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THE PARISH OF BERE REGIS AND AFFPUDDLE WITH TURNERSPUDDLE
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SEPTEMBER is a month when our thoughts are much occupied with education: the Schools go back, older students prepare to start their College and University terms, the programmes for Evening Classes are appearing in prominent places.

For the Church as well as the secular world, education is important: there are many Church Schools and Colleges, many teachers and lecturers are very committed Christians, much effort is put by Christian organisations and individuals into education, and rightly so. September is a time when our prayers, as well as our thoughts, should be concerned with the topic of education in the widest possible sense.

For our own Parish, the education of Church members is one major area of concern for all of us. There is a need for a continuing opportunity for Christian teaching and learning - not just for the young, but for all age groups. One way in which this can be helped is the formation this month of a new scheme, based initially in Briantspuddle, entitled 'STEPPING STONES': every fortnight during School Term time, there will be a Meeting for anyone who is interested to come for discussion, to gain information, to share ideas, to deepen our understanding of our faith, to spend time in prayer, to get to know others better...

Some will want to come to every meeting, others may just come occasionally, but all are very welcome to join in this exciting new idea.

Meetings will be held on alternate MONDAYS at 8 pm at Hazel Cottage, 25 Briantspuddle. If you need transport, please contact either Penny Haigh (471768), Di Phillips (471423) or The Vicarage (471262). If sufficient interest is shown in this important part of our Christian life, a similar group will be established in Bere Regis.

PLEASE SUPPORT THIS EXCITING NEW VENTURE: the first term's programme appears on the next page...
PROGRAMME: September - December 1986

15 Sep. 'A FUTURE FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS?'
A discussion based on the book: "RURAL ANGLICANISM - A Future for young
Christians" by Leslie Francis and a
response prepared by The Salisbury
Diocesan Youth Adviser for Dorset,
The Revd Ian Johnson.

29 Sep. PRACTICAL CHRISTIANITY - a look at The Letter of James
The first of two sessions showing the relevance of this Book of the
New Testament to everyday life in 1986: it is a very practical
letter, the writer being most concerned with consistency between
belief and action.

13 Oct. 'THE CHURCH ARMY' - an introduction by Brenda Pitfield
27 Oct. A VIDEO TAPE followed by discussion
10 Nov. The Second Study on THE LETTER OF JAMES
24 Nov. 'FAITH IN THE CITY' - it affects us too!
8 Dec. HOLY COMMUNION followed by a Fellowship Meal

OTHER EDUCATIONAL IDEAS FOR SEPTEMBER ....

WAY OF LIFE

THE PARISH CONFIRMATION SERVICE
will take place at 9.30 am in Affpuddle
Church on SUNDAY 25 JANUARY 1987.

THERE WILL BE A MEETING for ALL who
are thinking about the possibility of
being Confirmed (of any age) at The
Vicarage on MONDAY 8 SEPTEMBER at
6.30 pm.
If you cannot be there but seek
Confirmation, please let the Vicar know.

HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT THE
BISHOP'S CERTIFICATE in Christian
Education?

Since its launching in 1975, the
Bishop's Certificate Course has been
meeting a clearly expressed need on
the part of lay people for a system-
atic study of the faith, to help
enlarge understanding and deepen
discipleship.

The Course in entitled "WAY OF LIFE" and seeks to take a thematic
approach to our understanding of
God, Jesus, the Bible, the Church,
and the excitement of living out
the Christian faith to-day.

The Course comprises six terms,
each of six meetings.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, there is a
Meeting for our Deanery on MONDAY
8 SEPTEMBER at Blandford Parish
Room at 8 pm.

