

Mrs. H. B. B. B.



PARISH NEWS

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Pett Level

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July 1985

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RECTOR'S LETTER

My dear Friends

We are looking forward to the Confirmation which will have taken place by the time this is in your hands. This year the Confirmation takes place at Pett although I see it as a combined celebration for the two parishes since many of the candidates are regular worshippers at Guestling. Later in this magazine a list of the candidates appears; please remember them in your prayers as they begin their Communicant life.

A Confirmation inevitably evokes memories of our own Confirmation, that Special Day when we took upon ourselves the responsibilities of commitment made on our behalf when as babies we were made God's children in the waters of Baptism. Growing up involves learning to carry out and shoulder life's responsibilities family-wise, money-wise, job-wise. Similarly "becoming of age" in the family of God involves an onward growth in our relationship with God and a development in our commitment to the life and work of His Church and in Christian service to others.

At a recent meeting of our Fellowship and Study Group we were wrestling with the subject of Prayer. Prayer is our aspiration towards God, talking to God and listening. It is the listening part which causes us the most problems, the waiting for answers and the tantalising difficulty of being sure that the answers we receive are in fact the will of God rather than simply the echoes of what we think we should do or want to do. We must all be aware of this difficulty from time to time. In every marriage and every friendship there will be prolonged period of silence. The awareness of the partner or friend's presence with us may be strong while words are absent and unnecessary. How many times has this happened to us! Then when the easy and natural silence is broken by a comment or suggestion from one or other might we say, "That's just what I was thinking, isn't that peculiar?" It's not peculiar at all, for when we know

2 another well enough our thoughts are atune to theirs, - we are on the same 'wavelength' so that the ideas and suggestions can be predictable if not always what we want to hear or do. We may vary in our preferences and may well have to bend to the preferences of another and do what they want rather than what we would find more pleasant, least exhausting and more interesting.

The similarity between this and our relationship to God perhaps breaks down here, since by definition in the relationship between God and us we are not quite so free to pick and choose. God's will is of paramount importance for us. We can know it more or less by our reading and study of His word in the Bible, we can recognise His influence in the lives of saintly people. Despite the difficulties and dilemmas of knowing something about God's will and feeling it out through our own, one of the pillars of our faith is the knowledge that His will is for the ultimate and eternal good. The ministry of Jesus and the costly generosity of God in sending Him to us is the salient witness to that fact.

Apart from what we might learn from God's Word and from the lives of saintly people there is another reliable way to truth. We are taught by Saint Paul that the Holy Spirit will lead us into all the truth. "Those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God." Silence is a most important way to make room for the Spirit. There are times when we must empty our minds of anxious thoughts and our own feverish brain-activity so that our minds become 'vacant' in order that the Spirit can pray in us and through us. This requires practice and will only be achieved by concentration upon the wonder and the power of God and our place in his purpose. We might be only too well aware of our insignificance and yet when we contemplate the lengths to which God has gone to reach us and save us, our worth to Him is awe-inspiring and it becomes a foregone conclusion that God will be true to all His promises and will speak to all who have ears to hear.

With good wishes and every blessing.
Yours sincerely
Michael.

SERVICES IN JULY

<u>Pett Level</u>		
14th and 28th	Holy Communion	8.00
Wednesdays	Holy Communion	10.00
<u>Pett</u>		
7th and 21st	Parish Communion	9.45
14th	Family Service	10.00
28th	Morning Prayer	9.45
<u>Guestling</u>		
7th and 21st	Morning Prayer	11.00
14th and 28th	Parish Communion	11.00

FROM THE REGISTERS.

Baptism

We welcome Thomas Patrick Gastnell, the son of Adrian and Angela Gastnell, (son-in-law and daughter of Mr and Mrs Hickman of The Barn, French Court), who was baptised at Guestling on Sunday, 9th June, 1985.

Wedding

We congratulate Simon Boulton and Angela Palmer on their wedding which took place at Guestling on Saturday, 15th June 1985.

