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PARISH OF BERE REGIS and AFFPUDDLE WITH TURNERSPUDDLE

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The Vicarage, Bere Regis

My dear Friends,

"He came down to earth from heaven
Who is God and Lord of all,
And his shelter was a stable,
And his cradle was a stall,
With the poor and mean and lowly,
Lived on earth our Saviour holy."

Christmas Hymn

There may be some years when, if we are so minded, we may choose to ignore
the appalling contrast which exists between the plight of the starving
millions and our own comparatively easy affluence. This year, however,
is not one of them. No-one who has seen the horrifying pictures of whole
populations of men, women and children literally starving to death can
have failed to be moved by their plight. People everywhere have been
amazingly generous so that some aid is now getting through, but very much
more remains to be done.

With the tragedy of mass starvation tearing at our heart strings, and
pricking our consciences how are we to approach the Feast of Christmas?
First, I suggest that we should look again at the dictionary definition of a "Feast" as "a day of unusual solemnity or joy, a festival of com-
memoration of some event." The idea of a feast necessarily consisting
of every form of excess and over indulgence is quite false and it need hardly be said, far from the true spirit of Christmas. However, there can be no doubt that proper celebration is called for and we shall not be helping the hungry by sitting with gloomy faces or shaking our heads over the evil world in which we live.

So to answer this question I would urge you to approach the Feast with joy. A joy which is real and unfeigned because it arises from God's greatest gift to Man - his only Son. This joy naturally expresses itself in giving and to follow the lovely custom of making gifts to each other at Christmas, especially to the children is very much in the spirit of the Feast; and give also as generously as possible to famine relief.

But I would also urge you to approach Christmas with awe and with worship remembering the stark realities of the first Christmas Day. Denied of all earthly comforts the Holy Child was born in a stable and laid in a manger. His lot was indeed "with the poor and mean and lowly", in marked contrast to the luxurious indulgence of Herod's court. Yet there was radiant joy in that stable and the warmth of great love as well as the light of the Star. Therefore we shall do well to remember that Christmas means Christ's Feast, and to leave him out is to make this wonderful season meaningless.

So let us bring Christ back into Christmas and let us encourage others to do the same. It is an affront to the hungry to glory in over indulgence. It is God's glory if we share in the joy brought by his Son whose attendant angels sang "Peace on Earth, Goodwill toward Men". My wife and I join in wishing you and yours a happy and a blessed Christmas. Yours very sincerely,

DENIS SHAW

NOTES FROM THE VICARAGE

CHRISTMAS 1984

The arrangements for Christmas services for both Parishes are as follows:

Sunday 16th December  
Affpuddle 10.30 a.m. Christmas Gift Service

Sunday 23rd December  
Bere Regis 6.00 p.m. Carols by Candlelight

Monday 24th December  
Bere Regis 2.30 p.m. Blessing of Crib and Nativity Play

Christmas Eve  
Bere Regis 11.30 p.m. Midnight Mass

Christmas Day  
Bere Regis 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion

Affpuddle 9.30 a.m. Eucharist

Bere Regis 11.00 a.m. Matins followed by Holy Communion

Sunday 30th December  
Affpuddle 6.30 p.m. Carol Service

Preparation for Christmas On Friday 21st December there will be a rehearsal for all those reading at the Carols by Candlelight Service at 6 p.m.

On Saturday 22nd December the Bere Regis Church will be decorated for Christmas. All gifts of greenery and flowers should be in Church as early as possible on that day.

A Sidemen's Meeting will be held in the Vicarage on Tuesday 4th December at 6.30 p.m.

Bere Regis P.C.C. will meet at the Vicarage on Thursday 6th December at 7.30 p.m.

A Carol Service given by the pupils of Sandford Middle School has become a feature of our Christmas celebrations. This year we shall look forward to welcoming them in the Bere Regis Church on Thursday 13th December at 7 p.m.

Christmas Communion The Vicar would be glad to know the names of any sick or housebound people who would like to make their Christmas Communion. Please give him this information as soon as possible.

Confirmation Classes There will be no Confirmation Class on 22nd and 29th December and 5th January. Classes will resume on Saturday 12th January at 9.30 a.m.

