. Neale, the patron of Kneeton, have met the possible successor to Bishop Markham as our Rector. The appointment must still be considered only a possibility, or more reasonably a probability, for while the wardens and Mr. Neale are of one accord and have notified the Bishop and Magdalen College of their very ready acceptance of the nominee, the appointment requires ratification by the Bishop and by a committee of the College.

The nominee and his wife will want to feel happy about the projected move and are no doubt considering it now. With the Bishop away on holiday and Magdalen in vacation it may be a month or two before the appointment is confirmed. Until then of course it would be improper to release further details but we will let you know more at the earliest possible moment.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL, MEETING 26th JULY

Interregnum

Mr. Stobbs expressed appreciation of the great help we were receiving from the Rural Dean, which, with the aid of our two Readers, was ensuring regular services during the Interregnum.

Infant Baptism

The Diocesan Synod had asked parishes to give their opinions on the right of clergy to decline to baptise infants where they considered the parents would not realise or accept responsibility for the true significance of the ceremony.

After a careful debate the Council voted unanimously against the right of clergy to exercise this discrimination.

News Sheet

To ensure that everyone in the parish should be informed of Christmas activities and to bring the News Sheet to the notice of people who are not aware of it, it was agreed that the December number should be delivered to every household in the village. Only subscribers will receive the Diocesan insert.

CHURCH FLOWERS

We have been asked to call attention to the Rota posted in the Church porch on which people willing to be responsible for arranging the church flowers on one or more Sundays during the rest of this year are invited to enter their names.

There may be some people who would like to help in this way but are not in a position to provide flowers. If so, will they please get in touch with Mrs. Brooks, 34 Cross Lane, Tel: 412, who may be able to arrange sources of supply?

Mrs. Brooks would also like to hear from anyone willing to provide flowers for others to arrange.

It is sometimes necessary to buy flowers to supplement those from village gardens. Contributions for this purpose may be placed in a box provided in the church and marked for this purpose, or sent to Mrs. Brooks.

HARVEST AND FLOWER FESTIVAL

The Harvest Festival of St. Peter's, East Bridgford, falls on the first Sunday in October.

This year we plan to celebrate it with a Festival of Flowers and Harvest on Saturday and Sunday 1st and 2nd October. We intend this to be the parish's biggest effort since the historical exhibition which was mounted in May 1972 and coincided with Bishop Markham's arrival in East Bridgford.

The main feature will be a display of flowers and fruits of harvest in the church on both days. In addition there will be a small exhibition of farm and garden implements and similar objects of interest used in bygone days; and in the churchyard a tent containing a produce stall and refreshments organised by the Mothers' Union. The festival is being organised by a small team headed by Mr. Fred Hunt, who hope that everyone reading this notice will help in one way or another to make it a success. Here are some ways of doing so:

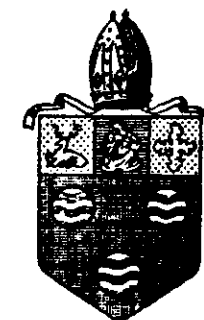
offers of help, flowers, fruits of harvest and loan of vases to Miss Barbara Mallett, 30 Croft Rise;
gifts for the produce stall to Mrs. Brooks, 34 Cross Lane or Mrs. Hunt, 22 Kneeton Road;
old implements and appropriate pictures and documents to Mr. & Mrs. Michael and Patty Clarke, 31 College Street. Tel: 682.

The exhibition in 1972 marked the end of an interregnum and the start of five happy and successful years with Bishop Markham. Let us hope that this festival will be a way to welcome and show our support for our new Rector.

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The Bishop's Letter

Time to Grow in Faith

THIS month sees the start of our winter's work. I hope that each parish has already made careful plans for this. My aim in appointing Norman Todd as Adviser on Training was to provide parishes with someone who could help them engage in a useful programme of Laity Training. The main burden of this training must fall on the parishes.



The Rev. John A. Banks, Rector of Wollaton, who has been appointed Rural Dean of Beeston.

It would be wrong for the Diocese to organise it because at any one time each parish is at a different stage in its development and has different needs to be met. In such a situation, Diocesan directives can be most inconvenient and distracting. What the Diocese can and must do is to provide ideas, resources and support for those who request it and inspiration and encouragement for those who do not.

Christian nurture is the process of growing in the knowledge and service of God. For many people Christian instruction ends with their Confirmation. Thereafter they live on what they glean from the Television, Radio or the Press and from the occasional sermon in church. This is wholly insufficient. The general public is already abysmally ignorant of the most basic Christian beliefs and there is less and less Christian knowledge in them on which the Christian teacher or preacher can build. Each parish should be providing opportunities for people of different ages to grow in their understanding of what the Church teaches through formal study and

to grow in their devotion to God through the worship they take part in. The result should be Christians who are constantly renewing their convictions, becoming more mature in outlook and commending the faith more convincingly by their example and conversation.

The clergy themselves are equally in need of nurture. Those who are required to instruct others must never stop learning themselves. This is a very demanding business when the instruction to be given is not just one of facts but one of interpretation and inspiration as well. When inspiration fails, we generally relapse into dogmatism. I would like to make three suggestions about the study of the Christian faith.

Firstly, we must not mind if and when there is radical questioning of Christian beliefs or Christian standards. If what Christians believe is true, it will not be able to be overturned; if it is untrue, it ought to be. We shall always have people disturbing our faith, whether they be friendly theological professors from within the Church or hostile anarchists from without. It was perhaps to be expected that the book "The Myth of God Incarnate", edited by John Hick, should be denounced before it was read. If we were men of faith, we would read such books to discover at what points our beliefs were capable of standing up to the test of credibility; and our faith would be purified and strengthened as a result.

Secondly, Christian doctrine is best learned by experience rather than by precept. Instead of learning the Creed and then trying to apply it to life, we should look at what is happening to us day by day and ask ourselves what those events are teaching us about God and about the traditional ideas of him expressed in the Creeds. The friend who gives up his job or his home in order to rescue some desperate domestic situation from disaster is teaching us a lot about the Incarnation. The father who goes to the prison to meet and forgive the murderer of his child is teaching us a lot about the Crucifixion. Our faith must not be one just of ideas but one of convictions based on the appreciation of real situations.

Thirdly, our beliefs must be informed by those who have come to like convictions but from different presuppositions and cultures. Our faith has come down to us with the strong flavour of European history and tradition upon it. We are now having to face the fact that Christians from Africa, South America and Asia are believing in the same Christ and expressing their faith without the assertions built in to those beliefs by our European civilization. This Third World theology is going to be increasingly important in the years ahead. Our friends from overseas can, in a different way from the radical theologians of our own country, help us to question the inadequacies of our beliefs and to sort out what are cultural accretions from what is authentic Christianity.

How fortunate we are that the world at large will not let us get to heaven without due effort! Let us grow in faith this winter.

Yours sincerely,

+ Denis Southwell

Canon Michael J. Jackson writes about:

Confessing Christ in Different Cultures

THE colloquium at the Ecumenical Institute of the World Council of Churches at Bossey in Switzerland last July brought almost 100 people from 36 countries; half were from Asia and Africa.

The full sessions were devoted to papers on confessing Christ in different countries — Korea, Indonesia, India, South Africa, Egypt, East and West Germany and the United States. In addition, a panel was formed to put forward the situation in Madagascar, Argentina and Armenia. At the beginning, Dr. Philip Potter, General Secretary of the World Council of Churches and himself a Jamaican, gave a very thorough world prospectus and Professor John Mbiti, director of the Ecumenical Institute, set out the main issues to be discussed. The group work was based on Acts chapter 2, the account of Pentecost with Peter's speech to the assembled Jews and with the picture of the early church in Jerusalem. Each group also pursued a particular issue, such as obstacles to confessing Christ, confessing Christ in relation to other religions, in worship and in the Christian community. My group dealt with the difficult question of moving from the contextual to the universal confession of Christ. We confess Christ in different settings and through different cultures; is it the same Christ? What are the universal elements?

Three main emphases emerged in the consultation. The first is the shift in balance in World Christianity from north to south. We tend to think of Christianity as European and Mediterranean, but if the north is taken to be Europe, including USSR and Middle East, and North America and the south to be the rest of Asia, Africa and South America, the balance in numbers is moving towards the south. In ten years time, 1987, the numbers of Christians in the north and south should be about the same. By the end of the century the balance will have tilted towards the south.

The second emphasis is on the political level. Many Christians in the south live under hostile or repressive governments — not that the north is immune from them as the paper from East Germany made clear. Some of the participants had difficulties in getting passports; others who were invited were not allowed to come. Confessing Christ is no matter here of intellectual debate but of martyrdom in its fullest sense. It is a matter of death and life. For many Christians in the south confessing Christ must have a political dimension.

The third emphasis is that many Christians in the south live in context shaped by other religions. Christians are often a minority and a comparatively new one. Christianity has 80 years behind it in Korea, less than 500 in Kenya. The ancient religions of Hinduism, Buddhism and Islam show many signs of revival and militancy. Christians have to live courteously and in harmony with their fellow citizens of other religions. They have to confess Jesus whom God has made Lord and Christ as Lord of all and yet not to ignore the work God does through other religions. Confessing Christ is demanding, often dangerous, and yet full of the rewards promised to those who are faithful.

SOUTHWELL MINSTER EVENTS

Sept., 2, Choir resumes singing; 4, 11 a.m. Preacher, Canon Sheeran; 8, 2.30 p.m. County Elderly People's Service—Preacher, Vicar of Newark; 10, C.E.M.S. Quiet Morning; 11, 11 a.m. Sung Eucharist, 8 p.m. Music in the Crossing with Patrick Burnham and John and Jean Braga; 14, 7.30 p.m. Organ Recital—Michael Smith; 17, 3.30 p.m. Derby Diocesan Jubilee Service—Preacher, Bishop of Southwell; 18, 11 a.m. Preacher, Canon Stevens; 24, 3 p.m. PNEU Service—Preacher, Rev. J. Treadgold; 25, Harvest Thanksgiving, 3 p.m. Guides and Rangers Jubilee Service — Preacher, Bishop of Sherwood.

The Battle of Britain will be commemorated on Sunday, 18 September.

The Rev. Arthur Clarke, Curate at Wollaton, explains

The Nuclear Option

WE have been confidently assured for years that oil will continue to flow for another two decades at least. Now we are suddenly told, it will barely last for one. So there doesn't seem much point in buying a car which will last for more than ten years. No doubt the usual system of conserving stocks by raising the price will come into operation. Natural gas likewise will barely last to the end of the century.

