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A Time of Harvest

Over the past two months many people, myself included, have been away from the parish for a period of time and much has happened during that time.

Of particular note for the Church in this Diocese there have been several announcements regarding the movement of senior clergy. You might say that to lose one Bishop is unfortunate, to lose two is downright negligent! To lose one of our Archdeacons as well, one wonders if there is any hope for us (I am sure that Archdeacon Tony, our last remaining senior churchman will value your prayers).

For those who have not heard recent announcements, let me explain. Firstly, some months ago now we heard of David, Bishop of Pontefract's translation to the Bishop of Bradford. Hot on the heels of that

announcement, we then heard of Nigel, Bishop of Wakefield's decision to accept the post of Bishop of Manchester. More recently the Archdeacon of Halifax, Richard Inwood, was offered the Suffragan Bishopric of Bedford.

As a result we will lose two Bishops' before Christmas and an Archdeacon early in the New Year. Judging by the major festival we celebrate in our own church this month – Harvest Thanksgiving on 13th October – the church in Wakefield Diocese has been well and truly harvested!

'*Nil desperandum*' however, for although we lose out as a Diocese, we in Ackworth gain as a parish as we reap a rich harvest this month in ministry terms when we celebrate the licensing of Marie Lewis as lay reader at 3.00pm on Sunday 20th October at St Bartholomew's Church in Meltham (I shall be canceling the afternoon/evening service at All Saints' on that day). I hope both of our churches' members will go along to Meltham to offer their prayers and support to Marie, Bryan, Becky and Briony as they take this major step along their Christian journey as a family.

Most people may be fairly clear on what constitutes a Bishop's duties, although I did come upon an interesting point recently which said that the translation of the Greek word '*episkopos*' (from which the word Bishop is derived) can mean anything from a temple trustee to an inspector of drains!

However, I wonder how many of you are clear upon what a lay reader is able to do, subject to permission from their Vicar? I therefore thought it might be useful for you to see something of their 'Job Description' as reflected in the Church of England Canon Laws:

- to visit the sick, to read and pray with them; teaching Sunday school and elsewhere;
- during the time of divine service to read morning and evening prayer (save for Absolution); to publish Banns of Marriage at morning and evening prayer (on such occasions on which a layman is permitted by statute law so to do, and in accordance with requirements of that law); to read the word of God; to preach; to catechize the children and to receive and present the offerings of the people;
- to distribute the Holy Sacrament of the Lord's Supper to the people;

- to bury the dead or read the burial service before, at, or after a cremation (but only, in each case, with the goodwill of the person responsible and at the invitation of the minister of a parish or an extra-parochial place within the meaning of section 1 of the Deaconess and lay Ministry Measure of 1972); and

- generally undertake such pastoral and educational work and to give such assistance to the incumbent as he may lawfully direct in all cases observing the regulations respecting Readers in the Diocese of Wakefield.

One or two surprises for people maybe, once you've got past the legal jargon, but it all depends upon ability (which I have NO doubts about concerning either Paul or Marie) and availability (both, remember have full-time and very demanding

jobs) of the individual.

It seems a pretty comprehensive list, but before expectations rise too high let us not forget that Marie, along with Paul and myself, is still a member of the Body of Christ of which or church is apart and performs a particular function alongside other members of that body who perform other functions (for further reading see 1 Corinthians 12 or Ephesians 4). Along with every other member of our church, Marie shares in the responsibility of preaching and teaching the world of God both verbally and through actions.

As I've mentioned in the past this ministry is not one that is the exclusive right or duty of just ordained or licensed individuals, but the task of all baptised Christians. We are reminded

of this when in the licensing service, the Bishop asks the clergy, "*Will you welcome these people as fellow workers with you; will you pray for them; will you give them due oversight and pastoral care?*" I hope that every member of our church would feel able to respond with the clergy "*We will.*" We do not offload our Christian responsibilities when Marie is licensed to carry out new tasks in our Church.

So, I hope you will all join with me in praying for Marie and her family as she approaches this special day, a day in which to use her own words - "is a bit scary". And I am sure that you, with me, all look forward to her contribution to the ministry of our church here in Ackworth.

Yours in Christ
Paul.

Harvest Thanksgiving

Harvest Thanksgiving service Sunday 13th October.

Over the past five years our harvest donations have gone to 'Caring for Life' a charity based in and around Leeds caring for young people who otherwise would have nowhere to go - often ending up on the streets.

Our harvest donations have always been gratefully received by them, in particular dried or tinned produce which they can keep and store much longer, thereby using our gifts over a period of weeks or even months!

