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SUNDAY SERVICES.

St. Cuthbert's: 8a.m. Holy Eucharist.
11a.m. Parish Communion.
3p.m. Evensong and Sermon.

All Saints': 9.30a.m. Parish Communion.
6.30p.m. Evensong and Sermon.

WEEKDAY SERVICES.

St. Cuthbert's: Mattins and Evensong daily as announced.
Holy Eucharist on Tuesday at 9.15a.m.

All Saints': Holy Eucharist on Wednesday at 9.15a.m., and
on Friday at 7.30a.m.

The Howard School, Low Ackworth: Holy Eucharist on Wednesday at
7.30p.m.

(Any variations are noted in the Diary for the Month).

HOLY BAPTISM.

The second Sunday of every month at 11a.m. at St. Cuthbert's,
and the first Sunday of every month at 3p.m. at St. Cuthbert's.

The first Sunday of every month at All Saints' during
either of the Sunday services.

Please note that the Rector should be asked about possible
Baptisms at least four weeks before the proposed date.

PRIVATE COMMUNION, CHURCHING OF WOMEN, HOLY
MATRIMONY, AND CHRISTIAN BURIAL.

By arrangement with the Rector.

MOTHERS AND BABIES GROUP.

Every Thursday at 2p.m. at the Social Centre, High Ackworth.

CHOIR PRACTICE.

Every Friday at 7p.m. at St. Cuthbert's.

THE MOTHERS' UNION.

Monthly service and meeting the last Thursday of the month at 7.15p.m.

THE RECTOR'S LETTER.

The Rectory,
Ackworth.

My dear People,

I wish you a Happy New Year, and if it is necessary for your happiness I wish you prosperity. I word it carefully, for happiness and prosperity are not always bound to be companions. It is a truth we are constantly having to learn. Some of us succeed in learning it only the hard way. Others of us never succeed in learning it at all.

For some of us material possessions and wealth mean very little, but success and achievement mean much to us. We do not want to be rich, but we must know ourselves to be successful. We rightly desire to do well whatever our work may be. We have gifts from God, for the full use of which we are accountable to Him. It seems very hard, therefore, when we have to accept that we are not going to succeed and that however hard we try we are going to be in our own eyes and possibly in the eyes of others failures. Frustration is the constant companion of many lives.

We have to learn to live with it, wearing as it is, and destructive as it can be. We must beware of envying others who seem successful. Envy is not only a sin, and a terrible sin, but it is also stupid. There is no person in this world whom it is reasonable to envy in every particular. There is no person in this world with whom one would wish to change places completely. There are countless people in whose shoes one is glad not to be - many of them healthy, wealthy, and apparently wise.

We pray that those setting out on their careers will quickly learn that many of the most useful jobs that need doing will lead not to success but to ever increasing frustration. In the same way, the achievements of marriage and parenthood involve disappointments of hopes for self. May we all learn to thank God that we live as people whose hopes and ambitions are unfulfilled, for so we are in less danger of forgetting that we are here to fulfil not our plans but God's.

Your sincere friend and Rector,

Alec Goulet

DIARY FOR THE MONTH.

January

1. Fri. THE CIRCUMCISION OF CHRIST. NEW YEAR'S DAY.

8a.m. Holy Eucharist (St. Cuthbert's).

9.15a.m. Holy Eucharist (All Saints').

3. SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS.

Services at usual times, with Holy Baptism at St. Cuthbert's during Evensong at 3p.m.

5. Tues. 9.15a.m. - 11.30a.m. Coffee Morning and Bring and Buy Sale in the Mission Room.

6. Wed. THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD.

9.15a.m. Holy Eucharist (All Saints').

7.30p.m. Sung Eucharist (St. Cuthbert's).

10. EPIPHANY I.

Services at usual times, with Holy Baptism during the Family Eucharist at St. Cuthbert's at 11a.m.

(This service will be attended by the Sunday School children and their parents.)

18 - 25. Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

24. EPIPHANY III.

At St. Cuthbert's - 8a.m. Holy Eucharist.
10a.m. Sunday School.
11a.m. Sung Eucharist.

At All Saints' - 9.30a.m. Parish Communion.

At the Friends' Meeting House - 7p.m. United Service.

25. Mon. THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL.

9.15a.m. Holy Eucharist (All Saints').

