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Welcome to the March 2010 issue of the Berkhamsted review

The whole of March this year is within the Church's season of Lent. Some think of Lent as a gloomy season of penitence and restraint, but it takes its name from the Old English word for Spring – *lencten* – a season when the whole natural world reawakens and bursts into new life; and in the early years of Christianity, the season before Easter served for the spiritual awakening and preparation of those to be received into the Church by baptism at Easter.

Reflecting the season of Lent, and its dramatic events, we have on the cover of the *review* this month a representation of the cross – a magnificent sixth century mosaic ceiling in the great basilica of St Appolinaire in Classe near Ravenna. The cross is the symbol that has become universally associated with Christianity, but just as the significance of Lent has changed, the cross was not particularly prominent in the symbolism of the early Church and only began to acquire its universal standing in the fourth century. Before that the fish was the most common symbol of the faith; but that itself had become widespread only in the second century. Christianity has always been and remains a living and evolving faith.

Christopher Green

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World-changing events

Father John Russell traces the Drama of Easter

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What do we think of when we think of drama? In our lives, we are subject to dramas of all sorts, both real and on our TV and cinema screens as well as in the theatre or concert hall. The ups and

downs of our real lives mean we can experience times of great hope and fulfilment as well as despair when disaster or tragedy strikes. This is mirrored in the comedy, the soap operas, the dramas and even the news programmes on the TV; sometimes it can be hard to work out what's real and what's merely fiction. Even though we each have our likes and dislikes, a play, or story, theatre, TV or radio can be riveting and life-changing if it speaks to us and reflects our own experiences.

It may surprise you to know that the Christian year is full of drama of one kind or another; but it is hardly surprising as it can bring to life the relationship between God and His people – that's all of us. To most people, the significant event in the Christian year is Christmas – because it pervades all aspects of life whether you are a believer in Jesus Christ or not.

We are now in the season of Lent – a period of waiting and preparing. Many will be familiar with the notion of giving something up in Lent; it might be chocolate, alcohol or some other indulgence which imparts a sense of guilt in us; but to what end? Lent is certainly not an end in itself, but a means to an end. That end begins with Holy Week and leads on to Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and the victory of Easter Day. A drama? Yes, certainly, but much more than a drama!

We rightly celebrate the birth of the Saviour of the world at Christmas, but Jesus Christ came into the world for a purpose and the fulfilment of that purpose comes at Easter and therefore the festival of Easter will always take precedence over Christmas for Christians. The drama of a child born in a stable in Bethlehem, becomes the cataclysmic, world-changing event of Easter, when this child, now an adult human and yet the divine Son of God takes the whole world of sin on his shoulders and makes the ultimate, once and for all sacrifice of laying down his life for all people past, present and future.

The symbol of death – the cross – became from there on the symbol of forgiveness, new life, hope and joy; that is the Drama of Easter.

To understand fully the significance one needs to travel through Holy Week with the church services at St. Peter's. Events begin with the celebration of Palm Sunday when the arrival of Jesus in Jerusalem on a donkey for the final showdown - apparently with the religious and civil authorities of the time, but in reality of far greater importance - is re-enacted. The action then moves at quite a pace as on the following Thursday - Maundy Thursday - Jesus spends his last few hours on earth firstly with his disciples at the Last Supper and then on into Good Friday his confrontation with Pontius Pilate, leading to his trial and death. On Saturday, the Jewish Sabbath day, there is a lull, when all goes quiet, but it is merely the waiting, with bated breath, for the joy of Easter morning the discovery of the empty tomb and realisation of Jesus followers that he has risen from the dead. It is a drama to which we are all invited. ❖

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The world's media turned its attention to Haiti on **Tuesday 12th January 2010**. A

severe earthquake and its aftershocks devastated the capital

city, Port-au-Prince and its surrounding area, killing and injuring thousands of people. The need for aid was immense in an already poor and under-resourced country, and as might be expected, Mothers' Union members wanted to help. Although Mothers' Union is internationally renowned, it is not a million dollar Aid Agency, and does not have contacts in Haiti, where the Christian presence is largely Roman Catholic. So members were encouraged, if they wished, to make individual donations to support the relief work through the Disasters Emergency Committee, and to pray. Though the risk of further aftershocks is easing, aid is still desperately needed and rebuilding will take a long time. This prayer written for the disaster is still appropriate.

O God, our refuge and strength, we hold before you the nation and people of Haiti, and pray for healing in the midst of tragedy and devastation.

Give comfort to the homeless, the bereaved and the suffering, courage to survivors, wisdom to those who seek to help and light to all who live in the shadow of death.

This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, our rock and our salvation. Amen.

The Mothers' Relief Fund was set up to help quickly when natural disasters strike and civil conflicts cause many difficulties for communities in poor countries. Grass roots contacts get food, materials and medicines into areas in great need. In the January *review* I wrote of the desperate situation in East Africa following successive years of drought and failed crops. This is just one example of where

KUMASI TO BUKAVU

Margaret Burbidge explains how **MU** aid is rebuilding people's lives

the money from the Relief Fund was spent to alleviate suffering. Often the disasters are on a smaller scale than the famine in East Africa or the earthquake in Haiti.

In July 2009 a fire destroyed a large market in Kumasi in Ghana, leaving the city's poorest people and especially the women, without their stalls, their jobs, produce and income. A grant was sent to local Mothers' Union groups to help them pick up their lives and start again. In August last year floods brought landslides to the Hpakant region in northern Myanmar. Houses were destroyed and livelihoods lost, and a Mothers' Union grant enabled rice, cooking oil, blankets and mosquito nets to be bought locally and quickly distributed to help families until their homes are rebuilt and sources of income restored. Following fighting in the Democratic Republic of Congo between rebel and government armies, many innocent civilians were forced to flee the conflict zone and seek medical help from Health Centres in the diocese of Bukavu. A grant from the Relief Fund was sent to help with the injured and outbreaks of cholera and other diseases. This and much more is only possible through the generosity of members and others wanting to support Mothers' Union work.

March brings a reminder that this can be done by purchasing an ethical gift for Mothering Sunday from the MU's *Make a Mother's Day* catalogue. Goats, seeds and mosquito nets, medical aid, supporting literacy and parenting projects and much more is available. Gifts can be purchased for mothers or in their memory, and if you wish, a card will be sent to you. The deadline approaches; 11th March 2010 is the last date to ensure you receive a card in time for Mothering Sunday. Buy now, make another mother's day, and it can all be done online at

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After the third damp summer and the second cold and snowy winter in succession it is proving difficult to keep the faith with global warming. There has also recently been a great deal of controversy about the validity of forecasts of

global warming with some claims apparently exaggerated. Some experts who support international negotiations have been accused of withholding data from sceptics. Nevertheless, the risks of a perceptible change to our climate cannot be ignored and it is prudent, given the scale of the risk, to consider how to prevent, or at least mitigate, the effects.