FROM THE CHURCH REGISTERS

HOLY BAPTISM: Admitted into the family of Christ

BERE REGIS

20th October  
Rosemary Lorna Watt daughter of Charles and Jane Watt

27th October  
Lorraine Ann Joyce daughter of David and Anita Joyce (Adult Baptism)

4th November  
Scott Ashley Connor and Jodi Marie Connor children of Dennis and Tessa Connor

AFFPUDDLE

28th October  
Cathryn Lynsey Towers Smith daughter of Robert and Susan Smith

BURY: May they rest in peace

BERE REGIS

31st October  
Tom Vine Snow buried in Bere Regis Cemetery

2nd November  
Leanne Michaela Mahoney (Infant) Buried in Bere Regis Cemetery

14th November  
Janes Lennox Steele - Cremation Bournemouth

IN MEMORIAM

TOM VINE SNOW was born at Goulds Farm, Milborne St. Andrew, the son of a farmer. Later the family moved to Grimstone near Dorchester. Tom attended school in Wareham, and when he had completed his education went to work on the farm with his father. He became a member of the Territorial Army, and during the 1914-18 War saw service with the Dorset Yeomanry, including a period overseas. After the war he returned to farming, and in 1921 married his wife who was a school teacher. For some years he
managed a farm at Higher Kingston, moving to Roke in 1940. Mr and Mrs Snow had a family of two daughters, one of whom died in infancy. Tom Snow was keen on all sports, but especially on football which he enjoyed watching to the very end of his life, but his chief interest was in farming. He was a life member of the Dorchester Show, and became a well-known figure there. He was essentially a family man, whose work was his hobby, but he had many friends, who will miss his ready laugh and good companionship.

JAMES STEELE was born in Poole, one of a family of four boys. His father's duties took him to Wareham and there the family removed and there James went to school. When he left school, James was apprenticed to Motor Engineering in Parkstone. In 1926 following the slump in the motor trade, he went to the aircraft industry, joining de Havillands, with whom he remained for 17 years. After this he was employed by British Drug Houses as an engineer, and he remained with them until he retired. In 1929 he married his boyhood sweetheart Miss Gladys Sharp and the couple had one daughter, Joan. During the Second World War, Mr Steele was in a reserved occupation, but he served with the Home Guard at Hamworthy, helping to guard the bridge there. In 1970 his health began to fail but he continued to enjoy tending his garden until almost the end of his life. Reading was his other great hobby and when his sight became affected he made good use of the large print books for the partially sighted. But Mr Steele's chief interest was in his family and he was devoted to his grandchildren, and it was a great happiness to him that he saw two of them married this year, the year of his own 55th wedding anniversary.

MRS JAMES STEELE and family would like to thank everyone for the love and sympathy shown to them in their recent bereavement. Our thanks too for the donations to Church funds in Jim's memory. We are all very grateful.

Joan Booth

**CHURCH SERVICES - DECEMBER**

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**SANTUARY FLOWER GUILD**

No flowers are arranged in the Church during Advent. The Church will be decorated for Christmas on Saturday 22nd December. Gifts of holly and greenery will be much appreciated.

30th December Mrs Shaw Mrs England

**CHURCH DUTY ROTAS - AFFPUDDLE**

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Christmas Arrangements: The Church will be decorated for Christmas on Monday 24th December from 10.00 onwards. Gifts of holly and flowers will be most gratefully received and should be brought to the church on the morning of Christmas Eve. As in the past I am organising a collection for the purchase of flowers for the decoration of the church. Suggested donation 50p though lesser and greater amounts will be most welcome. This Christmas the collection taken on Christmas Day will be given to the "Diocesan Society for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing", the collection at the Carol Service to Christian Aid for the Ethiopian Famine Relief. The Briantspuddle Singers will be at the Carol Service to sing traditional carols.

Philippa Thorniley

AFFPUDDLE FAMILY SERVICE - 10.30 a.m. Sunday 16th December: This will be our annual Christmas Gift Service. Please bring gifts suitable for the children at Dorchester's Cheshire Home for mentally handicapped children i.e. children with a mental age of 3 - 5 liking toys which are easy to handle or pull along or which make a noise. Some of the staff and children usually pay us a visit at our January service.

J.H.

AFFPUDDLE NEWS

Please may I have contribution for the magazine by 14th of the month.

