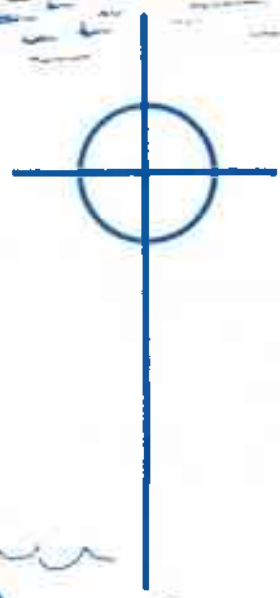


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PARISH OF ACKWORTH - ST CUTHBERT'S AND ALL SAINTS'

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- 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.

RECTOR'S NOTES, NOVEMBER 1993

Church Roofs

During the wet summer we have experienced serious leaks through the roof of the North Aisle at St Cuthbert's Church. Various roofing contractors were asked to quote a price for repairing the roof. Unfortunately we were informed that the roof was so badly laid in the first place that they could not guarantee a repair, this despite the fact that the roof was only repaired some twelve years ago. We were told that the roof would have to be completely re-tiled. The Church Council has agreed to proceed with this work, which will cost around £5,000. In addition we have had to carry out repairs to the roof at All Saints' Church at a cost of £465. We have had to meet these costs by using money from our reserves, which are now severely depleted. If anyone wishes to make a donation towards the cost of these repairs we should be most grateful. Cheques should be made payable to 'Ackworth Parochial Church Council'. Substantial gifts may be covenanted if you pay Income Tax.

The Sunday Evening Service

As an experiment the time of the Evening Service at All Saints' Church is to be changed. During the winter months the service will now be held at 4 pm. The first service to be held at the this time will be on Sunday 7 November. We hope that the new time will encourage people to attend the evening service in the dark winter months.

Christmas Fayre

We are holding our Christmas Fayre at the Howard School on Saturday 4 December at 2.15 pm. There will be all the usual stalls. Please bring gifts for the raffle and tombola to church as soon as possible.

Traidcraft Shop

As some of you may have noticed the Traidcraft Shop has moved. It is now to be found at what was the Wool Shop in Bell Lane, directly opposite the car park. The old premises have been sold. The opening times are the same as before.

Water Aid

Churches Together in Ackworth are trying to raise £1,500 for a village well in south India. Many people in the Third World do not have access to clean, safe water supplies. Often they have to travel great distances to obtain pure water. Water Aid aims to overcome this problem by sinking wells near to villages. These modern wells pump pure water deep in the ground and can transform the life of the people, especially improving health since the water is uncontaminated. The wells are partly funded by money raised through the charity and also by money donated by the British Government. The particular village to be helped by Ackworth is in the very south of India in the state of Tamilnadu. So far almost £1,000 has been raised towards the total.

Servers' robes

The robes now being worn by our servers in St Cuthbert's Church have been made by Linda Steer. Our thanks go to Linda for all the work she has put into making these garments.

Peter Moulhouse

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

I've been married for 24 years, a mother for 22 years and a Family Planning doctor for 20 years, so I was intrigued that the Church of England has decided to consider the Future of the Family.

It's obvious to all of us who have anything to do with them, that families are changing in all sorts of ways. Many young couples now live hundreds of miles away from their parents and bring up children without the help grandparents can give. Many couples choose to live together before marriage, and the large majority of couples choose to have sexual relationships before marriage. A third of parents don't get married when they have their children. The roles of men and women within the family have changed with moves towards sexual equality and sharing of roles. The falling birthrate due to (dare I say it) improved family planning services, combined with advances in medical treatment, mean that the average age of the population is rising. There are now many more elderly people living alone in our community. It's also a fact that the gap between rich and poor is widening.



How does the church respond to these changes and the opportunities, or problems, that they bring? The Church of England Board for Social Responsibility has asked all parishes that question. On 20 September a group of us met together to think about answers - not an easy task with such a large subject and so little time to it. But we did come up with some suggestions. The questions they asked us to consider were these:-

- 1 How can the Church respond to changes in family patterns and support families? We felt that we needed to be non-judgmental in our approach. Different doesn't mean wrong. We need to reach out more into the community and we need to offer unconditional help ie not with a view to filling the church but seeking to 'be Jesus' to others.
- 2 How can the government support families? It is a function of the church to highlight social injustice in a highly professional way. The government must be made to realise that cost-effectiveness isn't everything people want.
- 3 Do we find Christian teaching about the family helpful or unhelpful? We thought it was unhelpful, in that the situations written about in the Bible and the circumstances in which they were written are very different from our own. However, the basic values of love, acceptance and support that Jesus taught are unchangeable. It is these that should underpin our thinking and actions today.