"May God bless them in their life together."

Funerals

There have been no funerals at either Church during June.

The cremated remains of Mrs. Nellie Goodsell were laid to rest in Pett Churchyard on Saturday, 8th June, 1985, and those of Mrs. Lilian Wilkins on Tuesday, 11th June. "Rest Eternal grant unto them O Lord and may light perpetual shine upon them."

SUNDAY THEMES IN JULY

Pentecost 6	(Jul 7)	The New Man
Pentecost 7	(Jul 14)	The More Excellent Way
Pentecost 8	(Jul 21)	The Fruit of the Spirit
Pentecost 9	(Jul 28)	The Whole Armour of God

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- Friday 5th July Guestling P.C.C.,
St. Andrew's Peep, 7.15 p.m.
- Sunday 7th July We shall be praying for Vocations
to the Ministry as part of
"Vocations Weekend" being observed
by the Church.
- Tuesday 9th July Pett Fete Stallholders' Meeting
at the Rectory, 7.30 p.m.
Please do try to be present.
The introduction of new sideshows
would be most welcome.
- Wednesday 10th July C.M.S. Summer Meeting at St.
John's, Hollington.
- Sunday 14th July "Sea Sunday". Visit by Pett
Rescue Crew and Boat to Pett
Church, 10.00 a.m.
- Saturday 20th July Strawberry Tea at the Rectory.
- Saturday 27th July Guestling Barn Dance at "Old Coghurst"
by kind permission of Mr & Mrs Richard
Leonard.
- Saturday 10th August Pett Flower Show
- Walking from Rye to Guestling and
return to assembly area; approx.
25 miles. Assemble at 9.00 a.m.
at A259 (off road) by side of
J. Alsford, signposted 'Public
Footpath', opposite AMOCO station.
Organiser: H.Hilton (Iden 397)
- Friday 30th August "Called to Love" Weekend at Lancing
College. A chance to explore the
many ways that God shows His love
and calls us to share it. Activities
include music, sport, discussion,
worship and lots more! Cost of the
weekend is £11. Leaflets with all
information can be obtained from Pett
and Guestling Churches or the Rector.

Worry and Anxiety

Winston Churchill once said, 'When I look back on all these worries I remember the story of the old man who said on his deathbed that he had had a lot of trouble in his life, most of which had never happened.'

No doubt we all try to cross bridges before we reach them, and consequently a great deal of our worry proves to be unnecessary in the light of our experience. However, there are some events in our lives which cause genuine anxiety. It may be unemployment, sickness, a death in the family or a problem with our marriage which causes us to be anxious. In the Sermon on the Mount Jesus tells us to consider the way in which God cares for birds of the air and the flowers of the field and how this means that he will care for us even more so. Therefore we should not take any thought for the morrow. That does not mean that we should not plan for the future. That would be irresponsible. Neither does it

mean that we should not have an eye to the future. Commonsense requires that at least.

Living for today

What it does mean is that we should not be so burdened with care and worry that we become incapable of living the present to the full. In a similar way, worry can make

us prisoners of our past. We must try and live in the present in such a way that we have trust and confidence in the goodness of God. Then perhaps, like the old man mentioned by Churchill, we shall find that many of the things that cause our worry do not materialize or else we find the strength to cope with them.



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A WELCOME

The Sign and
News Extra

Our companion inset
News Extra will from
now on be combined
with The Sign. We
therefore welcome News
Extra readers as from
this month, and assure
them that their interests
and views will be fully
maintained.

JULY CALENDAR

3	W	St Thomas the Apostle
7	S	6 after Pentecost
14	S	7 after Pentecost
21	S	8 after Pentecost
22	M	St Mary Magdalen
25	Th	St James the Apostle
28	S	9 after Pentecost



The Editor is always glad to hear from readers. If you have any questions or problems arising from topical issues or the practice of the Christian faith, write to Canon Purcell, 'Your Letters', The Sign, St Thomas House, Becket Street, Oxford OX1 1SJ. Please enclose s.a.e. A £4 Book Token will be sent to the writer of any letter published.