Water, in particular, is under serious stress. This is the driest part of the country, receiving only two thirds of the average annual rainfall. Parts of the region have less water per head than Sudan or Syria and climate forecasters predict a big decrease in summer rainfall (by up to 44%) as warming takes effect. In the East of England we also have ominous predictions of population growth leading to more demand for housing over the coming decades. Water will become an increasingly vulnerable resource, with a decrease in water availability in the summer, combined with an increase in demand to use it. By 2050, climate change could lead to water resources being reduced by between 10 and 15%, whilst river flows in the summer time could be 50 to 80% lower.

New supplies of water will need to be found but there is very little space in our crowded countryside to find somewhere to build a new reservoir. So it will also be necessary to reduce our use of water and to waste less of it. New houses can have *grey water* systems, showers instead of baths, and loos which flush with less water, but the houses that we already have will be around for a long time.

Ian Reay's &news &views

Too Little and Too Much

Ian Reay looks at water supply and climate change

Along with the shortage of water there is also, ironically, an increased risk of flooding. As summers dry up, winter rainfall is forecast to grow, also by up to 44% and, perhaps more significantly, there will be an increase in the frequency and severity

of storms with heavy rainfall. We will have to adopt techniques to manage surface and ground water in such a way as to avoid floods but at the same time store the rainfall for future use. That means such things as storage ponds, porous pavements and soakaways (to allow rainfall to drain into the aquifer rather than to flood onto the road), and wetland areas. Even 'green roofs', that store water on the roof, have been suggested. We will also need to look at how roads are built so that they behave in flooding events in such a way that traffic is not disrupted. And, most importantly, we should not build any more houses in places at a high risk of flooding.

These concerns have been around for some time but there has now come to light a new threat, that to water quality. A large number of rivers in the East of England do not meet the targets required by the European Union, particularly the required standard for phosphate. This pollution can come from sewage discharges, farmland, or urban surface water runoff. But it can also be exacerbated by the concentration of pollutants in rivers with low flow. Again, at the other extreme, pollution can be a consequence of flooding. Even at today's housing levels, certain sites are exceeding the required phosphate thresholds and many of the region's rivers are not achieving the European standards for other pollutants. Increased housing, combined with climate change, is going to make it increasingly difficult to maintain water quality to the required levels.



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Tony was, with Gwen his wife, a Hospice of St Francis *Original*. St Francis *Originals* are those people who in 1979 somehow heard first whisperings, then announcements, about the possibility of a hospice being established in Berkhamsted to serve the 350,000 people of the Chilterns and St Albans. Quietly, many of those *original* volunteers made their way to the little convent in Shrublands Road - at that time home to some five or six members of the Roman Catholic Order of the Franciscan Sisters of Mill Hill. Those coming offered to help in whatever way they could to bring the hospice into being.

Why the convent? Because the Sisters enthusiastically joined forces with the ecumenical group which was coming together to shape the new enterprise. **Sister Christopher Lawlor** SSF, of blessed memory, then senior Sister at Shrublands Road, was elected Vice-Chairman of the Steering Committee of the first Council of Management, with **Pam Macpherson**, an Anglican, as its first Chairman. There was spare capacity at the convent, and the Sisters lovingly and generously offered temporary use of a large room to serve, for three hours each morning, as the first 'office' of the hospice. It was a Godsend. Until then, meetings large and small, and all day-to-day endeavours were taking place in the Macphersons' small, private study in their home at 5 Kingsdale Road. The large convent room provided a focal point, situated right beside the main entrance door of the building and isolated from the living areas of the Sisters, so it did not impinge on their privacy. A few months later, through the good offices of the late **Dr Jean Meyer**, also a member of the

EARLY DAYS AT THE HOSPICE OF ST

Pam Macpherson pays tribute to
Tony Roberts



first Council of Management, a longer-term facility was made available at the District Nurses' meeting point in Manor Street, subsequently Dr Tutty and partners' surgery.

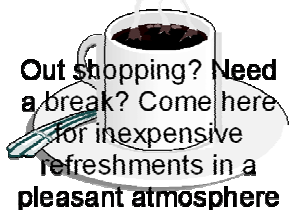
Gwen Roberts was one of the first people to knock on the convent door and offer help. Most of those who knocked were young mothers whose children had started school, leaving them free during morning hours. The varied and considerable talents, and the deep commitment of those *original* volunteers, ensured the success of the hospice from its very earliest beginnings.

Unable to escape the huge enthusiasm of their wives came their kind and able husbands. Tony Roberts was one of the earliest of the supportive young husbands. Working with a high-class chocolate-manufacturing company at the time, Tony soon made us all aware of the properties and joy and fun of chocolate! Chocolate delicacies adorned a table at our first annual bazaar held in the Court House in December 1979. When on one occasion something went a little askew in the company's manufacturing process, Tony brought to the hospice what seemed like tons of best but slightly misshapen chocolates needing to be hygienically unwrapped and returned unbroken for re-processing. It was a jolly time for all, including the Sisters. Tony ensured that the hospice was well rewarded for this diversion! While this confection was in progress, Gwen was working with Dr Janet Squire, also a member of the Council, on the *Snowball coffees* which became the hospice fund-raising launchpad, exceeding all expectations. There are still thousands of people who fondly, or

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between your everyday life and your *spiritual life*? If you are honest, does your daily routine somehow seem more *real* than time spent in church activities or prayer? Have you ever thought, *It's all very well for monks nuns who can spend all day in prayer, but I've got a school-run to do, a train to catch, a supermarket to visit ...?* Or maybe you would love to go away on retreat, but neither time nor circumstances allow.

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One of the advantages of a retreat like this, is that your prayer-life is inevitably grounded in your daily life. This gives you the opportunity to see where God is at work and involved in your life, not only in your ordinary routine, but also in any extraordinary events that might

happen. It can be a chance to listen to God's voice - and to encounter our loving Lord - for the first time, or perhaps in a new way, more personally than you have done

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For those of you currently experiencing the rigours of Lent, there is light at the end, and the middle, of the tunnel to look forward to.