If you would like to support this charity in a practical ongoing way, I recently noticed at our new Co-op store that they now sell eggs that are produced on 'Caring for Life's' farm at Cookridge. (Ed.)



Riddle-me-ree

My first is in order but isn't in law;
My second in fear and also in awe;
My third is in under but not in below;
My fourth in grant and also bestow;
My fifth is in error and in mistake;
My sixth in batter, fracture and break;
My seventh in honour as well as obey;
My eighth is in no and also in nay;
My ninth is the same as number seven;
My tenth is in moon but not found in heaven;
My last is in hay but isn't in straw;
My whole? An Old Testament book of the Law.

Mothers and Sons

Who was the mother of:

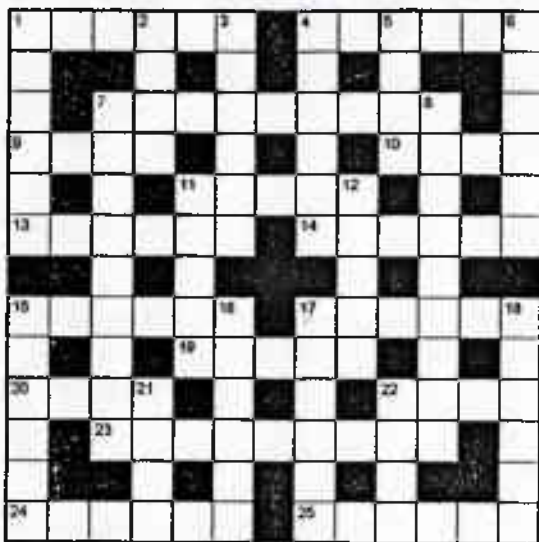
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| 1. ISAAC | (Genesis 21.2-4) |
| 2. JACOB | (Genesis 25.28) |
| 3. JOSEPH | (Genesis 35.24) |
| 4. SAMUEL | (1 Samuel 1.20) |
| 5. SOLOMON | (1 Kings 1.11) |
| 6. JOHN THE BAPTIST | (Luke 1.57) |

Answers next month!

Crossword

Clues: Across

1. Gentiles (6)
4. Container for burning incense (6)
7. Devout (9)
9. Always (4)
10. Title (4)
11. 7 across (5)
13. Believer in God (6)
14. Periods of notable events (6)
15. Praises (6)
17. Instruction book (6)
19. God is Our '.....' (5)
20. Trespasses (4)
22. Non-scientific branches of knowledge (4)
23. Government by priests (9)
24. Clergyman (6)
25. Set of methods (6)



Clues: Down

1. One who administers the sacraments
2. Vow (4) (6)
3. Ghost (6)
4. Set (6)
5. Part of speech (4)
6. Matures (6)
7. Sorry (9)
8. Place of safety (9)
11. Sacred song (5)
12. It pierced Jesus' side (5)
15. Christian festival (6)
16. Taste (6)
17. Rhythms of poetry (6)
18. Supple (6)
21. Closed (4)
22. NT book (4)

Last month's solution

Across:

1. Guild
4. Saviour
8. Numbers
9. Cuffs
10. Sisal
11. Earnest
13. Eire
15. Synods
17. Orison
20. Love
22. Minster
24. Chant
26. Reeds
27. Emotive
28. Hoydens
29. Yanks

Down:

1. Genesis
2. lambs
3. Dwelled
4. Sister
5. Vicar
6. Offsets
7. Resit
12. Aeon
14. Isle
16. Nunnery
18. Rectory
19. Nutmegs
21. Orders
22. Mynth
23. Taste
25. Alien

Answers next month

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Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20	Miss Parker	Mrs V Cook
Philippians 3:4b-14	Miss Parker	Mrs V Cook
Matthew 21:33-46		
13 Proper 23		
Exodus 32:1-14	Mark Cavill	Miss Smith
Philippians 4:1-9	Mark Cavill	Miss Smith
Matthew 22:1-14		
20 Proper 24		
Exodus 33:12-23	Mrs Riley	
1 Thessalonians 1:1-10	Mrs Riley	
Matthew 22:15-20		
27 Proper 25		
Deuteronomy 34:1-14	Mrs Woofinden	Dr McWilliam
1 Thessalonians 2:1-8	Mrs Woofinden	Dr McWilliam
Matthew 22:34-46		



Flowers & Brasses

Please check with organisers for details

From the Registers - July & August

Baptisms

- July 14 Joseph Ethan Barratt & Harry Hemmingway Brooke
 July 28 Lauren Aimee Entwisle & Daniel Michael Preston
 Aug 25 Katy Hannah Shearman

