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Joan & Peter Hastings
JANUARY sees the start of a New Year and many good resolutions embarked upon. The New Year is often seen as a new beginning and thus it is the right time for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity which runs between January 18 and January 25.

Is there really one church or are there many? Are our differences irreconcilable? The hymn says that 'The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord' One foundation implies one building. If the church is viewed in that way then how can there be a Baptist Church, an Anglican Church, a Roman Catholic Church and so on?

Part of the answer can be found by looking at old houses that were built with spacious, elegant rooms. In many cases we find that at later dates new walls have been built inside the house to turn, say, one large room into two or three smaller rooms.

The needs, stresses and strains of a family can lead to such alterations occurring in a house, and we find the house no longer conforms to the architect's original plan. Sometimes these alterations have little effect, but often they mar the beauty of the original design.

The church can be seen in similar way. Over the years members of the family of the church have behaved unreasonably towards each other and the result has been that rooms have been divided to allow each part of the family to have their own particular, private space.

Over the years new denominations and factions have grown up, disagreed with other members of the family of the church and yet more walls have been erected.

Most families mature as they grow up. Likewise many members of the church have realised the beauty of God's design of the church and how much they have marred it over the years. Many of the divisions in the church are unnecessary and ugly.

Today we are working towards a restoration of God's original design of, and for, the church.

During the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity we pray for reconciliation and reasonableness between the various denominations of the church, and for the removal of the walls that divide us.
2.

CHURCH SERVICES IN JANUARY

Bere Regis

SUNDAY 1 JANUARY
9.30 am Parish Communion
1 after Christmas
followed by Coffee and
Brunch & Buy for
Christian Aid
10.15 am Sunday School
6.00 pm Evensong

WEDNESDAY 4 JANUARY
10.30 am Holy Communion
at Turberville Court

FRIDAY 6 JANUARY
8.00 am Holy Communion
Epiphany of our Lord

SUNDAY 8 JANUARY
8.00 am Holy Communion
1 after Epiphany

9.30 am Parish Communion
10.15 am Sunday School
6.00 pm Evensong
The Plough Sunday Service

SUNDAY 15 JANUARY
9.30 am Parish Communion
2 after Epiphany

8.00 am Holy Communion
10.15 am Sunday School
6.00 pm Evensong

SUNDAY 22 JANUARY
9 before Easter
8.00 am Holy Communion
10.15 am Sunday School
6.00 pm United Service
11.00 am Matins
7.00 pm Holy Communion
Conversion of S. Paul

SUNDAY 29 JANUARY
8.00 am Holy Communion
8 before Easter
10.15 am Sunday School
6.00 pm Evensong
11.00 am Matins

Affpuddle

8.00 am Holy Communion
11.15 am Matins and
Thanksgiving for the Birth
of a Child

FULL DETAILS of all the Services and Activities are on the weekly notices.
THE SARUM LINK, our Diocesan newspaper, is also available free each month - if you do not have one delivered please collect one from either church.

THURSDAY is normally the Vicar's Day off; please avoid contacting the Vicarage on that day except in emergency.

THE PRAYER GROUP meets at Bere Regis Church on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month at 11.15 am in the Morton Chapel. All are welcome.

3.

READINGS IN OUR CHURCHES IN JANUARY

SUNDAY 1 JANUARY
Theme: The Incarnation
8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)
Galatians 4.1 - 7; Matthew 1.18 - 25
9.30 am Parish Communion
(ASB pp 463 ff)
Galatians 4.1 - 7; John 1.14 - 18
11.15 am Matins
Colossians 1.1 - 20
6.00 pm Evensong
Isaiah 12; Philippians 2.1 - 11

SUNDAY 8 JANUARY
Theme: Revelation - The Baptism of Jesus
8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)
Romans 12.1 - 5; Luke 2.41 - 52
9.30 am Parish Communion
(ASB pp 463 ff)
Acts 10.34 - 38; Matthew 3.13 - end
6.00 pm Evensong
Joshua 3; Mark 1.1 - 13

SUNDAY 15 JANUARY
Theme: Revelation - The First Disciples
8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)
Romans 12.6 - 16a; John 2.1 - 11
9.30 am Parish Communion
(ASB pp 467 ff)
Acts 26.1, 9 - 20; Mark 1.14 - 20
6.00 pm Evensong
1 Samuel 3.1 - 4.1a; John 1.35 - end

