

ALL SAINTS' GOLESHILL NEWSLETTER Ho. 72

The Parsonage,
Coleshill

Lent 1973.

My dear Friends,

It is taken for granted that there are always Sunday services in Church. It is often forgotten that there is also a mid-week service on Thursday mornings at 10.00 a.m. The Thursday service is very important for members of the Church, especially as we come to the season of Lent. The Gospels give us good reason for having a week day service as well as Sunday services.

Matthew 18: 20. "For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them." This is as real today as when Jesus first proclaimed this message. It is especially true when there is a Holy Communion service. There is an opportunity every Thursday morning to be in Church in the presence of God; and an opportunity if we missed the Sunday service.

. Matthew 11: 29. "Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me. for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." How true this is in an age when the speed of life becomes faster and faster, and the number of mental breakdowns and other nervous complaints are also growing. The quietness of week day services offers genuine rest: for the soul - the peace of God that passes all understanding.

Matthew 6: 10. "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven." Jesus asked us all to pray these words not only with other Christians in mind, but also for all mankind, good and bad, friends and enemies alike. Every opportunity should be used to pray for the coming of the Kingdom. At Coleshill, we are making Thursday morning a special time when we as Christians can pray, not simply as individuals, but as members of the great family of God - the Church.

During Lent, I personally invite each of you to come to any of the FOUR weekday services held each week, and to make full use of them as your preparation for Easter. The services are Wednesdays at St. Mary's - 10.00 a.m. Holy Communion and 8.00 p.m. service of devotion or discussion (alternate weeks) ; and Thursdays at Coleshill - 10.00 a.m. Holy Communion and 8.00 p.m. Lent Devotion and Discussion.

With best wishes for the Spring,

Your sincere friend and Curate

Richard Love.

NEWSLETTER The Church Newsletter is being published six times a year corresponding to the main seasons of the Church's Year - Lent, Easter Whitsun, Trinity, Harvest and Advent. As Easter is exceptionally late this year, there will be one Newsletter for Whitsun and Trinity. Any articles to be considered for publication should reach the Church four weeks before publication.

HOLY MATRIMONY

At All Saints' Church on Saturday, 16th December, the marriage of Michael Gentry and Caroline Norton was solemnized. Also on Saturday, 17th February, at the Church of St. Peter and St. Paul Great Missenden, the marriage of Christopher Walsh and Lynette Panton was solemnized by the Bishop of Litchfield. We wish both couples every happiness, and God's blessing.

GOLDEN WEDDING.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Bates upon their Golden Wedding, which they celebrated on 20th January.

... They have lived for most of their lives in Coleshill. Mr Bates had been captain of Coleshill Cricket Club for nine years, and Chairman of the now defunct Football Club. He was also a parish councillor. Mrs. Bates played the Baptist Chapel organ for twenty years, was a Sunday School teacher, and is a member of the Baptist Sisterhood.

We wish them many more happy anniversaries.

IN MEMORIAM

Since the last issue of the Newsletter, the death of Percival George Palmer and, Albert Slade are announced. We commend their souls to the mercy and love of Almighty God.

1st COLESHILL BROWNIES

The Brownies are now meeting in the Village Hall every Monday at 5.30 p.m. Their programme has been varied, and their progress continues. Numbers have increased, and before Christmas Davina Curling, Louise Farr, Anna Horsbrugh-Porter, Julie Myers, Jane Smith, Kay Speller and Joanna Swerling were enrolled. Five Brownies have taken and passed the Safety in the Home badge. Their Venture project is a "Pink" stall at the Church Fete. Thursday, 22nd February, was "Thinking Day". Brownies attended a special district service the following Sunday, and organized and prepared a party for themselves on the Monday.

NOT THE FIRST BROWNIES!

A mistake was made in the last Newsletter. There were Guides and Brownies started in Coleshill before the War. That must mean that there are several prospective Guide Captains living in the village. Surely someone from the original company can start Guides again?

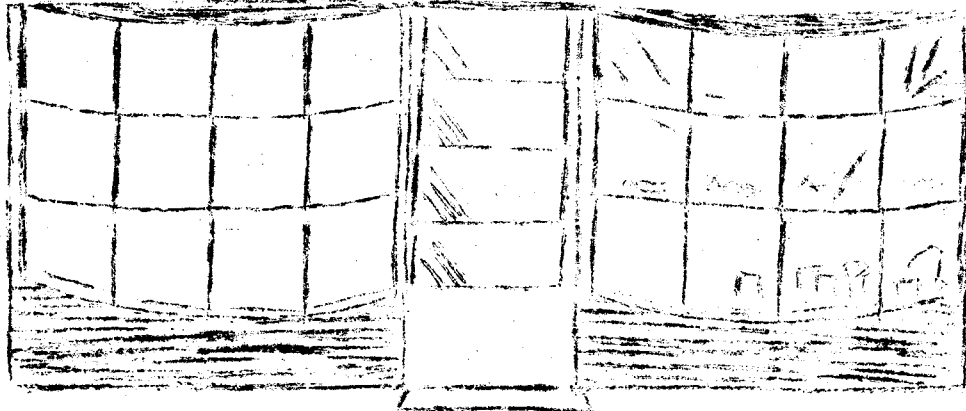
1st COLESHILL GUIDE GROUP SUPPORTERS CLUB.

