PARISH CHURCH OF ST. JOHN BAPTIST

BERE REGIS,
DORSET

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

Churchwardens:
Mr. R. Smith, Heath View.
Mr. F. Marsh, Southbrook.

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

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Lt.Col. A. Barne, M. Barnes, F. Parsons, J. House, W. F. Lys,
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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: Mr. Stanley Athill, L.T.C.L., M.R.S.T.

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: 7.30 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 7.00 p.m. Thursday, Fri. Sat. Sun.
CLUB: R.B.L. Hqtrs.
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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My dear Friends,

When I wrote the September letter this time last year, we were in the throes of final preparations for the Restoration Centenary Festival, which was such a tremendous success. After it was all over a number of people took the trouble to say how much they had enjoyed it, and could we not repeat it in 1976! Anyone who knew the hours and hours spent on the preparations and the complications of gearing one decision into another and the colossal amount of work involved would know that this was a practical impossibility.

However it was felt that something on a small scale might be done, just to remind us of the glories of September/October 1975.

Consequently a Committee was formed and they have arranged for a splendid concert to be held in the Church on Friday October 1st, immediately preceding the Harvest Festival. Full details will be available in the September magazine...though you will find a preliminary notice of it in a later page of this issue. Harvest Supper Tickets should be available by the time you read this, and you can obtain them from Mr. F. Parsons, 7 Green Close. Our speaker this year is to be Mr. Ayling who for a great many years has been in charge of Stewarts Nurseries at Broomhill, and has only just retired. He is a walking encyclopaedia on all growing things and we are most fortunate to have him to talk to us.

I should like to apologise to any who found it too late to get their September contribution into the magazine. But as happens every year the September issue has to be put together in July, before I go on holiday and I am afraid there is no way round it.

May I end by saying in advance how grateful I am to Mr. Stranger for his help in doing duty for me and to all those who have kept the wheels turning while I have been away.

Your sincere friend and Vicar,

PAUL TRANTER.
SANCTUARY FLOWER GUILD.

September 5th. Mrs. Barnes. Mrs. N. House.
September 12th. Mrs. J. House. The Misses House.
September 19th. Mrs. G. L. Griffin. Mrs. Wyatt.
September 26th. Young wives.

The Church will be decorated for Harvest Festival on Friday, October 1st.

GUILD OF SERVERS.


SIDESMEN'S ROTA.

Sept. 5th. 11 a.m. Major K. Knowler & Mr. K. Woolfries.
6 p.m. Messrs. P. Parsons & M. A. Bloomfield.
" 12th. 11 a.m. Major J. Hudson & Mr. G. Ward.
6 p.m. Messrs. J. House & H. Dashwood.
" 19th. 11 a.m. Messrs. L. Mullins & K. Woolfries.
6 p.m. Messrs. M. Barnes & M. A. Bloomfield.
" 26th. 11 a.m. Mr. F. Lys & Col. A. Barne.
6 p.m. Messrs. F. Parsons & F. Marsh.

6 p.m. Messrs. H. Dashwood & R. Smith.

N.B. The Quarterly meeting of the Sidesmen will be held at the Vicarage on Monday, Sept. 13th. at 8 p.m.

VILLAGE CALENDAR. (Contd....)

Oct. 1. Fri. 7.30 p.m. Michaelmas Concert in the Church.
" 2. Sat. 7 p.m. Harvest Supper.
" 3. SUN. Harvest Festival.
" 6. Wed. Women's Institute Sale. P.T.A. Annual Meeting at School 7.30 p.m.
" 7. Th. 2.30 Mothers' Union Corporate Communion. 7 p.m. Guides & Brownies Sponsored 'Knit-in' School Hall, 7 p.m.

" 20. Sat. Autumn Leaves 4th Autumn Ball 7.45 Bovington. 2.30 Young Wives Christmas Sale - Drax Hall.
" 4. Sat. 2.30 Drax Hall Christmas Fair.
" 8. Wed. 2.30 Sanctuary Guild.
" 9. Th. Conservative Evening Party - Drax Hall, 7.30 p.m.

(if there are any omissions from this list the Editor apologises. It is due to the fact that it has been compiled before the August Magazine has come to hand which contains the up-to-date list).