SUNDAY 22 JANUARY
Theme: Christ the Teacher
8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP; Sexagesima)
1 Corinthians 9.24 - 27; Matthew 20.1 - 16
9.30 am Parish Communion
(ASB pp 486 ff)
1 Corinthians 4.8 - 13; Matthew 5.1 - 12
11.00 am Matins
Deuteronomy 5.1 - 21; Luke 13.22 - end
6.00 pm United Service
Romans 12.1 - 18; John 13.1 - 15

SUNDAY 29 JANUARY
Theme: Christ the Healer
8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP; Sexagesima)
2 Corinthians 11.19 - 31; Luke 8.4 - 15
9.30 am Parish Communion
(ASB pp 490 ff)
James 5.13 - 16a; Mark 2.1 - 12
11.00 am Matins
2 Kings 4.8 - 37; Mark 1.21 - end
A MONTHLY PRAYER DIARY TO USE THROUGHOUT 1989...

Please use this list regularly and add your own prayer topics; the Vicar welcomes suggestions for inclusion in future Prayer Diaries.

1st Barrow Hill; Affpuddle; Holidaymakers; Bellringers
2nd Bere Down; Roke; The Fire Brigade; Servers; Study Groups
3rd Bere Heath; Hyde; all involved in agriculture and food distribution
4th Bere Wood; Blanford Road; Families; all preparing for marriage
5th Boswell Close; Bristonspuddle; The Ambulance Service; Godparents
6th Butt Lane; Local clergy and ministers; writers and broadcasters
7th Chamberlaynes; Yearlings; Local Schools; Church missionaries
8th Church Cottages; Manor House; Manor Cottages; Churchwardens
9th Southbrook; Bladen Valley; local industry; Readers; The W.I.
10th Cutheaze; Lane End; Donkey Lane; the disabled and housebound
11th Doddings; Hollow Oak; the elderly; Autumn Leaves (over 60's)
12th Egdon Close; White Lovington; The Mothers' Union; Day Centres
13th Elder Road; The Orchids; Scouts, Cubs, Beavers, Guides and Brownies
14th Green Close; Roger's Hill; District and County Councillors; Playgroups
15th Lower Woodbury; Woodbury Hill; Pool Road; the unemployed; the sick
16th Manor Farm Road and nearby new homes; employers; Church Choirs
17th North Street; Ashley Barn; the mentally ill; persecuted Christians
18th Old Barn Road; our local Member of Parliament; Hostages
19th Rye Hill; Rye Hill Close; Cyril Wood Court; church cleaners
20th Shitterton; Sitterton Close; the bereaved; Lay Pastors
21st Snow Hill; The Wives' Group; Christian and other Relief Agencies
22nd West Street; Musicians; Age Concern (Bere Regis); School Governors
23rd South Mead; Thropo; Bere Regis Community Centre; Social Services
24th Tower Hill; The Police; Venture Scouts and Ranger Guides
25th Terverville Court; Parochial Church Councillors; School Teachers
26th Turnspuddle; Artists and Craftsmen; Shopkeepers and assistants
27th The Warren; Voluntary Organisations; Sunday Schools; The Floral Group
28th Bere Regis and Affpuddle Parish Councillors; The homeless; Refugees
29th Local G.P.'s and health service workers; Youth Clubs; Organists
30th Local Churches; Bere Regis young Christians; victims of war & famine
31st Our Diocese of Salisbury; The Province of the Sudan; The Patron of the Parish; Balliol College, Oxford.

"Lord Christ, enable us to place our trust in you, and so live in the present moment. So often we forget that you never want human suffering, but peace in our hearts. Christ Jesus, by your Spirit you dwell in us. More still, you pray in us. Your miracle within us is accomplished through the trust we have in you and your continual forgiveness."

(Brother Roger of Taizé)

5.

FROM THE REGISTERS

Burial of the Dead

30 November Donald PHILLIPS
7 December Jean Hannah PERCY
12 December Annie Lavinia STANFIELD

IN MEMORIAM

DON PHILLIPS, born in Bere Regis, was a true man of the countryside.
All of his life was spent in an around this beautiful part of Dorset.
He and his family had been sheep shearmers and hurdle makers for generations.
The countryside was his place of work and his place of leisure - nature and
walking ranked alongside his family as his main concerns. He was devoted
to his wife, children and grandchildren and was delighted to celebrate his
Golden Wedding. Don was a quiet man who lived a simple life without any
pretence or fuss. His other interests included the Youth Club, the Oddfellows
and recently Autumn Leaves and Age Concern. He will be sadly missed.