7p.m. Holy Eucharist (Howard School).

7.45p.m. Parochial Church Council (Howard School).

28. Thurs. 7.15p.m. Mothers' Union Service and meeting (All Saints').

31. EPIPHANY IV. Services as usual.

February

2. Tues. PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE.

9.15a.m. Holy Eucharist (St. Cuthbert's).

7. SEPTUAGESIMA.

Services at usual times, with Holy Baptism at St. Cuthbert's during Evensong at 3p.m.



TELL US YOUR STORY



Share it with the readers of 'See-Link.'
Send it to the Editor: max 200 words.

ISN'T GOD GOOD?

Many years ago I had the misfortune to be temporarily treated in a psychiatric ward of a local hospital. This was following a nervous breakdown, after a tragic, but not fatal, accident to my only son.

On recovering and before going home I could walk freely in the grounds, visit the shop and hair-dressing salon and thus meet inhabitants from other wards.

One lovely sunny day I was sitting on the circular seat around a big oak tree when Freddie came to sit by me. He was a frail little white-haired man and one of the permanent residents. He had a mania for collecting neckties, and would ask all and sundry for them!

This particular day after saying 'Good morning' to me he suddenly looked up at the sky and with a beatific smile on his face uttered the words (in a Yorkshire accent) 'Isn't God good?'

His simple faith touched me deeply and I have never forgotten this incident from the varied tapestry of my life.

*Dorothy A. Womack of Glasshoughton,
Castleford*

THE CHURCH IN THE POWER OF THE SPIRIT*

was the theme of a conference for Anglican clergymen and church leaders held in September at The Hayes, Swanwick, under the chairmanship of Bishop of Pontefract.

The theme was explored by George Carey, Michael Harper, John Gunstone, David MacInnes and Christian Howard with West Yorkshire's Chief Probation Officer, Bill Weston.

The whole conference was set within the context of praise and worship, the music group being led by Peter Harding, the curate of Kirkheaton. But perhaps the most significant feature was the personal ministry, one-to-one and in small prayer groups, which went on throughout the conference.

Four Bishops were present and the prayers for the Queen were led at the final Eucharist by one of Her Majesty's Judges. This lasted all morning, and everyone renewed their baptism promises, and those ordained—bishops, priests and deaconesses—renewed their ordination promises; after which they knelt down, and the laity laid hands on them and prayed for the equipping of their ministry. The collection at this eucharist—from 360 people, of whom 200 were clergy and their wives—was £3827.

A similar conference is being planned by Anglican Renewal Ministries for September 27-30, 1982, and there is no time to waste for clergy and church leaders to start applying—to Lawrence Hoyle, Lamplugh House, Thwing, near Driffield, North Yorkshire.

Our Bishop writes.....



THE PRINCE OF PEACE

Long ago Isaiah looked forward to the birth of the Ideal Ruler. And we meditate on his prophecy at Christmas tide: "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace".

SHALOM

To-day we often hear spoken the Jewish greeting: Shalom. It means Peace, harmony and wholeness of living. For people and their families, and by extension to the wider community. It is God's gift and blessing, a gift which overcomes the negative and divisive forces active in our world and in ourselves. The Christian Gospel is a Gospel of Peace. Christ has overcome all that estranges us from God and each other through his dying and rising. And he admits us into his permanent union with God. In the midst of all the dangers and confusions of life we have this divine gift of peace and salvation. It transcends even the shaking of the earth's foundations.

The Church is called upon to be the community of God's peace, and Christians the agents of his peace. In our generation 'the shaking of the earth's foundations' is almost a literal possibility. Russia and the United States have sufficient nuclear weapons to destroy the major cities in each other's countries thirty times over. The major nuclear powers have war heads equivalent of one million Hiroshima bombs, or more than three tons for every living human being. Though some weapons can be used tactically and with great accuracy it is question-

able whether the scale of nuclear warfare would remain limited for long if war broke out. Already the sheer cost of nuclear arms and conventional forces monopolises economic resources which are badly needed to help the under-developed countries.