This club is officially formed. It will have its first annual meeting on Monday, 30th April, in the Village Hall at 8.15 p.m. At this meeting, a chairman, secretary and treasurer will be elected. The accounts will be presented and the Brownie Guiders will give a report on the meetings of the past year. Membership of this supporters club is open to all who are prepared to support the Brownies (and Guides. :). The minimum annual subscription is 25 pence. Parents and Guiders are honorary members. We hope this will be a full meeting.

*** ELISABETH NEWBY *** Great Missenden

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AMERSHAM AND DISTRICT FLATLETS SCHEME

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The Oxford Diocesan Council for Social Work has been reviewing the whole question of Christian commitment and Social work. The re-organization of the statutory Social Service department has led to their taking responsibility for some of the work with unmarried mothers and their babies which used to take so much of our time. We are therefore able to explore other areas where there are urgent needs to be met.

The Amersham committee have done this, and we feel that our first effort should be to provide rooms for people who cannot otherwise find them. We are about to rent a house in High Wycombe, so that we can let furnished bed sitters to two groups of people in desperate need:

1. Unsupported mothers, whose greatest need is trying to find accommodation;
2. People who have been having treatment for mental illness and have nowhere to go when they are ready for complete rehabilitation.

There is at present absolutely no provision for these people in this area. We have been able to obtain a house in High Wycombe suitable for this use.

Apart from the obvious reasons for embarking on this project, we consider that cooperation between a voluntary association and local authorities departments is of immense value. Also we believe that if the project succeeds, we can buy more houses, be eligible for a grant, and thus let more rooms at a lower rent.

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Please support this shop, and also the Coffee Morning at Cherry Tree Farm on Wed. 4th. April in aid of this project.

A MESSAGE FROM CHRISTIAN AID

Changing the life of the poor

It has always been the business of the Church to change human lives for the better - and not by conversion alone.

When the Church pioneered in education and health it did not teach children to read only the Scriptures, or nurses to tend only Christians; it saw illiteracy and ill-health as handicaps to human fulfilment. Ignorance and disease are as capable of crippling the spirit as of crippling the mind and the body. And both are by-products of a poverty which degrades more people than it ennobles.

So, having founded schools and hospitals in Britain and, through the missionary societies, taught the younger churches to do the same overseas, the Churches today are now engaged in a variety of world-wide activities whose aim is to raise the living-standards of the poor.

And because in poor countries the indigenous churches share the poverty of those whom they would serve, they cannot fulfil their duty to their neighbours unless their meagre resources are strengthened from outside.

To strengthen them for that task is the purpose and policy of Christian Aid which, spanning denominational divisions, brings the combined resources of church people to bear wherever the needs are greatest. This does not make poor men rich or fill the hungry with good things, but because Christian Aid money is used by local Christian organisations on self-help schemes, trade training, food production, medical and welfare services, it does enable the lame to throw away their crutches and the sick to roll up their beds and walk. Once on their feet they have a chance to find their own way to maturity - physical economic political and spiritual.

In Christian Aid Week, which this year is 14-19 May church people in England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland are requested - and equipped - to go out into their local communities and to campaign for public support. All congregations are asked to play their part through their local Christian Aid Committee.

MISSIONARY REPORT - 1972

During the year, 32 Green Shield Stamp books have been collected (that is 40,960 stamps). This is a slight drop on the number collected in 1971. The stamps are now being used to help Polio victims in the Magila district, Tanzania.

Twenty blankets have been posted to Africa, and another parcel is ready to go. This is more than were sent last year. Very many thanks; are sent to all who have helped in achieving these results.

In addition, several parcels of used postage stamps have been collected for Cancer Research work. It is hoped that this collection of any used postage stamps can be increased. There is always a box at the back of the Church for this purpose.

COLESHILL CRICKET CLUB

The Annual General Meeting of the Cricket Club was held on 29th November, 1972. Officers to serve the Club for the ensuing year were elected or re-elected.

The meeting recorded with satisfaction that the Club had remained in the Second Division of the Wycombe Combination League for two consecutive seasons. Subscriptions were raised to £2 per year, and a dance was to be held in the Village Hall on 16th February.

