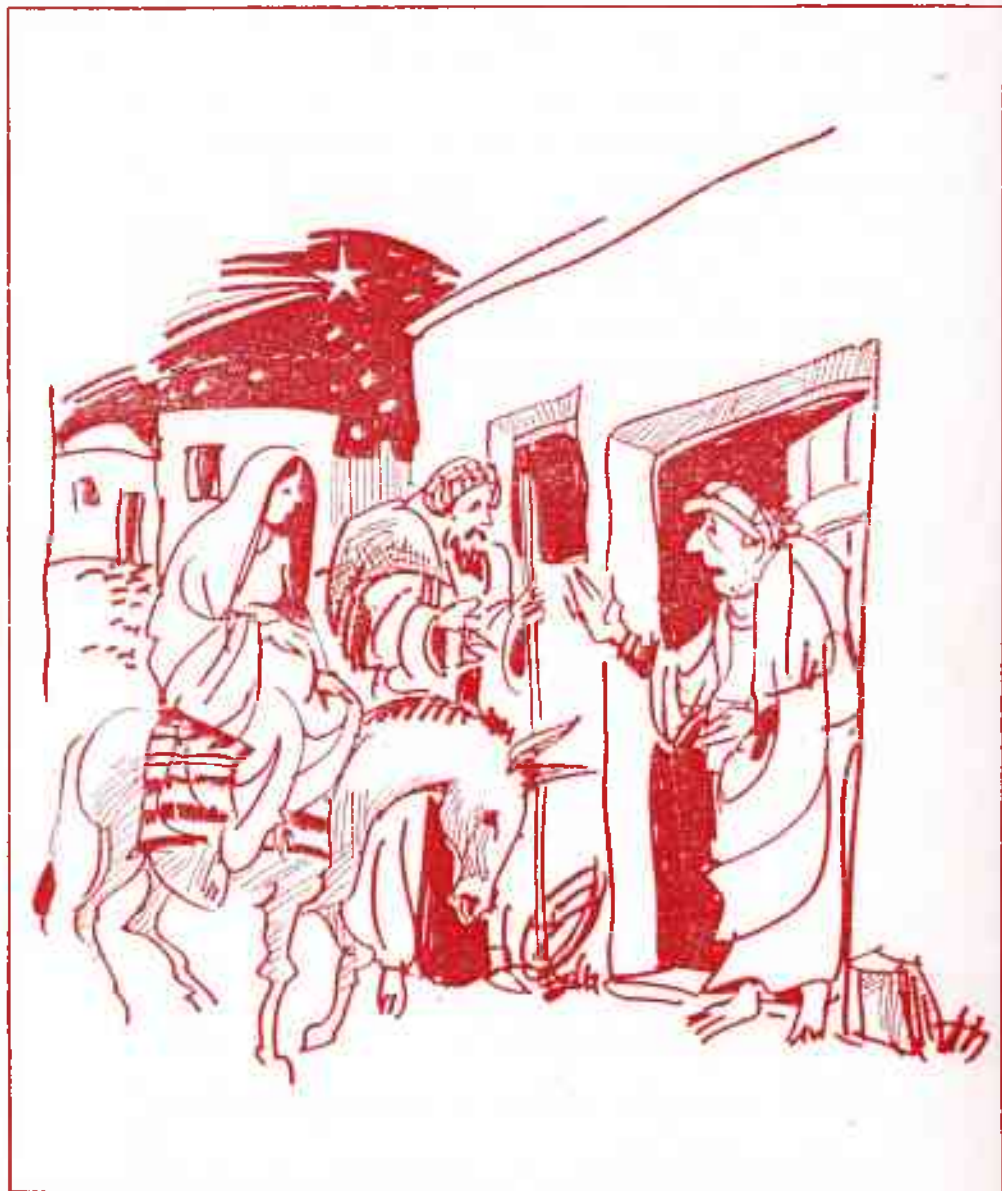


ACKWORTH PARISH MAGAZINE

DECEMBER 1992



PARISH OF ACKWORTH - ST CUTHBERT'S AND ALL SAINTS'

WHO'S WHO, WHAT'S WHAT?

