

ECTON CHURCH AND VILLAGE NEWS



November

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FROM THE RECTOR'S STUDY

It goes without saying that these are difficult times and we could tell ourselves that, "we ain't seen nothin' yet". The whole world seems to be in a state of flux but, as a member of the congregation wisely pointed out, all this is to be expected as we are coming to the end of one millennium and the beginning of another. The year 2000 is not far away.

How do Christians react in these circumstances, especially now that nothing seems certain with high unemployment and political re-alignments shifting this way and that with great rapidity? I believe that we have to take hold of the strong evangelistic message that Jesus should be at the heart of everything we do. It means, of course, a return to the Bible for study and meditation and asking the question, "what does this mean to me and how does it affect my behaviour?" Christians must be humble students in an eternal process of spiritual learning. The Bible is our guidebook, atlas and encyclopædia, for in it we find the secrets of the Kingdom of God. Christians must also be repentant which means that we should always be sorry for things that we have done wrong. As with learning, this requires humility; Jesus and the early Christians were always strong on this virtue. Repentance demands that we must be not only sorry but also willing to change our ways. If we harbour anger then we must realise that no good can come from it. Bad and negative attitudes like jealousy and resentment only do harm to the soul, resulting in damage to others. So the Christian has an immense responsibility, particularly in these strange times, to return to the fundamentals of learning and penitence. The great Gospel of St Mark records that at the beginning of his ministry Jesus said, "Repent and believe the Gospel."

During the season of Advent we are required to do just that.

Every Blessing
Peter Naylor

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

At our AGM held on 6th October 1992 we were sad to say "Farewell", but only as President, to Millie Harlot to whom thanks and warmest appreciation were expressed for her sterling leadership over the past years. To Dorothy and Denise, who are retiring from the Committee, a vote of thanks for their untiring devotion during their terms of office was also expressed.

Carol, our very able Secretary, told us of our achievements during this past year and Marion our treasured Treasurer gave an account of our financial status.

Our new President is Stella Gibson and our new Committee will be announced at our next meeting on Tuesday, 3rd November.

A goodly gathering of members were fascinated to see recent slides of China and her People Today, and to listen to an interesting account of travels there by Mrs Morrison ably assisted by Mr Morrison.

Our speaker for the next meeting will be Mr Moss and his lecture will be on "The History, Evolution and Psychology of Perfumes". Do attend and bring your friends for what will be a most interesting evening. The competition will be announced at the meeting.

Mr Peter Knock on behalf of the Cynthia Spencer Hospice asked our President to kindly request donations from members for their "Bake Sale" to be held on Sunday, 15th November. Please contact Peter at 0604 37088 or Stella at 0604 405350 if further information is needed.

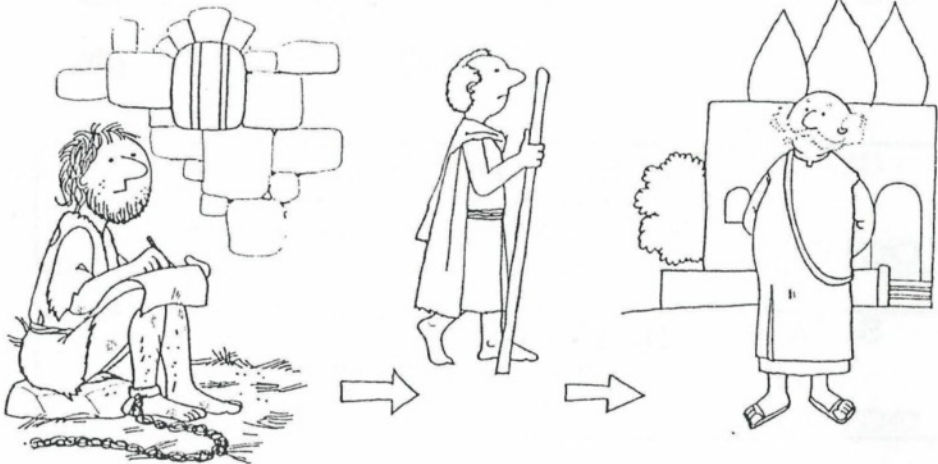
Mary Bane

Find the book of Philemon. 'Onesimus' means 'useful'. 10-16 yrs - Non-Prize Puzzle

PAUL

ONESIMUS

PHILEMON



Forgive as the Lord forgave you. Colossians 3:13

Which things are useful for one another?