Especially for those of you who have given up alcohol over the forty days, you have the chance to refresh and enjoy yourselves, whilst supporting the Petertide Fair and its 2010 causes. Back by popular demand following the success of last year's event is wine tasting. Taking place on the weekend of Refreshment Sunday, the event will once again be conducted by sommelier and Wigginton's curate, **Fr Mike Eggleton**. He will be focusing on the little known regional wines of Portugal. Tickets are priced at £12, with all money going to Petertide causes in 2010, *BerkoAstro* and *Karunashraya*. They're available from **Judith Limbert**, so give yourself some good Lent refreshment on **Friday 12th March 2010**, starting at 8:15pm. For those of you who complete the forty days without breaking your Lenten rigours, there is a Petertide first to look forward to. On **Tuesday 4th May 2010**, starting at 7:30pm, the whole

WINE & DINE

... and support the Petertide Fair

Sam Limbert writes

of the Gatsby bar and restaurant, 97 High St Berkhamsted (under the Rex cinema), will be open for Petertide business. The event is ticketed and is already

sold out. Returns may be available for £30, with £10 going to the Petertide causes. You'll get a three course meal with coffee for that price, as well as music from St Peters' resident organist, **Jon Lee**, on piano. Plus, for a small donation to the Fair causes, he'll even play some requests. The attire will be smart dress (black ties optional) so why not dig out your tuxedo or your cocktail dress and have a glamorous night out with friends.

Money saved from Lenten rigours will be well spent on these two fantastic events! The Petertide events committee are providing a lot to whet your appetites before the Fair itself on **Saturday 12th June 2010**.

Contact **Judith Limbert** (01442 873626 chrichton@waitrose.com) for possible returned tickets and more information on the Petertide Fair.

Go to <http://petertidefair.org> for more information on the 2010 causes. ❖

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Early days at the Hospice of St Francis

otherwise, remember hosting *Snowballs*.

Tony never did things by halves. He arranged the subsequently annual Service of Thanksgiving for the hospice, held on the Sunday afternoon in October closest to the Feast Day of St Francis (4th October). In 1980, this first service was held at the Berkhamsted Baptist Church. The church was packed with supporters from far and near, and a sumptuous tea was served afterwards by the Baptist hosts in their spacious hall.

Tony was admitted into a London hospital for heart surgery in November 2009. The operation at first appeared to be successful, but there were complications

and he died in hospital on **13th December 2009**. Those of us who had the pleasure and privilege of working with Tony in the formative years of the hospice will not forget his large and stimulating contribution. He became an Associate Member of the Hospice in March 1982, and remained a member until his death. Donations made in his memory (as requested by Gwen and the family) will help the hospice to continue to provide its special care, which can perhaps be summarized as *Love Made Known* - words incorporated in the first hospice logo. That was the vision of St Francis *Originals*.

Deo Gratias.



The photograph of No 7 Shrublands Road on the cover of the January review and the short accompanying note posing the

*question “Who was HJF?” produced three very informative responses – from **Gillian Garner**, who lives at No 7, from **Jenny Sherwood**, a regular contributor to the review on the history of Berkhamsted, and from **Bill Willett**, another keen student of our town's past. The following account is compiled from these contributions.*

WHO WAS HJF?

Gillian Garner, Jenny Sherwood & Bill Willett have the answer



HJF was **Henry James Foster**, the brewer. He was born in Berkhamsted 9th July 1844, the son of **James and Hannah Foster**. A street directory of the early 1900s confirms that he lived at that time in Shrublands Road but at No 3 in a property called *Oak Vale* (later called *Shrublands House*) At the time of the 1901 census Foster was aged 56 . He is recorded as being married – and not widowed, so presumably his wife was away at the time of the census. His son and daughter, Edward and Sarah, aged 15 and 19, his unmarried sisters, Annie and Caroline, and an unmarried cousin, **Caroline Chilton** also lived in the house. They were looked after by a 22 year-old girl, **Harriet Woods**, whom the census states as being born in Waddon, Cambridgeshire. All the members of the Foster household apart from the servant were born in Berkhamsted which was unusual in that neighbourhood.

Foster had married **Rosa Lane** in 1879 - she was the daughter of **John Edward Lane** (1808-89) of Lane's Nurseries. At the time of the 1881 Census, Henry and Rosa were living at *Oaklands*, Cross Oak Road together with a 19 year old servant **Jemima Luff**. This double fronted house was demolished in 1987 and replaced by the *Oaklands* housing development.

Foster was educated at Berkhamsted School and his first job was as a clerk on the London and North Western Railway. He later became a partner in the family firm together with his elder brother, Daniel – born in 1841. They ran the *Swan Inn* and two *maltings*, one in Chesham Road, behind *The Swan* and one – No 2 Malting - in Chapel Street (see photographs on p 16)

By the time of the firm's merger with Chesham Brewery in 1897 they controlled, not only *The Swan*, but also *The George*, *Brownlow Arms* and *Rose and Crown* in Berkhamsted, *The Surprise* at Buckland Wharf, *The Rose and Crown* at Buckland Common, *The Eagle* at Berton, *The Pheasant* at Northchurch, a beerhouse called *Cradles* at the bottom of Tring Hill as well as three off-licences in Berkhamsted and one in Aylesbury.

Early in his life Foster took an interest in and joined the 7th Hertfordshire volunteers. He was a member for 39 years and in 1884 he presented *E* company to Queen Victoria at Windsor. In 1899 he was still officer commanding the 2nd (Hertfordshire) Volunteer Battalion of the Bedfordshire Regiment. He was a Director of Berkhamsted Water Company, a Governor of Berkhamsted School for 25 years, Trustee of several local charities and freemason of the Berkhamsted Lodge (Worshipful Master in 1885). He was also attached to the Berkhamsted Dramatic Company for 50 years, spoke the prologue for the first production and was their President for 25 years.

Foster was predeceased by his wife who died in August 1903 and also by his son, **Edward**. **Foster** himself died on 3 March 1911 at the age of 67. The Hemel Hempstead Gazette reported his death and *impressive funeral*, with a truly remarkable list of mourners including **Mr**

C H Greene, Headmaster of Berkhamsted School. From the obituary it appears he was *a member of one of the oldest families in the town ... cheery and brightest of townsmen, who had for everybody a kindly word, ready with a kindly act.*

As for No 7 Shrublands Road, it is not part of a terrace but with No.5 is one of a pair of imposing semi detached properties. The same initials and date – HJF 1898 – appear on No 5, now *Dunsland House*. These properties were built, no doubt for Foster, on land owned in 1890 by Frederick Quincey Lane, brother of Foster's wife Rosa, **William Dwight** of Dwight's Pheasantries and two men called Rowland, Frederick's interest having presumably passed to him when his father, **John Lane**, died in 1889. The land had previously been occupied by part of Lane's extensive nursery undertaking.