Rector: Rev P Moorhouse, The Rectory, High Ackworth. 780880.
Reader: Dr D Bell, 3 Beerh Drive.
Churchwardens: Mr W A Branston, 8 Andrews Grove. 610590.
Mr F Davies, 40 Barnsley Road. 610694.
Secretary: Mrs M Ward, 'Ormside', Hardaker Lane, 614441.
Treasurer: Mrs J Firth, 5 Mill Close. 614638.
Covenant Secretary: Mr J Gardham, Tenter Ings House, 83 Pontefract Rd 794500.
Stewardship Recorder: Miss A Pritchard, 4 Oddfellows Clubhouses. 611086.
Car Lifts to Church: Mrs Anne Tait, 5 King's Close. 612613.
Junior Church: Dr P Fox, 5 Andrews Grove. 613834
Mothers' Union: Mrs E Upright, 24 Mount Pleasant. 614080.
Parish Womens' Group: Mrs M Moorhouse, The Rectory, High Ackworth. 780880.
Mums & Todds Service: Mrs Dorothy Greiff, 12 Beverley Garth. 615293.
Mrs Alison Barker, 13 College Terrace. 614336.
Children's Society: Mrs H Parkinson, 48 Holly Bank. 614400.
The Howard C E School: Mrs K Chetwynd, Headteacher. 611243.
Church Flowers
St Cuthbert's: Mrs P Asquith, 70 Pontefract Road. 704732.
All Saints': Miss E Smith, 'Solentia', Wakefield Road. 611258.
Magazine Distribution: Mrs M Gardham, Tenter Ings House, 83 Pontefract Rd. 794500.

Sunday Services

St Cuthbert's: 10 15 am The Parish Communion and Junior Church.
All Saints': 8 30 am Holy Communion (2nd Sunday, 1662 Prayer Book).
6 30 pm Evensong (2nd Sunday, Holy Communion).

Mid Week Services

Tuesday 9 15 am Holy Communion, St Cuthbert's Church.
Wednesday: 9 15 am Holy Communion, All Saints' Church.
Holy Days: As announced in church and the Calendar.

Guide and Brownie Parade and Family Communion: 2nd Sunday in the month, 10 15 am, St Cuthbert's Church.

Service for Mothers and Toddlers: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays in the month (except August), 2 pm at All Saints' Church.

Baptisms: Normally take place at the 10 15 am Parish Communion on the last Sunday in the month.

Ministry to the Sick: Please inform the Rector of anyone who is in hospital or very ill at home.

Enquiries about Baptisms and Marriages: The Rector is normally available every Tuesday evening at the Rectory. Please telephone beforehand to arrange an appointment.

WEAKNESS

Christmas is a celebration, a celebration of weakness over strength, and a celebration of folly, the foolhardiness of God. At Christmas we recall God's audacity in which he showed that his weakness is greater than all our strength and that his folly is wiser than our wisdom.

At Christmas we remember that unique moment in time when God entered our world in human form. In the birth of Jesus we see God coming to us in weakness. God is our creator, he has created the entire universe, but despite this, he comes to us in weakness and humility.

Through Jesus, God made himself vulnerable to pain and suffering, and yet in the infant Jesus we see the strength that lies in weakness. In weakness we see the fullness of God's all-embracing love. In weakness we see the confidence God has in the future of all members of his creation.

For in his birth, Jesus accepts the mantle of pain and suffering that we inflict on each other. We spend much of our time squabbling like children and the result is that we harm ourselves and our world. It is therefore apt that a child should bring us hope of a better future. In Jesus we see the hope that comes from love. Once we have accepted that God loves us, then we can learn to love one another.

That God should choose to be born into the world and share in our joys and sufferings is also an act of immense folly. As ruler of the universe God can command our obedience.

Yet that is not his plan. God gave us free will, and by taking human form God shows us his love and calls us to respond freely to it. The folly of Christmas exceeds all our collective wisdom and offers us joy that we do not deserve but for the grace of God and his Son, Jesus Christ.