Word search



- BACK ONESIMUS PRAY USEFUL
- CHAINS PARTNER PRISONER USELESS
- CHRIST PAUL ROOM
- HELPING PHILEMON SEPARATED

Youth Group Programme

Sundays 7.30 - 9.00 pm

SUNDAY
11th
OCTOBER

"LET'S DO DRUGS"

Coca Cola or Cocaine - what's your poison?
A discussion evening led by Viki and Jason.

SUNDAY
18th
OCTOBER

BOWLING

Demonstrate your sporting prowess
at the Wellingborough Superbowl.
Cost £3.00 each - Meet at 7.15 pm

SUNDAY
25th
OCTOBER

HALF TERM

SUNDAY
1st
NOVEMBER

MOBILE PANEL

A discussion evening with a difference:
air your views on some serious and
some not-so-serious issues of the day.

SUNDAY
8th
NOVEMBER

GAMES EVENING

A lot of silliness and a chance to win a Polo
(the mint not the car)

SUNDAY
15th
NOVEMBER

PRAYER

What is it? How do we do it? Why do we do it?
An evening exploring the theory and
the practice of prayer.

For more information contact:

Autumn 1992

in the Rectory Room at Ecton House

(Unless stated otherwise)

SUNDAY
22nd
NOVEMBER

FUND RAISING AFTERNOON

Raise some money for our own funds and for a local charity. More information to follow.
(Suggestions welcome)

SUNDAY
29th
NOVEMBER

BIBLE STUDY

"Even if you will suffer for doing what is right, how happy you are! Do not be afraid of anyone and do not worry." *(1 Peter 3:14)*

SUNDAY
6th
DECEMBER

QUIZ NIGHT

Exercise your brain cells for an evening more demanding than GCSE's.

SUNDAY
13th
DECEMBER

DISCUSSION

On a topic of your choice, with the aid of the Rector.

SUNDAY
20th
DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Mince pies and more silly games.

The first meeting after the Christmas break will be on
SUNDAY 10th JANUARY 1993

James Fraser, Ecton House - Tel: 406442

RECTOR'S NOTES

ON REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY to be held on November 8th, a procession will leave the church at 10.50 am and proceed to the Shrine where wreaths will be laid and a short service take place. It is hoped that many villagers and friends will participate, showing respect for those who died in recent wars for their country.



The Church Council recently made grants of £75 each to the village Youth Club, the School, the Cricket Club and the Over Sixties. The council wishes it could have been more but knows that every little helps. The money came from that which was raised at the Summer Festival with the rest of the money going to the continuing restoration of the church.



The final arrangements have been made concerning the new scheme for Ecton Charities. I am happy to announce that John Strange, one of our Churchwardens, has been appointed Trustee to represent the Parochial Church Council. David Dicks and Colin Sotheby have been appointed Trustees by the Parish Council. I am sure the scheme will prove to be in the best interests of the village and its inhabitants for many years ahead.



CHURCHYARD - AUTUMN CLEAN

Come and help clean up the leaves and debris in the churchyard.

Meet at the churchyard gates at 9.30 on Saturday, 14th November, bringing a rake and, if possible, a wheelbarrow.

Many hands make light work and it will also support Henry Pinney and his chaps who work so hard and conscientiously each week.



RED CROSS WEEK

We have had an appeal from Marigold Craig seeking help for Red Cross week next May. She needs people to be house-to-house collectors and help in organising Coffee Mornings during the week.

If you are interested please telephone her on 0604 33442.



COFFEE ROTA

1st November

8th November

15th November

22nd November

29th November

6th December

Millie Harlot and Dora Reynolds

Celia and Howard Carter

Sue and Les Mitchell

Nick and Mary Greene

Alice Adams and Wynn Voss

Pat Peacock and Dorothy Creed

HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST
SPONSORED BIKE RIDE

Janet wishes to thank all those enthusiastic participators who either walked or cycled for this worthy cause. Also the volunteer recorders and refreshment team who kept the paper work straight and pedlars/walkers fed and watered! Please reserve next years September date in your diary.

Sponsor money ASAP to be given to Janet.