JEAN PERCY came to Bere Regis at the age of eight, her father being one
of the blacksmiths in the village, in West Street. It remained her home
for the remainder of her life and she delighted to see her family grow up
and also her grandchildren. From the age of fourteen Jean worked at the
Cress beds, with a short break while the children were young. The village
was of great interest to her, even up to the last few hours of her life.
She fought the disease bravely and cheerfully and gave others courage and
hope through her suffering. She will be missed by family and many friends.

ANNE STANFIELD was married to a Bere Regis man who died just three months
before her; she was buried with him in the Cemetery. Their married life had
been spent mainly in service to the Dorset Police and their retirement had
been at Upton. Anne was always cheerful and a great support to her husband.
Gardening and the countryside were two of her great joys. Our sympathy goes
to her family and friends at this time.

DATES FOR STUDY...

THE GOOD BOOK STUDY GROUP continues to work enthusiastically through 'GOD OF SURPRISES' by Gerard Hughes. Meetings re-
start on MONDAY 30 JANUARY at 8 pm and then each Monday until Easter. For venue, see weekly notices.

TEENAGE DISCUSSIONS also resume on MONDAY 30 JANUARY from 7.00 pm until 7.55 pm. All teenagers welcome. Venue on the
notice papers.

CONFIRMATION sessions re-start on TUESDAY 10 JANUARY at 7 pm.
THANKS...
- to all who supported and helped with the Bere Regis Christmas Coffee Morning at Cyril Wood Court. Almost £200 profit was raised. We are very grateful to the residents for their help;
- to all who decorated our Churches at Christmas and helped with the Services in any way;
- to those who have given so generously to the various charitable appeals this year.

PLough Sunday Service
This takes place at Bere Regis on Sunday 8 January at 11 am. The procession of plough, choir and banners etc. will form up in the village Car Park ready to leave at 10:50 pm. All the organisations with banners, flags etc. are invited to join us for this special Family Worship event.

Churchyards
Attention is drawn to the 'Model Churchyard Regulations' displayed in each Church and issued by the Salisbury Diocesan Advisory Committee. Attention is drawn especially to the section which states that artificial flowers are not permitted.

The Play and Learn Van
will be at Bere Regis School on Wednesdays:
11, 25 January
and 8 February from
9.15 - 10 am and outside the Doctors Surgery on the same dates from
10.15 - 10.45 am.
Customers old and new are most welcome.

Plans are well underway for the visit of a group of teenagers plus the Vicar and family to go to Ethiopia for two weeks in April. Please remember this venture in your prayers.

On Candlemass, 2 February there will be a Choral Evensong in Bere Regis Church at 7.30 pm sung by the local Academical Clerks. The music will all be from the Tudor period. All are invited.

'Just Like Him' - a Lent Book:
The Passion of Christ in the Old Testament can be ordered in Church in January at £3.50. This comes from the Bible Reading Fellowship and looks very useful.

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Sanctuary Flower Guild
Jan 1st Mrs P House
Jan 8th Mrs G Griffin Mrs F Burke
Jan 15th Mrs Bates Mrs Hudson
Jan 22nd Mrs M England Mrs E Bengay
Jan 29th Mrs P Ward Mrs S Hazlerigg

Sunday School 10.15 am Every Sunday in Parish Church (Corrections to last month).

Church Duty Rotas - Affpuddle

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Blood Donor Sessions - 1989
The Blood Donor Team will be visiting the D'Urberville Centre, Wool on Thursday, January 26th from 1.30 - 3.30 pm and from 5 - 7 pm. Their next visit will be on August 31st.

Nearly 100,000 units of blood were given by blood donors in Wessex last year - blood which has saved lives and assisted countless others back to health. The National Blood Transfusion Service warmly thanks all who have so generously contributed to this.

Mrs P Bartholomew, Local Organiser, Warmwell 852900
BERE REGIS NEWS

PARISH COUNCIL

Mr Croft, the new Chief Executive to Purbeck District Council, attended the start of the Parish Council meeting, and talked about his aims and concerns for the area as he sees it in the future.

