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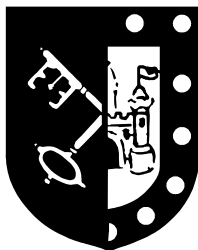
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Welcome to the June issue of the *Berkhamsted Review*.

In former times the average Anglican parish operated on the edge of a financial crisis for eleven months of the year. Usually however all would be redeemed, financially at least, by the traditional parish summer fête. This was the occasion when everyone rallied round, put in prodigious amounts of effort and gave generously of time, talents, kind and cash. Two benefits resulted if all went well. A great deal of friendship and fellowship was generated which stood the Church in good stead. The parish, its coffers replenished, would carry on hopefully, just about solvent for another year.

We can't be at all complacent about our Church's present financial position. But at least now that our finances are based on the sound foundation of stewardship, we don't have to operate permanently on the edge of financial disaster in the old way. We also still have the strong tradition of the parish fete, resurrected, in recent years in this parish, as the Petertide Fair, explicitly to generate funds to help others (see page 24 for this year's details). Please support this year's fair on Saturday 23rd June as best you can.

David Woodward

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Fr Mark Bonney
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review leader

Last month Fr Robin reminded us that it is absolutely right that Christians and the Church should have a role to play in politics and the election by asking questions about the nature of society and the kind of society in which we wish to live.

Sometimes our worshipping church life seems very distant from the world of politics, from the noise and bustle of the crowded street, from the washing and the cooking and the gardening. For some the peace and quiet of a church building, the calm of an early morning service is used as an escape from these things. And sometimes that is necessary - but only so that we can return with eyes more clearly focussed to see the presence of God in all things.

We celebrate one feast day this month that can sometimes become an escape - but if entered into properly is really very challenging indeed, and that is the feast of Corpus Christi on Thursday 14th June. It is a celebration of the gift of the Eucharist - and in some places has involved some very exotic rituals (including outdoor processions of the Blessed Sacrament with children scattering rose petals on the ground in front of the procession - *NB*: this will not be happening!). It is a celebration in thanksgiving for the sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ, that great sign and symbol of the incarnation. In this parish we celebrate that Eucharist as the main service every Sunday and have other celebrations during the week. It's at the heart of our worshipping life, and perhaps sometimes taken for granted. Corpus Christi is an opportunity to say thank you for something that can easily be taken for

granted. It recalls us to the wonderful truth that in the eucharist human beings share in the social life of God: here God becomes as small as a piece of bread and we taste the wonder of eternity. What is vital in all of this is that the connection with the world is maintained in its intensity and disturbing character. The liturgy is a microcosm of the work that God is doing in the world, and it is there that salvation is being worked out. Our liturgy in church, our celebration of Corpus Christi should be an alternative world - rather, as one writer has put it, we need a spirituality that is based upon

'the recognition that worship does not create an 'alternative world' to which we can retreat when ordinary life becomes intolerable. When liturgy becomes a self-absorbed attempt at 'religious behaviour' or when it calls attention to itself as something 'unworldly', it ceases to be worship and becomes an exercise in self-consciousness. Christian worship is inherently worldly. Its primary symbols are drawn from the messiest activities of human life: giving birth and dying, washing and smearing bodies with oil, eating and drinking, unburdening one's heart in the presence of another. All this is the septic stuff of the world's drama - and the stuff of Christian liturgy as well.'

And I hope the stuff of our special celebration on 14th June and of all our Eucharists and worship. ❖

Cover: A happy band of pilgrims on the way from Berkhamsted to St Albans on Easter Monday. See the article on page 9.

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Edmund of Berkhamsted

We let last year slip by without in any way marking the 700th anniversary of the death of one of Berkhamsted's famous sons - Edmund, Earl of Cornwall.

He was born in Berkhamsted Castle in 1250, of royal blood. Henry III was his uncle and the Queen of France was his aunt; and when his father died Edmund inherited vast estates, including the Castle and Manor of Berkhamsted. During a trip to the continent while still a young man Edmund acquired what he was persuaded was a phial of Christ's blood. Back in England he founded a monastery, at a spot just two miles from his birthplace, where a portion of this sacred relic was to be guarded by a college of monks until the world's end. This place we still know, seven centuries later, as Ashridge College.

Edmund held high offices of state: twice he was Joint-Guardian of the Realm and later had the title of Guardian and Lieutenant of England. When he died at Ashridge in 1300 his mortal remains were disposed of in a piecemeal and to us a rather gruesome manner. (Squeamish readers had better not read on). His body was immediately disembowelled and his entrails placed in the sepulchre of the Chapel. His heart was cut out and preserved with his flesh until being

solemnly buried there four months later. That left his bones, and these were interred later with great ceremony at Hailes Abbey in the presence of the king. The heart came to be treated as another sacred relic; but none of these, including the Precious Blood, once so revered, survived the Reformation when all such objects were pronounced to be idolatrous.

The great estates that Edmund owned formed a large part of what is still known as the Duchy of Cornwall. Edmund died without heir, so his property including Berkhamsted Castle reverted to the Crown. Now the present Duke of Cornwall, Prince Charles, owns most of it.

Naming Ladies

In the current small exhibition in the foyer of Berkhamsted Civic Centre set up to mark the 65th anniversary of the Rotary Club of Berkhamsted, the chain of office of the Inner Wheel – the ladies branch of the Rotary Club - is on display. The names of all the presidents of the club, each inscribed on its own separate small clasp, are attached to the ribbon, and you can just about read them.

What struck me about them were the differences over time in the way the names were written, reflecting the changes in attitudes of women over the 46 years that the club was in existence. In the early days there were such as Mrs E S Crisp, the initial being those of the husband's first names. (This reminded me that when my mother and her sisters wrote letters to one another they used this convention in addressing the envelopes, for example Mrs Harold Cook).

Later on in the Inner Wheel there was a move away from this practice to instead give the ladies the initial of their own Christian names, such as Mrs M Lancashire. Then in the last decade or so the 'Mrs' was dropped altogether and the Christian and surname was written out in full, such as Carole Dell. Now of course many married ladies continue to use their maiden surnames. All these changes in one's lifetime.

