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THE VICAR'S LETTER

My dear Friends,

"All I care for is to know Christ, to experience the
power of his resurrection, and to share his suffering
in growing conformity with his death, if only I may
finally arrive at the resurrection from the dead."

Philippians 3:10

Writing from prison to his friends and converts in Philippi, St.
Paul never once falls into the weakness of self-pity. Indeed his letter
has been described as a 'paean from prison'. Yet by sharing in Christ's
sufferings Paul is not anticipating martyrdom. He is rather speaking
of dying to old sins in order to share in Christ's resurrection.

As we advance through the season of Lent we must, if we take it
seriously, be increasingly conscious of the need in ourselves to prepare
adequately for the almost unbearable drama of Holy Week. We each of
us try to achieve this end by using different methods. Some will use
daily readings and meditations; some will devote more time to prayer;
others will attend study groups in order to share their concern with
fellow Christians.
Whatever we do we are all trying to arrive at the same end whether we realise it or not. For it is only by entering as fully as we can into our Lord's sufferings that we shall be able to experience the power of his resurrection. Resurrection is the great word at Easter, and is the great word of our Faith. It means a death to old faults and failings, and to old doubts and fears and a bursting forth of new life with the Risen Christ. It is an experience which cannot be appreciated unless we enter into it. It is not sufficient to stand aloof and watch.

Sharing is at the root of our Christian profession. Jesus shares with us his very life enabling us to claim the fatherhood of God for ourselves. Surely we should be prepared to share with him in the agony of Gethsemane and Calvary so that we may experience with all the intensity of personal involvement the wonder and the joy of Easter Day.

May all the joy of Eastertide be with you and yours.

Very sincerely,

DENIS SHAW

NOTES FROM THE VICARAGE

PROGRAMME FOR LENT
The last two Study Courses, details of which were given in the March magazine are as follows:--

Wednesday 4th April 7.30 p.m. Hazel Cottage, Briantspuddle

Wednesday 11th April 7.30 p.m. The Vicarage

Mid-week Celebrations of Holy Communion:--

Wednesday 4th April 8 a.m. Affpuddle

Wednesday 11th April 8 a.m. Bere Regis

Holy Week

Tuesday 17th April 7.30 p.m. Compline Bere Regis

Wednesday 18th April 7.30 p.m. Compline Bere Regis

Maundy Thursday 19th April 7.00 p.m. Holy Communion and Stripping of the Altar Bere Regis

Good Friday 20th April 10.30 a.m. Matins and Ante Communion Affpuddle

11.45 a.m. Devotional Hour Bere Regis

7.00 p.m. The Passion of Christ by Arthur Somervell Bere Regis

EASTER DAY

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion Bere Regis

9.30 a.m. Eucharist Affpuddle

11.00 a.m. Matins Bere Regis

12 noon Holy Communion Bere Regis

6.00 p.m. Festal Evensong Bere Regis

6.30 p.m. Evensong Affpuddle

If there are any sick or house-bound people who would like to make their Easter Communion, the Vicar would be glad to have their names.

The Healing Service held at Bere Regis at quarterly intervals will be on Wednesday 25th April at 7.30 p.m. As usual this will be in the context of Holy Communion.

A Joint Service is held whenever there are five Sundays in the month, so on the 29th April we shall be joining our friends from the Congregational and Methodist churches at the Methodist Chapel, Bere Heath, at 3 p.m.

The Office of Sidesman is an important one in the Church, and we are in need of more at Bere Regis. If there is anyone, man or woman, who feels able to undertake this work, would they please communicate with the Vicar.

FROM OUR PARISH REGISTERS

BERE REGIS

HOLY BAPTISM Admitted into the Family of Christ
19th February Andrew Douglas Eastment son of David and Diane Eastment
BURIAL May her soul rest in peace
Dorothy Hilda Booth 29th February 1984 followed by Cremation at Weymouth

IN MEMORIAM

Dorothy Hilda Wilton was born at Forest Gate West Ham in the first year of the century. Her early years were spent in the London area, and as a young woman she met a New Zealander, Dr Leonard Hugh Booth, who was practising in this country. The couple were married at St. Mary's Parish Church, Woodford, and the first few years of their married life were spent in New Zealand.

Dr and Mrs Booth returned to this country after a time, when Dr Booth resumed his medical practice, but ties with New Zealand were strong and Dorothy Booth as well as her husband has a great affection for that country. After Dr Booth's retirement, the couple were able to revisit New Zealand on two occasions, and these visits were a source of joy to them both.

