

June 1978

The Rector's Letter

My dear Friends,

First of all I must congratulate every one of you on the most enjoyable, well arranged and financially successful Garden Fete. Quite the best ever financially I am told, gross takings of £690, and I think also the happiest social gathering we have ever had. We again thank Mrs. Grindley for opening the Fete, and also Mr. and Mrs. Grindley for making it possible to have it in that most convenient and excellent field.

I would like to draw your attention to the season of Trinity in the Church Calendar. It is a long period of six months, and as it does not contain any great Festivals, as such, people often think it particularly dull. However, let us look at it in its real context. The first six months of the Christian Year, from Advent Sunday to Whitsunday, follows the whole of the life and work of JGSUS. We prepare for his birth during Advent. We celebrate his birth at Christmas, following his childhood we skip thirty years until on Ash Wednesday we think of his time of preparation for his Ministry in the wilderness. His Baptism -- three years of teaching and preaching. Then Good Friday, Easter Day, Ascension Day, and ten days later the coming of the Comforter (The Holy Ghost) and so on Whit Sunday the Church came into being.

Now we come to Trinity, and the Church, you and I, are given six months to put into practice all we have been shown by, and learnt from, Jesus. A very important and responsible time. The Prayer Book is a great help to us throughout the season. The Collect, Epistle and Gospel appointed for each Sunday are really quite superb as helps and encouragements. Try and read them at home each week before you come to Church. Why not make it a practice each Saturday evening? And if for some reason you are prevented from coming to Church on Sunday, read them again at some time during that Sunday. I am sure you will find them a very great help.

Yours sincerely,

Allan Campbell

Rector

Announcement 1

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* St. Marys Christmas Fayre *
* Saturday, 25th November. *
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HOLY MATRIMONY

On 27th March 1978, Peter Charles ISTED to Christine Margaret PATMORE, formerly of Amber Cottages, Coleshill.

IN MEMORIAM

Sir Bernard DOCKER K.B.E., who died on 22nd May 1978, always retained an interest in this village as his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Dudley Docker, lived at Coleshill House for a number of years. After his parents' deaths, he made a regular convenedated contribution to the Churchyard Fund and gave generously when the Church needed major repairs. His support will be missed.

H. G. D.

Coleshill lost a familiar and well respected member of its community when George William DEAN died on 15th March. Born in Coleshill 66. years ago, George lived here all his life, and the gardens he tended in the village are a memorial to his dedication. Our deepest sympathy goes to. his widow, Irene, his sons and daughter.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH COMMITTEE

The que'stion of keeping the Church lo'cked to prevent theft and vandalism was discussed and it was decided as an experiment to keep the Church open between the hours of 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m.

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The Committee wish to thank Mrs. Sladden for. the gift of a yew tree for the Churchyard.

ALL SAINTS', COLESHILL

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*   Flowers in a Country Church
*   Saturday, 29th July : 10.30 - 4.30
*   Teas in the Village Hall from 2.30 - 4.30
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*   Sunday, 30th July, Family Matins 9.30
*   followed by Holy Communion
*   Church open from 10.30 - 4.30
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CONFIRMATION

The Rector is anxious to have names of those wishing to be confirmed in 1979°

CHRISTIAN AID

A most successful Bridge Drive was held in the home of. Mrs. Waite on May 18th, and a specially happy morning in the Village Hall on May 20th was well attended and enjoyed by all. There were competitions, ably managed by the children; wonderful cake stall; Playing card Tombola; and a novel "Pick a Pocket" where one found exciting mystery prizes. Also delicious coffee was served all the time?

The total amount of £159.50 was a very rewarding result thanks to the kindly and untiring efforts of so many who helped to make it so,

VILLAGE FETE - 10th JUNE 1978

The Fete this year was again held in Wheeler's Orchard, Magpie Lane, by kind permission of Mr. Grindley. This has proved a most suitable site. The opening ceremony was performed by Mrs. Grindley, looking most elegant and sounding most eloquent. The weather though cool was at least dry and there was a good attendance which resulted in the record receipt of over £690.

