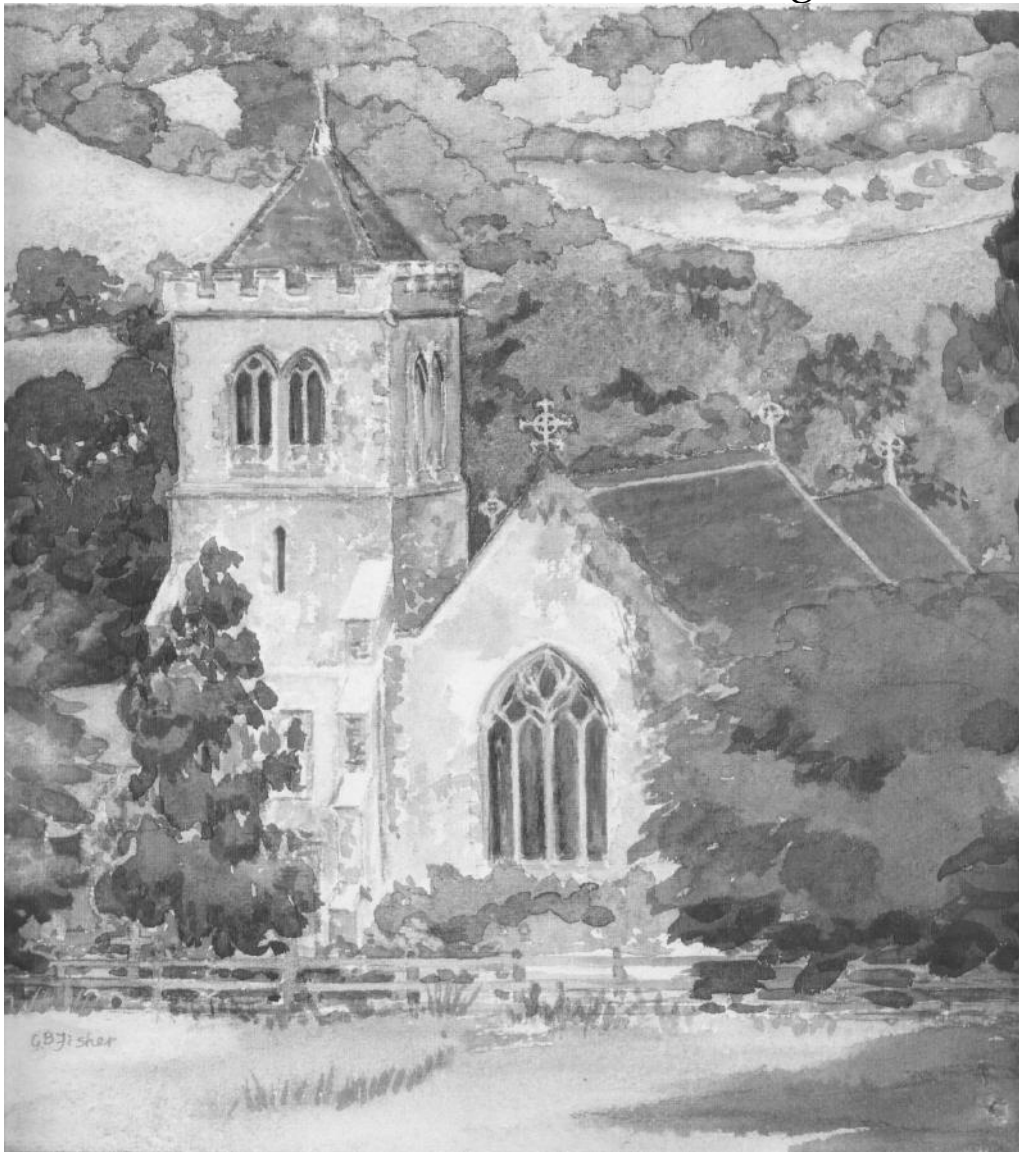


Outlook

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St Michael and All Angels



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Welcome

The fact that you are reading these words suggests that you are a new reader of this magazine. Either you are a newcomer to this area or you are a visitor.

If you are a visitor, we hope that you have enjoyed your visit to our church; that you have found it interesting, instructive and conducive to prayer. If you are going to be here at one of our regular service times, we hope that you will join us in the worship of God and we ask that you take our greetings back to your own church.

If you are new to this Parish, we bid you welcome and invite you to join us and share in the fellowship of God's family in Hughenden. This magazine gives details of the regular times of worship here. We hope that you will find something to meet your spiritual needs. The printed word is cold and remote and we would like to make personal contact with you, so please leave your name and address in the box at the back of the church.

Whoever you are who reads these words, may God bless you, sustain you and protect you, your family and friends, now and always.

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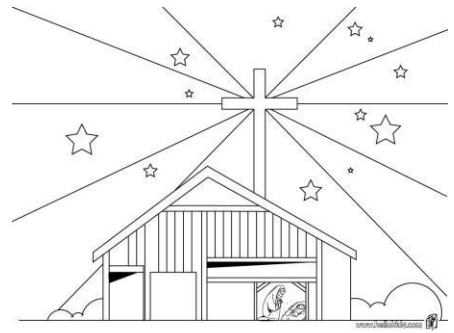
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team

Front cover picture

Detail from a water -
colour painting by
Geraldine Fisher.

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Dear Readers,



As you read this letter Advent will be upon us, leading us up to the Christmas celebrations. I'm sure many readers will find like me that their 'to do' list at this time of year gets longer and longer with all the Christmas preparation and shopping that is required. Will it all get done by the 25th we wonder? Well for me the answer is usually 'yes' it does all eventually get done even if I have to scale down my original plans and buy instead of home baking some items. I wonder, however, if God ever has a 'to do' list at this time of year and what would be on it? I shouldn't think for one moment it would be anything like mine or yours! I hope we will all remember amid the hustle and bustle that December brings, the true occasion we are celebrating, Jesus' birth.