Dr and Mrs Booth raised a family of three sons who were quite young at the outbreak of the last war. Nevertheless Dorothy Booth took up nursing at the hospital in Hastings where Dr Booth was Medical Superintendent for some 26 years, and even when the war was over she continued her work there qualifying as a S.E.A.N.
Mrs Booth was immensely proud of her family and at the time of her death this numbered her three sons and their wives, eleven grandchildren and one great-grandson.

Dr and Mrs Booth moved to Bere Regis in 1970 to a bungalow in Southmead. In 1974 Dr Booth died, but Dorothy Booth continued living an independent life at the bungalow, and until the last few years drove her own car. However she was troubled considerably with arthritis, and suffered several painful operations. In spite of these difficulties she never complained, always answering an enquiry about her health with a firm "I'm very well, thank you." This was often bravely said as one knew that she was in fact in great pain. In early December last year Dorothy Booth suffered a stroke and was admitted to Dorchester Hospital.

She never fully recovered from this, and following a second stroke, died on 24th February in hospital.

Dorothy Booth had many friends who remember with gratitude her courage and her lively sense of humour. They will certainly miss her sadly, but her family, who were closest to her, will miss her most. Yet her's was a life well lived, full of useful activity and service to others.

BERE REGIS SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Collections for the second Sunday in February amounted to £22.05 and this sum was donated to the South American Missionary Society (S.A.M.S.). Collections for the second Sunday in April (the 8th) will be sent to the Church Times Lenten Appeal for their Train-a-Priest Fund. The aim of the T.A.P. fund is to give assistance to married men training for the ministry and who need financial help to maintain their families while they themselves are doing their essential training for ordination.

WEEKLY ENVELOPE SCHEME

April sees the start of a new year for weekly offerings through the envelope scheme. (For people unfamiliar with this scheme the idea is that you pledge a certain amount per week to the Church, putting the amount each week in a small envelope, a supply of which is given to you in advance). Envelopes for 1984/85 have been distributed to all present contributors as far as possible. If anyone finds they have not received their new supply of envelopes, or would like to join the scheme, please can they contact the P.C.C. Treasurer, Robert Stallard (13 Boswells Close - Tel.4717774) or the Vicar. One advantage of the scheme is that if the donor is a standard rate tax-payer the Church can claim back almost half as much again from the Inland Revenue.

CHURCH SERVICES - APRIL

BERE REGIS

| Sunday 1st April | 9.30 a.m. Family Communion | 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion |
| Lent 4 | 3.00 p.m. Mothering | 11.00 a.m. Mothering |
| (Mothering Sunday) | Sunday Service | Sunday Service |
| Lent 5 | 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion | 9.30 a.m. Family |
| (Passion Sunday) | 11.00 a.m. Matins | Eucharist |
| 6.00 p.m. Evensong | 9.30 a.m. Family |

AFFPUDDELE

| Sunday 15th April | *9.30 a.m. Family Communion | *8.00 a.m. Holy Communion |
| Palm Sunday | *9.30 a.m. Family Communion | *8.00 a.m. Holy Communion |
| 6.00 p.m. Evensong | 10.30 a.m. Family Service |

Sunday 22nd April

EASTER DAY

| 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion | 9.30 a.m. Eucharist |
| 11.00 a.m. Matins | 6.30 p.m. Evensong |
| 12 noon Holy Communion | 6.00 p.m. Festal Evensong |

Sunday 29th April

| 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion | 9.30 a.m. Eucharist |
| Easter 1 | 11.00 a.m. Matins |
| 3.00 p.m. Joint Service Bere Heath |

Sunday 6th May

| 9.30 a.m. Family Communion | 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion |
| Easter 2 | 6.00 p.m. Evensong 11.15 a.m. Matins |

*Palm Crosses will be distributed at all these services.

