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The Vicarage Bere Regis

THE VICAR’S LETTER

My dear Friends,

“To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord”

Isaiah 61 : 2

A New Year is upon us and there can be very few who think about it
at all, who contemplate its beginning without some misgiving. So much
has gone amiss with our world of late. Old values have appeared to change
old standards have seemed to be replaced by something less worthy; self
seeking and sheer naked greed seem to be on the increase.

Yet there is a brighter side. Hardly a week passes without some
advance being announced in medical science so that physical suffering
may be better relieved. Hardly a day goes by but a report reaches us
of some act of heroism or bravery by groups or by individuals. Even
terrible natural disaster or famine on a world scale call forth an over-
whelming response in terms of human caring and goodwill. So are we really
justified in our pessimism?

The answer to this question is an emphatic - No. If we are to call
ourselves Christians then we are, by definition, conveyors of Good News,
for the Gospel remains simply that. So when it comes to a New Year we
have every reason to be bold in proclaiming: “This is Anno Domini 1985
- the Year of the Lord - this Year of Grace.”
By thus acknowledging the fact that our time belongs not to us, but to God, we are in effect dedicating it to him and asking him to help us to use it aright. John Wesley's words still hold good:

Do all the good you can
By all the means you can
In all the ways you can
In all the places you can
At all the times you can
To all the people you can
As long as ever you can

If we need a New Year Resolution let us take John Wesley's advice and stop shaking our heads over wrongs which we cannot remedy or changes which are irreversible and adopt a positive attitude to life. To have the courage to say "Yes" to anything which may confront us is not to be reckless. It is "To proclaim the acceptable Year of the Lord".

It is to put ourselves in his hands and to follow where he leads us. May God bless you all in this Year of Grace.

Yours very sincerely,
DENIS SHAW

NOTES FROM THE VICARAGE

The first month of a New Year is always exciting. It brings with it new hope, new opportunities, and possibly new problems. I am no prophet, but looking at January 1985, I can confidently forecast the following events:

Sunday 6th January  The Feast of the Epiphany. All our services will be devoted to the theme of the showing forth of the Christ Child to the world.

Sunday 13th January  Plough Sunday, when we have our traditional Plough Sunday service in the Bere Regis Church. The procession leaves the Old Barn Garage at 2.50 p.m. and the service commences at 3 p.m.

Wednesday 16th January  Our quarterly Healing Service in the Bere Regis Church at 7.30 p.m. in the context of Holy Communion.

Sunday 27th January  Our bi-monthly Family Service in the Bere Regis Church at 11 a.m. On this occasion the children of Mrs Mills' Sunday School class will take a major part in the service.

Sunday 3rd February  The Blandford and District Branch of the Church of England Children's Society is holding a Thanksgiving Service in the Bere Regis Church at 6 p.m. when we look forward to welcoming representatives from other Parishes in the Deanery.

OTHER NOTICES
The Mothers' Union meeting on 2nd January will be at the Vicarage as usual but it will meet under the leadership of a new enrolling member, Mrs Diana Phillips. She is to be Commissioned during the Family Communion service on the following Sunday the 6th February.

The Affpuddle P.C.C. meets on Thursday 10th January at 7.30 p.m. at Raithby Cottage.

The Committee for Community Concern meets at the Vicarage for a working lunch on Wednesday 16th January at 12.30 p.m.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

HOLY BAPTISM
Admitted into the family of Christ
18th November
Kelly Ann Osborne daughter of Martin and Ann Osborne

AFFPUDDLE
Heidi Elizabeth Elliott daughter of Mark and Tina Elliott
Dawn Doreen Gormley daughter of Cyril and Joan Gormley

CHURCH SERVICES - JANUARY 1985

BERE REGIS  AFFPUDDLE
Sunday 6th January  9.30 a.m. Family Communion  8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
The Epiphany  6.00 p.m. Evensong  11.15 a.m. Matins
Sunday 13th January  8.00 a.m. Holy Communion  9.30 a.m. Family Eucharist
Plough Sunday  11.00 a.m. Matins
Sunday 20th January  9.30 a.m. Family Communion  8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
Epiphany 2  6.00 p.m. Evensong  10.30 a.m. Family Service
Sunday 27th January  8.00 a.m. Holy Communion  9.30 a.m. Eucharist
Epiphany 3  11.00 a.m. Family Service & Shortened Matins
Sunday 3rd February  9.30 a.m. Family Communion  8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
Septuagesima  6.00 p.m. C.of E.Children's 11.15 a.m. Matins
Soc'y. Thanksgiving Service

ADDITIONAL SERVICES
Wednesday 16th January 7.30 p.m. Healing Service & Holy Communion

SIDESMEN'S ROTA - BERE REGIS
January 6th  9.30 a.m.  Mr K. Woolfries & Mr J. House
January 13th  6.00 p.m.  Mr H. Dashwood & Mr M. Barnes
January 20th  11.00 a.m.  Cdr. C. Maunder & Mr F. Marsh
January 27th  3.00 p.m.  Plough Sunday Service - Farmers
February 3rd  9.30 a.m.  Mr G. Ward & Mr A. Bates

C.of E. Children's Soc'y Special Collectors - 3 -
WOMEN'S INSTITUTE Mrs Bridges and Mrs Sainsbury, two voluntary county organisers, helped our election of officers to proceed smoothly and enjoyably at the November meeting. Mrs Carlyle was re-elected president, Mrs Mullins secretary and Mrs Mills treasurer. The committee was re-elected with the addition of Mrs Mander. The first rounds of scrabble and whist for the county tournaments were being played and a 'Pie, pea and potato' party is being arranged for February. The monthly meetings now start at 7.01 p.m.