There are a variety of Advent and Christmas Services at Hughenden this year and I know you will receive a warm welcome to which ever Service you choose to attend. So please do come.

Sadly, this is my last editorial for the Outlook magazine. I have very much enjoyed the challenge of piecing together the magazine over the last few years. I have received some wonderful articles to reflect on, some hilariously funny which have made me laugh and some very thought provoking and challenging. I have enjoyed reading them all. However, for the moment I will continue to be involved, and will assist the editors by typing articles that are hand written. Details of this trial method are on page 28.

That just leaves me to say I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Helen Byrne, Editor

From the Vicarage - December 2010

I can't quite get over how quickly this year seems to have gone by. It doesn't seem any time since we were all digging ourselves out of the pre - Christmas snow, and then the post - Christmas snow. Personally I felt cheated, the countryside around here on Christmas day last year was indeed 'deep and crisp and even' a beautiful white on Christmas day and yet officially it wasn't a white Christmas because no snowfall was recorded on the roof of the weather centre, or however it is worked out. Just who makes these rules anyway?



I hope that you will forgive my thinking that is now about to go off at a tangent. I was googling the other day (getting on an internet search site) the Hobbit Movie. I am a great Tolkien fan and really enjoyed the Lord of the Rings trilogy (even if the second movie was deeply flawed in places with its outrageous plot departures) and naturally I am eager to know what has been happening to the Hobbit. After many problems it would seem that Peter Jackson

(sorry, Sir Peter) will be directing it again, which I am sure is all good news for LOTR fans like me.

Anyway, before I wander completely off Piste (this is going somewhere I promise) I followed a link to Sir Ian McKellan (who played Gandalf in the Lord of the Rings), which simply said 'Sir Ian says the Bible is fiction'. Interested, I clicked on to find that it was a clip from an American TV chat show about the film of Dan Brown's The Da Vinci Code, Sir Ian having had a role in that as well. The host made the comment that perhaps Dan Brown should have made it clear in his book that the Da Vinci Code was a work of fiction, whereupon Sir Ian commented that he felt that there should be a similar disclaimer in the Bible, that it too was a work of fiction.

Perhaps none more so than the birth narratives of Jesus (there, I said this was going somewhere). It does seem to be an annual festive tradition on Christmas Day, or shortly after, as Channel 4 does a 'documentary' debunking the Christmas story.

I know that I have said this before, but in the Christian tradition the Christmas story is not in fact the main event, for that we have to turn to the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus, indeed the Birth of Jesus is only actually mentioned in two of the Gospels at all, Matthew and Luke, and most of the details that furnish the traditional nativity stories (Inns and Shepherds and Angels) come from Luke's gospel.



But is it fiction? Well in my understanding fiction is a piece of writing that is knowingly written as a story. It might draw from real events but the story itself, and often the characters in the story are invented. The question I want to ask is: Did Luke and Matthew believe that they were writing fiction, or did they in fact believe that they were writing fact? I think the latter. Matthew at the beginning of his gospel starts with a rather extensive genealogy, he wants to locate the birth of Jesus Christ firmly within history and provides a family tree to do so! Luke is emphatic, he begins his gospel, written to a character called Theophilus thus:

'To Theophilus: Many writers have undertaken to draw up an account of the events that have taken place among us, following the traditions handed down to us by the original eye-witnesses and servants of the gospel. So I in my turn, as one who has investigated the whole course of these events in detail, have decided to write an orderly narrative for you, your Excellency, so as to give you authentic knowledge about the matters of which you have been informed'.

Luke, a doctor by profession, of all the gospel writers, is the one who has the greatest eye for historical detail. He also went on to write the Acts of the Apostles, basically a continuation of the story following the resurrection. What he wrote about might be discounted by subsequent generations of readers, as it was indeed discounted by many of his contemporaries but it is clear that he believed what he was writing and that he was not writing fiction.



Christmas of course, like the traditional Christmas tree, is covered in trappings. But strip

these away and we still have the account of something remarkable. Personally I let these accounts stand as they are given, confident that those reporting them believed them to be true. Indeed I go further, I accept them as a matter of faith to be true, I can't prove it, and yes I acknowledge that the accounts are filled with remarkable details, but no less

remarkable than the central event of the Christian story, the resurrection of Jesus from the dead, an event I also have come to believe to be true, not as myth or metaphor but as actual real history.

Whether or not we believe these accounts to be true, it is clear from reading them that their writers never had fiction in mind.

Simon

Floodlighting Dedications

A dedication received for December is for:

12 – 18 December Barbara and Tony Frostick are wishing Alan and Margaret Jaycock a very happy Golden Wedding anniversary on 17 December.

If you have a special occasion to mark, why don't you dedicate the flood-lighting? Your dedication can be for anything within reason, remembering loved ones, birthdays, anniversaries, weddings, new babies - or just for the joy of being alive!

Lin Smit

Friendship Morning

This is a get together in Church House on the third Thursday each month at 10.30am. It is primarily for those who are bereaved, who live on their own, and for those who are lonely. The emphasis is very much on companionship, and the atmosphere is light and cheerful. Please contact me if you think this is for you.

Judith Camplisson – HW 565108

Church Auction

The Church Auction held on Saturday 13 November was a tremendous success, showing a profit of £4,400, which was slightly up on last year. Support from the village was great with people turning out in strength.

