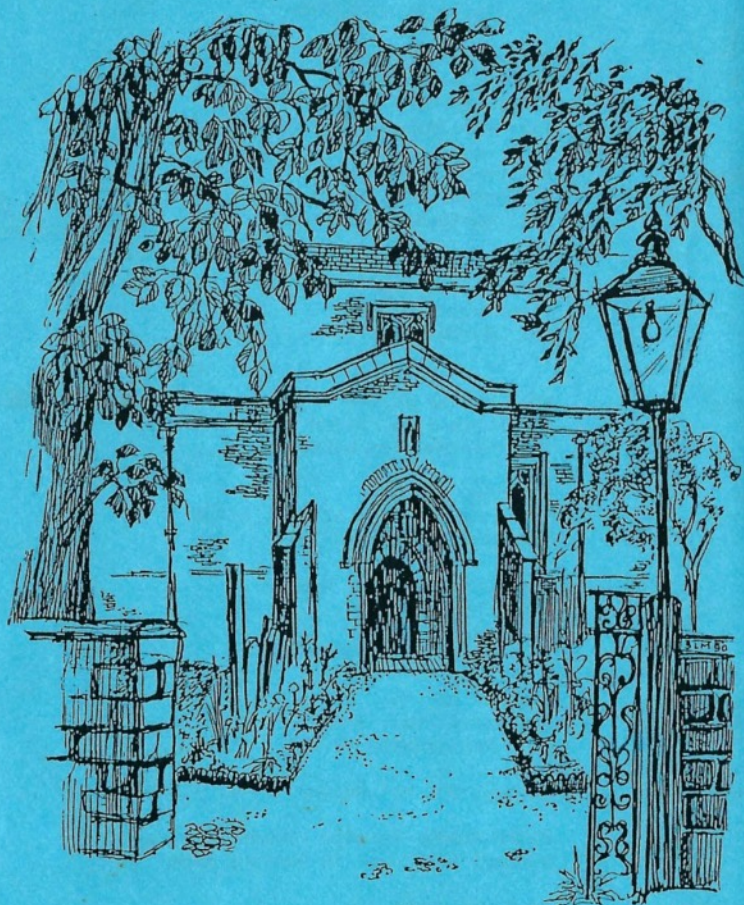


ECTON CHURCH AND VILLAGE NEWS



June 1991

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FROM THE RECTOR'S STUDY

By the time you read this letter the great saving acts of God in Jesus Christ will have been celebrated for one more year. Christmas, Good Friday, Easter Day, Ascension and Pentecost having been experienced, leave us with the business of getting on with our Christian discipleship in a world where there is vivid contrast between good and bad, love and hate, and darkness and light. I seem to be aware of the contrast between positive and negative forces as never before. Maybe the world is moving closer to a crisis which will decide for ever the destiny of civilisation. The prospect is at one and the same time frightening and exciting. We Christians have an enormous part to play. Our heads must be filled with faith, hope and love. We must be sensitive to the needs of others, seeing in them the presence of Jesus who is at the centre of all creation and who wants all things to be returned to his Father in Heaven.

Do not be ashamed of cultivating holiness. It is what the world needs as a medicine to heal many sicknesses. Christians stand on a bridge representing Christ to the world and the world to Christ. The victory is Christ be strong and brave.

God bless you

FROM THE COLLECTION PLATE

14th April	£232.77
21st April	£176.06
28th April	£183.74
5th May	£127.45

E.C.P.

Ecton County Primary

E.C.P.



Can you spare
any time?

E.C.P.

Miranda

Gemma E.C.P.

There are many times when we need extra help in school,
such as:-

Assisting on school trips and outings

Hearing children read

Helping with art and craft activities

Gardening with the children

Sharing your hobbies

Talking to the children about the past
and Fundraising

If you feel you can help us in any way then please
contact us on Northampton 409213

Thank you.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The May meeting traditionally brings Ecton's opportunity to consider the Resolutions for the National A.G.M. On 7th May Mrs Anne Mackly led us through the legal jargon of changes to the Articles of Association and votes were cast on publicising the dangers of paracetamol, provision of childcare services and the abolition of pension deductions.

Our delegate, Millie Harlott, and Marian Gleave should have an interesting time at this, the first A.G.M. to be held at the N.E.C., Birmingham.