TODAY'S VIOLENCE

Readers were asked if they could suggest ways in which today's violence can be lessened. Here are some of the replies received.

Ed

By example

There is, I believe, no way to lessen violence in society other than by the force of example. Every time we as individuals find it necessary to resort to violence, whether to slap a naughty child or to condone military force, we are not only increasing the total violence in the world but are also sanctioning the violence of others. If our Lord's words on violence are taken with the seriousness they deserve we will seek never to use violence. Since violence begets violence, we must never willingly use it. The prayerful example of non-violence can work wonders.

G. B. Bamford, Huddersfield

Bible Quiz

Name these persons:

1. Rebekah's brother
2. Mary's brother
3. Priscilla's husband
4. A coppermith
5. Timothy's mother
6. Paul's lawyer

Solution on p. 7

Overcome boredom

Crime is often related to boredom. Boredom may lead to drugs and drugs inevitably lead to theft, violence and even murder. Boredom is also at the root of hooliganism. Participation in community singing, playing in bands or at games, other outdoor activities and crafts can prevent boredom. In many of these activities schools and churches could help by making premises available. A sense of responsibility, belonging and of being cared for, if not at home then by someone else, will surely lessen crime. Crime detected must be punished but let that punishment be directed always to strengthening personality.

A. Gibson, Sussex

Greed

Acts of violence appear to occur for two main reasons; greed and discontent. Greed is surely the cause of robbery with violence. If potentially violent thieves were aware of adequate precautions against theft having been taken they would often be deterred by the difficulties involved in executing these crimes and the greater likelihood of being apprehended. The threat of a harsh sentence when convicted is an even more certain preventative measure. Discontent is not easily quelled. However, much can be done to help the uninformed overcome the many resentments prevalent in

our society today and resort less to violence.

K. Burch, London SW5

Television

Fundamental social, political and religious failures underlie the eruption of violence in today's society. The remedy cannot be easy. One small improvement, however, could be made in our environment if there was the will to do it. We could limit the violence shown on television. A certain amount of vicarious aggression no doubt helps us all to clear our systems, but enough is enough. The medicine has become a poison. There is an on/off switch but it is those who least need it who use it. St Paul said, 'Whatsoever things are lovely ... think on these things'.

B. Lee, Reigate

Upbringing

Bring back mothers into the home in order to lessen today's increase in violence. Instead of farming out babies, putting toddlers into nurseries and giving school children latch keys they could then be looked after naturally in their own homes. Parents make a conscious decision today to have children and they should then be prepared to devote the time necessary to their upbringing. Children need the security and discipline of a loving Christian family environment in order to grow into law-abiding and caring adults who find violence abhorrent.

J. J. Procter,
Bourton-on-the-Water

Here are two letters on very different subjects.

God and suffering

About four years ago I was at a Christian Fellowship meeting in Birmingham and by chance I overheard two women talking about one of their husbands who had suffered a heart attack. Both women had seemingly made up

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FOR CHILDREN

Summer is here. The swallows have returned. In this story one built her nest in a very unusual place.

Jennie

Sanctuary

In her nest on a niche above the altar, the swallow thought how fortunate she was to have found that hidden gap between wall and roof, leading her to this warm, snug place, away from predators, where she could hatch her eggs in peace. At times the church filled, and there were voices and singing, but she felt no danger. Indeed, only this morning she had lifted her voice with them in a chirrup of joy. But now, when she thought herself alone, there was a harsh voice, and two men looking up at her. 'There!' said Tom the verger. 'Up above the altar! I'd never have seen it if it hadn't chirruped! I'll borrow the Vicarage ladder and get it down.'