The number of items in the programme was over 150 including cottage holidays, a boat trip, MOTs, etc just to mention a few. The promises were so numerous that we almost ran out of space on the wall where they were displayed. Guessing the weight of the pumpkin was quite a challenge; at 36 lbs it was certainly a big one David! The tombola was also popular and added funds and variety to the occasion.



Thanks go to Frank Hawkins, Tom Brewer and the Social & Outreach team, for all they did to make the day such a success. Thank you too, to David and Hazel Low who looked after us well for lunch with tasty soup made, of course, from David's pumpkins, followed by delicious home-made apple crumble and cream, and to Mike Dean and his team who ran the bar, keeping everyone fully refreshed.

While it is important that we raise funds to maintain our lovely church and its buildings, we also recognize the importance of reaching out through our charities to help those in need. The excellent amount raised will go some way towards helping us to do this.

Finally, a very special thank you to all those who provided such a variety and range of items for inclusion in the auction, and to all those who so generously supported it on the day.



Brian Clark
Social & Outreach Committee

The Lectionary – December

		Readers		
		8am	9am	10.30am
5th	2nd Sunday of Advent Isaiah 11, 1-10 Romans 15, 4-3 Matthew 3, 1-12 Evensong: Psalms 11 and 28 1 Kings 18, 17-39 John 1 19-28	C Carter P Hynard Celebrant	R Gee K Moxham Celebrant	J Tucker
12th	3rd Sunday of Advent Isaiah 35, 1-10 James 5, 7-10 Matthew 11, 2-11 Psalm at 9 am: 146 Evensong: Psalms 12 and 14 Isaiah 5, 8-end Acts 13, 13-41	J Wilson J Kendell Celebrant	D Griffiths S Brice	S Clarke J Camplisson Celebrant
19th	4th Sunday of Advent Isaiah 7, 10-16 Romans 1 1-7 Matthew 1 18-end No Evensong; Nine Lessons and Carols	V Stattersfield D Godfrey Celebrant	A Gee J Palmer Celebrant	Informal Service
26th	St Stephens Day NB One Service only at 10.00am with Carols 2 Chronicles 24, 20-22 Acts 7, 51 17-22 Matthew 10, 17-22	S Cole S Badrick Celebrant		

January

Readers for the 8am and 9am services will be published in the free December supplement 'In Sight', available on 19th December and during January.

		Readers		
		8am	9am	10.30am
2nd	2nd Sunday of Christmas Jeremiah 31, 7-14 Ephesians 1, 3-14 John 1, 1-18	- - -	- - -	C Toller

		8am	Readers 9am	10.30am
2nd	2nd Sunday of Christmas <i>continued</i>			
	Evensong:			
	Psalm 135			
	Isaiah 41, 21- 42, 4			
	Colossians 2, 13-23			
9th	The Baptism of Christ			
	Isaiah 42, 1-9	-	-	B Stone
	Acts 10, 34-43	-	-	M Stone
	Matthew 3, 13-end	-	-	Celebrant
	Psalm at 9am: 29			
	Evensong:			
	Psalms 46, 47			
	Joshua 3, 1-8 & 14-end			
	Hebrews 1, 1-12			
16th	2nd Sunday of Epiphany			
	Isaiah 49, 1-7	-	-	Informal Service
	1 Corinthians 1, 1-9	-	-	
	John 1, 29-42			
	Evensong:			
	Psalm 96			
	Ezekiel 2, 1 – 3, 4			
	Galatians 1, 11-end			
23rd	3rd Sunday of Epiphany			
	Isaiah 9, 1-4	-	-	H Morley
	1 Corinthians 1, 10-18	-	-	B Morley
	Matthew 4, 12-23			Celebrant
	Psalm at 9am: 27			
	Evensong:			
	Psalm 33			
	Ecclesiastes 3, 1-11			
	1 Peter 1, 3-12			
30th	4th Sunday of Epiphany			
	1 Kings 17, 8-16	-	-	F Hawkins
	1 Corinthians 1, 18-end	-	-	D Hawkins
	John 2, 1-11			Celebrant
	Psalm at 9am: 36			
	Evensong:			
	Psalms 34			
	Genesis 28, 10-end			
	Philemon 1-16			

All that work, for so little!

Readers who are in any ways involved with producing Church House Teas will know that we host a goodly number of regulars, some of whom come some distance and very often. Many will recall serving a couple with a little Jack Russell type dog. They have been coming for some 20 odd years, and this is the third dog of the same. They took tea on the last day of the season. I was helping that day's organiser Lin Smit; and I found time to have a chat with them.

The next Saturday, they disclosed, they would be bringing a party to visit the Manor. "You should have booked them a Tea," I said. The trip's budget had run out, I was told. However, a few minutes later our couple suggested morning coffee which the guests could pay for themselves. So that was fixed.

Sylvia Clark had a tin of home-made biscuits (the quality must be legendary) and she donated them. I laid five tables of six. "What a lot of work for £60!" I said to Lin as she helped lay the tables. "Still, it's £60 we wouldn't otherwise have."

On cue at 11am an advance group came to Church House kitchen and told us that we had just missed the most wonderful rendition in our church of a medieval motet. At this it clicked: I think I had been told that they were a touring choir. "Perhaps they will go down and sing it for us again," I suggested.

Coffee and biscuits consumed, Lin was asked to join me in the tea room. I imagined this was for a thank you; but then up stood the lady conductor, notes were hummed, and there ensued a most professional performance of Madrigal by Hassler, sung in Hungarian.



Already feeling much honoured, I could feel my tear ducts at work. Lin and I, along with the hosts and singers' partners, applauded. But that was not all. New hummed notes marked the start of a well-known

piece by Kodaly which I think is known as 'Lullaby'. Exquisite! Handkerchiefs to the rescue!