Among plans discussed, were one for the conversion of the pigpenny at Shitterton Farm to eight dwellings. This has been followed by a site meeting of District Councillors and Planning Officers. The car park continues to cause discussions. New rules mean that only two buses at a time will be allowed to park there, and these will pay a fee to remain.

The District Council hope to include funds in the next financial year to landscape the area to the south of Elder Road, with trees, etc.

Mrs Franklin, our District Councillor, reported that now the Dorchester by-pass is opened, traffic going to the west will be re-routed via Dorchester, instead of Rye Hill and Wool.

The Parish Council had hoped that the telephone box in West Street could be listed and retained in its present form, but as British Telecom are only allowing four such boxes to each District Council, chances are not high that ours will be one of the four, but we shall continue to press the matter further.

A Happy New Year to all parishioners of Bere Regis, both old and new, from all members of the Parish Council.

BERE REGIS W.I.

At the November AGM the President, Mrs Peggy moss congratulated the members on the success of the 70th Anniversary year. Events had included a splendid members' dinner in August and a concert in September for invited guests.

The new Committee was elected with Mrs Moss remaining as President, Mrs Janet Gilpin as Secretary and Mrs Rosemary Wise elected as the new Treasurer.

After business Mrs Ruth Sheehan talked about her experiences in the summer when her daughters had been successfully treated for meningitis at Warwick Hospital. She described the marvellous facilities provided for parents enabling them to remain with their children and the wide range of activities available in the day ward. Local fund raising had helped to finance many of the facilities. Bere Regis members were pleased to think that their raising of over £1000 in 1988 for the Plan Brown fund will be put to similar use at Southampton Hospital in the near future.

BERE REGIS WIVES GROUP

At the November meeting, Major Kayll came and gave a talk, and showed us a film, on his visit to China and Turkey, which was very interesting.

Our trip to Wareham, to entertain the residents of River House, was well attended, and everyone including the audience enjoyed themselves.

At our January meeting we are holding a Devonshire Cream tasting evening, which will be open to the public, please come along, all support is welcomed.

2ND BEREGIS GUIDES

A new group will commence on Friday, 6th January 1989 from 6.30 pm to 8.15 pm at Bere Regis First School.

All girls between the ages of 10-14 are welcome to join.

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION WOMEN'S SECTION

Held their monthly meeting on 19th November. 19 members were present. The speaker was Mr G Bryant, who demonstrated to members how the 'Life Line' for the elderly worked.

Nine members attended the County Conference held in Dorchester, and once again were very proud to bring back the Poppy Cup.

A Carol Service was held at HQ on 6th December when members from all the village organisations were invited, members of the Branch served the ladies with sherry, coffee and mince pies and an enjoyable evening was had by all.

At the meeting Teas were served by Mrs Legg and Mrs Diffy and a Bring and Buy was run by Mrs Clieall.

100 YEARS AGO

1988 was the centenary year of the Bere Regis Branch of the Mothers' Union. At first it was known as the Women's Union, and Bere Regis was one of the first branches to be formed in Dorset. The following item is from the Parish Magazine of January 1889:-

THE WOMEN'S UNION

"A meeting of women was held at the Girls' School on the afternoon of Monday, the 10th of December. Miss Thornton - whose name is well known in the neighbourhood in connection with various good works - most kindly came, in response to a request from Mrs Farrar, to speak to the meeting. She explained the various roles of the Union, and forcibly illustrated the use and object of several of them by facts which had come under her own observation. The meeting was very well attended, the large room of the Girls' School being filled, and at its close as many as 50 were found willing to become members of the association - a very satisfactory beginning."
BERE REGIS COMMUNITY CONCERN

Bere Regis Community Concern has now been in existence for eight years, but there are a few people in the village who are unaware of its role in village life.

One task that everyone knows about is Bere Regis Yellow Pages. Community Concern has published three editions in the past seven years, and they are useful for finding village information and local telephone numbers. Newcomers to the village have found them particularly helpful.

Every organisation in the village has been asked to send a representative to meetings, and those that do are able to bring the needs of members to the attention of other organisations. We can often help one another! If your organisation doesn't send someone to meetings, try to find someone who can spare an hour or so six times a year, to represent you. If you are interested, and want to come on your own behalf, please do. We are always glad to see you.

The Health & Social Services representatives find meetings invaluable. They do not live in Bere Regis, and would be unable to attend evening meetings here. Through Community Concern they can get information to people in the village, and share thoughts and needs with villagers. They keep us up to date on what help is available for all kinds of medical and social problems.

