

## The Vicar's Letter

Dear Friends,

The Anglican Church is in a mess. I'm sorry, let me write that again. 'The Anglican Church is in a mess.' What I mean to say is that there are several stories of unhappiness in the church going around at the moment, from the world-wide church, the national and the local. These stories are as it were 'in inverted commas', in the sense that they are not directly about things happening here in Godmanchester, not things that we are experiencing first hand. They are things we are being told. The first two are related, the third not exactly. On the global level, we hear constantly and increasingly of the rifts that threaten to pull the Anglican Communion apart. These rifts are to do with the deep discontent felt in some parts of the Anglican Church, particularly in Africa, over the decision of the Episcopal Church of the United States to consecrate an openly practising homosexual man as a bishop, and the general tolerance towards gay people shown by many other Anglicans. Nationally, a group of evangelical parishes in the Church of England with the name of Reform has warned the Archbishop of Canterbury that they will seek oversight not from their own diocesan bishops in this country, but from a kind of 'flying bishop' from Uganda if their concerns over the same matters are not dealt with. It must be stressed that by no means all, or even most, evangelical parishes in the Church of England come under the banner of Reform. Locally, the Diocese of Ely has just witnessed the distressing spectacle of one of its own clergy, the Vicar of Trumpington, being taken to an ecclesiastical court by some of his own parishioners over matters that appear to be entirely parochial in concern. This is all very sad, and does nothing to help the church make the voice of Jesus Christ heard.

My point is not about the matters that have caused these divisions. My point is two-fold. Firstly, that **no matter what** the concern may be, division within the church is a betrayal of Jesus Christ. Christians should do everything in their power, and then more, including giving up some of their most cherished principles, before allowing the church of Christ, the people of God, to be divided further. Unity (not uniformity) is the pre-requisite of the church. To the extent that the church is divided, she fails to be the true church. Where real division sets in, the reconciling Good News of Jesus Christ is drowned by bickering voices, and who wants to join a society of bad-tempered people who seem mostly intent on their own quarrels?

Secondly, whenever we are tempted to despair at the unfailing ability of the church to forget the meaning of its own message, we need to remember two things. Firstly, it was ever thus. There is sadly nothing new in the church making a fool of itself in the eyes of God and the world. From the complaints of those receiving a bread ration that others were getting more (Acts 6:1), through all the great and petty squabbles of the ages, the church, being composed of human beings, has never been entirely free of strife. Neither, of course, has the world beyond the church. Without minimising for an instant the seriousness of church divisions, we can allow ourselves to remember that this divisiveness is a human tendency, not an exclusively Christian one.

The other thing to remember, of course, is that this is not, to say the least, the whole story, either in the past or now. While there will always be enough failure to depress us if we focus on that, God remains God and through His grace, sometimes despite the church rather than by it, millions find and keep faith and extend love to their neighbour. As, I believe, we do here, however imperfectly. And for that let us thank God.

With love,  
*David*

### This month's cover

Lawrence draws our attention to one of the most poignant battles of the First World War which took place exactly ninety years ago this month.

### Mothers' Union

At the October meeting, after the AGM, Linda Watson and I gave short talks about the ALM course that we attended last year. Linda started off by explaining what it was. She said; 'ALM stands for Authorised Lay Ministry. It is for anyone who wishes to explore and learn how to use their skills to help within their own parish community.' Linda, David Ferris and I were commissioned last year as Pastoral Assistants. Peter Dawe is our Parish Evangelist and now Gill Bathurst Hoile has been commissioned as a Worship Leader. Other areas of ministry include music, administration and youth and children.

Linda went on to talk about what the course entailed. We both felt that after a year's work of reflection, course work, homework and a project we had gained many new practical resources to use in our work and relationships around the parish. Our task was to produce a welcome pack of information that could be given to new people when they arrived. Ally Barrett gave us a tremendous amount of support during the process, the aim of which was, as

Linda said, to 'build on what we do well and combine this with new initiatives to enable us to become a more welcoming church.' I then talked about the welcome pack and examples of it were passed round for people to see.

Our next meeting on 6 November will be a slide show given by Joan Walton entitled 'The Creation Story in Stained Glass.'

*Jean Morgan*

### Wives' Group

We started the October meeting with the AGM, which was attended by fifteen members. Barbara gave a brief resumé of the year's activities and reminded everyone that this was their group – any suggestions for future meetings and/or feedback on previous ones are always gratefully received.