Please contact one of the Deanery Course Tutors if you intend
coming: The Revd Hugh Maddox (Tel. Morden 244)
or The Revd Jonathan Burke (Tel. Bere Regis 471262).
### CHURCH SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER

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### IN MEMORIAM

LEWIS GEORGE BABER came from a farming background, following his ancestors and father at South Barrow in Somerset. One of his grandfathers had farmed at Barrington Coombe where the hymn 'Rock of Ages' was written during a thunderstorm. Illness had caused his retirement and brought him ultimately to live at Hyde Lodge, Dorset; he had enjoyed his time here in such peaceful surroundings. Lewis had many interests and led a full life, contributing to the community in his own particular way. He was a keen yachtsman - and was even rescued by a lifeboat on one occasion off Anglesey whilst sailing from Scotland to Dorset! Lewis also loved music and spent many happy hours in Bere Regis Church enjoying Concerts - both as a performer and as a member of the audience. He is remembered by many for his kindness and concern together with his solid support and genuine friendship.

GLADYS MARSH was both part of Bere Regis and part of the whole life of the community here, having lived in the village for fifty years. Her family meant a great deal to Gladys and she was able to minister to them with dedication over many years in a number of ways. A genuine interest and concern was shown to all, and so many received kindness and Christian love from Mrs Marsh. The Church meant a great deal to her and she was much involved with many aspects of Church life, not least the Social Committee. Over the past months Gladys had suffered with some pain and considerable frustration; but she had been as gracious and patient in receiving love and concern from the family and friends as she had been generous in helping others. Our sympathy goes to Fred and the family at this time of loss; they and many in the village and elsewhere will miss Mrs Marsh a great deal, but her life of dedication and service coupled with a deep Christian faith will set a lasting example for us all. May she rest in peace.

### TOGETHER - A DIOCESAN FAMILY DAY FOR ALL AGES

at WESTWOOD ST. THOMAS SCHOOL, SALISBURY

on SATURDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 1986 from 10.30 am - 4 pm

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TOGETHER WE GROW - WHY NOT COME?

PLEASE CONTACT THE VICAR FOR MORE DETAILS, TRANSPORT ETC.
The BERE REGIS Heritage FESTIVAL

SEPTEMBER 1986

SATURDAY 6 SEPTEMBER

7.30 pm A Classical CONCERT in Church by Peter Franklin and friends, with a strong Dorset flavour

SUNDAY 7 SEPTEMBER

6.00 pm FESTIVAL SERVICE for local organisations and clubs

SUNDAY 21 SEPTEMBER

An evening to commemorate THOMAS HARDY's links with Bere Regis...

6.00 pm EVENSONG Preacher: Canon Stephen Platten from Portsmouth Cathedral; followed by refreshments and an illustrated talk about THOMAS HARDY by Tom Wightman of the THOMAS HARDY SOCIETY at 7.30 pm

SATURDAY 27 SEPTEMBER

7.30 pm A CONCERT by Elizabeth Glen and The McFarlane String Quartet

Concert tickets available at the door, or from The Vicarage, Bere Regis after 1st September 1986.
CHURCH DUTY ROTAS - BERE REGIS

SIDESMENS ROTA

Sept 7th 9.30 a.m. Mr J Strange, Mr G Ward
       6.00 p.m. Festival Service Miss S Frampton, Mr R Stallard
Sept 14th 11.00 a.m. Mrs M England, Mr F Marsh
       6.00 p.m. Cdr C Mauder, Mr M Barnes
Sept 21st 9.30 a.m. Mr J Strange, Mr A Bates
       6.00 p.m. Mr R Stallard, Miss P Chesney
Sept 28th 11.00 a.m. Col A Barne, Mrs M England
Oct 5th 9.30 a.m. Mr G Ward, Mr J Strange
       6.00 p.m. Miss S Frampton, Mr H Dashwood

SANCTUARY FLOWER GUILD

Sept 7th
Mrs Clark
Wives Group
Sept 14th
Mrs Cobb
Wives Group
Sept 21st
Mrs Ward
Harvest Festival
Sept 28th
Harvest Festival
Oct 5th
Miss S Frampton, Mr H Dashwood

