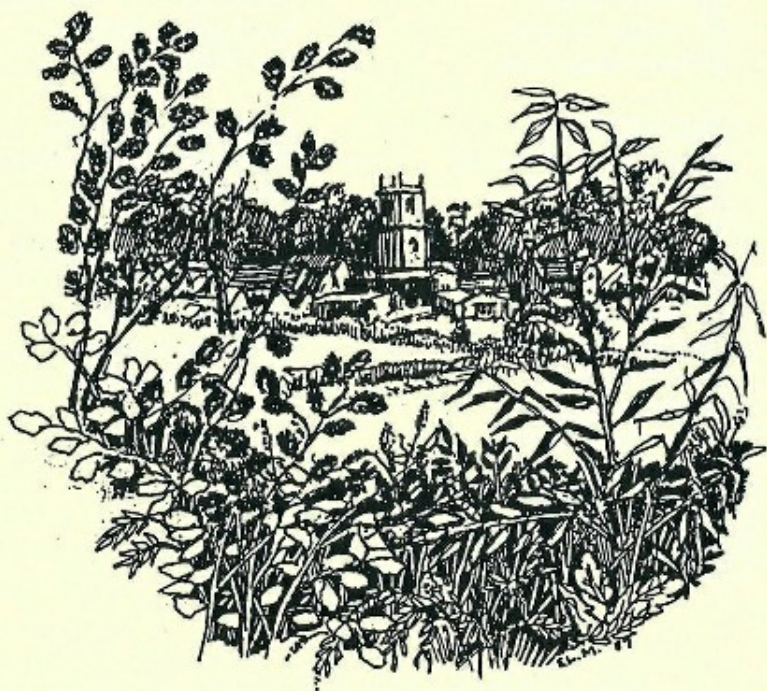


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October 2001

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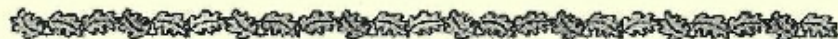
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LIFE.**

1 John 2. 25. (N.I.V.)



Copy for **November** Magazine to  
Anne Henderson – 48 High Street, Ecton  
By **October 16<sup>th</sup>** please

Dear Friends,

So the good news is that you have a new priest-in-charge designate. The Reverend Jenny Parkin and her husband, John, will move into the Rectory in January. I know from personal experience that you will welcome them both warmly and make them feel at home.

You will have great expectations of your new priest but remember that she will also have great expectations of you. I remind you that it is your Christian duty to pray for your parish priest. I ask God's blessing on you all as you move into a new phase in the life of St. Mary Magdalene, Ecton. I shall leave you on the First Sunday of Christmas (December, 30th) so that you will have time to prepare to welcome your new priest. But, before that, there is much to be done. So, diaries out....

By the time you read this we shall have had our Harvest jollifications and we'll be looking towards:

Sunday, 4th November when we shall keep All Saints' Day.

Sunday, 11th November - Remembrance Day, when the 9.30 Eucharist will be followed at 10.55 by a service at the Shrine. In the evening at 6 pm there will be a 'Service of Words and Hymns for Remembrance Day.'

Sunday, 2nd December - ADVENT SUNDAY. Year A begins. 9.30 Holy Communion and at 6 pm An ADVENT CAROL SERVICE, all those wonderful Advent hymns and readings.

Sunday, 16th December - 6 pm CAROL SERVICE. The Traditional Nine Lessons and Carols for Christmas.

Thursday, 20th December - 9.30 am CHRISTINGLE SERVICE. You are all welcome to join the children of the Primary School for this occasion.

Saturday, 22nd. December - ADVENT RETREAT DAY at Turvey Abbey. A list will shortly be in church for people to sign up for this day.

Monday, 24th December, CHRISTMAS EVE 6 pm. Children's Service followed by MIDNIGHT MASS at 11.30 pm.

Christmas Day, 9.30 am HOLY COMMUNION.

With my love and prayers,

James.

**Ecton Church and Village Diary**  
**October 2001**

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October**

7.30pm

Ecton Village Church. Informal concert of music and readings given by the parishoners. Followed by light refreshments.

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October**

9.30am

**Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity**

Parish Communion: Lamentations 1. 1-6;

Psalm 137. 1-6; 2 Timothy 1. 1-14;

Luke 17. 5-10.

6.00pm

Evensong.

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October**

9.00am

Holy Communion.

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October**

9.30am

**Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity**

Parish Communion: Jeremiah 29. 1, 4-7; Psalm 66. 1-12.

2 Timothy 2.8-15; Luke 17. 11-19.

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October**

9.00am

Holy Communion.

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October**

9.30am

**Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity**

Parish Communion: Jeremiah 31. 27-34; Psalm 119.

