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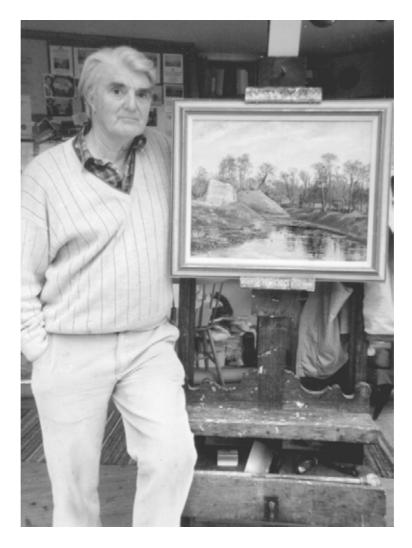
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Welcome to the May issue of the Berkhamsted Review.

This month is party month. On 3rd June what, it is claimed, will be Berkhamsted's biggest ever party will be held in celebration of the Queen's golden jubilee. On 29th June there will be the most varied ever Petertide Fair. We give full details of both events. There should be something to suit everyone! Do come and take part - we hope you'll be able to enjoy them both. Both these activities will bring a charitable benefit; any surplus cash from the jubilee party will go to local charities, and the fair is devoting its profits to the Hospice of St Francis and to the M.U. African literacy programme.

And there is also on the evening of Sunday 30th June a concert / party in aid of our other local hospice, the Iain Rennie Hospice at Home. Both local hospices, it is sobering to realise, receive only a small percentage of their funds from the public purse.

So go on, have fun, and in doing so help someone else.

David Woodward

Cover: Brian Bennett shows his original painting of Berkhamsted castle moat, the first prize in this year's Petertide Fair prize draw. Tickets are available from Alan Conway on 865798.

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Fr Martin Wright says God needs the use of our eyes, voices, hands and feet.

review leader

It seems almost impossible that within a few weeks we arrive at mid-summer. After a very wet winter and one can only say, reasonable spring,

we arrive in the month of the Queen's accession anniversary and the celebrations throughout the country. Half term for schools has been moved to a week later to coincide with the two bank holiday days on 3rd and 4th June. After a difficult start to the year for the royal family, with the deaths of both Princess Margaret and then the Queen Mother, it was good to watch the enthusiasm with which Queen Elizabeth's jubilee tour started in May and, for many, reaches its climax with concerts and parties this month.

Many people, including the Prime Minister, have recorded their gratitude for what the Queen has been able to achieve over the years. Regardless of the difficulties that occur from time to time. almost every poll conducted over the popularity of the Royal Family, has shown the country to be grateful for the stability and continuity that the monarchy gives. The Oueen's announcement that she does not intend to abdicate shows how much her duty to her country continues to override any personal feelings. Having completed fifty years, it is good to know she has the backing of her family and the nation in her determination to continue her role. If she were to continue until the age to which her mother lived, we could well be celebrating her 75th anniversary in 2027.

However, duty and service are not the prerogatives of monarchs alone. There are many thousands of people who spend their lives in service of others. We are all probably grateful, at one time or another in our lives, for someone who becomes the backbone of our existence. It might be a mother who cares for us, a nurse or doctor who saves our lives or gives us a new lease of life. It might be a neighbour, who becomes a friend and supporter through difficult times such as, illness, divorce, bereavement or other tragedies. Whatever the reason, we are all likely to be in a position at some point in our lives to need help, comfort and support. Are we prepared to give that sort of help and support to others?

God, in his great love for us, can be the support we need, but many are afraid to ask him. His kingdom is everlasting and his reign is never ending. He has no intention of abdicating from his role as creator and Father of the world, but we have to be his eyes and voice and hands and feet. If we want the world to be better. we all have to play our part. The Queen can be a leader of her people, but she does not have the power to make anyone do anything. She rules by consent of the people. God has given us freewill to follow him or not. His message is one of peace and love, yet we live in a world where many only offer cruelty, neglect and selfishness. We have a duty to fight these attitudes wherever we find them. I hope that God will give us all the strength, tenacity and unselfishness we need to follow that road in life. Duty is not a difficult word to understand, but it's a very hard concept with which to live our lives. •

On the first Sunday in the month there is now a Eucharist in the Lady Chapel, St Peter's at 11:30am. All are welcome!



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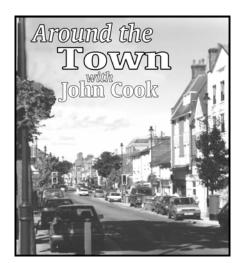
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Butterflies

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Most of the Ivinghoe Hills with their special chalkland wildlife are in Bedfordshire, but Aldbury Nowers where all the butterflies are is just in Hertfordshire. It is claimed that over half the butterfly species to be found in Britain have been seen there, and it is the only place in the county where the Duke of Burgundy's fritillary survives (at least that was so until they were recently reintroduced to land at Boxmoor by an enthusiast).

The best time to go is on a warm spring or summer day. Take the first turning to the left off the Aldbury road from Tring Station and after half a mile you can see Aldbury Nowers rising above a field on the north side. There is a path along the edge of the field up towards the trees, and in the slightly scruffy areas of downland on the fringes of the beeches you might easily spot a dozen or so different species of butterflies in one visit. The types to be seen vary at different seasons of the year, but sometimes you can see large numbers

of marble whites, gatekeepers and other species that like the chalklands habitat.

Public Executions

I have not heard of any event planned this year to mark the 200th anniversary of the death of the last highwayman to be executed hereabouts. In 1802 James Snook held up the mailboy at pistol-point on the turnpike road that crossed Boxmoor, and made off with a sizeable hoard of cash. He was subsequently caught and sentenced to be hanged near the place where his crime had been committed. Marking the spot in the meadow between the bypass and what is now the A4251 there is a small white monument which you can make out as you drive along.

