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### SUNDAY SERVICES

Holy Communion : 8 a.m.

Parish Communion with Hymns and Address : 1st Sunday at 11 a.m.  
3rd Sunday at 9.30 a.m.

Matins and Sermon every Sunday (except the 1st in the month) at 11 a.m.

Evensong and Sermon : 6.30 p.m.

**Holy Baptism :** Second and Fourth Sundays of the month at 3 p.m. unless otherwise announced. Notice must be given.

**Holy Matrimony :** Banns to be given in at the Vicarage.

### WEEKDAY SERVICES

Holy Communion : Wednesdays and Saints Days at 7.15 a.m.  
3rd Friday at 10.30 a.m. with Laying on of Hands for sick.  
And at other times, as announced. (See Notice Board).

Matins : 7.15 a.m. (except Saturday and when there is a 7.15 a.m. H.C. Service).

Evensong : 5.30 p.m. (except Saturday).

### CHURCH ORGANISATIONS AND MEETINGS :

**Children's Instruction :** Confirmation School and Crossbearers, 10 a.m. in Church Hall.

K.G. and Juniors : Sundays, 11 a.m. in Church Hall.

Nursery : Sundays, 11 a.m. in Mortimer Hall.

**Mothers' Union :** 4th Wednesday, 7.45 p.m. in Church Hall.

**Young Wives Group :** 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 7.45 p.m. in Church Hall.

**Bellringers :** Practice Night — Friday nights, 7.45 p.m.

**Brownies :** Monday, 6 p.m. in Scout Headquarters.

**Girl Guides :** Tuesday, 7 p.m. in Scout Headquarters.

**Cubs :** Thursday, 6.15 p.m. in Scout Headquarters.

**43rd St. Nicholas' Scout Troop :** Friday, 7.15 p.m. in Scout Headquarters.

**St. Nicholas' Art Group :** Thursday, 7 p.m. in Church Hall (fortnightly).

**Youth Group :** See Notice Board.

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WE WISH A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS  
TO ALL WHO READ THE MARSTON NEWS AT HOME AND  
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TO OUR PRINTERS FOR ALL THEIR HELP AND CO-OPERATION  
IN ITS PRODUCTION THROUGHOUT THE PAST YEAR.



#### VICAR'S LETTER

My dear Friends,

This year we shall hold our **Patronal Festival on Sunday, 4th Dec.**

The main service will be at **10 a.m.**, and will take the form of Holy Communion with hymns and address. Afterwards we shall adjourn to the Hall for Coffee.

As in previous years the service will include a short act of re-dedication for all members of the Fellowship of St. Nicholas.

All who give regularly through the Fellowship Pledge or Envelope Scheme are asked to bring their pledge with them and place it in a sealed envelope, which will be dedicated at the Offertory.

I do hope that everyone who possibly can will join with us at this service at 10 a.m. (N.B. There will be no Morning Prayer at 11 a.m.).

Our traditional **St. Nicholas' Toy Service** will be held this year on the Sunday following, **December 11th at 10 a.m.** Parents are invited to join their children in bringing new toys, games, sweets, etc. for distribution to needy children this Christmas. Some children may like to club together to buy something special. Please remember the older child, and young teenager, for whom there is a special need.

The Children's Department always send a special word of thanks to us at St. Nicholas for the quality and quantity of gifts sent. I hope we shall do even better this year.

It is more helpful if gifts are not wrapped, as all have to be opened before distribution.

May I close in wishing you all a very meaningful Christmas, filled with His peace and happiness.

Your sincere friend and Vicar,

#### CANDLE AND CAROL SERVICES

This year the Candle and Carol Services will be on **Sunday, December 18th at 6.30 p.m.**, and **Wednesday, December 21st at 7.30 p.m.** The latter one will be especially for parents and children, and as, before the members of the Young Wives Group will serve coffee and mince pies to all who attend, in the Church Hall afterwards.

In view of the seating accommodation of the Church **free tickets** for both services will be issued on **Sunday, December 11th** at the Services, and afterwards (if any are left) from Mr. Oliver's shop.

**PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOU HAVE A TICKET.**

### **CHRISTMAS DAY 1966**

There will be as usual Midnight Christmas Communion at **11.30 p.m. on Christmas Eve.**

Holy Communion will also be celebrated at **8 a.m. and Noon** on Christmas Day.

**Christmas Family Matins** will be at **11 a.m.**

Evening Prayer will be read at **5.30 p.m.** There will be no sermon.

### **"VIETNAM: HAVE THE CHURCHES NOTHING TO SAY?"**

The war in Vietnam goes on and on. Many people do not understand what it is about, but everyone sees that it is an extremely cruel war, in which chemical defoliants are being used to destroy food crops, and weapons like the Lazy Dog and Napalm cause untold suffering to non-combatants. Can it be helped? Is it possible for a Christian to accept such a war? And what are the alternatives?

You are invited to a symposium under the above title, in which Anglican, Roman Catholic and Nonconformist speakers will be putting Christian viewpoints, both for and against American policy. The meeting will then be thrown open for discussion. Speakers will be announced later.

Time, date and place: **8 p.m., Thursday, December 8th** at the Friends Meeting House, 43 St. Giles.

Please make the meeting known and come and take part in it yourself.

### **OVER 60's CLUB**

Christmas Party, Mortimer Hall, Friday, December 9th. Offers of help at **2 p.m.** at the Hall on the day and transport at **4.30 p.m.** and **9 p.m.** will be most gratefully accepted. Please contact Mrs. Yates, Boulton Lodge, Boulton Lane, or sign list in the porch.

### **BUMPER JUMBLE SALE**

The Scouts and Guides are holding a Bumper Jumble Sale in aid of funds, and to help repair the roof of their H.Q. in Mortimer Hall, on Saturday, December 10th at **2.30 p.m.** In the evening there will be a **BARN DANCE** in the same Hall.

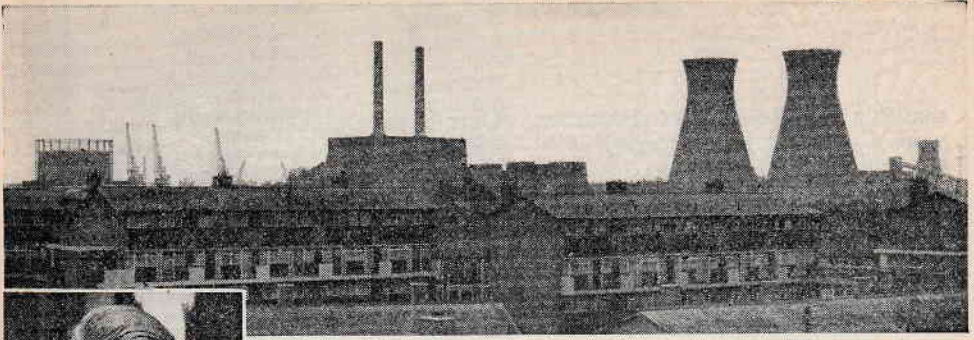
### **HUMAN RIGHTS DAY, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10th**

There will be a silent Vigil in Church on Saturday morning, December 10th from **11 a.m.—11.30 p.m.** to pray for Peace, particularly in Vietnam, and to mourn for the suffering peoples of the world. You are invited to come either for the whole time, or even for a few minutes of silent prayer.