How our children will keep warm and be transported is a question which does not appear to worry anyone very much. We have become so used to the scientists producing one rabbit after another out of the hat that we are confident of their ability to go on doing so, only even more so. The latest 'rabbit' is nuclear fusion, which will eventually provide cheap energy for the whole world without the need for coal mining or oil drilling and other such dirty risky, operations.

The prospect for the developing nation appears to be dazzling. It has been proposed to build 'fast breeder' nuclear reactors over the whole globe, culminating by the year 2000 in the opening of the equivalent of two new enormous power stations every day of the year. Every nation will then be in a position to become 'developed'.

It all sounds as if we are to enjoy the blessings of the Messianic kingdom without the inconvenience of the moral demands of the Messiah. Unfortunately there are one or two difficulties which must be resolved before we can look forward to such a condition. The first and major difficulty is the disposal of the waste products left behind when the process is complete and the power obtained. The waste products are highly dangerous and some of them likely to remain so for 250,000 years. Radiocative particles are discharged which, if you are unlucky enough to be hit by one, can cause cancer, mutations and even affect your great-grandchildren.

The Risks

A second difficulty lies in the disposal of the reactors themselves when they have come to the end of their working life, which is about 30 years. They are highly radioactive and cannot be dismantled. The proliferation of nuclear power stations on a world-wide scale multiplies the risks enormously. It only takes 10lbs of plutonium (a product of nuclear fission) to make an atomic bomb. The amount of plutonium likely to be shipped around if nuclear powerstations proliferate will be enormous. In which case it would seem that terrorist groups would not have too much difficulty in securing enough to produce a nuclear device, which they could then use as a lever to get their views accepted.

The obvious question which everyone is, or should be, asking is, 'Do we want such hazardous solutions?' The answer to the question is related to another question, put recently by the Archbishop of Canterbury, 'What sort of society do we want?' Nuclear reactors appear to be absolutely essential if the country is to enjoy an increased standard of living. But even so I would question whether increased prosperity now is worth it when weighed against the possibility of increased cancer and mutations in the years to come.

One of the saddest aspects of the whole enterprise is the apparent lack of concern about posterity.

I would have thought that the very least that any Christian should do, is to throw the full weight of his influence against any proposals to make Britain dependent on nuclear power until such time as radioactive waste can be rendered harmless.

Annual Minster Laity Quiet Day. This has been arranged for Saturday, 5 November, and the conductor will be the Archdeacon of Stow, the Venerable David Scott. Programmes will be sent to every incumbent, and enquiries should be addressed to Canon C. S. Bayes (Tel: Southwell 813188).

Our Visitors from Uganda

Expected in the Diocese in late September for a five week visit are Mr. Zeb Kabaza and the Rev. James Katarikawe. Both these gentlemen are leading members of African Evangelistic Enterprise, which is an outreach arm of the Church of Uganda. Members of this team have gone from the Church of Uganda under the leadership of Bishop Festo Kivengere to visit Churches in various parts of the world.

The aim of their visits has always been to bring Christian challenge and encouragement from Uganda to their fellow Christians in other areas. Both Mr. Katarikawe and Mr. Kabaza are ex-school masters. Mr. Kabaza was once headmaster of one of the largest senior secondary schools in Uganda. For that work he trained at both Makerere University, Kampala, and then at Wheaton College in the United States. Mr. Katarikawe was himself a schools inspector before coming to this country and then on to the United States for training. He was ordained in 1973.

This visit is sponsored by the Board of Mission and Unity and parishes wanting to arrange a meeting with the visitors should contact Canon A. M. Brown of St. John's Vicarage, Carlton Road, Worksop. The full programme for the visit is now being arranged and it is hoped that every deanery will have an opportunity to meet and hear these guests.

Southwell Minster Appeal now totals £158,700 towards the target of £365,000. Latest contribution was £26 which was raised by the junior members of the choir of St. Leodegarius, Basford as a result of their sponsored clean-up of the churchyard. The money was handed over to the fund by the choirmaster, Mr. R. E. Carlisle.

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The Rev. Gordon Derek Mills, Vicar of Farnsfield, has also been appointed Priest-in-Charge of Kirklington with Hockerton.

The Rev. William Gordon Calthrop-Owen, Rector of Bilsthorpe and Eakring, has also been appointed Priest-in-Charge of Winkburn and Maplebeck.

The Rev. Jeffrey Wallace Jarvis, Assistant Curate at Cherry Hinton, Cambridge, Diocese of Ely, has been appointed Assistant Curate at St. Mary the Virgin, Nottingham.

The Rev. Stephen Arthur Lowe, Assistant Curate at St. Mark, Mansfield is leaving this month to take up a post as priest on the staff of the independent Province of Papua, New Guinea.

The Rev. David Alan Roberts, Assistant Curate at St. Giles, West Bridgford, will be instituted as Vicar of Awsworth with Cossall by the Bishop of Southwell on Thursday, September 29 at 7.30 p.m.

The Rev. Edwin Mitchell, Assistant Curate at St. John the Evangelist, Worksop, is leaving this month to take up his appointment as senior curate at Waltham Abbey, Essex, in the Diocese of Chelmsford.

The Rev. Edwin Alan Crofton, Assistant Curate at St. John's, Newland, Hull, has been appointed Assistant Curate at St. John the Evangelist, Worksop.

OBITUARY

The Rev. Frederick George Ralph, formerly Vicar of St. Christopher, Sneinton, (1936-47) and Vicar of Old Radford (1947-61) at Freshwater, Isle of Wight, on July 14, aged 73.

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Around the Diocese

Lost all in Fire. The Rev. J. C. Roberts who recently left Newark Parish Church to train as an R.A.F. Chaplain lost all his possessions including his recent wedding presents, 3,000 theological books, and personal heirlooms & furniture, when the warehouse in Newark, owned by Clarkes, was recently destroyed by fire. Any priests who have theological books they can spare are invited to come to his aid.

Mothers' Union events for September are 19, Southwell Deanery Festival, Hoveringham, 3 p.m.; 27, Tuxford Deanery Festival, Tuxford, 3 p.m.

Bunny Parish Fete — School Grounds Sat. 10 September. Open 2.30 p.m. by Mrs. J. Earnshaw, headteacher. Sideshows, teas. Proceeds for Church Funds.

A Harvest of Fashion. On Friday, 14 October at 8 p.m. in Worksop Priory. Mrs. Betty Davies of Campus, Nottingham, is to stage a Harvest of Fashion at Worksop Priory during the week of their Harvest Festival, in aid of two charities. Tickets at £1.50 each may be obtained from Bishop's Manor, Southwell and the Gatehouse, The Priory, Worksop. s.a.e. please. Supper tickets are available £1.50.

"Ye Ghellinge Haerfest" — To be held at Gedling Parish Church. Saturday, 24 September from 10 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. and Sunday 25 September from 11.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. A Harvest Flower Festival will be held in the Church and a Harvest of Talents and Exhibition in the Memorial Hall (opposite the Church).

Morning coffee; ploughman's lunch and hot soup; and cream teas will be served in the hall on both days. Parties catered for. Inquiries to 249190 or 247530.

St. Peter's Church, Widmerpool, will be having a Flower Festival and exhibition of local Arts and Crafts on September 23-25. The Church will be open from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The Harvest Festival Service will be on Sunday at 10.45 a.m., preacher — the Archdeacon of Newark. Coffee in morning, teas in afternoon. Coach parties should phone Plumtree 2965.

CEMS Quiet Morning in Southwell Minster on Saturday, 10 September, from 10 a.m. — 12 noon will be conducted by the Rev. Colin Hodgetts. The theme "More Wealth Please: sanctification of Man's work in industry and commerce".

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| 2 West Bridgford S. Luke (Frank Worwood, Canon; Jack Hilliard) | 14 Edwalton (Ernest Sheeran, Canon) |
| 3 West Bridgford S. Paul (Frank Worwood, Canon; David Roberts) | 15 Ossington (Billie James) |
| 4 Arnold (Roy Williams; Lance Clark) | 16 Littleborough (John Ford) |
| 5 Mansfield S. Lawrence (Bill Gull) | 17 Linby w. Papplewick (Leonard Barker) |
| 6 Cromwell (William Snow, Canon) | 18 Norton Cuckney (George Marshall) |
| 7 Bestwood Park (Church) (David Williams, Canon) | 19 Colwick (Christopher Gale) |
| 8 S. Mary, Nottingham (Michael Jackson, Canon; John Pennington; Ronald Lacey; Jeffrey Jarvis) | 20 Boughton (Roy Akerman) |
| 9 Brinsley (William Porter) | 21 Bestwood (James Neale) |
| 10 Bulwell S. John (Michael Hall) | 22 Ollerton S. Giles (Roy Akerman) |
| 11 Bulwell S. Mary (Walter Beasley; Alan Caldwell) | 23 Hawksworth (Geoffrey Blackmore) |
| 12 Eastwood (Derek Goodman; Peter Hulett) | 24 S. Peter Old Radford (Vacant) |
| | 25 Welbeck College |
| | 26 S.S.M. |
| | 27 Ordinands |
| | 28 Morley Retreat House |
| | 29 The Bishop |
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READERS AND READINGS

September 11th - Fourteenth after Trinity

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| 9.00 (O.T.) | Isaiah 54.1-8 | Mr.T.Ashton |
| (Ep.) | Ephesians 5.21-6.4 | Dr.G.Brooks |
| 6.30 (O.T.) | Proverbs 31. | |
| | 10-end | Mr.H.Russell |
| (N.T.) | Matthew 6.19-end | Mr.R.Hunt |

September 18th - Fifteenth after Trinity

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| 9.00 (O.T.) | Isaiah 45.1-7 | Miss H.Slack |
| (Ep.) | Romans 13.1-7 | Mr.K.Finch |
| 6.30 (O.T.) | Job 1. | Mr.J.Guy |
| (N.T.) | Matthew 7.1-14 | Mr.A.Curtis |

September 25th - Sixteenth after Trinity

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| 9.00 (O.T.) | Jeremiah 7.1-7 | Mrs.J.Cornell |
| (Ep.) | James 1.22-27 | Mrs.V.Backhouse |
| 6.00 | Methodist Harvest Festival | |

October 2nd - Seventeenth after Trinity - Harvest Festival

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| 9.00 (O.T.) | Deuteronomy 26. | |
| | 1-11 | Miss E. Church |
| (Ep.) | 2 Corinthians 8 | |
| | 1-9 | Mr.G.Clayfield |
| 6.30 (O.T.) | Job 4.1 & 5. | |
| | 6-end | Capt.A.Jay |
| (N.T.) | Matthew 11.2-19 | Mrs.J.Goddard |

October 9th - Eighteenth after Trinity

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| 9.00 (O.T.) | Genesis 28.10-22 | Mr.R.Hunt |
| (Ep.) | Hebrews 11.1-3, 7-16 | Mr.P.Slack |
| 6.30 (O.T.) | Job 19, 1-27a | Mr.G.Stobbs |
| (N.T.) | Matthew 11.20-end. | Dr.G.Brooks |

1st SHELFORD AND EAST BRIDGFORD SCOUT GROUP

The Group has been in existence now for several years, serving not only its parent villages but also Lowdham, Gunthorpe and others. It is a thriving group, with a Cub Pack and Scout Troop and effective support from parents and friends. There are as many boys in the group as there have ever been and their enthusiasm for scouting is greater than ever. The present strength is over fifty.