Our Charity of the Year is Age Concern and we hope to give them a donation of some £300 at our December meeting. We end the year with a little over £700 in the bank. Barbara thanked all the committee for their efforts over the year. Linda Hardy is standing down this year and we wish her well: the rest of the committee are willing to serve another year, although no-one was willing to accept Barbara's invitation to take over the Chair. She does too good a job and we all thank her very much for it!

Barbara was sad to mark the loss of two much-loved members of Wives' Group

this year: Dorothy Groves and Clare Wells are sadly missed.

Barbara then welcomed our speaker for the evening. Pat Saunders came to talk about 'Godly Play'. This form of worship, specifically designed for children, started in the USA and was brought to the UK by a lady called Rebecca Nye, who was studying for a PhD in Cambridge, researching children and spirituality. The UK – and European – centre for Godly Play is still in Cambridge, where training courses are run for those wishing to learn more, and become 'storytellers'.

The stories make use of wooden toys, plus a variety of interesting items (a liturgical clock was a particular favourite). Elements for each story are kept together in their own special place on the dedicated 'Godly Play' shelves. Items used in the telling of parables are kept in gold boxes, to symbolise the fact that these were stories told by Jesus himself and hence are regarded as particularly precious.

An important part of the telling of a Godly Play story is the fact that the story-teller is focussed on the toys used in the story and not on the children. (It is the job of the 'doorkeeper' to keep the children in order!). Pat then demonstrated the story of Abraham and Sarah. Everyone was captivated and I've never heard it so quiet at Wives' Group before! Thank you, Pat: I know we all enjoyed your talk immensely.

Next month's meeting promises to be slightly more raucous, as the ladies are

let loose with glue. It's Christmas crafts, demonstrated by Carole King, but everyone gets to have a go at making something! The meeting is on 13 November at 8.00 pm in the Church Hall: all are welcome.

*Kate Robinson*

### **Men's Social Group**

We were very pleased to have David Busk as our speaker for the October meeting of the Men's Social Group; the subject as you might have guessed was 'Japan'. We learnt a lot about the country and its people, including the reason why Japanese houses and furniture tend to be on the small side. Because of the rocky nature of the country there is a shortage of suitable building land and most of the population have to live in small dwellings crowded into the flat coastal areas. In some ways Japan is an unstable area subject to both earthquakes and very extreme weather conditions.

We learnt that although the people show very little emotion in their contact with others, they delight in letting their hair down during the many colourful and noisy street festivals. They are great fish eaters but their diet is well balanced and a meal can consist of up to thirty different ingredients. They regard a bath as a place to relax in after you have carried out your ablutions elsewhere. School is particularly difficult for teenagers, who are expected to work hard and they get very little sleep as they attempt to keep up with their work.

Nagasaki, where David spent ten years as the minister of the Anglican Church, came out as one of the safest places in which to live according to a worldwide survey. It is almost surrounded by the sea and has a long history of shipbuilding, some of the biggest ships in the world being built there. It claims to have had the first railway in Japan and the first printing press, as well as being the first place where westerners settled. It was only by chance that the second atom bomb was dropped there, as the original target was covered by cloud. The diocese of Kyushu, to which David's church belonged, is as large as Denmark but has only twenty churches and about eleven full time clergy.

David illustrated his talk with slides and photographs and other artefacts, including a couple of the long banners which people hang in front of their houses. We await the sight of the 'Busk' family banner hanging from the church tower! David also showed some examples of Japanese writing, which is very complicated with each word being made up of a variety of different brush strokes. Apparently the spoken language is easier to learn but there are pitfalls for the foreigner when giving a sermon in Japanese. At the end of his talk David invited us to taste a strip of chilli-flavoured seaweed, but there didn't appear to be many takers. He also kindly gave each of us a piece of coloured decorated cloth which had been made to publicise one of the Nagasaki festivals; the Men's Social Group is thinking of wearing them as bandannas the next time David comes to

speak to us, a time which we hope won't be too far away.