### **THE CHURCH'S CHILDREN**

You will have read elsewhere in this Magazine that the Patronal Festival is being held on Sunday, 4th December. **Our Children's Instruction** will be held at **11 a.m. as usual for all grades of children.** There may be some who will wish to come with their parents to the **10 a.m. PARISH COMMUNION.** These will of course not be expected to come to the **11 a.m. Service** which will be held in Church as coffee is being served in the Church Hall on this occasion after the **10 a.m. service.**

The following Sunday, 11th December there will be our usual **TOY SERVICE** (please read details elsewhere in magazine) when **ALL**



Canning Town skyline



## DAVID SHEPPARD

### AND THE MAYFLOWER CENTRE

By Armand Georges (*Author of "Modern Loneliness"*)

**IT IS DIFFICULT TO DECIDE WHETHER THE REV. DAVID SHEPPARD MADE THE MAYFLOWER Family Centre famous—or whether it was the centre that made HIM famous. Certainly they owe a lot to each other.**

David Sheppard was well-known in cricketing circles, and he was famed for his skill as a batsman. He had before him an enviable career as a sportsman who could be assured of a lifetime of travel, an excellent income, and plenty of limelight. Above all, life for him promised to be a game—the game of cricket—the game he loved so much.

But then he amazed his friends, his cricketing colleagues and his numerous fans by taking Holy Orders. Later he had open to him the choice of a living. With his reputation and background, he could have had the choice of scores of parishes and in the most pleasant places. But he chose to go to Canning Town.

The country realised that in David Sheppard they had encountered one of those rare, unusual persons who see their duty clearly and no matter what the personal cost, go right ahead and do it. Here was a man who was not merely a brilliant, England-class cricketer. Here was a real Christian, content to accept the sacrifices his calling and his faith required of him.

#### Canning Town

Few people who have seen it would

wish, voluntarily, to live in Canning Town. Even the way to get to it is discouraging! You go by way of Aldgate East, where you must take a bus, travel down Commercial Road and East India Dock Road, through Stepney and Poplar.

Thus you come to the Borough of West Ham and the district of Canning Town. The town is immediately north of Silvertown and the Royal Victoria and Albert Docks.

Canning Town was built in a hurry and without a plan, when the growth of industry mushroomed all along the Thames. Inevitably, by the end of the nineteenth century, it had become a slum, and a slum of the worst possible kind.

It was in this crowded territory of ugly property and mazes of grimy streets that Malvern College Mission was founded. Later it became the Dockland Number One Settlement, its aim being to provide on a large scale, somewhere for people to go and

something for them to do. For many years a great work was carried on at the Settlement.

Since the last war many things have changed. Bombing destroyed about 14,000 of the 50,000 houses occupied by the people of West Ham. Much new building has been undertaken, and the borough has now a more agreeable appearance. Canning Town too, has shared in the general prosperity of the country, and the material needs of the people are being supplied much better than ever before.



*Young leaders of the Mayflower Centre*

### **The Mayflower Centre**

For various reasons, the Dockland Settlement Committee came to feel that they could no longer continue to run the Dockland Settlement in Canning Town. In 1957, therefore, they handed it over to a committee formed by the then Bishop of Barking. This committee, acting on inspiration, appointed David Sheppard as Warden of the Settlement, and so the Mayflower Family Centre was born.

The new centre was built on a grand scale, to cater for large numbers. One large block provides most of the clubs with a room of their own—and these clubs are numerous. They include the Tinies' Club, which caters for the five-to-seven-year-olds, Junior Boys, Intermediate Boys, Senior Boys, the

Over-Eighteen Club, Cubs, Sea Scouts, Brownies, Guides, Mixed Club (15 years to 18 years), and similar clubs for the girls as for the boys.

In this building too are a carpentry workshop, cookery room, an indoor swimming pool, a floodlit playground, and a nursery school to which 60 children under five come every day.

In addition, the Mayflower Centre has a courtyard and a garden that would satisfy the needs of a university college and there is also a fully-equipped hostel.

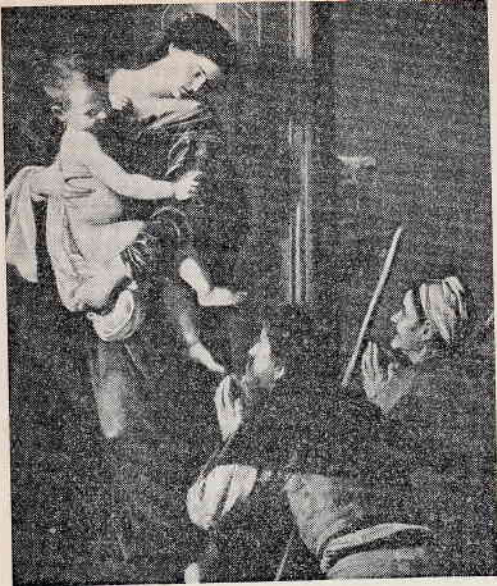
The activities of the many clubs are considerable in number, and this calls for a vast amount of organisation and supervision. Outings during the summer go out in all directions.

Nor are the old people forgotten. Each year, holidays for the aged are arranged at the Dockland's Settlements Holiday Home at Herne Bay.

David Sheppard is pre-eminently a man of great faith. He believes in working and sweating for God, and for the people he loves. But he also believes that God must be allowed to take a hand in things. Faith carried David Sheppard into the Ministry. It brought him to Canning Town. Because of his faith he gave up a career most men would have given all they own to have made their own.

Writing once in the Summer number of the *Log of the Mayflower* David Sheppard had this to say: "Of course there are moments when my faith is rather weak. But there is so much to make me believe that God has brought us into this; the staff, brought together from widely-differing backgrounds, each with the gift most needed for their several jobs, fitting more and more into a real team; progress in our work among youngsters and adults; the answers to our prayers in so many directions. When I look at these I feel ashamed of my doubts. 'Surely the Lord is in this place!'"

*The Madonna of Loreto: Caravaggio*



## ADVENT TO CHRISTMAS

By Cardinal SUENENS

Archbishop of Malines

*From "The Word" Magazine, by permission*

**T**HIS IS THE TIME OF THE year when we must all enter into the spirit of the first Advent, which, long ago, was lived through by the man and woman, Mary and Joseph, who, in the name of all of us, waited for the Christmas of Christmases.