'You do,' said the Vicar. 'But not before Evensong, please.' That evening the Vicar

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Seaside Restaurant Menu

announced, 'Psalm 84'. 'O how amiable are thy dwellings,' sang the choir. By the third verse Tom had



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Famous Prayers

Selected by the
Rev'd G. Shilcock

The Work of a Christian

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is sadness, joy;
where there is darkness, light.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;

found his place, and joined in. 'The sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest -' He started, looked up, and caught the Vicar's twinkling eyes. After the service he said casually, 'I won't be needing that ladder, sir, after all.' 'I thought you wouldn't! Good night.' Then, looking towards the chancel roof, he murmured, 'Peace be with you,' and left.

Competition

Draw a picture of a mother bird feeding her young. Tell me what bird yours is. Send, by 30 June, with name, age and address, to Jennie, St Thomas House, Becket Street, Oxford OX1 1SJ. Prizes.

not so much to be understood as to understand;
not so much to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
it is in dying that we are born again to eternal life.

(St Francis of Assisi 1181-1226)

Francis forsook a life of immorality as a soldier when he was moved to pity by the sight of a leper, and he resolved to live a life of poverty and obedience to Christ. He is regarded by many as being the most Christlike of all the saints. His prayer is a marvellous summary of the Christian life with an emphasis upon selfless love and service in the world.



The time is ripe.

Times are bad for the world's poor. It has been a year when new millions joined the homeless and the hungry.

So we need to re-double our efforts to gather in money during this harvest festival.

Once again, we have all the materials to help you: Free posters/Gift envelopes/Orders of worship/Sermon notes/A leaflet full of suggestions for things to organise locally.

Please gather your friends to help you reap the harvest of aid.

Do tell everyone we'll be finding a

good home for their money in the form of service to those with neither harvest nor home.

To: Christian Aid, P.O. Box 1, London SW9 8BH.
Please send free materials for the 1985 harvest appeal (including order form for more supplies).

Name _____

Address _____

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THE CHURCHES IN ACTION WITH THE WORLD'S POOR.



WOMEN TODAY

by Marjorie Idle

Lake District Music

If you have never leaned out of the window at Carnforth for your first sight of the fells, I hope you will make arrangements to do so soon. The rain-washed grandeur of the Lake District is unique. Visitors this summer, make sure you find a parish magazine which has the Carlisle Diocesan News stapled into it. Inside this you will find the summer's programme of music, performed in venues around the diocese.

Beatrix Potter and Beethoven one day, Wordsworth and William Walton the next ...

Monuments

I recently received a brochure telling me that if my loved ones were cremated I should provide a stone memorial for them - 'a place to recall fond memories, lay flowers, show children ...'.

I was taken aback. We had only recently made a decision the opposite way.

We have no interest in a carved stone, miles away. We have the easy chair, the pretty china, the piles of photographs, all recalling happy memories. And each member of the family has similar treasures.

Do you feel strongly about this?

Thank you

Thank you for your enthusiastic letters about the

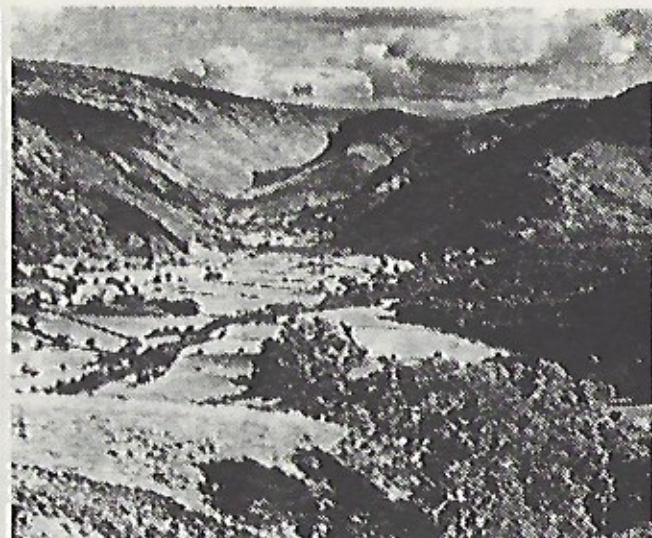


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joys of having teenagers. You all mentioned fun and laughter, and most spoke of the humour and wit of their

offspring.

