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DORSET TO ETHIOPIA - we hope that by the time this magazine appears a group of young people with leaders will be in Ethiopia. Our parishes already have strong links with the Anglican Church in that country: we are reminded of the reality of a world-wide Christian community of which we are members.

We must always resist the temptation to consider ourselves just members of the local Church. We do belong to our parishes, but also to the Deanery of Blandford, the Diocese of Salisbury and the world-wide Church.

But we cannot easily take a very large group from the parishes to experience life in Ethiopia! However, another way of sharing in the fellowship of this wider Church is to visit our Cathedral at Salisbury: a Parish day there is to be held on SATURDAY 29 APRIL. See the details in Church from Easter Day and sign up if you are able to take part in all or any of the day. People from Bere Regis and Affpuddle with Turnerspuddle can welcome the visitors to the Cathedral, run the Refectory, visit the workshops and other parts of the building as well as join in the Eucharist or Evensong. DO COME AND JOIN IN!

Another aspect of our fellowship in the wider Church has been our giving to the work of the CHURCH URBAN FUND. More money is needed - and your donation can be given in at any time - but already much is being done.

At Saint Cuthbert's, Gateshead, for example, the Church Urban Fund is employing a pastoral assistant to work alongside the local Vicar. The project is one of OUTREACH with children.
SERVICES IN OUR CHURCHES IN APRIL

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**THE PRAYER GROUP** meets on the 2nd and 4th Fridays at 11.15 am in the Morton Chapel at Bere Regis Church: all are very welcome.

**THE GOOD BOOK STUDY GROUP** will meet on **MONDAYS APRIL 17 and 24 at 8 pm**; the venue will be on the weekly notice papers (available free in both Churches).

**DON'T FORGET THE CHURCHYARD TIDY-UP AT BERE REGIS ON SATURDAY 6 MAY:** all volunteers are most welcome.

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THANK YOU to all who will have helped with our celebration of the greatest of the Christian Festivals: EASTER. The flowers, the music, the worship... so much that helps us to realise the stupendous fact: JESUS IS ALIVE!

THE LINKS BETWEEN SCHOOL AND CHURCH are greatly valued in Bere Regis and we add our grateful thanks to those expressed by others to all the great work done by all the staff and the various helpers and Governors. We thank especially Mrs Pam Elliott, Mrs Viv Dunstan and Mrs Lesley Clarke for their contributions to the life of the school and the village as they leave the School.

A MAZE INSIGHT, the all-night Youth Event in Salisbury Cathedral from 9 pm on Sunday 30 April - 8.30 am on Monday 1 May is for all in the 14 - 25 year age group. BOOK NOW! Details and booking forms from the Churches. Let the Vicar know if you need transport. And, if you're older... why not come and be a steward? The Vicar would welcome any further offers of help in this exciting task!

OUR PARISHES are remembered in the daily prayers throughout the Diocese on TUESDAY 19 APRIL if you're in Salisbury that day, why not go to Evensong at the Cathedral at 5.30 pm.

THE PLAY & LEARN VAN will visit the Village on WEDNESDAY 19 APRIL from 9.15 - 10 at the School and from 10.15 - 10.45 on the Estate, near the Doctor's Surgery.

EVENSONG AT AFFPODDE ON 23 APRIL will be sung by the local Choral Group, 'THE ACADEMICAL CLERKES'. This will be followed by the Parish Annual Meeting.

THE ANNUAL MEETING at Bere Regis will be after Evensong on SUNDAY 16 APRIL. All are welcome at this brief, but important meeting in Church.

CALLING ALL OUR FRIENDS...
On Ascension Day, Thursday 4 May at 7.30 pm there will be a Festival Service in Bere Regis Church for all in the Parish and for all who have connections with the Church. Make sure that you are there!

THE NEW BISHOP OF RAMSBURY will be consecrated by The Archbishop of Canterbury in Salisbury Cathedral on Friday 21 April: please pray for him in his new ministry in this Diocese. Representatives from our Parishes will be present at the Service.