Advent calls us to put ourselves at the feet of the Holy Family and ask them to help us by sanctifying our family life and making Christianity's chief blessing, joy, prevail within it. Advent offers us the grace of family renewal. What better way is there of preparing for Christmas than by making the family circle more welcoming, warmer and more brotherly?

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Let us consider one small duty of family life which is a wonderful help in creating that atmosphere of peace and joy: the sharing, the give-and-take in the family circle, the putting into the common store the best that each member of the family has in him.

We all have the same longing deep down in our hearts to regard everyone else as a brother, one of the family, one of us. At first sight, human beings seem to be pursuing complicated and very different ends; they are engaged in business or politics, art or literature, ploughing the soil or sailing the seas. In reality, behind the facade of all these occupations, they are all searching for

something extremely simple, something moving in its simplicity; they are in search of love. They are longing to love and be loved.

Let us then try to find out how best we can help each other find and experience in the home mutual understanding, the sharing of feeling and affection, which gives warmth and joy to the home.

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We all know houses where all the members of the family live side by side as if they were in a boarding-house. They eat the same bread at the same table, but they live like strangers. Spiritually they are poles apart.

If you want to introduce a little warmth into surroundings like these, you will have to start by introducing a little warmth into your own heart, by sharing something more than bread—your heart and your life. We are all too fond of shutting ourselves up in our ivory tower; whether from timidity, shyness or resentment, I cannot say, but that's what happens. Men even manage to live in complete spiritual isolation, like hermits, when the best thing they could do, the greatest happiness they could give to those they live with would be to show them what they are really like.

When you get to know a person really intimately, it is always a surprise to find

what an unknown world comes to light, what his outlook really is and generally how full of goodwill he is at heart.

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How can we bridge the gap between these men of good will? This is surely the question we face at Christmas, the great time for bringing people closer together. And if bridging gaps seems too much like hard work, let us make a start, at least, by putting down one or two little gangways, and by putting into practice those much-vaunted "human relations" the experts have been discovering in the field of economic or social productivity. It is a problem as old as Christianity, but we can only rejoice at this discovery and all the work that is being put into it.

It is so much easier to be pleasant to passing strangers than to our own families: our families are not deceived by appearances. Why not try to establish good human relations at home first?

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The temptation to self-sufficiency begins, if not at the moment of waking, at least with the reading of the morning paper! This is the first moment of the day when we are in danger of isolating

ourselves. You know the familiar scene: Father, oblivious to his surroundings, wraps himself up in news-print like a screen; and once he has consumed his daily ration of bread and news sets off, full speed, for the office!

If he emerged from his reading occasionally, if only to talk about some news item of the day, would that not be the first step towards good human relations? One word, a comment or two, and the gap has been bridged. The newspaper is no longer an insulator but a meeting-point, a common centre of interest. The children feel grown-up and the wife understands that she exists for her husband on another plane than the domestic.

That will serve as an example. The day is full of such opportunities. It will not be difficult for any of us to find out what we should share with others and what we should keep to ourselves. We should all keep the happiness of others in mind.

There is no beauty in a mosaic, unless each detail contributes to the overall effect and unless each piece is in place. Love is built up stone by stone, each act is necessary for the harmony of the whole. What have we contributed? If the examination of conscience proves negative, let us offer the Lord our good will to do better tomorrow.

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NOW IT CAME TO PASS IN THOSE DAYS, there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be enrolled. . . . And all went to enrol themselves, every one to his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David; to enrol himself with Mary, who was betrothed to him, being great with child. . . . And it came to pass, while they were there, the days were fulfilled that she should



*The Nativity, Francesco Lippi, Spolito Cathedral*

be delivered. And she brought forth her first-born son; and she wrapped him in swaddling clothes. . . .

—St. Luke, Chapter 2.

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**H**ERE IS A MAN who was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman. He worked in a carpenter's shop until He was 30. And then for three years He was an itinerant teacher.

He never wrote a book. He never owned a home. He never had a family. He never went to college. He never travelled 200 miles from the place where He was born. He had nothing to do with this world except the power of His divine manhood.

While still a young man, the tide of popular opinion turned against Him. His friends ran away. One of them denied Him. He was turned over to His enemies. He went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed upon a cross between two thieves. His executioners gambled for the only piece of property He had on earth while He was dying—His coat. When He was dead He was taken down and laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend.

Nineteen wide centuries have come and gone.

I am far within the mark when I say that all the armies that ever marched, and all the navies that ever were built, and all the parliaments that ever sat, and all the kings that ever reigned, put together, have not affected the life of man upon this earth as powerfully as has that one solitary life.

*Bishop Phillips Brooks.*

## Indifference

Somewhere in a place of sorrow  
There's a child thinks of tomorrow,  
Wonders if he'll eat or not—  
O.K., so what?

There's someone knows no love,  
Looks around him and above,  
Seeks in darkness for some light—  
Well? I'm all right!

There's a stranger has no home,  
Penniless, is forced to roam,  
Looks for one to whom to turn—  
Is it my concern?

There's a man not of my kin,  
Has a darker shade of skin,  
Some refuse to call him friend—  
Why should that offend?

Somewhere, or so I've been told,  
Someone shivers in the cold,  
Dreaming of warm clothes to wear—  
Why should I care?

Someone's lame and someone's blind,  
Someone else is sick in mind,  
Someone dies in agony—  
What's that to me?

Someone lies in prison cell,  
Endures a private earthly Hell,  
Suffering for conscience sake—  
Should I lie awake?

Somewhere in the days gone by  
On three crosses three men die.  
One of these is God the Son—  
How He cares for everyone!

Since for all My Lord has died,  
Calling all men to His side,  
Indifference must surely end—  
All my brother, each my friend.

*Contributed*

### Answers to Youth in Action, P. 13.

- (1) Jacob, who was father to the twelve tribes of Israel (Genesis 25 and 27).
- (2) Moses, who rescued Israel from Egyptian slavery (Exodus 2).
- (3) Samson, who fought against the Philistines (Judges 13).
- (4) Samuel, a great teacher (1 Samuel 1).
- (5) John the Baptist, who preached in preparation for Jesus (Luke 1 : 5—23, 57—66).



Manorhead Nursing Home, Hindhead, Surrey

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## TOPICAL

### Unique altar-piece

At the foot of Franz Josef Glacier in the far south of the South Island of New Zealand is a little Anglican church with a unique altar-piece. Instead of stained glass, carved wood or folds of rich material there is a sheet of plate glass bringing to view a magnificent vista of the Southern Alps, with the flowering trees, the glittering river of ice, the hot springs bubbling beside it—an ever-present reminder of the greatness of God's handiwork beside the puny efforts of man. The foundation stone of the church was laid by the late Lord Bledisloe, as Governor-General of New Zealand, in 1931, and the same man gave to Lydney Church, Gloucestershire, a stained-glass reproduction of the vista of Franz Josef Glacier.