The demand for the reduction of armaments and conventional forces, a comprehensive nuclear test ban, and the strengthening of supervisory and inspecting agencies, has won widespread support all over the world. The World Council of Churches hearings at Amsterdam in November, the United Nations General Assembly's special session on disarmament next spring, the American and Russian talks soon to take place, are all indications of a massive desire for peace and the reduction of the danger of war. The practical problems are very great. Christians are committed to work and pray for peace as a matter of urgency. Our celebration of the birth of the Prince of Peace re-inforces this. I commend this Prayer for Peace for our use at Christmastide and throughout the coming year.

*Lead me from death to life,
from falsehood to truth.
Lead me from despair to hope,
from fear to trust.
Lead me from hate to love,
from war to peace.
Let peace fill our heart,
our world, our universe.*

+ Peter Wakefield

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OUR BISHOP WRITES..... ON UNITY

Early in the year we are inaugurating the first **Local Ecumenical Project** in the Diocese. For some time Anglicans and Methodists in West Bretton have shared worship in each other's buildings. As a result they have come to know, love and trust one another, and to offer a common witness in the community. Official sanction and encouragement by the two Church Authorities will foster a greater degree of sharing in the future.

Mercier), Lord Halifax and Bishop Gore. They were ahead of their time, but they helped to pave the way for closer friendships and understanding between our two Churches in the past twenty years.

A few weeks ago I had the joy of meeting the present Archbishop of Malines when he was staying in the Community, renewing the links which Bishop Gore had helped to forge.

Meanwhile the Church of England has this year to make its definitive response to the proposals for **Covenanting for Unity** between ourselves, the Methodists, and the United Reformed Church, together with the Moravians and



UNITY ISSUE

Recently in Holmbridge Anglican and Methodists have celebrated ten years of partnership in sharing St. David's Parish Church. And there has been a similar shared use of St. Matthew's, Rastrick ever since 1969. Other ventures of ecumenical partnership are taking place informally right across the Diocese.

Elsewhere you can read how **the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** is being celebrated in different centres. In the Community of the Resurrection's Church at Mirfield, an ecumenical service will be held in spiritual preparation for the Pope's visit in May. There is special appropriateness in this. Back in the nineteen twenties informal ecumenical talks were held in Malines involving the Archbishop (Cardinal

Churches of Christ. There is widespread agreement that the principle of covenanting seems to be the right one. There is less unanimity on the Anglican side as to whether the present proposals are adequate for the reconciliation of our churches ministries, and on the United Reformed Church side on the desirability of ordaining their Moderators as Bishops. For my part I regret the rigid and rapid time table we have imposed on ourselves to reach a decision.

With more time some of the present difficulties might be eased. It would be sad indeed if a decision for Covenanting between our churches is to be achieved at the cost of disunity within our churches.

+ COLIN WAKEFIELD

A MILE OF FIFTY—PENCE PIECES FOR THE CATHEDRAL APPEAL

The Bishop, in a recent letter to Incumbents and Churchwardens, encourages each parish to contribute multiples of 50p. to build up a mile of 50p. pieces for the Wakefield Cathedral Appeal; in that way all the bills will be paid before the opening of the Treacy Memorial Hall in April. Gifts to the Bishop by Shrove Tuesday, February 23.'

IAN HARRISON

is a Geordie, a church organist, the parish priest of Upper Hopton, Mirfield, and the Diocese's Ecumenical Officer. His job is to promote understanding between local churches, and to foster unity in the Church's mission. He came to the Diocese, from Walthamstow, in 1978.

Ian and the other members of the Unity working-party have been busy helping deanery synods and PCCs to understand the questions raised by the 'Covenanting for Unity' proposals. To help the readers of 'See-Link' Ian is writing a short series of articles on each of the Churches of Covenant, starting this month with the Moravian Church.

The Covenant debate is taken up by the

Diocesan Synod in May, and the General Synod will vote in July. But this is not a new scheme for unity. It is an attempt to make new relationships within a new climate.

As well as the Covenant debate Ian emphasises the other major ecumenical event this year—the Papal visit to the United Kingdom at the end of May.

In preparation for this there is a united service of Ante-Communion at the Community Church of the Resurrection, Mirfield, at 7.30 p.m., on Thursday 21 January. All Christians of all traditions are invited; the Bishop of Wakefield will preside and there will be a guest preacher. The object of the service is to pray for the visit of His Holiness Pope John Paul II.