The story goes that Snook – or Snooks – was at one time an ostler at the *King's Arms* in Berkhamsted, and the landlord there, John Page (father of the famous Polly Page), was later to attend Snook's execution in his other capacity, that of local high constable. Thousands of people flocked to the hanging to see justice done, or more likely to get some morbid satisfaction from the spectacle of a man's soul being separated from his body. Snook is alleged to have told his gaolers as they hurried him along to the scaffold that they shouldn't worry about being a bit late, as the proceedings could not start without him.

It was 40 years later that there was another notorious public execution with Berkhamsted links, when John Tawell, who lived very respectably in the Red House in Berkhamsted High Street, having been found guilty of murdering his mistress, was hanged in Aylesbury. People travelling there from Berkhamsted to witness the spectacle, and the unseemly behaviour of the public at the place of execution then was one of the factors which led to the end of public executions not long afterwards.

And More Executions

From the time when they started to be kept, the parish burial registers tell of executions of Berkhamsted citizens for

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murder, but with one exception they do not say where they took place. For example, in 1598 John Wynche was executed for the murder of John Bristowe, and in 1624 Mary Norkett and her son Arthur were executed for the murder of Joan, Arthur's wife. They cut her throat. Perhaps the most likely place for local executions would have been in the market square as it then was, somewhere round about where Aitchison's now stands.

The registers record the burial in 1664 of Robert Toefield who was poisoned by his wife. For this crime she was taken to Hertford and burnt alive. One wonders if this event sparked enough curiosity for crowds of Berkhamsted people to go, despite the distance, to the execution, as others would do a century or two later for Snook and then Tawell.

Like many *Review* readers I am of course old enough to remember hangings (though not public ones!), and the feeling of tension in the house as we waited to hear on the wireless if Evans or Bentley or Hanratty had been hanged, or maybe received a last minute Home Secretary's reprieve. And not so long ago, on one occasion when I was in Jeddah there was an eerie hush in the streets when an execution was about to take place there.

A Special Architect

Nicholas Pevsner was perhaps the most respected architectural critic since John Ruskin. He attempted to produce a personal commentary on every one of the buildings of any importance in this country, and although in the end he had to get others to help him he did manage to cover a great number of them himself. After his death in 1983, colleagues who had worked with him produced a book based on his writings, which they called The Best Buildings in England. In it they review 101 of Pevsner's favourite buildings, and rather surprisingly, from all those to choose from they included a church in Suffolk designed by the eccentric Victorian Edward Buckton Lamb.

We in Berkhamsted know of Lamb as the architect of our town hall, which at one time was despised and allowed to fall derelict, but is now restored and increasingly admired. On a recent trip to Suffolk I took the opportunity to visit the church – St Margaret's, the parish church of Leiston – which Pevsner describes as 'undauntedly and frantically original'. This it definitely is, although it is certainly not to everyone's taste.

In the Suffolk town of Eye is another building by Buckton Lamb which I also looked at: another town hall, but quite unlike ours. It is built to a rather gross design in harsh bricks, and Pevsner had just one word to describe it: *hideous*. But Eye is worth visiting for other reasons. It is remote, charming, and has one of the finest church towers in the country.

Incidentally, when I mentioned this second town hall by Buckton Lamb some time ago someone said there is a third, but I have no idea where it is, if it still exists. Can anyone enlighten me?



Eye Town Hall, designed by Edward Buckton Lamb, who also designed Berkhamsted's town hall.

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recent visit to Bweranyangi Girl's School in Uganda to deliver books and writing materials and to meet pupils supported by the Sylvia Morris Charitable Trust gave me an opportunity to call on local Mothers' Union workers. These women have an active role in working to enhance family life and Christian values in

In Bushenyi, West Ankole, Mrs Helen

their communities.

Mugasha told me of the child care and health and nutrition classes she holds for young women, and of income generating enterprises such as rabbit, goat and sheep keeping, and craft workshops run from her local neatly kept modern unit.

Further north in Hoima, the Rev. Sesai Tibikaraho, one of only three provincial M.U. trainers in Uganda was about to set off on a round of talks to women in remote areas with her neighbour Beatrice Ntagali. Beatrice, a talented craftswoman, also teaches young women machine knitting to a professional standard.

I had hoped to write a first hand account of Mothers' Union members celebrating Mary's Day. In Uganda, Lady Day on 25th March is widely and joyfully observed. However, this year, because of its proximity to Easter, Mary's Day was transposed in some areas to Sunday 21st April.

On the same day in Kampala a great memorial service was held in St Paul's Cathedral for Mary Stuart, an advocate of girl's education, who died in June 2000.

So, was I to celebrate Mary's Day or the life of a revered educationalist also called Mary on 21st April? Sadly, I did neither. I spent that Sunday morning sitting on a wooden bench outside a small hut in a Kampala slum. There's not a lot to

THE MOTHERS ' UNION

Angela Morris has first hand experience of the difference an education can make in Africa when aided by the M.U.

Calcutta or Kampala, I thought as I sat in the sun with children playing quietly at my feet in the drying mud.

My hostess for the past two days, a young, married

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My hostess for the past two days, a young, married woman taking a degree course in business administration, had learnt that her first cousin had died here the previous day. The two had come from the same village in the south west of the

country. My friend had been educated at Bweranyangi School, but sadly, my friend's uncle could not afford school fees for his daughter. Primary education in Uganda, although slowly improving, is basic, and secondary education is not free. Intelligent, but unemployed and unmarried, (an uneducated young woman is not much of a 'catch'), she had somehow found herself in this slum, unknown to her family.

Now she was dead, and I found myself deeply affected. Money had to be found to pay for a coffin and a pick-up truck to take her body to her village for burial; there are no cemeteries in towns here. This took some time to arrange and, fortunately, I was able to help financially. I do not know the young woman's name or age or how she died, but I do know that had she had the benefit of an education, as her cousin had, her chance of a fulfilling life would have been immeasurably improved.