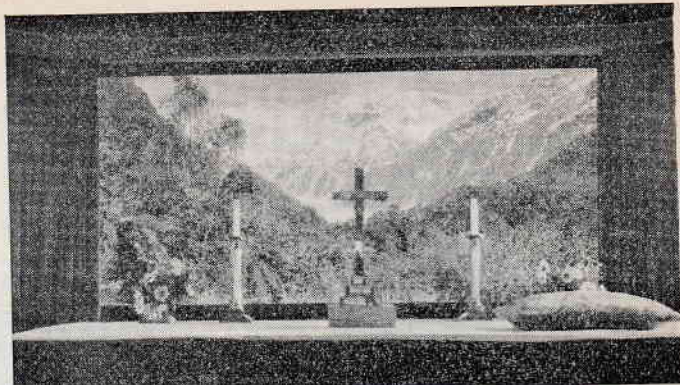
### Boom in Religion

An important fact of our time is the boom in religion as represented by W.E.A. and University extra-mural lectures—liturgy, theology, comparative religions, even church building and buildings are drawing considerable audiences. Isn't this a pointer clergy should take note of? Christian people are increasingly "oncers" on a Sunday and chiefly on Sunday morning. Might not a shortened evensong with lectures by competent people offer an opportunity to present the Faith more effectively? One might well try two or three courses of 6 or 8 lectures during the year, possibly providing coffee if there are facilities.

### Christmas in Jerusalem

In the great Y.M.C.A. centre, Jerusalem, Christmas is a moving feast. It is celebrated three times! There is a Carol service on December 25th to mark the Christmas of the Western Church. On January 6th for the Orthodox Christians; and on January 18th for Israel's Armenian Christians, who follow the old Julian calendar.

The Jerusalem "Y", as it is called, with its fine Jesus tower and two domed wings and cloisters—well known to pilgrims to the Holy Land—is a lively organisation, having



over 3,000 members, of whom 95 per cent are Jewish. At first suspected and opposed by Jews, Roman Catholics, Moslems, it is now a great centre of activity and co-operation and friendship.

### Jesus

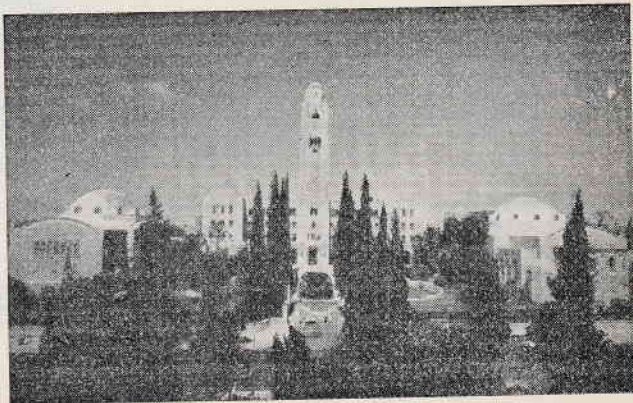
"The ancient world ended with Rome . . . Rome was a flea market of borrowed gods and conquered peoples, a bargain basement in two tiers—slaves on one, gods on the other . . . there were more people . . . all crammed into the passages of the Coliseum and all watched.

"And then into this tasteless heap of gold and marble, He came, lightfooted and clothed in light, with his marked humanity, his deliberate Galilean provincialism, and from that moment there were neither gods nor peoples, there was only one man . . ."

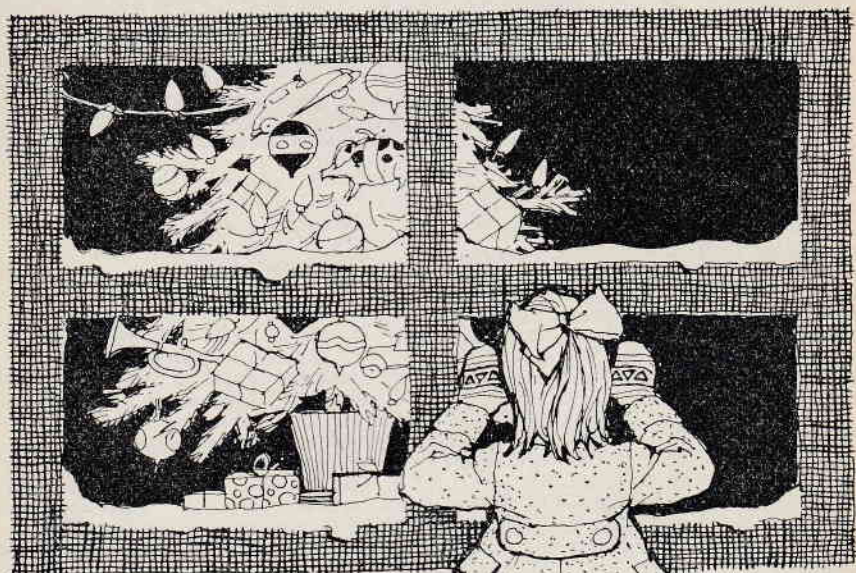
Pasternak, Doctor Zhivago

### New Film

A new film about Coventry Cathedral and its ministry has just had its premiere in that City. Up to the present films about that Cathedral have been chiefly concerned with the building and its architecture and art. This new film has a script by Christopher Fry, and is called "A City in the Kingdom."



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this Christmas?



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## Children's Society

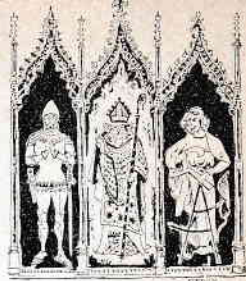
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**THE HISTORY OF THE VARIOUS CHURCHES WHICH MAKE UP THE WORLD - WIDE ANGLICAN FELLOWSHIP** has been, until comparatively recently, the history of the Book of Common Prayer in its 1662 version.

Those overseas Churches which derived their existence from the Mother Church of England received their first forms of worship from the same venerable source.

As time went on, however, most of these "younger Churches" (as they used to be called) began to find that services drawn up in far-off England three or four hundred years before hardly met their current requirements. This was especially the case in Churches where the majority of worshippers were of non-European race and, possibly, non-English speaking.

A twentieth-century South Sea Islander or West Indian has no particular reason to feel that, because Englishmen have been content to worship in almost precisely the same way for the past three centuries or so, therefore he should do the same. So far from experiencing a deep veneration for the Cranmerian prose and Anglican chants of High Morning Prayer, either would probably prefer to worship in a more dynamic way, with less formality and stiffness and far more colour and movement and cheerful noise.