As the Diocesan Board of Mission's field officer, and the link man between the Diocese and the national Board of Mission and Unity, Ian is very happy to receive invitations to meet PCCs to discuss the work of mission and unity in a parish.

Write to: the Revd. Ian Harrison, The Vicarage, Upper Hopton, Mirfield, WF14 8EZ. Tel. Mirfield 493569.

THEY ARE BUILDING A CHURCH HALL AT OVENDEN—and raising the necessary £50,000 not through endless fund-raising events but by direct giving. Some of the people of St. George's Church, Lee Mount, Halifax have given lump sums, some have given weekly, and others have saved in boxes. The Vicar, the Revd. Chris Edmondson said "We have put a lot of prayer into this and we believe God will provide for it financially even though it is such a big project."

Work began on the hall in October, and on December 5 a former Vicar returned to lay the foundation stone. Bishop Robert Martineau, who recently retired as Bishop of Blackburn was Vicar of St. George's from 1946 to 1952. Members of the church will install the electricity, gas and plumbing, and it is hoped that, weather permitting, the hall will be ready for

'THERE WAS AN OLD WOMAN' AT ELLAND

The Elland Church Dramatic Society are presenting 'There Was an Old Woman' in the Parochial Hall, Westgate, Elland, on January 19 - 21 at 7.15 p.m. and January 23 at 2 p.m. and 7.15 p.m. Tickets 75p (children and senior citizens, weekdays only, 50p) from Scotts Travel, Elland, or members.

'HEALTH AND HEALING' is a new magazine being launched this month by the Churches' Council for Health and Healing. It will be published twice a year, price 50p., and there will be arrangements for parishes to buy in bulk at reduced rates. The first edition is set after January 6. and will include features on the 'Health in the 80s' conference, health, dance and movement, and news and reviews from the world of Health and

The Moravian Church



The Moravian Settlement at Fulneck, near Pudsey, is one of the largest in the country and has schools for boys and

girls, a craft shop and a museum. Visitors are welcome, for more information Tel: Pudsey 571440.

One of the Churches involved in the Covenant proposals is the Moravian Church. We, in West Yorkshire, are more likely to be aware of its existence than many of our fellow Anglicans since, of the 14000 Moravians in England today, a fairly large proportion are to be found in our area. But what is their history? What do they teach?

It is perhaps surprising that Anglican contacts with Moravians have a long history. The Lambeth conference of 1880 started conversations with Moravians which, being a church which possessed a threefold ministry of Bishops, Prebyters and Deacons, had brought influences to bear upon the Church of England in the Evangelical Revival.

The Moravians came into being in 1457 and flourished as a national free church of Bohemia and Moravia, but almost died out during the Thirty Years Wars

They were renewed in 1727 by a charismatic experience out of which grew a strong missionary zeal. Their missionary work took them to America in 1735 and a year or so later to England. Here they influenced the work of the Wesleys and consequently the foundation of Methodism and were recognised by English Parliament in 1749.

They have also influenced other Christian traditions through their hymns, many of which have passed into general use. They stress the Lordship of Christ over the Church and the centrality of the Scriptures. Less stress is placed on credal formulæ (though these are used) and use is made of the Sacraments as well. Their sense of fellowship is strong and it is not uncommon to find whole settlements of Moravian people centred on their Church.

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NEWS

ACTIVITY AT HOYLAND

High in the woods seven miles SW of Wakefield is the Activity Centre of All Hallows Church, High Hoyland. The church has been acquired by the Bramley Trust, and converted to provide group residential accommodation for mentally and physically handicapped children, Church and Youth Groups, Sunday Schools and Scout groups. The centre is administered by the Lions; further information is available from Mr. Brian Lane of 10 Pennine Way, Cisssett, Huddersfield.

CATHEDRAL CHORISTERS REQUIRED

Application for choral scholarships tenable at Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Wakefield should be received by February 19. Candidates should be aged 7-10 years. Apply The Headmaster, The Junior School, Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Wakefield.

CATHEDRAL KNEELERS

Requests for extra wool and advice about the kneelers for the Cathedral - about the kneelers for the Cathedral and the return of the completed work Beckett of 4 South Parade, Wakefield. Tel 381991.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN THE ORTHODOX CHURCH?