This month *you* have an opportunity to support Mother's Union workers in their adult literacy work in Africa. Half the proceeds of the Petertide Fair on Saturday, 29th June will be donated to support this programme (*see pages 16 and 17 of this month's issue – Ed.*). Many a young person who did not receive the blessing of a full education as a child will grasp this

life line if offered later. Will you help Mother's Union workers to help others?



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t the end of June Athe Pavilion in Hemel Hempstead will be closed. This has caused some disappointment amongst those, and there are many, who have enjoyed performances, dances or parties there in the past. There been enough have protests for the Gazette to believe that there is a case for a campaign to keep it open and they have

been running this theme for some weeks. One letter to that newspaper even suggested listing the Pavilion, as an example of 1960's architecture, in order to keep it open.

The borough council decided last December to demolish the Pavilion. Assurance was given at that time that a replacement would be built. The Pavilion is a product of the 1960s in both construction and design. It was built to serve as a centre for entertainment and as a civic hall. Although this is the purpose for which the building was designed it is no longer attracting the shows and functions that it should because it is now out of date and does not have the facilities that more modern venues provide. It is losing out to theatres and halls in Watford, St Albans and Chesham. As a result it is being heavily supported by the borough council - in fact for each person in the borough the Pavilion receives a larger subsidy than any other similar venue in the country. In order simply to improve the building to meet the present standards for the disabled more than £1 million would be needed. All of this is arising at a time when the borough council is having to substantially cut back, as well as increase council tax



The demise of the Pavilion means that could be to Berkhamsted's gain, says local councillor Ian Reav.

being placed on it by the government. At the same time drama touring companies, especially those providing for

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children, make a lot of use of the Old Town in Hemel Hempstead. But the Old Town Hall also has problems. It is small and cramped and although it is being refurbished to

meet the needs of the disabled the popular cellar bar will have to be put out of public use. One idea is to replace the Pavilion with a new building with several auditoria, rehearsal and function rooms and exhibition and gallery areas. This would offer more than the current Pavilion and the drama groups that are using the Old Town Hall could also move there.

It will take some time to decide exactly what to put in the place of the Pavilion and, in the meantime, somewhere has to be found for the shows, concerts, weddings and other events that would otherwise have taken placed there. This is good news for Berkhamsted because sites will need to be used across the borough to replace the single lost venue in Hemel Hempstead. Instead of concentrating in the one place there will be a programme of concerts given at a range of places including Berkhamsted. There are several halls in the town that could benefit. The Centenary Hall at the Collegiate School is underused. There is also the Town Hall. the Civic Centre hall and, of course, we will soon have a fully refurbished one screen cinema at the Rex which would be well placed to fill some of the gap. Hemel Hempstead's loss could be, for a short time at least, Berkhamsted's gain.

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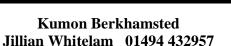
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THOMAS CORAM AND THE FOUNDLING HOSPITAL

Stephen Halliday continues his story of Thomas Coram's great institution.

In the early years of the Foundling Hos-**■**pital, the youngest children were put out to wet nurses in country towns like Berkhamsted, Chertsey, Chalfont St Peter and Romford. The Royal College of Physicians was consulted on the wisdom of this practice and noted that it was 'a very frequent if not universal Custom among Nurses to give Opiates to quiet the children'. Wet nurses were paid about two shillings (10p) per week and local inspectors, often were entrusted clergymen, supervising the nurses. The children were re-admitted to the hospital when they reached the age of five. By December 1751, 821 children had been admitted of whom 228 had died in the care of wet nurses and 88 had died in the hospital itself. As an incentive to care for the children the governors, in 1756, began to pay a bonus of ten shillings for each child who survived the first year and in February, 1757, they decided to send no more foundlings to a nurse who had 'lost'

It quickly became clear that the number of children brought to the hospital exceeded its capacity, leading to distressing scenes as desperate mothers attempted to abandon their infants at the doors of the hospital. From October 1742 a system of balloting was introduced. Mothers were asked to wait on benches set around the wall of the Court Room and were invited to draw a ball from a sack. A white ball granted admission subject to the infant passing a medical examination which eliminated any who were suffering from infectious diseases. A red ball put the infant on a reserve list which would earn admission if any of the 'white ball' children failed the medical examination. Those who drew black balls were denied admission.

Thomas Coram now became involved in a serious dispute. On 21st October 1741, Coram suggested that irregularities had occurred in the affairs of the hospital. These appear to have concerned the conduct of the chief nurse who was accused of immorality, drunkenness and dishonesty. The

nurse later resigned but the governing body were evidently displeased by the way in which the matter had been handled because in their meeting the following month they recorded, rather severely, that 'Mr Thomas Coram, one of the Governors of this Hospital, had been principally concerned in promoting and spreading the said aspersions'. The following year he was not re-elected to the governing body.

A new home

By this time the governors were seeking a permanent home which would enable the hospital to accommodate children in greater numbers. In 1741 they entered into negotiations with the Earl of Salisbury for the purchase of some land known as Lambs Conduit Fields in an undeveloped area in Bloomsbury to the north of the present site of Great Ormond Street hospital. Nine acres was required for the proposed Foundling Hospital but Lord Salisbury insisted that he would only agree to sell a much larger area of 56 acres. The governors offered £6,500. Salisbury demanded £7,000. After much bargaining the governors agreed to pay £7,000 if Salisbury donated £500 to the charity. The deal was done and the purchase of the surplus land secured the future of the charity. As London grew the estate became steadily more valuable. In 1788 the governors began to lease small plots for development. By 1796 they were receiving rents of £2,089 from the developed land and by the 1840s the annual rental amounted to £5,520, more than half the hospital's annual income. The new site was occupied from 1745 and remained the home of the hospital until it was moved to Berkhamsted in 1935.