Marriages

- Aug 31 Scott Ashley Clayburn & Nicola Jane Hollis

Funerals

- July 4 Eric Lamprey (76) 16, Chapel Garth, Ackworth
 July 8 Jake Baz Atha (3 days) 10 Charlestown, Ackworth
 July 15 Donald Lomax (75) 55, Chapel Garth, Ackworth
 July 22 Lyndsay Robert Barker (50) 32 Millgate, Ackworth
 July 23 Dorothy Mary Moxon (68) 2, Green Hill Ave, Carlton
 Aug 1 Henry Hodgson (86) 71, Town End Ave, Low Ackworth
 Aug 1 Harold Price (74) 1, Chiltern Court, Ackworth
 Aug 29 William Edward Dale (90) Roop Cottage Nursing Home, Fitzwilliam



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Diary



Week Commencing September 29th

2	Wednesday	9.30am	Holy Communion (said) <i>(MU Corporate Communion)</i>	All Saints'
		7.30pm	Magazine Committee	
3	Thursday	10.00am	Coffee Morning	All Saints'

Week Commencing October 6th

7	Monday	7.30pm	PCC Meeting	St Cuthbert's
8	Tuesday	2.00pm	Toddler Group	4 Doncaster Rd
9	Wednesday	9.30am	Holy Communion (said)	All Saints'
10	Thursday	10.00am	Coffee Morning	All Saints'

Week Commencing October 13th

16	Wednesday	9.30am	Holy Communion (said)	All Saints'
17	Thursday	10.00am	Coffee Morning	All Saints'

Week Commencing October 20th

20	Sunday	3.00pm	Licensing of Lay Readers	St Bart's	Meltham
23	Wednesday	9.30am	Holy Communion (said)	All Saints'	
24	Thursday	10.00am	Coffee Morning	All Saints'	

Week Commencing October 27th

30	Wednesday	9.30am	Holy Communion (said)	All Saints'
31	Thursday	10.00am	Coffee Morning	All Saints'
		2.00pm	Mother's Union <i>(please contact organiser for venue details etc.)</i>	

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(For those born Before 1940...)

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We got married first and then lived together (how quaint can you be?) We thought 'fast food' was what you ate in Lent, a 'Big Mac' was an oversized raincoat and 'crumpet' we had for tea. We existed before 'house husbands', computer dating and 'sheltered accommodation' was where you waited for a bus.

We were before day care centres, group homes and disposable nappies. We never heard of FM radio, tape decks, artificial hearts, word processors, or young men wearing earrings. For us 'time sharing' meant togetherness, a 'chip' was a piece of wood or fried potato, 'hardware' meant nuts and bolts and 'software' wasn't a word.

Before 1940 'Made in Japan' meant junk, the term 'making out' referred to what you did in your exams, 'stud' was something that fastened a collar to a shirt and 'going all the way' meant staying on a double-decker to the terminus. In our day, cigarette smoking was fashionable, 'grass' was mown, 'coke' was kept in the coal house, a 'joint' was a piece of meat you ate on Sundays and 'pot' was something you cooked in. 'Rock Music' was a fond mother's lullaby, 'Eldorado' was an ice-cream, a 'gay' person was the life and soul of the party, while 'aids' just meant beauty treatment or help for someone in trouble.

We who were born before 1940 must be a hardy bunch when you think of the way in which the world has changed and the adjustments we have had to make. No wonder there is a generation gap today ... BUT

By the Grace of God ...we have survived!



HELP UNICEF STOP THE SILENT KILLER

Around 215,000 babies and 30,000 mothers die needlessly each year from maternal and neo-natal tetanus. They lose their lives even though there is a simple vaccine that costs just £1.



Tetanus is a disease as old as history itself, referred to in the Old Testament as the 'seventh day death' (2 Samuel 12.18)

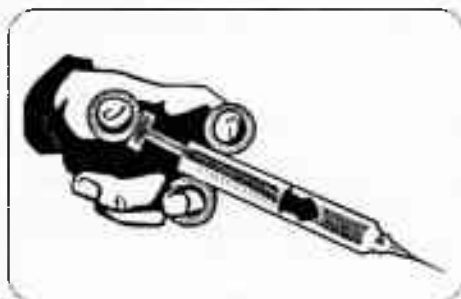
We tend to associate tetanus with a scratch on a dirty nail or an animal bite and should we have such an accident we are able to receive a tetanus vaccination - we don't think of tetanus as a killer.

Tetanus spores live in the soil everywhere and if they come into contact with open cuts during childbirth they can cause maternal and neo-natal tetanus. Poor hygiene practices in the developing world (e.g. using dirty implements to cut the umbilical cord) also put mothers at risk.