The November meeting will be a visit to Godmanchester Community School on the evening of Tuesday 6, starting at the earlier time of 7pm. Contact: Roy Norris (431961)

*Peter Dawe*

## **Charity of the month**

### **Service Charities**

November is the month when we remember those who have served their country and who have laid down their lives in the two world wars and other conflicts since. In particular we remember the Armed Forces. Some of us will participate in the act of remembrance at the War Memorial on Remembrance Sunday. Some may choose to reflect quietly within the walls of their own home. But, however we recollect, our actions go beyond remembering. There are those who still suffer and families who need help in one form or another. Many of those in need are supported by the various service charities. Therefore, for November, the Charities Committee selects service charities as the 'Charity of the Month' to whom we make our donation. These are the King George's Fund for Sailors, the Army Benevolent Fund and the Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund.

King George's Fund for Sailors was founded by King George V in 1917 to look after the welfare needs of seafarers

and their dependants in the Royal Navy, Merchant Navy and the Fishing Fleets. Help ranges from care of elderly seafarers to financial help for those still serving who hit problems brought on by ill health, disability, homelessness, unemployment, broken homes or bereavement. Seafarers' children also benefit with help in education. The Army Benevolent Fund provides similar help for soldiers. It is the Army's National Charity, committed to the welfare of soldiers, ex-soldiers and their families in times of real need. In 1919, just one year after he founded the Royal Air Force, Lord Trenchard recognised the need to help the veterans returning from the Great War as well as the families of those who would not return. In response to this need he established what would become the Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund. Each year the fund spends millions of pounds to help improve the lives of those of the RAF Family facing difficulty or hardship. It can be seen that all the charities have one common objective: that is to support, not only the veterans of historic conflicts, but also any individual who has served in the forces at any time, and their dependants, by offering a helping hand in times of difficulty, to relieve need and distress. They commit an enormous amount of effort to ensure that the welfare of those in need is identified and taken care of. We always receive a letter of appreciation for our support from these charities and acknowledging our generosity.

Information 'fliers', posters, other odds and ends will be available in the South

Porch throughout November. Please help yourself to what is available.

*Roy Norris*

Charities Committee

### **A Celebration for Advent and Christmas**

An evening of readings with choral and instrumental music in St Mary's Church in aid of West Anglia Crossroads.

Readers: Pam Ayres  
Susie Fowler-Watt  
Martyn Lewis  
Robert Powell  
Alan Titchmarsh  
Bishop John B. Taylor  
Dame Norma Major

**Saturday 1 December 2007 at 7.30 pm**

**CROSSROADS**  
**Caring**  
**for**  
**Carers**

Admittance by ticket only at £22 & £11  
Contact: Mrs J. Thackray 01480 420007

We are delighted to welcome back

### **The Boyan Ensemble of Kiev**

who will sing in our church at 7.30 pm on Sunday 18 November 2007 as part of their 16<sup>th</sup> annual tour.

Tickets at £12 (concessions £10) are available from Barbara Thirlwall (457018) or Godmanchester Town Hall



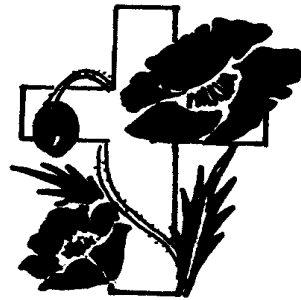
### Holding a fireworks party on Bonfire Night? \*\*

If you are planning to set off fireworks at home on Bonfire Night, you may wish to review the Fireworks Code, to help keep you and your family and guests safe....

- \* Only buy fireworks marked BS 7114.
- \* Don't drink alcohol if setting off fireworks.
- \* Keep fireworks in a closed box.
- \* Follow the instructions on each firework.
- \* Light at arm's length, using a taper.
- \* Stand well back.
- \* Never go near a firework that has been lit. Even if it hasn't gone off, it could still explode.
- \* Never put fireworks in your pocket or throw them.
- \* Always supervise children around fireworks.
- \* Light sparklers one at a time and wear gloves.
- \* Never give sparklers to a child under five.
- \* Keep pets indoors

### Guy Fawkes – an early terrorist \*\*

If modern security at the Houses of Parliament seems a bit weak to you, take heart, it's never been much better. Back in 1605 Guy Fawkes managed to stow a good few barrels of gunpowder under the House of Lords without anybody noticing. He wasn't a member of Al-Qaeda: he was part of a Roman Catholic plot to murder James 1 of England and his Parliament at the state opening. Fortunately, Guy Fawkes was found – and stopped – in time.



