

FR TUBBS WRITES

You all know by now that I don't think the parish magazine is the place for regular reporting of past events. However, there are exceptions, and I think two events from the June calendar need something said about them.

First of all, our teaching week. Obviously, when you have put an enormous amount of work into an event, you approach it with some trepidation. Will people turn up for it? Will the speakers be inspiring? Will it be worth while?

From what other people have said, the answer to all three questions was a resounding yes. Over seventy-five people turned out on each of the five evenings at three venues – Paignton Parish Church, All Saints Babbacombe and S Marychurch – for speakers who held people's attention, gave an enormous amount of input and sent us off really inspired. That - plus the high standard of the food on offer each evening! – brought people back again and again. Some said that they came to the first session just to show support, and ended up

attending most or indeed all of the sessions.

I have already expressed thanks to everyone who helped to make the week the success that it was, so I won't say any more or mention any names – but thank you if you contributed in any way whatsoever.

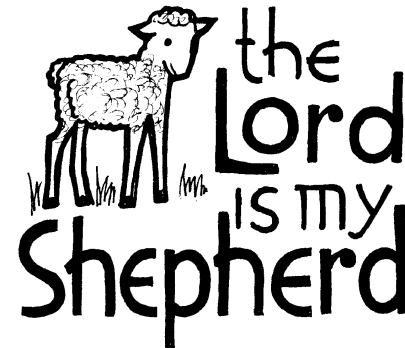
The question we were asked repeatedly was, when is the next one?! We are already working on that – details as soon as they are available!

Secondly, the celebrations on Monday 9 June. It was a wonderful evening for Gwyneth, Nicola and me, so good to see so many people from our past turning up to share it with us, as well as so many of you from our present. Bishop, fellow clergy, former curates, friends from our teenage days, good wishes from the four parishes in which I have served, wonderful refreshments – and the weather! How many events 'on the Vicarage lawn' have we had to cancel! This one was celebrated on a glorious summer's evening, and it was such a memorable occasion that it will remain with us for many years to come. Once again,

thank you all very much indeed for your part in it!

A collection was taken for the Children's Society, and £749.53 was collected – a wonderful amount! At least £200 of that was gift-aided, so we can add a further £56! Thank you all very much indeed.

July gives us a bit of a breather – but there is one event I hope you will all join in to make it a success. We traditionally have our Summer Fayre on the Saturday near to our Feast of Title, the Birthday of S John the Baptist in June. Unfortunately, no one has come forward to organise the fayre, and so we have missed the June date.



THANKS – I would like to thank Barbara and Ken Eaton and everybody who helped with the catering for the "Am I Bothered" week, and for all the wonderful food and help from everybody for Father Tubbs's Celebration Party. *Ray Sellers*

However, we really cannot afford to lose the income which the fayre bring in, so I have written to everyone – I hope! – who has been associated with the summer fayre in the past to ask them if they will do what they usually do for our summer fayre, which we shall hold on Saturday 26 July. Bric-a-brac, books, tombola, cakes, refreshments, games – anything which you think will make a profit!

If you have not been approached but would be willing to help, just let me know and we will make sure that a table and a space is reserved for you.

Yours sincerely

OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY

The world-famous passion play put on every ten years by the villagers in the small German village of Oberammergau is a wonderful event which everyone ought to see at least once in their life-time! Its next performance is in 2010.

Can you imagine a better preparation for the play than spending seven days in the Holy Land, visiting the places which we know so well from our reading of the Gospels, celebrating the Eucharist, being reminded of what happened at Bethlehem, on the Sea of Galilee, at Capernaum, in the Upper Room - and then experiencing the Passion Play itself?

We shall be doing just that from Wednesday 16 June to Friday 25 June 2010. I have fuller details, including the projected cost. Please let me know if you would like a leaflet.

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MAASAI WARRIORS

The Osiligi Troupe of the Maasai Warriors are making an appearance in the Parish Church on Wednesday 16 July at 7.30pm. The purpose of the event is to raise money for the tribe, who are all Christians and who face a pretty tough life at home in Africa.