DAVID BRADSHAW



A HAPPY CHRISTMAS
TO YOU ALL,

from all at St Cuthbert's and
All Saints'.

May God's peace remain with you
this Christmas.



VIEW FROM THE PEW



"You can't do that!"
"Why?"
"Because everyone will object!"

That is a phrase I have heard many times, not necessarily to do with churchy things. No-one, even me, likes to change. The reasons are that it produces a sense of insecurity and a sense of fear. The fear of the unknown. The next time you are in church, look around, and see what has

changed in the last 2-5 years.

Shortly we will be celebrating our Lord's arrival on earth. What an event! Someone once recently said to me "I would like to go back to 1100, to see their type of worship." I replied "I would like to go back further. Into Israel".

I would love to have been around at the time of Jesus. Can you imagine what it would have been like to actually see Jesus, and through Him our Heavenly Father? The Gospels can only give us a brief glimpse and a distant view of what it was like. "What an exciting time it must have been" must be the understatement of time!

If you feel threatened by change today, think of how the Jews felt in response to Jesus. The Jewish church had waited for Him for thousands of years. But when He didn't fit into 'their' image of the "Messiah", then He was rejected. Jesus wreaked havoc with changes of ideas and attitudes which He taught us to adopt.

If Jesus walked into our church would He recommend changes? Perhaps He would suggest to us such radical change that we would be unable to accept it. However, whatever the change, we should, as obedient Christians accept it, if it is the will of God.

So the next time any of us see a change on the horizon, pray to God about it. If we can see God at the heart of it, if the change will give greater glory to God then we should embrace that change with all our heart and with all our mind and with all our soul. This was how the disciples embraced Jesus. Eventually!:

Paul Fox

* * * * *
* ACKWORTH CONCERT SOCIETY *
* * * * *

* CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT *
* * * * *

* SATURDAY DECEMBER 19 AT 7 30 PM *
* * * * *

* TO BE HELD AT ST CUTHBERT'S CHURCH *
* * * * *

* Castleford Salvation Army Band and Choir *
* * * * *

* Seasonal refreshments *
* * * * *

* Tickets: Adults £3.00 Children £1.00 *
* * * * *

* Part of proceeds for church funds *
* * * * *





Bishop Nigel writes:

A lot of fear and not much hope. That sums up how many people feel this Christmas as they face a new year without a job.

Here in our diocese the morale of our mining communities has been given a devastating blow. We already know to our cost that when a colliery closes a community dies.

That is why the Church should keep up the protest against the pit closures. The closure policy seems to put love of money and profit above concern for people.

That is wrong. People do matter. And it is the moral duty of the Church to speak out and say so. This we have done. Rarely in recent times has the conscience of the nation been so spontaneously stirred as it has been over the way the miners have been treated.

This Christmas many families face a bleak time. I know our parish priests and church members will continue to do their best to help those who are full

of fear about the future - by supporting them with good deeds and strong words - and by giving them fresh hope.

* * * *

Within the Church too it has been a time of hopes and fears. No-one has been a victor in the voting over the ordination of women to the priesthood. There are wounds on all sides.

At times of difficulty in my ministry I have found strength in these words:

We are often troubled, but not crushed; sometimes in doubt, but never in despair; there are many enemies, but we are never without a friend; and though badly hurt at times, we are not destroyed.

Earlier in that chapter (2 Corinthians 4) we are reminded:

For it is not ourselves that we

preach; we preach Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.

It's important to remember the trust - whether we speak on behalf of the miners or consider the future of the Church of England in the light of the synod debate.

The Christmas hymn *O Little town of Bethlehem* puts all plans

and worries exactly where they belong - with Jesus:

The hopes and fears of all the years are met in THEE tonight.

May that message calm your fears and bring you fresh hope this Christmas.

+ Nigel Wakefield

The Decade of Evangelism

We believe that evangelism is not just a "one off" high profile occasion, but is a twenty-four hour attitude, so that through our lives, our actions, our words and prayer, both as individuals and as the corporate body, others will come to know and experience God's love and salvation.

This is an evangelism statement from a Barnsley Parish, following the use of the **Send Us Out** course by several groups.