Of course I was a member of a family long before I was married - a very large family in fact, which now consists of 2 parents, 8 brothers and sisters, 8 brothers- and sisters-in-law and 16½ nieces and nephews. Therein lies the reason for the title of this piece. Just what or who is the family? Surely we are all members of a family. Too often the church still behaves as though the family is father and mother and 2.4 children. Increasingly this is not so. As in so many areas of Christian life the church needs to celebrate the diversity of the family, to welcome and include all and to reach out to all.

Perhaps the "Family" is an out-moded word. Any suggestions?

Doreen Belk



BISHOP NIGEL WRITES:

Advertising and awards are in the news. The Church Army has just given a cash prize of £1,000 for good evangelistic practice; and published a special supplement featuring the runners-up for that monetary award for spreading the Gospel. Meanwhile, a nationwide campaign of billboard advertising for Christmas has been agreed by the main denominations. It's slogan? "Give Jesus your Christmas presence — deliver it yourself."

But isn't all this rather distasteful, even vulgar? Cash for communicating the Gospel? After all, didn't Jesus overturn the money tables in the Temple? And doesn't advertising the faith on bill-boards trivialise the Gospel? Jesus gave a profound message which led to the cross.

Well, let's get some biblical facts

right first. Jesus was not objecting to cash in the Temple. It was the dishonesty and exploitation which he found there which really concerned him. You could only buy the items required by religious law for Temple sacrifice with special Temple money. The money-changers provided that at vast profit to themselves.

That was why Jesus upturned the tables. As for being vulgar, the Gospels indicate that Jesus enjoyed the company of the vulgar. Indeed, he got rather cross about what he saw as false piety.

So, after careful prayer and thought, I have decided to give the go ahead for the Christmas adverts to be posted on bill-boards in this diocese. I have also agreed to a request from the Trustees of the Bishop's

**CHRISTMAS
PRESENCE**

Development Fund to make annual cash awards. These will be given to three congregations and one individual in order to encourage: service to the community, outreach to youth, and good evangelistic practice. But — and this is very important — the cash which accompanies these awards is to be used as in the Parable of the Talents. The parish which receives £500 will be expected to use that money to raise more — in order that other parishes can be given help for their missionary projects.

And as for the adverts? Next

month, when you get stuck in a Christmas traffic jam and find yourself looking at our advert, remember it was because of a traffic jam in Bethlehem that Jesus had to be born in a vulgar stable. He spent his earthly ministry shocking people and giving them a divine message with a common human touch.

That certainly earned him the disapproval of religious people, but it did change people's lives. It could just be that, by the grace of God, our awards and our adverts will help to do the same today.

MARA SUPPORT GROUP

There is a small but very dedicated group of ladies from Carleton and surrounding areas who meet periodically to organise events, to fund raise and to pack items to send to Mara via Faith In Action in Huddersfield.

The idea to fund raise was initiated by Lucie Naylor of Carleton when she was a student at New College, Pontefract. Indeed she was confirmed by Bishop Gershom when he came to Pontefract in 1991 and he extended an invitation to her to visit Mara at some future date. After her

departure to University the fund raising was continued by members and friends at Carleton Church.

Lucie has just returned from Mara where she spent eight weeks helping to teach English to groups of 16-17 year old girls at the Secondary School in Issenye. As a direct result of this she is hoping eventually to teach English as a foreign language when she finishes her English degree at Oxford University next year. She flew out in mid-July taking money raised locally for churches in the area and for the Secondary School.

Her experiences were many and varied ranging from seeing a black cobra slithering out from under a chair she normally occupied; receiving several offers of marriage (the first within a few hours of arriving in Nairobi from a Kenyan Police Officer); going on a safari in the Ngorongoro Crater and visiting Carleton and East Hardwick's link parish of Nyamaseiki. She enjoyed her visit so much that she hopes to return one day.