THANK YOU We should like to thank all those who contributed so generously to our Three Witches Appeal on Halloween night. We are happy to report that £21 has been sent to the 'Save the Children' Fund to help the people of Ethiopia. Signed Victoria Wilson, Lisa Barnes, Karen White

THE AUTUMN LEAVES Christmas afternoon was a great success. It was given by the Autumn Leaves and P.T.A. to the over 60's of Bere Regis. There was an excellent performance by the children from the school who were suitably dressed for their Oide Tyme Music Hall. Afterwards we were entertained with Christmas singing by the Gadebouts. Mince pies and sherry were provided by the P.T.A. and tea by the Autumn Leaves. The next meeting is the New Year Party on Wednesday 9th January at 2.30 p.m. in the Drax Hall.

IMPERIAL CANCER RESEARCH FUND Our concert by the Regimental Band of the 15th/19th The King's Royal Hussars will be held on Friday 25th January at 7.45 p.m. in the Memorial Hall Bovington Camp. A bus will run from the village at a cost of 50p. It is always a really enjoyable evening, so do come along. Tickets £1.50 adults, 75p under 16s, are available from committee members, Andrew Lys (B.R. 471207) and Jean Hudson (B.R. 471543). I have just had news from our Regional Appeals Organiser of a huge sponsored walk across the Purbecks to be organised by the Swanage Rotarians for Sunday 14th April 1985. Walkers can commit themselves to distances of from two to eighteen miles. The I.C.R.F. is one of the five charities amongst which the sponsorship money will be equally divided. My husband (Bob Holman) has already said he will tackle the whole eighteen miles so I shall be very pleased to hear from anyone who would like to join him or to sponsor him. (Diana Holman, Puddletown 262). The Rotarians are expecting at least 15,000 people to take part which will raise a very substantial sum to be shared between the I.C.R.F., R.N.I., Royal Commonwealth Society for the Blind, Cystic Fibrosis Research Trust and Guide Dogs for the Blind.

D.M.H.

THE MOTHER'S UNION We had a splendid evening for our last meeting of 1984, starting by the admission by the Vicar of Mrs Edith Green as a member of the Mother's Union. Mr Fred Pitfield then read us his latest gripping and spine chilling ghost story, which was followed by the singing of favourite carols. Our next meeting will be at 7.30 p.m. at the Vicarage
on Wednesday 2nd January, when Mrs Pat Mills will be showing slides and
telling us about her holiday in Australia. Also this will be the first
meeting under the leadership of Mrs Diana Phillips. She is to be com-
missioned at the Family Communion Service at 9.30 a.m. on Sunday 6th Jan.
The Prayer Group will meet on Fridays 11th and 25th January at 11.00 a.m.
in the Morton Chapel.

AFFPUDDLE NEWS

Please may I have items for inclusion in the magazine by 14th of the month
P.R. Thorniley

THE SAVE THE CHILDREN COFFEE MORNING held at Lanchfield on 22nd November took £678 with donations. Lady Coates would like to express her gratitude to all those who supported it.

APOLOGIES AND EXCUSES Please accept apologies for the poor quality of the duplicating of the Vicar’s Christmas message. The duplicator went on the blink. Despite the poor quality of the print the intention was to wish everyone a happy and blessed Christmas.

BRIANTSPUDDLE HALL COMMITTEE is a registered charity whose main aim is to maintain the Hall in good condition and keep it available for the whole community of Affpuddle and Turnerspuddle. The hire charges made for hall bookings barely cover the expenses incurred: rates, heating, lighting, cleaning, maintenance, insurance, etc. Any capital we have comes from fund-raising and donations, and is invested towards the very large sum needed in the future for thatching and other repairs. The Committee wishes to make it known that it cannot waive the hire charges for any event, however sympathetic the members of the Committee are to a particular cause. In the recent case of fund raising for the children of Ethiopia, every member of the Committee generously agreed to make an individual donation, which in fact more than paid for the hire of the Hall. It would be unfair to waive the charges for one specific occasion. When the Committee holds an event involving the hall, the hire charge is deducted from the amount raised before the profits are published, Philippa Thorniley, Chairman

BLADEN SOCIAL CLUB On 12th December some 75 old age pensioners came to Bladen Village Hall for their annual Christmas party and tuck into a three course meal served by Committee ladies and two outside helpers, Mrs J. Backholer and Tracey Johnson. This was followed by drinks and a singalong in the club, music supplied by Peter Bowditch and his accordion. We hope everyone enjoyed themselves. On 19th January Good Company and their music will be at the club, so come along and join in. Just as a matter of interest to those people who give us their newspapers, the last load taken from the club made a total of £52. So as you can see every little helps. Finally thank you to everyone for their help. W. Johnson