Recently one of our members sponsored the Crimewatch evening and, as a result, at least one Neighbourhood Watch Scheme has been set up.

We are often asked about things that are the province of the Parish Council. One of our members is on the Parish Council, and she is able to draw the Council's attention to things that are their business. Bere Regis has an efficient Parish Council, and our role is quite different.

Meetings are 12.30 pm on the third Monday of alternate months, at the Vicarage. This year they will be on 16th January, 20th March, 15th May, 17th July, 18th September and 20th November.

The following is a list of current members:

- The Rev Jonathan Burke - Vicar of the Parish Church - (Chairman)
- The Rev Ray Healey - Pastor of the Congregational Church
- Mrs Elizabeth Smart - Health Visitor
- Mrs Audrey Lewis - Nurse Manager in Purbeck
- Mrs Gillian Slade - Social Worker
- Mr Jim Blackler - Probation Officer
- PC David Wright, or other Bere Regis policemen
- Mr Charles Innes - Headmaster of the Village School
- Mrs Molly Carlyle - Parish Councillor & Youth Club

Mrs Dorrie Barnes - Age Concern (Bere Regis)
Mrs Kath Jeaves - Autumn Leaves
Mrs Sue Evans - Scouts
Mrs Cara Barne - Floral Group
Mrs Margaret Mauden - Women's Institute
Mr Ray Seymour - Youth and Employment matters
Mr John Watts - Local Industry
Mrs Joan Booth - Education - (Hon Sac)

COLD LINE:

Anyone needing emergency help during the cold weather should contact the District Council if you are in Council accommodation. Out of hours, or if you are in private accommodation, you may telephone one of the following members of Community Concern: The Vicar (471262), Mr Healey (471443), or Mrs Mauden (471342). He or she will try to help you to find whatever services you need.

There is a local insulation scheme, South Dorset Energy, which is part of the national Neighbourhood Energy Action project, which offers free advice and practical help for those on low incomes. Receivers of benefit and the elderly may be eligible for grants for insulation. For further advice contact - Mr D Jones, NACRO, Unit 24A, 18 Mannings Heath Road, Poole. Tel (9) 713527.

SCOUT GROUP

Headquarters We are pleased to report the start of the electrical installation in the HQ building and hope to have the drainage installed soon. A lot of work has been done inside the building and the Group is very grateful to those who have helped in any way. It will soon be the time for internal painting.

Carol Singing Thank you to all those who came singing and generously donated towards the Lauckeasia Ward at Great Ormond Street Hospital. We will let you know the total collected next month.

Mince Pie & Punch Evening Will be held at our President's house (Mrs Jeaves), Larksprur, Snow Hill, this year. It is on Saturday, 14th January at 7.30 pm. There will be the usual Bring & Buy and Raffle for Group funds.

Waste Paper Thank you to all those who save newspaper for the scouts and those who collect it. For the benefit of those new to the village, the local Scout Group collect waste paper (not at present magazines, brochures and telephone directories) and sell them for group funds. A collection is made on the first Saturday morning in the month. Anyone who would like a call please contact John England, 10 South Mead or phone 471469.
Bere Regis Branch Royal British Legion
The Annual Buffet Dance was held late in November and to the music of 'Good Company' a very pleasant evening was spent in the Clubroom. Although there were a few less members than in previous years this did not detract from the evening's enjoyment and to see some of them dancing the light fantastic was worth the watching. Once again we were grateful to the Women's Section for organising such a varied buffet.

Club activities for January:
7th Junior Members Disco - trials for budding youth to run a Disco
14th Super League Darts Night
21st Paul Jones Disco
28th G's Disco

The final total for the Poppy Day collections in Bere Regis amounted to £1981.03. Once again emphasising the great efforts made by the organiser and helpers. While this falls a little short of last year this is still a magnificent return for the area.
In this year's Poppy Day Window Competition, the Red Post Garage - for the third time - were awarded the area trophy for the best display, the runners-up award given to the Winterbourne Kingston Post Office.