A major project recently undertaken by the Support Group is the compilation of a book of *Favourite Prayers* to raise funds for our brothers and sisters in Mara who are materially poor but spiritually very rich. Some of the contributors are

local and are known only to their friends, while others are famous. All have some connection with Yorkshire. Some prayers reveal humour, others simplicity.

The group is hoping to raise over £1000 from the sale of these books and this money will be used to help spread the Gospel in Mara. The cost is £1.75 each plus 28p postage and can be obtained by contacting Canon Leslie Brooks, The Vicarage, East Close, Carleton — (0977) 702478.

If there are other groups in the Diocese who would like to contact the Carleton Group to exchange ideas, please contact Sue Naylor on (0977) 794681.

ALL HANDS ON DECK!

*Michael Rogers, Vicar of Ryhill, responds
to Bishop Nigel's Vision Statement*

Bishop Nigel is the Captain of a large ship — the Diocese of Wakefield. He has many deck hands to turn the rudder, but the rudder must be turned in the right direction by each one or we shall be lost at sea, and maybe even shipwrecked.

So how do we start? First with DEDICATION. If we look around, the only success stories are those where there is total dedication. So every

Christian man, woman and child in our Diocese must be totally dedicated, putting aside any personal differences, and any doubts lingering in our hearts.

Then there is COMMITMENT. To do a job well we have to be committed. It's easy to go to church Sunday by Sunday and feel we've done our bit for the church. But what happens on the other days of the week — at the

shops, at work, in our homes, or at the Employment Offices looking for work?

We must show others, that whatever the situation is in our personal lives, we have faith in God. We have to show that being a Christian is the right way to live. No organisation flourishes without committed members.

So, with Dedication and Commitment, we must spring into ACTION. The church will not grow if

we do nothing about it. It will decrease, and instead of seeing 20,000 Anglicans at the Great Commissioning in 1999, we would see less than there were in 1988.

ACTION means not being a hopeless deck hand on Bishop Nigel's ship, turning the rudder in the wrong direction, but being an efficient deck hand who can encourage new deck hands so that the rudder not only turns in the right direction, but that it helps the ship to speed up.

PEOPLE AND PLACES

The Revd **Philip Harrop**, Curate of St Helens, Athersley, Barnsley, has resigned his appointment.

The Revd **Shaun Swales**, Curate of Penistone & Thurlstone Team Ministry has resigned his appointment.

The Revd **Andrew Mauchen**, Curate of Bridlington Priory, is to be Vicar of Alverthorpe St Paul. The induction will take place on Friday 11th February at 730pm.

The Revd **Dennis Ackroyd**, Rector of Ewhurst in the Diocese of Guildford, is to be Vicar of Cleckheaton with Whitechapel. The induction will take place on Saturday 29th January at 3pm.

The Revd Dr **Steven Croft** has been appointed to the new post of Diocesan Mission Consultant (half-time, remaining Vicar of Ovenden) to work alongside the Revd Stephen Cottrell, the Diocesan Missioner. He will collaborate with Stephen on the Bishop's vision for growth and will be available to parishes, taking special responsibility for the care and nurture of those newly committed to the Christian faith.

Mr **John Clark** has been appointed Diocesan Secretary and will take up his post on Monday 1st November. He comes from Portsmouth where he was the Director of the Portsmouth Diocesan Board of Finance, a Church Treasurer and a member of the leadership team in his local Church. He is married with a teenage son and daughter.

NEW HANDBOOK FOR CLERGY HOUSEHOLDS

Bishop Nigel and his wife Celia have together published a new booklet, with illustrations by national cartoonist "Taffy", for all clergy households in the Diocese.

Entitled "Signposts", the booklet, a revision of one formerly provided for wives of clergy, is intended to help those who live in vicarages on all those special problems and difficulties of dwelling in tied accommodation and living "over the shop".

Written especially for those who are married to clergy or for other family and housekeeping employees who live on the premises, there are sections on housing, finance, education and health. There are also chapters on looking forward to retirement, dealing with personal

bereavement, coping with marital troubles if they come, taking proper time off, and getting adequate support in the unusual professional life of the clergy household. Clergy spouses will also be able to find guidance on the security aspect of dealing with the wide variety of callers who are attracted to vicarages.

In their introduction, the Bishop and his wife say "Vicarage life can be an extraordinary mixture of isolation and intrusion. One thing is certain — pressures on family relationships can be very heavy.