The original properties developed on the nursery land at this end of Shrublands Road, between Cross Oak Road and Shrublands Avenue, were:

No 1 *Dunedin House*, at one time occupied by Egerton-Rothsay School, subsequently demolished and replaced by the present *Rothsay Court*. At the time of the 1901 Census this house was occupied by a Welsh family, the Thelwalls; the head, Embale (!?) a 72-year-old retired Lieutenant-Colonel and his much younger wife in her fifties, two children in their twenties and the servants.

No 3 *Oak Vale*, the Foster home. Following Foster's death it was occupied in 1912 by a Mrs Mitchell and by 1920 was called *Shrublands House*. Now demolished and replaced by town houses forming 1a-5a Shrublands Road

No 5 *Fairlight*, now *Dunsland House*

No 7 *Ar Tech Ne*, now *Mullions*

No 9 *Stoneycroft* occupied in 1899 by a Mrs Lang

No 11 *The Rowans*. At the time of the 1901 Census occupied by a retired schoolmaster (aged 53), **Charles E**

Sparke

Nos 9 and 11 survive to the present day and both still retain their original names. It is interesting to note that in Kelly's 1899 Directory, these properties are recorded as being in Charles Street, although the 1897 revision of the Ordnance Survey six inch map identifies the road as Shrublands Road.

The information in this account comes in part from the 1901 Census of Population which can be seen and used in the Dacorum Heritage Store at the Civic Centre. Over the last few years, **Ken Wallis**, and **Bill Willett**, have copied the information from the Enumerator's Books for each Census from 1851 to 1901 and then tapped the data into a spreadsheet. The latter allows the data to be organised, sorted and analysed with relative ease. This can reveal the age of the population, where the people were born, what they did, where they lived, what size or form of household they lived in, and so forth. The spreadsheets can be searched electronically for a person's name, address, occupation etc. For example, once the spreadsheet was opened the information about 7 Shrublands Road was found in less than a minute. This information is for the Berkhamsted Registration District but you can search the whole country by surname, but not easily to area, by using <http://ancestry.co.uk> (also free at the library)

In addition, the deeds and other interesting documents relating to Shrublands Road and Shrublands Avenue were donated to the Berkhamsted Local History & Museum Society a few years ago by Mr Smythe of Dunsland House and are deposited in the Dacorum Heritage Trust Museum Store.

For more information on **Henry James Foster** see BLHMS's Chronicle Vol II, available from the Society at £2.50. ❖

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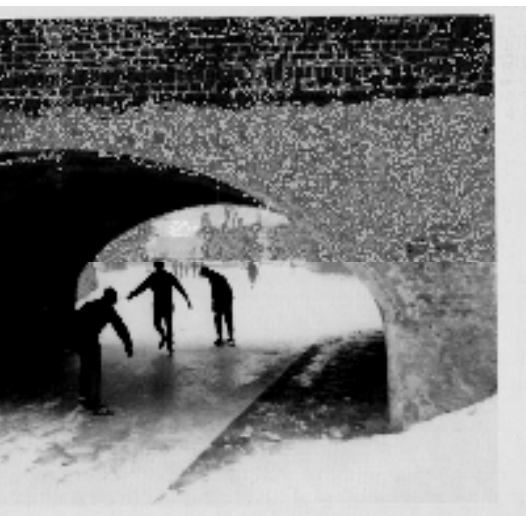
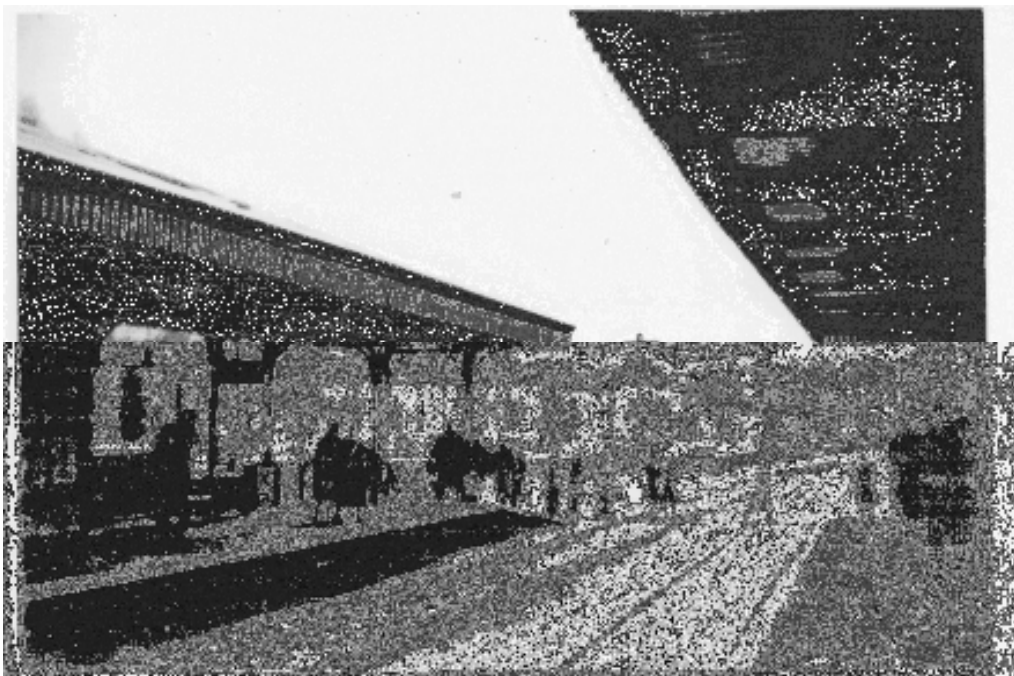
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Top: The former No 2 Malting in Chapel Street

photo: Christopher Green

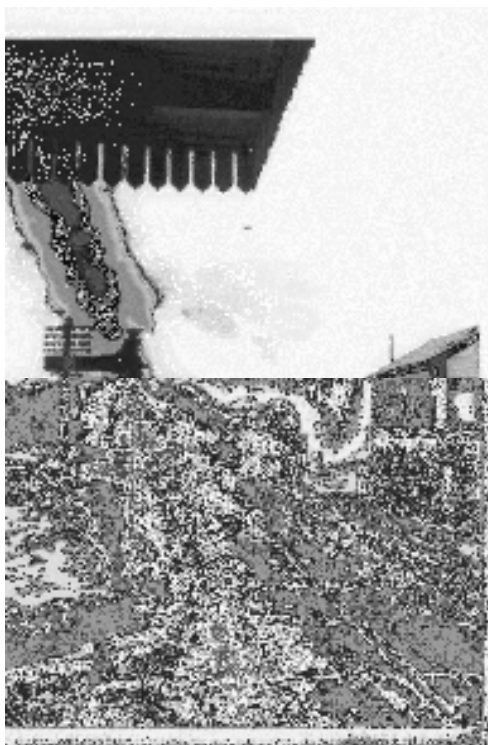
Lower: Faint traces of the original signage on the building

photo: Gillian Garner



of 1963

cold weather had **Margaret Casserley** to another season of snow and ice – the 1962/3. Her photographs show what it was like with skating on the canal, seen here at Castle Street Bridge and wintery scenes at Station.