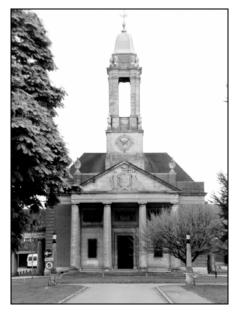
The basket children

In 1756 the governors presented a petition to Parliament, drawing attention to the inability of the hospital to accommodate all the children who were being brought to its doors. It is an indication of the esteem in which the foundation was held that Parliament, with little delay, voted £10,000 for the support of the hospital, on

condition that it accepted all children offered to it below a certain age. The governors were allowed to determine the age and in the years that followed the age set by the governors fluctuated between two and twelve months, according to the capacity of the hospital to accommodate them. On 2nd June 1756, the hospital began the practice of leaving a basket suspended at the entrance to the hospital in Guilford Street. The foundling was left in the basket, the mother rang the bell and departed, leaving her infant with its 'distinguishing mark or token' to add to the hospital's growing collection. On the first day 117 children were left in the basket and over the next four years, as further Parliamentary grants were made, 14.934 children were admitted, of whom 10.389 died.

The unmanageable increase in the numbers of children admitted to the hospital was due to the enterprise of zealous workhouse overseers who seized the opportunity to empty their workhouses of infants who threatened to become a charge on the parish. In the words of a later historian of the hospital 'it was the frequent practice of these daring authorities, sometimes in conjunction with the brutal father, to rob the poor mother of her new-born infant whilst she was in a state of helplessness from the effects of her recent confinement'. A trade arose in conveying infants from the provinces to London or to the six branch hospitals which were swiftly opened in Aylesbury, Barnet, Westerham, Chester, Shrewsbury and Ackworth (Yorkshire). The trade became a popular method by which vagrants could supplement their incomes and one horseman, who was observed to be carrying two infants in each of his two panniers, complained about competition: "I brought them from Yorkshire to the Foundling Hospital and used to have eight guineas a trip; but lately another man has set up against me, which has lowered my price." This was not the only means by which the parish authorities sought to reduce the burden of

unsupported infants. One workhouse overseer, asked to explain why he paid two shillings a week to a wet nurse and only one and sixpence to a natural mother explained with brutal candour: "this woman will take care of her own child, and it may be on our hands a long time, whereas we shall perhaps hear no more of the others".





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The Hospice St Francis

The Hospice of St Francis is absolutely delighted to be one of the recipients of the proceeds of the Petertide Fair.

The hospice is

now 70% funded by the community we serve and that means this year we have to raise a daunting £900,000 out of a total of our £1.3million running costs!

Hospice care is in more demand than ever as we support patients and families through the trials and tribulations of living with life-threatening illness. The in-patient unit in Shrublands Road is often seen as the focus of our organisation - and our team of skilled staff and volunteers work together to enhance our patients' lives for whatever time may be

left. But beyond the

The Fair's overseas

in-patient unit we do much work in the community, supporting up to 90 families at any one time, at home and in our day hospice. We also offer extensive bereavement support to several hundred families each year. We have a vibrant educational programme reaching out to GPs, district nurses and nursing homes, teaching the values and principles of hospice care so that standards improve in all care settings.

It is a very special year for us, as we take the first steps towards re-building the hospice on a different site – we have simply outgrown our present premises and a new building is vitally needed to secure the future of our service in Berkhamsted. funds you raise will be spent wisely on a precious community Dr Ros Taylor resource.

Medical Director



the cause is Mothers' Union African literacy programme. The African Literacy Programme programme helps people to help themselves, enabling them to break out of the

cycle of poverty and disadvantage caused by illiteracy. By doing so, the women are able to develop skills to benefit their families and children, and the wider community. The money raised at the Petertide Fair will train



teachers in the local community who will then work with learners.

See the article on page 9 of this issue in which Angela Morris



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I decided to join the pilgrimage to St Albans led by Fr Martin Wright. It was called: 'The Wise Fool'. These two words are as comprehensive as 'Fun Run'. On arrival at St Peter's the rector conducted a short service for a safe journey. We were then treated to a sumptuous parish breakfast. The youth would have

called it 'the full Monty'. It was at this stage that I noticed that with the exception of two people the average age was over fifty years old. Consequently, although I thoroughly enjoyed the breakfast it did put me in mind of the definition of an English breakfast – 'A Heart Attack on a Plate'!! I soon forgot that gem as I tucked into my second helping of streaky bacon, two more sausages and hash browns.

As we were preparing to leave, some people murmured that they weren't sure whether they would last the whole journey. The rector quietly said to me that it would be embarrassing not to reach Hemel Hempstead! Undeterred, and with mobile phones and a packed lunch in our rucksacks we set off along the towpath of the canal full of *joie de vivre* and confidence. Our first stop was Sainsbury's in Apsley and I was relieved that we had made Hemel Hempstead. Incidentally, in Afrikaans 'hemel' means 'heaven': it didn't feel in the least like heaven!

Setting off again, we wound our way up the hill and out of the valley. Often a mistake in the direction usually occurs when one is struggling uphill. Fortunately, it wasn't a serious mistake but I was beginning to regret that second helping of streaky bacon and hash browns. I was also wishing that I had stuck to that diet which I had recently abandoned. By this time we had exhausted the conversation about the parish. We had moved on to the Berkhamsted town council and decided

EASTER MONDAY PILGRIMAGE TO ST ALBANS

John Banks looks back on the recent pilgrimage to St Albans
– and breakfast!

that a lot was wrong there. We had also decided that Tony Blair must go, when I wondered when the Chaucerian bawdy tales might start. Surely someone had a tale of the Widow of Kitsbury to relate. Alas, we were all obviously well brought up; none were forthcoming although someone did mention

something about the 'pubic purse' talked about in a previous edition of the *Review*.