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Abate thy Rage

After having witnessed an example of trolley rage in Waitrose (not the first time it has happened, I believe), then having met with impatient behaviour while four times having to battle half way round the M25, I happened to dip into that wittiest of books *Three Men in a Boat*, and came across the following:

‘I like to watch an old boatman rowing. There is something so beautifully calm and restful about his method. It is free from the fretful haste, that vehement striving, that is every day becoming more and more the bane of nineteenth-century life. He is not for ever straining himself to pass all the other boats. If another boat overtakes him it does not annoy him; as a matter of fact, they all do overtake him and pass him – all those that are going his way. This would trouble and irritate some people; the sublime equanimity of the hired boatman under the ordeal affords us a beautiful lesson against ambition and uppishness’.

We may think that fretful haste and vehement striving are afflictions of modern life, but these words were written over a century ago. Perhaps they should be included in the Highway Code; and how about having a Waitrose and Tesco trolley drivers’ code with those words in it?

Numbers at School

At the April meeting of the Berkhamsted Town Advisory Forum our county councillor Ken Coleman, gave some predictions about the future demands for places in the three strata of state schools we have in the Town. He said there were sufficient places to meet the foreseeable needs of Berkhamsted’s children at the first schools, even with the increase in the population; also our one senior school, Ashlyns, has enough capacity to meet all the demands likely to be put upon it in the foreseeable future. At the present time though, if only temporarily, there is a shortage of places at our middle schools, of which we have two - Bridgewater and The Thomas Coram School.



Waitrose: a site for ‘trolley rage’?

It doesn’t seem so long ago – in fact it was 13 years - when it was decided that the opposite was the case, and that we had too many middle schools. The old Thomas Bourne and Augustus Smith Schools were combined then to form the present Thomas Coram School. Some of the children who were in those schools at that time will now be parents and concerned about the education of their own children.

Policing Berkhamsted

The recent open day at our police station gave me the opportunity to talk to Brian Hunt, the chairman of the Crime Prevention Panel who put his name to the response in last month’s *Review* to my piece in February about our police station and certain perceptions of current policing in Berkhamsted. My remarks apparently ruffled feathers to an extent that I would never have predicted, even the Chief Constable’s. It seems that the comments were made at a time when our police force is under strain arising from a number of difficulties - recruitment especially.

The current problem is exacerbated by the Metropolitan Police attracting recruits away from Hertfordshire with offers of higher pay and free travel. Anyway, Brian Hunt would like to explain some of the difficulties they are up against in an article in a future issue of the *Review*, and I hope the Editor will be able to find space for it. ❖

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WALK AND REJOICE!

Barbara Conway reports on taking part in the All Age Pilgrimage to St Albans on Easter Monday.

On Easter Monday after a hearty breakfast, organised by Judy Clegg and her team, five intrepid walkers and four cyclists set off for St Albans from a start point in Hemel Hempstead. We were unable to use footpaths because of the foot and mouth epidemic, but made our way by a quiet country lane into the Redbourn Road. The first view of the Abbey was impressive and we thought how pilgrims over the centuries would have wended their way to the shrine of St Alban.

When we reached the Abbey we all had a burger or hot-dog lunch at the barbecue provided by Rodney Cottrell. After meeting up with six others from the parish, who had travelled by car, we wandered round the Abbey and had an opportunity to talk with Bishop Christopher. It was heartening to see all three bishops out on the Old Orchard Lawn talking to the pilgrims, both young and old from all over the diocese.

At 2:30 pm two processions formed and, singing hymns, we walked through the Pilgrims' Door into the Abbey, to the shrine of St Alban and then congregated in the nave for a short service conducted by Bishop Christopher from the balcony at the west end. There were about 1,200 present and the Bishop charged us to 'Rejoice and be Courageous' in our faith and witness.

THE MOTHERS' UNION

Margaret Burbidge pays tribute

to Rene Bayliss, who died on Palm Sunday.



For many years our branch has had the privilege of having Rene Bayliss as one of our members. In the past, Rene had played a significant part in the M.U. including a time when she led the branch as 'enrolling member'.

When the branch reopened after a period of closure, Rene was no longer fit enough to be an active M.U. member. She became our 'indoor member' - a member of the diocesan I.M.P.C. (indoor members' prayer circle). Her interest in and support for the M.U.'s aims and activities continued and until recently we were able to hold our monthly prayer meeting and our annual 'wave of prayer' service in her flat. Her faith was such that on these occasions we all felt that we had gained more from her than we could ever repay.

She was a very special person and when she died on Palm Sunday we were left with a big gap in our branch.

She will be greatly missed, not only by our members but, I am sure, by many from the congregations at All Saints' and St Peter's. ❖

The pilgrimage is a wonderful expression of Christian witness and I urge you to enter the date now in your diary for 2002. Next year Easter Monday falls on 1st April and the theme of the pilgrimage is to be 'Fools for Christ'. Indeed I pray we are. ❖

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Soon work will start on the demolition, remediation and construction on the old Cooper's site between Raven's Lane and Manor Street. The familiar factory will be pulled down and replaced with a group of luxury flats and maisonettes in a set of buildings designed to be as near as possible in shape and style to the original factory complex. This will take two years from the erection of the first hoarding to when the first occupants move in.

This project is more complex and intensive than anything that the builders, Laing, have previously taken on. The site is contaminated with arsenic, and it is in a tight residential quarter of the conservation area of the town. The old factory will have to be demolished by grabbers working carefully behind screens and under a constant spray of water to keep dust levels down. The ground will have to be dug out, to more than three metres in places, to make sure that all possible arsenic poison has been removed. At a time when the water table is at record high levels this will be a messy business. Only two lorries can be on the site at any one time and there is no parking available on the streets in the town. So arriving lorries will have to be held in the lay-by on the road to Bourne End, to be called in by radio when the space on site is available.

The scale of this job, the complexity, the messiness and the sheer trouble that it will cause to the residents close to the site suddenly makes clear the implications of a particular Government policy. Government proposals to build a huge number of houses in the south east of England over the coming decades is putting pressure on the remaining Green Belt. In order to respond to the pressure from local councils to preserve the

council & news views

Town councillor **Ian Reay** is points out that laudable 'brown field' redevelopment carries a price.

countryside the Government has agreed - a policy which is supported by local councils - to make the most of 'brown field' sites to build housing on rather than build on pristine 'green field' sites. The Cooper's site in the centre of Berkhamsted is about as brown as a brown field site can get.