Once infected, the toxin quickly spreads through the body causing stiffness and spasms, which in time become so severe that muscles tear, bones can be fractured

and breathing becomes difficult. In over 70% of cases a needless and agonising death is the result. UNICEF estimates that 100 million women and their babies are vulnerable to tetanus and as in isolated communities the births and deaths of infants may never even be recorded, tetanus is known as the silent killer.

UNICEF aims to eliminate maternal and neo-natal tetanus worldwide by 2005. In addition, UNICEF UK is concentrating on its elimination in two of the most needy countries in the world, Tanzania and Bangladesh. It costs £1 to immunise a mother - so every pound will make an enormous and lasting difference.



PLEASE HELP END THESE NEEDLESS AND PAINFUL DEATHS by simply placing a coin in a jar each mealtime between Harvest and Christmas. Labels and leaflets will be in both churches from Harvest and competed jars will be collected early in the New Year. **Further information is available from Lynne Ward (616384).**

Appeal News

Productive Gardens

On Sunday 18th August the Ackworth Branch of the Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association held a garden party in Mrs Jean Reast's delightful garden. The lovely dresses and stylish hats of many of the ladies, together with the cucumber sandwiches, wine and cream teas made this a most enjoyable occasion. A total of £345 was raised from teas, a raffle and bring and buy stall.



Towards the end of August David and Valerie Cook opened their garden for a coffee morning. Due to peoples generosity a further £179 was raised.

Our unreliable British weather turned up trumps for all our outdoor events this summer making them that much more enjoyable. Our thanks also to all those who worked for and attended these events. It's good that our gardens can produce such harvests.

Christmas is Coming!

Last year we had a very successful sale of Christmas cards – pictures of our stained glass windows winged their way around the country, helping to raise funds for our restoration appeal.

This year, to ring the changes, our designs will have been made for us by pupils of the Howard School who will have taken part in a competition to find four winning pictures. Towards the end of October they will have been printed, made up into packs and be ready to sell in aid of our restoration appeal.

Please continue to support our appeal and put us at the top of your Christmas card shopping list!

A. Pritchard

Our 'Repairs, Restoration, Re-ordering Appeal total so far is:

£18,882

Thank you.

'Two Churches, One Vision ...'

Service of Commissioning

Following her recent appointment as Head of the Howard School, Miss Susan Jackson, the Chair of Governors - Mr Brian Parr - and myself were invited to Bishops Lodge on the 12th of September for a Service of Commissioning.

The appointment of a new Headteacher often heralds a new beginning for a school, and opportunity to move forward with fresh insight and vigour. Many schools will wish to review their ethos, mission statements, aims and objectives at this time. Church schools might consider their distinctive nature and the Christian ethos on which the school was founded. It is a time for Governors, staff, parents and pupils to work together to welcome and affirm the new Headteacher.

One way of welcoming the new Headteacher into the parish and local community is by celebrating the appointment with a commissioning service. In a Church school it is a time to emphasise the importance to the church of the school and its Christian educational role.

The Bishop of Pontefract, the Right Reverend David Charles James, led the service of commissioning. He was assisted by the Venerable Richard Inwood - the Archdeacon of Halifax, Mrs Barbara Wright - the Diocesan Director of Education, and Reverend Canon Ian Wildey - the Chairman of the Schools Management Committee.

During a lovely service with hymns and a thought provoking address by the Bishop, Susan stood at the front of the chapel where the Bishop, Mr Parr and myself laid hands on her and commissioned her with prayer for her task as the Head of a Church school. It was a moving service which I think we will all remember, and one which I hope will remain with Susan though a long, and hopefully, happy career at our school.

Paul Hartley

My dear friends

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your kind offers of help and support during the last few days and weeks.

Over what has been a very difficult time, particularly since Maurice was hospitalized and especially during the days following his death, I have been aware of and grateful for the prayers, comfort and practical assistance from my friends at church, my neighbours and my family. Thank you.

Margaret Seaman



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St Cuthbert's and All Saints' Sunday Services



October 2002

7th October

8.30am	Parish Communion & Junior Church	All Saints'
10.15am	Parish Communion	St Cuthbert's
6.30pm	Evensong	All Saints'

14th October

8.30am	Holy Communion (said)	All Saints'
10.15am	Parish Communion and Parade	St Cuthbert's
6.30pm	Evensong	All Saints'

21st October

8.30am	Holy Communion (said)	All Saints'
10.15am	Parish Communion & Junior Church	St Cuthbert's

28th October

8.30am	Holy Communion (said)	All Saints'
10.15am	Family Communion	St Cuthbert's
4.00pm	Open Door Service	All Saints'

Please contact the Rector to arrange Baptisms and Weddings