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In his article on the restoration and re-ordering of St Peter's, **Christopher Green** refers to *The Wandering Vestry*. He could also have mentioned the

ROOFS AND RE-ORDERING

Christopher Morris puts the record straight

peripatetic chest tomb, now considered to be that of Henry of Berkhamsted. This was located in at least two other places before it came to rest in its present position at the east end of the north aisle by the steps to the Vestry.

I would add some comments on his description of the renewal of the nave roof. It is perhaps of interest to note that the third person in the photographs is **Wyn Moss**, a director of Donald Lockhart, who was in charge of the work and, at times, a member of the PCC. Christopher calls the nave roof a tie-beam structure, not something that I recognise. The previous roof consisted of a beam spanning between the external walls supported on timber posts resting on the corbels. This beam carried two purlins, running east-west, on which the rafters rested, reducing their spans. Whether the inclined members between the beam and the corbels were intended to take load from the beam it is not now possible to say. I would doubt if they were very effective.

The present roof structure is just the same except that the inclined members and *tracery* have been omitted. The timber wall posts have been replaced with reinforced

concrete although all the beam load now comes on to the top of the walls, on which longitudinal reinforced concrete beams have been constructed. It is perhaps pedantic to state that there is no *pre-stressed* concrete in the roof, a material Lockharts would not have known how to handle, except in pre-cast form, but only ordinary reinforced concrete.

More interesting is to speculate what we would do today, if faced with a similar situation. I suspect that it would be found that a lot of the old main timber had adequate strength left and would merely have been treated to kill the infestation.

Finally it was not only the PCC that voted on the colour of the roof panels but also a Parish Meeting. Indeed, at that time, all proposals for re-ordering and restoration were presented to Parish Meetings and comments sought. I think that the reference to a *stormy* meeting of the PCC is something of an exaggeration. A *frank exchange of views* is as far as I would go



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review Northchurch & Wigginton

March 2010 -
The Centrality
of Love

The Revd
Jonathan
Gordon writes

This is the time of year when I meet up with couples who are planning to get married at St Mary's in the next few months. The main things to sort out are the order of service, the reading of the banns and other

practicalities such as the flowers, bells and what hymns to have. One important part of the service is the readings. Over the last few years we have had poetry and prose alongside passages from the Bible. The most well known New Testament passage is St Paul's *First Letter to the Corinthians chapter 13* that describes the nature of Christian love. In some ways it is the most obvious reading, but its focus is not marriage, but spiritual gifts and in particular those that build up community. He does write about marriage elsewhere in the letter; yet his advice is to remain single!

Love is at the heart of the Christian faith. The Bible is the story of God's love for us and His desire that we should respond by loving him and loving our neighbour. The evidence of the work of the Spirit in our lives will be an increasing love for God and an increasing love for others. Without love everything else in the Christian life St Paul believed counted for nothing. Yet, love brings its own challenges and two possible areas come to mind:

How can you love someone who mistreats other people or who has really hurt you or someone you care about?

Jesus is categorical: *Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate your enemy. But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless*

them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them that despitefully use you; that you may be the children of your Father which is in heaven. Jesus was very serious when he gave this command; he wasn't exaggerating. He realized that it's hard to love your enemies. He realized that it's difficult to love those persons who have hurt you.

Martin Luther King Jr often made a distinction in his speeches between the different types of love. The Greek language has a few and the important one in describing the life of Jesus is *agape*. *Agape* he described as an overflowing love or the love of God working in the lives of men and women. Jesus did not say *like* your enemy, as that would be almost impossible, but he does encourage us to love them and when you rise to love on this level, you begin to love others, not because they are likeable, but because God loves them. ❖

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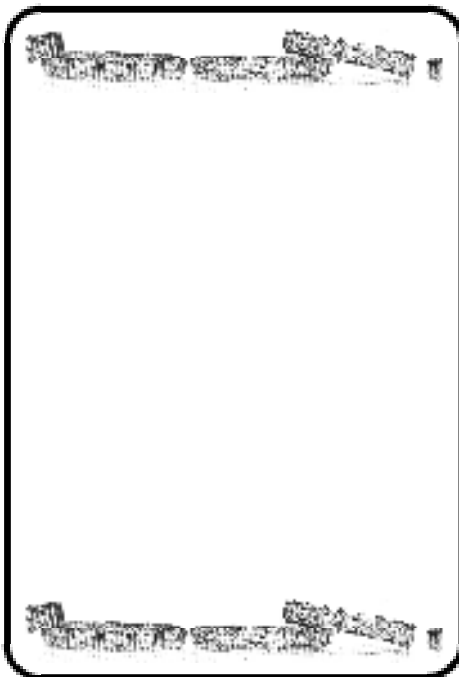
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It was nice to read **Father Luke Geoghegan's** leader in the February issue. As those who know me know, I'm not political (!) but there are things that happen when you have to think to

yourself, *Why doesn't someone do something about that?* Politicians like to lead, or they think they do. In actual fact they only want to lead the public to the ballot box by suggesting that the public controls politicians. When was the last time politicians actually listened to the public? We have consultations on just about everything but secretly we know the outcome before it's announced. Being only a youngster (!), I can just recall the one and only national referendum, which asked if we should remain part of a trading organisation known as the European Economic Community. I really don't know anyone who voted other than to remain part of this organisation. On the other hand, I don't know anyone who is in favour of a European State, but politicians always refer back to the referendum as the reason why Europe now controls this island. Whenever it is suggested asking residents anything, it's always what question to ask and how to ask it which is more important than obtaining a decision that the public will support.

As I write, Parliament will shortly be thinking about proportional representation and will decide whether to ask the country (you and me) if it wants to change the voting system. I bet they spend a fair amount of time and money deciding how and what to ask. It would be much easier to start with the question *Do you want to change the voting system?* as I don't recall ever being asked that question, let alone deciding what to change it to.

Nearer to home, we have had consultations on all sorts of things *because it's required by law*. Hospital, birthing unit, planning, housing to name just a few. How many of you have read all

POLITICS AND RELIGION

Norman Cutting finds local democracy elusive

the documents and responded? As a councillor said to me once, *The public want their bins emptied and the potholes filled*, he got elected on that platform! Not the same councillor, I should

point out, that once said to me *I don't do politics*.