It is an enormous inconvenience to the

people living close to the works who are naturally worried about the risks of spreading arsenic into the atmosphere and into their own gardens, kitchens and lounges. Such a lengthy and complicated demolition and building project in such a densely built up area of the old town will also eat up valuable parking spaces in an area which is already packed. But this project is also a huge and expensive inconvenience to the developers, Laing, who would not take on such a liability if they were not prevented from building on open fields by Green Belt restrictions. They will almost certainly have been given a subsidy to take on such an elaborate ground clearance operation.

We are jealous of our scenery and open country. We do not want urban sprawl to spread unbroken from London to the Midlands, or to see Hemel Hempstead joined to Berkhamsted, Watford and Luton in one big conurbation. This is why the Green Belt policy was formed. We guard with passion our precious countryside. But the pressure of the need for housing in this area does not abate and a price has to be paid. That is being paid over the next two years by those who live close to the grabbers, JCBs and dirt laden lorries which will be rumbling around the old Cooper's site until the building is complete. ❖

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What they say...

MV was a great experience for me as I learnt new skills such as conducting meetings, taking minutes and general office work. With just a degree I would have found it difficult to get a job but with an MV on my CV I got straight into employment.

Heidi Buckell, volunteer at Y.O.U

Being a sports coach with Millennium Volunteers has improved my confidence and independence. It really makes me smile to watch my A and B football teams improving their skills.

Dee Cooper, volunteer at Reddings and Longdean Schools

Without Millennium Volunteers I would not have been able to volunteer as I could not afford to pay childcare expenses.

Cathy McAvey, volunteer at Life





Stephen Halliday looks at a valuable role London's Underground system took on in the 20th century, rather different to its planned purpose.

Sheltering in the Tubes

'Underground stations cannot be used as air raid shelters' (bulletin posted at underground stations at the outbreak of World War II)

'Vibration due to heavy gunfire or other causes will be felt much less if you do not lie with your head against the wall'. Advice from *De Profundis*, bulletin of the Swiss Cottage underground station air raid shelterers, September 1940.

In the First World War as many as 1300,000 people on a single night had sought refuge in the Underground stations from the small number of bombs which were dropped, haphazardly and inaccurately, on the capital. As World War II approached the government was determined that this should not happen

again. As early as 1924 the Committee of Imperial Defence had established that the Underground would be required to evacuate the *daily* toll of ten thousand dead and twenty-five thousand injured. These casualties, it was anticipated, would result from Stanley Baldwin's gloomy assurance, to the House of Commons on 10th November 1932, that 'the bomber will always get through'. In fact total casualties in London during the six years of war amounted to 80,000, a figure which, according to the earlier calculations, should have been reached within three days. The authorities also believed that sections of the population which sought refuge in the tubes would become paralysed by fear. This would have damaging consequences for the production



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of war materials as workers chose a troglodytic existence in preference to the perils of life on the surface.

For these reasons the bulletin which heads this account was posted at Underground stations. The population of London decided otherwise, though not to the extent that the government had feared. On 8th September 1940, as the blitz unfolded in the skies above London, a large crowd of Londoners forced their way past officials, police and soldiers at the entrance to Liverpool Street Underground station and sought refuge on the platforms. In this way, *Picture Post* declared, 'London decided how the tube stations were to be used'. By 27th September, 177,500 people were sleeping in tube stations. This was little more than half the number recorded in the far less threatening conditions of the First World War. Within a few weeks, under the direction of the Home Secretary, Herbert Morrison, the tube shelters were provided with sanitation, food and first aid posts staffed by doctors and nurses. Entertainment swiftly followed including a broadcast recital by George Formby, perilously seated with ukelele and piano on a platform specially erected above the tracks.

In some shelters management committees were elected with chairman, secretary and minutes of proceedings. Rules were established for reserving spaces, playing music, cleanliness, games and other matters which the regular users thought important. Women were observed cleaning the areas around their allocated spaces as they would previously have cleaned their living rooms or scrubbed their front steps. Raffles were held and funds raised for children's Christmas parties, eleven thousand Christmas presents being distributed at Christmas 1940. Some of the more ambitious shelters published their own newspapers, one of the funniest being produced by the group who used Swiss Cottage Underground station. It was called *De Profundis* ('from the depths') and bulletin no. 1 began:

'Greetings to our nightly companions, our temporary cave dwellers, our sleeping companions, somnambulists, snorers, chatterers and all who inhabit the Swiss Cottage station of the Bakerloo from dusk to dawn. This is the first in a series of announcements, issued in the name of co-operation, so that we may find what comfort and amenities there may be in this our nightly place of refuge.'

A study of life in the tube shelters was undertaken by mass observation at one central London station on 25th September 1940 at the height of the blitz. The station was opened to shelterers at 4pm and by 7:10pm a thousand people were distributed around the platforms, passages and stairways, though it was 9pm before the last arrivals reached the station. They took the least favoured positions on the escalators or in the entrance hall where protection was minimal. Most were 'regulars' on familiar terms with one another who engaged in casual gossip and repaid debts of cigarettes or food incurred on previous visits. Many played games, cards being especially popular, while envoys occasionally ventured to the surface to bring back reports of the mayhem on the streets above. Children were persuaded to go to bed with bribes in the form of sweets. Gradually the adults settled down to sleep, interrupted by exchanges like this, initiated by an irascible lady whose sleeping place was close to the lavatory.

"Seventy-eight people want to go to the lavatory".

"Can't you shut up you bleeding little hypocrite".

"I want to go to sleep and these people keep on going to the lavatory".

Silence then ensued but it is perhaps not surprising that sleep was a scarce commodity, averaging four and half hours for men and three and a half for women.❖

This article is based on Stephen Halliday's new book Underground to Everywhere to be published in August.

IS IT FUNNY?

Victoria Macdonald passes
on a moral tale which should
get you thinking.