The Scottish Episcopal Church, of course, has always had its own distinctive Liturgy, first the ill-fated Laudian Book of 1637, and then the later revisions of 1764 and 1929. Strangely, though, some Scottish congregations have preferred to use the English Book. The American Episcopal Church, after the Declaration of Independence, had to go to Scotland to have their first bishop, Samuel Seabury, consecrated, and a consequence of this was that, when

## THE MAKING OF THE ANGLICAN LITURGY

*by the Rev. H. A. L. Rice*

### V. PRAYER BOOK REVISION OVERSEAS

the Americans came to draw up their own Prayer Book, it bore marked similarities to the Scottish rite.

The Church of the Province of South Africa, following the precedent set by Scotland and the U.S.A., set out to produce a revised prayer Book soon after the first World War. The task was not completed until after the second. Other Anglican churches which have similarly brought their Prayer Books up-to-date are the Church in Canada; the Church of India, Pakistan, Burma and Ceylon; the Provinces of the West Indies, East and Central Africa; and—to a somewhat cautious and conservative extent—the Church of Ireland.

#### Liturgy of South India

One revised Liturgy which is of great interest is that of the Church of South India which, although not a part of the Anglican Communion, draws a considerable portion of its membership from former Anglican congregations and has been influenced to no small extent in its liturgy-making by the Book of Common Prayer. It also includes elements from the worship of the other Churches from which its members came—Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational—as well as Eastern traditions from the ancient Liturgy of the Christians of Malabar.

These revisions differ considerably in detail and, South India apart, all have made a genuine attempt to preserve and perpetuate the spirit and general doctrinal standards of the English Book of 1662.

#### **New Patterns**

Some parts of the Anglican Communion which over the past two or three decades have completed, as they thought, the work of revision may soon find themselves forced to face the task again. So rapid has been the advance of liturgical knowledge during the post-war period and so revolutionary has been the thinking on the subject in all denominations, that only now are the patterns of worship for the future beginning to emerge from the melting-pot.

Emerging they are and whether they bear an Anglican, Roman, Reformed, Lutheran or Free Church label they tend, to a most remarkable extent, to conform to a general recognizable shape. And that shape is eucharistic, it is biblical, it is primitive, it is sacramental, and it is ecumenical.

**Eucharistic**, since almost all are agreed that the ideal worship of the Christian family is in the Father's house around the Father's table.

**Biblical**, centred around what the New Testament tells us the Lord Christ did.

**Primitive**, to recapture, as far as possible, the spirit and form of worship in the Church of the earliest times.

**Sacramental**, sharing each with each in fellowship and in participation in the Family Meal.

**Ecumenical**, because worship and communion are the bonds which bind Christian with Christian.

*to be concluded*



**Read the collect and ask God, read the epistle and thank God, read the gospel and praise God.**

**Let God speak through your thought in reading the Prayer Book collect, epistle and gospel for the week.**

#### **Advent 2 (December 4)**

**Ask God** that the Scriptures may become a challenge and a formative influence in our lives.

**Thank God** that the Scriptures confirm our experience of God as love, power and joy.

**Praise God** that the events of history and the changes in the scientific scene do not invalidate the truth of his glory.

#### **Advent 3 (December 11)**

**Ask God** that the ordained ministry may continue to speak with authority the message of salvation to a dying world.

**Thank God** that the judgments of society are insignificant, and that it is God's own estimate of our efforts which counts.

**Praise God** that God in Christ is far different from what we would expect, that we cannot be indifferent to his claims.

#### **Advent 4 (December 18)**

**Ask God** that we may see the full import of the words grace, mercy, help, and deliver, in our hurried and anxious lives.

**Thank God** that the keynote of the Christian life is joy, joy for what God in Christ has done for mankind.

**Praise God** that his coming among men was prepared for by the growing insight into his character among the Israelites.

#### **Christmas Day (December 25)**

**Ask God** that He may make our human flesh the home of the Holy Spirit of Jesus.

**Thank God** that Jesus, the perfect pattern of God and man, continues his work of dealing with our sin.

**Praise God** for the absurdity which is nevertheless true, that the Creator of the World became a human being.

## GUESS THE BABY?

DO YOU KNOW THE PARTY-game of "Guess the Baby"? Take a dozen photos of important people as the babies they once were, shuffle them up and guess who is who. I strongly recommend this for Church parties or school-socials. Was that little darling to become the Vicar and that curly-haired toddler to grow into your revered head-mistress!

Think of the great villains of history and famous criminals. Once they were the apple of their mothers' eye. So were well-known heroes, often most undistinguished looking as babies.

It was far different with the ancient Jews. Some of the heroes of Hebrew history and legend were born in strange ways; they were surrounded with queer signs that they were no ordinary infants. God had marked them from birth for great tasks. Then, when they grew up and changed the world, men knew they were not acting off their own bat: they had been chosen from before their birth for God's purposes.

Here are some examples. Can you find out who these are and what they did as grown men? (Answers given Page 5, also where to look up in the Bible afterwards).

- (1) A second twin who tricked his brother and became the first.
- (2) He was put into a basket as a three-month old baby and floated on a river; his nurse was his own mother and he was brought up by a princess.
- (3) An angel an-

nounced his birth to his mother. He was to be tectotal and her future son was never to have a haircut or shave.

- (4) The child of a childless woman, who had prayed for him so hard that, as her silent lips moved, the priest in the sanctuary thought she was drunk.
- (5) His father was told of his birth beforehand in the Temple and, not believing God's promise, was struck dumb until the promises came true.

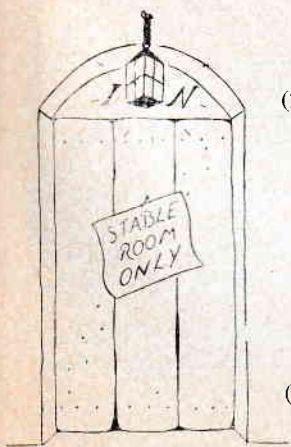
Such men gave the Jews God's messages; founded the tribes of Israel; saved them from the Philistines and rescued the Hebrew slaves from Egypt.

Christians add one specially great man to these Jewish heroes. He was sent by God to the whole human race. In fact God Himself came, to be that man. This baby grew up to rescue all from evil; to teach what God wants; and to found a new nation of Jews and others to serve the rest of mankind.

I need not tell you Who He is or how He was born. But is not the most important thing about Christmas not the eats or the presents or the decorations or the parties, not a baby in a manger, not even that baby as a child, but Who He was and the Man He became?