P.R. Thorniley

BRIANTS PUDDLE HALL COMMITTEE - CHRISTMAS FAIR: The Christmas Fair will be held on Saturday 1st December at 2.30 in the Village Hall, Briantspuddle. All the organisations in the village will be running stalls and Father Christmas will be there. At about 4.00 the Grand Christmas Draw will take place so make sure you have returned your tickets and cash to Philippa Thorniley.

DUSTBIN COLLECTION OVER THE CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAY: As Boxing Day falls on a Wednesday this year (Dustbin Day for Affpuddle and Ternerspuddle Parish) the Council will be leaving plastic sacks on Wednesday 19th Dec. and collecting double the amount of rubbish on Wednesday 2nd January. (Let's hope the doh who raids the dustbins can't read this or if his owner can he/she keep him under control)

BLADEN YOUTH CLUB: Thanks to everyone who supported the bed push by sponsoring members, came to the Bingo and to the Wine and Cheese Party. £48 was raised for Youth Club funds.

PUDDELOW FIRST SCHOOL: Our Harvest Festival service held in St. Mary's Church was enjoyed by everyone. It was lovely to see so many parents sharing the service with us. The gifts of produce which the children brought were later distributed by them to the older members of the community. We have had many letters and messages of thanks from the recipients. Christmas is already beginning to loom large at school and we are making plans for a carol service towards the end of term. The children's party will be held on Tuesday 18th December and our entertainment this year will be a theatre group who will perform a play. Mr Gillam will again come and show one of his films based on the Christmas theme. We break up for the Christmas holidays on Thursday 20th December and return on Tuesday 8th January 1985. The children and staff of Puddletown First School send Christmas greetings to all parents and friends.

BLADEN SOCIAL CLUB ENTERTAINMENTS: Well, the time of year has come around again when everyone is getting busy ready for Christmas. Well, the Committee at the Club will be hard at work making sure that Christmas arrangements go smoothly and that you, our members will have a good time through the next month. Please come and join in and make our work worthwhile.

Saturday 1st December - Music with Jimmy Gold
Saturday 8th December - Members' children's Christmas Party 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Wednesday 12th December - O.A.P.'s Christmas Party 6.30 - 10 p.m.
Saturday 15th December - Members' Christmas Dance with Summer Breeze 8.30
Wednesday 19th December - Christmas Whist Drive 7.30
Saturday 22nd December - Grand Christmas Draw 8.30 p.m.
Monday 24th December - Music with Danny
Monday 31st December - Music with Jimmy Gold, also Fancy Dress & Prizes
1985 Membership will be due on 1st March to 31st March after the Annual General Meeting. Finally thank you to all those people who keep giving us their newspapers, and to everyone who has helped in any way at the club. On behalf of the Committee may I wish everyone a very merry Christmas and a prosperous 1985.

W. Johnson

RECIPES FROM AROUND THE PARISH: This month's recipe is supplied by P.C.C. member Lindy Ventham who is also one of the Smocks and Frocks duo and wife of the former Parish Clerk Phil Ventham. It is for PORK CHARLOTTE

Ingredients: 6oz fresh white breadcrumbs, 1 lb belly pork, 4 tomatoes, 2 medium onions, salt and pepper, dried basil or mixed herbs, 1 10oz can condensed tomato soup, 1 can water

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Method: Grease a shallow ovenproof dish and sprinkle in about 2oz of prepared breadcrumbs. Bone and skin pork and cut into small pieces, slice tomatoes and onions. Arrange half pork, tomatoes and onions over breadcrumbs and season well with salt, pepper and herbs. Sprinkle another 2oz breadcrumbs over the pork mixture and then cover with remaining pork, tomatoes and onions. Mix soup with water and pour over pork, season well, then cover with remaining breadcrumbs. Cover dish and bake at 400°F for about 1 1/2 hours or until meat is tender.

BEREGIS NEWS

Advertisers wishing to renew or to insert advertisements for the entire year are asked to notify the editors of their requirements by 14th December at the latest.