The fixture list for 1973 will be issued shortly, and the Club hopes for as much support as possible from the Village.

MUSICAL SUCCESSES

Congratulations are extended to the following upon their results in the Royal School of Music Examinations, December 1972s

Caroline Bowler	Grade I piano
Hugh Prothero	Grade IV piano
Jennifer Crober	Grade V piano with distinction
Michael Griffiths	Grade VIII bassoon with merit

DECEMBER ENTERTAINMENT

The School and W.I. put on a combined evening of entertainment on 15th December in the Village Hall. A concert of music and carols was given by the School children under the direction of Mrs. Pauline Griffiths. This was followed by two one act plays produced by Mrs. Harvey and Mrs. Post.

Not only was the entertainment of the highest standard, but also £20 was raised for the Hall.

Earlier in the month, a very enjoyable Whist Drive was held in the Hall in aid of the upkeep of the Hall. Eleven tables were occupied. Our thanks is extended to Mr. R. Stubbings for being Master of Ceremonies. £10 was raised at this function.

CHRISTMAS AT COLESHILL

Christmas services began with Midnight Mass at St. Mary's. The main service was at 9.00 a.m. at Coleshill. The collection for the Homeless at that service amounted to almost £20. The service of Nine Lessons and Carols took place on the first Sunday after Christmas. Carols were sung by the Choir, as well as by the congregation, and lessons were read by different members of different organizations of the Church.

Carol singers in the village raised £25 for the Save the Children Fund. The School also had their Carol Service in Church before the end of term.

MEN'S CAKE COMPETITION

The gentlemen's home-mad 3 cake competition, organized by the "Red Lion" was held just before Christmas. This year, the winner was Mr. Michael Green. £138 was raised for the work of the Princess Marina Centre of Spastics at Seer Green. Credit must be given to the auctioneer, Mr. D. Ruperti, for such a splendid result.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The Day of Prayer this year is on Friday, 2nd March, at 2.45 p.m. in All Saints' Church. The theme this year is: 'Alert in our times'. Preparations for this theme have been made by women from New Zealand. The Speaker at this service will be Mrs. James Riley.

We hope that all Christian women will make this occasion a priority.

VILLAGE HALL BRIDGE DRIVE

A Bridge Drive will be held in the Village Hall on Friday, 13th April, at 8.00 p.m. The price of tickets is 75p a pair, obtainable from any Village Hall Committee member. By tradition, this is a light hearted competition, and no one should stay away for fear of too high a standard.

The Village Hall exists to serve the village, so please support it,

SERVICES IN THE PARISH DURING LENT

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 7th March, and ends on Easter Eve, 21st April, It is the time when the Church remembers the forty days that our Lord was fasting in the wilderness. Following the example of Jesus, Christians try to give a little more of their time to God during this season of Lent,

All Sunday Services will be as usual with the exception of Evensong. Every Sunday evening during Lent, the Parish will unite in worship at Evensong at St. Mary's. The Rector has invited distinguished preachers for each Sunday evening.

Mid-week Holy Communion services will be as usual. However, at St. Mary's there will be an extra devotional service at 8.00 p.m. in the Church. At Coleshill there will be a devotional and discussion evening every Thursday at 8.00 p.m. These will be held in homes, and the first (8th March) will be in the Parsonage,

I hope that you will all come to at least one extra service a week during Lent,

PREACHERS DURING LENT AT 6.00 - EVENSONG AT ST. MARY'S

- 11th March: The Reverend Mother General, from the Convent of St. Mary the Virgin, Wantage.
- 18th March: The Reverend Dr. J. Fraser McLuskey, M.C., the Minister at St. Columba's Church of Scotland, Pont Street, London, S.W.I.
- 25th March: The Very Reverend Monseignor Tomlinson, M.A., the Rector of St. James's Roman Catholic Church, Spanish Place, London, W.1.
- 1st April: The Reverend Basil Watson O.B.E., M.A., the Vicar of St Lawrence Jewry, London E.C.3.
- 8th April: The Bishop of Lincoln. The Right Reverend Kenneth Riches, D.D.
- 15th April: The Bishop of Oxford. The Right Reverend Kenneth Woolcombe, M.A.
- 22nd April: Easter Sunday; The Rector.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS AT GOLESHILL DURING LENT