### The Poppy Appeal \*\*

This year, more than 36 million poppies, 107,000 wreaths and 800,000 Remembrance Crosses and other Remembrance items will be distributed in the UK.

It takes 300,000 staff and volunteers to make the Poppy Appeal work. That is an enormous countrywide network. But each year, the Poppy People numbers drop by thousands, as many of the older collectors retire. And so the Poppy Appeal is urgently seeking new volunteers who can give anything from two hours to two weeks of their time. Could you help? If so, please ring Verna Hayes (01480 374022) our local Poppy

Day Organiser or Peter Irving (01480 382144).

As for the Two Minute Silence, well, 85% of us still find it relevant today, according to a recent YouGov survey. The act of observing a Two Minute Silence began in 1919 following the Armistice at 11 am on the 11 November 1918 at the end of the First World War.

Where did the idea of buying and wearing an artificial poppy as way of Remembrance come from? It began in Britain on 11th November 1921, and the idea was inspired by John McCrae's 1915 poem 'In Flanders' Fields'. The Appeal has grown since 1921 – last year it raised a record £26 million.

### **Our annual Christmas Bazaar**

**will be held at St Anne's School on  
Saturday 24 November from 2.00 pm  
to 4.00 pm**

**This is one of our two major fund  
raising events in the year.**

**Please come along and support  
us.**

We will be contacting previous bazaar stallholders in the hope that they will be willing to run their stalls again this year.

If anyone else would like to have a stall or has an idea which would make our bazaar even more exciting for children, or for adults, please speak to us as soon as possible.

Linda & Trevor Weedon Tel.413264

### **Too many PINs hurt the brain! \*\***

How many PIN numbers do you have? Millions of us are suffering 'PIN code overload', according to recent study by the Abbey National.

On average, we hold at least two credit or debit card PIN codes in our heads. But six million of us have three PIN numbers, three million of us have four PIN numbers, and almost two million of us are attempting to remember five or more!

No wonder, then, that 22 million credit and debit card-holders say that they regularly forget their PIN.

So – how do people attempt to keep track of all these PINs?

- 9.4 million of us keep our PIN written down, but disguise what it is.
  - 5.7 million of us simply use the same PIN for all our cards.
  - 4 million of us have stored our PIN on our mobile phone.
  - And 2.4 million of us keep our PIN written down on a piece of paper, right beside our bank card in our wallets.
- Asking for trouble!



**GOD IN THE ARTS \*\*****Behold I stand at the door and knock**

‘Never mind the gas. This picture will light us all up.’ This was America’s verdict on Holman Hunt’s ‘The Light of the World,’ possibly one of the most well known and well loved of all religious paintings. It is a work that reveals for many an image of Jesus who can bring light and hope to a darkened world and to searching hearts.



Ironically, William Holman Hunt, though he was awarded the Order of Merit for the wealth of his creative work, ended his days a sad and disillusioned man. He felt that he had not moved the world to that deeper faith and holiness of life he wished for it. It was a land that seemed like Vanity Fair to him, its eyes blind and its ears deaf to the teaching of his paintings. As we look at this painting, we would disagree for it speaks powerfully to the beholder.

Its portrayal of Jesus as the Light of the world is based on the text in Revelation, ‘Behold, I stand at the door and knock.’ The door has no handle on the outside and it is choked by weeds: it has not been opened for some time. Jesus stands there in the darkness of the night holding a lantern. His friend Millais offered to paint a companion piece showing the door opened and the sinner

falling at the feet of our Lord. Holman Hunt insisted that his painting should stand on its own, and so it does in Keble College, Oxford, and in all the reproductions of it made since 1854.

Holman Hunt followed an exacting regime as he painted. He would work from 9.00 pm to 5.00 am in the orchard at Ewell Rectory, trying to perfect the exact shades of night and moonlight, and the detail on each tree and plant. The lantern was specially made for the painting. It cost £5 then and was rediscovered six years ago, to be bought by Manchester Art Gallery, where it can be seen by a copy of the painting. It is no ordinary lantern, but is full of symbolism: seven apertures for the seven churches of Asia Minor in Revelation, three stars of David for the patriarchs, and the Star of Bethlehem: all to show that the holder is the true Light that enlightens everyone.

He knocks at the door, but looks out to us. Just as the door can only be opened from the inside, so the decision to welcome the Light of the world into our lives can only be made by us. Our Lord stands before us, offering to bring his light and life, his love and glory to illuminate, not just these dark days of November, but each and every day of our lives.