One Sunday morning during service, a 2,000 member congregation was surprised to see two men enter, both covered from head to toe in black and carrying submachine guns. One of the men proclaimed, "Anyone willing to take a bullet for Christ remain where you are." Immediately, the choir fled, the deacons fled, and most of the congregation fled. Out of the 2,000 there only remained around 20. The man who had spoken took off his hood, looked at the preacher and said, "Okay Pastor, I got rid of all the hypocrites. Now you may begin your service. Have a nice day!" And the two men turned and walked out.

Too deep not to pass on... Funny how simple it is for people to trash God ... and then wonder why the world's going to hell. Funny how we believe what the newspapers say, but question what the Bible says. Funny how everyone wants to go to heaven provided they do not have to believe, think, say, or do anything the Bible says. Or is it scary? Funny how someone can say "I believe in God" but still follow Satan (who, by the way, also "believes" in God). Funny how you can send a thousand 'jokes' through e-mail and they spread like wildfire, but when you start sending messages regarding the Lord, people think twice about sharing. Funny how the lewd, crude, vulgar and obscene pass freely through cyberspace, but the public discussion of Jesus is suppressed in the school and workplace. Funny, isn't it? Funny how someone can be so fired up for Christ on Sunday, but be an invisible Christian the rest of the week. Are you laughing? ❖

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together’

John Banks made
the comment at the
beginning of a very
happy evening when
people from both
congregations at All
Saints’ came together
in concert to celebrate
the 25 years we have
shared the premises
together.

The concert varied with different kinds
of music, instrumental, organ, piano and
singing. There were solos, choir items and
music from the children’s choir which was
lovely. Music and dance, poetry and
funny bits from different members made
up the programme. Some had returned
who now live away which added a new
dimension to our enjoyment. We had a lot
of fun!

Some items were touching in their
simplicity marking the faith we share.
One very special moment was when an
unaccompanied voice sang a modern
version of *The Lord is my Shepherd* and
the whole audience was awed into a silent
appreciation of the singer and the song. It
was very beautiful. Although it was a long

ALL SAINTS’ CELEBRATION CONCERT

Ida Rance writes with an
appreciation of the concert
celebrating 25 year’s shared
use of All Saints’ church.

evening we felt the
value of being
together sharing the
rich talents and artistic
ability of our people.
This was a first class
performance and
appreciated as such.

It was a special joy
to have Valerie and
Ian McCalla with us
for the weekend. We
are indebted to them
for so much of our
past history. Valerie’s
leading made us able
to give some first class

musicals, so the senior choir items had a
special significance for all those taking
part this evening as it did when they were
first performed. We came so close
together then. We are grateful to Les
Driver for getting the choir together and
rehearsing them. As before there were
members of both churches taking part. It
was good to see Matthew Baynes again
and we were pleased that Chris Billington
was well enough to come. Her part in past
musical ventures is not forgotten. We also
thank Chris for her work with the
publicity. Thank-you to Ruth Treves-
Brown and Pat Hearn for co-ordinating the
evening. They worked hard behind the
scenes and their part is much appreciated.

It is a long time since we have seen All
Saints’ church so full of happy people
enjoying each others talents and company.
The hope is that there will be many more
times when we will be together. It
strengthens our faith and gives us a deeper
desire to go on together sharing our mutual
heritage. The final chorus altogether
expressed our hopes

*Brothers and sisters
In Jesus our Lord
Brothers and sisters
Believing his word
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*We're brothers and sisters in
Jesus our Lord..*

I'm fed up with cooking on telly,
I'm fed up with animals too,
While Ainsley chops carrots, Rolf's de-
lousing parrots,
And Delia's all in a stew.
Brian Turner is piling up rosti
(grated spuds in case you don't know)
Jamie Oliver's slicing and chopping
and dicing
While at Blackberry Farm it's all go...
For they've found a goat in an alley,
And a dog with no hearing at all,
Plus a cageful of rabbits with very
bad habits
And a tomcat that's had a bad fall.
While Fern's shouting out "Ready,
Steady"

Lloyd Grossman is tasting cheese sauce
And Trude's let out a hamster with gout
Rolf's stroking a three-legged horse.
Gary Rhodes is still frying and boiling
His hair standing up like a brush
While a fox with a limp and a snake
with a crimp
Are brought into the vet's in a rush.
There's an RSPCA inspector
with a coven tucked well under his coat,

l of a pillow
re throat.



our un-home-able cat



Rolf's de-lousing parrots

Ready, Steady - Where's the Cat?

Liz Baxendale



A hamster with gout

Now, producers could get them together
With 'How to cook an unhome-able cat'
Or 'Seven ways with a foxtail' (instead of
an oxtail)
Or 'make Tikka Masala of rat'.
Or perhaps something extremely exotic
Like how to serve tortoise with toast,
Or 'Crocodile steak with a side dish
of snake'

Or maybe 'Chameleon roast'.
Oh, I'm fed up with cooking on telly
And those programmes on sick cats
and dogs
What is wrong with a mole in a deep
casserole?

After all do not Frenchmen eat frogs?
But then if you can rescue a possum
Perhaps you can rescue a flan
Or re-home a scone that is hard as stone
Or re-sus this mess in this pan.
So next time I switch on the telly
Perhaps Rolf will be cooking paw-paw
And Delia, Jamie and Ainsley will be
nursing sick pussy cats,
AAAWWWWW!

Slaughter of the Lambs

*A meditation on the animal
victims of the foot and mouth
epidemic.*

David Simmons

Fetch in the sheep for sacrifice,
Bring lambs to the pyre,
Build it still higher,
Up to the sky.
Perhaps the gods will be appeased
And our burdens eased,
Through pyre and fire.

Smoke drifts slowly across the fell,
Blood reds the spring grass,
A sacrificial stain
In the name of scientific fact.
Perhaps the gods will act,
Renew their rainbow pact;
But maybe not.

Fear stalks the land, the farm is quiet,
No lambs leap, jump high,
Bleat joy to be alive;
Only the silent stench of incense.
This is beyond our experience,
And despite assurance,
The sheep are lost.