THE ARCHDEACON'S VISITATION this year will be in Salisbury Cathedral on the afternoon of SUNDAY 7 May. The Vicar and Churchwardens are expected to be there but all PCC members and officers are warmly invited as well.

FAMILY WORSHIP IN APRIL

SUNDAY 9 APRIL at 11 am in Bere Regis Church - come and have a "flag day" with a difference!

SUNDAY 16 APRIL at 11 am at Affpoddle when we look at the theme WEDDINGS.

FROM THE REGISTERS

19 February Emma TALBOT James Richard TALBOT Eduard Thomas TALBOT
4 March Carl Anthony FRY
5 March James Kenneth BURIDGE Lucy Jane Doris CARLYLE Lisa Jayne BENNETT

Burial of the Dead
22 February Elsie CONDON
27 February Maureen GRIFFIN

IN MEMORIAM

ELSIE CONDON had lived with her daughter and family in Bere Regis during the last few years of her life. Bernice and the family will miss a mother and grandmother very deeply. Born in Blandford, much of her married life was spent there and she was involved with various local organisations in different Churches and social gatherings. Elsie was much loved by her family and friends and our sympathy goes to them at this sad time.

MAUREEN GRIFFIN died at home in Bere Regis after a brave fight against her illness. Although Maureen came from Suana, much of her life was spent in Hong Kong until returning to Dorset in recent years. The family had been her great love but there were many other interests also in this country as well as Hong Kong. Her friendships were greatly valued and grew over many years; many were able to share in her full life. We extend our love and prayers to the family and to friends. May she rest in peace.

'WHAT IS DYING?'

I am standing on the sea shore, a ship sails to the morning breeze and starts for the ocean. She is an object of beauty and I stand watching her till at last she fades on the horizon, and someone at my side says, 'She is gone.'

Gone! Where? Gone from my sight - that is all; she is just as large in the mast's hull and spars as she was when I saw her, and just as able to bear her load of living freight to its destination. The diminished size and total loss of sight is in me, not in her, and just at the moment when someone at my side says 'she is gone', there are others who are watching her coming, and other voices take up the glad shout - 'there she comes' - and that is dying.
THANK YOU very much for all of my cards and presents sent to me whilst I was in hospital. I had so many that it made me forget that I was ill. It’s very nice in Southampton hospital, they have a lovely playroom and a school room. The nurses are lovely but the food is horrible, so if you have to go into hospital take lots of sweets and crisps with you. I can’t run around much at the moment, but soon I will be able to go back to school again, and I will be able to play Mum up again. Lots of thank you’s.

Nicky Cheeseman

A CONCERT in aid of the MacMillan Hospice, especially for the new nurse in the Purbeck Area.

To be held in Bere Regis Church on Friday, April 28th at 7.30pm. The programme to include works by, Schubert, Handel, Horowitz, and McCabe.

Soloists - Lynn Panman, soprano
Lynn Woodhouse, clarinet

accompanied by Richard Hall and Lorna MacMillan.

Tickets available from Bere Regis and Blandett Deed Post Offices. Adults £2.50 (including a free glass of wine) Children free.

Please come and support this very worthy cause and enjoy an evening of music.

BERE REGIS NEWS

DRAX HALL

The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Drax Hall will be held in the Hall on THURSDAY, 20th APRIL, starting at 7.30pm.

I think that most people within the Village have noticed the vast changes that have taken place in the Hall in the past few years, and it seems general opinion that these changes have greatly improved the Hall. Such improvements must continue, but to accomplish them needs both funds and willing volunteer, practical, help. In this way Bere Regis will soon have a Village Hall of which we can be proud.

If, therefore, you would like to become involved please come to the meeting and offer yourself for election - if you but want to exercise your right to attend please do so, and show that you do at least offer your support for what the hard-working members of the Committee are aiming to achieve.

Tony Wise

BERE REGIS WIVES GROUP

At the February meeting the original speaker was unable to come, so Miss Wendy Denny came and gave us a talk on Cross Stitch. She brought along some lovely samples which she had made, and they were also for sale, to have a go oneself. Unfortunately there were not many members there that night, due to quite a few illnesses.
Members please note that Tuesday Evening, April 25th, we are going to visit Safeways of Blandford, for the time of leaving please ask any Committee Member. New members are very welcome to join us. We meet every fourth Tuesday of each month at the Drax Hall at 7.30pm.