Having got sidetracked, let's return to local democracy. Before the place known as Dacorum was invented, the Berkhamsted Urban and Rural Councils had a fair amount of freedom. When Dacorum came into being, it started to lose decision-making to County as it was thought they had a more strategic view. I was involved with Dacorum at the tail-end of a Conservative government, although being a new boy, I took things as they occurred, having been elected on the *Independent - supporting Berkhamsted First* platform. 1997 saw the Labour Government win the general election and suddenly local authorities were inundated with consultation documents - believe me. Civil servants can produce masses of paper when they try to pass decision making down the line. However, local decision making must be tempered by controlling funding, ensuring that the national plan is adhered to and it must provide a means of allowing the public to blame the council when the impossible is asked of councils by central government.

Ignoring simple things like railways, water, roads, gas or electricity which cross all boundaries and really don't lend themselves to management by lots of efficient private companies, the NHS is a classic example of trying to devolve power and not actually achieving the required result. It has turned into a lot of private organisations that are told what to do centrally, with the management having to provide the *service* that is expected.



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29th March Monday in Holy Week

7:30pm Eucharist

8:00pm Liturgy of Penitence and Healing

30th March Tuesday in Holy Week

7:30pm Eucharist

8:00pm Stations of the Cross

31st March Wednesday in Holy Week

7:30pm Eucharist

8:00pm Tenebrae

1st April Maundy Thursday

8:00pm Sung Eucharist of the Last Supper

Preacher: +Christopher, Bishop of Hertford

2nd April Good Friday

12-3pm Three hour devotion including the Liturgy of the Day

Preacher: +Christopher, Bishop of Hertford

3rd April Easter Eve

9:00pm The Easter Vigil, Holy Baptism & Confirmation

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4th April Easter Day

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9:30am Sung Eucharist

6:00pm Choral Evensong

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Early May is a wonderful time for walking, winter is behind us, and the joys of spring are all around.

The Berkhamsted Walk offers its popular 12 mile walk, the Bluebell Walk, and a Fun Walk of 6 miles. An 18 miles Challenge Walk stretches fit and determined walkers.

It's easy to take part. You can go to the website, <http://berkhamstedwalk.com>, and download a registration and sponsor form. All the information you could want about the Walk, the NT Ashridge Estate and The Children's Society is on the website (<http://berkhamstedwalk.com>). Sponsor forms are also available at *The Bloc* on the corner of Lower Kings Road in the High Street, and at *The Complete Outdoors*, London Road, Bourne End. Other outlets in the town, such as the Library and the Sports Centre, will have sponsor forms on display. Alternatively, 'phone 01442 864968 for information and forms to be sent to you.

The Bluebell and Challenge long routes start from The Court House alongside St Peter's Church, Berkhamsted, with registration between 10:00am and 11:30am. The 6 miles Fun Walk starts at Ashridge College with registration between 11:00am and 2:00pm. Details of the three routes will be in the *review* in the April edition, with the assurance that you won't be disappointed!

The Walk is an annual opportunity to enjoy the countryside around us while supporting the work of The Children's Society through your sponsorship. Organised by the Berkhamsted appeals committee, the Walk funds the work of the Society with the aim of giving disadvantaged children a good childhood. Please help us, enter the date in your diary, and join us on our 42nd Berkhamsted Walk.

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BERKHAMSTED JAZZ

Saturday, 14th March 2010 at 8:00pm in the Civic Centre **Pete Long Band and his Goodmen**. Tickets Members £8, visitors £12, Students and Children half price available on the door.

BERKHAMSTED & DISTRICT ARCHAEOLOGY SOCIETY

Thursday, 25th March 2010 at 7:45pm at Newcroft, Mill Street. *The Medieval Household* **Dr Geoff Egan**. Visitors £1.50 on the door.

BERKHAMSTED LOCAL HISTORY & MUSEUM SOCIETY

Wednesday, 10th March 2010 at 8:00pm at the Civic Centre. *Events World-Wide during the American Civil War* – **Andrew Houseman**. Visitors £2.50 at the door

ASHLYNS SCHOOL

Thursday to Saturday, 11th-13th March 2010 at 7:30pm in Ashlyns School Hall. Musical: *Return to the Forbidden Planet* For details 863605

BERKHAMSTED CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

Thursday, 11th March 2010 at 8:00pm in the Sessions Hall. Environment Awards for best new building or improvement in town: Visitors £2.

BERKHAMSTED THEATRE COMPANY

Thursday - Saturday, 25th-27th March 2010 at 7:45pm in the Civic Centre. *Noises Off* by **Michael Frayn**. £8-£10.

BERKHAMSTED WEA

Saturday, 6th March 2010 10:00am – 4:00pm in the Friends' Meeting House – *It's a Mathematical World* – **Brian Catlow**. Tea and Coffee provided – bring own lunch. £12.50

Friday, 19th March 2010 12-2:30pm *Victorian Gardens* **Katherine Myers**. In the Friends' Meeting House £10 Contact Hazel Ward 875899. Bring own lunch.

Friday, 26th February 2010 12-2:30pm *Victorian Music Hall and popular songs* - **Stephen Barnard**. In the Friends' Meeting House £10 Contact Hazel Ward 875899. Bring own lunch.

BERKHAMSTED MUSIC SOCIETY

Saturday, 13th March 2010 in the Civic Centre, at 8:00pm. **Florestan Trio Haydn**: Trios Hob XV 26 & 31: *Beethoven* Trio in Eb Op 1/1: *Shostakovich*: Trio No 2 in E Minor Op67 Visitors £12, Dacorum Card £10 U18 free.

BERKHAMSTED CASTLE WI



Joint Presidents, **Joy Lovell** and **Judith Lowther** welcomed us to our February meeting and it was pleasing to meet up again with friends after missing our January meeting owing to the dreadful snow and ice! Joy advised us about the forthcoming events taking place which we might wish to attend later in this year.

Our Speaker this month was **Pam Wright** telling us all about *Beatrix Potter*, the great children's storybook writer and artist. We relived the tales of Peter Rabbit amongst others and with the great wealth and success of her writings she was able to purchase many properties in her favourite place, the Lake District, which have been bequeathed to the National Trust. In her

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later years whilst living in the Lake District she became interested in sheep farming and became an eminent judge of sheep.

A vote of thanks was given by **Ali Saunders**. During teatime with delicious cakes the competitions were judged and the raffle drawn.