The Cub Pack has an adequate number of leaders, but in the Scout Troop we are faced with a leadership problem.

For some time Philip Currier has carried out the duties of Scout Leader even though as an Assistant Commissioner he has little time to spare and has not been able to attend every troop meeting. Indeed, the Troop has only been able to continue in regular activity because of the help given by three Venture Scouts. In October two of these young men expect to leave home for University and it will be very difficult to continue regular troop meetings unless some additional help be found. We urgently need someone who can give the week-by-week continuity at troop meetings. Scouting experience would obviously be an advantage but it is not essential. What is essential is enthusiasm and an understanding of what the Scout Movement aims to achieve, the training of boys to take a constructive place in society.

Anybody who is able to help is invited to contact Philip Currier (Radcliffe-on-Trent 3915) or Alan Roffey (East Bridgford 325).

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

It's a Knock-Out. 3rd September

Bring the family to watch the fun on Saturday, 3rd September on the Reindeer Inn Field (by kind permission of Mr. and Mrs. K. Adlington) at 2.30 pm. Admission - Adults 10p. Children 5p.

Senior and Junior teams competing from East Bridgford and local villages. Stalls, side-shows, refreshments, ice-cream etc. Ruddington Scout and Guide band.

September Meeting

All members are asked to come at 7.00 p.m. on Tuesday, 13th September when a group photograph will be taken for the Diamond Jubilee.

The speaker that evening is to be Mrs. D. Orridge and her subject 'Pigs should be pear-shaped'. The competition will be - A Bottle of White Wine. New members are most welcome to come and join. This is the first meeting after the summer recess.

VILLAGE FOOTPATH WALK

On Sunday, 2nd October, starting between 9 am and 11 am the Village Hall Committee have arranged a sponsored walk round the village footpaths. The walk starts at the Village Hall and finishes at the Reindeer Inn.

Sponsorship forms are available at the Post Office and at the Newsagents. This will be an enjoyable and energetic way of supporting the hall improvements and keeping the footpaths open. Do please come.

BRIDGFORD'S HISTORIC HOUSES

4. The Old Rectory and The Hill

Anthony Trollope's novels suggest that in his day some of the clergy, like some other people, suffered from illusions of grandeur. Happenings in East Bridgford lend some support to this theory. From 1783 to 1827 the Rector of East Bridgford was the Rev. Peter Broughton of Shropshire, 'a man of good fortune with a pretty estate at Lowdham'. Mr. Broughton neither lived nor worked in East Bridgford, where he employed a succession of curates to look after the parish. The last of these, from 1792 to 1827, was the Rev. Peter Beaumont, 'a man of kindly and dignified deportment who worked diligently in the parish'.

Previous Rectors and Curates-in-charge had lived in The Parsonage, the house next to the Church, now called The Old Rectory. In the 17th and early 18th centuries this house consisted of the older wing now at the back of the present house, but in 1744 Peter Priaulx, who was Mr. Broughton's predecessor as rector, had enlarged it by building on the present front wing. Peter Beaumont however, seems to have decided that he needed something bigger. So he bought the adjoining land and built himself a house which he called Bridgford Hill and in which he lived during his Curacy and retirement until his death in 1832. Meanwhile the Parsonage became a girls' school. In 1832 Peter Broughton was succeeded by a resident Rector, the Rev. Richard Hutchings, who took over the Parsonage again and added the verandah and bow windows. The house continued as the Rectory until 1947. The Rev. DuBoulay Hill who wrote the history of the village and restored the church, lived in it from 1898 till 1927. His successor was the Rev. Rupert King and the

house figures prominently in one of the novels written by his daughter, Ruth Adam. It became a private house when the present Rectory was built in 1947.

We can be grateful now to Peter Beaumont for The Hill. Standing at the top of its green slope and backed by great trees it forms with the Old Rectory and the Church a group which enhances both the attractive approach to East Bridgford and also the fine view of the village from across the Trent.

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6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer and Sermon

Weekdays

See notice in Church Porch for details.

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NEWS SHEET

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My dear friends,

Just to be grateful is a humbling and ennobling experience.

It is humbling in the sense that it implies that we are indebted to someone else for a blessing received.

It is ennobling in that it is a positive recognition of that indebtedness and openly acknowledges it.

The one leper out of ten who were healed, who came back to Jesus to say 'Thank you', humbled himself by doing so, but at the same time found deeper enrichment as the result of Jesus' commendation 'Thy faith has made thee whole'.

And part of what lies in a parent's urging a child to say 'Thank you' is not only for politeness sake (important though that is), but also that as we are taught to acknowledge kindness, so we shall receive a deeper blessing. The two go together; the ennoblement does not come without the prior humility. All it asks is that we say 'Thank You'.

This is really what Harvest Festivals are all about, for it is not inappropriate that another name for them is 'Harvest Thanksgiving'. For a moment at any rate we pause and think of the material blessings given to us through the natural order of life created by God, and offer to Him our gratitude for them.

Our besetting sin is that so often we take these blessings for granted. We treat the world as though it is of our making; we waste its resources and pollute its atmosphere, and as for owing to any indebtedness things for the natural order, modern man never gives it a thought.

And part of the malaise in which we find ourselves in society to-day may well be due to the complete lack of perspective with which we view the natural creation, and our pride in thinking that we control it.

The humility of thanking God for it restores the perspective and reveals our position as stewards of His bounty. Once this happens enrichment and ennoblement inevitably follow.

All it asks is that we say 'Thank you'.

Dare we?

God bless you all,

Your sincere friend and Rural Dean,

Gerald N. Pearce.

HOUSE GROUP

In New Testament times, confusion over the word 'Church' as the Body of Christ and the building in which we worship would not have arisen as it does to-day. Although public worship in buildings set apart occurred regularly, the practice of Christians worshipping God, breaking bread and discussing the Good News was the natural order of events during the week. Nowadays we have lost this vitality and spontaneity.

One way of meeting with our Saviour, and each other, during the week is in a House Group. There is a House Group in the village, not actually run by the 'church' though largely composed of members St. Peter's and the Methodist Church. The group was formed in 1972 and has meetings every fifteenth day so that people who have commitments on a certain day of the week are not excluded.

Meetings are quite informal. There are prayers and discussions and coffee rounds off the evenings.

Anybody is most welcome to come to any or all of the meetings which will be held at 8 pm on:

Thursday	13th October	} Venues to be notified on notice board in Church porch.
Friday	28th October	
Monday	14th November	
Tuesday	29th November	
Wednesday	14th December	

Further information from Mr. J. S. Moore,
7, Cherryholt Close Tel: 200

KNEETON HARVEST FESTIVAL

Kneeton Church invite us to their Harvest Festival Service at 6 pm on Sunday, 16th October. There will be no evensong at East Bridgford that evening. Cars will be available outside the church until 5.45 pm for those who require transport to Kneeton and back.

MOTHERS' UNION

The next meeting will be held in Church at 2.30 pm on Wednesday, 19th. Mrs. Reid will talk on 'Church Furnishings', which will include vestments, kneelers, etc. This meeting is open to everyone interested and there will be tea and biscuits in Church afterwards.

SIDESMEN'S ROTA - 1977/78

<u>Sunday of Month</u>	<u>9.00 am</u>	<u>6.30 pm</u>
1st & 5th	Mr. Hand	Mr. Hand
2nd	Dr. Macdonald Smith	Mr. Curtis
3rd	Mr. Payne	Capt Jay
4th	Dr. Brooks	Mr. Blandy

LESSONS AND READERS - OCTOBER/NOVEMBER

October 16th - Nineteenth after Trinity

9.00 (O.T.) Jeremiah Dr.K.Macdonald-Smith
29.1,4-14
(Ep.) Philippians 3. 7-21 Mr. J. Guy
6.30 (O.T.) Job 28 Mr. R. Hunt
(N.T.) Matthew 12.22-45 Mr. G. Stobbs

October 23rd - Twentieth after Trinity

9.00 (O.T.) Genesis 2.46-9, 15-25 Mr. A. Curtis
(Ep.) Revelation 4.1-11 Miss C. Price
6.30 (O.T.) Job 38 and 42.1-6 Mr. J. Guy
(N.T.) Matthew 13. 44-end Miss S.Wheeler

October 30th - Twenty-first after Trinity

9.00 (O.T.) Genesis 4.1-10 Capt. A. Jay
(Ep.) 1 John 3, 9-18 Mr. J. Ruff
6.30 (O.T.) Jeremiah 5.20-end Mr. P. Blandy
(N.T.) Matthew 14.13-33 Miss S.Nichols

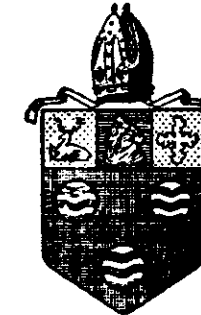
November 6th - Twenty-second after Trinity

9.00 (O.T.) Genesis 22.1-18 Mr. T. Ashton
(Ep.) James 2. 14-24 Miss S.Wheeler
6.30 (O.T.) Jeremiah 10.1-16 Mr. H. Russell
(N.T.) Matthew 16.13-end Miss E. Church

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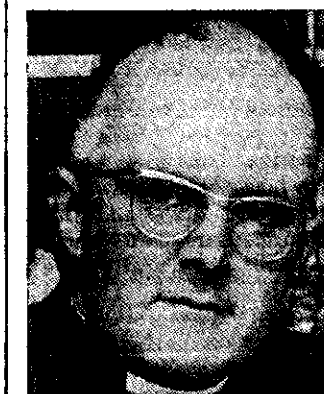


The Bishop's Letter

Improve Racial Relationships

THE Carribean Carnival at Notting Hill and the marches and counter-marches that have been taking place in London and elsewhere have highlighted the need to improve relationships between the different racial groups that compose our society, the need to create mutual trust between the police and the public, and the need to help young people who at present

are deprived of worthwhile employment and constructive leisure. There is no doubt that the industrial recession of the last two years has left young people in particular, of all races, extremely disillusioned. There is every excuse for their feeling that our society has let them down.