At long last, we were on the home straight and could see the towers of the Abbey before us. A number of pilgrims had already arrived. Some were dressed in strange costumes and the atmosphere took on the ambiance of a carnival. Our old friend Rod Cottrell was in charge of a stand producing hamburgers and hotdogs and he looks none the worse for moving to Bedford. Soon we were paraded into the Abbey and this is where I personally found some difficulty. We stood for the singing, we sat for the prayers and the address, and the physical effort of trying to sit and stand with any resemblance of elegance was impossible. In fact, I think I now know what rigor mortis feels like.

The singing of the Easter hymns was exhilarating and the address by Bishop Christopher was very moving. His theme was the Holy Land and he asked us to pray fervently for peace in that troubled area.

As we left the Abbey, it was good to see old friends and more important to see the drivers of our lifts home! The hot bath was simply bliss but as I contemplated the day's events I thought to myself that I was going to do it again next year.

On behalf of all us who participated in the walk I would like to thank Martin and Geraldine who organised the event, the ladies in the kitchen who fed us and xxxxxxxxx who was so adept at reading an ordinance survey map.



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The museum is in Vicarage Road, Pitstone, opposite the village green, and can be reached along the B489 leading to Ivinghoe but turning left at the finger post where the cement works quarry used to be.

Museum (only) days are Jubilee bank holiday Monday (3rd June) and summer bank holiday Monday (26th August). Family and Fun Days on Sundays 9th June, 14th July and 11th August. Admission on museum days costs £2. On Family and Fun days the cost is £3. Children's admission is half price.

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Thank you, Daphne!

It seems to be a fact of life that most things in life which have a 'public' face depend on a huge amount of effort behind the scenes which goes by unremarked on and all too often unthanked. The *Review* is no exception (though we like to think we do occasionally recognise the sterling work of our distributors!).

One person who deserves special mention is Daphne Montague who, ably assisted by husband Tom, has masterminded the distribution of your magazine over the last 13 years. Tirelessly sorting, bundling and delivering magazines month in, month out, we owe an enormous debt of gratitude to Daphne as she retires from the role to take a well earned rest.

As Daphne hands the reins over to Sheila Miller the editorial team says a big 'Thank you' to her and Tom, and we wish them a very happy life in Dorset. *CS*

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REMEMBERING GEORGE STEPHENS

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remember a stalwart of our parish.

Y name is George Stephens and I'm on your side!" That was George's welcome to a newly-arrived priest following his first service. It was very 'George', carrying an unbreakable promise of love and support.

After graduating from Cambridge, George taught contentedly in a preparatory school. Then sadness struck. His elder brother lay dving. From his bed he told George of an encounter that he and his young wife had recently had with the Oxford Group (later known as MRA) which was dedicated to the moral rearmament of society. On pondering this, George wrote: 'The heart of it was that if a man listened to God, God would speak to him in the silence of his heart. And if he obeyed, God would act. Of course one had to accept Christ's standards of absolute honesty, purity, unselfishness and love which for most would mean a lot of change!' George chose that way of life. It changed his perceptions totally, so that 'the world became full of potentially marvellous people of every background.'

But MRA had detractors. George lost his teaching job and failed to get another. A life devoted to absolute moral standards was more challenging than most people would contemplate without cynicism. For George there was no turning back. Throughout World War II he served as an officer in the Royal Northumberland Fusiliers, afterwards declaring: 'The



guidance of the Almighty ran like a golden thread for me through those war years and I was preserved from my follies. I was led and my actions were honoured.'

After the war George worked full time with MRA in London, India, the USA and Switzerland, with others living by faith and prayer, never taking any pay. At the London office, aged 60, he met and fell in love with an equally committed Christian, Margaret Lear. When she accepted George's proposal of marriage he was ecstatic. "It was for me as though someone had, for a moment, raised the corner of the curtain that hangs between earth and heaven."

Five years later they moved to Berkhamsted, embracing church and town for 14 years before retiring to Snettisham. George was a founder member of the Cowper Society, serving as its chairman for many years. He was also one of the 'handy-men', including Jim Pullen and the late Neil Cowan, Lawrence Haile and Stan Dunford, who saved St Peter's thousands of pounds by regularly carrying out repairs and improvements to the church and the Court House. On Holy Thursday last, over 100 friends gathered in Snettisham on a serenely beautiful afternoon to offer thanks for George's life. Much of the service and committal was held in prayerful silence. For us it seemed a Godgiven goodbye. In heaven there surely was

Wanted - your comments on St Peter's church

Fr Mark Bonney invites your views on how St Peter's is used

Earlier in the year a consultant visited St Peter's with a view to helping us look at the internal layout of St Peter's and whether it is best arranged to meet the needs of the Christian community in its worship and witness in the 21st century. Following his visit and report the area committee has set up a liturgical committee to consider this matter and one of the first questions we are asking ourselves is 'What is the function of this space (ie the inside on the church building) for both those on the inside and those on the outside?' The hope is to discern how this fine building at the heart of our town

may best meet the needs of the community in the years ahead.

The liturgical committee will be conducting a survey of the congregation and the various church groups who use the building the most, but we are very aware that St Peter's is used by many others on an occasional basis and we would particularly like to know their views. We are aware that many who are not regular members of the worshipping community nevertheless value its presence and might have views about its development.

There will many who read the pages of the *Review* who fall into the latter category and through this short article I invite you to respond to the committee if you have particular expectations of the St Peter's church building that are, or are not being met. If you would like to tell the committee how you feel about the church building, what expectations you have of it and any developments or otherwise you might like to see, then please write to me at The Rectory, Berkhamsted, HP4 2DH.



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Does anyone care about Castle Street?