This highly accomplished choir was (is) Anima, comprising graduates from one of Budapest's music academies. No wonder they were brilliant! This was their last day in England, so not all of them were with us, some perhaps preferring last minute shopping.

Lin and I ended up feeling we should have given them the coffee pot and put the £60 in ourselves.

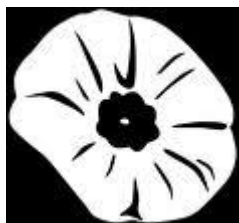
Arthur Johnson

Mothers' Union report

Meeting Tuesday 2 November 2010

The meeting was opened by Barbara Wilson with a welcome and notices. This was followed with a short service looking at some of the events which take place this month, starting with the beginning of winter as British Summer time ended on Sunday 31 October. Today, Tuesday 2 November is the commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls day). Later this week is Bonfire night followed by Remembrance Day.

After a hymn, reading by Andrea Samuel and prayers, the symbol for remembrance the Poppy was presented, which included.



The Poppy - 'Poppies have long been used as a symbol of both sleep and death: sleep because of the opium extracted from them, and death because of their (commonly) blood-red color. In Greco-Roman myths, poppies were used as offerings to the dead.^[1] Poppies are used as emblems on *tombstones* to symbolize eternal sleep. This aspect was used, fictionally, in *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* to create magical poppy fields, dangerous because they caused those who passed through them to sleep forever.^[1]

A second meaning for the depiction and use of poppies in Greco-Roman myths is the symbolism of the bright scarlet colour as signifying the promise of resurrection after death.^[2] The poppy of wartime remembrance is *Papaver rhoeas*, the red flowered Corn poppy. This poppy is a common weed in Europe and is found in many locations, including *Flanders Fields*, the setting for the famous poem by Canadian surgeon and soldier, *John McCrae*, "In Flanders Fields".

Remembrance Day – also known as *Poppy Day*, *Armistice Day* (the event it commemorates) or *Veterans Day* – is a Commonwealth holiday to *commemorate* the sacrifices of members of the armed forces and of civilians in times of war, specifically since the *First World War*.'

[1] [2] - source the internet.

Our next meeting will be our Advent Service at 8.00pm on 7 December in Church House. The Holy Communion Service will be taken by The Revd Fred Friend. The collection from this service will be used to buy Christmas gifts for people on our social concern list within the Parish. All are welcome to join us at this joyful service. Please remember this is the last chance to bring a Christmas gift for The Women's Refuge. Andrea is planning to deliver the parcels later that week.

Our New Year Social Evening is on 18 January which will take the form of a bring & share supper.

Anne Wint

Tiny Tots Informal Service

3rd Wednesday every month at 1.45 pm

All are welcome at this service in church where we have

A story, some songs, toys, tea and squash.

Do come.

**The next service is on 15 December
and will have a Christmas theme.**



For details contact Nicky Fairbairn on 01494 520359

Double Exposure (extract)

This extract from a long poem gives a flavour of Christmases long ago when, as a little boy, Ron would visit his North London relatives. Revisiting by train years later, old memories are revived, and as the train passes the Church of St Michaels, Abbey Wood, where he was a boy server, the roots of his Christian faith are exposed.

I'll take the train,
That dirty, green, electric, London train, perennially stinking
Of the crowds that daily slink in
To that tread-mill, that great ant-hill, and then trundle out again.
I'll take the train a single station hop,
And suck my memories dry until we stop.

Pulling out, motor slow, humming like a top
Through marshalling yards, silver scars, clattering over tracks,
As the 'clink, clink, clink' of shunting trucks
Reverberates down time.....and it's Christmas Eve at Grandpa Brown's,
Where grandpa's grandfather-clock chimes down
The final Eve-left magic hours
As mothers, uncles, cousins, dads and aunts
Make Yuletide celebrations in advance.
Cheroots and Digger shag incense the air,
And bottles chink, and bright eyes wink;
And baking smells, and savoury smells,
And Christmas-coming-closer, dwells,
Then slowly climbs the stairs to where I lie.
Tortured with a wild expectancy, I wait to catch a glimpse of Santa Claus.
And all the while the clinking trucks chime on without a pause,
Their clinking wafting softly into sleep.



The train's pace eases as we glide past St Michaels
And a host of angel memories take flight.
They stir the long stilled air of inner sight
As clustered pigeons fluster in a sound-shocked square.
Redbrick and recent, the building owns no past;
No brass to rub, no hallowed ghosts,

A little coloured glass at most.
Rubric and rhetoric, and holy echoing words
That volley round the hollow vessel mind
But seldom stay;

For me, by gift, by grace,
Call it what you will,
The word was made substantial in this place.
The word takes flesh and dwells,
The flesh takes form and fills,
And filling all of being, overfills.
This is incarnation,
Sweet Christmas at the very heart of things,
And consciously beheld in sudden Springs.

Ron Cretchley, 24.11.68

www.thinkingpoet.co.uk

Ramblers Association

The High Wycombe branch of the Ramblers Association is organising a walk from Hughenden Church on Saturday 11 December at 1.30pm. It will be an easy paced walk of 5 miles. After the walk we will be having a short Carol Service in the Church at 4.00pm. There will be refreshments afterwards. Would any of the Church congregation like to join us for the walk and/or the Carol Service? The High Wycombe Ramblers are a really friendly group, and we would enjoy your company. Look forward to seeing you on the 11th .



The Community Shop Hughenden

The community shop in Hughenden is eager to recruit more volunteers. We need people for many different roles. With the onset of winter we require help to deliver orders to people who are elderly or unable to reach the shop, we currently have only one person we can call on.