If so, there is to be a Manchester branch of the Fellowship of St. Alban and St. Sergius—a society which promotes understanding between Eastern and Western Christians. The branch will be inaugurated with an Orthodox Liturgy (in English) at St. Nicholas Byelorussian Church, Grange Park Road, Blackley, Manchester at 11 a.m. Further details from Mike Gartland, tel. Huddersfield 845851.

SPECIAL RATES AT PARCEVALL HALL

Parish groups from the Diocese of Wakefield now qualify for specially reduced rates at Parcevall Hall, the Bradford Diocesan House in Warfedale. Details of rates and vacancies in 1982/83 are available from The Warden, Parcevall Hall, Skyreholme, Appletreewick, Skipton, North Yorkshire, BD23 6DG (SAE please).

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

are invited to contact Canon David Woodhouse at Church House (Tel. Wakefield 371802) about the Teachers' Certificate Course which

APPOINTMENTS

The Revd. Chris Edmondson, the Vicar of St George's, Ovenden. Halifax is also to be the Bishop's Adviser on Evangelism.

The Revd. Jolyon Bradshaw, Assistant Curate of Normanton is moving to the Diocese of Norwich to be a Team Vicar in the Wreningham Group of Parishes.

The Revd. Canon Brian Smith, the Priest-in-Charge of Cragg Vale is also to be the Director of Ministerial Training and Warden of Readers.

Archdeacon Edward Henderson is to be Archdeacon Emeritus of the Diocese.

RETIREMENT

The Revd. Canon Denis Boyling, the Cathedral Administrator and Residential Canon of Wakefield Cathedral is retiring. He spent the first 28 years of his ministry in the Diocese of Sheffield, for part of it as a hospital chaplain. He came to this Diocese in 1968, as Vicar and Rural Dean of Almondbury. He moved to the Cathedral in 1975.

OBITUARY

The deaths have occurred of the **Venerable Bernard Pawley** and the Revd George Henry Firth. Archdeacon Pawley became the Rector of Elland in 1945 after serving as an Army chaplain during the war. He stayed there for ten years, and for five years served as a Proctor in Convocation. He then moved to Ely, and then to Saint Paul's Cathedral before becoming Archdeacon and Canon Residentiary of Canterbury Cathedral in 1972. He spent many years aiding relations between the Anglican and Roman Catholic churches, and was Vice-Chairman of Archbishop's Commission for Roman Catholic relations, author with his wife Margaret of 'Rome and Canterbury through Four Centuries,' and a personal friend of Pope Paul VI.

The Revd. George Firth was the Assistant Curate of Almondbury 1949-52, and returned to be Vicar of Silkstone from 1957 to 1962.

MARSDEN: A History of St. Bartholomew's Church, Marsden,

1453-1980 has been compiled by Miss E. I. Pearson, and is available from her price £1.25 (+ 20p. p&ip) at 2 Lane Ings, Marsden, Huddersfield, HD7 6JP. It is an excellent booklet with illustrations, and gives a very detailed history of 'a plain substantial church' which is now acclaimed as 'The Cathedral of the Colne Valley.'

CHRISTIANS AWARE is running a conference at Hothorpe Hall, in Leicestershire with the theme 'The Developing World and the Future.' The speakers at the conference will include John Mitchell, Dr. Charles Elliott, David Haslam and Adrian Hastings, and the preacher at the closing Eucharist will be Paul Oestricher. The conference will run from March 30 to April 2, and details are available from Barbara Butler, Christians Aware, 15 Tufton Street, London SW1 3QQ.

TO THE GLORY OF GOD

The new lighting of the Parish Church of Womersley was turned on for the first time on Sunday, 1st. November, at Sung Mass. It has been given to the Glory of God, in memory of Laurence Michael Harvey Parsons, Earl of Rosse, by his Widow, family and friends.

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THIS CHRISTMAS REMEMBER THE WORLD'S POOR

..... that is the message of Christian Aid this Christmas.

"Which of us—if we had the chance—would not this Christmas give some extra food to a young child in a Somali refugee camp, or take medicine to a mother in Bangladesh who watches her child suffering? Which of us would not see that the family of a man who had disappeared in Guatemala to an unknown fate was not starving as well as grieving?"

This is the whole point of the Christmas appeal of Christian Aid. It is the chance each Christmas to rejoice the heart of Jesus by showing care for the poor, the hungry and oppressed. It is a chance, too, to give help to parts of His Church that are very weak."