Bere Regis Sports Club
Football results for Nov-Dec 88
1st team
19th Nov Bere Regis 0 Sturminster Marshall 1
26th Nov Bere Regis 3 Royal Signals 4
R White
R Blake
C Phillips
3rd Dec Bere Regis 3 Weston Utd 2
B Johnston 2
1 own goal
10th Dec Hamworth Utd 4 Bere Regis 4
B Johnston
R Blake
T Dando 2

2nd team
19th Nov Harrow Spts 1 Bere Regis 0
26th Nov Valley Spts 6 Bere Regis 0
3rd Dec Angel Inn 4 Bere Regis 3
K Steel 2
P Cheeseman

10th Dec Bere Regis 5 Harrow Spts 3
P Cheeseman 2
K Steele
S House
S Cheeseman

Club Report
The football club's 1st team have showed signs of inconsistency through November to December, however a rousing performance against well-fancied Royal Signals spurred a victory in the following week, and a dramatic comeback away from home to force a replay in the Dorset League Cup against Hamworthy, only to be marred by the dismissal of a Bere Regis player, but the comeback of now player-manager Russell Hewitt in the form of veteran goalkeeper has sparked interest.
The 2nd team having finished November with dismal performances and likewise results, although unlucky at Harrow went into December with the return of Peter Cheeseman back on the 'goal trail' again with three in two games, one against Angel Inn where a mid-match frenzy ended with Rob White on the floor with an eye for all to see, they player is now on loan to local side Wimbledon. A valuable two points were recorded in a thriller at the rec where the side recovered from 3-0 down to win 5-3, the first home game for two months.
The football Youth side are now picking up deserved points in their league on Sunday mornings.
On 2nd December, local darts player Dave Joyce won the Ian Hewitt Memorial Darts Trophy.

Autumn Leaves
The Christmas Bazaar raised £90 thanks to all who came and bought and those who helped. The Christmas Party was enjoyed by all, when the children from Bere Regis First School came and sang to us. This was very nice, we do like to hear the children. Thank you very much, Community singing followed, after which we were all served tea.
All the Autumn Leaves wish to thank the children of Bere Regis for the lovely school plays which they performed for us on Thursday, 15th December. Please don't forget the New Year Party on 10th January.

Mothers' Union
The December meeting was in the form of a birthday celebration. On 10th December 1888, the Woman's Union (later Mothers' Union) held their first meeting at Shitterton Girls School, with about 50 members attending. At our meeting we had sherry and mince pies,
sang Christmas Carols, and Fred told one of his thrilling ghost stories. We look forward to 1989, and our next 100 years with joy and prayer that the Mothers’ Union will continue to give pleasure to our members old and new.

At January’s meeting Mrs Bagshawe will give a talk on different religions and cultures in Britain today. Tea Hostesses are: Mary Cheeseeman, Mary Bentley and Margaret Bartlett. Anyone with old pairs of spectacles they wish to dispose of, please pass them to any Mothers’ Union member, and they will be sent to third world countries, or ring Di on 471423, or hand to the Vicar.

A Happy New Year to everyone.

AFFPUDDLE NEWS

BRIANTSPuddle HALL COMMITTEE

The Christmas Fair was again organised by the Briantspuddle Hall Committee as a village social event and an opportunity for village organisations to supplement their funds. The total amount raised on the day was over £350. The Hall Committee made £158.68 (after deduction of expenses); the rest being the profit of the other stallholders. The Committee is grateful for the donation of £5 made by the Bladen Social Club and the generous raffle prizes given by the other village organisations and for the gift of the Christmas Tree by David Pennan.

The Affpuddle Church Stall at the Christmas Fair raised £24. Many thanks to all who supported it.

AFFPUDDLE HALL COMMITTEE

AFFRAISE FAMILY SERVICE

1100 hours Sunday, 15th January.

For this month our young people’s group have prepared their own service. I do not know what surprises may be in store for us, but do come and join us in the service of worship for all the family and find out at first hand.

PAINTING GROUP

Friday mornings at 10 am in Briantspuddle Village Hall, commencing 6th January 1989, with Mrs Dorothy Towers-Smith. Joining Fee £2, or 50p per morning. From 10-12 noon.

BRIANTSPuddle WI

Every 4th Wednesday of the month, 8 pm in the Village Hall.

All ladies are welcome. Visitors 60p. Next meeting, 25th January when Mrs Bentley will be speaking on “My Work as a Court Usher”.

PUDDLETOWN FIRST SCHOOL

Children who are five between 1st March and 31st August will be starting school this month. Children initially start on a part-time basis. If your child is five between these dates and has not started school yet, perhaps you would get in touch with me as soon as possible. L K Nutner, Headteacher.