97-104; 2 Timothy 3. 14 - 4. 5; Luke 18. 1-8.

6.00pm

Evensong.

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**

9.00am

Holy Communion.

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October**

9.30am

**Last Sunday after Trinity**

Parish Communion: Joel 2. 23-32; Psalm 65. 1-8;

2 Timothy 4. 6-8, 16-18; Luke 18. 9-14.

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October**

9.00am

Holy Communion.

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November**

9.30am

**All Saints Sunday**

Parish Communion: Daniel 7. 1-3, 15-18; Psalm 149;

Ephesians 1. 11-23; Luke 6. 20-31.

6.00pm

Evensong.

### Items from the PCC.

1. Our Child Protection Policy document is now on the magazine table at the back of the church, with a summary posted on the notice board in the porch. Thanks are due to Sandie Simpson, our Child Protection Officer, for preparing it.
2. The PCC has agreed, in principle, to accept the tender from Colson and Loaring from Ringstead, Kettering to undertake the building work for the development project. It is hoped that the work will commence in the near future and that it will be completed in approximately 8- 10 weeks.
3. The Bishop has renewed the Eucharistic Assistant licences of Pat Baylis and Alice Adams for a further three years.
4. James Mogridge will continue as our NSM until the Sunday after Christmas, 30<sup>th</sup> December 2001, when he will retire.

Details of special services up to that date are as follows: -

<b>Date</b>	<b>Occasion</b>	<b>Service and time</b>
11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Sunday	Parish Communion – 9.30 a.m. Service at the Shrine -11.00 a.m. Service of special prayers and readings-6.00 p.m.
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Advent Sunday	Parish Communion – 9.30 a.m. Advent Carol service – 6.00 p.m.
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Third Sunday in Advent	Parish Communion – 9.30 a.m. Nine Lessons and Carols – 6.00p.m.
24 <sup>th</sup> December (Monday)	Christmas Eve	Family Carol service – 6.00 p.m. Midnight Mass with Blessing of the Crib – 11.30 p.m.
25 <sup>th</sup> December (Tuesday)	Christmas Day	Family Communion - 9.30 a.m.
30 <sup>th</sup> December	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday after Christmas	Parish Communion – 9.30 a.m.

James Mogridge will take all these services. Other Services during the period will be as normal. The traditional Christingle Service will be held by the school one Thursday morning during December - details to be announced.

Gwenda Barty  
Secretary to the PCC

DEANERY EVENSONG.

May I say a very big THANK YOU to all who helped prepare food for the Deanery Evensong buffet. The food was splendid and contributed in no small way to an evening of warm Fellowship.

I have to admit that during the run-up to the evening I suffered moments of blind panic but, thanks to the generosity of members of the congregation, these proved to be quite unjustified.

Once again my grateful thanks to all concerned.

Dorothy Creed.

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May I suggest an article in the Parish Magazine, and possibly a notice in the village notice board to the following effect.....

ILLEGAL RAVE HELD DURING THE NIGHT OF SEPT. 17/18TH.

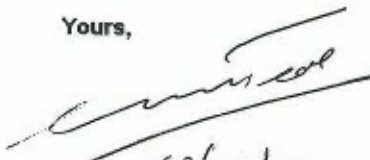
Many residents of Ecton will no doubt have had their sleep disturbed by the above event which went on all night and was held just south of the A45 road near Earls Barton.

Since the Police seem totally unable or unwilling to take any action, and as this is the second time in three weeks that our quality of life has been damaged by the same cause, you may feel it appropriate to BOMBARD the following phone number with complaint calls at any time of the day or night should this happen again:

Wellingborough Council Environmental Health Dept.  
01933 - 222931

They inform me that if they receive "sufficient calls" they are compelled to call out an officer, day or night, to investigate.  
Why should we be the only ones to have our sleep destroyed !!!

Yours,



18/08/07

### **A WORD OF THANKS.**

I would like to thank Millie Harlott, June Marshman, Kathie Wright, Alice Adams and Wynn Voss who have now "retired" from church cleaning duties, in some cases after many years of loyal service. Their efforts have been much appreciated. We will miss them. Lets hope that we can keep up the standard set by them over the years!

I am grateful to Anne Henderson and Marlene Green who have agreed to join our team.

We can always use more volunteers if you have some spare time!

Gwenda Barty.