WELL DONE EVERYBODY!!

Mrs H Tite expresses her thanks for the Ecton PCC's generous donation towards the Schools building fund. The new classroom is scheduled for completion after half-term.

BOB ALLISON

Bob, wearing his Treasurer's hat, reminds all readers who enjoy reading our magazine and who participate in the diary events advertised, that the costs to produce the magazine so far are £245. Currently this is financed from our weekly giving.

There are many calls on our giving including Parish share, light, heat, maintenance, etc. Bob would therefore be grateful for any voluntary contributions which our readers would like to make. Needless to say you can give your donation to your magazine distributor, bring it to Church or deliver it to Ecton House.



SPECIAL SERVICES FOR ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER 1ST - ADVENT SUNDAY

- 9.30 am Parish Communion and Parade Service.
Children are invited to bring toys for
children in need who live locally.
- 6.00 pm Special Advent Concert with the Lawrence Lloyd Singers
Conductor - Steven Meakins

DECEMBER 8TH - SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

- 9.30 am Parish Communion and Sunday School
- 6.00 pm Evensong Sung by the Choir of St Alban the Martyr
Broadmead Avenue, Northampton
Choirmaster - Michael Howard
The clergy of St Albans will conduct the Service and
members of their congregation will accompany the Choir.

DECEMBER 15TH - THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

- 9.30 am Parish Communion and Sunday School
- 6.00 pm Christingle Service for the whole family.
Contributions presented at the service will be
donated to the Church of England Children's Society.

DECEMBER 22ND - FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

- 9.30 am Parish Communion and Sunday School
- 6.00 pm Nine Lessons and Carols.
The simple presentation of the Christmas message
with hymns that everybody knows.

TUESDAY DECEMBER 24TH - CHRISTMAS EVE

- 6.00 pm Carol Service for all ages with the
Blessing of the Christmas Crib.
- 11.30 pm Midnight Mass

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 25TH - CHRISTMAS DAY

- 9.30 am Sung Eucharist

ECTON FELLOWSHIP

Next Meeting: 10th November at 2.30 p.m. in the Rectory Room.

Speaker: Mrs Liz Trundal.

Subject: Pets as a therapy.

All welcome.

Joan Dickens

STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES

To economise we are using old boxes from earlier years. Your number will be the same but the dates may be slightly out of line. Please feel free to alter the date.

The new Stewardship year commences on 29th November, Advent Sunday. If you are not in the scheme and would like details please contact Marian Gleave or John Strange.

Mary Beesley would like to thank everybody connected with the Ecton Church Council for their generous cheque of £75.00. This will pay for some second-hand stacking chairs and the rest will be put towards a table. The Youth Club greatly appreciate this new equipment.

NEW CHURCH GUIDE

On the Church table inside the door is our revised history of Ecton Church.

Heartfelt thanks to Jean Morrison who has spent hours researching this project. The history is beautifully printed, sealed and mounted on our hand boards for you to browse round the Church at your leisure. There are also copies for you to buy, 20p each, and take home to read at your leisure.

Joan Dickens

FROM THE REGISTERS

Baptisms

27th September

Amy Elizabeth Evans

ECTON PLAY GROUP

Annual CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Why not come in and join the fun

Meet FATHER CHRISTMAS

FREE Mince Pies with your cup of tea

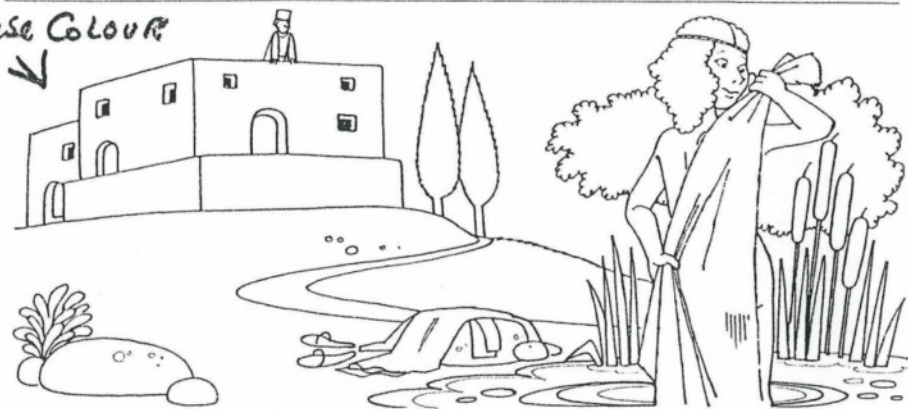
Saturday, 5th December at 2.00 p.m.