This little booklet does no more than provide some practical information and advice which may help to ease some of the pressures — especially in an emergency."

WHAT'S ON

Nov 3 **Introduction to a Retreat** 930am-4pm. Foster Place Retreat Centre, Hepworth near Holmfirth. Enquiries (0484) 688680.

Nov 6 Mirfield Parish Church Pantomime Committee are organizing an **Old Time Night** by Dewsbury Arts Group in aid of Kirkwood Hospice. Admission £3. Details (0924) 499191.

Nov 6 **Angle Catholic Charismatic Day of Renewal**, St Paul's,

Glasshoughton. Speaker Fr S Cottrell. Arrival & Coffee 1030am. Close approx 4pm. Drinks provided. Bring packed lunch. A day of teaching, fellowship & praise. Further information from Fr Eric Cheetham, (0532) 716193 or Fr Tony McPherson (0226) 711331.

Nov 10, 17, 24, Dec 1 **Autumn Quiet Days** - individually guided retreats 930am-4pm. Foster Place Retreat Centre, Hepworth near Holmfirth. Enquiries (0484) 688680.

Nov 13 St Augustine's Church **One**

- Day Market** in the Church School, Scissett, Huddersfield. 1030am-330pm. Various Stalls, tombola, raffle, snack bar, lunches available.
- Nov 12 **Youth Celebration** at St Mark's Church, Greenhead Lane, Utley, Keighley, with **Mike Pilavachi** and team. Live music, teaching, worship, ministry, fellowship & refreshments. 730pm. Details (0535) 607003.
- Nov 13 **Christmas Extravaganza** at Cleckheaton Town Hall 10-1pm, by St Luke & Whitechapel Churches. Various stalls, tombola, refreshments, Santa's Grotto, Raffles.
- Nov 13 **Renewing the Local Church** a day conference at St Mark's, Utley, Keighley, with **Mike Pilavachi** and team, 130-830pm. Details (0535) 607003.
- Nov 20 **Multicultural Craft Fair**, wide range of quality handcrafted goods both on exhibition and for sale. Demonstrations — refreshments. 10-5pm St Thomas, Longroyd Bridge, Huddersfield, admission 50p.
- Nov 20 St Mark's Parish Church, Longwood, Huddersfield: **Christmas Fayre** 11-330pm, at the Parish Centre, Thornhill Road, Longwood. Home-made cakes & preserves, gifts, toys, plants, bric-a-brac. Hot & cold snacks all day.
- Nov 22 Wakefield Diocese Mothers' Union: **Widening Our Horizons** in the Minor Hall at Wakefield Unity Hall, 7-930pm. Speaker: Phillida Jermain, Central Young Families Chairman. RSVP Mrs Annette Smith, (0924) 403160.
- Nov 26 **Theological Society** meeting in the Parish Room, Honley. (Speaker in programme changed.) Information (0484) 661153.
- Nov 27 10-4pm Upper Holme Valley Team Event — **Preparation for Advent Quiet Day** led by the Revd Douglas Jones at St Thomas Church, Thurstonland, Huddersfield. Details from Geoff Bamford (0484) 682532.
- Nov 27 The Imperial Players present **Old Time Music Hall** 730pm in St Paul's Parish Hall, Back Lane, Drighlington. Admission by ticket only £2.50 from J Child, (0532) 853597. Proceeds for Church Yard Conservation Project.
- Nov 27 **Christmas Market** with Santa Claus. 2pm. The Village Hall, Womersley. Home made Teas and many stalls. Admission free for the benefit of St Martin's Church.
- Nov 29 St Peter's Church, Gildersome, 730pm **House Group Leaders Training Evening** launch of new group leaders' material. Speaker, Mark Smith. Contact (0924) 270497.
- Dec 3 **Riding Lights Theatre Company** performing in St John's Church, Lepton, Huddersfield, 730pm. Tickets £3 - (0484) 602086.
- Dec 4 Royston Parish Church, St John the Baptist, **Annual Christmas Bazaar**, C E School, Vicarage Lane, 2pm. Usual stalls and refreshments. Father Christmas in attendance with gifts for children.
- Dec 11 Holy Trinity Church, Ossett, are holding their annual **Christmas**

Pantry in the Parish Centre, 1030-330pm. Refreshments.