TOY LIBRARY

Any child over three who is likely to attend this school is very welcome to come to the Toy Library - Monday, 2-3 pm.

VILLAGE QUIZ

The Village Quiz will be held this year on Wednesday, 8th February at 7.30 in the Village Hall. If your organisation would like to enter a team of four people to compete either for the junior or the senior Cup please contact Phyllis Bowell on Bere Regis 471387 before 30th January.

Teams must consist of four people and questions will be asked of the teams and not of the individuals. Do come along, enter a team and enjoy a friendly but competitive evening. Light refreshments will be served at a modest price and there will be a raffle to defray expenses. Any profits will be donated to the Hall Repair Fund.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

January 1989

14th 7.30 - SCOUT GROUP - Mince Pies and Punch, 'Larkspur', Snow Hill, Bere Regis
26th 1.30-2.30 pm & 5-7 pm - Blood Donor Sessions - D’Urberville Centre, Wool

FUTURE EVENTS

February 1989
8th Briantspuddle Village Quiz

March 1989

3rd Scout Group Coffee Evening & Entertainment - Drax Hall
18th Scout Group Jumble Sale

May 1989
1st Scout Group Coffee Morning - Anderson Manor

CHURCH AND VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

AUTUMN LEAVES
BEAVERS
BELLRINGERS
BINGO
BLUE VAN

2.30pm 2nd Wednesday
6.00pm Monday, Winterbourne Kingston School
6.30pm Wednesday, Learners: Improvers 7pm
7.45pm Drax Hall (Mondays)
8.30-10.30am 4th Friday in month

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BRITISH LEGION CLUB
7.00-11.00pm Monday - Saturday
12.00- 2.00pm & 7.30-10.30pm Sunday

BRITISH LEGION YOUTH
7.00-10.00pm Wednesday

BRITISH WOMENS SECTION
2.30pm 3rd Wednesday, HQ

BROWNIES
6.00-7.15pm School Hall, Bere Regis

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Winter Season Opening Times Tues, Wed & Fri
7.00pm, Sat 4.25pm, Sun 7.30pm

CHOIR PRACTICE
7.30pm Friday in Church

CUBS
6.30pm Thursday, School

FLORAL GROUP
2.30pm 2nd Tuesday, Drax Hall

MOTHER & TODDLER
2.15pm Monday, Congregational Church

PLAYGROUP BERE REGIS
3 mornings Bere Regis School, Tel 471165

PLAYGROUP BRIANTSPUDDELE
9.30-12 noon Tues, Wed Thu, Village Hall
Enquiries - Janet Faulkner 471486 and
Maria Houlton 0305-251459

SCOUTS
6.30pm Thursday, Youth Club Hut

SUNDAY SCHOOL
10.30am Every Sunday in Parish Church

BERE REGIS YOUNG CHRISTIANS
9.30am Saturday, Youth Club Hut

TUESDAY CLUBS:
7.00pm 7-11 years Congregational Church

ADVENTURERS
8.15pm 12 years & over, Congregational Church

ADVENTURERS
7.30pm 4th Tuesday, Drax Hall

WIVES GROUP
7.00pm 3rd Tuesday, Drax Hall

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WHO GIVES WHAT?

THOSE SILLY JOKES about Scottish pockets! Apparently it's the people in the South of Britain who are the meanies. The Charities Aid Foundation came up with some figures recently which showed the amount each household gives weekly to charity.

North of the border, people give £1.68, in the North of England the average is £1.45, and in the South it's a mere £1.28. This is despite the difference in average wages across the nation.

The Church of England's figures, while covering only England, confirm this trend. Dioceses in the North have given 8% more to home missions than those in the South; the notable exception to the trend is Bristol, which gave the highest amount of all.

CHRISTIAN GROUPS AMONG students can be very active in proclaiming their beliefs, with all the enthusiasm of youth — and that's nothing new!

The Universities and Colleges Christian Fellowship report one young evangelist. A medical student, he was said to have ridden his motorbike into the hospital courtyard each day with a large, but perhaps ill-chosen, text on the front, 'Prepare to meet thy God'.

IF YOU ARE unhappy with your vicar, simply have your churchwardens send a copy of this letter to six other churches who are also tired of their vicar.

Then bundle up your vicar and send him to the church at the top of the list in the letter. Within a week you will receive 16 vicars and one of them should be all right!

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