Councillor Ian Johnson writes:

I sympathise with Sheila Newland (*Review* Letters, May) regarding the cramming of Berkhamsted with expensive new housing such as the proposed apartment block on Berkhamsted Collegiate School's former squash courts behind 110 High Street. Sadly, despite many objections from neighbours in Castle Street, and from councillors representing Berkhamsted wards, Dacorum Borough Council has granted permission for this development.

Dacorum Borough Council consistently grants permission for the majority of developments which Berkhamsted Town Council recommends for refusal. Borough councillors tell us that they are merely doing as planning law requires. This is partly true. The legislation is heavily biased in favour of developers and against neighbours. While in opposition, the Labour Party told us that it would take steps to redress this imbalance, but in government it has not kept its promise. After all, if Labour reduced the profits of big companies, they might be less willing to give generous donations to the party.

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Politicians would have us believe that planning law protects neighbours from unsuitable development. During my five years on Berkhamsted Town Council's town planning committee, I have formed the impression that neighbours have little more protection from wealthy commercial organisations than the organisations' own goodwill. This is sometimes forthcoming, but usually not. Money shouts louder than goodwill.

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Something to say? Well, write in and say it! The Review is your magazine - we welcome interesting articles, news, letters, photos and poetry. Our subjects are diverse, and we particularly want to include news of current events in the town. So if you're organising an event tell us about it - you'll find contact details inside the front cover with copy dates for the next three issues.



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Rev Peter Hart urges the Church to stand firmly against extremeright-wing politics. The political landscape is troubled at the moment. While in Britain we grapple with voter apathy and a feeling of dislocation between the electorate and

the political class, in Europe the spectre of extreme right-wing parties grows. France is still recovering from the shock of Jean-Marie Le Pen's result in the first round of their presidential elections, Holland reels from the political assassination of a farright party leader and the role of far-right politics in Austria continues to cause Elsewhere, separatist and concern. minority interest parties are on the increase, which attract a protest vote or genuinely reflect a desire for a new direction in politics. Where does the Church stand on this? Can we look to the teachings of Christ for any help?

Christ lived through a period of colonial occupation. The Romans were overlords in Israel, as they were through most of Europe at the time. Therefore, Jesus's political statements are to be read in the context of the Jewish settlement with Rome. We live in a fully-fledged liberal democracy, which is very much more inclusive in its decision-taking processes than the Roman Empire ever was and many of the issues which confronted Jesus and his disciples are greatly altered today. However, this has not prevented many political organisations from claiming a Christian standpoint

there are Christian Democrats in Germany and Italy, Christian Socialists a-plenty, and numerous Christian versions of communism.

There are Christian people involved in all political parties, and in our own Houses of Parliament, members of all the parties regularly meet together for prayer and Bible study, then go out and disagree with each other on the floor of the chamber. This divergence of opinion is an expression both of the diversity of God and of the different ways our minds work, minds inspired and taught by God. However, one awkward question remains: are there political organisations with which Christians should not be involved?

Diversity and debate are all well and good, but policies which exclude, ideas which demean, attitudes which deny the image of God in our fellow human beings cannot be acceptable for the people of God. I would go so far as to state that the Church should have nothing but condemnation for far-right politics, as they are constructed on notions of superiority and inferiority within God's creation, where value is placed on some and worth is only attributed according race, colour or place of birth. These ideas are so antipathetic to God's nature and to the way Christ revealed the love of God that the Church must stand firmly against them. Christian people need to be strong in their vision and appreciation of the universal value of all humanity in the eyes of God. The challenge is to keep that vision and value at the forefront of political life, both local and national.

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AREA COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

Elections for members of our two church area committees were held after the morning services on 21st April (as such we could not publish the results last month with those of the PCC elections). In addition to those already elected from each church to the PCC (who also serve on their respective area committees) the following were elected:

St Peter's area committee

Julian Dawson, Angela Dunford, Christopher Morris, Tracy Robinson, Bill Stead and Anne Vickers.

All Saints' area committee

John Banks, Peter McMunn, Jean Merritt and Judith Stringer.

BEREAVEMENT AND LOSS INVITATION

The bereavement and loss support group of Northchurch Baptist church (NBC) will be holding an 'open time' each month starting on 2nd June.

At a time of bereavement and loss many people find that an opportunity to talk about their feelings in confidence to a trained person can be very helpful. It so often helps to meet with others in a similar situation.

To help meet this need NBC promise a warm welcome on the first Sunday in each month from 3:00pm to 4:30pm in the NBC hall, High Street, Northchurch. For enquiries and further information please ring the church office on 877001 between 9:00am and 12noon on weekdays.

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Thank you to everyone who has helped the Children's Society by giving their empty computer printer cartridges over the past twelve months.

If you have any cartridges which you usually throw away, maybe you could pass them on so that the society could benefit. A box will be at the back of St Peter's church in which you can deposit them.

Barbara Fisher

SUMMER CHARITY CONCERT IN GROUNDS OF WYCOMBE ABBEY



A fun-filled evening of great music on Sunday 30th June in the lovely grounds of Wycombe Abbey

School is promised when a big band accompanied by female vocalists, plus a wellknown baritone and a world-famous jazz trumpeter will be encouraging the audience to 'Swing into Summertime'. The occasion will be the fourth summer charity concert at Wycombe Abbey organised by The Iain Rennie Hospice at Home, with the concerts in previous years having been sell-out events. The grounds of the school in High Wycombe open at 5:00pm for people who want to make the most of the evening by bringing a picnic and wine to relax around the lake or on the gentle slopes of the upper lawns. Before the main concert starts at 7:30pm in the 2,000 seater marquee, picnickers can enjoy an hour of pre-concert entertainment by jazz band Anything Goes.