Next month on **Friday, 5th March 2010** our speaker will be **Hugh Grainger**, his talk being *Audacious Frauds and Swindlers*. We meet at the Court House, Berkhamsted at 2:00pm. Why not pay us a visit?

OXFAM CHILDREN'S WEAR EVENT

Friday, 9th April 2010 9:00 - 11.30am in the Civic Centre. If you can help with either storage or ironing please contact Nicky Evans on 01442 872502.

BRIDGEWATER SINFONIA

Saturday, 6th March 2010 in St Peter's Church at 7:30pm. Philip Sawyers: Overture, The Gale of Life: Schumann: Piano Concerto in A minor (**Angela Brownridge**) £12, Concessions £10 U18 free.

TUESDAY CLUB

On **Tuesday, 9th February 2010**, we met for the first time this New Year, the Big Freeze having caused the cancellation of our January meeting.

Our Speaker was **Ann Parsons**, whose reminiscences of life a generation ago kept us laughing all evening. Each memory was illustrated by a hilariously funny poem, such as *Dust if you Must*, *The Vest* and *Grandma's Bloomers*.

Our next meeting on **2nd March 2010** will be our AGM, after which **Father John Pritchard** will give a short talk.

BERKHAMSTED FILM SOCIETY

Monday and Tuesday, 8th and 9th March 2010 *In Bruges*.

Monday and Tuesday, 29th and 30th March 2010 *Pot Luck*

At Civic Centre at 8:00pm Visitors £5 at the door. For details of membership contact Membership Secretary 863155.

BERKHAMSTED LOCAL HISTORY & MUSEUM SOCIETY

With the Chiltern Conservation Board, the Society has arranged four tours of historic Berkhamsted for the coming season. These include guided tours of the Castle with its Visitor Room, and a guided tour of points of historic interest in Berkhamsted Town Centre. The tours last 2.5 hours. Cost is £3 adults, £1.50 children. Bookings to **Jenny Sherwood**, 01442 865158 or email KSherw9100@aol.com

Tours take place as follows:

Sundays, 28th March, 25th April, 20th June, 25th July, commencing at 2:00 pm

For group & school tours of the Castle contact **Jenny Sherwood** (as above.)

BERKHAMSTED QUILTERS EXHIBITION

Saturday and Sunday, April 24th and 25th 2010 10:00am - 4:30pm.

In the Civic Centre Berkhamsted High Street. Quilt raffle in aid of the Hertfordshire Air Ambulance.

Refreshments, sales table, demonstrations and more. Admission £3.00

BERKHAMSTED ART SOCIETY

Thursday, 11th March 2010 At Civic Centre at 8:00pm Talk or Demonstration on Art Related Subject Visitors £2

March

SUN	<i>St Peter's</i>	8:00am Eucharist 9:30am Sung Eucharist 6:00pm Evensong
	<i>All Saints'</i>	7 th 10:00am Eucharist 14 th 10:00am Morning Worship 21 st 10:00am Morning Worship 23 rd 10:00am Morning Worship 28 th 8:00am Holy Communion 10:00am Morning Worship with Holy Baptism

All services at *St Peter's* unless otherwise indicated. MP = Morning Prayer EP = Evening Prayer

MON	MP	9:00am	EP	5:00pm	Eucharist	6:00pm
TUE	MP	7:30am	EP	5:00pm	Eucharist	9:30am <i>All Saints'</i>
WED	MP	7:30am	EP	5:00pm	Eucharist	8:00am
THU	MP	7:30am	EP	5:00pm	Eucharist	11:00am
FRI	MP	7:30am	EP	5:00pm <i>both</i>	Eucharist	9:15am
SAT	MP	9:30am	EP	5:00pm	Eucharist	10:00am

3 rd Mon	PASTORAL NETWORK	7:45pm	<i>The Court House</i>
	Contact Philippa Seldon (871534)		
Tue	CHUCKLES PARENT & TODDLER GROUP:	10:00-11:30am	<i>All Saints' Church Hall</i>
	Song Time or short service as announced.		Jenny Wells (870981)
Tue	ST PETER'S CHOIR Children	5:15 to 6:15pm	<i>St Peter's</i>
	Contact: Adrian Davis (875674) or Jean Wild (866859)		
1 st Tue	TUESDAY CLUB	7:45pm	<i>A lively women's group with guest speaker The Court House</i>
	Contact chairman Barbara McKenna (871159)		
3 rd Tue	MOTHERS' UNION: meets in members' houses at 8:00pm.		
	<i>Non-members always welcome.</i>	Contact: Kathie Lally (863526)	
4 th Tue	MOTHERS' UNION PRAYER GROUP:	2:30pm	<i>17 Shaftesbury Court</i>
	Tell us if anyone needs our prayers.	Contact: Jenny Wells (870981)	
Wed	JULIAN MEETING: meets about twice a month	at Jenny's	<i>57 Meadow Rd</i>
	<i>All are very welcome at 11:30am as arranged</i>	or at Ruth's	<i>1 Montague Rd</i>
	Contact: Jenny Wells (870981) or Ruth Treves Brown (863268)		
Wed	PATHFINDERS GAMES CLUB	7-8:30pm (yrs 5-8)	Penny Nash (865217)
			<i>The Court House</i>
Thu	HOME GROUP: 8:00pm on 2 nd & 4 th Thursdays.		
Thu	BELLRINGING: 8:00pm Helen Ruberry (890949)		<i>St Peter's</i>
Fri	LITTLE FISHES PARENT & TODDLER GROUP: 9:30-11:30am		<i>The Court House</i>
	Weekly meetings with a short service 1 st Fri in St Peter's (10am)		
	Tracy Robinson (863559)		
Fri	ST PETER'S CHOIR: Children 7:00-8:30pm, Adults 7:30-8:30pm.		<i>St Peter's</i>
	Contact: Adrian Davis (875674) or Jean Wild (866859)		
3 rd Sat	ABC PRAYER BREAKFAST: 8:00am for breakfast & prayers.		<i>Various local churches</i>

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Please see opposite for regular Sunday & weekday services at St Peter's and All Saints'