Warm thanks are as usual due not only to the hard working Stall Holders and helpers inside the marquee but also to the Side Show organisers outside who gave so much pleasure, particularly to the younger generation. Special thanks must be extended this year to Mrs. Ovington who emerged from some years' retirement as Fete Organiser to assume this important task once more, and to Mr. and Mrs. Swerling who did so much to organise outside entertainments, and we were glad to see the Magpie Club taking a big part this year. Mr. Woolacott again proved an admirable compere and should be warmly thanked for his time and trouble and for providing the broadcasting equipment. The Mothers' Union as usual produced an excellent tea and thanks to Pauline Griffiths for the use of electricity and for keeping a watchful eye on the marquee. Finally, we must not forget to thank Mr. Nicholls and his helpers for all their hard work in getting the site ready and clearing up at the end.

A.M.V.P. .

Gate	£ 46.50
Tombola	124.60
Raffle	70.80
Household	90.95
Green Fingers	76.80
Cakes	44.27
Toys	38.35
Sweets	32.73
Teas	21.56
Books	19.78
10p Stall (Magpie Club)	11.60
Skittles	24.00
Coconut Shy	23.98
Frizbee	10.00
Broken China	9.00
Pony Rides	8.95
Madame Rena	6.50
Treasure Brick (Girl Guides)	5.75
Golf Chipping	3.80
Slippery Pole	2.45
Darts	1.70
Mirror Driving	1.40
Fancy Dress	1.60
Ices =	2.00
Donations	11.50
	<u>£690.57</u>

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The first Friday in March saw women from the Baptist, Methodist and Anglican communities in Coleshill meeting in All Saints' Church to take their share in keeping the Women's World Day of Prayer. The order of service for 1978 was drawn up by the women of Canada, the theme being "Community Spirit in Modern Living". Members of the congregation read passages of Scripture and prayers and it was a great pleasure that Mrs. Elizabeth Hollingsworth came to give us an address on the theme. She reminded us that "a community's effectiveness is directly related to the number of ties in it - so we work hard - and our maintained links help us to live closely, and to support each other".

A collection of £12 was sent to Headquarters to be allocated to Christian Societies, e.g. British & Foreign Bible Society, S.P.C.K., Catholic Biblical Society, Salvation Army, etc.

S.B.

COLESHILL C.E. FIRST SCHOOL

On Tuesday, 30th May, we went with Miss Dollemore, Philippa Wyatt and Jason Weston to a Children's Gift Service in Oxford Cathedral. We wore our School uniform and we took some money we had collected for the Bishop to send to a school in India. The Cathedral was crowded with children and Jonathan and I sat in a different place from Miss Dollemore and the others. We had velvet cushions to sit on.

We had a hymn practice first and then we had a lovely service. We gave the money to the Bishop.

We found a place next to a pond for a picnic and we fed the ducks. We liked the Cathedral and it was a nice ride home.

Jonathan Wingrove and Ruth Bayley

On June 19th we have the Opening of the new greenhouse at 7.00 p.m. in the School, and on July 11th we have a Summer Concert at 7.00 p.m. in the School.

MAGPIE CLUB

On March 10th we held a coffee morning for "Mums with Young" at Grove Mill, This was a new idea which proved successful and we had quite a number of toddlers, hopefully prospective new Magpie Members?

We held a Scavenger Hunt in the holidays followed by hot soup in the Village Hall, We also had a games morning at Brentford Grange. The girls played rounders while the boys had an organised game of football. This was followed by Picnic lunch in the barn.

We rounded off our holiday activities with an Easter Bonnet Family Party in the Village Hall, This was very well attended by young and old. We played party games and danced. The parade of Easter Bonnets was excellent, and gave the judges quite a headache, but eventually Miranda Menist was judged the winner,

D.M.S.