Canon Peter Boulton of Worksop, who is one of the trustees of a new Anglican news weekly 'Christian World', to be launched shortly.

What is needed now is a patient appraisal of the present state of affairs and the discovery, through mutual consultation, of steps that can be taken to set us back on the right road. Our society is already a multiracial society; we must discover how best this can develop in peace and harmony.

We are already trying to discover how to resolve our long standing racial differences with the Scots, the Welsh and the Irish. All need the chance to enjoy their racial heritage and use it for the enrichment of our common life. Regionalisation is regarded by some as helpful in this regard. Already the Scots have the tradition of a different educational system and a different legal system from the English. Many Englishmen I suspect are totally unaware of this. But what happens when people of other nationalities, cultures and religions become domiciled

amongst us? Are we to allow Muslims to live by Muslim Law when it conflicts with our own? Which distinctive ways of life are tolerable and which are not in a pluralist society? Is a multiracial society a maelstrom of conflicting ideologies or does everyone have to toe a common line? These are no easy questions, nor are there any quick solutions, nor does the answer lie in either extreme. But have we any machinery for engaging in a useful debate out of which acceptable solutions can be reached?

A great deal of misunderstanding surrounds the word "integration". For many people it means other people accepting our ways if they want to live with us; something few Englishmen have ever done in a foreign land!

Integration must surely mean helping new comers to be themselves and find themselves welcomed and accepted into society on a level with ourselves. Naturally they must accept the laws which govern us and they will do so as long as we ensure that our laws don't discriminate against them and so long as we are ready to examine our laws in the light of the new circumstances their coming creates.

Our tradition in this country is based on nearly two thousand years of Christian civilisation; our attitude towards such things as authority, freedom, work, marriage, education, morality, have been decided against the background of Christianity as understood at the time. Christian insights have developed down the centuries like everything else. We have long had Jews living among us but not till recently have we had significant numbers of Muslims or Hindus or Buddhists. Nor until the present century has atheism had any significant following. The peace of a society rests on its ability to have an acceptable way of coping with the views of minorities without destroying their sense of moral commitment to a common way of life.

What is the task of the Churches at this time? May I make some suggestions? Let us try to understand the problems of those whose cultures differ from ours. Let us try to instigate discussion of these common problems. Let us try particularly to help solve the frustrations of the young. Let us work through political representatives and through our Trades Unions and other community organisations to eliminate discrimination, and to prevent extremists using disadvantaged people for their own political ends.

Let us look to our relationships with other Churches, particularly those composed of coloured immigrant people so that we may discover them as brothers in Christ, rather than odd or exclusive. Let us each look to our own attitudes to see whether we aren't expecting other people to make all the sacrifices necessary to establish a peaceful and constructive future. Let us listen to others instead of always insisting that they listen to us.

Yours' sincerely,

+ *Denis Southwell*

Minster Appeal Fortnight

THE Southwell Minster Appeal Fortnight starts on Sunday October 16, with Handel's Messiah, sung by Southwell Choral Society and played by Southwell Chamber Orchestra at 7.30 p.m. Other events will be: Wed. Oct. 19, Band Concert by Nottinghamshire Constabulary Military Band. 7.30 p.m.; Thurs. Oct. 20, Minster Choir and Organ Recital with Kenneth Beard. 7.30 p.m.; Tues. Oct. 25, Flower Arranging Demonstration, 2.30 - 3.30 p.m.; Wed. Oct. 26, Fashion Show by "Four Seasons" of Southwell Minster School, Church Street, Southwell 7.30 p.m.; Fri. Oct. 28, Concert by Cantamus II with Pamela Cook 7.30 p.m. For most events a small charge will be made.

Other engagements at the Minster include:—

Oct. 2, 10.45 a.m. Ordination; 5, 3.50 p.m. Evensong (Broadcast on BBC Radio 4); 9, 11 a.m. Sung Eucharist; 6.30 p.m. W.I. Diamond Jubilee Service, Preacher: The Bishop of Nottingham; 23, 3.15 p.m. Evensong Sung by Repton School; 30, 11.15 a.m. Army Cadet Force Service; 3.15 p.m. Evensong sung by the Choir of St. Giles, West Bridgford. The Cathedral Choir is on holiday from the 21st and resumes singing on the 31st. (5.45 p.m.).

Around the Diocese

The Rt. Rev. Frank West (Archdeacon of Newark 1947-1962) has been asked by the Cathedral Chapter to write a memoir of Bishop Barry for publication. He would be very glad to receive anecdotes and impressions of "F.R.B.'s" reign in this diocese. His address is: 11 Caske Street, Aldbourne, Marlborough, Wilts.

The Church House Library, now at Dunham House, Southwell is temporarily out of use until shelving is erected. Books already on loan may be returned to Dunham House, but nothing may be borrowed until further notice.—C.S.B.

Mothers' Union events in October are:— 6, South Bingham Deanery Festival, Edwalton, 2.45 p.m.; 13, 'Side by Side', arranged by Overseas and Social Problems Department at St. Anne with Emmanuel, Nottingham, 10.15 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. Coffee mornings for Minster Appeal: Sat. Oct. 15, Dunham House, Westgate, Southwell, 10 till noon; Fri. Oct. 21, St. Peter's Vestry, Nottingham. 10 till noon. Bring and Buy stall at both places.

"Going for God?" C.M.S. Meeting Point on Friday Oct. 28 at 7.30 p.m. at St. Nicholas Church, Maid Marian Way, Nottm. Subject: Recruitment for overseas service-speaker: The Rev. J. Aldis, C.M.S. Recruitment Adviser.

Age Concern, Nottingham and Nottinghamshire, are holding their Annual Church Service in St. Nicholas' Church, Maid Marian Way, on Friday, October 14, at 10.30 a.m. Dr. David Huggett will give the address.

Holy Land 1978. 15 days from May 27, inclusive cost £327. Details from the Rev. F. G. Green, The Rectory, Warsop, Mansfield. Phone Warsop 3290.

Flower Festival at St. Stephen's, Bobbers Mill Road, Nottingham. Sat, Oct. 8. Church open 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Refreshments. Also Sun. Oct. 9.

Vietnam Week. The organisers of the appeal for the British Hospital for Vietnam have arranged a Vietnam Week October 23 to 29 and ask for the prayers and financial support of the Church in reaching their target of £100,000.

Festival of Praise. On Oct. 26 at St. Margaret's, Aspley at 7.30 p.m. Speaker Rev. David MacInnes, Precentor of Birmingham Cathedral and Religious Adviser to the Independent Broadcasting Authority.

Leprosy Mission annual meeting, Albert Hall Institute, Nottingham, on Sat. Oct. 29 at 3.15 p.m. Speaker - Rev. R. E. Snowsell.

Anglican Association. Next meeting Stoke Hall, Tues. Oct. 18. Speaker will be Fr. H. W. Langford, Rector of Winthorpe.

UGANDAN'S VISIT POSTPONED

The projected visit to the Southwell Diocese by two Ugandan Christians has been called off. Canon Albert M. Brown, Bishop's Adviser for Overseas Relations, has received a cable from Mr. Zeb Kabaza stating "We regret visit postponed indefinitely".

St. Michaelmas Ordinations

At Southwell Minster on Sunday, October 2, the Bishop of Southwell will ordain the following:-

Deacon: Anthony Michael Luckcuck, B.A., Wycliffe Hall, Oxford, and Lincoln Theological College, licensed to St. Edmund, King and Martyr, Mansfield Woodhouse.

Priests: William Thomas Carlisle, licensed to St. John's Carrington; Ivan Harewood, licensed to St. Mary's, Radcliffe-on-Trent; Sidney Frederick Rising, licensed to St. Giles, West Bridgford; George Edward Sinfield, licensed to St. Mary's, Radcliffe-on-Trent.

News of the Clergy

The Rev. Lionel Ernest George Boniface, Priest-in-Charge of St. Augustine, Mansfield, has been appointed Vicar of Oughtibridge, Yorkshire.

The Rev. Peter Stephen Lindeck, on general license in the Diocese of Liverpool, has been appointed Assistant Priest at Ollerton and Boughton.

The Rev. Christopher Gale, Priest-in-Charge of St. John the Baptist, Colwick, Nottingham, is to be Vicar of St. Peter's, Radford, Nottingham.

The Rev. Graham Edward Holloway, Priest-in-Charge of Hawton, Cotham and Shelton, has been appointed by the Bishop as Countryside Adviser.

The Rev. Kenneth James Gratton, Rector of Nuthall, will be instituted Rector of St. Wilfrid's, Wilford, on Fri. Nov. 18 at 7.30 p.m.

Obituary

The Rt. Rev. George William Clarkson, former Vicar and Rural Dean of Newark (1948-54) and honorary Canon of Southwell (1952-54), died in Skegness on August 15, aged 80.

THE DIOCESE REMEMBERS IN OCTOBER

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| 1 Bramcote (Roy Williamson; John Richardson) | 14 Screveton (Allan Chappell) |
| 2 Gunthorpe (Ben Hopkinson) | 15 Kirkby S. Wilford (Richard Birt) |
| 3 Lambley (Christopher Hubbard) | 16 Cinderhill (Richard Hammer) |
| 4 Clifton (Wilf Wilkinson; David Nash; Allan Wakefield; Tony Roake) | 17 Hickling (Leslie Harwood) |
| 5 Hoveringham (Bernard Hill, Canon & Rural Dean) | 18 Kinoulton (Leslie Harwood) |
| 6 N. Wilford (Michael Jackson, Canon & Rural Dean; John Pennington) | 19 Langold (Neil Timberlake) |
| 7 Stoke Bardolph (Cecil Watson, Canon & Rural Dean) | 20 Up. Broughton (Norman Chadwick) |
| 8 Halloughton (Bernard Hill, Canon & Rural Dean) | 21 All Saints, Nottm. (John Perkins) |
| 9 Morton (Bernard Hill, Canon & Rural Dean) | 22 Kelham (Albert Brown) |
| 10 S. Paulinus, Ollerton (Roy Akerman; Peter Lindeck) | 23 Averham (Albert Brown) |
| 11 Aspley (John Finney) | 24 Scarrington (Geoffrey Blackmore) |
| 12 Wilford (Ken Gratton, incumbent - designate) | 25 Whatton-in-the-Vale (Geoffrey Blackmore) |
| 13 Old Basford (Leslie Cowley) | 26 Mapperley, S. Jude (Ian Russell) |
| | 27 Elton (John Milner) |
| | 28 Rainworth (John Fern) |
| | 29 Cropwell Bishop (John Milner; Gerald Mann C.A.) |
| | 30 Thurgaton (Bernard Hill, Canon & Rural Dean) |
| | 31 Hyson Green, S. Stephen (William Beckett) |

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER

From the Village Diary in the Post Office

October

- 1st - Horticultural Society Harvest Supper in Village Hall
- 2nd - Sponsored Footpaths Walk for Village Hall
- 6th - Parish Council Meeting
- 14th - Women's Institute Jubilee Dinner
- 15th - Coffee Morning at 'Manyana', Cherryholt Lane for Portland Training College
- 28th - Royal British Legion Dinner
- 29th - Hallowe'en Hop in and in aid of Village Hall

November

- 4th - Parish Council Meeting
- 5th-12th Poppy Week
- 13th - Remembrance Sunday
- 18th - Women's Institute Square Dance

ST. PETER'S SCHOOL - FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, 12th Oct. 2.45pm - Harvest Festival

Wednesday, 19th Oct. 7.45pm - 'The Village Trail' A slide and tape evening. A panel of local residents will answer questions about our village. If you want to know more about where you live come along and join us. Tickets 30p (including coffee) available from the school.

