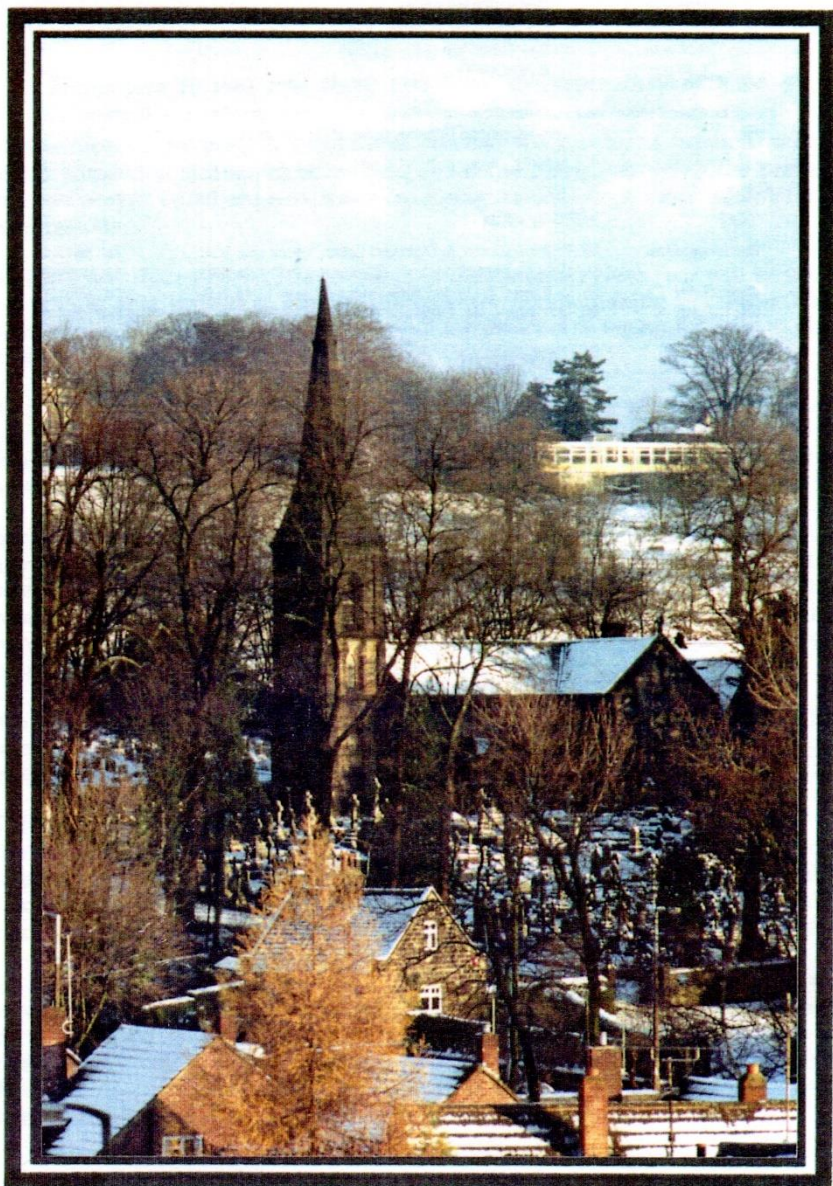


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SUNDAY SERVICES

8.00 a.m.	HOLY COMMUNION
11.00 a.m.	MATINS (First Sunday - CHORAL COMMUNION - No Address)
3.30 p.m.	BAPTISMS (By Arrangement)
6.30 p.m.	EVENSONG

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PARISH ACTIVITIES

Choir Practice:	Fridays 6.45 p.m.
Bell Ringing:	Wednesdays 6.45 - 8.15 p.m.
Brownies:	Fridays 6.00 p.m. (Parochial Hall) - 5th Roundhay (St John's)
Guides:	Fridays 7-8.30 p.m. (Parochial Hall) - 5th Roundhay (St John's) Company
Drama Group:	Tuesdays 7.45 p.m.
Thursday Club:	2nd Thursday 2.15 p.m.
Women's	2nd Monday 7.30 p.m.
Fellowship:	

*We wish all our readers a Very Happy New Year - May 1991 bring
Peace and
Happiness to you and those you love, wherever they may be.*

This edition of the magazine comes to you the week before Christmas and it seems somewhat strange to be writing about the New Year when the present one is not yet concluded and we are rising to the peak of our Christmas celebrations.

Within a few days 1990 will have drawn to a close and a New Year will be upon us. It is at this time that we traditionally set about making our New Year Resolutions. How many of us set out with the greatest of intentions only to give up after a very short period of time.

As a suggestion for 1991, instead of, or in addition to the usual resolutions to give up smoking, drinking etc., let us adopt as our New Year Resolution "Do as you would be done by". This well parried phrase is by no means new but does have a deep significance and relevance to our lives as Christians.