Harlem Swing, the main entertainment for the evening concert, is a professional 18-piece modern big band plus three female vocalists. The musical repertoire ranges from the Roarin' Twenties right through to the Nineties with chart hits, blues, swing and Big Band sound. The group's growing reputation in the wider big band world has meant that its last concerts in High Wycombe have all been sell-out performances. In addition to the great sound of Harlem Swing there will be sessions by wellknown baritone Michael Dewis with his Sinatra type classics plus a special guest appearance of a world-famous jazz trumpeter, whose name is yet to be announced. Tickets for the event are available at £13.50 each. Further details can be obtained from Christine Nisbet on 01494 812458.

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ASHRIDGE OPEN GARDEN SUNDAY 16TH JUNE 2:00PM - 5:00PM



Here is an opportunity to experience the explosion of colours in the beautiful gardens when the college grounds in Little Gaddesden will be open in aid of The Children's Society. The new Italian garden, parterre and rose garden should all be at

their best at this time. After a pleasant stroll round the extensive parkland you can relax and enjoy tea in the Fernery and choose your plants from the plant stall. Please bring your family and friends. Admission is £3.00. All profits will be donated to The Children's Society.

Margaret Barnard

Just as this issue of the *Review* was going to press came the sad news of the death of Margaret Barnard on 11th May.

Margaret was a lady of many parts. She largely raised her family of two sons and a daughter in Berkhamsted where she and her husband, Tony, settled in the early 1970s. When she was widowed she not only brought up her family alone but returned to the nursing profession as a theatre sister.

A loyal and devoted member of St Peter's congregation, a strong supporter of the Mothers' Union - writing frequent columns in this magazine in that role -Margaret had an extremely wide range of interests besides her deep involvement with her family. She attended many local societies and pursued a serious interest in literature, all with boundless energy. She was however deeply interested in people and in being of (often unobtrusive) service to them. She personally helped a number of less fortunate or elderly people in countless ways. She was a stalwart of our society and will be greatly missed. To James, Rosalind and Angus we extend our deepest sympathy.

BERKHAMSTED CASTLE W.I.



Our president, Liz Baxendale, welcomed a full house of members to our May meeting and was pleased to welcome Ann Parsons, W.I. advisor, who once again came to guide us through the public affairs

resolutions selected for the IGM to be held in Brighton this year.

It was with sadness that we heard of the death of Gladys Fenner, one of our institute's founder members. A minute's silence was held in her memory.

During business matters we heard reports from Joy Lovell on the annual meeting and from Irene Janes on the group meeting held at Tring, where there was a performance by the eminent harpist Margaret Knight.

In this month's Town Topics discussion members from the floor were pleased to report on an improved taxi service in the town. However we were most concerned about the increasing number of private dwellings being constructed in the conservation area of the town. What does this word 'conservation' mean? Perhaps Berkhamsted town council could enlighten us?

Ann Parsons took us through the three resolutions being sent to the IGM:

- 1. Support for local abattoirs;
- Stricter controls on the importation of foodstuffs:
- 3. Alterations to the constitution of the N.F.W.I.

The first two were supported by our members but not the third one. An appreciation was given by Joy Lovell.

During teatime the raffle was drawn and the competitions judged.

Next month on 7th June our speaker is Mrs Joyce Vincent who will tell us about *My Trip on an Oil Tanker* at the Court House at 2:00pm. Perhaps you would care to join us? A warm welcome awaits you.

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| | Tuesdays | CHUCKLES PA | RENT & | TODDLER GI | ROUP:: 10:0 | 00-11:30am | All Saints' Ch | urch Hall. | | |
| | | Song Time or Short service as announced. Gillian Malcolm 874993 or Kate Spall 873470. | | | | | | | | |
| ~ | Tuesday | MOTHERS' UNION PRAYER GROUP: 2:00pm fourth Tuesday at 17 Shaftesbury | | | | | | | | |
| Z | | Court. Tell us if anyone needs our prayers. Contact: Jenny Wells 870981 | | | | | | | | |
| 0 | Tuesday | TUESDAY STU | | | | for informa | l Bible study. I | Young | | |
| review | | children welcome | | | | I:II.: J. C | dana fan Dibla | | | |
| - | | HILLSIDE GROUP: 8.00pm [alternate weeks] at 32 Hillside Gardens for <i>Bible</i> Contacts: Rob & Julie Wakely 875504 | | | | | яшау. | | | |
| e | 3rd Tues MOTHERS' UNION: meets in members' houses at 8:00pm. <i>Non-member</i> | | | | | | mambare alwa | ve | | |
| | Siu iucs | welcome. Contact: Margaret Barnard 862794 | | | | | | | | |
| | Wednes- | MEDITATION | _ | | | s arranged a | at Jenny's 57 M | leadow | | |
| | days | Road and at Ruth | | | | | | | | |
| | | uth Treves l | th Treves Brown 863268 | | | | | | | |
| | Wednesday | PATHFINDERS GAMES CLUB 7:00-8:30pm in All Saints' Hall. Carole Dell 864706 | | | | | | | | |
| | 2nd Wed MEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP: 8:00pm as announced. Contact Guy Dawkins 874 | | | | | | | | | |
| | 3rd Wed | GRIEF AND LOSS SUPPORT Lunch at 12:30pm for those who have been bereaved. | | | | | | | | |
| | | Contact Thelma Harris 865785. | | | | | | | | |
| | 4th Wed | WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP: meets 2:30-4:00pm in the Court House. New members and | | | | | | | | |
| | | visitors always w | | | | | | | | |
| | Thursday HOME GROUP: 8:00pm every Thursday. Contact Linda Bisset 862115. | | | | | | | | | |
| | Thursday | BELLRINGING: 8:00pm at St Peter's. Priscilla Watt (Captain of the Tower) 863804 | | | | | | | | |
| | Friday | LITTLE FISHES PARENT & TODDLER GROUP: 9:30-11:30am in the Court House. | | | | | | | | |
| | Weekly meetings with a short service on 1st Fridays in St P (10am). Nicole Varm Friday ST PETER'S CHOIR: Children 7:00-8:30pm (& Tuesday 5:15-6:30pm), Adu | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | :30pm), Adult s | s 7:30- | | |
| | 2.10 | 8:30pm. Contact: Adrian Davis 864722 or Jean Wild 866859 | | | | | | | | |
| | 3rd Sat | ABC PRAYER BREAKFAST: 8:00am for breakfast & prayers. Various local churches. | | | | | | | | |
| | Sunday | YOUNG PEOPLE'S FELLOWSHIP 7:30-9:30pm in the Court House. Contact Carole Dell 864706. | | | | | | | | |
| | | Contact Carole D | c11 004 / UO. | | | | | | | |