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THE PILGRIM'S GUIDE TO DEVON'S CHURCHES



During the past year or so every church in Devon has been photographed and over 80% of parishes have provided written details of their church buildings for inclusion in this book. There are many fascinating, absorbing and inspiring stories. Entries have been created for those churches which did not respond (and yes, I did supply information on all three of our churches!) The book is to be published this autumn and will be a 100% comprehensive guide to Devon's churches.

The book has an introductory history of the Diocese by Canon Professor Nicholas Orme, hundreds of pieces by authors from across the Diocese, a foreword by the Archbishop of Canterbury, an introduction by the Bishop of Exeter and a section on the Cathedral by the Dean. It is a limited edition, being published to coincide with the 1100th anniversary of the Diocese in 2009.

The book has 192 pages in full colour and retails at £7.99.

I can order the books from the Diocese if I do so before 30 September. If you would like a copy, please sign the list in your church as soon as possible and I will put in the order, which the Diocese hopes to dispatch in October. Please make cheque payable to Paignton Parish Church.



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THE OXFORD MOVEMENT



The Oxford Movement was a revival movement within the Church of England which is usually dated as beginning with John Keble's sermon at the Assizes in 1833, when he condemned the Government's plans to suppress ten Irish bishoprics. Its chief object was the defence of the Church of England as a divine institution, not a branch of the civil state; it did so by emphasising the doctrine of the apostolic succession – that its bishops could trace their ancestry back to the Apostles through the laying-on of hands; and using the Book of Common Prayer as a rule of faith, interpreted in a catholic spirit. These aims were realised, especially through the famous Tracts for the Times.

Those initially involved were not particularly concerned with ceremonial, but as they fought for the recognition of the Church of England as part of the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church their successors wanted to express this in the rites and ceremonies of the Church. They began to restore the wearing of the Eucharistic vestments, candles on the altar, the mixed chalice (adding a drop of water to the wine in memory of the blood and water which flowed from Our Lord's side when he was pierced by the centurion's spear), robed choirs, the Christmass crib. All these things were opposed by the Establishment and the priests who did them suffered enormous persecution. Some went to prison and many were subjected to physical violence. If you want to see how dreadfully some were treated, read 'Twenty Years at S Hilary' by Bernard Walke, who suffered more than most.

Eventually most of the things introduced by the Tractarians, as the Oxford reformers became known, spread throughout the Church of England and into even the Free Churches – robed choirs and candles on the holy table can be seen in many non-conformist churches.

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The Parish of Paignton was affected by the Oxford Movement, as you can see just by looking at it. The roof of the Lady Chapel has the monogram MR, Maria Regina – and calling Our Lady Queen of Heaven was a pretty extreme thing to do! The stained glass windows in the Lady Chapel depict the four national saints George, Andrew, Patrick and David, all with other saints surrounding them. John Keble was actually offered the living of Paignton but turned it down because the Vicarage was ruinous! Edward Pusey, another leading member of the Oxford Movement (Puseyites became a scornful description of those who belonged to the Movement) visited Paignton and described the high altar as 'mean'. Then when S Andrew's was built the ceremonial was equally catholic, perhaps even more so as incense was used, and when S Boniface was built it was provided with a solid marble altar – very definite! – and in the altar were placed relics of the saints – very extreme! So we have a lot to thank the Oxford Movement for.



The many catholic societies which came out of the Oxford Movement have asked every church to devote an hour of private prayer in thanksgiving for the Oxford Movement on July 14. We shall do that from 10.00am to 11.00am, after the Mass at 9.30am. I hope you will come along for at least some of that time and share in that hour of private prayer as we give thanks for those who did so much to restore the catholic heritage of the Church of England in this land and in this parish.

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FR BOB BOYLE

It has taken a long time, but at last we are able to tell you that Fr Bob Boyle is to be licensed at S Boniface Church on Saturday 9 August. The time is to be confirmed, but it will be at lunch-time, either 12 noon or 1.00pm.

Fr Bob and Bridget will be moving into S Andrew's House in the next few weeks and then getting themselves sorted out ready for the licensing. Please keep them both in your prayers in the weeks ahead, and pray too for the people of S Boniface, who have done so well in holding things together during the long period without a priest.

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PICNIC IN THE GARDEN

For some years we have had a picnic in the Vicarage garden, with some kind of musical entertainment. This year we are going to try something a bit different.