It is very different from the images held by many Christians in the past. The image of door knocking and loveless aggression which Bob Newton of Christ Church Mold Green says he and many others have had. "Now", says Bob, "through use of the course and our

Vicar's teaching, members of the house group are gaining an understanding of "Christians getting our act together in our own lives and finding ways of reaching people which are sensible". Group members are getting a lot from the course.

Christ Church Mold Green is just one of several parishes using the course this autumn. Has your parish used the course yet? If not, ask about it.

Bishop Michael Marshall visits Wakefield

The former Bishop of Woolwich and before that Vicar of All Saints, Margaret Street, London, has been released as part of SPRINGBOARD. This is an initiative in evangelism taken by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York.

Bishop Marshall with Canon Michael and Rosemary Green and Martin Cavender are a resource for the church both to evangelize and train Christ's people in this country;

Bishop Michael Marshall is to spend three days in this diocese early in December and is worth hearing for his encouraging ministry. Try to get to one of these events.

Friday 4th December: 11am (Coffee from 1030) For Clergy at Dewsbury All Saints' Parish Church. 730pm (For seats be early)

Also December 4th: Preaching at **ADVENT PRAISE** in the Cathedral. 730pm

Saturday 5th December. 10am - noon at Holy Cross Deanery School, Barnsley. **Motivating Mission** - for Barnsley and Pontefract Deaneries - or anyone! 730pm **ADVENT CELEBRATION** at St Thomas, Manchester Rd, Huddersfield for Huddersfield and nearby deaneries.

Sunday 6th December. Morning - preach at Brighouse Parish Church.

Bishop Marshall's most recent book is "The Gospel Conspiracy - Unlocking the Church for Renewal and Evangelism". Monarch £6.99.

Finding Faith Today

Experience in parishes in the Wakefield Diocese supports the findings of Canon John Finney's research published in "Finding Faith Today - How does it Happen?"

Most people became Christians gradually and the process can take up to four years. For most new Christians their spouse or partner,

a relative, Christian friends, a minister or children are likely to be factors in their growing to faith. Some church services, particularly

baptism and the Eucharist - were turning points. Certainly observing that someone else's life is being positively directed by their living faith has attracted questions and prompted a search.

So evangelism can mean Christ's

people being Christian in the workplace, shop and home and churches being more outward looking and wholesome.

FINDING FAITH TODAY - HOW DOES IT HAPPEN? John Finney. Bible Society. £6.95

The Society of the Holy Cross - SSC

The Society of the Holy Cross (Societas Sanctae Crucis) is the oldest society of priests in the Anglican Communion. It was founded in 1855 by Fr Charles Lowder and five other priests who felt called to serve God in parish and mission work within the context of Catholic priestly discipline, devotion and brotherhood.

SSC has around 1,000 priests throughout the Anglican Communion. Most of the brethren are grouped into Chapters which meet regularly for prayer, study and discussion.

The objects of the Society are to strengthen and consolidate the spiritual life of its members according to Catholic belief and practice; to maintain and extend the Catholic Faith and discipline, and to defend truth against error; to unite its members in a spiritual bond of mutual charity arising from their common faith.

The Mass is at the centre of the life

of the brethren, and a disciplined spiritual life is regarded as vital to each priest's response in the call to personal holiness. So the Rule of Life envisages a daily Mass, the ordered recitation of the Divine Office, daily prayer and study, an annual retreat and regular use of the Sacrament of Penance. The brethren seek to live out the discipline of the Crucified Saviour in every aspect of life, and, through their teaching and pastoral care, to help others to do the same.

A priest who is interested in joining the Society should first seek permission to attend Chapter meetings. Then, if he wishes to proceed to membership, he must be proposed by two members of the Society who know him well. If his nomination is approved he would then proceed to election at a Synod of the Society.

Further information may be obtained from: The Revd Philip Mills, ☎ Barnsley (0226) 282270

People and Places

The Revd George Nairn-Briggs has been appointed Residentiary Canon of the Cathedral. To be installed on December 13th.