The book token goes to Mrs L. Sullivan of Bristol, who says, among other things,

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Loneliness is just one problem

And it is a fairly common problem for seafarers away from home for months at a time. But it is only one of the troubles that people bring to us. As a Christian society working among seafarers we are asked for all kinds of help - spiritual, emotional, social and practical.

And we are there, ready to give all the help we can, in all parts of the world. To give this help we depend entirely upon voluntary contributions. Please help us to continue the Anglican Church's ministry to seafarers by a legacy, or please send whatever you can to The Missions to Seamen, Freepost, London, EC4 4EP.

The Missions to Seamen
St. Michael Paternoster Royal,
College Hill, London EC4R 2RL.



Getting down to Prayer

by the Revd
John Ryeland

Making our prayers less general

Often, when we look at the world around us with its problems and its sadness, we feel that we want to pray for it. Yet when we come to pray our prayers seem so general and 'wishy-washy' that they appear to be quite ineffective. For example, we might feel troubled about some of the racial problems of the world and pray, 'Father, heal the differences between black

people and white people'. However, this is a very general prayer and we may feel it is a little too general. Let's look at some ways in which we can make our prayers less general and, hopefully, more effective.

Praying with involvement

One way is to pray that *we* might be used to answer our prayer. Instead of praying, 'Father, heal the differences between black and white', what if we were to pray, 'Lord, take *me* to a situation of racial tension, in a home or in a school, and let me bring your love to people'. By praying in this way, not only would the content of our prayers be changed, but maybe our lives would be as well.

To give another example; we might like to pray, 'Father, may all men come to know you', and indeed this is something we are encouraged to pray for. But wouldn't it

be better to pray, 'Father, let me speak to somebody about you today'?

Sharing prayer topics

Another method of making our prayers less general is for a group of people to undertake to pray for a certain subject. For example, members of a prayer group may want to pray for their local church. Instead of them all simply praying, 'We pray for our local church', each one of them could pray for something specific in that church. One person may pray for the clergy, another for the churchwardens, another for people as they come to be married in that church, another for the babies who are baptized, another for the work of evangelism, and so on, until all the different facets of the life of the church are covered. Each person would then pray for their topic every day for,

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YOUR LETTERS

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their minds and had accepted that the heart attack must in some way have been God's will. I have since often thought about this incident and I have concluded that people will sometimes not believe what suits them, even at the expense of real truth. I think this is a terrible self-deception, whatever the situation or circumstances.

P. Hancox, Birmingham

It is certainly very dangerous sometimes to attribute events to the will of God without careful thought. This is especially so in the case of illness. Jesus' ministry and teaching show clearly that God's will is that people should be made whole and that sickness is not a punishment. It is sometimes only possible to see God's hand in specific events

from the vantage point of hindsight.

Ed

A child's prayers

Now that my child is beginning to talk and express himself, how do you suggest that I teach him to pray? What to say is not too difficult, but how to help him understand what prayer is puzzles me.

D. Wheeler, Caterham

The kind of prayer a child understands readily is thanksgiving. Try to encourage your child to thank God simply for the lovely things around him. This will help him to feel grateful and to value God's gifts. It also helps to foster a sense of dependence on God as a loving and caring Father, and this is the real essence of prayer.

Ed

Solution to Bible Quiz on page 2

1. Laban Gen. 24.29
2. Lazarus John 11.2
3. Aquila Acts 18.2
4. Alexander 2 Tim. 4.14
5. Eunice 2 Tim. 1.5
6. Zenas Titus 3.13

Five Things We Never Regret

1. Showing kindness to an aged person.
2. Destroying a letter written in anger.
3. Offering the apology that saves a friendship.
4. Stopping a scandal that was wrecking a reputation.
5. Accepting the judgement of God on any question.