ADDITIONAL SERVICES:

Wednesday 4th April | 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion |
Wednesday 11th April | 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion |
Tuesday 17th April | 7.30 p.m. Compline |
Wednesday 18th April | 7.30 p.m. Compline |
Thursday 19th April | 7.00 p.m. Holy Communion and Stripping of the Altar |

SIDESMEN'S ROTA - BERE REGIS

April 1st | 9.30 a.m. | Mrs M. England & Mr J. House |
April 8th | 11.00 a.m. | Miss S. Frampton & Mr F. Marsh |
April 15th | 9.30 a.m. | Mr J. House & Cdr. C. Mauder |
SIDESMEN'S ROTA - BERE REGIS (continued)
April 15th  6.00 p.m.  Mrs M. England & Mr M.A. Bloomfield
Palm Sunday
Easter Day 22nd  11.00 a.m.  Miss S. Frampton & Mr J. House
April 29th  11.00 a.m.  Col. A. Barne & Mr F. Marsh
May 6th  9.30 a.m.  Cdr. C. Maunder & Mr K. Woolfries
        6.00 p.m.  Mr M.A. Bloomfield & Mr M. Barnes

SANCTUARY FLOWER GUILD
April 22nd  EASTER DAY
April 29th  Miss I. Pitfield  Mrs M. England

CHURCH DUTY ROTAS - AFFPUDDLE

Cleaning               Lent
Mrs Thorniley          Mrs Smith

Flowers

1st April  8.00  Col. Corner  Mr A. Smith
           11.15  Mr Prideaux  Mothering Sunday
8th April  9.30  Mr D. Payne  Family Eucharist
15th April  8.00  Capt. Johnston  Mr A. Smith
           10.30  Mr G. Payne  Family Service
22nd April  9.30  Capt. Johnston  Mr Gooch (E)
           6.30  Lt. Cdr. Thorniley  Mr RocksboroughSmith
29th April  9.30  Mr Bentley  Mr Bentley

Sidesman              Reader

Readers and Sidesmen

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ARRPUDDLE FAMILY SERVICE, PALM SUNDAY - 15th April 10.30 a.m. The word "Hosanna!" will be on many lips today - ours too, as we join together in praising God with prayer and song, and in remembering our Lord's triumphal entry into Jerusalem. The palm crosses traditionally distributed today will be available.

J.H.
MOTHERING SUNDAY - 1st April 11.00 a.m. This service will be held earlier than the usual Matins. Tea and biscuits will be served before the service and flowers will be distributed during the service. The Rev. Ian Johnson, Archdeaconry Youth Organiser, will preach at the service. Do come along and bring your children to this special service which has been organised with mothers and children in mind.

CHURCH DUTY ROTAS These have all now been prepared and have been distributed to the various helpers. Thank you to everyone who has offered their time to help with these necessary and important tasks. Your help is greatly appreciated and makes our church and churchyard the well cared for place it is.

CHURCHYARD MOWING At the meeting in March the rota was agreed. The Church Council is very grateful to all who have volunteered to keep this gem of Dorset rural settings showing at its best. As in previous years, each team of three is asked to be responsible for mowing the Churchyard once during the fortnight allocated. The Church rotormower is housed in Mrs Kellaway's yard together with a wheelbarrow. The Church Council would like to refund the petrol cost to all who use their own mowers. Any help from other people in tidying the untended graves with shears would be much appreciated. Unfortunately, space does not allow the rota to be printed in these pages but the list will be shown each month.

ST MARY'S SCHOOL PUDDLETOWN Saturday 7th April, 2.30 p.m. on the school playing fields - Inter Dorchester area Upper and Middle Schools Parent-Teacher Associations hockey matches.

P.P. Haigh

BRIANTSPUDDLE PLAYGROUP A Jumble Sale is being held on 14th April in the Village Hall. All contributions to be given to Mrs Penman, 24 Bladen Valley, or Mrs Sue Smith, The Old School.

BLADEN SOCIAL CLUB At our first Committee Meeting after the Annual General Meeting a presentation to Mrs Ivy Stockley was made. This was for all the years that she had cleaned the Social Club, and kept the club bright with flowers from her garden. The gift consisted of a gardening fork and spade. Plus some orchids.

AFFPUDDLE NEWS
Please let me have items for inclusion in the magazine by 14th of the month.
Philippa Thorniley

CHURCH DECORATION FOR EASTER The Church will be decorated for Easter on Saturday, 22nd April, from 10.00 onwards. Gifts of flowers and foliage are greatly appreciated and should be brought to the Church on Saturday morning. Help (men, women and children) with the decoration would be most welcome. Do please come along and lend a hand!

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SCHOOL NEWS - PUDDLETOWN FIRST SCHOOL We all had a lovely time on Tuesday 6th March, cooking, tossing and eating pancakes. Lots of mums and dads came too! On 9th May at 2 p.m. we will be holding a Jumble Sale at School. Admission will be 5p for adults, children free. Any items you have which are suitable for the sale please send along to school any day from Monday 30th April. We do hope lots of you will come on 9th and support our Jumble Sale. We finish for our Easter holidays on Thursday 12th April. On this last day of term we will be holding our usual Easter activities, egg decorating competitions, egg rolling etc. School opens for the summer term on Monday 30th April.