The Bishop of Wakefield has also appointed the following two Honorary Canons: The Revd David Turnbull (Vicar of Penistone & Rural Dean of Barnsley) and The Revd Peter Calvert (Vicar of Todmorden & Rural Dean of the Calder Valley). To be installed in the Cathedral in January.

Miss Felicity Lawson, Diocesan Director of Ordinands, is also to be Dean of Ministry.

The Revd Melvin (Mel) Garside, at present Assistant Curate to St Michael and All Saints, Shelf, and St Aidan's, Buttershaw, and part-time Chaplain at Westwood Hospital (Bradford Diocese) is to be Vicar of Lundwood, Barnsley. Induction on January 21st by the Bishop of Wakefield and the Archdeacon of Pontefract.

The Revd John Ashman, Parish Priest of Saint Peter's, Doncaster Road, Barnsley, has been appointed a Guardian of the Shrine at Walsingham, and the representative there for the whole of Yorkshire. His induction will be in May of next year.

A Memorial Fund has been set up to commemorate the Revd Nicholas D J Webb, who was Rector of Thornhill for 20 years and who died in January 1992. Donations would be gratefully received by the Churchwardens and will be used to refurbish a Choir Vestry in Thornhill Church in his memory. Donations may be sent to A J Ridley (Churchwarden), 16 Dene Park, Highburton, Huddersfield HD8 0XJ, who can also supply further information.

The Archdeacon of Halifax's new address is 2 Vicarage Gardens, Rastrick, Brighouse, W Yorkshire HD6 3HD. (Telephone & Fax unchanged.)

Celebrating Advent to Epiphany

At the Cathedral there will be at least Four Celebrations which parishes and individuals might like to share in. They are The Advent Carol Service at 4pm on Advent Sunday; the "Getting Ready" Service at 5pm on Christmas Eve (especially designed for parents and children and lasting 45 minutes); the traditional Nine Lessons and Carols Service on Sunday

December 27th; and the Epiphany Procession and Carols Service on 10th January.

In addition to the article on the Serengeti News in last month's See-Link, it should be mentioned that the News is published in March, July and November each year. Your £1.50 would pay for 3 issues and subscriptions in advance would be most welcome.

WHAT'S ON

Each Thursday in Holmfirth Parish Church a Noontide Office is held from 1230-1250pm. Everyone is welcome to this service of prayers and readings.

On the last Sunday of each month there will be a Sung Eucharist (Merbecke) using the 1662 Book Of Common Prayer at St Peter's Church, Morley at 10am.

Dec 4 Advent Praise in the Cathedral: 730pm. Preacher Bishop Michael Marshall.

Dec 5 Royston Parish Church Annual Bazaar in Royston CofE School Hall at 2pm. Usual stalls and games, Santa, Refreshments. Admission 20p.

Dec 5 Christmas Fayre - Come and see Father Christmas at St Paul's Church Armitage Bridge. Refreshments. All day.

Dec 10 Meeting in the Treacey Hall of Wakefield Cathedral 730pm with Bill (Headmaster) and Maureen Jone of Issenye School

in the Mara Diocese. Everyone who has an interest in Mara is invited to this meeting which will be attended by Bishop Nigel. For further information ☛ Kevin Ward (0422) 348188).

Dec 11 Following last year's success, Come and Celebrate an evening of Praise and Worship for Advent at Saint Martin's Parish Church, Church Lane, Brighouse, 730pm. For information ☛ Chris Umpleby (0484) 716994.

Dec 12 A Christmas Fayre at Liversedge Parish Centre, Halifax Road, with Father Christmas Grotto, cake stalls, pickles, flowers, bric-a-brac, refreshments etc. Commencing at 11am. Admission free.

Dec 12 Christmas Bazaar Overthorpe CE J I & N School, Edge Top Road, Thornhill. 2-4pm. All usual attractions.

Dec 17 An Advent Celebration at Foster Place, Hepworth, near Holmfirth. An attempt to refresh the ways of preparing for and celebrating the Feast of the Nativity. 730pm. Details ☛ (0484)

682532.