In the car, the office, at home or wherever, we can all cite instances where we have done or said something to someone which we have later regretted. All too often we react instinctively to a situation without first giving thought to the consequences of our actions. Invariably this can lead to us hurting and offending people when in reality this was certainly not our intention. With just a few moments thought this could be avoided.

We are all guilty, to a greater or lesser degree, of pride and unpredictable temperament. We can easily be hurt or hurt others by a casual remark spoken without thought or in haste.

This resolution is probably more onerous than many we would impose on ourselves and most certainly will not always be achievable by virtue of our very nature. Nevertheless, if we keep the phrase before us and endeavour to put it into practice as often as possible we shall not only be helping others but also ourselves by making ourselves more acceptable to our colleagues and friends.

As we enter 1991 let us seek to improve our lives by following more closely the examples set by Jesus. Even when the going gets tough, as it will undoubtedly do at times, do not stop thinking of others and helping them where possible. By doing so we will not only become more perfect in God's eyes but will benefit from the comfort and knowledge that we are endeavouring to live our lives here on earth as He would wish us to do.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

Cremation: "Grant unto them, O God, eternal rest"

23 November	Jack RICHARDSON (Lawnswood)
13 December	Arthur James LAWSON (Lawnswood)

THOSE WHO SERVE OUR CHURCH

Altar Flowers: "Praise be to Thee, O God, for all the flowers"

6 January	Vacant
13 January	Mrs. Heaton
20 January	Vacant
27 January	Vacant

Sidesmen: "Having determined their appointed times"

Matins	Evensong
Mr. S. Cusworth	Mr. S. Stockwell
Mr. S. Plummer	Mr. P. Hawkyard

Reader's Rota: "Blessed are they that read and they that hear the words"

Date

Date	Matins	Evensong
6 January	Holy Communion	Mrs. A. Dickinson Miss S. Haddleton
13 January	Mr. W. Hartley Mr. N. Sephton	Mr. P. Hawkyard Mr. J. Dickinson
20 January	Mr. D. Potter Mr. S. Cusworth	Mr. A. Nicholas Mr. A. Harper
27 January	Miss A. Bond Miss L. Tinker	Miss C. Dobson Miss M. Wilman

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THIS MONTH'S EVENTS

7 January	Monday	7.30p.m.	Parochial Church Council Meeting in the Parochial Hall
8 January	Tuesday	<u>7.15p.m.</u>	P.C.C. Meeting with the Bishop of Ripon in the Parochial Hall
8 January	Tuesday	8.00p.m.	Drama Group in the Parochial Hall
10 January	Thursday	2.15p.m.	Thursday Club
14 January	Monday	<u>2.30p.m.</u>	Women's Fellowship
20 January	Sunday	6.30p.m.	Full Choral Evensong

PARISH NEWS

The Sick:

We are pleased to advise that there has been a marked improvement in Mrs. Burton's health and she is now considerably stronger.

Home Visiting:

If we are to perform our pastoral duties satisfactorily it is essential that we are advised when parishioners fall ill or are unable to attend Church.

During our period of Interregnum it is requested that the Churchwardens be advised of the above in order that the necessary action may be taken including the arrangement of Communion at home where appropriate.

Choirmaster:

As you will know, Colin Briggs has for some time been acting as our Organist and Choirmaster but because of his other activities has felt unable to take over the position on a full time basis.

We are delighted to advise you that Colin has now agreed to become our official Choirmaster. He prefers not to accept the position as Organist at the present time as he is not able to attend all our services and does not wish in any way to detract from the splendid assistance received from both John Hewitt and Howard Hartley not to mention our other organist friends who come along and help us out as and when necessary.

We are extremely pleased to have obtained this commitment from Colin who has done a splendid job for us over the last two years. He is one of the nicest of persons to deal with and his enthusiasm and dedication know no bounds.

P.C.C. Meetings in January 1991:

As a result of the postponement of normal business at the December meeting it is necessary for us to have a meeting in January to keep abreast of the work of the Parish.

This meeting will take place on Monday 7th January directly preceding the visitation of the Bishop of Ripon on 8th January.

The meeting with the Bishop is of particular importance as we shall be discussing with him our requirements for a new Incumbent. It really is important that P.C.C. members attend on this evening and are forthcoming with their views and ideas. Under the appropriate act, at least one third of the members of the P.C.C. must attend the meeting.

Please note the starting times:-

Monday 7th January - commences at 7.30p.m. in the Card Room.

Tuesday 8th January - commences at 7.15p.m. in the Main Hall.

Annual Bazaar:

The Bazaar was, partially as a result of the inclement weather, rather less well supported than in previous years with a subsequent reduction in takings.