The lamb of God on earth was slain,
In arms outstretched to God and Man,
And in each farmer, wife and child
Relives His pain and sacrifice.
On hill and fell and pasture green,
His voice cries out -
"I am – the Way", beyond the fire:
"Remember me?"



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My wife and I have joined the ranks of the uninformed.

The attractive new block of flats where we now live has no letter box(es). If you want to deliver something to us you have to come before 9:30am, using the tradesman's button.

We therefore did not get our copy of the recent issue of *Your Voice* - the town council news sheet. Luckily, I had edited it so I was aware that there was a meeting - the AGM - in the civic centre. This had also, of course, been advertised in the May edition of the *Review*.

Other people with letter boxes were clearly aware because on the evening of 9th May the civic centre was buzzing, with Berkhamsted citizens eager to participate in the debate - *The Future of Berkhamsted*.

After the formal opening in which the chairman of the finance and policy committee gave an excellent presentation of how the money is spent, a number of people came forward to be congratulated by their fellow-citizens on their achievements in the past year.

Let's do it more often!

Councillor Stanley Sharpe
praises the recent annual
town meeting.

These included the Heads of Ashlyns and Swingate Schools, Joe the Butcher, the chairman of the football club, the man mainly responsible for the Gatecrashers Club and the creator of the Berkhamsted Town Council website.

The website! Of course, there is the answer to my wife's

and my thirst for information. The trouble is that I don't have a clue about this wonderful new method of conveying the news.

I have to admit that I would rather look into someone's eyes than at a computer screen. That is why I, and I hope many others, enjoyed the town council annual general meeting so much. There was no pressing of buttons or fingers on keyboards. There was face-to-face contact with fellow citizens meeting with one purpose in mind - to improve our town.

Let's do it more often! ❖

PS – but who am I to try and hold back the waves? The town council website is www.berkhamstedtc.org.uk.



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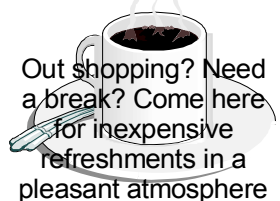
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The Town's Fortress

Susan Johnson, chairman of the Berkhamsted Citizens Association, writes:

Having read the letter from Brian Hunt, chairman of the Berkhamsted Crime Prevention Panel, in the May *Review* and in the BCPP April *Newsletter*, my dilemma was whether to dignify what was a tetchy and ill-considered attack on John Cook (immediate past chairman of this association and so much more in this town) with a response. I decided I would, despite some trepidation.

Mr Hunt obviously does not list an appreciation of humour amongst his no doubt extensive abilities. John wrote a tongue-in-cheek item to make serious points. Despite Mr Hunt's assertions, the police station *does* resemble a fortress and the only usual visible evidence of a uniformed presence on our High Street *is* the traffic warden. We who are active in the town, and indeed have a representative

on the CPP, do not need the realities of the police's problems spelled out. Those who do need informing would surely react to a more pleasant approach that encourages, rather than stifles, debate. Mr Hunt merely alienates those who are his natural allies; and uses the BCPP newsletter to give his spiteful remarks official weight.

I met and discussed Mr Hunt's article with him at the open morning at the police station – a worthwhile public relations exercise where I met many familiar (alas not from patrols), friendly faces. He told me that John's article went all the way to the Chief Constable's desk. Well, I sincerely hope that Mr Hunt's riposte and this response get there as well! Just in case they don't, I'll send him a copy myself.

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Fine weather for Ducks?

**Sheila Newland's day is
brightened by a waddling couple.**

'The rain it raineth every day'. The news is more and more depressing - floods, rail crashes and now the dreaded foot and mouth disease. None of us is spared the repercussions of these events, not least the ducks who inhabit the canal and river Bulbourne area. Just when they were revelling in the pouring rain and rushing river the foot and mouth outbreak affected their life-style seriously - no daily towpath

walkers and therefore no daily feasts of bread (apart, I suppose, from the occasional handful thrown from a bridge).

However, recently, while I was chatting to one of the trolley men at Waitrose, a pair of ducks waddled up towards the entrance obviously feeling 'If the mountain won't come to Muhammad then...'. I commented that the Waitrose practice of feeding the ducks in the morning with stale bread was more important now with the deserted towpaths when suddenly a customer overhearing this, grabbed one of her newly purchased loaves and proceeded to give it to this very fortunate duck couple who obviously couldn't believe their luck!

A small and insignificant moment in the scheme of things but, for me, a bright light on a very gloomy day. ❖

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The All Saints' Millennium Garden

Over the last few months members of All Saint's congregations have been putting their backs and spadework into turning a wasteground area on the east side of the church into a new garden to celebrate the millennium. The results are now beginning to emerge as can be seen from these photographs.

Photos: Mike Limbrick



Clockwise from left: two 'before' views, looking south and north respectively; Rob Wakely experiencing a 'water feature' (rain); it's all coming together, but that's a big area to fill with plants!





review northchurch

**Gareth Pritchard,
churchwarden at
St Mary's, takes
time to reflect on
the lack of time.**

It is still just April as I write this; 'April showers' are very evident - but I don't think they are supposed to be of sleet and hail with a background of thunder! That was certainly the sort which caught me out in Waitrose car-park this week. Rather they ought to be of 'gentle refreshing rain' mixed with warm sunshine to help the profusion of spring flowers grow. The daffodils have been good this year, especially the popular 'Tete a Tete' miniature ones, and with aubrietia out earlier than usual in our garden, they appeared against a back-cloth of purple. Retirement has meant the chance to do some of the things in the garden which have 'been left undone' through lack of time. At last a long-promised raised garden-bed for flowers has materialised, but not before a steep learning curve in wall-building had been negotiated.