Winners of the competition for a "Limerick about the W.I." were Mary Bane, Joy Wilson and Janet Robinson and their verses will be read during our Social Evening on Tuesday, 4th June.

Carol Jones

ECTON YOUTH CLUB

Lunch Club is on Wednesday, 26th June. Please come and join us.

READERS' DIARY

June 2nd	Guides
June 9th	J Dickins
June 16th	
June 23rd	
June 30th	
July 7th	Pathfinders

OVER 60'S CLUB

In June we are meeting on Monday the 10th in the Rectory Room and on the 24th we go to South Lodge for tea with Mr and Mrs Beesley. There will be a Bring and Buy Stall.

An afternoon outing has been arranged for Wednesday, 10th July, when we have tea at Olney. Anyone wishing to join us please contact me. The coach will leave at 1.30 p.m. - home 6 p.m.

Church Garden Fete

Over 60's are having a Book Stall and would be pleased to receive all your unwanted books. Please contact Mrs Reynolds or Denise Langley.

There are still a few tickets for "My Fair Lady" at the Derngate Theatre on 8th October. Anyone wishing to join us please contact me as soon as possible.

Denise Langley

C L E A N I N G R O T A

June 1st	Pink Team	Shine
June 8th	Yellow Team	Polish
June 15th	Red Team	Shine
June 22nd	Green Team	Polish
June 29th	Orange Team	Shine
July 6th	Blue Team	Polish

PRAYERS FOR MAY

"Love is not a matter of emotion, or of feeling
but is the gift of oneself to others."

Sat	1	Justin - Martyr at Rome c.165
SUN	2	For all who live and work in Northampton
Mon	3	The Parish Council
Tue	4	Ecton Primary School
Wed	5	St Boniface - Bishop, Missionary, Martyr 754
Thu	6	Ecton Fellowship
Fri	7	Ecton Women's Institute
Sat	8	The Over 60's
SUN	9	St Columba - Abbot of Iona, Missionary 597
Mon	10	Youth and Senior Club
Tue	11	St Barnabas the Apostle
Wed	12	For Mums and Tots
Thu	13	The Playgroup
Fri	14	Fathers of the Eastern Church St Basil the Great, 379 St Gregory of Naziahzum, c.390
Sat	15	The Cricket Club
SUN	16	The Bell Ringers
Mon	17	The Pathfinders
Tue	18	The Sunday School

Wed 19	The Rector and family and those working on the magazine
Thu 20	The Church Wardens
Fri 21	The PCC Secretary and Treasurer
Sat 22	St Alban, 1st Martyre of Britain, c.209
SUN 23	Pope John XXIII, 1963
Mon 24	St John the Baptist
Tue 25	The Stewardship and Electoral Roll Officers
Wed 26	The Children's Society
Thu 27	The Diocese of Peterborough
Fri 28	St Grebaeys, Bishop of Lyons, Martyr, c.200
Sat 29	St Peter the Apostle
Sun 30	The Ecton Guild

ECTON FELLOWSHIP

The next meeting will be on Tuesday June 11th.

Milly and Sylvia will talk about their visit to Oberammergau. This will be a very interesting afternoon and we hope as many people as possible will come.

Don't forget to book a seat on Saucy Sue our Barge Outing on Tuesday July 9th!

Joan Dickins

You are invited to an Open Day for clergy and laity at Ecton House, the Peterborough Diocesan Conference and Retreat House, in the village of Ecton, near Northampton.

This day can be used for study, prayer or in any way you may find spiritually useful away from the telephone or door bell.

A TIME FOR REFLECTION

Saturday, June 8th, 1991
from 10 o'clock until late afternoon

Conductor: The Reverend Geoffrey Cox,
Vicar of Wollaston with Strixton

Programme

- 10.00 Arrival and coffee
- 10.30 Introduction to the day in the Conference Room
- 12.00 Eucharist with address either in the Chapel, the Parish Church or the garden, depending upon climatic conditions and the number of people attending.
- 1.00 Ploughman's Lunch
- 3.00 Closing Service with address in either the Chapel, the Parish Church or the garden, also depending upon climatic conditions and the number of people attending, followed by afternoon tea.

Contributions towards the cost of refreshments will be welcome on the day. Ploughman's lunch £1.50; coffee and tea 60p each.