BERE REGIS FRIENDS OF THE IMPERIAL CANCER RESEARCH FUND

The group's AGM will be held on Monday, 3rd April at 7.30pm at The Cedars, West Street. All are welcome.

The Fund is also having a Cook's Table stall at The Anderson Manor May Fair on Monday, 1st May. Please try to support us with anything under this wide heading. Collection can be arranged the weekend immediately prior to the event.

Please ring Diana Holman - Puddletown 848262 if you would like anything collected.

THE RBL WOMEN'S SECTION held their monthly meeting on February 15th - 23 members were present.

The speaker was Mrs Russel, who spoke and showed us slides on "The work of Mother Theresa and helpers in India".

Teas were served by Mrs Adams and Mrs Hillyard and a raffle run by Mrs Diffy.

Conotaph for April - Mrs Presslee

Conotaph for May - Mrs Barnes

BERE REGIS FLORAL GROUP

The Demonstration at the meeting on Tuesday, April 11th will be Mrs Tamaris Ryan, and her subject will be "Les Parfums".

There will be a Plant Stall and members are asked to bring plants, etc for sale.

W.I. NEWS

"It was magic, absolute - magic," said Mrs Betty Penny describing her adventures to a packed audience of 60 at the meeting of the Bere Regis Women's Institute on 21st February.

This most popular, articulate and amusing speaker conjured up vivid pictures of Spanish plateau landscapes, the magnificent architecture of Madrid, the atmosphere of history of the 8th century walled city of Toledo and the bustle of Lisbon's fishing port.

The three week journey through Spain, Portugal and Morocco had been taken during a bitterly cold January and the audience could see the intensely blue skies, feel the cold wind on their faces and smell the scent of mimosa and citrus fruits.

In Morocco, Mrs Penny had been captivated by Tangier with its crowded streets, contrasts of wealth and poverty and the craftware available in the famous Casbah.

Afterwards the meeting was able to admire an exquisitely embroidered caftan which Mrs Penny had bought as a holiday momento. Mrs Mary England thanked Mrs Penny for an evening that had undoubtedly been one of "absolute magic".

100 YEARS AGO

From the Parish Magazine of April 1889:

THE CONFIRMATION

It will probably be a long time before so large a Confirmation takes place in Bere Church as that which was held on Saturday, the 16th of March. It was at first announced that the Bishop would hold a Confirmation here on Thursday, the 14th, but as the time drew near his Lordship was obliged to alter the date of some of the confirmations, as his presence was required by the Archbishop of Canterbury as a coadjutor in the important Ecclesiastical case which was to be commenced in the Archbiishop's Court at Lambeth on the 12th, 13th and 14th of March. The Bishop had intended to confirm at Tolpuddle and Whitchurch during the same week, but as it was necessary to make alterations, he did his best to meet the difficulty by making Bere the centre for a larger number of villages than was at first intended: and the Clergy were glad to avail themselves of this arrangement, even though it entailed upon them and some of their candidates rather a long journey, rather than incur the anxiety and inconvenience of an indefinite postponement of the Confirmation at their usual centre. Thus it was that as many as 249 candidates assembled at our church at 10 o'clock on the morning of the 16th of March. The subjoined list will show the numbers from the various places:

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At the Confirmation in 1883 there were in all 105 candidates, and in 1886 the total was 130. In 1883 there were 40 candidates from Bere Regis - 15 boys and 25 girls; and in 1886, 9 boys and 24 girls - 33 in all.
A BIG THANK YOU FROM BERE REGIS PLAYGROUP