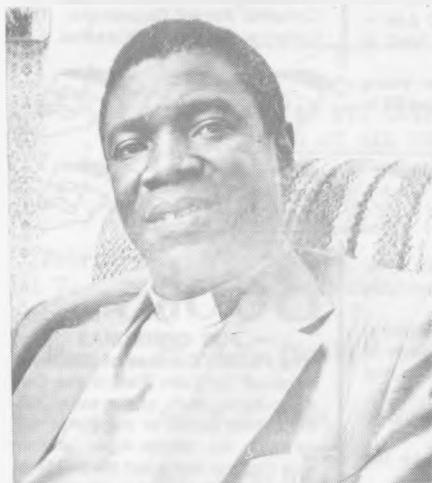


Photo: Halifax Evening Courier

Bishop Stephen Mumba, the Bishop of Lusaka in Zambia, visited his friends John and Dorothy Muir of Northowram Vicarage in October, and took part in services at St. Matthew's Church. He has been a friend of the Muir family since John was a missionary in Zambia for eight years.



Photo: Huddersfield Examiner

Bishop Kenneth Cragg, the Vicar of Helme, and his wife paid a farewell visit to the village's Church of England Junior School in November. Two pupils, Jill Betoney, (5) and Michael Brown (11) presented the Bishop with gifts from the children, and also a folder containing children's prayers—and the youngsters' views on their vicar.

AT THE OCTOBER DIOCESAN SYNOD

..... **Facing up to Change,** an audio-visual on Britain and the Brandt Report, was shown—highlighting the need to increase aid to the impoverished nations of the South and urge governments to reconsider their expenditure on defence.

..... **Parish giving still needed to increase**, said Mr. Russell Smith: the average covenanted giving was 99p. per week, and the average uncovenanted was only 46p. 'This was not nearly good enough.'

..... **John Flack**, the Vicar of Ripponden, spoke of the great need to keep our church buildings open for private prayer as well as the passing visitor.

WHAT'S ON IN DECEMBER

- 5 Teachers' Quiet Day:** St. Peter's Convent, Horbury, 9.30 a.m. — 3 p.m.
- 8 St. Mary's, Luddenden (near Halifax):** a 'Do It Yourself' "Messiah"—unrehearsed; singers and audience invited—and church choirs; part singers tel. Halifax 882127.
- 8 Priestland's Progress** at 10.15 p.m. (repeated 9th, 4 p.m.): 'Some hopeful Life, death and.....'
- 8 Barnsley Christians for Peace:** Pitt Street Methodist Church, 7.30 p.m.—a discussion on the moral reasons for pursuing disarmament.
- 13 Carol Service for the Disabled** at St. George's Ovenden, Halifax: 2.30 p.m. Preacher: Mgr. Michael Buckley.
- 13 Priestland's Progress** at 10.15 p.m. (repeated 16th, 4 p.m.): Mr. Ready-to-Halt's Crutches' (last in series).
- 18 Teize—Pilgrimage of Reconciliation** at The Cathedral; 7.30 p.m.—Midnight (admission by (free) ticket only, available from Peter Ford, at Church House, Wakefield).
- 18-20 Conference on Christian Vocation and Priesthood** for young men 16-25, organised by ACS at Harborne Hall, Birmingham. Cost £8 to ACS, 264a Washwood Heath Road, Birmingham, B8 2XS.

People



APPOINTMENTS

The Revd. Paul Illingworth, the Vicar of Ryhill is moving to Norfolk to be Rector of Weston Longville with Morton-on-the-Hill and Great and Little Witchingham.

The Revd. Eric Thacker, a Team Vicar in the Seacroft Team Ministry, Diocese of Ripon, is to be the Vicar of Womersley and Priest-in-Charge of Kirk Smeaton, and will be Instituted at Womersley on 16th. December, and Licensed at Kirk Smeaton on 20th. December.

The Revd. Richard Barron, the Assistant Curate of Bradley is moving to York to be the Senior Curate of St. Wulstan's, Heworth.

The Revd. Cyril Dawson, the Vicar of Todmorden is also to be the Priest-in-Charge of Walsden.

