Fr Tubbs writes...

I'm sure people are thinking that perhaps my farewell was so wonderful I've changed my mind and I'm not going! Well, whether you think that would be good news or bad news, the fact is that I am going – it's just that the Church of England Pensions Board seems to have found it impossible to have the house ready for us. I gave notice of my retirement many, many months ago; the house was found many months ago; I was all set to move in the first week in June. So why haven't I moved?

First of all, when I thought we would be moving, during that first week in June, the house hadn't even been bought! Then there had to be surveys; then the work to be done had to be listed; then it had to go out to tender; then the tenders came back; then they gave the work to a contractor who can't start work until the first week in September! The house will be ready by the end of September – but, said the letter from the Pensions Board, you probably ought to add a week just to be sure!

As I said on the weekly news sheet, the prospect of doing nothing for another month filled me with horror. After consultation with Fr Bob and the church wardens, they agreed that I might return to work in the parish, which I have done with effect from Monday 25 August. I shall be celebrating Mass during the week; doing some home communions; visiting in the parish; and I shall be taking Sunday morning services on August 30, September 6 and September 27.

All this means that Gwyneth and I will move together at the end of October when we both come back from Australia. In the meantime please keep us and our daughter Helen in your prayers. I will report the birth of our third grandchild in the weekly newssheet when it happens!

Yours sincerely

St. Boniface

During the month of September we continue in what is known in the liturgical calendar as Sundays after Trinity or Sundays in Ordinary Time – 'the green season', where the vestments worn by the priest and the general decoration is green, the colour of hope and life. These Sundays should not be seen as 'ordinary' or unimportant, for it is during these weeks that the special character of Sunday is experienced, without distraction we are able to share in the wonder of the original meaning of Sunday as the Lord's Day.



But, during the weekdays of September we have the opportunity to share in the Eucharist on some marvellous Feast Days, those of: The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary (8th), The Triumph of the Cross (14th), S. Matthew the Evangelist and Apostle (21st) and S. Michael and All Angels (29th). So why not during this

'ordinary month' commit yourselves to sharing with the saints on their special day.

Dates for the diary -

Our weekly Coffee Mornings & Table Top Sale begin again on Tuesday 8th September.

Wednesday 30th September – Prize Bingo 7.30pm.

Fr Bob

Parish Ladies Group

Our events in July were our lunch at the Half Moon Inn and Crazy Golf at Goodrington, followed by refreshments at the Inn on the Quay. These events have been well attended, and although we have gained a few pounds with the meals, we have had a good time and enjoyed good fellowship.

On 17th August we met for lunch at the Palace Hotel and stayed from 12.30pm until 3.30pm. Draw your own conclusions!

On 21st September our bar/snack/chat lunch will be at the Livermead House Hotel at 12.30pm. Buses stop outside or phone if you need a ride. As a result of several requests these lunches will in future be open to all parishioners, relatives and friends.

Our registration evening is our usual popular 'bring and share' supper on Monday 28th September at 7.30pm. If you have not yet signed the list, located in the entrance to the Hall, please do so as soon as possible, so we know what food or drink you will bring. Our group is also open to people who do not attend our church, so please invite friends (ladies only, I'm afraid, except for open evenings).

Our Winter programme will be available at the September meeting. Our registration fee is £3 annually with an additional £1 for each meeting attended. A great bargain as this includes refreshments. Please start to amass gifts for our stall at the Christmass Bonanza. We need anything new that will make an enticing Christmass gift. You always support us so well, please continue to do so. I will give you more details in September. Thank you.

Audrey Smith

Mothers' Union

Three of us represented our Branch at the Mary Sumner Day Service at Chudleigh Parish Church recently. Mary Sumner was the wife of a Parish Priest at Old Arlesford in Hampshire in the 1800's. She invited young mothers to her home for social meetings and prayers and from this beginning the Mothers' Union was formed and today flourishes in over 70 countries. It is very strong in Africa, and there is a fast growing group in Beirut now.

It was a beautiful service. The branch banners were paraded and MU members took an active part with the readings and intercessions. A powerful address was given by the immediate past Worldwide President, Trish Heywood who spoke about her travels throughout Africa, South America, Australasia and many other countries during her three years tenure. She saw first hand the poverty and the scourge of AIDS and witnessed the work done by the MU to help with literacy and to improve life for suffering people in many ways. After the service refreshments were served.

We add our congratulations to those already expressed to Edna and Harold Field who celebrated their Diamond Wedding recently and to Edna on the occasion of her 90th birthday.

Our congratulations go also to Marie Chubb who will shortly celebrate her 80th birthday.

Corporate Communion September 2nd.