Women Today

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The best joy of all is when, one of our children says "Thank you - for everything" and we can say again, "Thank you God for our children."

Competition

Write me a letter by 31 July, saying whether or not you feel keepsakes and family treasures are sufficient memorials for you.

Send your letters to Mrs M. Idle, c/o St Thomas House, Becket Street, Oxford OX1 1SJ.

PRIZEWINNERS FOR CHILDREN. FEBRUARY 1985

Karen Gillam, Bisley.
Holly Hanbury, Yardley.
Heather Hunt, Tottington.
Ruth Lucas, Northend.

Light on Old Sayings

To be on the ropes

To be up against it. To be in an exceptionally difficult position.



This comes from the terminology of the boxing ring, where the ropes surrounding it mark the edges of the area. A boxer fought back against the ropes, and probably being hammered by his opponent, literally is 'on the ropes' and is in an awkward spot.

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**Could this be YOU
in a few years' time?**



- remembering who used to sit beside you?

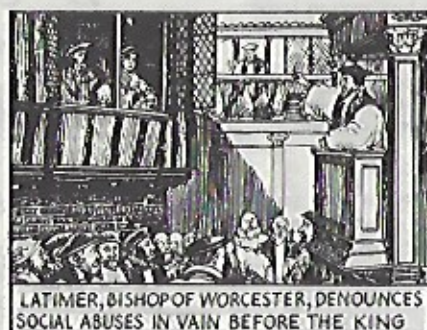
Like you, he worked with dedication and sincerity through a lifetime often spent in helping others. Like you, he saved sensibly for the retirement he hoped to enjoy with his nearest and dearest. Then bereavement robbed him of the love and companionship he treasured most, and inflation robbed him of the basic standards of dignity and comfort he had known since childhood. He is typical of the gentle, deserving men and women the DGAA tries especially to help. Help to stay in their own homes for as long as possible and - later perhaps - to be cared for in Residential and Nursing Homes where they can grow old with dignity.

We depend entirely on private donations, covenants and legacies from caring, sharing people like you, to continue our very special service and to maintain our thirteen Homes. Please help.

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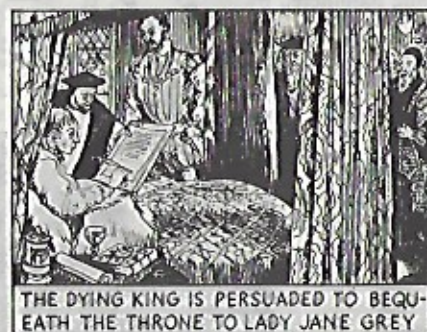
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Getting down to Prayer

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maybe, a fortnight, and then swap topics with another member of the prayer group. In this way a chain of specific prayers is built up into effective prayer for a larger subject.

Up to now, our prayers have meant setting time aside to pray. To help those with very little time to set aside we will be looking at 'Arrow Prayers' next time.

THINK IT OVER

The best doctors in the world are Doctor Diet, Doctor Quiet and Doctor Merryman.

Dean Swift

QUESTION COMPETITION REPORT

Should the practice of fasting be revived?

A thoughtful answer comes from G. Cremer of Hornsey, North London, who receives the prize:

The renewal of the early church custom of fasting should be encouraged. It is now generally agreed that over-eating is the cause of many of today's illnesses, so a period of planned fasting would be good for us.

Our Lord set us a good example with his period of

prayer and fasting, so we today could not do better than follow his example.

What Do You Think?

What are today's Seven Deadly Sins?

Answers in not more than 100 words, should be sent to Question Competition, The Sign, St Thomas House, Becket Street, Oxford OX1 1SJ by 31 July. A £6 Book Token will be awarded to the winning entry.

