



ST. PETER'S CHURCH NOVEMBER 2009

BROADSHEET

A MONTHLY NEWS ROUND-UP FOR THE PARISH OF ALDBOROUGH HATCH

Services

Sunday 1st November

Fourth Sunday before Advent

All Saints and All Souls

8am Holy Communion

10.30am Morning Prayer

6.30pm Holy Communion

Sunday 8th November

Third Sunday before Advent

Remembrance Sunday

8am Holy Communion

10.30am Family Service
with Parade
followed by
shortened
Holy Communion

6.30pm Confirmation

Service at St.

Paul's, Hainault

No evening service at St. Peter's

Sunday 15th November

Second Sunday before Advent

8am Holy Communion

10.30am Holy Communion

6.30pm Evensong

Sunday 22nd November

Sunday next before Advent

8am Holy Communion

10.30am Holy Communion

6.30pm Evensong

Sunday 29th November

First Sunday in Advent

8am Holy Communion

10.30am Holy Communion

6.30pm Advent Carol

Service at St. John's

Church, Seven

Kings

No evening service at St. Peter's

Sunday 6th December

Second Sunday in Advent

8am Holy Communion

10.30am Morning Prayer

6.30pm Holy Communion

Weekdays The church is open for
private prayer on Monday and
Wednesday (10am to 12noon)
except Bank Holidays

Wednesday 10am: Holy Communion

Remembering by working for peace

November 8th is the date of Remembrance Sunday this year. A day of sorrow – for those lost in two World Wars and since - and a day of sorrow for our world in which wars are still fought. Yet it is also a day of gratitude for those who were, and for those who are, willing to risk their lives for the sake of freedom, justice, security and peace in the world.

Last month Redbridge joined in the celebrations for One World Week and later this month will join the launching of 'Interfaith Week' with a 'Walk of Peace' on 15th November at Coventry Road Synagogue, starting at 2pm and finishing at the Gudwara in the High Road. At the moment of writing the idea is a proposal and depends on the response of the faith groups to the idea.

It seems to me that taking part in One World Week and Interfaith Week is a good way of really celebrating Remembrance Sunday. Isn't the best way to remember by working for peace? And a good way is building relations of friendship and understanding between the different faiths and cultures in our world – beginning at home. Meeting and doing things together makes a good start!

Details of all the events will be published in St. Peter's Weekly NOTICESHEET (available in the Church) so anyone can join in. I wish you God's peace. **Revd Clare Nicholson, Vicar**



St. Peter's Christmas Bazaar

Saturday 21st November – 10am to 3pm

Grand Christmas Draw

First prize: Digital Picture Frame

Second prize: Case of Selected Wines

Third prize: Luxury Hamper plus many other prizes

Draw Tickets available from Chris Kerrison (020 8599 4368)

Christmas Cards, Crafts, Christmas Gifts, Jewellery, Books, Toys,
White Elephant, Homemade Cakes, Preserves, Jigsaws, Refreshments,
Plants, Tombola



Nativity Sets Display



We will be staging a display of Nativity sets in church again this year in conjunction with the Bazaar. We would be very grateful if readers would loan their sets for this purpose. Please take your Nativity set to Shirley Rudge at Aldborough Hall Farm or leave in the back pew in the Church or ring 020 8590 5882 and Shirley will collect.

Please write your name and telephone number on the box or packaging.

The sets will be displayed in
Church from 10am to 3pm on Saturday 21st November.

Around the Hatch

You can bring hope and a smile to some of the world's poorest children



St. Peter's is again taking part in Operation Christmas Child, the Christmas

Shoebbox Appeal. The shoeboxes, containing gifts for a boy or girl overseas who would not otherwise receive any presents at Christmas, will need to be ready for collection by **Sunday 1st November** to ensure delivery in time for Christmas. Further details from Yvonne Jeffries (020 8599 7250).

Boxes need to be delivered either to church or to Yvonne by Sunday 1st November at the latest.

Sunday Club

The newly formed Sunday Club for children aged three and over will meet in the church halls at 10.30am on Sunday 1st and 15th. All children are very welcome. On Sunday 8th November we will be in church for the Family Service on Remembrance Sunday.