CHURCH DUTY ROTAS - AFFPUDDLE

Flowers
Sept 7th
Miss Duff
Sept 14th
Mrs Burden
Sept 21st
Mrs Russell
Sept 28th
Harvest Festival
Readers and Sidesmen
Sept 7th
Col Corner
11.15
Mr R Prideaux
Sept 14th
Mr D Payne
8.00
Capt Johnston
9.30
Lt Cdr Thorniley
Sept 21st
Mr G Payne
11.00
Mr A Smith
Sept 28th
Mrs Thorniley (E)
6.30
Mr Bentley
Church Yard Mowing
Fortnight beginning:-
Sept 8th Col Forty Sandy and Nick Moriarty
Sept 22nd Tim Reed Mr Bob Smith Mr Chris Reading

MEN OF THE TWO PARISHES! - THE BRIANTSPUDDLE SINGERS

A friendly, lively choir with about 40 members, would welcome more male singers. We meet on Tuesday evenings from 8 until 9.30 in Briantspuddle Village Hall and our main task this winter will be to prepare Elgar's "Dream of Gerontius" for performance with the Dorset Guild of Singers and the Dorset County Orchestra in the Wessex Hall, Poole. If you would like to take part in this exciting project, please come along on Tuesday 9 September or else contact Richard Hall on Bere Regis 471359.
For those who have not sung seriously before, we will be holding a series of SINGING CLASSES where basic singing technique and reading music will be taught. These will be held before the full choir rehearsal at 7.30 pm on Tuesday evenings in Brintspuddle Village Hall starting on 9 September. Absolute beginners will be very welcome, but please note that these classes are designed for male singers only.

THANKS
Our sincere thanks to all who supported "Joy in the Making" so whole heartedly, by loaning articles, mounting displays, stewarding and by coming along to enjoy it all. The Parish can be proud of its skills and of giving a lot of pleasure to a lot of people - Thank you.
Evelyn Peggy Sue and Pat

EDITOR'S NOTE
As I shall be away in September and October when the magazine goes to press, would contributors please send their copy to Mrs Thornley or leave at the Vicarage, Bere Regis, by the 14th of the month.
Many thanks
Dorothy Briggs

BERE REGIS NEWS

BERE REGIS FRIENDS OF THE IMPERIAL CANCER RESEARCH FUND Catalogues of Christmas Cards and Gifts are now available from A Lys, 7 Rye Hill Close and J Hudson, 4 Boswells Close who will also take orders before the latest date which will be on Wednesday, 24 September at 10 North Street from 10.00 am until 12.00 pm.

PUZZLE CORNER Last month's anagrams were:-
1. Court Green 6. Townsend Farm
2. Bere Down 7. The Devil's Stone
3. Robinswood Farm 8. Guleeze Farm
5. South Mead 10. The Recreation Ground

Here are 10 more fictitious local place names:
1. Eva H White 6. Oswald Welman-Hood
2. Eliza Thorn 7. Rene Wrath
3. Charles Spoc 8. Ken Droop
5. Will Other 10. Hortense Porch

BERE REGIS FLORAL GROUP Meetings commence after the Summer break on Tuesday, 9 September at 2.30 pm where the demonstrator will be Mrs ANN SYRAD and her subject "Magical Metal".

BERE REGIS WIVES GROUP Held their summer market on 22 July in the Vicarage garden. This was opened by Canon and Mrs Shaw and as a result of the evening, the Wives Group were able to send £100 to Poole Hospital Laser Appeal.
Next Meeting - 23 September