First of all, we are going to have a choir of about one hundred and fifty children! The head teacher of Hayes School has agreed that they can come and sing for us on Friday 18 July. It will be a lunch-time occasion, starting about 1.00pm, though the gates will be opened from 12 noon onwards, and refreshments will be available.

The children will leave us at 2.30pm and we are expecting to have some more entertainment laid on for the next hour or so. We hope to be able to serve teas and, depending on the weather, other refreshments including ice cream.

Obviously we very much hope that the parents of the children will come and support them, and we also hope that advertising the event will bring along holidaymakers too. However, we hope that you will do your bit, first of all by coming along yourself, and then by selling tickets to your friends, relations and neighbours!

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SUMMER AT ST ANDREW'S

There are some very special events happening at St Andrew's over the next two months and we do all hope that you will want to join us for some, or all, of them.

28 June: A celebration of Ron Edinborough's licensing as a Reader: like Fr Tubbs's ordination, it is 40 years ago! Please see last month's magazine for details.

6 July: SA@4 - A thanksgiving service for our pets. Well behaved dogs and other "controlled" pets welcome - or bring a photo of your pet to display on our picture board.

7 July: St Andrew's will be open for an hour of silent prayer between 12 noon and 1.00pm. Like churches all over the world we will be taking part in the thanksgiving for the 175th anniversary of The Oxford Movement and recommitment to Jesus.

15, 16, 17 July: Flower Festival - theme "The Church Year" - to be opened by Matthew Phillips (town councillor). See poster for details.

19 July: St Andrew's Summer Fete, 11.00am - 3.00pm. Refreshments, stalls and competitions. All proceeds to St Andrew's Church funds.

Coming Soon! Harvest Supper, Brixham Orpheus Choir, Tim Pitman etc.

And don't forget our regular coffee mornings on Tuesdays and lunches on Wednesdays.

Paul Siviers

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PARISH LADIES' GROUP

Our thanks go to Jean Kitson who organised our visit to the Palace Theatre in May to see "West Side Story". Many members and their friends came, and we congratulate the young people of the theatre group on a fine performance.

Our next meeting on Monday, 28 July is an evening of croquet at Oldway. We meet in front of the main door at 6.00pm, and we hope for fine weather, unlike last year. Do not worry if you do not know the rules, you will be told. It is very gentle exercise and good for one's self-control.

Afterwards, or earlier if it is wet, we will adjourn to the Half Moon Inn for refreshments.

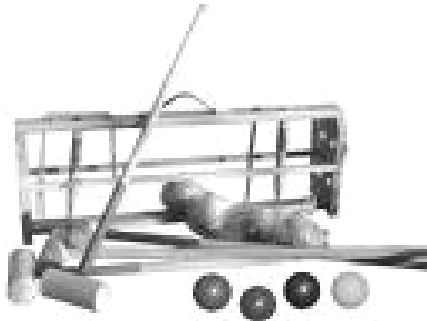
We have just returned from our visit to Shelter Box in Helston, where we were especially moved by the film showing the recipients of these boxes.

We thank Valerie Stephens for organising this visit which has become all the more relevant as a result of recent disasters. However, in spite of the seriousness of the occasion we had a good time and good fellowship as usual.

We shall hold our usual tombola at the Summer Fayre on 26 July, and would be pleased to receive items that we can use as prizes. Thank you.

There will be no meeting in August.

Audrey Smith



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MOTHERS' UNION



Corporate Communion: Wednesday 2 July.

Reminder: Corporate Communion on Wednesday 6 August will be a celebration of Mary Sumner Day. Members from other branches in the Deanery will be attending and coffee and biscuits will be served afterwards. Please support this.

Susan O'Brien

CLUB 2000

There will not be any Bingo, "Time Out" coffee mornings or coach trip during August. We are making this our holiday month. Thank you for all your support.

Cynthia Borrill

PARISH REGISTERS

Baptisms:	22.6.08	Hollie Louise Holmes Jessica Ann Cobbold Matilda Florance Medley	
Wedding:	30.5.08	Matthew Adcock & Kay Adams	
Funerals:	16.6.08	Maurice (Ron) Ryan	79
	18.6.08	David Stanway	42

THANKS – thank you for the beautiful flowers which I received on the occasion of my husband's 40th anniversary of his priesting. They are gorgeous and the lilies smell fantastic.