Look at your Christmas cards. Could you guess from them that the sweet baby they picture died bitterly on the Cross?

Yours Sincerely  
David Atfield





## WOMAN'S WORLD

### Spread an Umbrella . .

**T**HE OTHER DAY IN A Saturday-crowded store I came face to face with a young woman. Encumbered with a pushchair, three fractious children, and an assortment of shopping bags and parcels, she looked weary and cross and bad-tempered. But suddenly, as I watched, a brilliant smile spread over her face, transforming its tired pallor into something full of sparkling warmth. The effect was electrifying, and completely catching—for I couldn't help noticing after that everywhere she went people were smiling back at her and each other, being more courteous and considerate because of it. 'Wonderful', I thought, 'what a smile can do' . . . for I admit that the glum girl had been myself in a mirror, caught in an off-guard moment when things maternal and material had temporarily overwhelmed me with their demands.

'Smile, darn you, smile!', 'Let a smile be your umbrella!' the songs say; but, darn it! it's getting harder and harder to find many folk who are taking note of it. Oh, I'm not talking about people enjoying themselves on an outing, grinning at a get-together, hilarious on holiday, full of good cheer. What I mean is just an ordinary smile, the everyday kind which lifts a greeting, a meeting, a transaction, a query, *out* of the ordinary . . .

After all, what's the point of

saying you're glad to see someone if you can't raise a smile for them, the kind which says more than words the welcome that's there. Supplementary smiles, I s'pose you could call that kind, because they help the words along, add a bit more spice or a bit more warmth to the story or the sympathy.

'A smile for everyone!'—it's a nice thought, though it's as hard as a New Year resolution to keep up to, when nothing's right and everything's miserably wrong with your world. But even then, a small weary curve of the mouth, however feeble, won't hurt you, and is, after all, much more likely to provoke kindness and sympathy than a fearsome frown which serves only to get you a reputation as a cross-patch . . .!

What a horrible thought that our world is becoming such a busy, brooding, bandwagon bustle that a *smile* is something to be stared at these days.

So do get with it, if you want to be taken notice of. There's no earthly need to dye your hair pink, wear white eye-shadow, or even startle 'em with op-art trouser suits at the Women's Institute . . . All you have to do is smile. A smile wins many a battle and, more important, makes many a friend. My husband went into a snooty shop to change something I'd chosen unsuitably a week previously . . . went to great lengths to describe my clothes, appearance, even the time I'd been there.

The assistant studied my purchase for a long time, listened dubiously, checked the invoice number, thought hard and suspiciously. Then it clicked . . .

"Oh!" she exclaimed. "Of course I remember. She was the lady who *smiled*, wasn't she . . . . ."

# IN THE HOME

PRESUMABLY YOU HAVE ALREADY BAKED YOUR Christmas cake, and made your puddings? If not—there are only 25 cooking days till Christmas . . .

Here are a few reminders of the sort of things we all have to get done for Christmas:

Buying presents, if you have been unwise enough not to have done this already. . .

Buying sufficient tissue paper, Christmas papers, brown paper, gift tags, labels, string for parcels and coloured strings or ribbons. Look out a selection of boxes in suitable sizes to pack gifts in—if you are wise you have kept a store of these from time immemorial!

Check up on your list for Christmas cards, and make sure you get the overseas ones off at the proper dates.

Check up on your scheme for decorating the house and tree. Make sure you have all the tinsel and ornaments and other requisites ready. If you have to buy holly and mistletoe, etc., place an order early with your greengrocer or nurseryman—it will help him as much as it will help you, to know what stock he needs to carry.

Check up on the times of your Christmas Day services and arrange your meals and menus to fit in comfortably, so you don't spend your time in church wondering whether you will find a burnt sacrifice when you get home, or find the service started half-an-hour ago.

When my children were little, I used to find the best idea was to give them a stocking filled with lots of small gifts and oranges, apples, nuts and the like to keep them quiet and happy in the early morning

hours they always woke at on Christmas day! Then we would all go to the 9.30 Family Communion, and when they came home they had the small presents and puzzles and games still to play with whilst I finished preparing the lunch—which normally had gone into the oven before leaving for church.

We could then have lunch promptly at 1 p.m., and it was a rule that *everyone*, whatever the age group, helped in washing up, clearing away, etc., afterwards, so that "Mum" wasn't left completely whacked out. Until this was finished the presents would not come off the Christmas tree, so there was a great bustling to of willing helpers!

Then the joy of giving and receiving the gifts and unwrapping them, through a long and peaceful afternoon.

Now they are older, the programme is different, as we usually go to Midnight Communion together, getting home about 2 in the morning, and then having a late breakfast at 9 (pre-set in the oven overnight) and gifts thereafter, before we go to Matins.

But it doesn't really matter which services or what times we choose—it is always possible to make sure that the whole family remembers first to wish "Happy Birthday" to Him whose birthday we remember, and then to enjoy the day together without undue overwork for any one member of it. Most of the work *should* have been done in the days beforehand, so that Christmas Day can, and should, be one of the most restful days of the year, physically speaking, for the cook and hostess.

May you have it so in your own home this Christmastime.



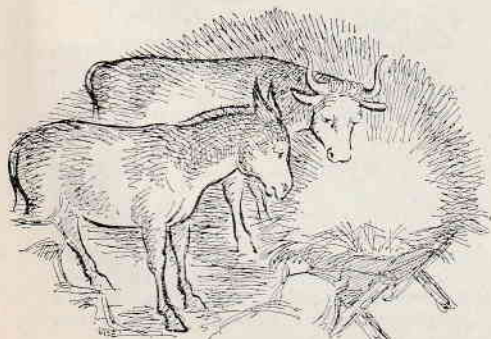
## THREE KISSES

Gentle-eyed cattle  
In bare stable place  
Saw Mary give softly  
Her baby's sweet face  
His first kiss.

He was weary with wandering  
Tired by the heat  
Another Mary, with tears,  
Gave his brave, willing feet  
The next kiss.

Dark was the day,  
Ashamed was the place  
Where Judas moved forward  
To press on his face  
The last kiss.

A. Madeber



Jetta Vise



## EDITOR'S TABLE

### YOUR LETTERS . . .

#### Thanksgiving

Dear Canon Rhodes, Colchester  
It was good to read your article on thankfulness, a mighty theme which one never fully comprehends. You commend the 1928 service for opening on a note of praise. Surely the great virtue of the act of penitence with which the 1662 service opens highlights the motive for praise and thankfulness?

Yours sincerely,  
(Mrs.) Adrienne Hall.

Dear Canon Rhodes, Worcester  
I was grateful for your article on thankfulness, which brought me back at a time of great anxiety for my family to the positive way to trying to cope with it.

Yours sincerely,  
L.C.E.