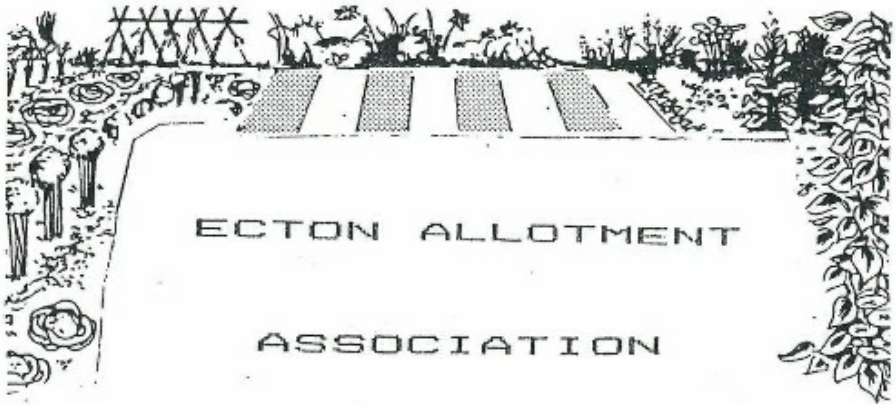
### **THE 2001 CHURCH FETE.**

The weather on the morning of the 14<sup>th</sup> July was depressing to say the least and we did not expect much improvement, but by lunch time the rain had stopped and out came the sun!

Apart from the plant stall all activities had been set up in the church and there was an encouraging attendance during the afternoon. Provisional figures were given in the last magazine and this has now been boosted by donations and other sales to over £1,600.00, which will go to our development fund.

The day was a fine example of teamwork and the Churchwardens are grateful to all those who gave their time and materials for the event.

Dorothy Creed and Walter Barty,  
Churchwardens.



Do you like organically grown fresh vegetables that have taste? fresh salad vegetables gathered an hour before you eat them? tomatoes with flavour?

Freshly dug new potatoes with your own peas or beans, young carrots and beetroot and all the greens you need to keep you healthy?

What about several hours of digging and getting cold and wet preparing ground for your seed, to find that it does not germinate, after sowing once or even several times.

If you are lucky and your plants appear, they are then eaten by objects with two legs, four legs, multi legs and no legs at all

If they survive all of this, the weather and climate is waiting to finish them off - too wet or dry or hot or cold.

All of these experiences can be yours if you are an allotment holder, together with the camaraderie of people with the same interest, and, of course, not to be forgotten, a retreat from the hustle and bustle of everyday life.

The Ecton Allotment Association is affiliated to the National Society of Allotment and Leisure Gardeners, whose benefits for members include the opportunity to purchase seeds from a vast range of vegetable and flower seeds at very competitive prices.

An annual fee of £2. per season enables you to become a member and enjoy these advantages : even if you are not an allotment holder.

At the time of writing this there are plots available.

The AGM will be held in Tony Haycox's Hovel, Barton Fields on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 8.00pm and is open to all who are interested. *31st*

Refreshments will be available

Brian Saunders  
Treasurer

01 604 409444

### **The Reverend Jenny Parkin.**

As most people will have heard by now, the Bishop has appointed the Reverend Jenny Parkin to be Priest-in-Charge of Ecton and Chaplain of the Cynthia Spencer Hospice. Jenny is currently the Curate of St. Albans, Northampton. It is expected that her Induction will take place on Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> January 2002. Further details to be announced.

She and her husband, John, will take up residence in the Rectory around that time.

Walter Barty and Dorothy Creed  
Churchwardens

## **CHURCH DEVELOPMENT APPEAL.**

The DAC, the Diocesan Registrar and the local council have now approved the plans for the improvement of the social facilities in the church.

Cost of stage 1 of our development is now expected to be in the region of £35,000 including fees, so our fund raising needs to continue under the guidance of Will Wilson, our fund raising coordinator. There is still a shortfall on this figure hence the need for further effort in this direction.

It has been suggested that we bury a sponsored time capsule under the floor of the tower with individual contributors being named on a sealed scroll. It is hoped to contact all village residents about subscribing to this proposal. The capsule will also contain some artefacts of the day.

Completing a Gift Aid declaration enabling the church to recover tax paid by the giver can boost individual donations.

Please contact Will Wilson who will appreciate all offers of financial assistance.

Dorothy Creed and Walter Barty,  
Churchwardens.  
September 2001.

## **Ecton Memorial Inscription booklets.**

We still have for sale a small number of booklets drawn up by the Northamptonshire Family History Society in the spring of 1999 recording legible monuments in the church and churchyard over times gone by.

Copies are available from the Churchwardens – price £3.00.

# DAFFODIL PLANTING

The daffodils planted around the village last year looked so beautiful that we have decided to plant 10 more sacks this year. So, on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October there will be another Grand Daffodil Planting taking place along the bank of the main Wellingborough Road and other selected areas within the village.

As before we would very much like it to be a family occasion and those with children will be asked to plant safe areas such as the corners of Church View and Franklins Close. If you can think of public areas within the village that would benefit from a splash of colour then please let us know on the day.

We shall be meeting in front of the Shrine at 9-30am on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October. Please do come along with suitable planting tools and help us to make Ecton even more colourful next spring.