Over the past two months we have been desperately trying to raise funds for essential plumbing work.
We held a Disco on Valentine's night which was a huge success, selling 80 tickets. Thanks to all who attended and to all who donated draw prizes. Also our thanks to our friends at A C Moorse & Son, Vite Cress, Eden Vele, and the Royal British Legion. We raised £148 including a kind donation from Mrs Eve Hodder. We have had various kind donations, some practical some cash. Our thanks to Doug and Denise Moorse for their kind donation of cloak room fitments. The Prudential for a bottle of whisky. A big thank you to our friends at the Royal Oak, Bere Regis who kindly had a bottle for coins on the bar. That raised £68.05! We held our grand raffle at a coffee evening on 27th February and all prizes were donated. The holiday from Haywood Cottage Holidays, and cash prizes from Westbury Homes, Hamworthy Engineering and Harry J Palmer. We sold £551 worth of tickets. Special efforts were made by all mothers and the committee, Joan Macklin selling most tickets.

Winners: 1st Mr & Mrs Moorse - Holiday
2nd Brenda House of Bere Heath - £50
3rd Mrs Muscato of Bloxworth - £25
4th Michelle Hewitt of Bere Regis - £15

The coffee evening raised £50 so an overall profit was made of about £720.

Grateful thanks to all who have helped in any way and to the committee members who have been a constant source of help and support - sue Hewitt, Tina Elford, Helen Thorne, Lyndsey Fletcher, and Carole Hallwell, Sue Cheeseman (Supervisor) Joan Macklin (Deputy Supervisor).

SCOUT GROUP

Thank you for the support that parents and friends gave at the Entertainment Coffee Evening on 3rd March. Your generous support of the raffle and retiring collection amounted to over £90. We were pleased to be able to present Mike Gubbins with a rather smart compass and also have enough to buy him a camera as well. Your generous donations towards his thank you present on his moving to his new post of Wareham & Isle of Purbeck District Commissioner amounted to over £80 and indicates the high esteem with which he is held in the Group. We wish him well in the future. Thank you for supporting our Jumble Sale by supplying items, helping at the event and buying during the afternoon.

ANDERSON MAY FAIR

This is to be held at Anderson Manor, Winterborne Anderson on MONDAY, MAY 1st from 12.00 to 5.00 by kind permission of Mr & Mrs Isaac.

The lower part of the famous house will be open and there will be an exhibition recording the occupation of the house in the early 1940's when the 'Small Scale Raiding Force' was training there. The little church will be decorated and there will be stalls, demonstrations, sideshows, the Bournemouth Scout Band, lunches, teas and excellent competitions - a very pleasant afternoon out to see one of your local Jacobean Manor houses. Please come and bring your friends: your support will help Scout Group funds.

Winterborne Kingston have a Flower Festival over the weekend as well.

BERE REGIS PTA are holding a Carnival on Saturday, 15th July. Procession leaves Sports Club 10.30 en route to School. We are accepting entries for Floats or Walking Fancy Dress. Entry forms and details available from Mrs V Sant, Old Barn Road, Bere Regis, Tel 471028.

LAMMAS FAIR

To help make parochial ends meet and to celebrate the first fruits of the harvest, we plan to hold a Lamas Fair on Court Green on Sunday afternoon, August 6th. In keeping with the season and with this Food and Farming Year, we aim to sell as much local produce and local crafts as we can collect. All items and help will be welcome. With advance warning, there is time to put by the odd pot during summer preserving or to get to work on a favourite craft. Please bear this event in mind during the coming months and spare us what you can.

BERE REGIS GUIDES - "FUN RUN" SUNDAY, 12th MARCH

Our thanks to all participants, spectators and sponsors of the "Fun Run". Despite the dismal weather all the runners seemed to enjoy the mud!!! Don't forget to come and cheer on 'Sports Day', May 18th, when it will be Guides and Brownies versus Scouts and Cubs on what we hope will be a drier and hotter sports field.

BRITISH RETINITIS PIGMENTOSA SOCIETY DORSET BRANCH

On Sunday, 30th April, Mr Charlie Stickley will be running in the Bournemouth Bay half marathon, to raise funds for research into this eye disease, which causes blindness in people of all ages. Would anyone like to sponsor him for this worthy cause? Please contact the local organisers for the RP, Mr Dave and Mrs win Taylor at 3 Old Barn Road or on Bere Regis 471033, for sponsorship forms. Thank you.

