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SERVICES IN ANSLEY CHURCH FOR AUGUST 1985

Sunday, August 4th, 9th after Trinity or 10th after Pentecost

8.00 a.m. No service.

11.00 a.m. The Parish Communion with Sermon.

Preacher and Celebrant: Rev. J. Law, Vicar of Fillongley.

6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer and Sermon.

Preacher: Mr. Glen Martin.

Sunday, August 11th, 10th after Trinity or 11th after Pentecost St. Laurence's Day — Patronal Festival

11.00 a.m. The Parish Communion with Sermon.

Preacher and Celebrant: Rev. Bill Cummins.

6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer and Sermon.

Preacher: Mr. G. Popejoy of Bedworth.

Sunday, August 18th, 11th after Trinity or 12th after Pentecost

- 11.00 a.m. Family Service taken by the Rev. Peter Phillips, the Rector of Arley.
- 6.30 p.m. The Parish Communion with Sermon.
Preacher and Celebrant: Rev. John Tyers, Vicar of Atherstone.

Friday, August 23rd — Flower Festival starts

- 8.00 p.m. Evening Prayers in Church.

Sunday, August 25th — Flower Festival, 13th after Pentecost

- 11.00 a.m. The Parish Communion with Sermon.
Preacher and Celebrant: Rev. Alan Smith of Bedworth.
- 6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer and Sermon.
Preacher: Rev. Graham Hardwick, Vicar of Nuneaton.

Sunday, September 1st, 13th after Trinity or 14th after Pentecost

- 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (said).
Rev. Peter Phillips of Arley.
- 11.00 a.m. The Parish Communion with Sermon.
Preacher and Celebrant: Rev. Bill Cummins.
- 6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer and Sermon.
Preacher: A Lay Reader.

Sunday School will not meet in the Village Church Hall until Sunday, September 1st at 11.00 a.m.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Monday, August 5th at 7.00 p.m. Induction and Institution of the Rev. T. M. Gouldstone as Vicar of St. Keverne, Cornwall.

Wednesday, August 7th. Coffee Evening at home of Mr. Frank Arnold at 7.30 p.m. for Church Funds.

Monday, August 12th. Meeting of P.C.C. in Village Church Hall at 8.00 p.m.

Friday, August 23rd at 6.00 p.m. to Monday, August 26th at 8.00 p.m. — FLOWER FESTIVAL.

Monday, August 26th at 8.00 p.m. Concert in Church given by the North Warwickshire Singers.

GOING THROUGH AN INTERREGNUM

Parishioners in Ansley have experienced this before ! Of course, in need we can always contact our churchwardens; or the Revd. John Law or the Revd. Peter Phillips members of the Ley Group. But, yes, we do miss having our own Vicar. Our Lord reminds us of something similar when seeing the multitudes He was moved with compassion, seeing them 'as sheep having no shepherd.' He was, we know, thinking of people being in the world without hope and without God ! By contrast the Biblical Shepherd pictures for us the Good Shepherd 'who giveth His life for the sheep.' All are meant to know the Risen Jesus and His love for us ! As in Psalm 23 we too are meant to share the Psalmist's confidence that no matter what we go 'through' He will always be with us !

ANSLEY CHURCH SCHOOL, CHURCH END

This closed finally on Friday, July 12th. This was a sad day for Ansley but, we give thanks for all the good things and people that it has produced. It started in 1873 and has done very well until now. To all the teachers that have served over the past years and those there at the present day we say 'thank you.'

To the children who will be moving on to other schools next term the Church sends its best wishes for a happy and successful future. To Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Savage, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. Hughes and Mrs. Ross, the Church offers its best wishes for a settled and prosperous future to you all.

The fate of the building is still unknown.

ANSLEY CHURCHYARD

The appearance of our churchyard has been greatly improved lately. The old fir trees along the main path have been removed (they were old and past their best we think), paths have been straightened and edged with neat curbs, the dangerous edges and banks have been removed, the surface re-tarred and the banks re-turfed. The whole appearance is neat, and will cut out a lot of hard work in maintenance. To all those who have given of their time and money to bring this about, the Church says a sincere thank you for this good gift.

Ansley Churchyard came second in North Warwickshire in the Churchyard Competition. It was beaten by Corley, our old rivals. We wish them well in the finals.

THE BARN DANCE — JUNE 29th

This was held at Sutton's Farm and was a great success. The evening was lovely and full of fun. The refreshments were excellent and the bar did a good trade. There were more people

than ever before and they enjoyed themselves. A profit of £376.90 was made for Village Church Hall Funds.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sutton we say a sincere thank you for the use of their barns and to Graham, Marcus and Darren a great heap of thanks for the work they did in getting the barns ready.

COFFEE EVENING — JULY 2nd

This was held at the Vicarage and was in aid of Church Funds. It was a very pleasant evening, very well spent in the garden at the Vicarage. It was a pity that there were other things in the area that evening but, as it was, the Church received the sum of £41.00 as a result of this effort.

The garden has a lovely view across the valley towards old Arley and we are grateful to the Vicar for opening up his garden on such a lovely evening.

VICAR'S DEPARTURE

The Rev. Tim Gouldstone left Ansley for St. Keverne in Cornwall on Monday, July 22nd. He has been a great help and comfort to many in the Parish who had troubles and difficulties.

The Church Congregation said their farewell to him and his family after service in Church on Sunday, July 21st. The Vicar's Warden presented him with a cheque for £130.00 as a sign of gratitude for the work he has done whilst Vicar of Ansley. We wish him and his family every joy and happiness in their new life in Cornwall.

FLOWER FESTIVAL 1985

This will be held in the Church from Friday, August 23rd at 6.00 p.m. until 8.00 p.m. on Monday, August 26th. The theme this year is "Life" and will be depicted in flowers by the local ladies and their friends. The Church always looks good and many old friends are usually found there, so a visit is well worth while. The tent will be in the Churchyard dispensing tea, coffee and cakes. There will also be a Garden Produce Stall, and if you have any garden produce to spare, could we please beg a little of it to fill this stall. Let Frank Arnold know if it needs collecting.

There will be a Concert in Church on the evening of Monday, August 26th at 8.00 p.m., given by the North Warwickshire Singers under their conductor, Mr. Malcolm Jones. This is a branch of the Atherstone Choral Society and it should be very good. Please bring your friends to this. There will be coffee at the interval and a collection for Festival Funds at the end.

This year the proceeds will be divided between the Nuneaton Hospital League of Friends and Church expenses. Last year the Friends received £200.00—so let's beat that this time.

On Sunday, August 25th there will be two services in Church—one at 11.00 a.m. and the other at 6.30 p.m. The Church bus will run around the parish at the usual times for the 6.30 p.m., service.

If anyone would like to help and has not already been asked, please have a word with Mrs. Truelove.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Blessing of a Wedding

July 6th—Ritchie Martin and Anne Brindley.

Laid to Rest

July 5th—Violet Cope of Ansley Common, aged 70 years.
(Cremation afterwards).

To the family and friends of Mrs. Cope we send our deepest sympathy and best wishes. Mrs. Cope came to Church regularly and was friendly with everyone. She did like to hear the organist play a hymn tune specially for her.

We have missed her very much.