Monday Club

2 nd November	Cards
9 th November	Open Afternoon
16 th November	Money Spinners
23 rd November	Bingo
30 th November	Speaker

St. Peter's Coffee Morning and Bring and Buy Sale

Saturday 7th November
10am to 12 noon – All are welcome
St. Peter's Church Halls

A bit of history

We recently had cause to examine the deeds of our house in Spearpoint Gardens (for reasons with which I will not bore you). One fusty document is dated in the 1890s and contains sketch maps of parts of Aldborough Hatch. The ponds that existed on either side of Aldborough Road North are shown – which is why some houses were built back from the road and why the Shrubberies were planted in front of others. Some names are spelt differently – Abery House (not Abury House) and Newberry Park Station (not Newbury Park). Were these errors of draughtsmanship or were these the original spellings? St. Peter's Church is shown but not the school house – now the church halls. Odd? **RJ**

St. Peter's Organisations

Monday Club - Monday 2pm
Beaver Scouts - Monday 5.15pm
Cub Scouts - Monday 6.30pm
Scouts - Monday 7.45pm
Brownie Guides - Tuesday 7pm
Guides - Wednesday 7pm

St. Peter's presents Christmas Reflections

In words and music



Seasonal music and readings – some light and humourous, some more reflective as befits the time of year

A family entertainment

Bob Alder – Organ

Julie Edmonds

and Gerry Johnson

Saturday 5th December

7pm for 7.30pm - in the Church

Seasonal refreshments and raffle

Tickets £7 from Yvonne Jeffries
(020 8599 7250)

Bring your own cushion for added comfort – the pews are notoriously hard!

Publication of 'Just an Essex lad', the autobiography of the Editor of the BROADSHEET, and recent articles in the BROADSHEET have brought memories flooding back of Aldborough Hatch before, during and after the 1939-45 War. Bernard Thomas, a Queen's Scout and an Assistant Cub Scout Leader (Rikki) in the 1st Aldborough Hatch (St. Peter's) Scout Group, represented Ilford East at the World Scout Jamboree at Niagara on the Lake in 1957. In the first article where readers look back - Bernard writes of buying loaves of bread for prisoners of war . . .

Bread for prisoners

I was born in the Children's Hospital in Hackney, moving to Leyswood Drive when I was nine-months-old in 1939. We must have been "posh" according to Ron's book because our house was semi-detached with a garage. I remember the sweet shop and cafe on the hill at Newbury Park Station, the coal office, the Co-op at the Green Gate, Nan's Pantry, Sainsbury's at Gants Hill and the wet fish shop and Middleton's the chemist on Silverdale Parade.

Cutmore was the baker's shop on Silverdale Parade. We bought loaves of bread for the Italian prisoners of war – who were always hungry - when they were building the Oaks Lane estate which was just past where Homefield Avenue headed West. Previously there were only fields between Leyswood Drive, Roy Gardens and Oaks Lane.

My cousin Brian, who lived at Forest Gate, married the Chemist's daughter Joyce Middleton. Sadly Brian died, but Joyce lives in Hutton and is in touch with William Torbitt friends. I remember Mr. Train, Head Teacher at the Torbitt, and teachers Miss Billington and Miss Ball.

My Dad kept rabbits (Flemish Giants and Dutch Angoras), chickens (Black and White Leghorns, Buff Rocks and Rhode Island Reds) and also some ducks (Khaki Campbell). I used to spray them with a hose-pipe and they would stand up and ask for more.

I cycled weekly to Biggs in Brook Road to buy fish meal, bone meal, shell grit, limestone and 'Karswood', a red powder for making the yolks bright yellow - tasks I had to perform to earn my threepence a week pocket money. I was probably about eight or nine at the time. I collected dandelion leaves for the rabbits and I remember the awful smell of the chicken hash that Mum used to cook on the stove. We regularly ate rabbit or chicken, and I hated it when Dad killed our pet ones. Eric, my elder brother, refused to eat his. Dad had to buy it off him and Mum had to cook him scrambled egg.

We also collected shrapnel which we took to an ARP post at the entrance to the sports' ground in Oaks Lane, just past Crownfield Avenue (where Oaks Park High School stands today). We were paid if we had a bucketful. Our milk was delivered by horse and cart and if the horse did 'their jobs', I was sent *post haste* with a bucket to collect it. Apparently it was good for the rhubarb.

At the beginning of the War, we were evacuated to Devon, but Mum cried all the way there and Dad fetched her home the following week after which we lived in Leyswood Drive through all the bombing raids. We had our roof removed by the bomb which exploded in the William Torbitt School playing fields – the blast came through the gap in the houses opposite that back onto the fields, blowing the front door through the house and the kitchen door into the garden at the rear. I think we had three weeks off whilst they repaired all the windows.

Bernard Thomas

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