The proceedings were ably opened by The Reverend Canon J.F. Swain our Rural Dean who then went on to judge the St. John's School Children's Christmas Card Competition which was on display in the Refreshment Room.

Whilst having fewer stalls this year, those that were there had a good selection of articles for sale and the morning went extremely well.

Particular thanks are due to David Potter who plays a major part in the organising and running of the Bazaar which can be a very thankless task.

For those interested, we append below a list of the funds raised by each stall:-

Going for a Song.....	£235.77
Craft.....	£132.76
School.....	£51.90
Thursday Club.....	£65.55
Women's Fellowship.....	£154.71
Cake.....	£87.73
Bottle.....	£200.00
Plant.....	£51.68
Sewing (Mrs. Bulmer).....	244.00
Raffle.....	£110.00
Refreshments.....	£46.35
Auction.....	£20.00
Donations.....	£300.00
Total.....	£1,700.45

Bookshelves:

As many of you will already have seen, we now have in place at the back of Church, a new set of shelves to house our Hymn and Prayer Books. The shelves blend beautifully into their surrounding and will serve to preserve the books which previously had to be stacked just inside the door in a damp and unsuitable place.

Magazine Rack:

Please note that with the provision of the new shelving mentioned above, it has been necessary to move the magazine rack which is now situated to the left, just behind the inner door as you are entering Church. Do not forget to get your copy of the magazine.

Choral Evensong:

The Choral Evensong, held on 2nd December, proved to be very successful. Whilst illness and other commitments meant that we did not have the services of the whole choir, a goodly portion turned up to give the evening a lift, assisted by the organ playing of our old friend Brian Sharp.

It was good to see a doubling of the numbers for this service and, subject to the weather and availability of the members of the choir, we hope to repeat this on Sunday 20th January 1991. Please come along and support us at this Service.

Christmas Tree:

We are once again indebted to Mrs. Marjason for supplying the lovely Christmas Tree in Church. Not only did she supply it, she also came down to Church and helped me to dress it, ending up doing the majority of the work.

We are grateful to Mrs. Marjason, not only for the precarious work of decorating a tall Christmas Tree whilst standing at the top of a pair of very rickety step ladders, but also for obtaining the oranges for the Christingle Service.

Church Missionary Society Boxes:

Despite our plea in the December issue of the magazine there are still a number of Boxes which have not been passed to Miss Jefferson for opening.

If you are one of the persons concerned, will you please attend to this matter as soon as possible.

Sponsored Swim:

The sponsored swim by the three young ladies in the Choir, Hayley and Stephanie Hawkyard and Sarah Haddleton raised the sum of £122.40 for Choir Funds which is to be spent on new surplices for members of the Choir.

Well done ladies on an excellent effort.

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We are lucky to be able to draw upon Andrew's services and would like to express our sincere thanks for his help and patience.

Persons officiating at the January Services:

Date	Holy Communion	Matins	Evensong
6 Jan	Rev. John Sutcliffe	Canon Vernon Thomas	John Godwin
13 Jan	Rev. Walter Barbour	Ken Ward	Sandra Parker
20 Jan	Rev. Bob Shaw	Sally Pickersgill	John Godwin
27 Jan	Rev. John Sterling	Mike Fielden	Dr. Richard Herbert

Christmas Flowers:

We are grateful to Mrs. Tinker, Mrs. Blakey and Mrs. Bulmer for providing the magnificent flower decorations in Church for Christmas, they really have made the Church look particularly beautiful.

We are deeply indebted to all the ladies who have helped to arrange the flowers over the last few weeks and hope for their continued support in the New Year.

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Thanks:

Mrs. Cawood and Mrs. Bond would like to thank all the ladies who so kindly helped on the cake stall at the Bazaar.

They also very much appreciated the gifts of cakes and home produce made by so very many kind friends.

Peggy Bond.

School Nativity:

The School presented two delightful Nativity Services on Thursday 13 December, one in the afternoon and one in the evening. Both were well attended and it was lovely to see the Church full.

A great deal of effort has obviously been put into the production of the Nativity and the children put on two excellent performances with great vigour and enthusiasm.

Mrs. Cox, the teachers and all the helpers are to be congratulated on their achievement.

Carol Service:

The Carol Service was well supported this year and appeared to be greatly enjoyed by the majority of persons attending.

Particular thanks are due to Arthur Marshall for officiating so admirably at the Service and to Colin Briggs and the Choir for all their efforts.

Drama Group:

Very many thanks to everyone who came to support us when we performed "A Christmas Cracker". We had a good, appreciative audience, who, by their comments and applause, indicated that the "Cracker" had gone off with a resounding bang!

Our thanks again to David Potter for taking charge of the stage lighting effects, Olive Harper, Nancy Hughes and Audrey Plummer for their expertise in handling the refreshments and Norman Hughes for being in charge of "Front of House".

