PARISH CHURCH OF ST. JOHN BAPTIST
BERE REGIS,
DORSET

Vicar: THE REV. PAUL TRANTER, B.A.

Churchwardens:
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Mr. F. Marsh, Southbrook.

Mr. J. House, Lower Stockley Farm - Deputy Warden.

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G. Ward, Major J. Hudson, M.A. Bloomfield,
C. Webster, Major M. Knowler, A. Bates.

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Parish Clerk and Verger:
Organist: Miss G. B. Smith, A.T.C.L., Heath View.

SUNDAY SERVICES

Holy Communion ... 8 a.m. except 1st Sunday
2nd Sunday after Matins.
Saints Days ... 9.30 a.m.
Family Communion ... 11 a.m. 1st Sunday
Matins ... 11 a.m. except 1st Sunday.
Evensong ... 6 p.m.
Family Service ... 3 p.m. 2nd Sunday
Sunday School ... 10.30 a.m. except 2nd Sunday
Holy Baptism ... 3.45 p.m. 2nd Sunday

CHURCH AND VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

MOTHERS UNION: 7.30 p.m. Vicarage, 2nd Wednesday.
FLORAL GROUP: 2.30 Drax Hall, 2nd Tuesday.
WOMEN'S INSTITUTE: 7.00 p.m. Drax Hall, 3rd Tuesday.
YOUNG WIVES: 7.30 p.m. Congregational Schoolroom
2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

BELLRINGERS: Practice 7.30 p.m. Wednesdays.
CHOIR PRACTICE: 6.30 p.m. Friday.
BRITISH LEGION CLUB: 7.00 p.m. Thursday, Fri., Sat., Sun.
R.B.L. HDQRS.

R.B.L. WOMEN'S SECTION: 2.30 p.m. third Wednesday at H.Q.

BINGO: 7.45 p.m. Drax Hall, every Monday.
GUIDES: 6.30 p.m. School - Thursday
BROWNIES: 6.15 p.m. School - Wednesday
WOODWORK CLASS: 7.00 p.m. Thurs. White Lovington
YOUTH CLUB: 7.30 Mon. & Fri. Club Hut.
AUTUMN LEAVES: 2.30 p.m. 2nd Wednesday.

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THE VICAR'S LETTER.

My dear Friends,

We had so much pressure on our space last month that in spite of only a few lines from me, the Remembrance Lily list had to be omitted. However it appears this month with my apologies to any who were disappointed.

Again I must be brief if we are to contain all the material for this month.

We send our deep sympathy to the Hawkins family who have suffered the terrible tragedy of the death of Jack in an accident at White Post. He was only 19 and a most likeable lad evidenced by the large number of his young friends who came to the funeral. His Mother (& Grandmother) was in hospital at the time of the accident and we wish her a speedy recovery from her illness. May God bless them and comfort them in all their trouble.

The Garden Party will be well over by the time you read this. We are all praying for rain but not for the 26th!

There is to be a service again this year on Bulbarrow, on Sunday, July 4th. at 6 p.m. when the Bishop is to be the preacher. I have ordered a coach for the occasion and there will be no evensong at Bere Regis on that Sunday.

I know a great many of you look forward to this event with much anticipation, so I hope we shall have a full coach for the Service then on Sunday 18th at 6 p.m. the children of Bere Regis School will be coming to sing at Evensong. Their singing is always delightful and we shall be looking forward to seeing them.

I am glad to say Mr. Stanger will again be doing duty for me on the first three Sundays in August when Mrs. Tranter and myself will be on holiday.

Your sincere friend, & Vicar,

PAUL TRANTER.

LENTEN BOXES: I am most grateful to all those who took Lenten Boxes & contributed so generously.

The total this year was £21.66. I have at the Vicarage a note of the amounts in the boxes with names on them, so if you would like to know how much you collected, please ask me. P.T.W.T.
EASTER LILY LIST - 1976.

Mrs. E.R. Deakin & Mr. & Mrs. John Jesty.