May 15 Bishop Nigel will lead a **Day Pilgrimage** from the Diocese to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham. Co-ordinator for the Diocese - The Revd A S Ramsden, ☎ (0977) 792288.

Holy Land Pilgrimage during Spring Bank Holiday, May 1994. Visiting Beersheba, the Negev & Caesarea Philippi, as well as Jerusalem & Galilee areas. Led by the Revd Gordon Day. Brochures available ☎ (0274) 682100.

Musical Matters

Dec 2 **Music for Christmas** by James Shepherd Versatile Brass in St Thomas Church, Batley, 730pm. Tickets £4. ☎ (0924) 475724.

Dec 5 at St Paul's Church, Glass Houghton, **Christmas Brass Band Concert** by the West Yorkshire Metropolitan Police Brass Band, 730pm. Admission £2, senior citizens and children £1. Refreshments. For details ☎ (0977) 550722 or 515081.

Dec 5 **Halifax Choral Society Young Singers Gala Inaugural Concert** at the Square Chapel, Halifax, 730pm, with the Christ Holmes Jazz Trio. for further information and tickets ☎ (0422) 823953.

Dec 5 A performance of **Handel's**

Messiah in Wakefield Cathedral. Orchestra d'Amici, conductor Philip Wilby. Tickets £5 and £4 concessions.

Dec 11/12 A performance of the popular musical **Rock Nativity** at 730pm at St John's Church Golcar. ☎ (0484) 651552 for further details.

Dec 13 a **Taizé Service** at St Thomas' Church, Thurstonland, Huddersfield. 630pm. Singing practice from 530pm.

Dec 13 **Rodillian Singers - Christmas Concert** with the Kippax Barber's Shop Quartet. 730pm. Unitarian Chapel, Wakefield (next to Westgate Station) Admission £3 inc refreshments. £2.50 OAP & children. (Vacancies exist for all voices in the Rodillian Singers. ☎ The Secretary, Barbara Idle, (0924) 823095.

Dec 19 **Christmas Carol Concert** with the Castleford Salvation Army Band & Choir in St Cuthbert's Church, Ackworth, 730pm. Adults £3 children £1.

Dec 19 A **Carol Concert** given by St Peter's Consort in Alverthorpe Parish Church at 730pm. Admission £3 (concessions £2) including refreshments.

Dec 20 **Village Carol Service** at St Thomas, Thurstonland. 230pm.

Dec 27 Thurstonland & New Mill join together for a **Christingle Service** at Christ Church, New Mill, 11am.

New Choristers required for the Cathedral Choir. Most choristers attend Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Wakefield. Parents pay only one-third fees in the Junior School. Bursaries are available in the Senior School. Entrance exam on 1st February. Voice Trial on 13th February (7-10 years). We also welcome boys from other schools for whom Friends of Cathedral Music Choristerships are available (Voice Trial as above). If interested, please come to the **Choir Open Evening** Sunday 24th January at 515pm (after the 4pm Evensong). Contact the Master of the Choristers, The Cathedral, Wakefield WF1 1HG.

The **Danensian Choir** (Doncaster) invites applications for two posts; **Musical Director & Rehearsal Accompanist/Deputy Conductor**. This is a mixed choir, mainly singing Cathedral

Services during holidays. ☛ Secretary (0742) 683812.

The Organists and Organs of the Welsh Cathedrals in the 20th Century Limited edition available at a cost of £5.50 including p&p. Also a few copies of **20th Century English Cathedral Organists** at £7 including p&p, from Mrs E Bird, 16 Miller Avenue, Sandal, Wakefield WF2 7DJ ☛ (0924) 250115.

Market Place

100 Kneelers in blue leatherette and 340 copies of **100 Hymns for Today** for sale, in good condition. No reasonable offer refused. ☛ St John's Wakefield, (0924) 371029.

Roneo Duplicator for sale. In good working order. £100 or nearest offer. ☛ (0924) 466662.

The **Revd Hugh Lawrance** has now given up his work as Editor of this Newsletter which he has undertaken for the past five years. The Diocese is very grateful to him for all he has done to keep us informed. Please note the new arrangements listed below:

All CONTRIBUTIONS and ANNOUNCEMENTS should be sent to:

SEE-LINK EDITOR — The Revd Michael Bootes, OGS, 17 Hartley Park View, Pontefract, W Yorkshire WF8 4AP, in writing please, by 6th preceeding month.