COLESHILL CRICKET CLUB

Results. 1st XI have played five matches, and have tied one, drawn one and lost three. 2nd XI have played four matches, and have won one and drawn one. On the fifth match, they were awarded the whole ten points, as the opposition could not raise a team. Sunday XI have also won one and drawn one. Thank you David Baldwin for providing us once again with attractive Sunday fixtures.

I regret that there has been a hold up in the printing of fixture cards, but they should be with you shortly.

Vice Presidents. Many thanks to the Vice Presidents for their interest in the club. Their donations have bought new kit, and helped to finance the maintenance of the Cricket ground.

Pavilion Fund. This now stands at around £300 (there are a few sums outstanding so the amount is approximate). The sponsored run around the Cricket ground raised £95.55 and the Derby draw raised £73.70. Our thanks to David Seymour for organising both of these.

The dance held on 10th March was not well attended and only £50 was raised for general funds. *

Coffee Morning

A coffee morning will be held in the Parish Rooms Colehill on Wednesday, July 12th from 10.30 a.m. There will be a Bring and Buy Stall and a Cake Stall, and members are requested to ask their wives and mothers to help with contributions. If they are also able to attend, we shall be pleased to receive their support. There will also be a raffle and two competitions. All proceeds to the Pavilion Fund.

Dinner/Dance. Arrangements are well in hand for the Dinner Dance. This will be held at the Bell House Hotel on October 20th. Tickets are limited to 100 and we shall be pleased to receive the names of those who wish to attend.

Mary Tilson
Hon Treasurer

There is a game every Saturday and most Sundays at the Cricket Ground and we shall be pleased to receive your support.

THE COLESHILL CLUB

All the pleasures of travel, without the effort and expense involved, are ours when we have an illustrated travel talk at the club meeting. In March, Mr. Farmer took us to North America and we thank him for an absorbing afternoon and for so generously giving us his time. The Club funds benefited by £19 in April when the members had a Bring and Buy Sale. Business is always brisk and leaves plenty of time afterwards for games and tea.

Mr May arranged an afternoon outing for 9th May. We rode through beautiful countryside to Abingdon, where we had tea by the river and wandered around the delightful town for a couple of hours. The weather was perfect and the planning left nothing to be desired. Arranging outings is a very difficult job and the Club is too small to fill a coach easily. We have, however, benefited by the kindness of Winchmore Hill Thursday Club, who offer Colehill, through Mr. May, any seats

The Coleshill Club (Contd)

spare in their coach whenever they have an outing. We are greatly indebted to Mr. May for all his hard work, and Mr. Spooner of Winchmore Hill for the hospitality his Club offers us.

M.W.
Hon. Sec.

1st COLESHILL GUIDE COMPANY

This term Miranda Menist joined us and we had five recruits, Tracey Feather, Clare Wilson, Wendy Payne, Kim Ferguson and Zoe Horsbrugh-Porter. Miranda joined the Kingfishers and the recruits are all in one patrol, the Blue tits with Zoe as Patrol Leader and Tracey, her second. On 22nd May, the District Commissioner came and enrolled them and also Mrs. Antosiewicz, who had been enrolled as a Brownie but not as a Guide. We had campfire songs, then finished with refreshments, prayer and Taps.

Several Guides have gained badges, Michelle Haubner, Collectors and Artists, Elaine Timms, Speakers and Artists, Miranda Menist - Collectors.

We hope to have our Company sports at Grove Mill on 1st July and 8th July East and West Paddington Brownies are revelling at Grove Mill so Guides are coming along to help. The Guides have also promised to run a sideshow at the Church Fete,

Captain.

1st COLESHILL (ALL SAINTS) BROWNIE GUIDE PACK

We promised in our last instalment news of our Easter term outing, which was a trip to the British Natural History Museum annexe at Tring. It was very interesting and we all enjoyed the exhibits. After visiting the museum we were invited to eat our packed lunches at a friend of Tawny's house, which was fun and the lucky Brownies were given an Easter egg each. This term we went to see Courage's Shire Horses at Littlewick Green. We had a ride on their dray, looked round the stables and at the poultry rabbits, etc., and finished up enjoying their play park.