## CHURCH LOTTERY JULY 2001.

27	MS. J. WIGGINS	£50.00
122	MISS J. ORFORD	£10.00
162	MRS. M. BERRY	£10.00
139	MR. W. SOAMES	£10.00
44	MRS. E. GRIFFITH	£10.00
126	MISS D. HAGUE	£10.00

## **W.I. REPORT**

**Tuesday 2nd October.  
7.30 Village Hall - A.G.M.**

**"Poems & Puddings"**

**Competition: Decorative Serving Dish**

**Teas: Mrs J. Henson/Mrs B. Shearing**

Please make every effort to attend the above  
Meeting. Nominations for Committee  
welcomed.

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It was with renewed enthusiasm, following the summer break - that we opened the September meeting.

Visitors from Earls Barton were welcomed, and business quickly dispensed with - eager to proceed with the 'Entertainment' side of the evening.

Margaret Lay and members of the "Keep Fit Association", all attired in their Physchedelic Leotards were waiting in the 'wings'.

We heard first a little about the Association, saw some of their outfits used in past displays - and laughed at anecdotes from their travels. These are far and wide, including Sweden Germany, Holland, Russia and others.

Their display started with a 'warm-up', building up to a more strenuous programme. Balls were tossed, hoops twirled and scarves swirled - and then - we had to participate! All from our chairs I might add - we pointed our toes, lifted our creaking knees, swung our arms, twiddled our fingers and finally everyone [nearly] took part in a dance - into the centre and out again do-si-do and figure of 8 - and round you go! Excellent effort!

Vote of thanks, June

Competition: Scent Bottle - Stella, Margaret, Stella

**For Those Interested**  
**Gentle Exercise for the Retired**  
**Tuesday p.m. Earls Barton**

**June Marshman**

### **Informal Concert**

of Music, singing and readings  
given by parishoners

On Saturday October 6th  
7.30pm  
at St, Mary Magdalene  
Ecton

Refreshments

Please come and join us.

## Wellingborough Borough Council 7 day 24 hour Emergency Hotline.

Should you need to contact Wellingborough Council office after normal office hours (eg. to report excessive noise pollution), the emergency telephone number is 01933 222931. The call will be taken in person by a duty officer and passed to the appropriate officer on standby.

It is stressed that this action should only be taken in a genuine emergency.

### **ECTON FELLOWSHIP**

Our first Autumn meeting is on **Tuesday  
October 9th**

We are beginning our meeting at 2.15 p.m. in the Village Club with a short AGM

This will be followed by a talk by Jenny Dawkins of Christian Aid - on her recent visit to "Nicaragua and Honduras", at 2.45p.m. Jenny will also bring slides of these Countries.

We hope that as many members and friends as are able will come to this meeting.

Joan Dickins

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### CLEANING ROTA

October 6	Red	A
October 13	Pink	B
October 20	Yellow	A
October 27	Blue	B
November 3	Green	A

### BRASS CLEANING

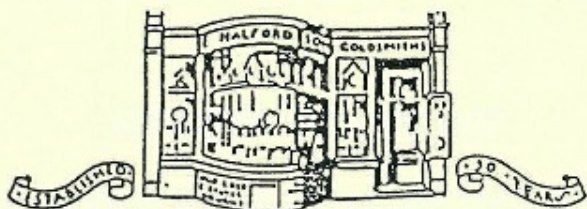
October 6	Jean/Joy
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### COFFEE ROTA

October 7	Nick & Mary Greene
October 14	June Marshman/Marian Gleave
October 21	Millie Harlott/Christine Murray
October 28	Ingrid & Keith Cartwright
November 4	Millie Harlott/Margaret Weddle

### ECTON CHURCH LOTTERY....AUGUST 2001.

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41	D ALLISON	£10.00
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That people will come to see more clearly not  
that which divides them, but that which unites  
them;

That each hour may bring us closer to a final  
victory, not of nation over nation, but of people  
over their own errors and weaknesses;

That the true spirit of humankind - its joy, its  
beauty, its hope, may live among us;

That the blessings of peace be ours - the  
peace to build and grow, to live in harmony  
and sympathy with others, and to plan for the  
future with confidence.

Help us to create tomorrows history today!

# *ECTON TIME CAPSULE PROJECT*

If you are involved in Ecton village life we will be giving you the opportunity to donate information and photos about you and your family, your home and the local societies. In fact everything that goes to make up the rich tapestry of village life.

All the items will be buried in a container in the foundations of the new building at the end of October 2001.

Be part of the history of Ecton for a minimum donation of £5. Contributions will help fund the new facilities currently being built at Ecton Church.

Volunteers will be calling at your home within the next few weeks to collect your donation.

For more details contact: Moira Clark 01604 784252