Friday, 4th Nov. 8 pm - A return visit of the Nottingham Playhouse Roundabout Company. Come and enjoy an hour of zany good humour, quick gags, a little pathos and a happy ending. Tickets 30p available from the school.

Friday, 25th November 7.15pm - Autumn Fayre

THE VILLAGE HALL IMPROVEMENT SCHEME

WHAT'S BEING DONE, WHAT IT COSTS AND WHERE THE MONEY IS COMING FROM!

Improvements to the hall have been going on for over a year and should be well on the way to completion by Christmas. About £8,400 will have been spent of which three quarters will have come from the Parish, District and County Councils. The rest is raised by the Hall Committee. These are the improvements.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Completion Date</u>
1. <u>Removal of fixed Stage, new Flooring and Rostra Staging Blocks</u>	£800	September, 1976

Created more space for dances, more flexible use for drama and concerts, and space for Badminton.

2. <u>New Lighting and Power, and Emergency Lighting</u>	£1,000	September, 1976
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Provided more variety in lighting, cleared overhead space for Badminton. Improved fire escape facilities by emergency lighting.

3. <u>Lining and Insulation of Hall Walls, Insulation of Roof, Painting Hall</u>	£1,750	September, 1976
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Improved interior appearance, cut fuel bills, made Hall warm and comfortable in winter

4. <u>Curtains for Hall (Fireproof)</u>	£250	December, 1976
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Improved appearance and added to insulation of Hall.

5. <u>Kitchen Improvement</u>	£1,200	September, 1977
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Provides for cooking meals for up to 120, with service through hatch to Hall. New cupboards, worktops, cookers and floor covering.

6. <u>New Storage Building</u>	£2,800	November, 1977
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Provides ample storage for tables, trestle, stage blocks etc., but built big enough to convert later into clubroom.

7. <u>Outside Works</u>	£600	New Year
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Surfacing of the ground at the rear of the Hall and general improvement of the space around it.

Total £8,400

The Hall Committee must raise about £650 this year to meet our share of the cost. Our money raising ventures this autumn are:

- 23 September - "The Fall of the Leaf" - A concert for Autumn.
- 2 October - Sponsored Footpaths Walk.
- 29 October - Hallowe'en Hop.
- 3 December - Christmas Fayre.

We do hope that we may have continuing support from everyone for the remainder of these efforts.

REMEMBRANCE AND THE POPPY APPEAL

Remembrance Sunday falls this year on 13th November. The Legion will parade, and hopes that the Guides, Scouts, Brownies, Cubs and any other village organisations which wish to do so will join them outside the church at 10.50 a.m. in readiness for the wreath-laying at the memorial and two minutes' silence and for the Remembrance Service in the church afterwards.

Poppy Week will be from Monday 7th to Saturday 12th November, which is Poppy Day.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

September Meeting

A most amusing talk was given by Mrs. D. Orridge of Bestwood entitled 'Pigs should be Pear-shaped'. Everyone enjoyed the way Mrs. Orridge described her experiences of pig-keeping.

Mrs. S. Johnson reported on the five days' course which she had attended at Denman College.

The competition for a bottle of white wine was won by Mrs. J. Allwood.

It's a Knockout

East Bridgford won the junior and senior events in this competition held on the Reindeer Field. The afternoon proved a popular success and £45 proceeds went to the Institute's Diamond Jubilee Fund. A special 'Thankyou' is due to everyone who helped for this marvellous result.

Jubilee Dinner

The Institute's Diamond Jubilee dinner will be held in the Village Hall Friday 14th October.

Next Meeting

On Tuesday, 11th October there will be a Fashion Show by Victoria of East Bridgford.

WHAT CAN I JOIN?

1. CHURCH GROUPS appeared in July and
2. SOCIAL, EDUCATIONAL & CHARITABLE in August.
3. SPORT & SOCIAL CLUBS are listed this month with a brief note of their activities and of the people to whom to apply for information or membership.

Badminton Club

Play in Village Hall on Tuesday & Thursday evenings. Mrs. James, 67 Main Street, Tel: 512.

Bowls Club

Green off Butt Close. Play every summer evening and at week-ends; home and away matches and competitions. Mr. Lodder, 57 Main Street, Tel: 231.

Cricket Club

Home ground Butt Close. Two teams on Saturday, one on Sunday, also evening and Boys' team matches. Mr. Willis, 53 Main Street.

Football Club

Home ground Butt Close. Two teams on Saturday. Mr. Church, 63 Main Street, Tel: 334.

King Edward Club

Club house behind Village Hall. Snooker and indoor games. Cup competitions. Mr. Hand, 93 Main Street.

Social & Sports Club

Butt Close Pavilion. Manages pavilion with licensed bar and indoor games and events. Mr. Crampton, 3 Magdalen Drive, Tel: 683.

Tennis Club

Two courts between Rectory and Mill Gate. Open for play daily in summer. Mrs. Nichols, 3 Moss Close, Tel: 471.

4. YOUTH GROUPS & 5. MUSIC, ART & DRAMA to follow.

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SERVICES

Sundays: 9.00 a.m. Parish Eucharist
(with Hymns and Short Address)
On first Sunday in each month
- Family Eucharist.
6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer and Sermon

Weekdays See notice in Church Porch for details.

SUNDAY SCHOOL meet at 10.30 a.m. each Sunday
except on the first Sunday in each
month when they attend the Family
Eucharist at 9.00 a.m.

NEWS SHEET November 1977

Church and Village News

Price 7p.

The Vicarage, Radcliffe-On-Trent.

My dear Friends,

You will be delighted, as I am, to know of the appointment of the Rev. John Wilkins as your new Rector. We shall look forward to welcoming him and his wife and family to our midst in the not too distant future. They can be assured how warmly welcome they will be, and in the meantime we assure them too of our love and prayers surrounding them as they prepare to move here with us.

November, dark and gloomy as the month often is, brings round in the calendar to a reminder of those who lived and died for standards which called for considerable self sacrifice and self-effacement. In the Church's calendar, November 1st is All Saints' Day, and in the national calendar November 13th this year is Remembrance Day. On both these days we recall those who counted not their own lives dear to themselves, and the very fact that they are given an honoured place in our observance speaks of the significance to us of the ideals for which they strove.

The Saints were no different from ourselves. They came from homes and backgrounds similar to our own; they faced the same problems, temptations, doubts and worries which beset us. Wherein they did differ from us was their supreme faith in God. They took Him at His word; they trusted their lives to Him; they sought to obey His commands and in so doing they found eternal life. True, it cost a lot, sometimes their very lives, but then so does anything that is worth having. If we think there is an easier path to fulness of life by way of self-indulgence and self-satisfaction, then we still have a lot to learn.

And those we recall on Remembrance Day may not have called themselves saints, but what at

least they did have was the willingness to go out when the need arose to serve their country, even though that service might demand their lives. And that self-sacrifice and self-effacement is all part of that fulness of life which we see perfected in Jesus. Right it is to remember them.

But both the Saints and those who sacrificed so much in war set a standard of judgement upon our way of life to-day, and though we may bemoan the lowered standards by which we think others live, let it be much more personal than that and be the measure by which we judge how we ourselves are living.

In so far as we fall short, the remedy lies in our own hands, and in God's.

God bless you all,

Your sincere friend and Rural Dean,

Gerald Pearce.

OUR NEW RECTOR

As well as being our Rector, Mr. Wilkins will be serving as part time Anglican Chaplain to Nottingham Prison. He has discussed this dual appointment fully with our Parochial Church Council, who have unanimously and gladly accepted any additional work or responsibility which it may entail for them and are wholehearted in their welcome to him.

REMEMBRANCE

Two Minutes Silence. Some Thoughts and Memories.
11th November 1919, 11.00 A.M.

The shaft along the machine-shop wall slowing and stopping; the belts driving the lathes flapping to a standstill; twenty fifteen-year-olds and their instructors standing to attention beside their lathes; no sound; no movements but the gentle swinging of the lathe-control chains. Outside, all over Britain trains and traffic stopping for two minutes; silence over all the land, and a great thankfulness that the horror was over and, surely, could never be allowed to happen again. But within a few years we were too busy to stop the trains and traffic for two minutes in the year, too busy perhaps to remember.

Remembrance Sunday 1947. 11.00 A.M.

The War Memorial at Corsham in Wiltshire; Lieutenant Philip Mountbatten making his first public speech, just after his engagement to Princess Elizabeth;

"It's not good enough just to want peace. If we want it we must work and pray for it, all of us all the time."

Remembrance Sunday 1976. 11.00 A.M.

Late autumn sunshine; the calling of the familiar names, Urban Blagg - - - Eric Huskinson; the crisp notes of the 'Alert' from the Sea Cadet bugler; silence; the Guides, Scouts, Cubs and Brownies so still and grave in their smart little uniforms. What do they make of it all? Will it happen again in their time? Perhaps not - if we remember.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY - 13th November

The Remembrance Service will start at the Memorial at 10.55 A.M. The Royal British Legion with the Women's Section and the Scouts, Guides, Cubs and Brownies will assemble outside the church at 10.50.

After the calling of the roll and the two minutes silence the Last Post and Reveille will be sounded by a Sea Cadet Bugler and wreaths will be laid by the Legion and the Royal Air Force. The church service which follows will be taken by Dr. David Rake. The standards will be presented at the altar and the lesson will be read by Dr. Geoffrey Brooks, President of the Legion. There will be, as always at this service, a collection for the Poppy Appeal.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

Holy Baptism

3rd September - Benjamin James, son of Geoffrey Charles and Elizabeth Griselda Reid.