LONDON MARATHON I would like to thank everyone who sponsored me on the marathon, and also those who gave the donations after. £118.56 was raised for the Bere Regis Medical Fund. I feel sure more would have been raised had there been better publicity.
Special thanks to Lesley Painter, Tina White, Pete Milham and Cyril Cheese man for their much appreciated assistance, and very special thanks to Steve Cox for stepping in at the last moment when we were let down for transportation.
Charlie Stickley
BERE REGIS R.B.L. FLOWER SHOW on the 9th August attracted over 200 entries and was a great success, particularly the exhibits staged were of a high standard. The judges were pleased with the presentation, and the difficulty in deciding on the best exhibit resulted in a new exhibitor, John Smith, gaining the vote for his presentation of gladioli. The Bere Down Mills Cup for the most points in the show produced a family tie with Alan Cousins and his wife Jan, sharing the honours this year. The RBL Boyd Mens Cup was awarded to Dr. S. McGrory and the Women's Cup to Mrs. I.M. Bush, Mrs. D. Payne was awarded the Arthur Brook Rose Bowl, and for the third year Miss A. McGrory won the Mileham Challenge Cup.
Our next main event is the Harvest Festival Service on Sunday, 12th October at 7.15 pm, conducted by the Rev Jonathan Burke. After the Service the produce on display will be auctioned. Members are asked to give this occasion their full support.

THE POPPY APPEAL REPORT FOR 1985 The Bere Regis & District Poppy Appeal has resulted in a record amount of £1,480.68. This was almost £288 increase on the previous year's collection. The Committee are grateful for all the work of the collectors, especially in the house-to-house collections. This money was greatly supported by activities in the local RBL Branch, Church and Women's sections, collections in the local churches, and donations from Bere Regis, Bloxworth, Affpuddle and the three Winterbournes.
Mrs. S. Steele - Hon Organiser

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION WOMEN'S SECTION Held their monthly meeting on 16 July. 15 members were present.
Our local Chiropodist, Mrs Bowdin, was the speaker. Our members found her most interesting, and learned a lot regarding our feet.
A Bring and Buy was run by Mrs Adams and Mrs Chalk. Teas were served by Mrs Payne and Mrs Reed.
Our Annual Fete was held on 19 July and raised £162.63.
The Chairman would like to thank everyone who attended, helped and donated to make this event a success.
Cenotaph for September - Mrs Cleall
October - Mrs Bennett

CONGRATULATIONS To Charles Stickley on raising £118.56 by running the London Marathon. This will go towards the Medical Equipment Fund and brings the total now raised to £671.21. Proceeds from Bere Regis Carnival will also go to this good cause.
HELP NEEDED Would anyone who can help get the site ready for the Church Horse Show at Longthorns on 13 September please contact Tony Shave at Rye Hill Farm, Bere Regis, telephone 471334.

WATERCRESS OPEN DAYS On Saturday and Sunday 11 and 12 October, Sylvasprings, Bovingdon Road, Bere Regis will be opening their gates to the public and at five of their Farm Units. There will be train rides, the opportunity to see the Watercress Express on its unique 18" Gauge railway, a newly restored Water Mill Wheel, free watercress for the adults, and Watercress Teas in the Church. Admission will be £1.00, Children and Senior Citizens 50p. Proceeds from car parking fees at Bovingdon Road (20p) will go to funds for the new Scout Hut, and all other profits to Church funds.

BERE REGIS SCOUT GROUP The Cubs enjoyed their weekend at Winterborne Zelston with a camp fire and visit to Poole Quay: while the Scouts had an enjoyable but wet week at Kielder with breaks in the journey on the way and on return including York, and long hikes in the Hadrian’s Wall area.

The Venture Unit has been formed from Bere Regis Venture Scouts and Puddle-town Rangers and ten of them are going to a District Camp at the end of August.

We thank the leaders for all their organisation and parents for their cooperation in making these holidays successful.

If anyone of the 16 to 21 age group are interested in joining the Venture unit please contact Mrs Penny Haigh or Phil Venthum.

Scout Headquarters Work on the site in Elder Road should be starting on September 1st. We are very grateful to all those who have been helping to get it under way.

We hope you will be generous and support our Sponsored Event and Coffee Morning in September. We are also asking you to sign one of our “Foundation Block” lists and donate £1 for a block.

BERE REGIS YOUTH CLUB The Youth Club will remain open during what is left of our summer.