The Revd. John White, the Vicar of Thurlstone, Penistone, is also to be the Priest-in-Charge of Hoylandswaine.

The Revd. Bryan Ellis, the Vicar of Wakefield St. Andrew is to be the Rural Dean of Wakefield, in place of Canon Kenneth Unwin.

The Revd. Norman Moore, the Vicar of Denby since 1944 has retired. He was ordained in 1935 by Bishop Seaton to a curacy at Mount Pellon. In 1938 he moved to Dewsbury, as the Curate of St. Mary, Savile Town in the parish of Thornhill Lees.

ORDINATION

The Bishop of Wakefield will ordain the Revd. Gordon Warwick as Priest and Mary Gaskell as a Deaconess in St. John's Church, Wakefield, on Sunday, 20th. December.

OBITUARY

INMAN, the Revd. Gordon Harold, Curate of Marsden 1958-60, of Mount Pellon 1960-62, the Vicar of St. Philip's, Dewsbury 1962-64. In 1964 he left the Diocese for the Diocese of Ripon, and later worked for the Church of England Youth Council in London. He died in Australia aged 47.

FOR SIXTH FORMERS Vocation, hospital or industry. Details of conferences in York and Oxford Margh and April 1982. The three-day conferences include a visit to a parish, Margaret Foster, ACCM, Church House, Dean's Yard, London, SW1

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NEWS

CATHEDRAL CHRISTMAS

CARDS are now available from the Friends of Wakefield Cathedral. There are two cards — The Reredos and High Altar (12p.) and the Treacy Memorial Hall (15p.). Available from the Cathedral Bookstall or officials of the Friends (tel. Wakefield 275739).

PROGRESS ON THE HALL

continues, and a Progress Report has been published, available from The Cathedral Appeal Co-ordinator, The Cathedral, Northgate, Wakefield.



Books

— FOR CHRISTMAS

'The Parish Churches of Medieval England' by Colin Platt is the first authoritative study of the social role the church played in the life of the parish in the Middle Ages, and of how that role fashioned the buildings themselves. Published by Secker and Warburg, it is available in hardback at £15.00 and in paperback at £5.95.

The Church Army, in cooperation with the Bible Reading Fellowship, has produced a book for use throughout their centenary year, 1982. Called **'Front Line Praying'** it outlines aspect of the work of the Church Army for every week of the year. It is available from either BRF or the Church Army, price £2.25.

'Mightier Than The Waves' by Geoff Roberts is an illustrated biography of two South American missionaries from West Yorkshire. Robert Cockerham was a transmitting engineer with a Christian radio station in Ecuador until his accidental death by drowning last February. His wife, Anne, has returned to Ecuador with her two sons. The book is available from Mrs. D. Scott, 51 Nab Wood Crescent, Shipley, BD18 4HY, price 95p. (+ 20p. postage) (cheques/p.o. to 'The Cockerham Story Accounts').

HOLY EUCHARIST ON THURSDAYS AT 10a.m.

At Chiltern Court - Jan. 7, 21, Feb. 5, 19.

At St. Clement's Court - Jan. 14, 28, Feb. 12, 26.

ADVANCE NOTICES.

May 8. Sat. 2p.m. St. Cuthbert's Spring Fayre.

June 19. Sat. 2p.m. Rectory Garden Party.

Dec. 4. Sat. 2p.m. St. Cuthbert's Christmas Fayre.

READINGS AT ST. CUTHBERT'S ON SUNDAYS AT 11a.m.,
AND AT ALL SAINTS' AT 9.30a.m.

	<u>Epistle Reader</u> <u>(St. Cuthbert's).</u>	<u>Epistle.</u>	<u>Gospel.</u>
February			
7.	Mr. R.C. Tanswell.	I Corinthians 2, vv. 1 - 10.	Luke 8, vv. 4 - 15.
14.	Mr. S.M. Field.	2 Corinthians 12, vv. 1 - 10.	Mark 7, vv. 24 - end.
21.	Mr. N.J. West.	Colossians 1, vv. 18 - 23.	John 8, vv. 2 - 11.
28.	Mr. J. Kidson.	Hebrews 4, vv. 12 - end.	Luke 4, vv. 1 - 13.

It would be appreciated if any reader who is unable to read on the day appointed would kindly arrange to change with another reader.