Gwyneth Tubbs

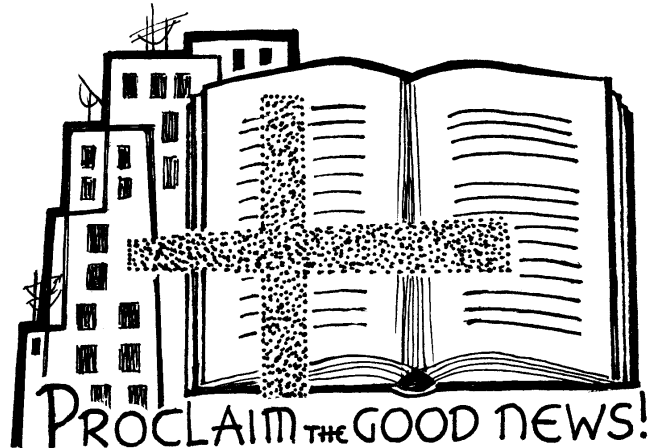
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CALENDAR FOR JULY

5	Sat	1.00pm	Wedding; Parish Church
6	Sun	6.00pm	Evensong & Benediction: Parish Church
8	Tue	6.30pm	JC's Gang-stars
9	Wed	7.30pm	Deanery Synod: Churston
10	Thu	7.30pm	Organ Recital: Parish Church
12	Sat	1.00pm 3.00pm	Weddings: Parish Church
13	Sun	10.30am 6.00pm	Combined Service: Parish Church Dedication Songs of Praise: Parish Church No service at S Boniface
14	Mon	10.00am	Oxford Movement Hour of Prayer: Parish Church
15	Tue	7.00pm	S Andrew's Committee Meeting
16	Wed	7.30pm	MAASAI WARRIORS Parish Church
17	Thu	9.00am	Magazine material to Vicarage please
18	Fri	1.00pm	Picnic in the Garden
19	Sat	1.00pm	Wedding: Parish Church
20	Sun	6.00pm	Wholeness & Healing: Parish Church
22	Tue	6.30pm	JC's Gang-stars
23	Wed	7.00pm	Parochial Church Council
26	Sat	11.00am	Summer Fayre
27	Sun	2.30pm 6.00pm	Holy Baptism: Parish Church Evensong & Benediction: S Andrew's



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INTERCESSION FOR JULY

1	Tue	Feria	The peace of the world
2	Wed	Feria	One-parent families
3	Thu	S Thomas, A	A deepening of our faith
4	Fri	Feria	All travellers
5	Sat	Of Our Lady	Those to be married
6	Sun	TRINITY 7	Our servers
7	Mon	Feria	All house groups
8	Tue	Feria	Our young people
9	Wed	Feria	The Deanery Synod
10	Thu	Feria	Our schools
11	Fri	S Benedict Ab	All monks
12	Sat	Of Our Lady	Those to be married
13	Sun	FEAST OF DEDICATION Parish Church	Thanksgiving for our parish church
14	Mon	Feria	Thanksgiving for the Oxford Movement
15	Tue	S Bonaventure B	S Andrew's Church and people
16	Wed	Our Lady of Mt Carmel	Those who live alone
17	Thu	Feria	The armed forces
18	Fri	Feria	Paignton Hospital
19	Sat	Of Our Lady	Those to be married
20	Sun	TRINITY 9	Our sidesmen and women
21	Mon	Feria	The sick and housebound
22	Tue	S Mary Magdalene	S Mary Magdalene Church Upton
23	Wed	S Bridget	The work of women in the Church
24	Thu	Feria	S Boniface Church and people
25	Fri	S James A	All pilgrims
26	Sat	SS Joachim & Anne	All grandparents
27	Sun	TRINITY 10	Those to be baptised
28	Mon	Feria	The faithful departed
29	Tue	S Martha	Hoteliers
30	Wed	Feria	An end to slavery
31	Thu	S Ignatius Loyola	All priests

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