



Just a reminder that there will not be a Newsletter in June. The Robins hatched out and by the time you read this should have left the nest.

Your attention is drawn to the two coffee mornings, one on 16 May and one on 10 June. Both worthy of your support.

#### THE PARISH CHURCH

##### Services in May

3 May	(Easter 2)	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Prebendary Wedgwood
10 May	(Easter 3)	6.00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	Mr. Pearce-Gould
17 May	(Easter 4)	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Prebendary Wedgwood
24 May	(Easter 5)	11.00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Miss Sutherland
31 May	(Sunday after Ascension Day)	6.00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	Mr. Ron Edinburgh

Thursday 28 May is Ascension Day. It is hoped that a service of Holy Communion can be arranged at 9.30 a.m. as usual.

Christian Aid. Please remember the Coffee Morning for Christian Aid at Middle Manor on Saturday 16 May at 10.30 a.m. You will have seen the tragic pictures of refugees yet again in need. Christian Aid is there to help them - with your support.

The Annual Church Meeting. Parishioners met on Tuesday 28 April; at the Vestry Meeting Mr. Trant was elected Churchwarden. At the following annual meeting, Mr. Trant took the chair in the absence of a Rector. He was able to announce that a successor to Mr. Corbett had been agreed; he is the Rev. Arthur Drowley, presently Vicar of a very large parish in Swindon. However for various reasons connected with his parish, which is being re-organised into a Team Ministry, he is unable to leave Swindon until the end of November, coming to us on 1 December. Mr. Trant thanked everyone for their help and support during the vacancy in the living and asked that this be continued for the rest of the time until Mr. Drowley was able to take over. Prayers were said for Mr. and Mrs. Drowley, for their work in Swindon and for his successor as Team Rector there.

As regards the finances, the parish began an envelope scheme for regular giving in 1986. The PCC were glad that a number of parishioners have felt able to join the scheme and hoped that it will become the normal way of contributing to the work of the Church. A regular income means that the PCC can take a sensible view of the finances. A volunteer was badly needed to take on the job of making the returns to the Inland Revenue where people have felt able to make covenants covering their weekly contributions. The PCC was grateful to the Parish Council for their continuing contribution to the maintenance of the Churchyard and to two donors of special contributions during the year.

The meeting was also told of the sudden upsurge of interest in the painting on the Chancel arch of the Church - but that is for another issue of the Newsletter.

Mr. Trant also writes to say that he completely forgot to mention one subject to the meeting and hopes this note will make up for it. When Miss Watson (Aunt Peggy) died, her library was dispersed but a number of her religious books seemed to be of more value if kept together and made available to everyone on loan. They are not the type of book that most people would buy but they might read from time to time. Mr. Corbett agreed at once and when he was beginning to move, he gave us the bookcase and a number of his own books in the hope that they would be read. The books are available to anybody - just write your name, the book title and the date in the notebook in the bookcase.

##### COFFEE MORNING

Christian Aid Week. A Coffee morning for Christian Aid will be held at Middle Manor on Saturday 16 May from 10.30 a.m. Plants and Produce Stalls. Bring and Buy. Woodland Tour! Admission 50p including Coffee. Children free. PLEASE COME!

##### COFFEE MORNING

There will be a coffee morning at Hayes Manor on 10 June at 11 a.m. run by the Devon Branch of the National Pony Society. This year we are trying to raise £1000 to buy and train a guide dog for the Blind to be given to a Blind person living in Devon. Last year we managed to raise the £650 we required to buy a new piece of equipment for the children's Ward at the Devon and Exeter Hospital. This was partly due to the

residents of Ringmore who gave so generously at our coffee morning last year, please support us again. We will be having Bring and Buy and Home Made Cake Stalls, also a Raffle. Any Gifts for these will be gratefully received!! Tickets 50p on the door.  
Anne Lambell.

#### HANDEL'S MESSIAH

If you take the "South Hams Gazette" you may have read the report on Brent Singers' acclaimed performance of Handel's Messiah in South Brent a few weeks ago. The choir will be giving a second performance of the oratorio with the same orchestra and soloists in St. George's Church, Modbury, on Saturday 23 May at 7.30 p.m. Admission is by programme, which can be obtained from Pickles Hardware in Broad Street, Modbury, or at the door.