Do not be put off if you cannot come for the whole day. A warm welcome awaits everybody for no matter how short a time.

R.S.V.P. The Warden, Ecton House, Church Way, Ecton.

BRITISH RED CROSS WEEK
5th to 11th May 1991

The total raised this year in the village for the Red Cross annual collection was £132.

Many thanks to all who gave so generously to this worthy cause.

Thanks also go to the helpers:-

Dorothy Creed, Marian Gleave, Freda Richards, Joy Wilson, The Three Horse Shoes and the Worlds End.

Sylvia Johnson

COFFEE ROTA

June 9th	Audrey Treloar and Ingrid Cartwright
June 16th	Millie Harlot and Dora
June 23rd	Celia and Howard Carter
June 30th	Alice and Wynn
July 7th	Nick and Mary Green

RECTOR'S NOTES

I am sure that I am expressing the thoughts of all of us in thanking Martin Stears for his time as Churchwarden of this parish. Martin, together with Henry Pinney, carried an enormous weight of responsibility during the interregnum, and I know that he will continue to serve this church in a variety of ways. His place has been taken by John Strange who is no stranger to us as he also has played a valuable part in the life of the church as treasurer. We welcome John to the office of churchwarden, knowing that he has considerable experience of church affairs. Bob Allison is to be the new treasurer. Bob is by profession an accountant and director of a number of companies.

By now there can be no one who reads this magazine who does not know that this year is the 450th anniversary of the diocese of Peterborough. On Sunday 14th July at 6 p.m. Wellingborough Deanery will attend a Celebratory Choral Evensong at Peterborough Cathedral, when the preacher will be the Very Reverend Randolph Wise. It will be wonderful if a goodish number from the church could be in the cathedral for this service. A coach will visit Ecton to take pilgrims and after the service there will be time for a picnic tea in the Dean's garden before the coach returns. If you wish to attend please add your name to the list at the back of the church.

Some of you may wonder why the editor is anxious to receive magazine material at the beginning of the month. Obviously it takes quite a time to prepare and more often than not he has to telephone round the leaders of the various organisations to remind them that time is passing. The main reason why we have to

get on with the business early is that copy has to be ready for the printers by the Monday of the third week. As most of you know the magazine is printed at Stephen Meakin's school but sometimes the school work has to take priority. If we leave it to the last moment we may well find the magazine does not arrive in the parish for circulation before the beginning of the next month and well after the events advertised. Would it be possible for contributors to let the editor have material during the first week of the month. By the way we now have two proof readers. They are Geoff and Millie Harlott who responded to my call for help.

We all enjoyed Father Michael Payne's visit. I found his sermons most interesting. They were clear, well presented and delivered in such a way that most professional actors would have been proud. I do not think voice production is taught these days in theological colleges! It was delightful to meet Christine; I have heard so much about them and now they are not just names. Their visit gave pleasure to many of their old friends and on behalf of everyone I thank them for taking the trouble to spend the day with us.

There will be an opportunity to meet Canon and Mrs Thorpe on 9th June. Please add your name to the list at the back of the church if you wish to attend the luncheon.

There is so much happening in the parish this summer and I know you will want to take full advantage. There is the concert on 7th June, the Open Days at Ecton House and the Garden Fete on 13th July. This all adds up to a lively summer when we will be able to enjoy ourselves, work for the church, and enrich our spirituality.

ECTON CHURCH GUILD

There was a good attendance at the meeting of the Ecton Church Guild on Thursday, 18th April. The Rector conveyed thanks to all members for their good works. He had received many compliments from visitors who noticed how well cared for the Church was.

Several of our members are hanging up their dusters after many years of unstinting service. Our thanks go out to Mrs Murdin, Dorothy Cross, Maud Dicks, Janet Robinson, Paddy MacGuire and Bina Johnson.

We were pleased to welcome to the group two new members, Dorothy Creed and Patricia Peacock. We are very keen to add to our ranks and therefore would like you, dear reader, to volunteer your services for an hour or two once every 6 weeks or so. No special skills are needed and both men and women are equally welcome. Indeed we require a few more men to help with the vacuum cleaner and lifting work.