25th September - Philip Andrew, son of Brian and Jacqueline Helen Hailes.

Funerals

23rd September - Edith Marshall, aged 86 years.

26th September - Edith Elizabeth Dickens, aged 40 years.

29th September - Agnes Beatrice Ellis, aged 82 years.

LESSONS AND READERS - NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

November 13th - Twenty-third after Trinity - Remembrance Sunday

9.00 (O.T.)	Micah 4.1-5	Mr. K. Finch
(Ep.)	1 Cor. 15.50-end.	Mr. P. Blandy
10.55	Matthew 5.1-12	Dr. G. Brooks
6.30 (O.T.)	Jeremiah 11.1-14	Mr. J. Guy
(N.T.)	Matthew 18.1-20	Mr. A. Curtis

November 20th - Sunday next before Advent

9.00 (O.T.)	Isaiah 10.20-23	Mrs. V. Backhouse
(Ep.)	Romans 9.19-29	Mr. G. Clayfield
6.30 (O.T.)	Malachi 3.1-6 & 4	Mr. R. Hunt
(N.T.)	Hebrews 11.17-12.2	Mr. G. Stobbs

November 27th - First in Advent

9.00 (O.T.)	Isaiah 51.4-11	Mr. J. Ruff
(Ep.)	Romans 13.8-end	Mr. P. Slack
6.30 (O.T.)	Isaiah 2.10-end	Capt. A. Jay
(N.T.)	John 3.1-21	Miss S. Wheeler

December 4th - Second in Advent

9.00 (O.T.)	Isaiah 64.1-5	Miss E. Church
(Ep.)	2 Timothy 3.14-4.5	Mr. A. Curtis
6.30 (O.T.)	Isaiah 11.10-12 end	Mr. P. Blandy
(N.T.)	Luke 1.1-25	Dr. G. Brooks

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The Bishop's Letter

Archdeacon will be Greatly Missed

AT the end of this month of October, Michael Brown resigns his Archdeaconry of Nottingham and ends a ministry in this county which began in 1960 on his appointment to the most ancient Archdeaconry in the country by Bishop Barry. For 17 years he has served us well and I cannot let the opportunity pass without putting this firmly into the records.

He has brought to the difficult job of Archdeacon some remarkable gifts, all of which have enhanced our diocesan life. First of these has been his outstanding interest in and knowledge of the Fine Arts. He is a connoisseur of silver and paintings and this artistic streak in him made him an expert Chairman of our Diocesan Advisory Committee whose task it is to maintain high standards in the care of our churches and their furnishings. The Church of England is heir to superb treasures, which are part of our national heritage in the parish churches of our land. We can spoil or destroy this heritage very easily through neglect, sentimentality or sheer bad taste. Michael Brown has used this expertise of his not only in the county but nationally. He has been a valued member of the Pastoral Committee of the Church Commissioners travelling the country on their behalf to help solve difficult problems about buildings or pastoral schemes. This has meant that he has not had so much time for us in the diocese but no diocese has the right to deny a man's gifts to the wider church.



*The Rev. Stephen J. Oliver,
Priest-in-Charge of Christ Church
Newark, who has been appointed as
Religious Broadcasting Assistant
to BBC Radio Nottingham.*

Added to this is his remarkable financial brain. This again is recognised at the Church Commissioners who are no mean judges of financial ability! This diocese ought to recognise the advantage it has reaped from the timely advice and swift action he has offered as the result of which our assets are in considerably better shape than they would otherwise have been. At a time when we are facing the harsh winds of economic stringency, I want to say thank you to him for easing our burdens by this application of his financial skill.

GREATEST GIFT

Good taste and financial skill don't always win friends, particularly when we have to face up to the fact that our sentimentality is making us hang on to property that is economically wasteful or in fact ugly. Nowhere does this sentimentality linger longest than in the question of vicarages. Some of our old vicarages were fine houses which have rightly passed into wealthy ownership and this has meant their preservation. Other equally large but wholly unmanageable and ugly houses have become loved by use or by being part of the "church complex". If the clergy were to survive financially and their wives and families survive physically, these overlarge houses had to go. It is a tribute to Michael Brown's work that we are further ahead than most dioceses in the replacement of our vicarages with modern houses. Of course it is sad that the clergy can no longer "live like the gentry" but the clergy themselves and their wives are grateful indeed for the houses they are now required to live in.

Perhaps Michael Brown's greatest gift was his sympathy. The letters that have been written to me sending donations to his farewell present have been moving to read, and have included many personal presents from individual clergymen in addition to parochial gifts. Many have said how much they will miss Michael Brown's personal ministry to them and their families.

His heart was almost too kind so that he was driven to act instinctively in his efforts to meet an individual's sorrow, anxiety or need, but all of us can forgive a man whose heart was larger than his discretion. We can be cautious to a degree that hurts.

We all wish Michael every happiness in the future. He is retiring to Walmer where he hopes to be able to help out and to continue his work for the Church Commissioners if he is allowed to. Let's hope he is. We shall miss him greatly and we want him to know of our affection. He has been a good friend to me and my wife; for this we shall always be grateful.

Yours sincerely,

+ Denis Southwell

SOUTHWELL MINSTER EVENTS

Nov., 5, 10.30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Quiet Day for the Laity of the Diocese. Conductor-The Archdeacon of Stow; 13, 11 a.m. Sung Eucharist; 25, 7.30 p.m. "As According to Kossoff". David Kossoff at the Minster. Tickets £2.50 and £1.50; 26, 7.30 p.m. Festival of Mystery Plays. Admission 50p.

Minster Appeal is Halfway

On Wednesday, October 12, the Vicar Choral, the Rev. Charles Knowles, who with Mr. John Edmonds raised £1,175 on a sponsored walk of the Pennine Way, handed over a cheque which took the total received by the Southwell Minster Appeal over the half way mark of £182,500. The presentation took place on the Chapter House where the lead roofing is being replaced.

A total of £290,000 needs to be spent on the roofing, fabric and glazing of the Minster during the next seven years. The balance of the target will help provide for the ever increasing cost of maintaining the very high musical standard expected of a Cathedral and achieved at Southwell.

The Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal

The Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal is a unique opportunity to provide in permanent form a fund of goodwill and finance which will be a continuing memorial to the service of our Queen and an opportunity to bring youth into the service of the community as a whole. The money will go towards financing worthwhile projects in which youth can help the community.

Projects already agreed in Nottinghamshire include assistance by youth at holiday homes for the handicapped; help to the aged with shopping; support for youth organisations in deprived areas; adventure courses for the handicapped; and the provision of a holiday barge for both adult and young handicapped persons. At least half of the money raised in the county will be spent on county projects.

The people of Nottinghamshire have given an outstandingly warm and enthusiastic welcome to Her Majesty and it is hoped that this Silver Jubilee Appeal will receive the same generous response. Donations in Nottinghamshire should be made to the Nottinghamshire Appeal Office, The Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal, P.O. Box 99, Forman Street, Nottingham. NG1 4AB, or to any District Council Office in the county.

News of the Clergy

The Rev. John Michael Burgess, Vicar of St. Andrew's, Nottingham, has been appointed Community Relations Adviser to the Bishop of Southwell.

Canon Harold Arthur Kirton has been awarded the title of Canon Emeritus of Southwell Minster on his retirement from the benefice of St. Wilfrid's, Wilford.

The Rev. Gerald Nettleton Pearce, Vicar of Radcliffe-on-Trent and Rural Dean of Bingham, has been appointed an Honorary Canon of Southwell Minster, holding the stall of Norwell Palishall.

The Rev. Christopher Maurice Hubbard, Rector of Holy Trinity, Lambley, and Chaplain of H.M. Borstal, Lowdham Grange, has been appointed Priest-in-Charge of Chilbolton and Wherwell, Diocese of Winchester.

The Rev. Patrick Handley Vaughan, Curate-in-Charge of All Saints, Hovingham and Slingsby, York, began his duties as Principal of the East Midlands Joint Ordination Training Scheme, on October 1. His address is: Department of Adult Education, Temporary Buildings, University Park, Nottingham, (Nottingham 56101, ext 3246).

The Rev. John Warren Gladwin, Director of the Shaftesbury Project, of 8 Oxford St., Nottingham, has been licensed as a public preacher.

OBITUARY

The Rev. Michael Augustine Cooper, Assistant Curate of Gedling with special responsibility for St. George's, Netherfield, on Sunday, October 2, aged 47.

Around the Diocese

The Annual Quiet Day for laity of the diocese will be held on Saturday, 5 November, at 10.30 a.m. - 4 p.m. conductor — the Archdeacon of Stow.

A Quiet Day for the Diocesan Mothers' Union will be conducted by the Rev. Walter S. Beasley, Rector of St. Mary the Virgin and All Souls, Bulwell, on Thursday, November 3 from 10.30 a.m. till 3 p.m. at St. Mark's, Woodthorpe.

Canon & Mrs. H. A. Kirton wish their friends to know that they are now at 8, Tudor Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham. NG2 6EE. (Tel. No. 811689).

Choral Scholarships. There will be a number of vacancies in the Junior Department of the Minster School, Southwell from September, 1978 for boys who will be over 8 and under 11 on September 1, 1978. This department exists especially for boys who wish to become Cathedral Choristers. At 11 they move into the Senior School which is an 11-18 Voluntary Aided C. of E. Comprehensive School. The school has a strong musical tradition, and excellent facilities for instrumental playing. Tuition is free and there are good boarding facilities. Candidates first take preliminary Singing Tests on November 22. Those who reach a sufficiently high standard in these will be recalled the following week on November 29 and given a further musical test and an interview. Additional details may be obtained from the Headmaster, The Minster School, Church Street, Southwell, Notts. to whom application should be sent as soon as possible.

1977 Poppy Appeal. The Royal British Legion is deeply concerned about its financial position as demands for help continue to increase. There is an urgent need for collectors. The biggest share of the Poppy money is spent on ex-service welfare; caring for the aged and sick in country and convalescent homes. Every year the Legion deals with some 17,000 pension cases. This year, merely to keep pace with inflation, the Legion need £3,400,000.