Dec 11 Christmas Bazaar 10-12noon Overthorpe CE JI&N School, Edge Top Road, Thornhill, Dewsbury. Details Dawn Keen (0924) 840818.

Spirituality via Drama — a Lent Course 1994 in Wakefield led by Dr Roger Grainger. If you are interested please ring (0924) 272742.

MUSICAL MATTERS

Nov 6 Elijah sung by the Overgate Hospice Choir at Halifax Parish Church at 730pm. Tickets £3. All proceeds to the Hospice.

Nov 7 The Music of Messiaen led by M'chael Clarke. Foster Place Retreat Centre, Hepworth near Holmfirth. Details (0422) 885824.

Nov 13 Yorkshire Chamber Choir — **The Creation** - Haydn in Wakefield Cathedral. Tickets £5 (£4 OAPs £3 students) from Miss P Woolford (0924) 372416.

Nov 15-17 The 1993 Musical The Gift at 730pm in Christ The King Church, Battyeford, Mirfield. Adults £2, OAPs & children 16 & under £1. Tickets ring (0924) 470454 (day) and (0924) 450059 evenings & w/e.

Nov 19 Concert in aid of Church Funds: **Yorkshire Post Brass Band**, Holy Trinity Church, Ossett, 730pm. Refreshments & Bar. Tickets £2.50, no concessions. Also Pie & Pea Supper after Concert £1, pre-booked ticket only. Information & tickets from Alan Newbould (0924) 273226.

Nov 20 An evening of Music with

Alan Horsey, Organist and Choirmaster of Bradford Cathedral with Choristers from the Cathedral at Saint Paul's Birkenshaw. 7pm. (Date correction)

Nov 20-27 Meltham Parish Church Gilbert & Sullivan Society present **Princess Ida** 730pm. Adults £4 children £2.50 every night. OAPs Mon, Tues & Thurs only £2.50. Bookings: G Sanderson (0484) 850565 or H Gillett (0484) 850089.

Nov 26 Gould Piano Trio with a programme of music by Beethoven, Shostakovich and Brahms. 730pm Parochial Hall, Elland.

Nov 27 Marsden Parish Church, 730pm. **Mozart Serenade in Bb** for 13 wind instruments & Dvorak Serenade in Dmin for wind and strings. Royal Northern College of Music Wind Ensemble. Tickets £3.50 at door or from Steven Magee (0484) 845182. Proceeds to Marsden Bell Repair Fund.

New Choristers required for Wakefield Cathedral Choir. Most choristers attend Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Wakefield. Parents pay only third fees in the Junior School. Bursaries available in the Senior School. Entrance examination on 7th February, voice trial on 12th February. (7-10 years). Boys also welcome from other schools, who receive Friends of Cathedral Music bursaries. (Voice trial as above). If interested come to the **Choir Open Evening** on Sunday 30th January 515pm, following Evensong at 4pm. Contact — The

Master of the Music, The Cathedral,
Wakefield, WF1 1HG.

MARKET PLACE

About 100 copies **A & M (Revised)**
Hymn Books, and 100 copies of **100**
Hymns for Today, for sale. Offers

invited. Contact The Revd Michael
Rogers, (0226) 722363.

Christian Singles New friends, social
events, fellowship groups, holidays
home & abroad. Weekend
houseparties. (0386) 792531.

STORAGE PREMISES WANTED

The Diocese is looking for suitable premises for storage of redundant church
furnishings, pending disposal. Adequate vehicular access is necessary.

If you know of any suitable premises please contact Gerald on
(0484) 661137.

ACTIVITY DAY ON THE BIBLE

Organised by the Dioceses of Hallam, Sheffield and Wakefield — Children's
Workshop, Circus Skills, Dance, Meditations, Music, Story Telling, Dance,
Drama, Art, Inter-active study.

St Mary's & St Michael's Churches, Wombwell, Barnsley. **Saturday 20**
November 1015am-4pm.

Contact: The Revd Canon Ian Knox, Church House, South Parade,
Wakefield, WF1 1LP (0924) 371802.

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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.

PILGRIMAGE

On Saturday the second of October three of us travelled with members from St James Church, Ryhill on a pilgrimage to Walsingham. Walsingham is a shrine in Norfolk.