AUTUMN LEAVES

We met in the Drax Hall on Wednesday, 8th March and had a good attendance despite the weather. The Competition - a tea towel - was won by Eve Bryant and the runners-up were Mrs Carter, Mrs Caundle and Mrs Roper. There were 35 entries so choosing a winner was very difficult.
Our next meeting will be a Coach Trip to Romsey on 12th April, cost £2.50, leaving Bere at 12.30pm. Anyone interested please contact Mrs Jeavons on 471175.

Our 'New-to-You' 50/50 sale is on 19th April, and if anyone has articles for sale on a 50/50 basis or as a donation, please contact Mrs Jeavons.

May we wish any members who are unwell a speedy recovery.

BERE REGIS SPORTS CLUB
RESULTS
1st Team
March 4th (Dorset League Cup Semi-Final)
BERE REGIS 2 – 3 WEYMOUTH TC
(R Blake, S Flay)
March 11th BERE REGIS 3 – 1 DORCHESTER YMCA
(R Blake, B Johnston, S Allen)

2nd Team
Feb 18th BERE REGIS 2 – 8 ALLENDALE
(R White, G Barrett)
March 4th WAREHAM 9 – 0 BERE REGIS
March 11th NEIL THOMPSON 2 – 4 BERE REGIS
(R Hall, C Hopkins, T Dendo, G Watts)

CLUB REPORT
After the continuing fall in gates at the recreation ground, the crisis at the football club heightened during late February. Several struggles in the boardroom have influenced the current events at the Club, although no apparent fall of the axe. The season-ticket holders must be wondering whether they are getting their money's worth as the faithful start turning away. The onset of the membership scheme's administration will prove a task in future months.

The 1st Team, after gaining a respite with a two match break, faced a tough but profitable semi-final against Weymouth TC, with the return after late fitness tests of stalwart defenders, the side entered the match with a lucrative final in their sights. Unfortunately, after an unstoppable own goal by Steve Allen, and a bizarre penalty which went unnoticed by a bemused Linesman, the home side faced a "Frank Bruno"-like task, and were resurgent after goals of Brazilian quality to equalize, setting up a rousing finale only to concede the fatal goal to the away side being caught pressing forward, the end of a tremendous cup run. No trouble was reported at the ground during or after the match.

The 2nd Team's form has slumped like the stock market crash of 1987, they were unlucky to lose 8-2 to Allendale in a quagmire and inclement conditions, also lethargically lost 9-0 in the following match, using their fifteenth goalkeeper of this campaign.

However shares rose sharply in the Football Club when the team won 4-2 to prevent another "Black Saturday".

After a further bid for the services of Alan Green, he declined and stayed on the continent.

With the forthcoming cricket season the Club would like to note that new players are cordially invited to play this season, and early nets have been arranged at the Purbeck Sports Centre on April 9th and 16th, players present and now are welcome - also to a Social Evening at the Club on April 8th, where music and food are provided.

BEAVER SCOUTS
Please note that as from 10th April Bere Regis Beavers will meet at Bere Regis First School on Mondays from 6 - 7pm. Any queries please ring Alison Carr - 471066.

MOTHERS UNION
The March meeting of the Mothers Union was a celebration of Holy Communion in church. During the service, the Vicar led us in a meditation on Lent, with slides, music and readings. Mrs C Tucker was enrolled as a new member during the evening.

Our meeting on April 5th will be a Coffee Evening at the home of Mrs Irene Phillips at North Street at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome.


Tea Hostesses for May meeting: Eileen, Brenda and Bernie.

AFPUDDLE NEWS

CHURCHYARD MOWING
Those who were in the scheme from the beginning will remember that when George and David Payne had to give up mowing the whole churchyard by themselves, and inspired by Bishop Reindorp's diocesan scheme named "Impact", we started a volunteer scheme in 1981 which has served the Church ever since.

As I am now having to "retire" from organising the rota I take the opportunity of thanking everyone for your kind co-operation over those eight years. I hope that the scheme will continue for many years to come to earn our churchyard the admiration of so many visitors and regular supporters that it always has done.