I am happy to report that we have attracted new young members in the 20-25 year age group. A welcome addition to our group as several of us are bus pass holders!! We are always thrilled when new people come to join us. There is no need for R.A.D.A. qualifications - just a sense of humour!!! So if anyone else is interested please come.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday, 8th January 1991 at 8.00p.m. in the Parochial Hall.

Elizabeth Gibson

Women's Fellowship:

The Christmas meeting took place on 10th December when we were entertained by the Cantando Trio comprising two ladies singing with one on the piano. We were treated to a varied programme of music concluding with carols, giving quite a festive atmosphere.

The Fish and Chip supper went down very well and everyone seemed to thoroughly enjoy the evening which was well attended, the room being full to capacity. The committee are to be congratulated on their efforts.

The first meeting of the New Year will take place on Monday 14th January 1991 commencing at 2.30p.m. in the Parochial Hall when Gerald Thrussell J.P. will give a talk, illustrated by slides, entitled "Bird Watching in Britain and Europe". As the presentation contains 100 colour slides it should prove to be a very interesting afternoon.

We are opening the meeting to anyone who is interested in ornithology and shall be pleased if you will come and join us on this occasion.

We would like to wish all our members a Happy and Peaceful New Year.

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Thursday Club:

47 members attended the Christmas Party including two new members introduced and made welcome by our Chairlady, Mollie Bulmer.

An excellent tea was provided and served by the Committee, thank you to these ladies.

At our first meeting of the New Year on 10th January we welcome Mr. and Mrs. Suttonstall who will speak to us on "Antiques". The Committee hope to see as good an attendance as there was at the Christmas Party.

Peggy Bond

Bells:

Over recent years two of our three bell ropes have become frayed and needed splicing. Three months ago the third bell suffered the same fate requiring our having to borrow a length of rope from another Church temporarily until our own rope could be repaired or replaced. In view of the condition of all three ropes it was decided that they should be replaced and we are now in possession of three new bell ropes.

It was not considered advisable to fit them before the New Year but as soon as is practicable in 1991 we shall arrange for the dedication of the new ropes and bring them into use.

Thanks to Mr. Raymond Horne for attending to this matter on our behalf.

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Churchyard and Paths:

Whilst we have arrangements for the maintenance of the Graveyard there are occasions when the weather causes the paths to become somewhat hazardous.

With the recent high winds we have had a number of branches fall from the trees resulting in the drive and paths up to Church becoming littered with debris.

Unfortunately some of us are extremely decrepit and unable to carry out a cleaning up operation which is essential to prevent someone injuring themselves. In addition, the paving slabs to the left of the Church between the Choir Vestry door and the main Church entrance are extremely slippery and require attention. We are therefore seeking volunteers who would be prepared to spare an hour to help with this work.

Will anyone prepared to help please contact Mr. Haddleton or Mr. Allman.

School Notes:

Soon after returning to school from the half term break was the Church Bazaar which for us, heralded the beginning of Christmas activities. School had the "Chocolate Factory" stall which raised in excess of £50 and many children participated in the Christmas Card Competition.

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The beginning of December saw plans being finalized for all the exciting events that take place in school at this time of the year. Families from school gathered at the clock in Oakwood on that very snowy night, undeterred by the weather, to visit local residential homes singing Christmas Carols. It was a moving and enjoyable experience for everyone who braved the bad weather. The evening concluded in school with seasonal refreshments and carols round the tree.

The real highlight of the term for everyone in school was the Nativity production held in Church for parents, friends and parishioners. A collection taken on these occasions is to go to the Cystic Fibrosis Unit. Parties for the children, and who knows, possibly a visit from Santa, if he has time, are being held in school to bring our celebrations to an end. Before the term ends we will be participating in a Christingle Service at Church.

A Bring and Buy Sale to raise funds for the Blue Peter Appeal for Romania was held in school and raised £145. Children have also been bringing a range of items to school in response to a request from a parent who is himself going to Romania on 14th January. It is in being involved in activities such as these that we hope children are encouraged to give as well as to receive.

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It has been an extremely busy and enjoyable time in school during the past few weeks. I'm sure however that we shall all enjoy the coming term when life is a little less hectic.

Testimonial - Reverend Gordon Wood:

The Testimonial Fund for Rev. Gordon Wood will close at the end of December. Should anyone wish to subscribe to the fund before its closure, will they please forward their donation to :-

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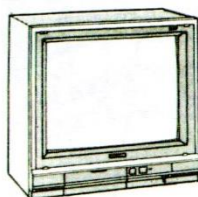
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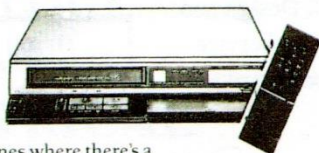


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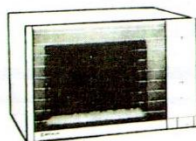
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