MOTHERS' UNION.

The first meeting, after the holidays will be held at the Vicarage on Wednesday Sept. 8th at 7.30 p.m. As I mentioned previously the usual social evening for this time of the year has been postponed until the October meeting, October 13th.

The Speaker on September 8th. will be the Rev. D. Farquharson - Roberts, the Rector of Pinnerne. He will be telling us something of the work of Alcoholics Anonymous. He knows a good deal concerning the work of their Society and what he has to say should be of great profit and interest.

P.J.T.

HARVEST SUPPER.

Saturday, October 2nd.
7 p.m. in the Drax Hall.
Tickets from Mr. P. Parsons, 7 Green Close or through the Churchwardens or any member of the Church Council. Bring your own knife, fork and spoon. Entertainment after Supper. Speaker: Mr. Ayling formerly of Stewart's Nurseries.
HARVEST SERVICES

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3rd.

8 a.m. Holy Communion.
11 a.m. Mattins.
3 p.m. Children's Gift Service.
6 p.m. Evensong.

Gifts of flowers, fruits, vegetables welcomed. Please bring to the Church as early as possible on Friday morning October 1st.
Groceries will be also welcomed as again this year we shall be distributing the goods round the parish.

P.T.A.

New-to-You, Tuesday, 14th September at the School 3.15 p.m.

Many thanks are due to all who help at the New-to-You sales at the School; especially Carol Brown who has by these efforts managed to give the school expenses fund £10 so far.

Any items may be brought to Mrs. Brown or the School with a price and name, and if sold 10% will go to the school funds.

Friday, 24th September. 7.00 Puppet Show at the school by the Radix! Puppets, Adults 20p. Children 10p. Pre-school children - Free.

Wednesday, October 6th. 7.30 p.m. at the School - P.T.A. Annual General Meeting.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

Before the reading of the Minutes - Mrs. Andrews read a letter from Mrs. Rodd, our New Zealand Link, who is now touring Britain. She hopes to see us again in August before returning to New Zealand.

We had a very interesting talk on Roses from Miss Sunderland at our July meeting - she even told us something of their history. We also learned some very useful tips on how to prune and care for our rose bushes.

We do not meet during August, though quite a number of us plan to go to Dawlish on the 3rd for an Archaeological Evening at the Roman Villa site there. In September we hold our Members' Evening, organised this year by Mrs. Bush.

Instead of our usual meeting at the Drax Hall in October, many of us hope to go to Weymouth for the Autumn Council - it so happens that the date of our meeting coincides with that of the Autumn Council, and it was felt this was a splendid opportunity for us to attend.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE - W.I. SALE, 6th OCTOBER.

HERE REGIS YOUNG WIVES.

On Tuesday, 14th September we will be going for our Outing. This year to the Ice Show at Bournemouth, and on the 28th. there will be a Hamix demonstration.

MICHAELMAS CONCERT

On Friday, October Ist, in the Church at 7.30 - Music for Organ - 'Cello - Soprano and Choir. Programmes, to ensure a seat, from the Post Office or Mrs. Mills, Merrydown, Sitterton - Price 75p.

BRIANTSPUDDLE SINGERS

Meetings are held every Tuesday at 8.00 p.m. in the Village Hall, Briantspuddle, beginning on Sept. 21st. New members welcome. For further details, please contact Brenda Pitfield. Tel: Bere Regis 391.

HERE REGIS WOODWORK CLUB.

Autumn Term classes begin on Thursday, 2nd. September at 7 p.m. at White Lovington.

PARISH COUNCIL

PUBLIC MEETING - The Parish Council invite you to attend a meeting in the Drax Hall at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, September 22nd. to consider the financing and maintenance of a Village Hall in Bere Regis.

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Carnival Day this year was again blessed with fine weather - almost too good, in fact - as the heat caused numbers to be a little down on last year. Even so, over £400 was taken on the day, and a healthy profit of about £150 will help the P.T.A. to be of further assistance to the school. Our thanks are due to everyone who helped to make the event a success.