Venue: Youth Club Building

Stalls: Home made Cakes, Handicrafts
and Festive items, etc.

TWO PAGE JUNIOR PUZZLE SECTION follows
Children under 10: All entries to be in on
Children's Corner Table by 15th December.
Prizes donated by Assistant Editor for Advent
Fun.

Please Colour



Find this story in 2 Samuel 11-12

We take every thought captive
and make it obey Christ.

2 Corinthians 10:5



Word search

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| BATH | NATHAN | RICHMAN | WAR |
| BATHSHEBA | PALACE | ROOF | WIFE |
| DAVID | POORMAN | URIAH | |
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List any bad thoughts you have had trouble with:

Now pray this prayer:

Dear Lord,

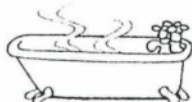
I'm sorry for thinking these wrong thoughts. Help me to think thoughts that please you, Amen



RICHMAN



POORMAN

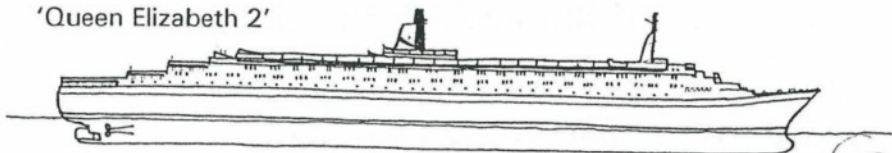


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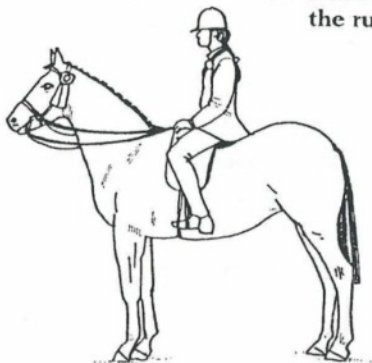


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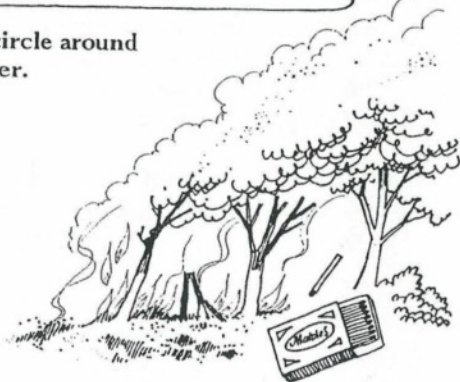
'Queen Elizabeth 2'



Draw a circle around the rudder.



Draw a circle around the bit.

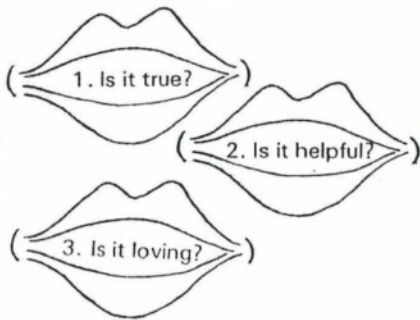


Draw a circle around the match.

The mouth speaks what the heart is full of. Luke 6:45

THE MOUTH TEST

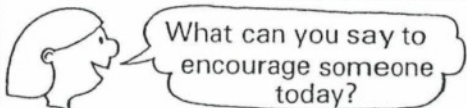
Before you speak take the Mouth Test.