The shop is there for the community and the more members of the village who become involved the better. There is a warm welcome from our new manager Emma, and from all the volunteers who serve in the shop.

It is a place to catch up with friends, meet new ones or maybe just have a chat with the person behind the counter. Men and women can volunteer for one or two hour shifts – or more. The tasks vary from serving, filling up shelves, labelling, checking the sell-by date, selling coffee, to sweeping up the leaves.

If we could recruit more volunteers; the workload would be lighter for all. All help would be much appreciated.

Emma Liley

Tel Community Shop 01494 563385 or just call in at the shop

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Communicants – October

Sundays

Weekdays

3rd 27 + 42 = 69
10th 27 + 69 = 96
17th 25 + 42 = 67
24th 27 + 73 = 112
31st 34 + 40 + 68 = 142

18th St Luke 8
26th SS Simon & Jude 6

THE WILDER SIDE

In last month's 'Outlook', Simon wrote of his enjoyment at seeing a Red-legged Partridge at close quarters. Getting close to a wild creature is one of the great pleasures of life and guaranteed to banish all worries and cares – unless it is a charging bull!

The Red-legged Partridge is sometimes known as the 'French Partridge' as, although it is not a native bird to Britain, having been introduced around 1790 to Suffolk, it is probably more numerous in southern England than its native equivalent. It belongs to a group (Alectoris) of four almost identical but very distinctive species which have red legs, strongly black and white striped breasts, and a white face with a black border.

The British equivalent is the Grey Partridge which is a single species scientifically named 'Perdix perdix' and which is widespread throughout much of Europe. Compared with the Alectoris group it is a more nondescript bird, though the male has a prominent dark brown patch on its grey belly. It is one of the prime game bird species with the pheasant and the grouse. It has been in serious decline for some decades. Partridge and pheasant have poor road sense; only yesterday I had to brake hard to avoid a pheasant which ran into the road and stopped, then demonstrated a vertical take-off as my horn blasted a warning.

With Christmas almost upon us, the dominant bird will be the Robin. I know not why it adorns so many Christmas cards as 'Peace and Goodwill to other Robins' is something that never crosses its mind. Have a Happy Christmas and a bountiful New Year.



You are all very welcome to come and join us during this Advent and Christmas time

**Sunday 5 December
10.30am
Advent Family Service**



**Sunday 19 December
10.30am
JC Club Christmas Service**

All children, their families and friends
are invited to join us for this enjoyable and
informal Service.



**Christmas Eve
3.00pm
Crib Service**

Come and hear the nativity story, and help build the manger.
Especially suitable for younger children



**Christmas Day
Family Communion Service
10.30am**

Everyone is very welcome to come and celebrate the
birth of Jesus

Dates for your diary

Sun 5	Dec	10.30 am	CRECHE and all children in church for the All Age Service
Sun 12	Dec	10.30 am	CRECHE and J C Clubs
Sun 19	Dec	10.30 am	CRECHE and all children in church for a special All-Age Service
Sun 26	Dec	10 am	CRECHE and all children in church for Carols
Sun 2	Jan	10.30 am	CRECHE and all children in church for the All-Age Service
Sun 9	Jan	10.30 am	CRECHE and J C Clubs
Sun 16	Jan	10.30 am	CRECHE and J C Clubs
Sun 23	Jan	10.30 am	CRECHE and J C Clubs
Sun 30	Jan	10.30 am	CRECHE and J C Clubs

News from 'Christians in the Community'

Soon we hope you will be receiving a copy of Christmas Service times and a message from the two vicars (The Revd Simon Cronk and The Revd Mike Hill) in a Christmas card delivered to all the homes in the parish. Separate to this will be the delivery of mince pies to those people living alone.

On Sunday 19 December at 4pm we will be having a 'Carols by Candlelight' service at Naphill Village Hall with mulled wine and mince pies to follow.



We shall be carol singing in the three local pubs on Tuesday 21 December. At 7.30 pm we will be at the White Lion, Cryers Hill. Then at 8.15pm we will be at the Wheel, Naphill. At 9pm we will be finishing at the Harrow, Hughenden, approximately! We are not a choir, just people who enjoy singing carols. See you there!!

Our next united service will be on Sun. 23 January at 6pm to celebrate Christian Unity week. And our next committee meeting will be on Thursday 3 February 2011 at Naphill Methodist Church.

We wish you a Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

Norma Clarke



'CHRISTIANS IN THE COMMUNITY'

**CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT
SUNDAY 19 DECEMBER - 4 PM**



**NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL
MULLED WINE MINCE PIES**

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Ron Coleman (18 May 1927 – 6 October 2010)

Ed's Note: Many of you who have visited Church House Teas will know Harry. Harry is probably one of, if not the most regular loyal customer we have. Sadly, Harry's father Ron passed away in October but we thought readers might like to read a tribute given at Ron's funeral.

He was a Churchman, a master –craftsman and a gentleman.

His hand as a remarkable worker of wood is to be found everywhere – in people's homes in Brill and particularly here in All Saints where his woodwork and carving is all around us.

Probably the best known is his beautiful Bishop's Chair to the right side of the Altar made in memory of his wife Josie. It is made of Buckinghamshire elm with the back from American Red Oak, is beautifully carved and has his usual 'signature' hedgehog tucked away in the corner. With his quiet sense of humour Ron said that he made the joints on the left and right hand sides different by degrees as "the left hand has no need to know what the right hand doeth".

He also made the two hand-fluted flower pedestals from sweet chestnut, the candlesticks and Cross in the Lady Chapel from American white oak and used the same wood for the double gates on the south side of the Churchyard where his two little hedgehogs face each other on each side of the bottom rails. Add to these the Altar rails, pulpit steps, notice board, book shelves and the yokes around the stone columns that hold candles or flowers and you will see that his work is all around us and his spirit will live on.