Wednesday

Susan O'Brien





PAIGNTON BRANCH THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION



Proudly Present

Paignton Poppy Appeal Launch 2009

at St Andrews Church Sands Road Paignton

on Friday 23rd October 2009 from 7 pm

Featuring

Tim Pitman
Torbay Sea Cadet Band
Brixham Town Band
Military Association Standards

Tickets - £5.00 per person www.myspace.com/paigntonrbl

For further details or information on the launch contact: Major Ron Goodwin MBE on 07778 910172



Our Harvest Thanksgiving and Community Service will be on Sunday 4th October at 10.00am. This service will be attended by the Chairman of Torbay Council Mr Martin Hodge his Consort Mrs

Dee Hodge and Mr Adrian Sanders our Member of Parliament. Other members of our community have been invited to join us. Coffee and cakes will be served in the Hall afterwards.

As part of our Harvest Thanksgiving Celebrations we are hoping to hold a Flock Together II event. You may remember we did this a few years ago and it proved to be very successful. It will be held at St Boniface with a variety of themed workshops followed by a service. The day will end with our Harvest Supper.

Further details will be given nearer the time via the weekly news sheet.

Club 2000

Dates for your diary -

Friday 11th September Cash Bingo in the Hall at 7.15pm

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Thursday 15th October Coach Trip to Tiverton for an Autumn two hour cruise along the canal (bring a packed lunch) drinks on board. Also a stop at Bickley Mill £15.50 inclusive.

Cynthia Borrill

Bell Ringers' News

Coach Outing to Dorchester - The Paignton Ringers are planning a coach outing to Dorset for August Bank Holiday Monday leaving Paignton at the usual time of 8.20 and a little earlier if boarding at Colley End Road/Clifton Road. If you are interested in having a wonderful day out, with some beautiful scenery, whether as a ringer, or as a non ringer, please contact John Kelly, Captain of the ringers as soon as possible.

Hand Bell Ringing - The hand bells are now being rung on Tuesdays from 7pm. We then stop as some then go and ring the church bells from 7.30pm. If you are interested in ringing hand bells or church bells, or simply want to watch, please do not hesitate to come along as we welcome any enquiries.

Big Ben Anniversary - 31st May was the 150th Anniversary of Big Ben becoming a time keeper, this was six weeks before the quarter chime and striking trains were activated for the first time on 11th July 1859. Big Ben owes its existence to the Great Fire of 1834 that destroyed most of the old House

of Parliament. Officially, the Clock Tower's bell is called the Great Bell though it is better known by the name 'Big Ben'. There are two theories for this name's origin. These are that the Great Bell was: named after Sir Benjamin Hall, First Commissioner for Works 1855-1858, whose name is inscribed on the bell named after Ben Caunt, a champion heavyweight boxer of the 1850s. The first theory is thought to be the most likely.

From 19th to 20th September there will be a display about the history of Big Ben in Portcullis House to tie-in with London's Open House Weekend. Details and some wonderful information about Big Ben can be found at www.parliament.uk/bigben

Michael Webster

Christian Aid.

Thank you to all who helped to raise money for Christian Aid Week. A message from the Area Administrator.

As you will know, Christian Aid Week is unique in many ways and is the biggest fundraising event of its kind. The funds raised during the Week are absolutely crucial to ensuring our continuing support of the 600 different partner organisations with whom we work in nearly 50 countries around the world. This support helps to empower some of the world's poorest communities to improve their lives.

The £7112.99 raised in Paignton could, for example, go to help one of many communities coping with increasingly unpredictable weather patterns such as Santa Rita, a hillside village near a river in Honduras. Honduras is one of the poorest countries in the Americas and the effects of climate change are making life there even harder. Hurricanes are a regular threat and often trigger landslides in mountainous areas and floods in low lying coastal plains. Our partner CASM is supporting Santa Rita by helping villagers develop an early warning system and evacuation plan as well as supporting the reforestation of the surrounding hillsides and rebuilding of a bridge which was washed away by floods leaving the community isolated from other communities.

Thank you again for your continued support for the work of Christian Aid and please pass on our thanks to all concerned who work so hard with you.

Jean Kitson

Paignton Parish contribution	£1,556.61
St Andrew's	£154.92
St Boniface	£181.35
St John the Baptist	£1,220.36

Hymns

Several of you have been kind enough to remark that you've enjoyed the hymns I've been choosing during the interregnum. I'm delighted to hear this. Whilst I'm trying to include our usual favourites, I'm also introducing some of the best of modern hymnody and also some older hymns which I think have undeservedly been neglected over the years. I hope you'll enjoy learning some really worthwhile hymns over the next few months, whilst still singing all your favourites!