We joined the coach at the Beverley Arms under a darkening sky, however the welcome by our fellow pilgrims soon dispelled the gloom. It was a pleasant journey with a break for coffee half way. The last quarter of an hour was enhanced by the singing of the pilgrim's hymn. On arrival at Walsingham it was still dull, but there were a few signs of better things to come.

On arrival we were met by a member of the staff and taken in to the Holy House. Here we had a short time to look around or to sit in silence, before the Mass began at twelve o'clock. The organist aroused instant memories of Michael Ashworth when he was Choir Master at St Cuthbert's Church with 'O Saviour of the World'. This was followed by 'Parnus Angelicus'. Although the Shrine was packed and people were standing or sitting in alcoves the atmosphere was one of peace and tranquility. We came out of the service to the strain of 'Exultate Jubilate'.

Lunch followed in the Refectory with an hours free time to spend either in the gardens, the Shrine or just to look around. At 2 30 pm we gathered in the Holy House. Father Martin Warner, the new Administrator gave us a short resume of how the Holy House came to be built and directed our thoughts towards the approach of the 'Sprinkling at the Well', and the way this would take place. This was followed by prayers.

We then had another short break during which we spent some time sitting in the gardens enjoying the sunshine. Afterwards we ventured out in the village. It seemed that the peace and tranquility which we had found in the Holy House was also to be found in the streets through which we walked.

Our last gathering of the day in the Holy House was for the 'Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction'. We entered the Shrine in semi-darkness, thus giving time to be quiet, to settle down and to wait in silence. Once again the speaker was Father Martin Warner. He reminded us about the purpose of the Holy House, for its grace and healing, and that the Shrine will not change but will always be for all people. As the Blessed Sacrament was brought to the altar we sang a hymn. This was followed by prayers and another hymn as the Blessed Sacrament was returned to the tabernacle. We then silently departed and set off for home.

For the three of us it was a truly a memorable day for which we give thanks. We look forward now to our next visit and perhaps, who knows, others may be encouraged to join a pilgrimage themselves on a future date.

Emmie Upright - Sylvia Forster - Kitty Cooper



St Andrew's Day November 30th

The Bible tells us that Andrew, and his brother Simon Peter, were the very first disciples to follow Jesus. They were fishermen working at their nets when Jesus called them. It was a hard thing to do, to leave everything for an uncertain way of life but Andrew knew that Jesus was special. So special that he had to share this wonderful knowledge with others.



Andrew followed Jesus for the rest of his life. After Jesus' death he travelled widely, spreading the message and building the early church.

He was taken prisoner for being a Christian and condemned to death in the same way as his beloved master. Legend says

that he was crucified on a diagonal cross. This type of cross is known now as St Andrew's cross.

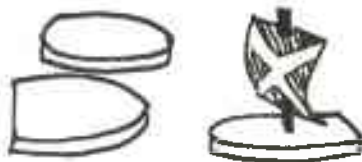
St Andrew is the patron saint of Scotland and his cross is on the Scottish flag which is a white cross on a blue background (the blue is for the sea).



SAIL AWAY

Andrew and Simon fished with nets from the shore or from small boats. You could make your own fleet of small boats and decorate their sails with St Andrew's cross.

You will need a polystyrene box or tray like the ones you see at the fruit shop or supermarket. Using a bread knife, carefully cut several different shapes and sizes.



Find a thin stick for the masts (you could use a pencil) and cut out a sail in paper. Thread or stick the sail onto the mast.



What's the difference between a fish and a piano?
You can't tuna fish.

FROM THE REGISTERS

BAPTISMS

"We welcome you into the Lord's family"

- 26 September Hannah Emily Jordan, 36 Denton Gardens
26 September Reece Brownsword, 32 Rhyddings Avenue



MOTHER'S UNION

- 3 November 9 15 am Corporate Communion at All Saints' Church
11 November 10 30 am Diocesan Council, Unity Hall Wakefield
22 November 7 00 pm 'On The Box', Unity Hall Wakefield.
Guest Speaker: Phyllida Jarman,
Central Young Families Chairman.
Everyone welcome.
25 November 2 30 pm Service and meeting at 27 Orchard Drive.

Thanks have been received by our branch for their gift to the Special Relief Fund. Owing to peoples generosity throughout the country Mary Sumner House has been enabled to send a total of £56,000 during the year to a number of places where sudden disasters and emergencies have caused great distress to families and communities. This amount is of course extra to the normal overseas commitment from each member.