He was a man of high standard. Only the best would do.

As a lifelong supporter of the Royal British Legion, he established a unique role as our Parade /marshal every Remembrance Sunday. His prime responsibility was to 'drill' – if that is the right word – the Scouts, Guides, Cubs, Brownies and Beavers as they grappled with their Standards – often for the first time – at the Service here in Church and

then at the War Memorial where we shall all be again in just a few weeks. He managed this with both skill and kindness and many of us will long remember his public words every year after the Service thanking the children for their diligence and their contribution. He commanded their respect and he commanded our respect.

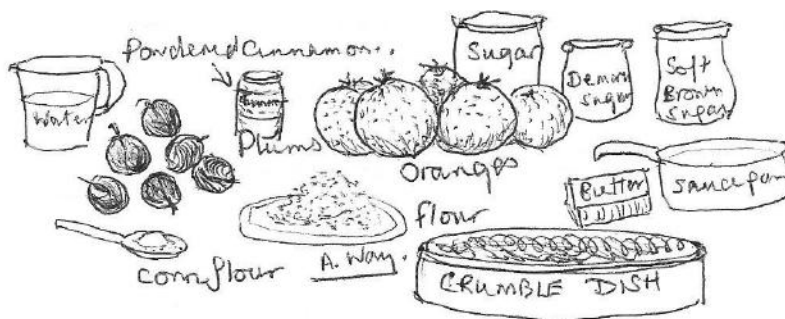
He was a kind man and we shall all miss him.

December Recipe

Plum and Orange Crumble

Ingredients

- ¼ lb of red plums
- 4 large oranges
- ½ pint of water
- 1 oz cornflour
- 6ozs of plain flour (sieved)
- 4oz of butter or margarine
- 4ozs of castor or granulated sugar
- 2ozs of demerara sugar
- 1 oz of soft brown sugar
- 1 rounded teaspoon of cinnamon powder



Method

Dissolve the white sugar in half a pint of water in a saucepan. Wash the plums and cut in half and remove stones. Add this fruit to the syrup and simmer until tender. While they are cooking, grate the peel off of one of the oranges on a fine grater and add to the sieved plain flour, also add the cinnamon powder. Then with a very sharp knife cut the pith and peel off all the oranges. Then cut between the sections so there is no fine skin on them. Place in the dish you are going to use for the crumble – squeezing any remaining juice from the cut peel on to the oranges. Lift the cooked plums from the saucepan and add to the orange segments, and stir together. The plum syrup can now be thickened with the cornflour which you mix with a little cold water. Pour into the fruit and stir. Melt the butter or margarine in a clean saucepan and pour in

the flour, grated zest of the orange and the cinnamon and mix until it is resembling bread crumbs. Pour on top of the fruit in crumble dish and cook in a preheated oven at Gas Mark 5 or 375°F, or 190°C until crisp and golden.

Most people enjoy crumbles and this recipe is a nice spicy, festive crumble to have in the lead up to Christmas. I do hope you all enjoy it, Wishing you all a Merry Christmas.

Ann Way



BURNS NIGHT SUPPER

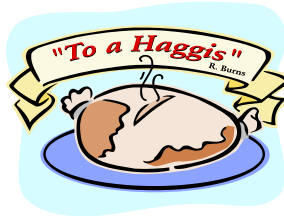
With Piper and Haggis and a Wee Dram
At Church House, Hughenden
On Sat. 22nd January 2011
at 7.30pm

Ticket £10
(Please bring your own wine)

Tickets available from Brian Clark, 562801

Strictly by ticket only

Limited numbers so buy your tickets ASAP



Good Companions

Our November meeting began on a sad note with the death of former member Rusty Russell being reported. Rusty had been a member for many years up to the end of last year but had then gone into a residential home. We observed a minute's silence in her memory. She has, however, left the village with a pleasing and lasting memorial in that on moving out of her bungalow she gave her piano to the village hall.

Entertainment was provided by Barbara Freeman, vocalist, and Gwen Gale, accompanist, of the "Three's Company" singers. On a return visit but with Rosalie Field absent through the flu they treated us to a programme of songs from earlier days. Numbers such as "It's a Sin to Tell a Lie", "You made me love you" and "We'll Meet Again" etc, reminded us of how tuneful and melodious those songs were, The expert accompaniment showed off Rusty's piano to best advantage.



We are holding our customary Christmas party in December with a three course meal. Members attending are reminded to be in their places by 2pm. Our new years programme starts with our January meeting. A talk will be given by Clare Hooper on the topic of "Crime in the Community". Annual subscriptions at the new rate of £15 will be collected.

Michael Harris

Valley Wives

To start our meeting, Jill quoted some words of wisdom written as long ago as 1698, saying that "Happiness is: - something to do, something to share and something to hope for"

In the announcements we were told that the Valley Wives 'Spring Chicken Team' came third in the Potter Quiz . Our Ladies Night was a great success ,with excellent food and service provided by caterers John Seaton and family of Bierton, and followed by a most enthusiastic performance of singing and entertainment by Fiona Harrison. Members were reminded that we have a cake stall at the Village Hall Bazaar on 27 November and would like donations please for that, and the Charity Christmas/Tea on 5 December in aid of cancer research.

Our speaker Mrs Deaken was warmly welcomed on her return visit, with a talk and slides on her cruise to 'Shackletons Antarctica.' We were told the amazing story of Shackleton's carefully planned expedition to the North Pole in his ship 'Endurance' which set sail on 19 January 1915 after being delayed due to the outbreak of war.