Mrs. Wege very kindly gave us a course of First Aid lectures and many Brownies successfully passed the test.

Catherine Menist has joined us from another Pack and is Sixer of the Imps. Hannah Roberts is Sixer for the Elves, Vanessa Seymour her Second. Hannah Roberts passed her Swimmers badge very well. Lucy Hatch, Victoria Hesford and Nicola Haubner gained their footpath badges, Catherine Menist and Alexandra Hesford gained their Roadway badges. Nicola and Alexandra have also passed their Hostess badge.

Emma Norcliffe and Sally Milnes were enrolled this term and we have been joined by Kate Lee.

Our District Revels are to be held at Grove Mill on 3rd July and we are all to dress up as Tramps, including Tawny, Beryl and Brown Owl!

Brown Owl (H.J.M.C.)

COLESHILL VILLAGE HALL A.G.M. - 25th April 1978

The Chairman thanked members of the Management Committee for their good work during the year. The Hon. Treasurer produced the Income and Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet which showed a deficit of £52 in the year's operation.

The lease is due for renewal in June and the Trustees are negotiating a new lease with the Parish Council. The Trustees and Management Committee are very much aware that the present structure, which began life as a Barrack Hut at R.A.F. Halton in the 1914-18 war, will need a great deal of money spent on it in the next few years simply to keep it weatherproof. A conservative estimate indicates £30000 is needed almost immediately and this cannot be met from income, therefore special fund raising events will be necessary. There are those who think the time has come to build a new hall to replace the present one and the Parish Room. This of course would be a matter for the whole village to decide and not the Village Hall Management Committee.

The Trustees and Management Committee for the year are:

Trustees - Mr. J. Adams
Mr. Jo Harrisson
Mr. Do Ruperti

Management Committee -	Chairman	Mr. D.M.M. Hall
	Deputy Chairman	Mr. R.J. Woolacott
	Treasurer	Mr. S.C. Clifton
	Auditor	Mr. R.G. Stubbings
	Secretary	not appointed

Members - Mrs. Clifton, Mrs. Coales, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. Parkes, Mrs. Ovington, Mr. Smith, Mr. Rann, Mrs. Swerling, Mrs. Woolacott, Mrs. Tilson, Miss Stone, Mrs. Valentine.

Due to pressure of work Miss Penny Weedon had to relinquish the post of Hon. Secretary and the Chairman (Tel: Amersham 6322) would be very pleased to hear from anyone willing to serve in this capacity. The duties are not too onerous. Meetings are held about five times per year and there is some reward in ensuring that the Hall continues to fulfil its essential role in the life of the village.

SILVER JUBILEE FUND

The sum of £191.85 has been donated to the Queen's Silver Jubilee Fund from Coleshill.

A QUESTION OF GARDENS

Judging by the amount of colour in Coleshill gardens during the last few weeks a stranger would think that we haven't got any gardening problems. This didn't stop over 90 people visiting the Village Hall on March 17th to hear three local experts answer queries ranging in content from lemon trees to white fly.

On our panel were Mr. Gard, the head gardener at Hertfordshire House, Mr. Wilyman, the head gardener at Newlands Park, and Mr. Harris of the Chalfont St. Peter Horticultural Society.

The audience were welcomed with a glass of wine, then down to business. Many house plants, flowers and vegetables were discussed as well as the soil and even our high altitude. The proceedings were completed with some excellent refreshments and much private discussion.

Not all questions submitted were given an airing so perhaps this interesting evening may be repeated at some time.

L.H.

REPORT OF THE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY'S ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The meeting was held in the Parish Room on April 13th: In Mr. Smith's absence the chair was taken by Miss Kempster.

Mr. Post presented the Hon. Treasurer's report in which he stated that it had been another successful year financially. The society had recouped the cost of the 1977 Show with the revenue from the social evening in March,

The existing officers and committee were all re-elected. In addition Mrs. Denning and Mr. Lucas were elected to the committee.