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Please see page 29 for a full list of regular services at St Peter's and All Saints' churches. A priest is available for confessions by appointment (phone 864194).

| JUNE | | | | | | | | |
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| 11 10:15am | Chuckles service The Lost Sheep All Saints' | | | | | | | |
| 11 8:15pm | Parochial Church Council All Saints' | | | | | | | |
| 15 8:00am | ABC Prayer Breakfast Court House / St Peter's | | | | | | | |
| 15 7:30pm | Bridgewater Band Appalachian Spring Copeland, St Peter's | | | | | | | |
| • | Diseños for 6 percussion players Salzedo, | | | | | | | |
| | Symphony No 9 The New World Dvorak | | | | | | | |
| 25 10:15am | Chuckles service The Good Samaritan All Saints | | | | | | | |
| 29 10-3pm | Petertide Fair in and around St Peter's | | | | | | | |
| 30 9:30am | Patronal Festival Eucharist St Peter's | | | | | | | |
| 30 6:00pm | Choral Evensong St Peter's | | | | | | | |
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| JULY | | | | | | | | |
| 1 8:00pm | Eucharist with prayers for healing St Peter | | | | | | | |
| 5 10:00am | Little Fishes service St Peter's | | | | | | | |
| 9 10:15am | Chuckles service <i>The Sower</i> All Saints' | | | | | | | |
| 11 2 or 2:30 | Herts Church Schools Education Centre service | | | | | | | |
| 14 1-5pm | Church Open Day – <i>Cooks Tours</i> , trips up the St Peter's | | | | | | | |
| | tower, cream teas | | | | | | | |
| 14 6:30pm | Pepper Praise service Collegiate School Centenary Hall | | | | | | | |

Baptisms (St Peter's)

21 April Hannah Victoria Penny, George Peter Brompton, Holly Elizabeth Kidd 28 April Henrietta Sophia Marsland, Olivia Ruby Grace Morris, Amelia Florence Rose Morris, Tabitha Rose Patricia Smith

Funerals

15 April William Hubert Bentley Chilterns Crematorium 30 April Louise Irene Lavinia Male Chilterns Crematorium

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PARISH OFFICE DEADLINES: please get any notices for the weekly pew leaflet to the parish office by 2:00pm on the Wednesday for that Sunday's leaflet. Late alterations *only* by 10:00am on Friday - telephone 878227. It is greatly appreciated that most people do abide by the deadlines, because re-arranging the pew leaflet can be difficult to achieve on a busy Friday morning. *Thank you*.



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Contacts

CONTACT LIST

Names and local telephone numbers for jobs, rotas and information (for clergy, parish officers, music, bells and banns etc. see back page). Parish office in the Court House (sec: Jean Green, 878227) is usually open 9:30-5:30 Tues/Wed, 9:30-1pm Friday (ansaphone other times). Changes from the last list are shown in italics.

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Ron Fisher (865846)

Judith Limbert (873626)

Stephen Lally (863526)

Chris Smalley (826821)

Angela Morris (866992)

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Angela Dunsford (875726)

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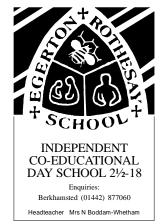
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John Malcolm, Landswood, Shootersway. Tel: 874993 Parochial Church Secretary: Mrs Pat Hunt, 11 The Firs, Wigginton Tel: 822607 Council: Treasurer: Michael Robinson, 36 Trevelyan Way. Tel: 863559

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Director of Music: Adrian Davis 864722 Asst. Director of Music: Mrs Jean Wild. 866859 Organist: Terry Charlston Tel: 01582 462024 Sundays Weekdays 8.00am Holy Communion (1st Sun BCP) Holy Communion 9.30am Family Sung Eucharist with crèche, Wednesday 7:30am Sunday Schools & Pathfinders Thursday 11.00am (in the Court House) followed Friday 9.15am by coffee in the Court House. Morning Prayer: M-F7:30am, W7:00am 11.30am Eucharist (1st Sunday in month) Evening Prayer: M,W,Th 5:00pm 6.00pm Evensong & Sermon Sat 5:00pm Holy Days - see weekly Notices

Weddings, Banns of Marriage, Baptisms, Funerals: Contact Father Mark Bonney. Bellringers (St Peter's): Miss Priscilla Watt, 11 Cavalier Court, Chesham Road. Tel: 863804

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Choirmaster: Peter McMunn Tel: 874894 Sundays

8.00am Anglican eucharist only as announced

9.15am Sung Eucharist with Sunday schools & Pathfinders, then coffee in the Hall 11.00am (Methodist Morning Service)

6.30pm Anglican service only as announced (otherwise Methodist Evening Service) Weekdays

Holy Communion: Tuesday 9.30am MP/EP see p29 Holy Days - see weekly Notices All Saints' is an Anglican / Methodist Local Ecumenical Partnership.

Anglican priest-in-charge Rev Martin Wright (see *Contacts* above); Methodist minister: Rev. Paul Timmis, 32 Finch Road. Tel: 866324



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