PARISH COUNCIL Since the opening of the Beregis by-pass and link road, there has been much controversy about the quantity of traffic through the village and the inherent danger at the Cross created by traffic manoeuvres at this junction. The traffic flow was monitored between 0600 hrs. and 2200 hrs. on Thursday September 13th 1984. The results indicate that only about half the number of vehicles were considered to be local traffic to Bere Regis and Milborne St. Andrew. Vehicles were entering the village at the Cross at an average rate of 117 per hour. It was noted that there were nine accidents at that point, seven of which were due to vehicles entering the village from the Poole direction failing to give way to traffic from Wool. It was concluded that the Parish Council's apprehensions about safety at the Cross were justified and the District and County Councils were called upon to take appropriate action.

R.B.L. WOMEN'S SECTION held their A.G.M. on October 17th at which twenty three members were present. All officers and committee were returned en bloc. The Chairman, Mrs Maidment, thanked her fellow officers, committee and members for their loyal support and hard work during the past year. From funds raised, £550 had been allocated to the various Women's Section schemes. A raffle and bring-and-buy were run at this meeting and teas were served. A coffee evening in aid of the Poppy Appeal was held at H.Qs. on October 24th and raised £63.50. The Club Secretary, Mr Phillips, then presented the women's section with a cheque for £250 which was also for the Poppy Appeal.

Canotaph: December Mrs Kircher-Smith; January Mrs Maidment

BEREGIS WIVES GROUP held their A.G.M. on October 23rd. A large number of wives attended and those elected were: Chairman Mrs Sue Cheeseman, Secretary Mrs Christine Tucker, Treasurer Mrs Shirley Day plus 4 committee members. The evening concluded with a display of gifts and goodies by Mrs A. Harper which members thoroughly enjoyed whether browsing or buying. There is no meeting in Dec., but we all look forward to the Christmas Dinner

BEREGIS FRIENDS OF THE IMPERIAL CANCER RESEARCH FUND Thank you to everyone who ordered Christmas cards this year. Orders amounted to just over £900. The final total on Mr Stickley's marathon was £319, which provided a real boost to funds this year. We now have a date for our usual concert at the Memorial Hall, Bovington, by the Regimental Band of the 15th/19th. The King's Royal Hussars. That date is Friday 25th January so don't forget to put it straight into your 1985 diaries.

BEREGIS FLORAL GROUP The annual general meeting was on Tuesday December 4th at 2.30 p.m. It is hoped that all members will attend to elect the officers and committee for next year and to hear details of the new programme.

BEREGIS SCOUT GROUP THANKS to all who supported our Halloween Sale at the Drax Hall in October. Our funds benefited by over £50. Also to all those who bought 'Webb Ivory' cards and gifts. The group managed to sell nearly £450 worth this year, bringing 25% of this to group funds.

WASTE PAPER The group has collected waste paper and magazines for many years now. Please keep it up, or join in if you don't already: the store is at the rear of Mr Jeavets shop (opposite Drax Arms car park) or a monthly collection is possible on the first Saturday of the month. Please leave names and addresses for this service at the butchers.

SCOUTS CHRISTMAS WHIST DRIVE is to be held at 8 p.m. on Monday 10th Dec, at Winterborne Kingston Village Hall. Mrs V. House has kindly offered to organise it. Come and have a good evening and win seasonal prizes.

CAROL SINGING by the group is to be in aid of Save the Children Fund, and takes place on Monday and Tuesday 17th and 18th December. Meet at Turlerville Court car park at 6.30 p.m. each evening. Bring a lamp.

CHURCHYARD MEMORIAL ROSES As unfortunately often happens a few of the memorial roses in the Churchyard have not survived the dry summer with their feet in the chalky soil, and are being replaced. The list recording whose gave the roses, and in whose memory they were given, is not up to date, and is short of the names of donors of the following: In memory of: Ada Keenes, Robert W. Drabble, Dorothy Richards, Pte Wm Frank Marsh, M.H.T. Jones, R.T. Jones, and Henry Prosser Evans. If anyone knows who the donor was, would they please contact the Vicar or Churchwardens.