We are also setting up a specialist team to concentrate on the brasses in Church. This is a less demanding job physically but will require good attention to detail. We are hoping to have some professional restoration on some of the brasses, so it is important that we can keep them well cared for.

Will anyone interested please have a chat with Pat Naylor to find out a little more of what is involved.

Celia Howard

ECTON PARISH COUNCIL

Following the Election of Councillors for the Parish of Ecton, the Council thought that you might be interested to be given an update of the current position in our village.

Ecton elects nine parish councillors so with ten nominees it was inevitable that someone was going to be disappointed. Ivan Stock from Church View was that person on this occasion. The nine successfully elected people would like to publicly express their thanks to Ivan for the way in which he carried out his role over the last couple of years. Ivan has contributed wisely at the meetings and together with his son Adam have provided valuable help with Operation Springclean.

Two newcomers to the Council are Mr Colin Sotheby and Mr Paul Darwin, both we know will work hard to maintain the already high standards set by the Parish Council in Ecton.

It may be thought that very little gets done about the state of the roads, the fly tipping etc. but you may be interested to know that at the last meeting in March, Mr John Hill the assistant Borough Surveyor attended the council meeting to discuss our observations and complaints about the condition of the highway through the village.

He did explain that until the Utilities (Gas, Water etc.) have completed their work and a period of two years has elapsed to allow them to effect any subsequent repair work necessary, then the Highways dept are not empowered to resurface the roads. However you will note that he has been able to persuade Anglian Water to reinstate their areas to give a better surface.

From the point of view of the traffic speed through the centre of the village. Ecton has been recommended for a 'traffic calming' programme, further details will be outlined in a future newsletter.

With regard to the Fly-tipping, the council regularly do battle with the local authorities over this. Twice as much effort is required since much of the rubbish is deposited by those resident in the Northampton Borough Council area onto the land with is the responsibility of Wellingborough Council. We are informed that recent legislation has tightened up the laws relating to Health and Safety and that we should soon see an improvement in the maintenance of the area. Nevertheless you should remember that Ecton and the surrounding area is your responsibility as well, don't leave everything to the Parish Council. If you see anyone fly-tipping telephone Mr B Wheatly on 0604 236627 he is the Borough Enforcement Officer and will be happy to bring a prosecution against offenders.

Currently there is a proposal to extend the Gipsy Site, and a full and detailed meeting between councillors and the local authority will be taking place during the next few weeks. We hope to give you more information in the next newsletter.

CHURCH GARDEN FETE

to be held on Saturday
13th July, at Ecton House
List of organisers

CAKES AND JAMS

Dorothy Cross, 38 West Street (408585)

POSTERS

Henry Pinney, 91 Henshaw Road, Wellinborough
(0933-77021)

BAND - Henry Pinney

HANDICRAFTS - Sue Rands, 4 West Street
(407166)

REFRESHMENTS - Joy Wilson, The Women's
Institute, 15 West Street (408664)

WHITE ELEPHANT

Evelyn Murdin, 20 Church View (409422) and
Audrey Treloar, 47 West Street (402956)

TOMBOLA

Pat Bayliss, 34 West Street (407707)

JEWELLERY - Joan Dickins, Ecton Fellowship, 2
Church Way (415576)

VEGETABLES AND PLANTS - Brian Saunders, 20
Charnwood Avenue, Northampton (403417)

BOOKS - Denise Langley, Over 60's, 7 The
Laurels (404173)

RAFFLE - Catherine Ward, Mums & Tots, 7 Agate
Way, Earls Barton (0933-812622)

GAME - Trish Fuller, Brownies, 14 Healy Close
(403127)

4 GAME STALLS - to be arranged

Please give all your support to the stall-
holders and organisers of games. Let's make
this a happy family occasion.