The Diocese Remembers in November

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| 1 Gedling (<i>Cecil Watson, Canon and Rural Dean</i>) | 17 Eakring (<i>Gordon Calthrop-Owen</i>) |
| 2 All Souls, Radford (<i>Robert McCulloch</i>) | 18 Cauntton (<i>William Snow, Canon and Rural Dean</i>) |
| 3 Holbeck (<i>George Marshall</i>) | 19 Farnsfield (<i>Derek Mills</i>) |
| 4 Lady Bay (<i>Peter Bailey</i>) | 20 Walesby (<i>Hywel Evans</i>) |
| 5 Cotgrave (<i>Brian Barrodale</i>) | 21 Holme Pierrepont (<i>Gerald Pearce, Canon and Rural Dean; David Bennett</i>) |
| 6 Wollaton (<i>John Banks, Rural Dean; Arthur Clarke; Douglas Davies</i>) | 22 Girton (<i>Roy Palin</i>) |
| 7 Sherwood (<i>Ian Gatford</i>) | 23 Staunton (<i>Brian Woodhams, Archdeacon</i>) |
| 8 S. Stephen, Sneinton (<i>John Tyson</i>) | 24 Oxtun (<i>Ernest Weil, Canon</i>) |
| 9 S. Christopher, Sneinton (<i>Stanley Carter</i>) | 25 S. Catharine, Nottingham (<i>Michael Jackson, Canon and Rural Dean; Ronald Lacey</i>) |
| 10 Hawton w. Cottam (<i>Graham Holloway</i>) | 26 Rise Park (Church) (<i>David Wilde</i>) |
| 11 Bilborough S. Martin (<i>vacant</i>) | 27 Cossall (<i>David Roberts</i>) |
| 12 Bole w. Saundby (<i>John Ford</i>) | 28 Rolleston (<i>Albert Brown</i>) |
| 13 Wollaton Park (<i>Malcolm Kitchen</i>) | 29 Southwell Holy Trinity (<i>Ian Savile</i>) |
| 14 Kingston on Soar (<i>Donald Williams</i>) | 30 S. Andrew, Nottingham (<i>John Burgess</i>) |
| 15 Bleasby (<i>Bernard Hill, Canon</i>) | |
| 16 Calverton (<i>Thomas Hoyle</i>) | |

Ordinands — Gedling (*Stephen Hobson*), Cotgrave (*Peter Chicken*), Wollaton (*Robert Breckles and Stanley Ward*) and Farnsfield (*David Bignall*).

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

October Monthly Magazine

Members and friends watched a Fashion Show presented by 'Victoria' of East Bridgford. Four members had a busy and enjoyable evening acting as models. Mrs. Gaskell was compere for the show. Mrs. Chapman reported on the Nottinghamshire Federation's Annual Council Meeting.

Jubilee Dinner

To celebrate our Institute's Diamond Jubilee a dinner was held in the Village Hall on Friday 13th October at which members, husbands and friends sat down to a meal cooked and served by the County Catering Committee. Bouquets were presented to Mrs. Atkins (President), Mrs. Chapman (Treasurer) and Mrs. Meylan (Secretary), and an inscribed silver tray and bouquet to Mrs. Blagg to commemorate her 50 years loyal service as caretaker of our hut. This last presentation was made by our newest and youngest member, Miss Delia Curtis. Entertainment by the Newark Operatic Society admirably concluded a most enjoyable evening.

Coming Events

- Nov. 1st - New Members' Evening at 'Maymyo', 1 Springdale Lane at 8.00 P.M.
- Nov. 8th - 7.30 P.M. in Hut - Members' evening. Please bring anything you have made.
- Nov. 18th - Square Dance, Village Hall 8.00 P.M. to Midnight, Tickets £1.00 including supper.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Poppy Appeal

Poppy Week this year is from 5th - 12th November. The Women's Section collectors hope to visit every home in the village early that week. Anyone who is not at home when they call will be able to get a poppy and make their donation in one of the shops from Wednesday, 9th onwards or in the Reindeer or Royal Oak.

The National figure which the Legion needs to raise this year to meet its commitments in the face of inflation is £3½ million, a 20% increase on 1976. For our Branch this means an increase from £443 last year to £520 this time; but since some of last year's total came from sources not now available we shall need a 25% increase in the Poppy and Church collections: For East Bridgford this means about £150 from Poppies and over £40 from the Churches.

Please do your best to help us to get it.

MOTHERS' UNION

At our October meeting we had the great pleasure of welcoming back Mrs. Norma Reid, on a visit from her new home near Bristol. She gave us a most interesting description of our church furnishings and of how they were all the result of work by people in the parish. We all remembered the leading part she had taken in this work.

The next meeting will be at the Sports Pavilion, Butts Field at 2.30 P.M. The speaker will be Mrs. Russell who will give a demonstration of Christmas Floral Arrangements.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER (From the Village Diary in the Post Office)

November

- 1st - Royal British Legion A.G.M., 8.00 P.M. in Village Hall.
- 2nd, &
- 3rd - School Open Evenings 6.30 - 8.00 P.M.
- 4th - School - Nottingham Playhouse Roundabout Company - 8.00 P.M.
- 5th - Scouts - Bonfire and Fireworks in Reindeer Field.
- 5-12th Royal British Legion - Poppy Week.
- 9-11th Drama Group - Production in Village Hall.
- 13th - Remembrance Sunday - Service at Memorial at 10.55 A.M. and afterwards in Church.
- 14th - Women's Institute - Square Dance in Village Hall.
- 25th - School - Autumn Fayre.

December

- 3rd - Village Hall - Fair
- 16th - Royal British Legion - Fur & Feather Bingo 7.30 P.M. in Village Hall to provide pensioners' Christmas parcels.
- 31st - Village Hall - New Year's Eve Dance

VILLAGE HALL During November a new store will be built behind the Village Hall. The ground which remains will be surfaced, probably with gravel. The Village Hall Committee would welcome gifts of shrubs, which you may be thinning from your garden at this time of year, to plant at the back of the hall. Both deciduous and evergreen shrubs would be useful. A planting day will be held early in December, and offers

of shrubs should be made to Andrew James, 67
Main Street, Tel: 512.

BRIDGFORD'S HISTORIC HOUSES

5. East Bridgford Hall

The Hall with its gardens and meadow occupied the whole triangle bounded by Kneeton Road, Lammas Lane and Cherryholt Lane. It was built towards the end of the eighteenth century by Thomas Lammin, a maltster of Newark, who contributed to the building of the first Gunthorpe Bridge in 1810. As a supporter of the Duke of Newcastle he suffered by having his crops and haystacks burnt by loom-breaking mobs in 1815. At his bankruptcy, the 'Hunting Lodge' or 'comfortable residence of a genteel family' was sold to the rather eccentric Lieutenant Peter Brooke, Royal Navy, who retired to East Bridgford after serving with distinction and being twice wounded on the West Indies station during the Napoleonic war. The Hall became a product of the romantic revival and the enthusiasm for Gothic follies. The house and grounds were set up with items taken from local churches and with sham antiquities, in particular with the inscription:

'Drink weary pilgrims, drink and pray,
for the kind soul of Sybil Gray,
who built this cross and well'.

Another memento of this period is a stone head recently unearthed in the grounds and believed to have been taken from the effigy of Sir John Heriz now lying headless in Gonalston Church. Nothing apart from ghosts now remains of the building but our heritage owes much to this eccentric sailor for the giant 150 year old

Beeches, Sycamores, Oaks, Elms and Cedars planted round the estate as his contribution to King George IV's coronation celebrations in 1821.

A tablet in the south aisle of the church records the passing of the Brooks family, Peter's wife Frances outliving her husband. She left the estate to the Dakeyne family and it then passed to the Milwards of Thurgaton Priory, then to Penn Curzon Sherbrooke of Oxton and in 1901 to William Francis Fox, a wealthy lace manufacturer of Chard and Nottingham. He moved from Somerset with his daughters. One of them, Charlotte, married Captain George Cartwright, founder of the local branch of the British Legion. Another, Gertrude Louisa Fox, was the founder and first President of East Bridgford Women's Institute and her photograph still hangs in the W.I. Hut. She was also chairman of the Nottinghamshire Federation of Women's Institutes and inventor of the game of Living Whist which was revived with such success at this year's flower show.

In our day the Hall has disappeared and some twenty houses now stand in its garden and meadow. Their big, well-kept gardens and Peter Brooks's great trees retain much of the character of that end of the village and the lodge off Kneeton Road still bears the initials of Peter and Frances Brooke with the date 1835.

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ST PETER'S CHURCH EAST BRIDGFORD

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

in St. Peter's and Methodist Churches

Sunday 11th 10.30 am Family Gift Service

in Chapel

Sunday 18th 6.30 pm Service of Nine Lessons
and Carols in Church

Christmas Day

In Church Midnight Eucharist

9.00 am Eucharist celebrated by
The Bishop of Southwell

10.30 am Children's Family Service

In Chapel 4.00 pm Short Service of Worship
and Thanksgiving.

The Services on Sundays 11th and 18th and at
10.30 and 4.00 on Christmas Day will be joint
Anglican-Methodist Services. The Methodist
Church invite toys and games for children in
need of help this Christmas to be brought to
their Family Gift Service.

WEEKLY SERVICES

Sundays: 9.00 a.m. Parish Eucharist
(with Hymns and Short Address)
On first Sunday in each month
- Family Eucharist.

6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer and Sermon

Weekdays See notice in Church Porch for details.

SUNDAY SCHOOL meet at 10.30 a.m. each Sunday
except on the first Sunday in each
month when they attend the Family
Eucharist at 9.00 a.m.

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CHRISTMAS COMMUNION

If there are any who are unable to get to church for their Christmas Communion this year through illness or infirmity, The Rural Dean would be delighted to arrange for them to have Communion in their homes, if they would be so kind as to let him know a little beforehand, please. (Telephone - Radcliffe-on-Trent 2203).

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

A Christingle Service will be held at St. Mary's, Radcliffe at 6.30 pm on Sunday 4th Dec. At this service gifts are presented for the work of the Church of England Children's Society. Children present receive an orange surmounted by a candle which is lit during the service, symbolising Jesus as the Light of the world. A warm invitation is extended to East Bridgford parents and children.

LESSONS AND READERS

December 11th, Third Sunday in Advent

9.00 (O.T.) Malachi 3.1-5	Mrs. V. Backhouse
(Ep.) Philippians 4.4-9	Dr.K.Macdonald Smith
6.30 (O.T.) Isaiah 30.8-21	Mr. A. Curtis
(N.T.) Matthew 3	Miss S. Nichols

December 18th, Fourth Sunday in Advent

9.00 (O.T.) Zechariah 2.10-13	Mr. J. Guy
(Ep.) Revelation 21.1-7	Miss S. Wheeler
6.30 Carol Service.	Readers to be notified.