*The Revd .Michael Burgess – who is in charge of two parishes in the diocese of Chester and is the Diocesan MU Chaplain with a great love and interest in art and music.*

## Parish News

At the October meeting of the PCC it was decided to increase the price of the magazine from 40p to 45p. This is the first increase for three years. As in previous years there will be a discounted price for twelve issues, subscribers paying £4.50 instead of £5.40.

## The use of sign language

**Saturday November 10 in the Church Hall between 10.00 am and 12.00 pm**

Workshop on the use of sign language for Christmas carols, led by the Revd Charles Dixon who is the Ely Diocesan Chaplain among the deaf and the deaf-blind. Free of charge but donations are always welcome.

## Churches Together of Huntingdon & Godmanchester

### Diary of Civic and Inter Church activities this month

- Nov 3 CT Men's Breakfast 8.00 am at The Barley Mow. Major David Lewis, Salvation Army 'Seeking God's Direction for Huntingdon'.
- Nov 17 Christian Aid Concert. Hartford Singers 7.30 pm Methodist Church £5 or £3 concessions.
- Nov 22 Members' Meeting and AGM 7.15 for 7.30 pm at St Bartholomew's Church, Gt Stukeley.
- Nov 24 Christian Aid Market Stall & Street Collection in Huntingdon.
- Nov 25 **Carol Singing at Market Hill for Huntingdon Lights ceremony. TOP PRIORITY!** Please come and support this witness. Please be there by 4.00 pm.

## September PCC Meeting

*Minutes in full of PCC meetings are displayed on the south door notice board. Here are some key points from the September meeting*

### Ministry News

- \* Congratulations to Gillian Bathurst Hoile on becoming a new Authorised Lay Minister in Worship Leading.
- \* It is planned that Mary Jepp will become our Curate next Summer. The Diocese is letting Ally's old house for about ten months and Mary and her family will move in some time in July 2008.

### Parish Meetings

- \* **New non-Eucharistic Service**  
PCC will discuss the outcome of voting for or against the new service at the November PCC.
- \* **Children and Communion**  
Parish Meeting on Sunday 25 November after the 9.45 am service. David Busk will provide a paper giving the history of the subject in advance of the meeting.

\*\* Articles taken from *The Parish Pump* the Church News Service on line.

### \* **Development Plan**

The aim is to have a Parish Meeting to discuss the Development Plan in January 2008.

### **Finance Committee**

\* The balance of regular income against expenditure for year to date now shows a deficit of £6,483. Non-regular income would probably be needed to balance the books. The bi-monthly budget report is to be posted on the south door notice board.

### **Fabric Committee**

\* **Pigeons.** Deterrent wire strips have been fitted to the small window ledges above the west door, making it more and more uncomfortable for the pigeons.

\* **Ringing Chamber Fire Alarm.** This has been installed and is in full working order.

\* **Vestry Roof Lead Theft.** Lead flashings on two sides of the vestry roof have been cut off and removed. Temporary repairs using felt have been carried out to minimise the amount of water getting in.

\* **West Door Path.** Two jobs have been placed on the agenda – pointing in between the flagstones and repair of the path.

### **Any other business**

\* A box has been provided at the south door of the church for old mobile phones. They will be sent to Christian Aid.

\* The Youth Group has a load of ‘spaceblocks’ for putting in toilet cisterns in order to save water. Please see Simon Prince or one of the Churchwardens if you would like one.

\* The Treasurer (Peter Ballantine) advised that the Civic Service collection would normally be split between the Church and the Mayor’s Charity. This year the Mayor’s Charity is East Anglia Children’s Hospice and, on this occasion, the PCC agreed that it would be a nice gesture to give our half of the collection also to the Mayor’s Charity.

### **And finally**

A reminder that ‘Cards for Good Causes’ are on sale again in All Saints, Huntingdon. The church is one of 350 temporary charity Christmas card shops around the country. This is the tenth year that the UK’s largest multi-charity Christmas card organisation has been in the town. With the exception of Sundays, you can buy your cards every day between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm until 18 December. 80p in every £ taken over the counter is given back to the charities. You can also buy Advent calendars, napkins, gift tags and wrapping paper, and even order your cards on line if you prefer. Visit [www.cardsforcharity.co.uk](http://www.cardsforcharity.co.uk).