CAN YOU SPARE THE ODD HOUR OR TWO FOR THE CHURCH? During the next month or two the rotes for the church cleaning and flower arranging in church for the year starting from Easter 1985 will be compiled. The Vicar and P.G.C.C. would be most grateful to anyone who can spare time to help clean the church, arrange flowers, deliver occasional letters throughout the Parish and form part of one of the teams to give the church a good turn out four times a year (just before Easter, mid summer, after Harvest Festival and after Christmas). If you could help with one, some or all of these tasks please give written details of who you are, your telephone number, what you are able to help with and when you can help to me, Philippa Thorniley, Railhay Cottage, Briantspuddle.

RECIPIES FROM AROUND THE PARISH The 14th of the month comes round quicker and quicker every month and every month I find I have to hurriedly ask someone for a recipe at the last minute! Please help me by letting me have you favourite recipes as a "bank" for future months.

Philippa Thorniley

SCHOOL NEWS PUDDETTOWN FIRST SCHOOL The Entertainment took place on 13th December. The children performed a play with carols. After the play the Friends of Puddettown School organised refreshments, a bring and buy stall, raffle and Father Christmas. About £100 was raised for F.O.P.P.S. Funds. On 5th December the School held a Victorian Day when pupils dressed in Victorian Costume and had a taste of what life was like long ago. The Spring term starts on Tuesday 8th January.

CHRISTMAS FAIR was held in the Hall on 1st December. Several of the village organisations ran stalls. Father Christmas arrived by tractor and trailer and the grand Christmas Draw took place. A total of £167.90 was raised for Hall funds. The Chairman and Committee of the Briantspuddle Hall Committee would like to thank all those who took part or came to the event.

PLAY GROUP The spring term starts on Tuesday 8th January. For further details about the Playgroup please contact Sue Smith, Bere Regis 471919.

RECIPIES FROM AROUND THE PARISH Sophie Thorniley has supplied this month’s recipe for Caramel Shortbread.

Shortbread 12 oz plain flour, 4 oz butter or margarine, 3 oz Trex, 4 oz caster sugar
Caramel Topping 4 oz caster sugar, 4 oz butter or margarine, 2 tbsp.sps. golden syrup, about 6 fluid oz condensed milk, Cakebrand chocolate to cover.

Method Make the shortbread in the normal way, press into a tin (7" by 11"). Bake for about 20 to 30 minutes in oven 350°F or until cooked. Cool in tin. Place all the ingredients for the caramel (not the chocolate) in a saucepan and melt together, then boil for about 5 minutes, stirring continuously. Pour topping over shortbread. When set cover with chocolate
After chocolate is set cut into squares or slices. This quantity makes about 18 slices.

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 Sat. 12 noon to 2.00 p.m. Sun.
CHOIR PRACTICE 6.30 p.m. children 7.30 p.m. adults Fri. in Church
CUBS 6.30 p.m. Thursday School
FLORAL GROUP 2.30 p.m. 2nd Tuesday Drax Hall
MOTHER & TODDLER GROUP 2.15 p.m. Monday The Manse, Butt Lane
MOTHER’S UNION 7.30 p.m. 1st Wednesday Vicarage
PLAYGROUP BERE REGIS 3 mornings Bere Regis School Enquiries 471674 (Sup.
PLAYGROUP BRIANTSPUDDLE 9.30 - 12 noon Tue.,Wed.,Thur., Village Hall
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SCOUTS 6.30 p.m. Thursday Youth Club Hut
SCRIPTURE UNION ADVENTURERS CLUB 7 - 11 years
7.00 p.m. Tuesday Congregational Church
SUNDAY SCHOOL 10.15 a.m. every Sunday in Parish Church
WEDNESDAY GROUP 7.30 p.m. Congregational Church Hall 12 years and over
WIVES GROUP 7.30 p.m. 4th Tuesday Vicarage
WOMEN’S INSTITUTE 7.00 p.m. 3rd Tuesday Drax Hall
YOUTH CLUB 7.00 p.m. Friday Club Hut

PARISH CALENDAR

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

FEBRUARY
20th Wed Parish Council meeting 7.00 p.m. Drax Hall

MARCH
20th Wed Parish Council meeting 7.00 p.m. Drax Hall

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* The Chancellor has promised not to change Pensions legislation in 1984. By inference and also what occurred in the 1984 regarding life assurance tax relief, adverse changes are very likely to occur this year. If you are self-employed or in non-pensionable employment and are thinking of pensions, there is no time like the present. You can still qualify for tax relief at the highest slice you pay and you may still withdraw a substantial tax free lump sum as well as a life time pension. These and many more benefits can still build up in a tax exempt fund. Don't wait until the Budget. Consult Bob Holman of the Canada Life Assurance Company - telephone Puddletown 262

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