March / April

MARCH

Mon	1	8:00pm	Occasional Talk: David Pearce Bee Keeping..... <i>The Court House</i>
Fri	5	10:00am	Little Fishes Service..... <i>St Peter's</i>
Sat	6	7:30pm	The Cowper Society presents: Bridgewater Sinfonia..... <i>St Peter's</i>
Mon	8	8:00pm	The Cowper Society presents: Stonehenge-Its Archaeology & Geology CP Green <i>Court House</i>
Tue	9	10:15am	Chuckles Toddlers' service <i>Jesus and the children</i> <i>All Saints'</i>
Fri	12	11:00am	Victoria School Mothering Sunday Service..... <i>St Peter's</i>
		8:00pm	Petertide Fair 2010 Wine Tasting..... <i>The Court House</i>
Sat	13	3:00pm	District Bellringing (8:00pm)..... <i>St Peter's</i>
Sun	14	9:30am	Mothering Sunday Sung Eucharist..... <i>St Peter's</i>
		6:00pm	Choral Evensong..... <i>St Peter's</i>
Sat	20	8:00am	Association of Berkhamsted Churches Prayer Breakfast..... <i>St Mary's Northchurch</i>
Sun	21	2:30pm	Local Primary School Choirs' Festival <i>St Peter's</i>
Tue	23	10:15am	Chuckles Toddlers' service <i>The Real Story of Easter</i> <i>All Saints'</i>
Wed	24	8:00pm	Sung Eucharist The Annunciation of the Lord (change of date) <i>St Peter's</i>
Fri	26	9:30am	Victoria School Palm Sunday Service..... <i>St Peter's</i>
Sun	28		Palm Sunday
		8:00am	Eucharist with Palm Crosses..... <i>St Peter's</i>
		9:30am	Blessing of Palms and Sung Eucharist (start on St Peter's lawn)..... <i>St Peter's</i>
		5:00pm	Evening Prayer - said..... <i>St Peter's</i>
		6:30pm	The Cowper Society presents: <i>Chiltern Chamber Choir</i> with <i>Coro Villa de Las Rozas & Bridgewater Sinfonia</i> <i>St Peter's</i>
Wed	31	12noon	Thomas Coram School End of Term Service..... <i>St Peter's</i>

For Holy Week and Easter see page 25

APRIL

Sat	17	8:00am	Association of Berkhamsted Churches Prayer Breakfast..... <i>Northchurch Baptist Church</i>
Sun	18	11:00am	Annual Parochial Church Meeting..... <i>The Court House</i>
		6:00pm	Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance..... <i>St Peter's</i>
Sat	24	7:30pm	The Cowper Society presents: The Chess Valley Male Voice Choir

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Baptisms (St Peter's)

24th January Charles Edward Orriss

Funerals

6th January Bessie Clara Drake
 15th January Dennis Frederick Shirley
 22nd January Kenneth Mansfield Milner
 1st February Benjamin James Walters

Chilterns Crematorium
 St Peter's Church (Chilterns)
 Chilterns Crematorium
 St Peter's Church (Kingshill)

CONTACT LIST

Names and local telephone numbers for jobs, rotas and information (for clergy, parish officers, music, bells and banns etc see opposite). Parish Office in the Court House (878227) is usually open 9:30am-5:30pm Tue/Wed, 9:30-12noon Thu/Fri (answering machine other times)

St Peter's

Altar service
Chalice rota
Church maintenance
Church cleaning
Flower arrangements
Sunday morning coffee
Service recordings
Intercessions
Epistle Readers
Electoral Roll
Pathfinders
Sidesmen

Catering
Hospice contact
Christian Aid
Youth Minister
Sunday School/Explorers
Fairtrade

Alan Conway (865798)
The Parish Office (878227)
Christopher Green (863241)
Jean Green (878227)
Sarah Dawson (871614)
Barbara Conway (865798)
Alan Conway (865798)
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Ron Fisher (865846)
Judith Limbert (873626)
Stephen Lally (863526)
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Rosemary Byrne (873001)
Rachael Anderson (871997)
Angela Morris (866992)
Penny Nash (865217)
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All Saints'

Felicity White (866223)
Tracy Robinson (863559)
Chris Lumb (863885)
Kate Spall (873470)
Madeleine Brownell (862578)
Sylvia Banks (871195)
John Banks (871195)
Tracy Robinson (863559)
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Pat Hearne (871270)
Penny O'Neill (843422)
Tracy Robinson (863559)

Gill Lumb (863885)
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Vicky Drury (875726)
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Politics and Religion

Note the word *service*. In practice it seems to be missing. The NHS is about *clients*, *customers* and *outcomes* closely followed by *budgets*, *shortfalls*, *PFI* etc. Not to worry though, the public were consulted, it's all locally controlled, but you can't actually do anything if you don't like the interpretation of the results of the consultation. *They* ensure that attendees to most consultation meetings are selectively chosen. Indeed, a local MP was missed off the public consultation meetings invitation list (MP missed??) as were several other representatives of local

organisations.

Yes, I think Father Luke may have a point. Just remember when the Conservatives promoted competition for telephones and lots of companies started digging up roads. Remember Telecentral? *We are here for the long haul*, we were told. How's your Virgin service? I could go on for hours about how government buildings are owned by off-shore companies - and our water, gas and electricity and now ... Cadburys.

Local control - some hope!



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The Revd Dr Michael Bowie, (Team Rector), The Rectory, Rectory Lane (864194)
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Philippa Seldon, 1 Fieldway (871534)
 All Saints' **Michael Robinson**, 36 Trevelyan Way, (863559)
 Representatives **Jenny Wells**, 57 Meadow Road (870981)
 Parochial Church Secretary: **Julian Dawson**, 62 St Edmunds (871614)
 Council: Treasurer: **Rachel Below**, Hillcote, Doctors Commons Rd (862316)

St Peter's

Director of Music: **Adrian Davis** (875674) <http://stpetersberkhamsted.org.uk>
 Asst. Director of Music: **Jean Wild** (866859)
 Organist: **Jonathan Lee** (0794 1113232)
 Weddings and Funerals,
 Banns of Marriage and
 Baptisms: **Fr Michael Bowie** (864194)
 Bellringers (St Peter's): **Helen Ruberry** 22 Brook Street, Tring (890949)

All Saints'

Choirmaster: **Peter McMunn** (874894)
 All Saints' is an Anglican / Methodist
 Local Ecumenical Partnership. <http://allsaintsberkhamsted.org.uk>
 Minister: **The Revd Caroline Weaver** (866324)

Personalities in the Parish



Answer next month

Last month's Personality



Patrick Lepper in 1944

The Cowper Society presents



Chiltern Chamber Choir

with **Coro Villa de Las Rozas**
Conductor **Maria Angeles Garcia Serrano**
and **Bridgewater Sinfonia**

directed by **Adrian Davis**

MOZART

Mass in C minor

Laudate Dominum & Ave Verum Corpus

Soloists:

sopranos

Kathryn Jenkin

Sian Menna

tenor

John-Colyn Gyeantey

bass

Charles Gibbs

**St Peter's Church
Berkhamsted**

Sunday 28th March

6.30 pm

Tickets:

£12, £10 concessions, under 18 free

From:

Cole Flatt, 124 High Street



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