F Rocksborough-Smith

AFPUDDLE CHURCH RESTORATION FUND
The Launch - Saturday, 25th February 1989.

The Restoration Fund was formally launched by Reverend Jonathan Burke during the festivities held at Olden Village Hall on the 25th February. The event was well attended by over 85 members of the parish both young and old, and everyone appeared satisfied with their supper cooked by the ladies and members of the Parochial Church Council (PGC). The gathering was royally entertained by more lovely singing from Lyb Penman accompanied by Dennis Holloway.
and the Raffle of some excellent prizes donated by local firms and families was masterfully executed by David Payne and achieved £53 for the funds. This sum plus another £70 realized on the sponsored posters was a major contribution toward the total of £58 profit on the whole evening. The entertainment for the evening was brought to a crescendo of a finale under the 'control' of Andrea Smith and Jonathan Burke with a most original version of "A Hole in my Bucket" and community singing which would have upstaged the survivors on the upper deck of the Titanic.
I would like to close with a most genuine vote of thanks to all helpers whether cooks, entertainers, table and chair movers, decorators, barenders or washer uppers and may I single out particularly Lindy Vanham and Erica Moriarty. I think we can say the Fund is well and truly lauched i.e. afloat and under way aiming at £25,000.
Special thanks to the following companies for their donations, Olds Garage, Commander RAC Bovingdon, Cananda Life Insurance and several others who supported the Posters and gave prizes for the raffle.
Our latest offer of £2000 on commencement of work, from the Dorset Historic Churches Trust, means we have raised nearly £9000 already. Robin Gainsford, Secretary, Church Restoration Fund.
AFFPAISE FAMILY SERVICE - 11am SUNDAY, 16th APRIL
As one of our former Affpaire young people prepares for her wedding next month, and her banns are read, we will be taking Christian Marriage as our theme this Sunday. Do join us for time of praise, prayer and fellowship for all the family.
BLUDEN SOCIAL CLUB
Dates for April:
Saturday 8th April - Frequency
Tuesday 18th April - Bingo
Saturday 22nd April - Jon Jakson
Over the last year £2305 has been raised for charity by various events. Many thanks to all those who took part and those who sponsored the events.
BRIANTSPUDDE W.I.
Our meeting this month will be held on Wednesday, 26th April at 8pm in the Village Hall. Mr. Batt of Fox and Sons will be conducting an "Antiques Roadshow" so please bring any antique and not-so-antique items you would like Mr. Batt to look at. All ladies welcome. Visitors 60p.
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
April 1989
1st 10.30am Coffee Morning for Drax Hall - Mrs Mills, Merrydown, Shitterton
1st Scout Group Sponsored Clean-up - Kimmeridge
3rd 7.30pm Bere Regis Branch Imperial Cancer Research Fund Coffee Evening - The Cedars, West Street
5th 7.30pm Mothers Union Coffee Evening - Mrs Irene Phillips, North Street
15th 7 - 9pm Dorset Guild of Ringers practice
19th Autumn Leaves 'New-to-You' Sale
20th 7.30pm Drax Hall AGM
22nd Visiting Ringers - Bradford on Avon
28th 7.30pm Concert for MacMillan Hospice - Bere Regis Church
29th Parish Day - Salisbury Cathedral
FUTURE EVENTS
May 1989
1st 12 noon Scout Group Anderson Manor May Fair
6th Bere Regis Churchyard Clean-up
17th 7.30pm Scout Group AGM - Drax Hall
20th Coffee Morning for Drax Hall - Mrs McLeod, 100 North Street
20th Visiting Ringers - Ludlow
June 1989
10th RBL Womans Section Fete - HQ
12th W.I. Coffee Morning - 3 Southbrook
15th Sinfonietta Choir - Affpudde Church
24th Bere Regis Church Fete - Vicarage
July 1989
15th Bere Regis PTA Carnival
August 1989
6th Lammas Fair, Court Green, Bere Regis
September 1989
27th Official Opening - Scout Headquarters
CHURCH AND VILLAGE ACTIVITIES
AUTUMN LEAVES
BEAVERS
6.00pm Monday, Bere Regis School
BELLRINGERS
6.30pm Wednesdays Learners: Improvers 7pm
BINGO
7.45pm Drax Hall (Mondays)
BLUE VAN
8.30-10.30am 4th Friday in month
BRITISH LEGION CLUB
7.00-11.00pm Monday - Saturday
BRITISH WOMENS SECTION
2.30pm 3rd Wednesday, HQ
BRITISH LEGION YOUTH
7.00-10.00pm Wednesday
BROWNIES
6.00-7.15pm School Hall, Bere Regis
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CHOIR PRACTISE
7.30pm Friday in Church
CUBS
6.30pm Thursday, School
FLORAL GROUP
2.30pm 2nd Tuesday, Drax Hall
GUIDES
MINI MARKET
MOTHER & TODDLER
PLAYGROUP Bere Regis
PLAYGROUP BRIANTSPUDDLE
SCOUTS
SUNDAY SCHOOL
BERE REGIS YOUNG CHRISTIANS
TUESDAY CLUBS:
ADVENTURERS
ADVENTURERS
WIVES GROUP
WOMENS INSTITUTE
SWIMMING CLUB
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FRIEND OF CHILDREN — EVERYWHERE