Mrs. Rawbone

Mr. R. Stickleley
Mrs. E. Stickleley
Madge & John Shrimpton
G. H. Griffin
Mrs. E. Brown
Mrs. A. Oliver
P. Sharan
S. E. Burgess
W. Day
M. Miller
Mrs. M. Miller
Mr. & Mrs. M.M. Bloomfield
E. A. Lys
A. Lys
J. & P. McDonald
L. Mahoney
Pauline Howard
M. Carlyle

Mrs. R. N. & G. B. Smith
Mr. & Mrs. M. House

Mark & John Pittfield
Mrs. Mitton & Marilyn
Jacqueline - John - Stephen - Russell
Mary, Tony & Duncan House
Leslie & Hilda & Girls, Barnes.

D. C. Tadman
Mrs. G. Davis
Cara Barne
Anthony Barne
Mrs. R. Ricketts
Mrs. D.E. Parsons
Mrs. S.G. Toop
Mrs. H.J. Toop
Mr. H.J. Toop

Husband, Son, Father & Brother
Mother and Father
Edie and Charlie
Son (Charles)
Husband, Grandson.
Husband.
Husband.
Josephine & William Farthing
Husband, Francis
Husband.
Parents
Father
Our Parents
George and Nora Lys
Pauline Harrington
Paul, David McDonald
H. & D. Drake
Husband and Father
William and Vera Church (Father & Sister).
Parents
Mrs. G. Phillips (Sister) Mr. & Mrs. J. Kelloway (Father & Mother)
Grandad Pittfield, Grandad Wright
Husband, Father.
Father & Grandad Mitton
Father, Grandfather (Ronald Barnes).
Mother & Father (Barnes).
Joyce Tadman. Bridget McCausland
Husband (William) Son (John).
Sister
Mother
Parents, Annie & James Scadden.
Mother & Father (Mabel and Arthur Toop)

EASTER LILY LIST (Cont'd...)

Mrs. Buckingham
Mrs. Smithys
Mrs. M. Toop
Mrs. J. Rowley
Mrs. E. Stickleley
Vicar & Mrs. Tranter
Richard Newton & Mrs. Tranter
Mr. Collison
Mrs. Collison
Mr. Allen
Mrs. Eastment
Mrs. Percy
Mrs. Calles
Mrs. R. Poore
Daniel & Diane Eastment
John Peter & Michael
Bill, Maureen & Pauline Slade
Maureen, Bill & Pauline Slade
Jean, Clifford & Claire Barnes
Mary Cheeseman
Maxwell Tregurtha
Valerie Jean Lee & Michelle Ryde
Sylvia Michael Susan & Russel Chaldicott
Peter & Susan Cheeseman
Monty Barnes
Mrs. M. Barnes
Mrs. G. Barnes
Mrs. W. Legg
G. & E. Norman & Family

Mother & Father (Florence & John Barnes)
Husband
Cecil R. V. Stickleley (Husband)
Adrian Paul Tranter
Rosamund Newton (Wife)
Mother & Father
Mother & Father
Eddie & Ernie (Brothers)
Wife
Mother
Mother
Mother
My husband Roy.
Grandmother
Grandmother
Father & Grandfather (Bartlett)
Father & Grandfather (Cheeseman)
Father & Grandfather
Husband
Wife
Father & Grandfather
Father & Grandfather.
Father
Richard & Jane Barnes (Parents)
Edwin & Florence Ricketts (Parents)
Maurice, Jack & Violet (Brothers & Sisters).
Father
(Parents & Grandparents
(Brothers & Sister, Uncles & Aunt
(Norman Mitchell, Nephew & Cousin
William James Hewitt (Father)
Arthur & Clara Hames (Parents)
Frederick Hewitt (Husband)
William James Hewitt (Father)
Reginald & Lillie Mintern (Parents)
Loving Husband Ron.
Uncle Austin
Mum & Dad
Len
Husband

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS: At the first meeting of the new Parish Council on Wednesday, May 19th, the Chairman and Vice-Chairman will be elected, and their names will be announced in next month’s magazine. Members of the Public are most cordially invited to attend all Parish Council Meetings, and will have the opportunity to voice any opinions, questions or problems during the “democratic half house.” Any matter concerning Local Government can be discussed then, or may be brought at any other time to the District Councillor or to any of the Parish Councillors, and will be dealt with as helpfully as possible.

SANCTUARY FLOWER GUILD

July 4th. Miss E. Lys. Miss A. Lys.
July 11th. Mrs. Tranter. Mrs. K. Woolfries.
July 18th. Mrs. Lys. Mrs. Benjakefield.