It is sometimes very easy to say 'I haven't time' and the quandary is eloquently expressed by Michel Quoist in his book of poem-prayers 'Prayers of Life'. He introduces his prayer like this:

All men complain that they haven't enough time. It's because they look at their lives from too human a point of view. There's always time to do what God wants us to do, but we must put ourselves completely into each moment that he offers us. 'Use the present opportunity to the full... try to understand what the will of the Lord is.' (Eph 5 v17)

In his poem-prayer Michel writes:

'Men were rushing not to waste time,... rushing after time, to catch up with time, to gain time. Goodbye sir, excuse me. I haven't time. I'll come back, I can't wait, I haven't time. I'd love to help but I haven't

time. I can't think, I can't read, I'm swamped, I haven't time.... The student has his courses, and so much work, he hasn't time - later on ... The young man is at his sports, he hasn't time - later on.... The young married man has his new house to fix up, he hasn't time- later on ... The grand-parents have their grandchildren, they haven't time - later on... They are ill, have their treatments, they haven't time - later on ... They are dying, they have no ... Too late! ... They have no more time!

And so all men run after time, Lord .. hurried, jostled, overburdened, frantic...

Lord, you must have made a mistake in your calculations. The hours... the days... our lives are too short.

You who are beyond time, Lord, ...you know what you are doing. You make no mistakes in your distribution of time to men. You give to each one time to do what you want him to do.'

At our annual general meeting, mention was made of 'greeters' - people who would welcome others coming to a service, especially those who were visiting St Mary's. I am reminded of the story of Mary and Martha who were welcoming Jesus. Mary sat and talked with him; Martha was involved with the necessary preparations. Both aspects are equally important.

During this year we will be having a concerted 'Commitment' appeal for time and talents, both financial and practical. We all have different strengths and abilities, incomes and interests, and from that pool of varying experience and background, St Mary's will continue as a warm, welcoming spiritual home. But for this to happen, we perhaps need to heed Michel Quoist's closing lines:

'I am not asking you Lord, for the time to do this and then that, but your grace to do conscientiously, in the time that you give me, what you want me to do.' ❖

EVERY DAY MATTERS DURING ALZHEIMER'S AWARENESS WEEK

The theme for Alzheimer's awareness week (1st-7th July) this year is *Everyday Matters*. The Alzheimer's Society aims to raise awareness of the impact dementia has on everyday life and how people with dementia and their carers cope with the challenges it brings.

The Dacorum branch of the Alzheimer's Society is looking forward to starting awareness week with a church service at St John's, Boxmoor, Hemel Hempstead on Sunday 1st July at 3:00pm. Everyone is very welcome to attend.

On Tuesday 3rd July the Salvation Army Band and Songsters will be performing a festival of music in aid of the society at the Salvation Army Hall, Waterhouse Street at 7:45pm. This should be a really enjoyable evening and tickets can be obtained from the Alzheimer's Society branch office.

The branch has a whole week of collections planned at Tesco, Jarman's Park, Hemel Hempstead from Friday, 29th June to Thursday, 5th July as well as a collection in the Marlowes on Saturday, 7th July. Our collectors will be on their knees! So we are sending out a SOS for volunteers willing to collect for an hour or so on any of the above dates.

For further information about any of the above events please contact Jane Wilkinson, Dacorum branch coordinator, Alzheimer's Society on 260088.

THE FIFTH POTTEN END OPEN DAY SUNDAY 24TH JUNE

Our first village open day took place in 1993 since when we have held one biennially. On each occasion we have welcomed visitors from all over Bucks, Beds and Herts, and even further afield. Many who came in 1993 have made return visits to view progress, several bringing parties (in two cases coach loads) of friends with them. Our open day this year promises to be bigger and better than previous years with much more music in gardens and throughout the village.

GARDENS: The dozen gardens in the village which will be open range from small cottage gardens tended by keen and knowledgeable plants-persons to beautifully landscaped larger gardens. There will be plenty to interest every type of gardener including the allotments.

ARTS AND CRAFTS: Those interested in arts and crafts will find plenty to fascinate them in the demonstrations, displays and craft stalls in the village hall and the art exhibition in the school hall.

MUSIC: During the course of the day there will be a brass band on the village green, an organ recital in Holy Trinity church, an accordion band and other small groups of players in some of the gardens.

CHILDREN'S ATTRACTIONS: These will include Samoyed dogs, birds of prey, donkeys and pony rides on the recreation ground near *The Plough* public house. The Bingham's Park farm nature trail and woodland walk will also be open.

ALSO ON THE GREEN: There will be the Aldbury Morris Men and static displays by the fire service, the crime prevention unit, and the fire and safety unit.

LIGHT LUNCHEAS AND AFTERNOON TEAS will be available in the church room, the village stores, the village pubs and Sunday lunch at Bingham's Park farm (pre-booking essential).

A free minibus service will be operating throughout the day linking the various gardens and attractions. There will be free parking for cars and coaches.

Programmes, which will be available on the day or from the organisers, at a cost of £4.00 per adult (children under 14 free) cover all the gardens and all the other activities. Proceeds will be distributed to village organisations including Holy Trinity church, the village hall, the school, and village clubs and societies.

All in all it promises to be a rewarding and fun day for all age groups!

If you have any queries or would like to arrange a coach party please contact the organisers on 862974 or 865914. Please also see the advertisement on page 20.

TUESDAY CLUB

At our May meeting a happy band of seventeen ladies gave the Court House its annual spring clean. The outside windows as well as the whole inside of the building are now sparkling.

Our chairman, Jean Bray, rewarded us with sausage rolls, quiche and coffee afterwards.

Why not visit the Court House on a Saturday morning where coffee and home-made cakes are on sale, and see for yourself how bright and shining it all looks now. We invite all ladies to come and join us on the first Tuesday of each month where we have a good social group. You will always be made very welcome.

The next meeting is on 5th June when we will be having a speaker from the Emmaus Project in St Albans. We start at 8:15pm.

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If you are a student and under 25 years of age, preparing to embark on a period of extended study at college or university and would appreciate some financial help towards the cost of equipment or books, why not apply for a grant from the above foundations?

If you live in the ecclesiastical Parish of Great Berkhamsted or attended Victoria Church of England school you are eligible to apply for a grant. Although there is not a huge amount of money at the trustees' disposal, every little helps.

Grants will be allocated at the next meeting of the Trust in October.

For more information please contact the clerk to the trustees, Mrs B Johnson on 864453.

ALL SAINTS' AREA COMMITTEE

We are sorry that the list of names given in the May *Review* of those elected to serve on the All Saints' area committee in 2001/2 was incorrect.