MAY FESTIVAL 13th - 19th May

Sunday 13th May - Beating the Bounds - Please get your forms for the sponsored walk around the boundaries of the village from Mrs Forty Bere Regis 471230, Mr R. Holman, Puddletown 262 or Mrs Bowell Bere Regis 471387. It's a lovely walk! Do join us - even if it is for only a part of the way.

16th May Concert - Cornel Group, Richard Hall, Richard and Annabel Willetts, 7.30 p.m. in Village Hall with Wine & Cheese. £3 Tickets

17th May Youth Sports Evening

19th May Street Fair. If you wish to run a stall please contact Mr R. Holman Puddletown 262.

19th May Barn Dance in Village Hall with Diggory Venn

By now you will all have received a book of raffle tickets for the May Fair Draw. The Draw will take place at the May Fair on 19th May 1984. Please do your best to sell all the tickets. More books are available from Philippa Thorniley Bere Regis 471497

YOUTH CLUB Youth Club activities start on Wednesday 4th April with a Disco for members and guests. Details from Philip Rolls, Malcolm Gale and Len Sheppard. The Youth Club Annual General Meeting will take place on 25th April. Unfortunately we can't say where it will be held as it is not certain whether the repairs to the Den roof will be complete by then.

BRIANTSPUDDLE VILLAGE QUIZ The Annual Village Quiz was held on 15th March. Last year's winners, the Briantspuddle Singers, set the questions. An interesting and varied set of questions were asked by the Question Master, Keith Pitman. The Timekeeper was David Parsons. This year's winners and the seters of next year's quiz were The Church, the Youth Club were runners up. Thanks to everyone who set the questions, organised the event and took part in the teams.

RECIPE FROM AROUND THE PARISH

For the first time we have a recipe for something other than food! With the holidays coming up this ought to help keep the very young children quiet! Jane Gainsford, mother of three young children and part of the trio who run Smocks and Frocks, has supplied this recipe for Playdough.

Playdough: 1 dessert spoon oil, 1 cup flour, 1 cup water, 1 cup salt, 2 teaspoons Cream of Tartar, food colouring.

Mix in a saucepan and cook like a white sauce. Allow to cool then let battle and play commence!

BERE REGIS NEWS

RETIREMENT OF DOCTOR PETER BENJAFIELD As Doctor Benjafield is retiring at the end of April it is felt that there must be many people who would like an opportunity of showing their appreciation of all he has done during his 32 years in practice in the village. Donations, large or small, may be made to any member of the Parish Council.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE The W.I. are holding a May Fayre on Thursday May 10th at 7.00 p.m. in the Royal Oak car park. Following the February meeting three members were able to take home their hot supper. It was like watching the 'Generation Game' as each pummelled her hot pastry under the guidance of Mrs Megan Stone to produce a decorative hot pork pie. The purchase of new curtains for the Drax Hall will be aided by the proceeds of the coffee morning held in March to promote 'Women in the Community' in W.I. year. Get Well cards were sent to Mrs Rosalee Andrews and Mrs Gilpin. April meeting 'Dorset Families and their Houses Hostesses Mrs Penfold, Mrs Griffin (ex.) and Mrs Cleall.

THANK YOU I would like to thank Pat & Mary, Pam, Terry, Frank, Les, my two granddaughters, three grandsons and all the people who helped to make my surprise birthday party such a great success.
touched by the gifts and cards that I received. Once again, thanks to all my friends and family for such a lovely party. Nan Mooney

BERE REGIS FLORAL GROUP The demonstration on Tuesday April 10th will be 'Flowers for Pleasure' and will be given by Mrs Margaret Fairfurst. There will be a plant stall at this meeting and it is hoped members will bring anything they may have for sale.

BERE REGIS WIVES GROUP As a result of the pancake race/bring and buy a donation of £50 has been sent to the 'Freedom Fighters' - a pop group in Bournemouth who are all confined to wheelchairs with muscular dystrophy. They need more special equipment so that they, in turn, can raise money for muscular dystrophy. Our next meeting on 24th April will be a visit to William's Bakery, Wool.