#### Mothers' Union

Dear Canon Rhodes, Oxford  
I am especially glad that this article on Family Life and the Mothers' Union is in this month. Our Bishop has asked all Ruri-Decanal chapters to have a well informed member of the M.U. to speak about the new lines of thought which are emerging in the Mothers' Union, and to hear what the clergy think about its present work and future plans. The object of these discussions would be frank judgement based on accurate information. I understand that in some other Dioceses such an enquiry has already been held or is in process.

This article will be of help.  
Thank you once again.

D.C.

#### Rhodesia

Dear Canon Rhodes, Twickenham  
The latter part of Dorothy Stebbing's letter was a cry from the heart and we must have sympathy.

I believe the best thing would be to read the Social History of England of the middle of last century. Forget the colour bar and remember the class struggle. There were happy relationships between masters and

servants. Both were allowed to attend the same Church, but as a rule one lot in the morning, the other in the evening. Care was necessary about the extension of the franchise and education. One difference may be noted. The public outcry ensured the release of the Tolpuddle martyrs. What outcry is there about their successors in like exile in Rhodesia today?

D. H. Pilkington

Newcastle-upon-Tyne 2

Dear Canon Rhodes,

Dorothy Stebbing maintains that since Fr. Huddleston is an idealist and also not a family man, he therefore has a "distorted . . . view" of Rhodesia! Others would see it as a just and Christian view, *undistorted* by personal entanglement in the situation, and contrasting with Dorothy Stebbing's unfortunate entanglement ("The one thing we refuse to do is to lower the standards of the Europeans").

As a family man about to take my family to live and work in his diocese in Tanzania I would put on record that Bishop Huddleston understands a family man's problems, education included, far better than many family men do themselves.

Yours,  
Surgeon.

Dear Canon Rhodes, Durban

Dorothy Stebbing has put into so few words so much truth and honest fact that I would care to challenge anyone who honestly feels that the picture portrayed in her letter is nothing but "Propaganda", because I can assure you that her views are shared by the majority of the population, both black and white.

As a Christian and Rhodesian, I suggest that more praying about, and for Rhodesia, is done, and a little less criticising.

Yours very sincerely,  
Richard M. Taylor.

#### Two Little Birds

My dear Canon, Edgbaston

What a perfectly lovely verse, "Two little birds in a wood". It is absolutely true for mankind as well as the birds.

(Mrs.) M.E.K.

#### Science & Religion

Birmingham

That 10,000 people came to the Albert Hall to listen to a talk on the "gap between religion and science" is remarkable in this age when the Universe has become man's domain oftentimes devoid of any recognition or remembrance of God. The occasion serves to illustrate that many are not overwhelmed by science.

F. B. Willmott

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PARENTS and CHILDREN are invited at 10 a.m. THERE WILL BE NO INSTRUCTION at 11 a.m. on this day. The Nursery Children who normally meet in the Village Hall will be encouraged to come to CHURCH at 10 a.m.

The Crossbearers and members of the Catechism will be encouraged to come to Church at 10 a.m. for the Parish Communion on the 4th and to the 10 a.m. Service on the 11th.

**ADVANCE NOTICE : Sunday, 1st January : NEW YEAR'S DAY**

There will be no Children's Instruction at 11 a.m. or Catechism at 10 a.m. All children will be taken into Church for the 11 a.m. Parish Communion and will come out at 11.30 a.m. unless they are with their parents.

**Sunday, 8th January.** Instruction as usual — Crossbearers 10 a.m. and Catechism at 11 a.m.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR KINDERGARTEN AND  
NURSERY CHILDREN**

Saturday, 21st January, 1967 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The Juniors will have an Easter Party again this year and the Crossbearers and Catechism will have to visit to London early in January — the date to be fixed with them later.

**"THE SMITHS" OF WINDSOR CRESCENT**

"We should like to thank all our many friends in the Parish for their kind thoughts and good wishes on our forthcoming removal to the Colchester area, and for the lovely clock presented to us at the Parish Party and the fountain pen from the Mothers' Union which will be a reminder of the happy days in Marston.

The years we have spent in the parish have been rich in happiness and friendship, and any services we have been enabled to do here has been done through the grace of God and in His strength. It is with real regret that we leave you all. May God bless you all in everything you do in the years ahead.

Fred and Mary Smith.

The departure of Fred and Mary Smith will leave a great gap in our parish life. Fred has not only been a member of the P.C.C., a sidesman, server, and bellringer, but also Group Scoutmaster, and unofficial Clock-winder. Mary has been Enrolling Member of the Mothers' Union, Parochial Representative to the Oxford Council of Churches, Secretary of the Electoral Roll, a member of the Over 60's Club Committee, and always willing to help on every occasion.

Some people form the real "cement" of parish life, just because they can always be relied upon to give their support, to help and to co-operate in every way. This has been certainly true of the Smiths. To Fred, Mary Peter (training on H.M.S. Worcester) and to Jonathan (at Wells Cathedral School) we send our warmest wishes and hope that they will keep their links firm with the parish to which they have all given so much. Editor.

**OLD MARSTON YOUTH CLUB**

This has now re-opened under new leadership and a number of parishioners have shown an enthusiastic readiness to help in running it. It meets on Monday nights in the Mortimer Hall at 7.30 p.m., and is open to all young people from 14—21 years old. The Annual subscription is 2/6, with a weekly sub. of 1/-. All young people are most welcome.

## COLLECTIONS AND COMMUNICANTS

					£	s.	d.		Communicants
Oct. 16.	...	...	...	...	22	13	1		68
Oct. 23.	...	...	...	...	44	19	3		35
Oct. 30.	...	...	...	...	26	16	9		23
Nov. 6.	...	...	...	...	36	12	1		83
Nov. 13.	...	...	...	...	47	5	9		34
Number of weekly communicants					— 55.				

### HOLY BAPTISM

- Oct. 23. Mark Thomas Bowman, Yew Tree Cottage, Buckland, Faringdon.  
 Vanes Amy Bowman, Yew Tree Cottage, Buckland, Faringdon.  
 Graham John Fair, 12 Mortimer Drive.  
 Linda Holloway, 42 Beechey Avenue.  
 Mark Eden Longford, 82 Arlington Drive.  
 Sally Ann Phipps, 2 Arlington Drive.  
 Lisa Annette Smith, 2 Fane Road.
- Nov. 13. Alison Jane Harris, 15 Cavendish Drive.  
 Gary Clifford Arthur Lambert.  
 Kevin Douglas Roberts, 1 Boults Lane.
- Nov. 20. Nicholas Philip Coster, 116 Oxford Road.