Shackleton had been with Captain Scott on the ship 'Discovery' in 1901 which reached within 745 miles of the South Pole, and in 1908 Shackleton reached within 100 miles. Scott succeeded in reaching the South Pole in 1912 in a race with Amundsen, but arrived 35 days later. He and all his party perished on the return journey, their last date alive was 4 March and they were only four miles from help.

Shackletons ship, Endurance, became trapped in pack ice and was crushed and sank on 21 November 1915. His party lived on stores from the ship for 5 months. They then took the three tiny boats rescued from the ship and sailed for 7 days to Elephant Island which was dry but bleak, with no communications or inhabitants. Shackleton with 5 men proceeded to South Georgia, 800 miles away, which took 16 days and then trekked over mountains to Stromness to find a whalers settlement on 20 May 1916. They then had to return to Elephant Island for the 22



men who had been there for 4 months, with only two upturned boats for shelter. They were rescued on 30 August 1916. ALL SURVIVED.

Mrs Deaken had started her cruise from Ushuaia National park where there is the southernmost Post Office in the world. She showed us many beautiful slides of the Antarctic terrain and wild life, all of which is protected for peaceful and scientific purposes.

Only 30 people out of the 600 on the cruise were allowed to disembark at a time, because they had to change into special clothing, free of bacteria. Surprisingly 22,000 tourists visit there every year, but Mrs Deaken did not see anyone else.

A beautiful view of low sun across snow ended the show. Sylvia gave the vote of thanks for taking us on a most unusual and fascinating slide adventure and for bringing many pictures, books and photographs etc to further illustrate her excellent talk.

Our open Christmas Meeting is on 3 December with entertainment by singer and pianist Jean Jones and Peter Jones, followed by mince pies and coffee/tea.

On 7 January 2011 we have a Games Evening in the SMALL HALL.
Wishing you all a Happy Christmas and Healthy New Year

Joan Steel

Flower Rota

Dec 5 Advent – no flowers
 12 Advent – no flowers
 19 Advent – no flowers
 24 Christmas Festival – all helpers please



Coffee Rota (after the 10.30am service)

Dec 5 Jane Tyrer / Catherine Tebb

12 Frank and Diane Hawkins
19 Frank and Diane Hawkins
26 Sylvia Clark / Pam Felix (note Service starts at 10.00am)
Jan 2 Pam Felix / Helen Collins
9 Helen Collins / Gwen Rogers
16 Gwen Rogers / Janet Cook
23 Janet Cook / Anne Dean
30 Anne Dean / Jenny Phillips

Creche Rota

Dec 5 Mark Sherrington / Helen Collins / Lyndsey Robinson
12 Anna Pedrette / Angela Aze / Lucy Rippon
19 Sylvia Clark / Ann Long / Peter Toller
26 Jean Godfrey / Shirley Brown / Nickie Marsh
Jan 2 Lyndsey Robinson / Helen Collins / Mark Sherrington
9 Elaine Morley / Lucy Rippon / Sylvia Clark
16 Vicki Michell / Claire Toller / Angela Aze
23 Peter Toller / Pam Felix / Eleanor Telling
30 Jean Godfrey / Jane Lomas / Lyndsey Robinson

From the Parish Registers

Holy Matrimony

On Saturday 13 November
Nigel Wesley Smith to Hilary Claire Holland

The Departed

Connie West (aged 85)

Calendar

DECEMBER

Wed	1	7.30am	Morning Prayer: Church
		7.45pm	Choir Practice: Church
		7.30pm	Alpha Course: Church House
Thu	2	7.45am	Morning Prayer: Church
		7.30pm	Standing & Finance Committee
Fri	3	7.30am	Morning Prayer: Church
Sat	4	7.30am	Morning Prayer: Church
Sun	5		Second Sunday of Advent
		8.00am	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
		9.00am	Sung Communion
		10.30am	All Age Family Service
		12 noon	Winter Warmers: Church House
		6.00pm	Evensong (Book of Common Prayer) (no sermon)
Mon	6	7.30am	Morning Prayer: Church
		10.15am	Ladies' Daytime Fellowship and Bible Study
Tue	7	7.45am	Morning Prayer: Church
		1.00pm	Art Fellowship: Church House.
		7.30pm	Bellringing Practice: Belltower
		7.30pm	Mothers' Union: Advent Service: Church House
Wed	8	7.30am	Morning Prayer: Church
		7.45pm	Choir Practice: Church
Thu	9	7.45am	Morning Prayer: Church
Fri	10	7.30am	Morning Prayer: Church
Sat	11	7.30am	Morning Prayer: Church
		4.00pm	Ramblers' Carol Service: Church
Sun	12		Third Sunday of Advent
		8.00am	Holy Communion (said)
		9.00am	Mattins (Book of Common Prayer)
		10.30am	Family Communion with JC club
		6.00pm	Come Close
		6.00pm	Evensong (Book of Common Prayer) (no sermon)
Mon	13	7.30am	Morning Prayer: Church
		10.15am	Ladies' Daytime Fellowship and Bible Study
Tue	14	7.45 am	Morning Prayer: Church
		1.00pm	Art Fellowship: Church House.
		7.30pm	Bellringing Practice: Belltower
Wed	15	7.30am	Morning Prayer: Church
		1.45pm	Tiny Tots' Service: Church
		7.45pm	Choir Practice: Church
Thu	16	7.45am	Morning Prayer: Church
		10.30am	Friendship Morning: Church House