IT WAS in 1946 that the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) was created to help the children in Europe who lacked food and medical care after World War Two. Today, UNICEF works in 119 of the world's poorest countries, with an integrated programme of projects in health, nutrition, education and sanitation. In a world where one out of three deaths is the death of a child under the age of five, the organisation uses low-cost measures such as immunisation and oral rehydration to save millions of lives and improve millions more.

Oral Rehydration Therapy (ORT) has proved to be one of the great life-savers in developing countries. Dehydration from diarrhoea has been causing five million child deaths a year, but now most of those lives can be saved by a simple and cheap sugar-salt-and-water mixture made up by parents in the child's own home.

The cost of the oral rehydration salts to treat one infant up to 18 months old suffering from a moderately severe bout of diarrhoea is just about 20p.

‘Growth monitoring’ is another inexpensive technique used to promote health. Parents are being taught to use simple charts to spot the signs of malnutrition in time to prevent serious trouble.

Coupled with immunisation and the encouragement of breastfeeding of babies, these measures are revolutionising the child-health picture in scores of countries.

PHILIP BARRON

UNICEF was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1965 in recognition of its work for children.
SELFLESS?

ONCE upon a time there were two men. Both were equally successful in their chosen careers but the extent of their success — great or small — is of no consequence to our story. Both men worshipped at the same church, and at this stage their stories diverge. One was a pillar of the Church Council, the other simply sat back in the pews.

John was a member of almost every church committee. If something needed to be done he’d say ‘Leave it with me; I know exactly what needs to be done.’ If anything was happening you could guarantee that John would be there.

He was a member of the finance committee. John knew the financial needs of the church and gave very generously; the finance committee knew he gave generously and that they had to listen to his opinions.

SAT BACK

And what of Bob? He sat back in the pews and let things happen. He was there on Sunday mornings but that was all. All he ever gave was the loose change in his pocket.

Why should he do any more? John gave incessantly and Bob was content to receive and give nothing.

But Bob had not always been like that. He once offered to run the bric-a-brac stall at the Bazaar, but John said it was his stall and he had his own team of helpers. When Bob turned up to help with the church spring-clean it was a similar story: John made Bob feel unnecessary.

And why should Bob give more money when he knew that John would ensure that the finances would be alright.

Our well-being depends upon us both giving and receiving. In our story John’s excessive giving made others dependent upon him, turned him into something of a despot and made Bob feel unnecessary.

WELL-BEING

Because Bob had become content only to receive, he was not growing and was probably seen by others as dead-wood.

Christ calls us to minister to each other. Before the Last Supper Peter was unwilling to have his feet washed by Christ.

Like Peter, we too are called to receive even though it might seem to go against the grain and we are called to give of ourselves as Christ gave of himself. It is by giving and receiving that we become selfless.

DAVID BRADSHAW

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