P. Holman - Secretary.

HERE REGIS AND DISTRICT SWIMMING CLUB

The Club began in the middle of June, and helped considerably by the fine weather, now has around 120 members. 80 to 100 people come each Monday evening. On Monday 19th July, we held our first swimming gala. This was well attended despite rather poor weather. During the
evening we held a "Sea Creatures" Fancy Dress Parade, which attracted 17 entries. The 29 races were designed to include every member of the club. Mr. and Mrs. Gosney judged the Fancy Dress, and presented the winners medals at the end of a very enjoyable evening.

We have just received a most generous gift of £20 from the Drax Arms Olympic Committee. This was a marvellous gesture and our committee will be looking into the best way of using a most acceptable gift. Our grateful thanks to the Drax Arms Olympic Committee and to everyone who has supported the Swimming Club so far.

R. Holman - Chairman.

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THE WHEN-I's.

Being men of a certain discernment, retired bishops are rather thick on the ground in the West of England - to such an extent that recently the Bishop of Salisbury gave a party for them - those in his diocese, that is.

Among the former dignitaries invited to South Canorany, according to the informal terms of the social list supplied were John Phillips (Portsmouth), Jock Henderson (Bath and Wells), Douglas Wilson (British Honduras), Gordon Arthur (Grafton, NSW), George Snow (Whitby), S. G. Coulton (Melanesia), Edmund Morgan (Truro, Campbell McInnes (Jerusalem) and Bill Lash (Bombay).

A visitor due from outside was Bishop William Stannard, formerly of Woolwich; and Lady Fisher was an honoured guest from inside the diocese. Bishop Reindorp called his party the "When-I's", but, with a warning like that, surely not one would begin, "When I was Bishop of....."

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FOR YOUR AMUSEMENT.

Answers next month.

FROM MYTH AND LEGEND...

Quiz Set by P. Caton Buderley.

1. DO YOU REMEMBER... (a) the name of King Arthur's sword; (b) whose face "Launched a thousand ships"; (c) whose lute "made trees and the mountain tops that freeze bow themselves when he did play"; (d) the magic words with which Ali Baba opened the robbers' cave; (e) the name of the winged horse of mythology?

2. EVERY god HAS HIS DAY. Who were the Scandinavian deities whose names are incorporated in the words: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday?

3. THE GOLD RUSH (a) What did Jason go in search of? (b) What did Paris give Venus? (c) What gift did Dionysus bestow upon Midas? (d) Why did Atlanta lose her race with Hippomenes?

4. THINGS THAT GO BUMP IN THE NIGHT. What names are given to the beings that are popularly supposed to: (a) perform helpful domestic services by night; (b) rob graves and feed on corpses; (c) forewarn families, by wailing, of the impending death of a member; (d) show the hiding place of treasure; (e) suck the blood of the living while they are asleep?

5. REAL - OR BOGUS? Which of these creatures is (or are) NOT mythical, and actually lived? Phoenix, dodo, roc, wyvern, minotaur.

6. TALES OF LONG AGO. WHO... (a) intrigued the Sultan Shahriar by relating the "Thousand and one nights" - thus saving her life? (b) fell in love with his own reflection? (c) bore the weight of the heavens on his shoulders? (d) was King Arthur's faithless wife? (e) fell in love with the statue he made, vivified it by his prayers, and married the incarnate maiden?

7. ALL THE WORLD LOVES A LOVER... but these pairs have become somewhat mixed. Can you sort them out? Orpheus and Psyche; Pyramus and Thisbe; Paris and Thiste; Cupid and Eurydice; Leander and Helen.

8. HOW MANY... (a) Muses were there (b) were the labours of Hercules? (c) eyes had Polyphemus? (d) years did the siege of Troy last? (e) heads had Cerberus?

9. OLD GODS. Name the Roman gods (or goddesses) of: war, love, wine, music and hunting.

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10. PUZZLE CORNER. And a very old puzzle it is: the riddle of the Sphinx. What creature goes in the morning on four legs, at noon on two, and in the evening on three.

"SMALL ADS"

(15p. for three lines).

YOUNG LADY REQUIRES LODGINGS in Bere Regis. Please contact Mrs. F. Pitfield. Tel: Bere Regis 391.