#### WANTED

Wanted a 78 record called 'Life gets tee jus don't it' by Peter Lind Hayes either to buy or tape for my father. Hazel Freeman, Mount Pleasant, Ringmore.

#### W.I.

A total of £116 was raised in aid of All Hallows Church, Ringmore at the W.I. Mini-Market on Wednesday 22 April. Many thanks to all who kindly donated produce for this worthy cause. The W.I. is holding a "Young Music Makers" concert to be held on Saturday 13 June at 7.30 p.m. in the W.I. Hall. The organizers and children have worked very hard to put the concert together so please support us, come along and enjoy an evening of music and song. Proceeds of this concert in aid of All Hallows Church, Ringmore. Tickets £1 Adults 50p children (under 12) to include refreshments. Tickets available at Ringmore Post Office. Also in June we have a sponsored walk by Stan and Pam Brunskill from Ringmore to Poole in Dorset. (Approx 160 miles) a daily record of their progress will be recorded on a map displayed at the Post Office. A piece of Poole Pottery can be won by the person to guess the exact time of arrival (between 9.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m.) proceeds from this sponsored walk will go to All Hallows Church, Ringmore. As there is no newsletter in June may we take this opportunity to remind members and guests that we have a Barbeque on Saturday 27 June at 7 p.m. at the W.I. Hall. Tickets are £2 adults £1 children (under 12). Available from Myra Eddy - Bigbury on Sea 810203.

PATH-FEVER by Ruth and Don Sanderson. Dedicated to all who walk the Path. Apology to John Masefield)

We must go down to the Path again,  
to the lovely path and sky,  
And all we ask is a safe track and waymarks  
to guide us by.  
And the boots tramp and the wind's song  
and the white clouds flying,  
And the ups and downs along the way  
And the sea birds crying.

We must go down to the Path again,  
for the call of the South West Way,  
Is a wild call, and a clear call,  
that will not go away.  
And all we ask is a windy day  
with the white clouds blowing,  
And the craggy cliffs and the sea spray,  
and with wild flowers growing.

We must go down to the Path again,  
to the vagrant gypsy life,  
To the gull's wing, the South West Way,  
where the wind's like a breath of life.  
And all we ask is a refreshing bathe,  
and drinks with a fellow-rover,  
And a good meal and a friendly abode.  
when the days trek is over.

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#### HAPPY DAY PUDDING

3 or more children according to taste.  
1 skyful of sun.  
1 lawn, must be fresh and green.  
4 trees, shady fat ones preferred.  
1 nursemaid, out of sight.

#### Method

Take the children and mix well with an armful of dolls, reins and rubber balls, add 1 puppy, 1 tent, 1 mail cart. When mixed sprinkle all over with smiles and a pinch of usefulness. Keep stirring until sundown then take the children, put in cool, dark room, cover lightly and leave until morning. Serve with a mother's kiss. M.W.

Red Cross Week. The collection in Ringmore Parish was £40.25p.

Rainfall. From 31 March - 4 May 4" of rain fell in Ringmore.

#### PARISH COUNCIL

The new Parish Council met for the first time on 12 May. Mr. Ken Williams and Mr. Guy Eddy were re-elected as Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively.

#### Venue for Council Meetings

It was decided that for an experimental period, Council Meetings would take place in the Church Hall, instead of the W.I. Hall. While it was recognised that the W.I. Hall was more comfortable and congenial, it was felt that this was already sufficiently used for a variety of functions - whereas the Church Hall was neglected. It was hoped that a contribution from the Council would help with the expenses of re-furbishing this hall so that it might perhaps be used in future by other organisations.

#### Aveton Gifford By-Pass.

There will be a meeting at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 18 May in the Memorial Hall at Aveton Gifford to discuss the environmental effects of the by pass. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

#### Craft Fair.

There will be a Craft Fair in the South Dartmoor Leisure Centre at Ivybridge from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Monday 25 May and Tuesday 26 May. This will be opened by Judi Spiers of T.S.W.

#### BIGBURY PLAYERS. D.DAY REVUE

Bigbury players are presenting a D.Day Revue on Friday 5 June and Saturday 6 June. We promise you a good lively evening and suggest you bring a bottle and a good voice to join in with many old war time songs. We have many new faces on stage who will appreciate your support so do come along and enjoy a good evening. Tickets available soon from local shops.