The correct version is Peter Drury (384794), Jean Merrett (866263), Richard Hackworth (863990) plus one vacancy. Apologies for our mistake - Editor

BERKHAMSTED CASTLE W.I.



Our president, Liz Baxendale, welcomed members and a visitor who will be joining our institute shortly to last month's meeting. Also in attendance was Ann Parsons, W.I. adviser, who came to guide us through the public affairs resolutions selected for the IGM.

During business matters Liz Baxendale and Janet Mitchell advised us about and discussed the availability of two cost free schemes:

- Shop Mobility, where shoppers can use scooters obtained from the civic centre in Berkhamsted;
- The Mobility Scheme, which can be used for a twice monthly visit to the Waitrose supermarket, Berkhamsted, with transport and help with shopping being provided.

Ann Parsons took us through the resolutions being proposed. These covered providing a full nursing service for school children; the compulsory training of staff to look after older people in care; and an update on the 2000 Mandate. All three resolutions were carried by members. An expression of thanks was given by Pam McNicoll.

Next month on 1st June our speaker is Mrs M Jones with a talk entitled *Leeks, Daffodils, Gymslips and Jerusalem* at the Court House at 2:00pm. Why not come and join us? A warm welcome awaits you.

TOWN CENTRE ADVISORY FORUM

The next town centre advisory forum will take place in the Sessions Hall, Berkhamsted Town Hall at 7:30pm on Wednesday 13th June. This is a unique opportunity for members of the public to hear, and to take part in well-informed discussions of town centre issues. There will be members in attendance from all the local councils, the Chamber of Commerce, the Citizens' Association, the Berkhamsted Access Committee and the Herts Constabulary. Do come if you wish to be well informed about what is going on in our town. ❖

SUNDAY	<i>St Peter's</i>	8:00am	Eucharist			
		9:30am	Sung Eucharist, crèche, Sunday School & Pathfinders followed by coffee in the Court House			
		6:00pm	Evensong [except 1st Sunday]			
	<i>All Saints'</i>	8:00am	Eucharist [except 1st Sunday]			
		9:15am	Sung Eucharist, crèche, Sunday School & Pathfinders followed by coffee in the hall (<i>This service will be replaced by a family Eucharist or, All Saints' being shared with the Methodists, a 10:00am United Service as announced</i>)			
		6:30pm	Evensong [1st Sunday only] Other Sundays Methodist service			
		7:30-9:30pm	Youth Fellowship (<i>contact Carole Dell 864706</i>)			
	MONDAY	<i>St Peter's</i>	7:30am	Morning Prayer (MP)	5:00pm	Evening Prayer (EP)
	TUESDAY	<i>St Peter's</i>	7:30am	MP		
		<i>All Saints'</i>	9:30am	Eucharist		
WEDNESDAY	<i>St Peter's</i>	6:45am	Eucharist	7:30am	MP	5:00pm EP
THURSDAY	<i>St Peter's</i>	7:30am	MP	11:00am	Eucharist	5:00pm EP
FRIDAY	<i>St Peter's</i>	7:30am	MP	9:15am	Eucharist	
SATURDAY	<i>St Peter's</i>	7:30am	MP		5:00pm	EP
1st Sunday	SUNDAYS TOGETHER LUNCH: 12:30pm in the Court House <i>For anyone on their own on a Sunday. Contact: Joan Morris 863780</i>					
Mondays	GRIEF & LOSS VISTORS GROUP 8:00-9:00pm in the Court House as announced.					
Mondays (except 1st)	HOME GROUP: 8:00pm at 9 Hall Park. Contact Victoria Macdonald on 384953.					
1st Tuesday	TUESDAY CLUB 8:15pm in the Court House <i>A lively women's group with guest speaker</i> Contact chairman Angela Morris 866992 or secretary Joan Gregory 864829.					
Tuesdays	CHUCKLES PARENT & TODDLER GROUP: 10:00-11:30am All Saints' Church Hall. Song Time or Short service as announced. Special activity weekly. Gillian Malcolm 874993 or Jenny Wells 870981.					
Tuesday	MOTHERS' UNION PRAYER GROUP: 2:15pm third Tuesday at 61 Kitsbury Road. Tell us if anyone needs our prayers. Contact: Jenny Wells 870981					
Tuesday	TUESDAY STUDY GROUP: Tuesdays 1:15-3:00pm for informal Bible study. <i>Young children welcome.</i> Contact: Kate Semmens 866531 HILLSIDE GROUP: 8.00pm [alternate weeks] at 32 Hillside Gardens for <i>Bible study.</i> Contacts: Rob & Julie Wakely 875504					
2nd Tues	MOTHERS' UNION: meets in members' houses at 8:00pm. <i>Non-members always welcome.</i> Contact: Margaret Barnard 862794					
Wednesdays	MEDITATION GROUP: meets about twice a month as arranged at Jenny's 57 Meadow Road and at Ruth's 1 Montague Road. <i>Everyone is very welcome to join us for about half an hour of quiet prayer.</i> Contact: Jenny Wells 870981 or Ruth Treves Brown 863268					
Wednesday	PATHFINDERS GAMES CLUB 7:00-8:30pm in All Saints' Hall. Carole Dell 864706					
2nd Wed	MEN'S DINNER & DISCUSSION: 8:00pm at Peaches Bistro. For information and booking: Rodney Cottrell 384963 or Steve Spall 873470					
4th Wed	WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP: meets 2:30-4:00pm in the Court House. The meetings are usually addressed by a guest speaker and the group attracts senior members for whom lifts can be arranged. <i>New members and visitors always welcome.</i> Contact: Vera Pullen 862196					
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 (10:00am). Nicole Addy 828541					
Friday	ST PETER'S CHOIR: Children 7:00-8:30pm (& Tuesday 5:15-6:30pm), Adults 7:30-8:30pm. 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 Carolyn Gunn 875865					

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There is Eucharist every Tuesday (9:30am) at All Saint's and every Wednesday (6:45am), Thursday (11:00am) and Friday (9:15am) at St Peter's. At St Peter's there is 7:30am Morning Prayer every weekday and 5:00pm Evening Prayer on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday (**please note the changed time**); there is 7:30am Morning Prayer and 5:00pm Evening Prayer on Saturdays. A priest is available for confessions by appointment (phone 864194).