Alternatively, you can explore the website to see what is available before going into the church to make your selection. Many thanks to all the volunteers, some from our own church in Godmanchester, who will be staffing the shop for the duration.

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**The Registers****Baptisms**

14 Oct Edward Toby Willmer  
Lucy Rose Brandon

**Wedding**

27 Oct Paul James Fricker and Joanna Nicola Kasey

**Funerals**

11 Oct John Cornwell  
15 Oct David John Carter  
18 Oct Penny Banks  
23 Oct Hugh Makey  
31 Oct Daphne Paske

**The Lectionary**

4 Nov **All Saints' Day**  
Daniel 7:1-3; Ephesians 1:11-end; Luke 6:20-31

11 Nov **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Advent**  
Job 19:23-27a; Luke 20:27-38

18 Nov **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Advent**  
Malachi 4:1-2a; Luke 21:5-19

25 Nov **Christ the King**  
Jeremiah 23:1-6; Luke 23:33-43

**Dates for your diary**

## G O D M A N C H E S T E R P A R I S H N E W S

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Thu	1	10.00 am	St Mary's 0s-5s	Comrades Club
		9.45 am	Holy Communion	
Fri	2	7.30 pm	Choir Practice	
Sat	3	2.00 pm	Healing Service	Ely Cathedral
Sun	4	8.00 am	Holy Communion	
		9.45 am	Sung Eucharist	
		6.30 pm	All Souls' Service	
Mon	5	1.30 pm	Stepping Stones	Baptist Church Centre
Tue	6	2.00 pm	Mothers' Union	Queen Elizabeth School
		7.00 pm	Men's Social Group visit to Godmanchester Community School	
Thu	8	10.00 am	St Mary's 0s-5s	Comrades Club
		9.45 am	Holy Communion	
		8.00 pm	Wives' Group	Church Hall
Fri	9	7.30 pm	Choir Practice	
Sun	11	<b>Remembrance Sunday</b>		
		8.00 am	Holy Communion	
		9.45 am	Sung Eucharist	
		10.55 am	Act of Remembrance	War Memorial
		6.30 pm	Remembrance Service	
Mon	12	1.30 pm	Stepping Stones	Baptist Church Centre
		8.00 pm	Charities Committee	17 Porch Close
Wed	14	10.30 am	Holy Communion	Oak Tree Court
Thu	15	10.00 am	St Mary's 0s-5s	Comrades Club
		9.45 am	MU Corporate Communion	
		7.30 pm	Prayer Group	36 Old Court Hall
		8.00 pm	Communications Committee	23 Earning Street
Fri	16	7.30 pm	Choir Practice	
Sun	18	8.00 am	Holy Communion	
		9.45 am	Sung Eucharist	
		5.00 pm	Evensong (said)	
		7.30 pm	Boyan Choir Concert	
Mon	19	1.30 pm	Stepping Stones	Baptist Church Centre
Tue	20	7.30 pm	PCC	Church Hall
Wed	21	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Woodley Court
Thu	22	10.00 am	St Mary's 0s-5s	Comrades Club
		9.45 am	Holy Communion	
		7.30 pm	Churches Together AGM	St Bartholomews, Gt Stukeley
Fri	23	7.30 pm	Choir Practice	
Sat	24	2.00 pm	Christmas Bazaar	St Anne's School
Sun	25	8.00 am	Holy Communion	
		9.45 am	All-age Eucharist	
		11.15 am	Parish Meeting re children and Holy Communion	
		4.15 pm	Churches Together Carol Singing	Huntingdon Market Square
		6.30 pm	Sung Evensong	
Mon	26	1.30 pm	Stepping Stones	Baptist Church Centre
		7.30 pm	St Anne's School Governors'	

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**G O D M A N C H E S T E R P A R I S H N E W S**


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			Meeting	St Anne's School
Wed	28	9.45 am	Holy Communion	McCartney House
Thu	29	10.00 am	St Mary's 0s-5s	Comrades Club
		9.45 am	Holy Communion	
Fri	30	5.00 pm	Crossroads Concert front of house meeting	Church
		7.30 pm	Choir Practice	

**The Editorial Committee meeting** for the December magazine will be held on **Sunday, 18 November**. Would you please ensure that material is with one of the following by that date and if possible not later than **Friday, 16 November**.

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