CHANGES-OF-ORDER. Please write to Mr Ashley W Ellis, Church House, 1 South Parade, Wakefield, WF1 1LP, by 1st February with details of required changes for quarter April-June. Changes-of-Order are concerned with how many copies each parish receives and whether the copies are **FLAT** or **FOLDED**. The cost is currently £3.05 per 100 per month.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES



Sunday December 13

3 00 pm Village Carol Service,
St Cuthbert's Church, organised by
Churches Together in Ackworth
NB No Evensong at All Saints' Church

Sunday December 20

6 30 pm Service of Lessons and Carols
(All Saints')



Thursday December 24 Christmas Eve

6 30 pm Carols on Christmas Eve - a service
for all the family. Children are
invited to bring toys, games, etc
to be given to underprivileged
children. Please gift wrap and
mark 'boy or 'girl', and suitable
age. Retiring collection for the
Prince of Wales Hospice
(St Cuthbert's Church)

11 30 pm Midnight Mass (St Cuthbert's)

Christmas Day

8 30 am Holy Communion (All Saints')

10 15 am The Parish Communion (St Cuthbert's)



Sunday December 27

8 30 am Holy Communion (All Saints')

10 15 am Parish Communion
(St Cuthbert's Church)
NB No Evensong at All Saints' Church

.....
FROM THE REGISTERS

BAPTISMS

"We welcome you into the Lord's family"

25 October
25 October

Samuel Joseph Neville Malyan, 69 Bell Lane Terrace
Jade Elizabeth Davis, 37 Bell Lane

WEDDINGS

"Those whom God has joined together"

24 October

Russell Paul Safhill and Dawn Benita Spears

FUNERALS

"In sure hope of the Resurrection"

16 October
28 October

James Bentley, 46 Chapel Garth, 74 years
Lily Cooke, 34 Chapel Garth, 82 years



PASTORAL CARE

Pastoral care is Christian love for our church family and those outside the church. It is a response to the love of God.

This is a reminder of some of the "organised" care that goes on among our members, and a guide as to whom to approach for help or offers of help.

- 1 Visiting elderly and housebound - Barbara Firth, 611728
- 2 Baptism visiting group - Joyce Waites, 797942
- 3 Preparing couples for marriage - Revd Peter Moorhouse,
780880
- 4 Lifts to church - Ann Tait, 612613
- 5 Mums and Toddlers - Dorothy Greiff, 615293
- 6 Intercessions board - a means of letting others know
about items for prayer or praise (- baskets for requests
at back of both churches)



If you are interested in joining a group or want to know more, please contact the relevant person or see Doreen Belk.

COFFEE MORNING

At 'Solentia' Wakefield Road Tuesday 15 December

Time: 10 00 am to 12 noon

Raffle * Bring and Buy * Holly available

Proceeds: All Saints' flower fund



CHRISTIAN BASICS COURSE

In the new year we are hoping to run a Christian basics course - six or seven sessions during which we will consider the basics of our Christian belief. We will meet fortnightly and anyone is welcome. You may be enquiring into the Christian faith and wanting to find out more. You may have committed yourself to the church to some extent and want to "grow". You may have been a church member for years but welcome the chance to get "back to basics", to rethink and discuss what we really believe. Anyone is welcome!

To find out more please contact Doreen Belk or Paul Fox (613834).



PCC NOTES 2 NOVEMBER

- 1 The Treasurer gave her report on the parish finances. A substantial gift has been given towards new vestry furniture.
- 2 The Christmas Fayre and other fund raising activities were discussed.
- 3 The final work on St Cuthbert's Church will shortly be completed.
- 4 The provision of various new items of furniture for St Cuthbert's Church was discussed.
- 5 Members of the PCC gave their reactions and comments on the Rector's presentation at the last meeting.
- 6 It was agreed that more help should be given to new church goers in following the order of service, by giving more details of page numbers.
- 7 A report was given on the work of pastoral care in the parish.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

SATURDAY 5 DECEMBER, 2 00 PM
THE HOWARD SCHOOL, LOW ACKWORTH
OPENER: MRS PHYLLIS ASQUITH

Refreshments * Raffle * Preserves *
Cakes, Pastries * Dried Flowers *
Toiletries * Toys * Games * Tombola

FATHER CHRISTMAS will be here for the children, so do come along and make this a festive occasion at the start of the Christmas season.