R.B.L. WOMEN'S SECTION held their monthly meeting on February 15th and twenty five members were present. Mr Lee conducted a quiz on antiques and the three winners were given tickets for cream teas. Mrs Farrant ran a raffle and Mrs Legg and Miss Coombs served teas. Once again our mini-market stall was poorly supported by members. Please ladies, if you cannot come along to buy will you hand something to Mrs Maidment, Mrs Joan Cleall or Mrs E. Bennett to go on our stall. We give our time each month, so please let us have some small items - cakes are very acceptable. Our Standard Bearer and the Branch Deputy Standard Bearer attended the opening by H.R.H. Princess Anne, of the new R.B.L. HQs in Dorchester on March 16th. A rummage sale, which raised £40.10 in aid of our funds, was held on February 18th.

BERE REGIS CARNIVAL COMMITTEE Due to lack of interest in forming a committee there will be no carnival this year. All funds are left in control of the existing Chairman and Treasurer. Any group or persons wishing to form a committee should contact Mr S. Cox, B.R. 471149 or Mr T. Shave B.R. 471433.

PARISH COUNCIL At the last Parish Council meeting it was announced that Dorset County Council will be making alterations to the junctions at the east and west ends of the village to try to reduce the speed of vehicles coming into and leaving the village. In October all street light maintenance will change from the S.E.B. to a private contractor and the most favourable terms are being obtained. It is hoped soon to provide a street light on the footpath from West Street, next to Woodbury Court flats, leading to the car park.

THE MOTHERS' UNION Following the Holy Communion service on Ash Wednesday we had a short time of "question and answer" with the Vicar about some of the points raised in his sermon. On 1st April we are to supply tea following the Mothering Sunday service at 3.00 p.m. in church, and on 7th April there will be a coffee morning in the Vicarage between 10.30 a.m. and 12 noon with a Bring and Buy Stall and Raffle in aid of Overseas and Branch funds. Our monthly meeting will take place at 7.30 p.m. in the Vicarage on Wednesday 4th April, when the Vicar will be giving us a talk on the lives of St. Francis of Assisi and St. Theresa of Lisieux. The prayer group will meet in the Morton Chapel on Fridays 13th, and 27th April at 11.00 a.m. Doreen Shaw

BERE REGIS SWIMMING CLUB After a very busy winter swimming season the Club is looking forward to its summer events. The Annual General Meeting this year is to be held at Pamela's Hairdressing Salon on Monday 9th April starting 7.30 p.m. Although we have a fairly full membership there are a few vacancies for new members. We provide swimming teaching for children of toddler stage upwards. For further details contact Bob Hollam on Puddlestown 262 or Pat Pittfield on Bere Regis 471736. R.H.

SUNDAY SCHOOL The children of the Sunday School enjoyed an excellent party with games, presents and a lovely tea. Thank you to all those who helped in any way to give the children an enjoyable afternoon, parents, members of the Parochial Church Council and friends, and also the Royal British Legion, who allowed us to use their room.

FROM GEOFFREY BOOTH: My family would like to thank Canon Shaw, the doctors, and all friends and neighbours of my mother, Mrs Dorothy Booth, for their great kindness to her in recent years. Thank you too for the sympathy shown to us, and for the donations in her memory for church funds.

SPORTS CLUB NEWS The new Clubhouse is now open and the Committee is pleased to report that members are using this facility and it certainly adds to the enjoyment of football fixtures at the recreation ground. Both football teams are doing well and bidding for promotion in their respective leagues. Cricket practice will commence in April and we are always looking for keen and enthusiastic players so don't be afraid to turn up. We have fun matches arranged as well as more serious fixtures. The Coimmittee would like to take this opportunity to thank the Wives Group for their support and in particular for the generous donation of £42 raised at their Shrove Tuesday Pancake race.

FUTURE EVENTS

7th April DARTS KNOCKOUT FOR MEMBERS Entrance fee 75p. All entrance money returned in prizes. For details please contact Dapper Hall on Bere Regis 471566
Sunday 15th April - Sponsored walk and Barbeque. Sponsor forms and details from Peter Cheeseman Bere Regis 471165

Tuesday 24th April - CRICKET PLAYERS MEETING and talk by the Dorset association of Umpires and Scorers illustrated with slides. At the Clubhouse commencing 7.30 p.m. All playing members, Umpires and supporters welcome.

Friday 27th April - Sports Club Dinner at the Corrie Hotel Swanage Monday 7th May - OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE CLUBHOUSE and "It's a Knockout" competition.