A meeting of the Guild was held in the Vicarage on Wednesday, 9th June. The Vicar thanked all members for their help and support of the Guild during the time he has been in Bere Regis. The rota for the next six months can be seen in the Church Porch. New members are always welcome.

C.T.T.

SIDESMEN’S ROTA.

July 4th. 11 a.m. Mr. K. Woolfries & Major M. Knowler.
" 6 p.m. Bulbarrow Service.
" 11th. 11 a.m. Col. A. Barnes & Mr. W. F. Lys.
" 6 p.m. Messrs. A.A. Bloomfield & M. Barnes.
" 18th. 11 a.m. Messrs. K. Mullins & K. Woolfries
" 6 p.m. Messrs. H. Dashwood & G. Ward.
" 25th. 11 a.m. Messrs. J. House & A. Bates.
" 6 p.m. Messrs. K. Barnes & N. A. Bloomfield.
Aug. 1st. 11 a.m. Messrs. K. Woolfries & W. F. Lys.
" 6 p.m. Messrs. F. Parsons & H. Dashwood.

SERVERS ROTA.

July 4th. John Pitfield.
" 10th. David Miller.
Aug. 1st. Christopher Booth.

VILLAGE CALENDAR

" 4th. SUN. Bulbarrow Service. 7.30.
" 5th. Mon. 7.30 Parochial Church Council - Vicarage.
" 14th. Wed. 7.30 p.m. Mothers Union - Vicarage.
" 18th. SUN. 6 p.m. Bere Regis School singing.
" 21st. Wed. 7 p.m. Children’s Society Coffee Evening & Box opening - Vicarage.

22nd. Wed. 2.30 Mothers Union Corporate Communion.
" 30th. Fri. 9 – 9.15 M.U. Wave of Prayer.
" 13th. Fri. Eve of Horticultural Show Party 7.30 p.m.
" 14th. Sat. Horticultural Show - Sports Field.
Sept. 9th. Thur. Guides & Brownies Tupperware party 7.30 p.m. North St.

13th. Mon. Sidesmen's meeting 8 p.m. - Vicarage.
Oct. 1st. Fri. Concert in Church.
" 2nd. Sat. Harvest Supper.
" 3rd. SUN. Harvest Festival.
" 7th. Thur. 2.30 Mothers Union Corporate Communion.
" 7.30 p.m. Guides & Brownies Sponsored ‘Knit-in’ School Hall 7 p.m.
Nov. 20th. Sat. Autumn Leaves 4th Autumn Ball. 7.45 Bovington.
" 4th. Sat. 2.30 Drax Hall Christmas Fair.
" 8th. Wed. 2.30 Sanctuary Guild.

MOTHERS UNION.

The next meeting of the M.U. will be held at the Vicarage on Wed. July 14th, at 7.30. The Speaker will be from the Social Services and the talk will be on Children in Care. This will be the last meeting of the session and we shall not be meeting again until the Autumn. For various reasons there may be some alterations to dates and place of meeting and so I will ask you to keep a particular eye on my notes. In the meantime the M.U. Corporate Communion will be held in the...
Church at 2.30 p.m. on Thursday July 22nd. As usual you will be out of Church in good time to collect children from School. P.J.T.

SUNDAY JULY 18th. — CHILDREN SINGING.

The children of Bere Regis School will be singing at 6 p.m. Evensong on this Sunday.

We all enjoy this singing and their music, and shall be looking forward to their visit on this occasion.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION (WOMEN'S SECTION).

Our next meeting will be held at Branch Headquarters on July 21st at 2.30 p.m. There will be a Demonstration on Bells and Bellringing.

Bring and Buy.

War Memorial Flowers: July — Mrs. Collison. August — Miss Lys.

BERE REGIS YOUNG WIVES.

On Tuesday 13th July, there will be a Floral Demonstration by Mrs. Jeens, and on 27th July a Treasure Hunt.

BERE REGIS FLORAL GROUP.

The next meeting will be on July 6th. and not on the 2nd. Tuesday, and it will be a Practice Meeting taken by Mrs. Herridge. Will members please bring their own container, material and scissors.

The Area Show will be on July 15th. & 16th. at Poole Technical College.

There will be no Group meeting in August.

Congratulations to Mrs. Barne, Mrs. Herridge, Mrs. Crichet & Mrs. Cross who represented the Dorset & Guernsey Area at the Chelsea Flower Show and won a Silver Medal.