December 25th, Christmas Day

Mid-Nt(O.T.) Isaiah 9.2-7	Mrs. J. Goddard
(Ep.) 1 John 4.7-14	Mr. J. Wheeler
9.00 (O.T.) Micah 5.2-4	Mr. R. Hunt
(Ep.) Titus 2.11-14	Mr. G. Clayfield

January 1st, Sunday after Christmas

9.00 (O.T.) Isaiah 49.7-13	Miss E. Slack
(Ep.) Ephesians 3.1-6	Miss C. Price
6.30 (O.T.) Isaiah 12	Miss E. Church
(N.T.) Philippians 2.1-11	Mr. G. Stobbs

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Revd. John Wilkins

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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

This Christmas edition of the News Sheet brings to every family in the village the Church's greetings and Christmas message. It contains, as do the normal monthly numbers, news and notices of Church and other village activities past and to come. It is the only publication which deals specifically with East Bridgford affairs. The monthly numbers normally include an insert of Southwell Diocese news, which is being distributed separately to subscribers this month.

If you would like to keep in touch with village activities by having the News Sheet delivered to you each month, you are invited to:

leave a note with your name and address (and preferably with the 90 pence annual subscription) with,

Miss Doris Hand, 93 Main Street,
(The next house, but one to Cross Lane)

or

telephone East Bridgford 338

or

put your name and address on the list in the Church porch.

THE RURAL DEAN'S CHRISTMAS LETTER

December once again! The month in which Christmas overshadows all else; choosing presents, wrapping them up, sending them off, writing cards, delivering them, preparing food, and making sure that we have enough for the prolonged holiday from work in which we now indulge for the last week of the year; putting up decorations, going to parties, singing carols, wearing ourselves out in order to be ready in time!

For what?

Someone reminds us that the centre of this celebration is not children, but one child . . and all hearts everywhere are called to worship God in what is revealed in him.

Evelyn Underhill wrote "The Eternal God enters our common life with all the energy of His created love . . . speaking our language and showing us His secret beauty on our own scale."

And the Abbie Graham reflected "As I watch the Christmas candles burn, I see in them a symbol of the great love which dipped a lustrous spirit into human form that the world in its darkness might be illuminated and made beautiful."

The wonder is that this was not confined to just the one occasion at Bethlehem 2,000 years ago, but it is the picture of the eternal activity of God, who would wish to reveal Himself just as much to you and me in 1977 as he did to the world at large those many years ago.

Christmas comes to remind us of that. Joyful season it should be; right we are to celebrate it as fully as we may, but if those very festivities get in the way of letting us see beyond them, then we reject the God they symbolise just as much as those who received Him not when He came in Jesus.

Herein lies the challenge of Christmas, twentieth century style. God confronts us again, and what our own reaction to Him really is will be revealed by the way we live in 1978. This is the hidden judgment which lies in all we face on

December 25th.

Rita Snowden wrote:

"When the Christmas candles are burnt out,
The carols have died away;
The star is set:
All the radiant song-filled night is past;
Thou alone, the Eternal remainest, and
Thou art enough.
Remain in me, more beautiful,
More beloved,
More real than any of the romance
That clusters around Thy birthday."

If that is our response, then I know that this Christmas will truly be happy and blessed, and such I certainly most sincerely, wish you all. The Lord be with you,

Your sincere friend and Rural Dean,

Gerald Pearce.

CANON GERALD PEARCE

It is good to learn that our Rural Dean, who has done so much for us this year has been appointed a Canon of Southwell. His installation to the Canonry takes place at Evensong at Southwell Minster at 5.45 pm on Saturday 10th December and he would be delighted if any of his friends from East Bridgford or Kneeton would like to be present.

INDUCTION OF OUR NEW RECTOR

The Revd. J. S. Wilkins will be inducted on Saturday, 21st January at 3 pm. The Service will be followed by an informal meeting at which tea will be served. All are invited and we hope that many will come to support our new rector and to meet him and his family.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL - 2ND NOVEMBER

The proceeds of the Harvest Flower Festival were £259. Thanks were recorded to all who helped and to Mr. Bullivant for his good work on the churchyard path and rose-garden.

To express our thanks to the Rural Dean and his clergy for their unfailing help and support during the interregnum, £150 is being given to Radcliffe Parish.

VILLAGE HISTORY

From Roman times or even earlier this village and its immediate neighbourhood and the people connected with it have featured in a variety of events which have made national and local history, such as the building of the Roman Road system, Viking raids, founding of an Oxford College and a famous grammar school, the crowning of one sovereign and execution of another, the Civil War and the Napoleonic War as well as both world wars.

Fortunately the story has been recorded and told by a former rector of East Bridgford, the Revd. Arthur DuBoulay Hill. His book "East Bridgford - The Story of a Village" is now out of print, but the Parish Council has a copy which can be borrowed from Mrs. Wines, 1 Crossways Drive, Tel: 489, on payment of a deposit to ensure its safe return.

During 1977 the News Sheet has published a series of short articles on "Bridgford's Historic Houses":

1. The Brunts House, 2. The Manor,
3. The Old Hall.
4. The Old Rectory and The Hill.
5. The Hall,

and the people who owned and lived in them. Copies of a collection of this series will, we hope, be available soon from Miss Hand, 93 Main Street or the editor, Tel: 338, price about 40 pence. Profits, if any, to the Church.

CALENDAR FOR DECEMBER AND JANUARY

From the Village Diary on Show in the Post Office

December

3rd - Village Hall Christmas Fair.

5th - Legion Branch Meeting at Shelford.

16th - 7.30 pm, Legion Fur and Feather Bingo in Village Hall.

31st - New Year's Eve Dance in and in aid of Village Hall.

January

21st - Chapel Jumble Sale

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The November meeting was a 'Members' Evening' at which members gave reminiscences of the 60 years since the East Bridgford Institute was founded. Among the most interesting were those of Miss Irene Mason of Radcliffe-on-Trent whose mother was a founder member and later President. She was thanked by Thomas Makin.

The Choir, with Mrs. Atkins at the piano and her husband conducting, entertained us with songs which they had sung at the county Diamond Jubilation at Newark last month.

A wide variety of members' own handiwork such as knitting, crochet, collages, patchwork, macrame, paintings, cookery, embroidery, jams, and pickles made an excellent display. Also on display was the East Bridgford entry which won the Autumn Group Meeting Rose Bowl at Bingham in October.

The next meeting will be the Members' Christmas Party on 13th December at 7.30 pm, (tickets 70 pence) at which the entertainment will be an original Christmas pantomime written and presented by members.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Annual Dinner

The Legion dinner this year was trebly memorable; for the number present, 82, which was more than for several years past; for a new seating plan devised by the Women's Section, which was a great success; and above all for the award of the Legion's highest honour, the Gold Badge to Dr. Geoffrey Brooks, holder of the George Medal and Military Cross and for 31 years President of our Branch. Colonel Forman-Hardy, County Vice-President, who made the presentation and who is also one of our members echoed the thoughts of all of us when he said that this honour would be welcomed by us all as just recognition of Dr. Brooks' effective leadership for over a quarter of a century of our Legion Branch as well as of many other activities in the village and district.

We Will Remember Them

How many of us at the dinner noticed sadly the absence of a familiar figure in his wheelchair at the end of the table? Cecil Pickford, founder member and for many years chairman of the branch. Was it the first dinner he had ever missed? He died a fortnight later, another of our stalwarts gone but not forgotten, and within a few days was followed by another old member, Alan Lodge. We will remember them.

Fur and Feather Bingo

This event will take place in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm on Friday, 16th December. The purpose, apart from enjoying it, is to pay for Christmas parcels for Legion pensioners. There will be an imposing array of game and other prizes, all free gifts from branch members and supporters.

Poppy Appeal 1977 - Result

1976	<u>East Bridgford Poppies</u>	1977
£		£
94	Women's Section	118
21	Businesses	20
7	Inns	12
34	Churches	43
22	Wreaths	31
25	Gardens and Produce	-
—		—
	<u>Totals</u>	
203	East Bridgford	224
88	RAF Newton	77
157	Rest of District	165
—		—
448		466
—		—

Thank you, from the Legion to all our helpers and contributors.

SUPPORT FOR PORTLAND TRAINING COLLEGE

Mrs. Ashton would like to thank all who supported and assisted at the coffee morning on 15th October. The final result was £120 for the Portland Training College for the Disabled.

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WHAT CAN I JOIN?

4. YOUTH GROUPS.

In previous issues of the News Sheet we have listed:

1. CHURCH GROUPS
2. EDUCATIONAL, CHARITABLE AND SOCIAL BODIES
3. SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUBS

This month we give a summary of the activities of youth groups and the member of each to whom application should be made for membership or further information.

Brownies - 2nd East Bridgford Pack

Meets in East Bridgford School on
Tuesday Evenings, 6 - 7.30 pm.
Mrs. Guy, Lammas House, Kneeton Road,
East Bridgford, Tel: 296.

Cub Scouts - 1st Shelford and East Bridgford Grp.

Meets in Shelford Village Hall on
Tuesday Evenings, 7 - 8.30 pm.
Mrs. Cheetham, Greenfields, Main Road, Shelford,
Tel: Radcliffe-on-Trent 3894.

Guides - 1st East Bridgford Company

Meets in East Bridgford School on
Wednesday Evenings, 7 - 8.30 pm.
Mrs. Cheetham, as above.

Scouts - 1st Shelford and East Bridgford Group

Meets in Shelford Village Hall on
Friday Evenings, 7 - 8.30 pm.
Mr. Currier, 21 Blakeney Road, Radcliffe-on-Trent, Tel: 3915.

East Bridgford Youth Club

Meets in East Bridgford Village Hall on
Monday and Wednesday Evenings, 7 - 10 pm.
Mr. Blatherwick, The Cottage, Trent Lane,
East Bridgford, Tel: 402.

And for the Very Young

Play Group - Ages 2½ to 5.

Meets in W. I. Hut on
Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9.15 - 11.45
and Wednesday from 1.30 to 3.30 pm.
Mrs. Woodcock, 30 Kneeton Road, Tel: 635.

Mothers and Toddlers

Meet in Chapel Hall on Friday, 9.30 - 11.30am
Mrs. Wolff, 24 Cross Lane, Tel: 434.

Baby Sitting Circles

Mrs. Mills, 27 Main Street, Tel: 501
Mrs. Glascoe, 14 Croft Rise,
Tel: Bingham 38945.

5. MUSIC, ART AND DRAMA will follow.

NEWS SHEET 1978

Regrettably, the cost of production of the News Sheet, including the Southwell Diocese News, will rise in 1978 to eight pence a copy and we are therefore, forced to raise the annual subscription from eighty-four to ninety pence. This subscription will cover the cost of the monthly issues, including Southwell News, from January to November and of the December Southwell News insert. The December number of the News Sheet without the Southwell insert will be a free issue to every family in the parish, including subscribers' and the cost of it will be covered by advertisement revenue.

News items and notices for inclusion in the News Sheet should, please, be given or telephoned to the Editor by 20th of each month.