Mrs. Hesford gave notice of her resignation to take effect from April 1979 in order to give the society time to appoint a new secretary.

The show schedule was discussed and several new classes introduced. The Wand-Tetley book award will be given this year for a class entitled "A Nature Project". We hope that all children between the ages of 8 and 13 will submit an entry. This can cover any aspect of Nature which has interested the entrant,

We look forward to the support of everyone at the show which is to be held on SEPTEMBER 2nd,

D.H.

If there is anyone who would be interested in taking over as secretary of the Horticultural Society, the Chairman, Mr. Ewart Smith, would be pleased to hear from him or her.

COLESHILL RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This Meeting was held on 2nd May in the Village Hall, and there was a good attendance. The Chairman, Miss M. Stone, welcomed those present, especially Mr. Alliot and his helper, Mr. Smithson, who would be showing some films after the business of the evening had been completed.

In giving her report the Chairman said we had been able to deal with some items from the 1977 A.G.M. The conversion of Coleshill House into 8 flats had been welcomed, and after a meeting with the Developer, some members of the Parish Council and ourselves, a decision had been made on the siting of Garages, which it was hoped, would be satisfactory to all.

We were glad to report that the old 9.34 a.m. Bus had been put forward to enable travellers to catch the first cheap train from Amersham. He had also heard from London Country Buses that there was unrestricted stopping between Gore Hill and Beaconsfield and that drivers should set down at any point requested, so long as it is safe to do so, taking into account traffic considerations.

There had been some complaints about the indiscriminate parking at the top of New Road and the consequent deterioration of the roadside verge. We had pointed this out to the County Highways Department, who replied that they would endeavour to get the verge restored and new reflector posts provided as a guide to traffic. We had also been in touch with Sir Ian Gilmour regarding a proposal by the Environment Secretary to allow people to build larger garages and home extensions without planning permission, which would seem to be a major change in present Planning regulations. There had been many objections to this and Sir Ian wrote that the Government had withdrawn the General Development Order, as this had come to be known. This concluded the Chairman's Report after which the Chairman, Officers and Committee members were all re-elected to serve. There were no other nominations. The Treasurer presented his report which was very satisfactory. Mrs. McCann proposed and Mr. Ruperti seconded the acceptance of this Statement of Accounts.

In the Open discussion the question of speeding cars through the Village was again raised. This matter had been taken up on many occasions previously, and the "COLESHILL" signs at the approaches to the Village came through one such enquiry. The Secretary will try to get some information from the Highway Authority on the matter of Speed limits through Villages.

Mr. Alliot then continued the Meeting with his Film Show, which included a number of Films he had taken at the Jubilee Celebrations of King George V and Queen Mary. The contrast between this Jubilee and the one we all enjoyed last year was quite striking, and from remarks made afterwards, people appreciated seeing these Films.

The evening finished with the Chairman thanking all present for coming, and announcing that there was Coffee for those who would like to stay. The Committee would like to thank Mrs. Post and others who helped to serve the Coffee.

E.S.

COLESHILL PARISH COUNCIL

The Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council was held in the Parish Room on Tuesday, 14th. March. The Chairman, Mr. D.R.M. Curling in his report highlighted the following activities of the council during the past year.

Conversion of Coleshill House into flats

The plans for the conversion were closely examined to ensure they were in keeping with the original house and the village in general. The developer was also met on the site to discuss the position of the garages and other points concerned in the redevelopment.

Bus Services

A meeting was held in the Amersham Council offices between local Transport Officials and local councillors including members of Coleshill Parish Council. The outcome of the meeting was that the bus time table was amended slightly to make it easier to connect with certain trains to London.

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Continuing support was given to the organisation formed to keep a close watch on the expansion of Luton and London Airports and the effect any expansion would have on our environment in Coleshill. This is particularly relevant at the present time as there is a proposal to expand Luton Airport and to add another runway to London Airport.