The Rector

CHURCH AND VILLAGE DIARY

JUNE

- SUN 2 Second Sunday after Pentecost
 9.30 am Holy Communion and
 Parade Service
 1 Peter 2.1-10
 John 15.1-5
 6.00 pm Evensong
 7.00 pm Pathfinders
- Tue 4 7.30 pm W.I. in the Rectory Room
- Thu 6 9.30 am Holy Communion
- Fri 7 7.30 pm Concert in Church
 Music in Quiet Places
 Musica Donum Dei
- Sat 8 "A Time for Reflection" -
 An Open Day at Ecton House
- SUN 9 3 after Pentecost
 The preacher at both services will be
 Father Cyprian Thorpe
 9.30 am Parish Communion and
 Sunday School
 Romans 6.3-11
 John 15.5-11
 6.00 pm Evensong followed by Holy
 Communion
 7.00 pm Pathfinders
- Mon 10 7.50 am Holy Communion, House Chapel
 2.30 pm Over 60's, Rectory Room
- Tue 11 St Barnabas the Apostle
 2.45 pm Ecton Fellowship, Rectory Room
 7.30 pm Holy Communion

Thu 13	9.30 am	Holy Communion
SUN 16	4 after	Pentecost
	9.30 am	Parish Communion and Sunday School Deuteronomy 7.6-11 John 15.12-17
	6.00 pm	Evensong
	7.00 pm	Pathfinders
Mon 17	7.50 am	Holy Communion, House Chapel
Thu 20	9.30 am	Holy Communion
SUN 23	5 after	Pentecost
	9.30 am	Parish Communion and Sunday School Ephesians 5.1-10 Matthew 19.16-26
	6.00 pm	Evensong
	7.00 pm	Pathfinders
Mon 24	Birth of	St John the Baptist
	7.50 am	Holy Communion, House Chapel
Thu 27	9.30 am	Holy Communion
SUN 30	St Peter	the Apostle
	9.30 am.	Parish Communion and Sunday School 2 Tim. 4.6-8, 16-18 Matthew 16.13-20
	6.00 pm	Evensong
	7.00 pm	Pathfinders

JULY

Mon 1	7.50 am	Holy Communion, House Chapel
	8.00 pm	Cricket Club

Tue	2	7.30 pm	W.I. in the Rectory Room
Wed	3	7.30 pm	St Thomas the Apostle Holy Communion
Thu	4	9.30 am	Holy Communion
SUN	7	9.30 am	St Peterstide Holy Communion and Parade Service Hosea 11.1-9 Matthew 18.21-end
		6.00 pm	Evensong
		7.00 pm	Pathfinders

FLOWER ROTA

June 2nd	Jean Morrison
June 8th	Pauline
June 15th	Pauline
June 22nd	Paddy
June 29th	Paddy
July 6th	Celia

MUSIC IN QUIET PLACES

A concert to be held in church on
Friday, 7th June at 7.30 p.m.

Musica Donum Dei

The music of Restoration England.
The ensemble play, together with contemporary readings, the music of Purcell, Matthew Locke, John Blow and others, to mark one of the most fertile periods of English music.
Tickets £5 available from libraries at Wellingborough and Earls Barton.

PARISH AND VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS

Parish Council	Chairman	Mrs Sheila Ingram Tel: Northampton 406038
Ecton Primary School	Headteacher	Mrs Helen Tite Tel: Northampton 409213
Ecton Fellowship	Contact	Miss Joyce Orford Tel: Northampton 414245 2nd Tuesday in month 7.30 pm in Rectory Room
Ecton W.I.	Contact	Mrs Millie Harlott Tel: Northampton 405938 1st Tuesday in month 7.30 p.m. in Rectory Room
Over 60's	Contact	Mrs Denise Langley Tel: Northampton 404173 Twice monthly on Mondays 2.30 pm in Rectory Room
Youth Club & Senior Club	Contact	Mrs M Beesley Tel: Northampton 810577 Y.C. Wednesday 7.00 - 9.00 pm S.C. Tuesday 8.00 pm at Club Hall, High Street, Ecton
Mums & Tots	Contact	Mrs Julie Meakins Tel: Northampton 411140 Every Thursday 2.30 - 4.00 pm in Rectory Room
Playgroup	Contact	Mrs Julie Meakins Tel: Northampton 411140 Tuesday and Friday 9.15 - 11.45 am at Youth Club Hall, High Street, Ecton
Cricket Club	Captain Secretary	Mr Steve Wheatman Tel: Northampton 401714 Mrs H Kearsley Tel: Northampton 810922
Brownies	Contact	Mrs Tricia Fuller Tel: Northampton 403137
Bell Ringers	Contact	Mrs Mary Strange Tel: Northampton 409306
Pathfinders	Contact	Mr Graham Jordan Tel: Northampton 410255