Word search

- BIT
- CONTROL
- ENCOURAGE
- FIRE
- FLAME
- FOREST
- HORSE
- MOUTH
- RUDDER
- SHIP
- STEERED
- TAME
- THANKS
- TONGUE
- WORDS

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CHURCH AND VILLAGE DIARY

ALL SAINTS' DAY : Sunday, 1 November

9.30 am Parish Communion and Sunday School
Jeremiah 31. 31-34 : Luke 6.20-23

6.00 pm Evensong

7.00 pm Pathfinders

COMMEMORATION OF ALL SOULS : Monday, 2 November

7.50 am Holy Communion in the House Chapel

7.30 pm Holy Communion (Sung)

Tuesday, 3 November

7.30 pm Women's Institute meet in the Rectory Room

Thursday, 5 November

9.30 am Holy Communion

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY : 8 November

9.30 am Parish Communion and Parade Service
Isaiah 2.1-5 : Matthew 5.1-12

6.00 pm Evensong followed by Holy Communion

7.00 pm Pathfinders

Monday, 9 November

7.50 am Holy Communion in the House Chapel

2.00 pm Over Sixties meet in the Rectory Room

8.00 pm Cricket Club Meeting in the Rectory Room

Tuesday, 10 November

2.30 pm Ecton Fellowship meet in the Rectory Room

Thursday, 12 November

9.30 am Holy Communion

7.15 pm Whist Drive in the Rectory Room

Saturday, 14 November

9.30 am Working Party in the Churchyard

SIXTH BEFORE CHRISTMAS : Sunday, 15 November

9.30 am Parish Communion and Sunday School
Hebrews 3.1-6 : John 6.25-35

6.00 pm Evensong

7.00 pm Pathfinders

Monday, 16 November

7.50 am Holy Communion in the House Chapel

Thursday, 19 November

9.30 am Holy Communion

8.00 pm Ecton House Meeting

Saturday, 21 November

7.00 pm Safari Supper starting at Ian and Ann Henderson's,
48 High Street

FIFTH BEFORE CHRISTMAS : SUNDAY, 22 November

9.30 am Parish Communion and Sunday School
Romans 11.13-24 : Matthew 24.37-44

6.00 pm Evensong

7.00 pm Pathfinders

Monday, 23 November

7.50 am Holy Communion in the House Chapel

2.00 pm Over Sixties meet in the Rectory Room

Tuesday, 24 November

8.00 pm Parochial Church Council Meeting

Thursday 26 November

9.30 am Holy Communion

Friday, 27 November

7.30 pm Ecton Guild meet in the Rectory Room

FIRST IN ADVENT : Sunday, 29 November

9.30 am Parish Communion and Sunday School
1 Thessalonians 5.1-11 : Luke 21.25-33

12 for 12.30 Faith Lunch in the Rectory Room

6.00 pm An Advent Concert with the Lawrence Lloyd Singers
Conductor - Steven Meakins

7.00 pm Pathfinders

ST ANDREW THE APOSTLE : Monday, 30 November

7.50 am Holy Communion in the House Chapel

7.30 pm Holy Communion

Tuesday, 1 December

7.30 pm Women's Institute meet in the Rectory Room

Thursday, 3 December

9.30 am Holy Communion

SECOND IN ADVENT : Sunday, 6 December

9.30 am Parish Communion and Parade Service
2 Timothy 3.14-4.5 : John 5.36b-end

6.00 pm Christingle Service in aid of the Church of England
Children's Society

The speaker at both services will be John Bruce,
Church of England Children's Society Organiser

7.00 pm Pathfinders

PARISH AND VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS

PARISH COUNCIL	Chairman	Sheila Ingram Tel: Northampton 406038
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ECTON FELLOWSHIP	Contact	Joyce Orford Tel: Northampton 414245 2nd Tuesday in month 2.30 pm in Rectory Room
ECTON W.I.	Contact	Stella Gibson Tel: Northampton 405350 1st Tuesday in month 7.30 p.m. in Rectory Room
OVER 60's	Contact	Denise Langley Tel: Northampton 404173 Twice monthly on Mondays 2.30 pm in Rectory Room
YOUTH CLUB & SENIOR CLUB	Contact	Mary Beesley Tel: Northampton 810577 Y.C. Wednesday 7.00 - 9.00 pm S.C. Tuesday 8.00 pm, Club Hall, High Street, Ecton
MUMS & TOTS	Contact	Julie Perry 58 Allard Close, Rectory Farm Every Thursday 2.30 - 4.00 pm in Rectory Room
PLAYGROUP	Contact	Tuesday and Friday 9.15-11.45 am Youth Club Hall, High Street, Ecton
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PATHFINDERS	Contact	James Fraser at Ecton House Tel: Northampton 406442

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