The readings on each occasion will be from the version printed in the A.S.B.

A PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR.

Lord Christ, Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, whose years never fail; may we so pass through the coming year with faithful hearts, that in all things we may please you and reflect your glory; for you are alive and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

(From the Mozarabic Sacramentary).

THE CHRISTMAS DRAW.

We are very grateful to Mrs. Hurst for once again organizing the Christmas Draw, which was a great success, and to those who gave the prizes, as well as to those who sold the tickets.

The winning numbers are as follows :-

3488 (L.Bacon), 3956 (M.Waugh), 3150 (Mrs. Drake),
2758 (Rector), 3616 (D.T.), 0244 (?),
2154 (V.J.Smith), 1348 (M.Scott), 3504 (Johnson),
2124 (Mrs. Gibbs), 4125 (Mrs. McWilliam),
1594 (D.Harrup), 2489 (Margaret, The Court),
1063 (W.Guest), 1063 (W.Guest), 4100 (J.Sainz),
1635 (Julia), 3823 (15, Wakefield Road),
0656 (50, Chiltern Drive), 0391 (Miss Pritchard),
1100 (W.Guest).

THE MOTHERS' UNION.

- January 6. Wed. THE EPIPHANY. Holy Communion at All Saints⁸ at 9.15a.m., and at St. Cuthbert's at 7.30p.m.
20. Wed. 1.30p.m. Mothers' Union Committee Meeting at 27, Orchard Drive.
28. Thurs. 7.15p.m. Monthly Service and meeting at All Saints'. Slides on places we have visited.

We have been asked to pay our tribute early this year. Would you please let Mrs Hardy or me have it as soon as possible. Tribute is £1.35 for the year and the 'Home and Family' Journal is £1.08 for the year. Thank you.

Kitty Cooper.

ACKWORTH DIRECTORY.

The Ackworth Directory is a mine of information useful for every citizen of Ackworth - telephone numbers, addresses, details of all the organizations, timetables, etc. Copies can be purchased at both the Post Offices, and at Dawsons' Store in Low Ackworth, price 50 pence. The profits are for St. Cuthbert's and All Saints⁸ Churches.

THE PARISH REGISTERS.

HOLY BAPTISM.

December 6.

Clare Louise Bacon, 19, Cricketers Close.

Nicola Dawn Lamprey, 31, Cricketers Close.

Richard Ernest Palmer, 34, Orchard Drive.

'We welcome you into the Lord's Family.

We are members together of the body of Christ;

We are children of the same heavenly Father;

We are inheritors together of the kingdom of God.

We welcome you.'

HOLY MATRIMONY.

November 28.

Robert Ian Nixon and Karen Vilma Liddle.

'Eternal God, true and loving Father, in holy marriage you make your servants one. May their life together witness to your love in this troubled world; may unity overcome division, forgiveness heal injury, and joy triumph over sorrow; through Jesus Christ our Lord.'

CHRISTIAN BURIAL.

Service at St. Cuthbert's.

November

19. John William Markey, 4, Mill Hill, aged 79 years.

26. Muriel Simpson, 133, Charlesworth Court, Ulverthorpe Road, Thornhill, formerly of Ackworth, aged 86 years.

'Lord, we commend to your unfailing love all those who have died, that in them your will may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with them in your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.'

THE MISSION ROOM.

Gas central heating is in the process of being installed in the Mission Room. In the course of the work dry rot was discovered and we had to call in Rentokil. The work has now been done, but we have still to pay for it. We believe that the Mission Room is about to take on a new lease of useful life, and we therefore feel justified in raising money for its upkeep and improvement. As one regular money raising effort the Parochial Church Council will be holding a coffee morning and bring and buy sale on the first Tuesday of every month from 9.15a.m. to 11.30a.m.

SPECIAL OFFER

* STABLE MANURE.

Bag your own.

Contact Mrs. Harris at Long Lane Close.

The charge - a suitable donation to St. Cuthbert's Church.

WEBB IVORY.

The sale of Webb Ivory cards and gifts, for which Mrs. Barrow is responsible, has made a profit of £215 this year. This is a welcome boost to the Church funds. Mrs. Barrow has asked me to thank all her customers for their support, and to say that she has available a range of cards appropriate to all occasions.

WHO? WHERE? WHEN?WHICH?

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