BERE REGIS FRIENDS OF THE IMPERIAL CANCER RESEARCH FUND Our annual coffee morning will be held on Wednesday 11th April at 10.30 by kind permission of Mrs R.T. Clarke, it is to be held at Barrow Hill House. Do come along. We are having all our usual attractions, including the ever-popular "Cook's Table", "Bring and Buy" and a raffle. We'll look forward to seeing you!

D.M.H.

P.T.A. NEWS Spring is here and this year's programme of fund raising will soon be under way. On TUESDAY 10th APRIL a COFFEE MORNING will be held at the home of Dr & Mrs Greenfield 87 West Street. There will be Cakes and Plants for sale, a Raffle and Bring and Buy stall. It is hoped that this event will provide funds to pay for the 'Steel Security Box' in which the school's Video Recorder (recently given to the school by the P.T.A.) is housed. The SPONSORED HORSE RIDE, which proved such a popular event last year, will take place on SUNDAY 3rd June, full details will be announced at a later date. Helpers are still painting the school corridor - the end is now in sight. However new painters are still welcome, please contact the Headmaster. Sales of 'Tenner Bingo' tickets are going well. New customers or anyone willing to act as a distributor should contact Mrs Carol Cox Tel: B.R. 471803

SCOUT GROUP We are very pleased to hear that the Scout Show was enjoyed by so many. After weeks of practice, chicken pox, and final days of panic the boys did their best, and helped by parents, leaders and friends it all went well.

JOB WEEK 23rd to 28th APRIL The Jumble Sale, Whist Drive and Disco will have come and gone by the time you read this, and it will soon be "Job Week". This annual effort for group fund raising encourages boys to do a service for his neighbour, friend or relation, and if you have a call from a Beaver, Cub or Scout, see if you can save that little job for them. It is hoped to organise a Car Wash during the week in Bere Regis, Winterborne Kingston and at Red Post. Watch out for posters. The group needs more tents and camping equipment this year.

SCOUT SCRAP BOOK We are hoping to make a Scout Scrap Book for the Bere Regis Group. We have a suitable large book, and now require articles, photographs, newspaper cuttings and souvenirs of the present group since its start in 1976, and of course any of the group before this. (It first started here in 1914) We have some information of its start from the Church Magazines of that time, but any more information would be most welcome. Photographs would be copied and carefully looked after. Any information to John England, 10 South Mead (471469) please.

BELLRINGERS Well done the five new bellringers who have managed to master the art during winter practices. Any more like to have a go? Wednesday evening at 7.00 p.m. is the time - or how about coming to have a look round the tower on the Church Open Day - Sunday 20th May? EASTER MONDAY WALK How about joining in our Church Easter Monday walk. We shall be leaving at 10.30 a.m. by cars from the Vicarage. (Please let me know if you would like a seat or can offer a seat) to the Dorsetshire Gap area for a four mile walk, stopping for lunch at a local hostelry. Back again at about 3.30. Either bring packed lunch or have lunch at the inn. John England, Churchwarden.

THE SPASTICS SOCIETY The sum of £23.43 was collected in the West Street and South Mead areas; thanks to all concerned.

DRAX HALL INDOOR MARKET AT DRAX HALL Please note that this will be held on Saturday 7th April NOT Saturday 14th April. The change of Saturday is for April only. Please come along on the 7th.

PRIZE BINGO Monday 16th April 7.45 p.m. All welcome, also children. COFFEE MORNING Wednesday 25th April 10.30 a.m. in Drax Hall in aid of Hall funds.

DRAX HALL A.G.M. Thursday 26th April at 7.30 p.m. in Drax Hall. Will you please note that at this Meeting the Hon. Secretary Mrs M. Lewis, and the Hon. Treasurer Mrs M. Slade, after 15 years and 13 years service respectively, are not seeking re-election. Anybody interested in being nominated for these offices please come along to the A.G.M. or ring Mrs M. Lewis, Bere Regis 471762, as soon as possible.
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- BILL SLAD CAR SERVICING AND REPAIRS Prompt and personal attention. M.O.T. check, welding repairs, etc. 22 Green Close Bere Regis 471685 before 8.00 a.m. and after 4.30 p.m.
- LAWNSS AND HEDGES OUT Fences repaired and treated. All garden maintenance. B. Phillips 471423
- INDOOR MARKET at Drax Hall every second Saturday in the month from 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. Stalls include Bric-a-Brac, knitwear, homemade cakes, jams, etc. and more.
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