THE MOTHERS' UNION

2 December 9 15 am Corporate Communion at All Saints' Church.
There will be no service or meeting in December.

May I take this opportunity to wish all our members a happy and blessed Christmas.

Kitty Cooper

*Peace
on Earth*

DECEMBER



- 1 Tues ST ANDREW THE APOSTLE
9 15 am Holy Communion (SC)
- 2 Wed 9 15 am Holy Communion (AS)
- 5 Sat 2 00 pm Christmas Fayre, The Howard School
- 6 ADVENT 2
*Readings: Isaiah 55.1-11 (Mrs M Jackson/Mr D Cook);
2 Timothy 3.14-4.5 (Mrs M Jackson/Mrs D Greiff);
John 5.36b-end ASB 427
- 7 Mon 7 30 pm PCC, SC Vestry
- 8 Tues 9 15 am Holy Communion (SC)
2 00 pm Service for Mothers and Toddlers (AS)
- 9 Wed 9 15 am Holy Communion (AS)
6 30 pm Division Guide Association Carol Service (SC)
- 11 Fri 2 00 pm Howard School Carol Service (SC)
- 13 ADVENT 3
Readings: AS BCP 1 Corinthians 4.1 (Mrs K Cooper)
SC John 1.19-28 ASB 434
3 00 pm Churches Together in Ackworth Carol Service (SC)
NB No Evensong at All Saints'
- 15 Tues 9 15 am Holy Communion (SC)
6 30 pm Carol Service, Chiltern Court
- 16 Wed 9 15 am Holy Communion (AS)
6 30 pm Carol Service, Townend Avenue Community Centre
- 17 Thur 6 30 pm Carol Service, St Clement's Court
- 19 Sat 7 30 pm Ackworth Concert Society Carol Concert Society (SC)
- 20 ADVENT 4
*Readings: Isaiah 11.1-9 (Dr P McWilliam/Mrs B Firth); 1 Corinthians
1.26-end; (Dr P McWilliam/Mr F E Walters); Luke 1:26-38a ASB 437
6 30 pm Service of Lessons and Carols (AS)
- 22 Tues 9 15 am Holy Communion (SC)
2 00 pm Carol Service for Mothers and Toddlers (AS)
- 23 Wed 9 15 am Holy Communion (AS)
- 23 CHRISTMAS EVE
6 30 pm Carols on Christmas Eve (SC)
11 30 pm Midnight Mass (SC)
- 25 CHRISTMAS DAY
8 30 am Holy Communion (AS)
10 15 am Parish Communion (SC)
- 27 SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
*Readings: Isaiah 7.10-14 (Miss S Pittaway/Miss L Parker);
Galatians 4.1-7 (Miss S Pittaway/Mrs D White); John 1.14-18 ASB 451
NB No Evensong at All Saints'
- NO MID-WEEK SERVICES DURING WEEK COMMENCING 28 DECEMBER
- * The first name for each set of readers refer to All Saints' 8 30 am

JANUARY

- 3 CHRISTMAS 2
Readings: Ecclesiasticus 3.2-7 (Miss E M Smith/Mrs J Waites);
Romans 8.11-17 (Miss E M Smith/Mrs M Woffinden); Luke 2.41-end ASB 455

CHURCH FLOWERS

Traditionally there are no flowers in church in Advent. Donations for Christmas flowers may be given to Mrs P Asquith (SC) or Miss E M Smith (AS)

BRASS CLEANING ROTA

Mrs Dodd and Mrs Barnard; Mrs French

Copy for the magazine should be handed to the Rector by first Sunday of the previous month.