DRAX HALL XMAS FAIR Come and see Father Xmas at the Drax Hall Xmas Fair on Saturday 1st December, arriving 2.30 p.m. to open the fair. There will be a grand Christmas raffle, gift stalls, tombolas and other competitions. Come and enjoy a good afternoon with all your family. Any donations by way of prizes, gifts or goods to sell for either of these events will be very much appreciated. These can be left at Mrs Mooney's, West St. or Mrs Lewis's, 7 Southbrook.
COURT PROSPECT 6575 of the ANCIENT ORDER OF FORESTERS Friendly Society celebrated the 150th anniversary of the Order in the Drax Hall. There were a number of guests from the District Committee of management, neighbouring Courts and local Court members and friends. An audience of 100 enjoyed a very good variety concert presented by the Wives Group of Bere Regis. During the interval there was a ploughman's supper. The District Chief Ranger, Brother Fred Gomes, brought greetings from the Committee of Management and presented gifts and Anniversary Jewels to three retiring, long serving committee members - Brother Percy Mintern, Court Secretary for a number of years, Brother Percy Bertlett, a very long serving Committee member and Brother Fred Lys, long serving Trustee. Proceeds from this event will be donated to the District Chief Ranger's appeal which is to provide a holiday caravan for mentally handicapped children to be based at Swanage.

AUTUMN LEAVES Our November meeting was a Whist and Dominoes Drive. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 12th December at 2.30 p.m. in the Drax Hall. This is our Christmas afternoon when we shall be joined by the P.T.A. and entertained by the children of Bere Regis School. An invitation is extended to all friends in the village who are over 70 years of age. Will you please put your names on the list in the butcher's or ring Mrs Jeeves 471775 so that we have numbers for catering purposes.

12th ANNUAL BALL A very successful Ball was held on 10th November and a profit of £100 was made for Autumn Leaves funds. Our thanks to all who bought raffle tickets and for the donations received. Thanks also to the helpers who prepared the delicious buffet, to the raffle ticket sellers and to Charles Jeeves for all the help he has given over the past twelve years.

GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND A certificate has been awarded to Kathleen Jeeves for the help she has given to the Guide Dogs for the Blind for the past six years. Please continue to bring tin foil to the Butcher's or to the bungalow 'Lerkspur' or if you have a sack of foil ring 471175 and it will be collected.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE At the October meeting Mr Slow gave us a humorous and varied account of his life as a Magistrate's Clerk for 34 years. Nominations were taken for the A.G.M. and Mrs Sally Cheseeman read the Link letter. Our thanks to Mrs Carlyle and Mrs Mullins for being such an outstanding President and Secretary respectively. Our thanks too to Mrs Bush who continues to provide such original competitions for us. The Skittles matches are being played and enjoyed. There will be carols and festive food for members at the December meeting - starting at the earlier time of 7.00 p.m. CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS TO EVERYONE.

THE MOTHER'S UNION At our November meeting, following the joy of making our Communion together, we met in the Vicarage in order to share with each other our favourite hymns and texts. Our next meeting will be at the Vicarage at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday 5th December, when Mr Fred Pitfield will be reading a ghost story which he has written specially for the occasion. Following this we will sing carols and consume mince pies. The Prayer Group will meet at 11.00 a.m. in the Morton Chapel on Fridays 14th and 28th December.

Doreen Shaw

PARISH CALENDAR

DECEMBER
1st Sat Drax Hall Xmas Fair 2.30 p.m.
4th Tue Sidesmen's Quarterly meeting 6.30 p.m. Vicarage
10th Mon Scout Christmas Whist Drive 8.00 p.m. W. Kingston Hall
12th Wed Parish Council meeting 7.00 p.m. Drax Hall
17th Mon Drax Hall Xmas Bingo 7.45 p.m.
17th & 18th Scout Group Carol Singing in aid of Save the Children Fund

JANUARY
9th Wed Autumn Leaves New Year Party 2.30 p.m. Drax Hall
23rd Wed Parish Council meeting 7.00 p.m. Drax Hall
25th Fri Cancer Research Fund Concert Memorial Hall Bovington
CHURCH AND VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

AUTUMN LEAVES 2.30 p.m. 2nd Wednesday
BEAVERS 6.30 p.m. Monday Winterborne Kingston School
BELLRINGERS 7.30 p.m. practice Wednesday
BINGO 7.45 p.m. Mondays Drax Hall
BRITISH LEGION CLUB 7.00 p.m. Mon.to Fri: 12 noon to 2.30 p.m. & 7.00
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Church
CUBS 6.30 p.m. Thursday School
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MOTHER'S UNION 7.30 p.m. 1st Wednesday Vicarage
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Bindon Abbey 462024
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