I'd like to hear some of your requests for hymns. Do you have a favourite hymn which you'd like us to sing? Do you have a special day on which you'd like it to be sung (an anniversary, perhaps)? If so, please do let me know, and I'll do my best to include it. I've got a memory like a sieve so, if you tell me in conversation, chances are I'll forget!

However, if you could write down any requests and give it to me before or after a service, I'd be grateful and will do my best to include your favourite hymn when choosing the music over the next few months. If you could give me a few weeks' notice, that would be good, as hymns have to be chosen in advance in order to be printed on the weekly newsletter.

Gareth





Organ Recital

In the Parish Church on Friday 11 September at 7.30pm. The organist will be Paul Derrett.

Please see weekly news sheet for details nearer the time.

Diocese of Exeter — 1100th Anniversary Celebrations

The recent celebration of the founding of our Diocese has been a landmark in our history. Quite a few members of our congregation joined the 7000 on the Cathedral green on 27th June for the great occasion. Helping to convey the story of our history were three giant puppets, 'Bishop Leofric who established here the See of Exeter, theologian Richard Hooker, who taught us God will welcome all, and Archbishop Temple who understood that science does not displace God'.

But Christianity in Devon goes back way before 909. Devon and Cornwall were converted to Christ during the period 450 - 600 A. D. and one of the early converts was our own St Boniface, born in Crediton in 680 and whose day we celebrate in the parish on 5th June each year.

Some order in the English Church was now being established and in the West Country the See of Sherbome was founded in 705 for the area of Dorset, Devon and Cornwall under Bishop Aldhelm, and just over 200 years later Devon and Cornwall separated from Dorset when the See of Crediton was founded under Bishop Eadwulf in 909 - the cause of our celebrations this year.

In 1050 the See was transferred from Crediton to Exeter with Bishop Leofric as the first Bishop of Exeter. The Cathedral was re-built between 1112 and 1200 with further work in 1265 to 1345, which resulted in the building we know today.

In our part of the County, Torre Abbey was founded in 1196 by William, Lord Brewer, Sheriff of Devon (whose nephew, also a William, became Bishop of Exeter from 1224 for 20 years). Torre Abbey was established as a variant of the Augustinian Order, and an Abbot and 6 canons came from Welbeck in Nottinghamshire to their new home dedicated to St Saviour and the Holy Trinity and the Blessed Virgin Mary. This was built on the site of the previous church of St Saviour, The Manor of Torre belonged to the Sheriff of Devon and was consequently known as 'Torre Bruere', though when it passed to his daughter Alice, wife of Reginald de Mohun, it changed its name to Torre Mohun. So, just a few names and dates to chart our progress from earlier years.

Sadie Yates

Brixham Orpheus Male Voice Choir

with guests Budleigh Salterton Male Voice Choir
will sing at St Andrew's Church, Sands Road
Saturday 26th September 2009
All welcome
Tickets £5

PARISH REGISTERS

Baptisms 26.7.09 Ebony Patricia MorleyCarter Lexi-Jayne Eliose Cockayne Charlie Michael Boon

Noblett
Steven James Carter
Laura Jayde Sutton
Joshua James Sutton
Marcus Lee Pugh
Sophia Marie Pugh
Dominic Matthew Pugh
Benjamin James Light

Funerals 4.8.09 Jones Sumant Kadenaur 14.8.09 Doreen Pullen 19.8.09 Richard John Sutton James Burgess 21.8.09 Kathleen Rowlands

Archbishops Zimbabwe Appeal

In February we were asked to respond to the Archbishops appeal for Zimbabwe and the Church Times (14th August) now has an article on the result of that appeal.

'An Anglican feeding programme has enabled 11,000 children to remain in school where they and their teachers are receiving what is often their only meal of the day'.

'Measured levels of accountability at each stage of the operation are ensuring that good practice is being learnt'.

'Pupil attendance has risen by up to 45% and both children and teachers have a much stronger sense of motivation to learn now that they are not hungry'.

'Local people have a much greater respect for the Anglican Church as a result of this initiative' It is good to have some feedback on the result of our contributions.

Sadie Yates

Contented Dementia

It was the word "CONTENTED" which caught my attention; for most of us have friends or relatives afflicted with dementia, the more so as we live longer and even wonder if we will ourselves reach that stage – as the author of a book says in his introduction "The idea of dementia sends a chill down the spine, like no other ailment".

The book to which I refer, "Contented Dementia" is absolutely riveting as the author, Oliver James, describes a revolutionary approach which has been successfully practised by his mother-in-law, Penny Garner, over many years, who nursed her mother and gradually came up with a completely new approach to the disease.

Briefly, Penny Garner advocates three commandments:

- 1. <u>Don't</u> ask questions this only confuses the patient.
- 2. Learn from them for they are the experts on their disability.
- 3. <u>Always agree</u> with everything they say, <u>never</u> interrupting them.