A.L.

RED CROSS FLAG DAY.

The result of the House-to-House Collection was £32.30. This was an increase of nearly £10 on last year's total. I am very grateful to the Collectors and to those who gave so generously.

E. Lys.

"FOR THOSE IN PERIL ON THE SEA".

The Royal National Lifeboat Institution depends entirely upon money given voluntarily. This year the annual Flag Day and House-to-House collection will take place between July 19th and 24th.

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY TO SAVE LIVES AT SEA.

BULBARROW SERVICE — SUNDAY JULY 4th.

A coach will leave the lower entrance to the Church at 5 p.m. for this open air Service at which the Bishop of Salisbury will be the preacher.

There will consequently be no Evensong at Bere Regis on this Sunday.

I trust a good number will come to this Service which is keenly looked forward to by many.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Mrs. Howard being absent, Mrs. Mills, one of our Vice-Presidents chaired our May gathering. During the business of the meeting Mrs. Lewis reported to us on the Drax Hall finances, and Mrs. Andrews read the Link letter from New Zealand, written by Mrs. Rudd, who we hope is coming to visit us in the near future. We then heard Mrs. Jestly explaining the Resolutions for the A.G.M., and we're grateful she made them so interesting—the subjects being very varied.

We welcome Miss Batt in June talking on 'Cooking with Economy', and in July we're hoping to hear Miss Sunderland speaking about Gardening—particularly Roses.

We are very grateful to all who came and contributed to the success of our Coffee Evening at Mrs. Jestly's house on 3rd June.

J.W.D.

PARISH COUNCIL

At the first meeting of the newly elected Parish Council, Mr. R. Goldie was re-elected Chairman and Mr. N. House Vice-Chairman.

It was agreed that Council Meetings would be held as before on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Drax Hall, except when there happens to be five Wednesdays in the month when the meeting will take place on the fourth one. Members of the public are cordially invited to attend, and will have the opportunity to see planning applications as well as discuss any other matters during the "Democratic Half-Hour."

Among matters considered at the last meeting was that of a pedestrian crossing in West Street. In spite of the fact that a request for one had already been turned down by authorities concerned, it was thought that ever increasing traffic might justify a renewal application. However, the final decision was against this action if only because of the difficulty in selecting the best place for a crossing, and the risk of enforced double yellow lines through the village without any public car parking facilities.
Rosamund Essex of the Church Times has unearthed some lovely epitaphs which we thought you might like to share...

Some are in verse and some in prose. The nineteenth-century humourlessness and snobbery provide some of the latter. Of Lady O'Looney, great-niece of Burke, it is said that she was

Bland, passionate and deeply religious.

She painted also in water colours and sent several pictures to the Exhibition. She was first cousin to Lady Jones and of such is the Kingdom of Heaven.

And what could be more comprehensively flattering than the epitaph to Dorothy Selby, 1641:

In heart a Lydia and in tongue a Hanna,
In zeal a Ruth, in wedlock a’Suzanna,
Prudently simple, providently wary,
To the world a Martha and to heaven a Mary.

Some of the epitaphs for children are specially touching, such as Robert Herrick's lines of verse:

Here a pretty baby lies
Sung asleep with lullabies;
Pray be silent, and not stir
Th' easy earth that covers her.

Curious advise was given on a tombstone at Grantham, where lay one "who died of cholera morbus caused by eating green fruit in the sure and certain hope of immortality. Reader, go and do thou likewise."

Occasionally you will find epitaphs which are more like advertising for the living than remembrance for the dead. In Paris there is an inscription to Victor Fournier, "investor of the Everlasting lamp, which consumes only a centime's worth of oil in an hour. His inconsolable widow continues his business in the Rue aux Trois. Do not mistake the opposite shop for this."

Lastly there are the very cynical epitaphs. Perhaps the best known is that of Abraham Newland, Chief Cashier of the Bank of England...

Beneath this stone old Abra'm lies;
Nobody laughs and nobody cries.
Where he's gone, or how he fares, Nobody knows, and nobody cares.

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FROM THE CHURCH REGISTER
Holy Baptism: June 13th. Angela Marie Camden.

SMALL ADS. (15p for three lines).
There will be a number of items of furniture etc. for sale at the Vicarage and a list can be seen on application to Mrs. Tranter.