June / July 2001

JUNE

1		<i>Half-term – no Little Fishes</i>	
4	8:00pm	Eucharist with Prayers for Healing	<i>St Peter's</i>
9	7:30pm	Bridgewater Band concert	<i>St Peter's</i>
12	10:15am	Chuckles Service <i>The Loving Father</i>	<i>All Saints'</i>
12	8:00pm	Parochial Church Council meeting	
14	8:00pm	Solemn Eucharist for Corpus Christi with Rubbra's <i>In Honorem Sancti Dominici</i> sung by the Chiltern Chamber Choir	<i>St Peter's</i>
16	8:00am	ABC Prayer Breakfast	<i>All Saints'</i>
23	10-3pm	PETERTIDE FAIR	<i>In and around St Peter's</i>
26	10:15am	Chuckles Service <i>The 10 Bridesmaids</i>	<i>All Saints'</i>
29	8:00pm	Patronal Festival Eucharist	<i>St Peter's</i>

JULY

2	8:00pm	Eucharist with Prayers for Healing	<i>St Peter's</i>
6	10:00am	Little Fishes Toddler Service	<i>St Peter's</i>
10	10:15am	Chuckles Service <i>An Invitation to a Party</i>	<i>All Saints'</i>
14	8:00am	ABC Prayer Breakfast	<i>Court House / St Peter's</i>
14	9:30-1pm	Full Peal	<i>St Peter's</i>
25	10:15am	Thomas Coram Year 8 Leavers' Service	<i>St Peter's</i>

Registers

Baptisms (St Peter's)

22 April Joshua Benjamin Foo, William Lee Foo

Weddings (St Peter's)

6 April Jonathan Lee Harding and Helen Sheila Cabey

28 April Alistair Mackenzie and Deborah Jane Sparkes

Funerals

9 April	Margaret Doreen Bellows	West Herts Crematorium
10 April	John (Jack) Jackson	All Saints' (Garston Crematorium)
15 April	Amy Joan Sheldon	Chilterns Crematorium
17 April	Hilda Mary Irene (Rene) Bayliss	All Saints' (Chilterns Crematorium)
18 April	Norah Olley	All Saints' (Chilterns Crematorium)
26 April	Kenneth Norman Hadaway	Chilterns Crematorium
30 April	Marion Patterson	West Herts Crematorium

Young people

Churches

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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*.

	<i>St Peters</i>	<i>All Saints</i>
Altar service	Keith Middleditch (862423)	Jenny Wells (870981)
Chalice rota	Martin Macdonald (872002)	Jenny Wells (870981)
Sunday school	Angela Dunsford (875726)	Kathy Beaumont (384453)
Youth activities	Carole Dell (864706)	Carolyn Gunn (875865)
Church maintenance	Christopher Green (863241)	Martin Judd (865691)
Church cleaning	Jean Green (863241)	Cathline Blundell (862897)
Flower arrangements	Sarah Dawson (871614)	Jayne Harris (873974)
Sunday morning coffee	Rene Dunford (862420)	Sylvia Banks (871195)
Service recordings	Vacant	<i>Peter McMunn (874894)</i>
Intercessions	Rev. Mark Bonney (864194)	Jenny Wells (870981)
Epistle Readers	Ron Fisher (865846)	Jenny Wells (870981)
Electoral Roll	Judith Limbert (873626)	Pat Hearne (871270)
Pathfinders	Stephen Lally (863526)	Felicity White (866223)
Sidesmen	<i>Chris Smalley (826821)</i>	Peter McMunn (874894)
Catering	Val Atkinson (866792)	Rodney Cottrell (384963)
Hospice contact	Marjorie Bowden (871283)	<i>Jean Merrett (866263)</i>
Christian Aid	<i>Angela Morris (866992)</i>	<i>Muriel Johnston (866447)</i>



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 The Revd Robin Figg, All Saints' House, Shrublands Road. Tel: 866161 (day off Monday)
 The Revd Canon Basil Jones (Hon.Asst.Priest), 17 Lochnell Road. Tel: 864485
 The Revd Jim Lawrenson (Hon.Asst.Priest), Downside, 7 Torrington Road. Tel: 865999
 The Revd Preb Stephen Wells (Hon.Asst.Priest), 57 Meadow Road. Tel: 870981
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 John Malcolm (Reader), Landswood, Shootersway. Tel: 874993
 Mrs Jenny Wells (Reader), 57 Meadow Road. Tel: 870981
 Parish Secretary: Mrs Jean Green, The Parish Office, The Court House Tel: 878227
 Stewardship Recorder: Miles Nicholas, 46 Fieldway. Tel: 871598
 Churchwardens: Chris Smalley, 18 Osmington Place, Tring. Tel: 826821;
 Peter McMunn, 37, North Road. Tel: 874894
Parochial Church Council: Secretary: Richard Foster, Vandykes, 29 Ashlyns Road. Tel: 863359
 Treasurer: Michael Robinson, 36 Trevelyan Way. Tel: 863559

St Peter's

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, Sunday Schools & Pathfinders (in the Court House) followed by coffee in the Court House.	Wednesday	6.45am
		Thursday	11.00am
		Friday	9.15am
		Morning Prayer:	Mon-Sat 7:30am
		Evening Prayer:	M,W,Th 5:00pm
6.00pm	Evensong & Sermon (except 1st Sunday see All Saints')		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

Choirmaster: Peter McMunn Tel: 874894

All Saints'

Sundays
 8.00am Holy Communion (1st Sunday - Methodist rite)
 9.15am Sung Eucharist with Sunday schools & Pathfinders, then coffee in the Hall
 11.00am (Methodist Morning Service)
 6.30pm Evening Service (1st Sunday - Anglican rite, other Sundays Methodist rite)

Weekdays
 Holy Communion: Tuesday 9.30am Holy Days - see weekly Notices
 (All Saints' is an Anglican / Methodist Local Ecumenical Partnership)

Methodist minister: The Revd Martin Turner, 32 Finch Road Tel: 866324



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