This will be held at the Rectory on Saturday 24th August. As usual we are making every effort to ensure that this will be a happy and successful occasion. We need lots of help in every way and many kind people have already promised to run stalls and sideshows. We will need goods of all descriptions and prizes for raffles, and it would be super to have more sideshows. Please have a think and see whether you could make or borrow a sideshow, as these help to provide interest, so come on all you inventive people!! A list will appear in the August magazine telling you to whom to give your gifts. Would you please let me know if you can provide and run a sideshow.

Rector.

Advance request. If anyone can spare some china and glass for the China Stall will you please take it to Miss S. Lawson at Oakleigh, Pett Road, Pett, or let her know so that it can be collected.

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Christian Aid: Many thanks to everyone, both donators and collectors, for the total of £165.13 raised in Pett and the £138 raised in Guestling.

Fire! Please, has anybody got a handbell they could give to Guestwell, the headquarters of Guides, Scouts, Brownies and Cubs, to be used to attract attention in the event of an emergency?

Royal British Legion: Next meeting is at The Smuggler on 1st July at 7.30 p.m.

Pett Level Preservation Trust: The Annual Fete will be held on the Trust land in August. Details in next month's magazine.

Three Oaks W.I.: On 11th July the Speaker is Mrs Carter the subject, "Pottery for Fun".

Feed the Hungry Fellowship: Sixty pounds has been raised for May and will go again to help famine relief in Africa, in long-term water supply projects, (Sudan specified), via Christian Aid. Grateful thanks to all members. J.A.S. and V.G.

Pett Cricket Club: Home fixtures for July are against Udimore on 6th, Old Hastings on 7th, St. Leonards on 14th, Icklesham Casuals F.C. on 20th.

Guestling Barn Dance: On 20th July at Old Coghurst Farm, Three Oaks, from 7.00 to 11.00 p.m. Adults £2, children 50p. Anyone willing to help with refreshments or selling tickets please let Margaret Barnett know, (Telephone, Hastings 754974).

Guestling Church Collections: The May collections for Church expenses, including F.W.O. envelopes, were £196. The total for the year to date is £1007. The income tax repayment on covenanted collections and donations has been received and amounts to £764. This is in effect the Government's contribution to Guestling's Church expenses in return for parishioners completing and signing a form agreeing to make a regular contribution to our expenses. If any parishioner wishes to join the scheme, the Treasurer has the forms.

Guestling Spring Fair: This was a wonderful success and our thanks are due to all who helped or contributed in any way. The total receipts after expenses were £911.

Guestling Boot Fair: We were so grateful to Mrs Corrin Merricks for allowing us to use the field once again for the Boot Fair. I would like to thank Lady Ashburnham for masterminding the event and the little band of stalwart helpers who worked all day seeing people in and out. We had a lovely day for the event and made approximately £100 for Church funds. Rector

Meeting Point: We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday, 3rd July at 8.00 p.m. for an evening on 'Medical Matters' with Dr. Martin Knott at Tawny Pipit, Canal Bank, (the home of Annie Underwood). Here's your chance to ask all those questions that have been bothering you! H.B.

Bangladesh Cyclone Emergency: Christian Aid, - a member of the U.K. Disasters Emergency Committee, - has already sent £20,000 to help in Bangladesh. An appeal for more funds will be used to help survivors build shelters, replant their land and to purify water supplies. Guestling P.C.C. at their last meeting decided to form a Disaster Emergency Fund, and a sum is therefore being sent to Christian Aid to help in this emergency and for rehabilitation. M.A.

We congratulate those Confirmed by Bishop Peter on 29th June at Pett Church:

Avril Thurley
Janice Reeve
Jessie Polhill
Alan Polhill
Michael Roller
Deborah Bevis
Jack Cooke
Helen Cooke
Christine Hull
Vera Ferner
Nigel Bowman

and those received into the Church of England:

Francine Orchard
Janet Jury

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| 21 | Miss Daly | 28 | Mrs Knight |
- Sacristan: Mr and Mrs Underwood

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