Fri	17	7.30am	Morning Prayer: Church
		2.00pm	Great Kingshill CE School Carol Service
Sat	18	7.30am	Morning Prayer: Church
		12 noon	Wedding: James Halley and Alice Bell
Sun	19		Fourth Sunday of Advent
		8.00am	Holy Communion (said)
		9.00am	Sung Communion
		10.30am	Informal Family Service with JC Club
		6.00pm	Service of Nine Lessons and Carols
Mon	20	7.30am	Morning Prayer: Church
		10.15am	Ladies' Daytime Fellowship and Bible Study
Tue	21	7.45am	Morning Prayer: Church
		1.00pm	Art Fellowship: Church House.
		7.30pm	Bellringing Practice: Belltower
Wed	22	7.30am	Morning Prayer: Church
		7.45pm	Choir Practice: Church
Thu	23	7.45am	Morning Prayer: Church
Fri	24		Christmas Eve
		7.45am	Morning Prayer: Church
		9.00am	Holy Communion: Church (30 mins)
		3.00pm	Crib Service
		11.15pm	Midnight Communion Service
Sat	25		Christmas Day
		8.00am	Holy Communion (said)
		9.00am	Choral Mattins with Holy Communion
		10.30am	Family Christmas Communion
		5.00pm	Carols by Candlelight
Sun	26		Stephen, deacon, first martyr
		10.00am	Holy Communion with Carols
Mon	27		John, Apostle and Evangelist
		7.30am	Morning Prayer: Church
			No service at St Michael's but we are invited to join with St Francis
		10.00am	Terriers for Communion
Tue	28		The Holy Innocents
		7.45am	Morning Prayer: Church
			No service at St Michael's but we are invited to join with St Francis
		10.00am	Terriers for Communion
		7.30pm	Bellringing Practice: Belltower
Wed	29	7.30am	Morning Prayer: Church
		7.45pm	Choir Practice: Church
Thu	30	7.45am	Morning Prayer: Church
Fri	31	7.30am	Morning Prayer: Church

JANUARY

Sat 1 **Naming and Circumcision of Jesus**

		7.30am Morning Prayer: Church
		9.00am Holy Communion: Church
Sun	2	Second Sunday of Christmas
		8.00am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
		9.00am Sung Communion
		10.30am All Age Family Service
		noon- Winter Warmers: Church House
		3.30pm
		6.00pm Evensong (Book of Common Prayer) (no sermon)
		7.00pm Prayer Hour: Church
Mon	3	7.30am Morning Prayer: Church
		10.15am Ladies' Daytime Fellowship and Bible Study
Tue	4	7.45am Morning Prayer: Church
		1.00pm Art Fellowship: Church House.
		7.30pm Bellringing Practice: Belltower
		8.00pm Mothers' Union:
Wed	5	7.30am Morning Prayer: Church
		7.45pm Choir Practice: Church
Thu	6	Epiphany
		7.45am Morning Prayer: Church
		8.00pm Sung Eucharist: Church
Fri	7	7.30am Morning Prayer: Church
Sat	8	7.30am Morning Prayer: Church
Sun	9	The Baptism of Christ, First Sunday of Epiphany
		8.00am Said Communion
		9.00am Mattins (Book of Common Prayer)
		10.30am Family Communion with JC club
		6.00pm Come Close
		6.00pm Evensong (Book of Common Prayer) (no sermon)
Mon	10	7.30am Morning Prayer: Church
		10.15am Ladies' Daytime Fellowship and Bible Study
Tue	11	7.45am Morning Prayer: Church
		1.00pm Art Fellowship: Church House.
		7.30pm Bellringing Practice: Belltower
Wed	12	7.30am Morning Prayer: Church
		7.45pm Choir Practice: Church
Thu	13	7.45am Morning Prayer: Church
Fri	14	7.30am Morning Prayer: Church
Sat	15	7.30am Morning Prayer: Church
Sun	16	Second Sunday of Epiphany
		8.00am Holy Communion (said)
		9.00am Sung Communion
		10.30am Informal Family Service with JC Club
		6.00pm Evensong (Book of Common Prayer) (no sermon)
		7.00pm Prayer Hour
Mon	17	7.30am Morning Prayer: Church
		10.15am Ladies' Daytime Fellowship and Bible Study

Tue	18	7.45am Morning Prayer: Church 7.30pm Bellringing Practice: Belltower
Wed	19	7.30am Morning Prayer: Church 1.45pm Tiny Tots' Service: Church 7.40pm Choir Practice: Church
Thu	20	7.45am Morning Prayer: Church 10.30am Friendship morning: Church House.
Fri	21	7.30am Morning Prayer: Church
Sat	22	7.30am Morning Prayer: Church 10.00am Wedding Preparation Morning 7.30pm Burns Night Supper
Sun	23	Third Sunday of Epiphany 8.00am Holy Communion (said) 9.00am Mattins (Book of Common Prayer) 10.30am Family Communion with JC club 6.00pm Evensong (Book of Common Prayer) (no sermon) 7.00pm Prayer Hour
Mon	24	7.30am Morning Prayer: Church 10.15am Ladies' Daytime Fellowship and Bible Study
Tue	25	Conversion of Paul 7.45am Morning Prayer: Church 10.00am Holy Communion: Church 1.00pm Art Fellowship: Church House. 7.30pm Bellringing Practice: Belltower
Wed	26	7.30am Morning Prayer: Church 7.45pm Choir Practice: Church
Thu	27	7.45am Morning Prayer: Church
Fri	28	7.30am Morning Prayer: Church
Sat	29	7.30am Morning Prayer: Church
Sun	30	Fourth Sunday of Epiphany 8.00am Holy Communion (said) 9.00am Mattins (Book of Common Prayer) 10.30am Family Communion with JC club 6.00pm Evensong (Book of Common Prayer) (no sermon) 7.00pm Prayer Hour

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To enable all to follow Jesus Christ

Grant us, Lord,

faith to believe

and strength to do Thy will.

Amen.