MARCH

- Wed 7th ASH WEDNESDAY. 9.00 a.m. Children's Service; 10.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
8.00 p.m. Service of Devotion at St. Mary's.
- Thu 8th No service. Mobile Library Van. W.I. Miss Maria Piccavers "Bits,
and Pieces, Sketches, Songs and Snippets".
- Sun 11th LENT I. 9.00 and 10.15 services only at Coleshill. Combined Parish
Evensong and sermon at St. Mary's at 6.00 p.m.
- Thu 15th 10.00 a.m. Holy Communion; 2.30 p.m. Mothers' Union; 7*00 p.m. Choir
practice; 8.00 p.m. Lent Devotion and Discussion in the Parsonage.
- Sun 18th LENT II. Morning services. Evensong and sermon at St. Mary's.
- Wed 21st 7.30 p.m. Coleshill School Whist Drive.
- Thu 22nd 10.00 a.m. Holy Communion; Mobile Library Van; 8.00 p.m. Lent
Devotion and Discussion.
- Sun 25th LENT III. Morning services. Evensong and sermon at St. Mary's.
- Mon 26th ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY. 7.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
- Thu 29th 10.00 a.m. Holy Communion. Mothers' Union Deanery meeting at Gerrards
Cross; 8.00 p.m. Lent Devotion and Discussion.

APRIL

- Sun 1st LENT IV. MOTHERING SUNDAY. Family Parish Communion 9.00 a.m. only.
Evensong and sermon at St. Mary's.
- Tue 3rd Deanery Synod. Wed 4th. Coffee Morning: Cherry Tree Farm.
- Thu 5th 10.00 a.m. Holy Communion. Mobile Library Van; 8.00 p.m. Lent
Devotion and Discussion.
- Sun 8th LENT V. PASSION SUNDAY. Morning services.
750th anniversary of the first Rector of this Parish* Preacher
at combined Evensong: The Bishop of Lincoln.
- Thu 12th 10.00 Holy Communion. W.I. Mr. J.W. Hill (County Farm, Bucks Education
Committee) - "General Gardening". 8.00 p.m. Lent Devotion and
Discussion.
- Fri 13th Village Hall Bridge Drive.
- Sun 15th PALM SUNDAY. HOLY WEEK. Morning services. Preacher at combined
Evensong at St. Mary's: The Lord Bishop of Oxford,
- Tue 17th Village Hall A.G.M.
- Wed 18th 8.00 p.m. Confirmation by the Bishop of Buckingham at St. Mary's.
- Thu 19th MAUNDY THURSDAY. No morning service; Mobile Library Van;
8.00 p.m. Holy Communion.
- Fri. 20th GOOD FRIDAY. 11.00 a.m. Mattins and Ante-Communion at Coleshill.
2.00 p.m. Service of Devotion at St. Mary's.
- Sat 21st HOLY SATURDAY. Decoration and spring cleaning of the Church.
- Sun 22nd EASTER DAY. 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion at Winchmore Hill and St. Mary's.
9.00 a.m. PARISH COMMUNION at Coleshill.
10.00 a.m. Children's Church, Holy Communion at St. Mary's.
10.15 a.m. Sunday School at Coleshill.
11.00 a.m. Mattins
6.00 p.m. Combined Evensong and Sermon at St. Mary's

Please also note:

- Tue 24th Coleshill local Committee Meeting and A.G.M.
- Thu 26th P.C.C. Meeting
- Sun 29th Parish A.G.M. after Evensong at St. Mary's.

•THE PARISH OF AMERSHAM WITH COLESHILL

Rector: The Reverend Alien Campbell M.A. (Cantab)
Beaumont, Hervines Road, Amersham. (Tel. 7135).

or, St. Mary's Parish Office, Church Street, Amersham. (Tel. 4712)

ST. MARY'S PARISH CHURCH, AMERSHAM

Sunday Services: 8.00 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION
10.00 a.m. Children's Service - 1st Sunday in the month
this service is Holy
Communion Series III.
11.00 a.m. MATTINS
6.00 p.m. Evensong
Wednesdays: 10.00 a.m. Holy Communion

ALL SAINTS' COLESHILL

Sunday Services: 9.00 a.m. PARISH COMMUNION
10.15 a.m. Sunday School.
6.00 p.m. Evensong (except during Lent and the
•Summer holiday period)
Thursdays: 10.00 a.m. Holy Communion.

St. Andrew's Mission Church, Winchmore Hill.

Sunday Services: 10.30 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION on the 2nd and 4th Sunday.
Other Services: Please see St. Andrew's notice board.

Assistant Curate: The Reverend Richard Love, The Parsonage, Coleshill (Tel. 4229)

Pro-Churchwardens: N.N. Nicholls, Orchard House (Tel. 6734)
D. Powell-Price, Coleshill-Lodge (Tel. 3949)

Hon. Treasurer: A.M.V. Panton, Wallers Oak (Tel. 6183)

Hon. Secretary: Mrs. J. Dryden, 14 Woodside Close, Amersham. (Tel. 3449)

Brownies: Monday Evenings in the Hall at 5.30 p.m.

Choir: Thursday Evenings in Church at 7.00 p.m. -

Mothers' Union: The 3rd Thursday afternoon of every month at 2.30 p.m.