The Mothers' Union are going to have a Tombola Stall at the Christmas Fayre. I would be happy to receive any gifts towards the stall.

Kitty Cooper



PCC NOTES

- 1 Arrangements for the Christmas Fayre were discussed, to be held on Saturday 4 December at the Howard School, 2 15 pm.
- 2 A report was received from the Fabric Committee. Following advice from two roofing contractors it was agreed to re-roof the north aisle of St Cuthbert's Church. The total cost would be in the region of £5000. Roofing work is also to commence at All Saints' Church at a cost of £465, both jobs to be paid from reserves, although it is hoped some donations may be received towards the work.
- 3 A report was received from the Third World Committee. A Hunger Lunch is to be held on Sunday 31 October at St Cuthbert's Church, proceeds to the Water Aid appeal organised by Churches Together in Ackworth. In addition retiring collections will be held at all services on that day.
- 4 A general discussion was held on parish matters including the role of servers at St Cuthbert's Church; a service of dedication for the changes at St Cuthbert's; a Christmas leaflet for all the churches in Ackworth; problems related to the counting of collections; new charity law and its effect on the church.

NOVEMBER



- 1 Mon 7 30 pm PCC, St Cuthbert's Vestry
- 2 Tues ALL SOULS DAY
9 15 am Holy Communion (St Cuthbert's)
- 3 Wed 9 15 am Holy Communion (All Saints')
- 7 SEVENTH SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS
Readings: Genesis 22.1-18 (Dr McWilliam/
Mrs Woffinden); James 2.14-26 (Dr McWilliam/
Mr S McDougall); Luke 20.9-17 ASB 410

- 9 Tues 9 15 am Holy Communion (St Cuthbert's)
10 00 am Coffee Morning at the Howard School
2 00 pm Service for Mothers, Toddlers and Babies (All Saints')
- 10 Wed 9 15 am Holy Communion (All Saints')
- 14 SIXTH SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS - REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY
8 30 am Holy Communion (All Saints')
Readings: BCP Trinity 23 Phillipians 3.17-21 (Miss Pittaway)
10 00 am Parish Communion (St Cuthbert's)
Readings: Exodus 6.2-8 (Mr B Firth); Hebrews 11.17-31 (Mr R Firth);
Mark 13.5-13 ASB 415
11 00 am Remembrance Sunday Service (St Cuthbert's)
4 00 pm Holy Communion (All Saints')
- 16 Tues 9 15 am Holy Communion (St Cuthbert's)
- 17 Wed 9 15 am Holy Communion (All Saints')
- 21 FIFTH SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS
Readings: Isaiah 10.20-23 (Miss Smith/Mrs Walters); Romans 9.19-28
(Miss Smith/Mr D Cook); Mark 13.14-23 ASB 421
- 23 Tues 9 15 am Holy Communion (St Cuthbert's)
2 00 pm Service for Mothers, Toddlers and Babies (All Saints')
- 24 Wed 9 15 am Holy Communion (All Saints')
- 25 Thurs 2 30 pm Mothers' Union Service and meeting at 27 Orchard Drive
- 28 ADVENT SUNDAY
Readings: Isaiah 51.4-11 (Mrs Jackson/Miss Parker); Romans 13.8-end
(Mrs Jackson/Mrs Riley); Matthew 25.31-end ASB 424
5 30 pm Christingle Service (St Cuthbert's)
- 30 Tues ST ANDREW, APOSTLE
9 15 am Holy Communion (St Cuthbert's)

DECEMBER

- 4 Sat 2 15 pm Christmas Fayre, The Howard School
- 5 ADVENT 2
Readings: Isaiah 64.1-7 (Mrs Cooper/Mr Shaw); Romans 15.4-13
(Mrs Cooper/Mrs Woffinden); Luke 4.14-21 ASB 430

St Cuthbert's Church

- 7 November Mrs Jones
- 14 " Mrs Bateman
- 21 " Mrs Ashton
- 28 " Advent

FLOWER ROTAS



All Saints' Church

- 7 November Congregation
- 14 " Mrs Jackson
- 21 " Miss Cartwright
- 28 " Advent

BRASS CLEANING ROTA

Mrs Meadley and Mrs Harwood

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