These past few weeks have been a busy time for the club’s Disco Dancing Team. The girls appeared first at the Festival of Youth in Poole Park on 5 July and they did the club proud. The following Saturday they took part in their first competition in the Poole Quay Fair and won the cup - Well done the girls! Later this month they hope to appear in the Poole Town Show and in September the Disco Team will represent the club and Bere Regis in the DAYC Disco Dancing competition at Weymouth Youth Club and if they win, will go through to represent Dorset in the next rounds. We all wish the girls good luck.

On Friday 29 August the club will be holding a barbecue and disco open to members and non-members aged 12-20 - Admission 50p.

It has been quiet during the summer but Sue and myself are looking forward to a busy winter programme and we are still looking for more help at the club so if you can spare two hours of your time, please contact us at the club on a Monday or Friday evening.

Eddie and Sue Goodall (Leaders)
Please let me have any items for inclusion in the magazine by 14th of the month. Philippa Thornley

PARISH MAGAZINE MONEY For Affpuddle readers only please note that from now until the middle of December your magazine distributor will be calling to collect the magazine money for 1986. If you have not already paid for this year’s magazines please have ready £1.80. Please let the distributor know whether you wish to have the magazine during 1987.

AFFRAISE SERVICE - 11.00 am Sunday, 21st September With the summer holidays over and the harvest upon us, the "Affraises", informal family services on the third Sunday each month, take on new themes and new ideas this autumn. Events took on a dramatic new turn in the July service, and this is likely to continue! Come and worship with us. J.H.

CHURCH COUNCIL REPORT At the meeting of the Council held in July time was spent discussing baptism, confirmation and marriage. The nomination of a member of the congregation to stand as sponsor for every child baptised in the church to represent the congregation in welcoming the child into the church, was agreed in principle. It was also agreed that special occasions should be arranged for the renewal of baptism, confirmation and marriage vows.

Dates confirmed for future events included the confirmation to be held at Affpuddle on 25th January, 1987 and a Parish quiet day to be held at Hillfield on 18th October, 1986. During the summer of 1987 as part of the recognition of the parish millenium, it was intended to arrange a series of special evensongs to include music from visiting choirs and musicians. Would Council members please note that the next meeting will take place on 24th September at Old Barn Cottage, Affpuddle.

HARVEST SUPPER The Harvest Supper is on Saturday, 27th September at 7.30 in the Village Hall, Briantspuddle. We will be very grateful for offers of food. Do come and support this event which is open to all the village. Tickets - 80p adults and 45p for children - are available from Mrs. Haigh, Mrs. Thornley, Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Prideaux. P. Haigh

FORTHCOMING EVENTS FOR CHURCH FUNDS Concert with interval refreshments Affpuddle Church to be given by Corneli Music Group on Friday, 17th October, Coffee Morning at Brock Hill Farm House Wednesday, 5th November. Details in the October magazine.

THANK YOU TIME Cancer Research Campaign - The House-to-House Collection total this year was £646.20. Splendid! £38.07 up on last year. Our most grateful thanks to all collectors and contributors. 92p in every pound is devoted to research in the U.K. Very real progress is being made and we are helping, M.J.P.

Royal National Lifeboat Institution - The R.N.L.I. thank their supporters in Affpuddle and Briantspuddle who gave £46.00 to the collection in Life Boat Week. F.C.

THE BLADEN RACES It rained for the second year running but this did not deter some very keen competition especially amongst the local entries. The honours went to Malcolm Gale with a two minute lead over a closely fought second place Stepehen Gale with Kevin Johnson only three seconds behind. All three won medals for completing the course in less than one hour with our only lady entry finishing just outside sixty-five minutes. The Bladen Social Club once again put on a very fine tea and Weymouth St. Paul's Harriers would like to express their thanks for the generous donation and the help that goes into making this event a special occasion for walkers and spectators alike.

The event was won yet again by an international this time Jimmy Ball of Southampton in a time of fifty one minutes five seconds. There was some keen racing right through the field and the conditions for the walkers were not unpleasant.