This sounds so easy and too simple – but it isn't. Such a method takes all stress from the patient, and from the

carer; a relationship of mutual trust is established, and often puts the patient in the position of being the expert, advising the carer eagerly and confidently.

This is only a précis of an outstanding and very readable book. It has given me a real insight into this cruel disease, and such a method leaves both patient and carer happy and contented.

A groundbreaking book. I can't recommend it too highly.

Ann Stokes

Very belatedly, I am sorry to say, may I take this opportunity of thanking parishioners for their cards and good wishes on my move to Tetbury.

My heartfelt thanks also go to the members of the Paignton Ladies' Group for their gift of a most attractive picture of Paignton Harbour. I am sure most of you are well aware that I did not stay in Tetbury, so I came back to Paignton (picture and all!!).

Jo Wingfield

Age Concern Torbay are holding a Fashion Show

On

Friday 4th September
At 7.00pm
At the Sacred Heart Church Hall,
Cecil Road, Paignton

Cecil Road, Paignton Tickets £4.00

to include a glass of wine & nibbles Available from the Age Concern Shop, Hyde Road, Paignton

10% discount on all purchases at the show and in the shop Saturday 5th September, on production of a Fashion Show ticket

Come and get your new Winter outfit

Thank You to Ann Stokes for providing a perfectly good hose-pipe to the Church for filling the font

and watering the rockery by the Lych Gate. It's quicker and dryer than a jug!

Many thanks Ann.

Bob Scarrott



DIARY FOR SEPTEMBER



2	Wed	10.00am	Mothers' Union Corporate Communion		
6	Sun	6.00pm	Evensong & Benediction: Parish Church		
8	Tue	10.00am	St Boniface Coffee Morning & Table Top Sale		
11	Fri	7.30pm	Organ Recital with Paul Derrett: Parish		
			Church		
		7.15pm	Club 2000 – Cash Bingo in the Hall		
13	Sun	6.00pm	Evening Worship: St Boniface		
15	Tue	10.00am	St Boniface Coffee Morning & Table Top Sale		
17	Thu	2.30pm	1 st Christmass Event meeting: Hall		
20	Sun	_	Gift Day		
		6.00pm	Wholeness & Healing: Parish Church		
21	Mon	12.30pm	Parish Ladies' bar/snack/chat lunch at the		
			Livermead House Hotel		
22	Tue	9.00am	Magazine Material to Ann Howard please		
		10.00am	St Boniface Coffee Morning & Table Top Sale		
24	Thu	7.00pm	Friends of Paignton Parish Church		
			Committee Meeting: Parish Church		
27	Sun	6.00pm	Evensong & Benediction: St Andrew's		

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28	Mon	7.30pm	Parish Ladies' Group Registration Evening		
29	Tue	10.00am	St Boniface Coffee Morning & Table Top Sale		

INTERCESSIONS FOR SEPTEMBER

1	Tue	S Giles Ab	Parish priests	
2	Wed	Feria	Social Services	
3	Thu	S Gregory B	The Bishop of Ebbsfleet	
4	Fri	S Cuthbert B	The Diocese of Durham	
5	Sat	Of Our Lady	The People of S. Andrew's	
6	Sun	Trinity 13	Our Churchwardens	
7	Mon	Feria	The Faithful Departed	
8	Tue	Birthday of the BVM	Those asking for baptism	
9	Wed	Feria	Friends of Paignton Parish	
			Church	
10	Thu	Feria	Guild of Servants of the	
			Sanctuary	
11	Fri	Feria	Church Organists	
12	Sat	Most Holy Name of Mary	Those to be married	
13	Sun	Trinity 14	Our PCC	
14	Mon	Exaltation Of The Holy Cross	Thanksgiving for the life-	
			giving death of Jesus	
15	Tue	Our Lady of Sorrows	The bereaved	
16	Wed	SS Cornelius & Cyprian BB MM	Our Bible Study groups	
17	Thu	S Hildegard Ab	Women Religious	
18	Fri	Feria	The people of S. Boniface	
19	Sat	Of Our Lady	Thanksgiving for Our Lady	
20	Sun	Trinity 15	Our Sunday Schools	
21	Mon	S Matthew Ap	Jewish Christians	
22	Tue	Feria	Our Cathedral Church	
23	Wed	Feria	Christians Together in	
			Paignton	
24	Thu	Our Lady of Walsingham	Walsingham	
25	Fri	Feria	TAP into Faith	
26	Sat	SS Cosmas & Damian	Those persecuted for their	
			faith	
27	Sun	Trinity 16	Those to be baptised	
28	Mon	S Wenceslas M	Those falsely imprisoned	
29	Tue	S Michael & All Angels	Thanksgiving for S	

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				people	
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