### THE PARISH CALENDAR : DECEMBER

- Dec. 4. **ADVENT II. PATRONAL FESTIVAL — BIBLE SUNDAY**  
 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (said).  
 10.0 a.m. **PARISH COMMUNION.** Preacher: The Vicar.  
 Coffee will be served in the Church Hall after the 10 o'clock Service.  
 Children's Instruction as usual.  
 6.30 p.m. Festival Evensong.
- „ 6. Tuesday. **ST. NICHOLAS' DAY**  
 7.15 a.m. Holy Communion.  
 7.15 p.m. Evensong.
- „ 7. Wednesday. 7.15 a.m. Holy Communion.  
 7.45 p.m. Young Wives: The Church Hall.  
 "The Delicatessen" — Mrs. Palm.
- „ 8. Thursday. "Have the Churches anything to say?" 8 p.m.  
 at 43 St. Giles.
- „ 9. Friday. Over 60's Club Christmas Party — 5 p.m.
- „ 10. Saturday. **HUMAN RIGHTS DAY**  
 11—11.30 p.m. Silent Vigil in Church to Pray for Peace.  
 2.30 p.m. Jumble Sale in Mortimer Hall followed by Barn Dance in the evening.
- „ 11. **ADVENT III.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion.  
 10.0 a.m. St. Nicholas-tide Toy Service.  
 All parents and children are invited.  
 11.0 a.m. Mattins.  
 3.00 p.m. Holy Baptism.  
 6.30 p.m. Evensong. Preacher: Rev. Ian Howell, B.A.
- „ 14. Wednesday. Ember Day. 7.15 a.m. Holy Communion.  
 2.45 p.m. Mothers' Union Prayer Group: Mrs. Carter, "Eaglesfield," Jack Straws Lane.
- „ 16. Friday. 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion with special prayers for the sick and "laying on of hands."
- „ 18. **ADVENT IV.** Services as for the 3rd Sunday in month with Family Communion at 9.30 a.m.  
 6.30 p.m. **CANDLE AND CAROL SERVICE**  
 (Admission by Free Ticket only).
- „ 21. Wednesday. **FESTIVAL OF ST. THOMAS**  
 7.15 a.m. Holy Communion.  
 7.30 p.m. Candle and Carol Service followed by Coffee in Church Hall.  
 Parents and children especially invited. Admission by Free Ticket only.
- „ 24. **CHRISTMAS EVE.** 11.30 p.m. **HOLY COMMUNION.**
- „ 25. **CHRISTMAS DAY.** 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion.  
 11.0 a.m. Family Mattins.  
 5.30 p.m. Evensong (said).  
 There will be NO Holy Baptism on Christmas Day at 3 p.m.
- „ 26. **ST. STEPHEN'S DAY.** 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
- „ 28. Wednesday. Holy Innocents' Day. 7.15 a.m. Holy Communion.

## CHURCH & LOCAL CLUBS, SOCIETIES, ETC.

### CHURCH

- Bell Ringers.** Sec. : Mr. A. Gammon, 50 Oxford Road.  
**Brownies.** Brown Owl : Mrs. N. Edmonds, 10 Ashlong Road.  
**Choir.** Choirmaster : Mrs. E. M. Garner, 31 Oxford Road.  
**Cubs.** Leader : Mr. E. Morse, 58 William Street, Oxford.  
**Girl Guides :** Captain : Mrs. J. Clarke, 30 Cavendish Drive.  
**Parish Magazine :** Sec. : Mrs. & Miss Finch, " Stanmore," Boults Lane.  
**Mothers' Union.** Enrolling Member : Mrs. A. Smith, 4 Windsor Crescent. Secretary : Mrs. R. Vernede, The Manor House, Old Marston.  
**Parochial Church Council.** Sec. : Mrs. M. Harlow, Fir Tree House, Oxford Road.  
**Scouts.** Scout Master : Mr. C. McCartney, 20 Sands Way, Benson, Oxon.  
G.S.M. : Mr. A. Smith, 4 Windsor Crescent.  
**St. Nicholas' Fellowship.** Sec. : Miss E. Warburton, Cross Cottage, Old Marston.  
**Young Wives Group.** Group Leader : Mrs. B. Sleightholm, 72 Oxford Road. Secretary : Mrs. R. B. Wells, 14 Raymond Road.  
**Youth Fellowship.** Secretary : Miss Lindsay Dunkley, 4 Hadow Road, New Marston.

### LOCAL

- St. Nicholas' Art Group.** Sec. : Mr. B. Davis, 56 Elms Drive.  
**Allotment Association.** Sec. : Mr. R. Bowen, 135 Oxford Road.  
**British Legion.** Marston & District Sec. : Mr. F. Thompson, 5 Temple Street, Oxford.  
**The Marston Players.** Mrs. Yates, Boults Lodge, Boults Lane, Old Marston.  
**Over 60's Club.** Sec. : Mrs. J. Yates, Boults Lodge, Boults Lane.  
Treas. : Mrs. W. Tomlinson, 35 Oxford Road.  
**Parish Council.** Chairman : Mr. Rumbold, 8 Beechey Avenue.  
**Teacher-Parent Association.** St. Nicholas County Primary School.  
Mr. J. Sparrowhawk, 23 Ashlong Road.  
**Teacher-Parent Association.** Old Marston S/M School.  
Mr. G. Ballsdon, 15 Cromwell Close.  
**Women's Institute.** Mrs. M. Harlow, Fir Tree House, Oxford Road.

### USEFUL INFORMATION

- District Nurses, 6 Broughton's Close, Old Marston. Tel. Oxford 44417.  
Infant Welfare Clinic : The Village Hall, Thursdays 2—4 p.m.  
Library : The Village Hall, Old Marston.  
Adults      Tuesday, 3 to 5 p.m. ; 5.30 to 7.30 p.m.  
              Thursday, 3 to 5 p.m. ; 5.30 to 7.0 p.m.  
              Friday, 3 to 6.30 p.m.  
Children : Monday, 3 to 5.15 p.m. ; Wednesday, 3 to 5.15 p.m.  
Over 60's Club. St. Nicholas Church Hall, Mondays at 2.45 p.m.  
Registrar of Births, Marriages and Deaths : St. Nicholas' Church Hall, Elsfield Road, Old Marston. Thursdays 4 to 4.30 p.m.  
Village Hall. All Bookings to Mr. Rumbold, 8 Beechey Avenue, Old Marston.  
St. Nicholas' Church Hall and Committee Room. All Bookings to Miss O. J. Lodge, The Fiat, 15 Mill Lane, Old Marston.  
Nursery School. All enquiries to :— The Village Hall during school hours.

## DIRECTORY

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 12 Cotswold Crescent, Old Marston.....Tel. 42126
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 S. Kushmar, 47 Ferry Road, Marston.....Tel. 47189
- Radio and Television, Rental, Sales and Service :**  
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