It is hoped next year to put up a trophy for competition between teams.

BLADEN SOCIAL CLUB 6th September Ladies K.O. Skittles, 13th September Gents K.O. Skittles. This is for members only. 20th September sees the return of Pete Howell to the club for a musical evening. On 27th September the club will be holding a Harvest Sale. This will take place after the Harvest Supper. Any donations of fruit, veg etc. would be most welcome, and could be brought to the club on the evening. All money made from the sale is for the church organ fund at Affpuddle Church. Please come along and help us raise a good sum of money for this good cause. Club members Whist Drives start again on 17th September. We look forward to seeing you all again. Finally, remember your newspapers.

Winnie Johnson

HARVEST FESTIVAL Harvest Festival in Affpuddle Church will be held on Sunday, 28th September. Details of the services are shown elsewhere in the magazine but the church will be decorated on Saturday, 27th September. Gifts of fruits, flowers, vegetables and produce (which will be given to the Cheshire Homes in Dorchester) will be most welcome and may be brought to the church on Saturday morning from 10.00 onwards.

PUDDLETOWN C.E. V.C. FIRST SCHOOL School re-opens on Tuesday, 2nd September when we welcome Mrs. Jan Crocotton who takes up the post of Deputy Head caused by Mrs. Trapnell's death. Governors, staff and pupils have had a chance to meet Mrs. Crocotton. We wish her a long and happy association with the School.

Rising 5's. If you have any friends with pre-school children who will be 5 between 1st September and the end of February and they have not been in touch with school perhaps you could ask them to contact the school office. L.K.L.

RECIPES FROM AROUND THE PARISH I have been most disappointed with the response to my request for recipes in last month's magazine. Do let me have your recipes. Apart from anything else Bill and Sophie would love a variation in menu. My repertoire is getting very stale and "samey". So please keep the recipes rolling in!
VEGETABLE SUPPER DISH This is a good way of using up courgettes, marrow or beans. Cook chosen vegetable lightly. Place in buttered fireproof dish. Make a tomato sauce by sweating a chopped onion and garlic, if liked, in oil. When onion is transparent add chopped, peeled and de-seeded tomatoes, some basil and tomato paste. Cook until amalgamated, season, pour over vegetables, top generously with grated cheese and brown in hot oven. Can be served with pasta shapes.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

September 1986
2nd 7.00 p.m. Childrens Society Coffee Evening - Vicarage
5th 6.30 p.m. Sidesmen's Quarterly Meeting - Vicarage
6th 7.30 p.m. Classical Concert - Bere Regis Church
13th Longthorns - Horse Show
21st 7.30 p.m. Talk on Thomas Hardy - Bere Regis Church
27th 10.30 a.m. Scout Group Coffee Morning - 'Larkspur'
27th 7.30 p.m. Affpuddle Harvest Supper
27th 7.30 p.m. Concert - String Quartet - Bere Regis Church

October 1986
11th 1-5 p.m. Watercress Open Days
12th 1-5 p.m. Watercress Open Days
12th 7.15 p.m. Bere Regis RBL Festival - Club Room
17th Cornet Music Group - Affpuddle Church
18th Parish Day - Hilfield
25th 2.30 p.m. Scout Group Jumble Sale - Drax Hall

CHURCH AND VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

2.30pm 2nd Wednesday
BEAVERS 6.00pm Monday Winterborne Kingston School
BELLRINGERS 6.30pm Wednesday Learners: Improvers 7pm
BINGO 7.45pm Drax Hall (Mondays)
BRITISH LEGION CLUB 7.00pm Mon to Fri: 12 noon to 2.30pm &
7.00pm Sat: 12 noon to 2pm Sunday
BRITISH WOMENS SECTION 2.30pm 3rd Wednesday at HQ
CHOIR PRACTISE 6.30pm children: 7.30pm adults Friday in church
CUBS 6.30pm Thursday School
FLORAL GROUP 2.30pm 2nd Tuesday Drax Hall
MOTHER & TODDLER 2.15pm Monday Congregational Church
MOTHERS UNION 7.30pm 1st Wednesday, The Vicarage
PLAYGROUP BERE REGIS 3 mornings Bere Regis School, Tel 471674
PLAYGROUP AFFPUDDLE 9.30am-12 noon Tue, Wed, Thur, Village Hall
Enquiries - Bindon Abbey 462024
SCOUTS 6.30pm Thursday, Youth Club Hut
SUNDAY SCHOOL 10.15am Every Sunday in Parish Church