Surveys

Various surveys have been completed and long and extensive questionnaire filled in on various aspects of village life. The three most important to be completed during the past year are Village Facilities - including schools, shops, bus services, employment, doctors and many other aspects of village life; Treasures and Eyesores - this was done on behalf of the Chiltern Society; and Recreation and Leisure.

Planning Applications

A close watch was continued to be made on all planning applications and where necessary observations were passed to the relevant Chiltern District Council committee.

OXFORD DIOCESAN COUNCIL FOR SOCIAL WORK - AMERSHAM AM) DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

Our Annual General Meeting will take place on 27th June, 1978, at St. Michael's Church Hall, Beaconsfield, at 8.00 p.m.

During the past year, and arising from our experience with DIAL A GENIE, we have been looking more closely at how ordinary church people can become more caring members of their local communities.

We have invited Mrs. Sally Greengross, Assistant Director of Age Concern, to come and talk to us about "The Elderly as Givers". We hope you will be able to come and to tell anyone you think might be interested, bearing in mind that any thinking we can do on this subject will be of use in a wider field as well.

A collection will be made to cover expenses.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Tues	June	27th	Diocesan Council for Social Work A.G.M. 8 p.m. St. Michael's Church Hall, Beaconsfield.
Thurs	July	6th	Mobile Library
Tues		11th	Summer Concert in Coleshill School, 7 p.m.
Wed		12th	Cricket Club Coffee Morning, Parish Room 10.30 a.m.
Thurs		20th	Mobile Library
Thurs		20th	W.I. Outing to Hatfield House
Sa-b		29th)	Flowers in a Country Church - All Saints' Church 10.30 - 4.30
Sun		30th)	
Wed	Aug	2nd	W.I, entertain Deaf & Dumb Club from Acton
Thurs		3rd	Mobile Library
Thurs		17th	Mobile Library
Thurs		31st	Mobile Library
Sat	Sept	2nd	Horticultural Show
Thurs		14th	Mobile Library
Sun		24th	Harvest Festival
Thurs		28th	Mobile Library
Fri		29th	HARVEST SUPPER
Fri	Oct	6th	Jumble Sale in aid of the Village Hall 7 p.m.
Thurs		12th	Mobile Library
Thurs		26th	Mobile Library

THE PARISH OF AMERSHAM WITH COLESHILL

Rector: The Reverend Allan Campbell, M.A. (Cantab)
Beaumont, Hervines Road, Amersham. (Tel: 7135)
and St. Mary's Parish Office. (Tel: 4712)

ST. MARY'S PARISH CHURCH, AMERSHAM.

Sunday Services	8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion	
	11.00 a.m.	Matins	
	11.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	(1st Sunday in month)
	6.00 p.m.	Choral Evensong	
Each Friday	10 00 a.m.	Holy Communion	
October 1st		Harvest Festival	

ALL SAINTS', COLESHILL.

Sunday Services	9.30 a.m. Parish Communion 6.00 p.m. Evensong, 1st and 3rd Sundays in month
June 25th	Family Service (Rev. D. Carrette)
July 30th	Family Service, Matins and Holy Communion. (The Rector)
September 24th	Harvest Festival

ST. ANDREW'S MISSION CHURCH

2nd and 4th Sundays 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion.

Pro-Churchwardens	- N.N. Nicholls, Orchard House, Coleshill	Tel: 6734
	J.G. Chenevix-Trench, Windmill Farm, Coleshill	5439
Hon. Treasurer	- A.M.V. Panton, Wallers Oak, Coleshill	6183
Hon. Secretary	- Miss H.C. McLean, 8 Amber Cottages, Coleshill	3361
Brownies	- Monday evenings in the Village Hall	5.30 - 6.45 p.m.
Guides	- Monday evenings in the Village Hall	6.45 - 8.00 p.m.
Mothers' Union	- 3rd Thursday of every month at	2.30 p.m.
Coleshill Club	- 3rd Wednesday of every month at	2.30 p.m.
W.I.	- 2nd Thursday of every month at	2.30 p.m.