TUESDAY CLUBS:
ADVENTURERS 7.00pm 7-11 years, Congregational Church
YOUTH GROUP 8.15pm 12 years and over, Congregational Church
WIVES GROUP 7.30pm 4th Tuesday, Vicarage
WOMENS INSTITUTE 7.00pm 3rd Tuesday, Drax Hall
YOUTH CLUB 7.00pm Friday, Club Hut

AFFPUDDLE
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- Col D Corner, Brockhill, Turnerspuddle, Tel 471343
Secretary of PCC - Mr A Smith, 7 Bladen Valley, Briantspuddle. Tel 471412
Treasurer of PCC - Mr A Elkerton, Greatfield House, Affpuddle. Tel Puddletown 331
Parish Magazine - Mrs P Thorniley, Raithby Cottage. Tel 471497
Representative Organist - Mr J Mullins, Somerleigh, Bere Regis. Tel 471432

BERE REGIS
Churchwardens - Mr J House, Lower Stockley Farm. Tel 471255
- Mr J England, 10 Southmead, Tel 471469
Deputy Warden - Miss S Frampton, 1 Lower Hill
Secretary of PCC - Mrs J Strange, Stanbarrow Farm House, 42 West Street. Tel 471125
Treasurer of PCC - Mr R Stallard, 13 Boswell's Close, Tel 471774
Organist - Mr S Athill, LTCL,MRST, 19 Southmead. Tel 471280

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IT WAS POPE GREGORY THE GREAT who shortly after sending off Augustine to convert England to Christianity felt it laid upon him to make a list of the seven deadly sins. They are you may remember, pride, covetousness, lust, envy, gluttony, anger and sloth.

The Mail on Sunday through its YOU colour magazine thought it worthwhile to reopen the subject nearly 1400 years later and get the National Opinion Poll to ask 1652 British people to add the single most deadly sin of 1986. Interestingly enough the clear winner was greed (though Gregory might have thought he was covering it with covetousness and envy) and the next most frequently named were murder, violence, jealousy (envy again?), drug-dealing or drug-taking, selfishness and dishonesty.

Most of us want to practice what we preach. Some 75 percent of us said we would tell a shop assistant who mistakenly gave us change for £10 instead of a £5 note. However, 15 per cent — one in six of us — admitted we would keep quiet.

Answers to other questions suggested that statistically at least we see drunken-driving as more sinful than husband or wife swapping, adultery or mercy killing. We view topless bathing or living together without marriage as less immoral than queue-jumping.

In all 107 ‘modern’ sins were suggested by the respondents. After the first division already listed came child abuse followed by promiscuity or lasciviousness or just plain sex, malice or cruelty or hate, uncaring or lack of compassion or callousness, adultery, stealing, vandalism, rape, materialism, vanity, laziness, apathy, drinking and driving, disrespect or rudeness, not to mention swearing, alcoholism and gossip.

Since the answers had to be given ‘unprompted’ the order may depend not so much on depth of feeling as on individual artfulness and imagination.

Those who fought in the Second World War may be encouraged that Hitler is still way out in front as the nastiest human being when we think of sinners instead of just sins.

When we come to saints even of the partial variety not averse for four-letter words, Bob Geldof apparently has some way to go before he exercises as much clout as Pope Gregory. Although we no longer think it necessary to put down gluttony as a modern sin only one of the whole 1652 questioned picked as our worst vice allowing starvation.