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## EVERGREEN WEST OUTINGS GALORE

Wet or fine, the members of St. John's Evergreen Club (West) have turned out in full force to adventure out for the day.

On June 11th there was plenty of sunshine to ensure a really special day for the Derbyshire trip. Coffee at Baslow, lunch at Buxton, and then on to Matlock for tea and a trip on the river.

June 25th brought the rain for the outing to the fish freezing factory of Ross's at Grimsby. But the interesting tour of the factory concluded with tea and biscuits and a gift of fish fingers. Consternation however when Mrs. Priestly led a contingent to look round the market — and got lost! All arrived home safely at the finish, but rather damp.

July 3rd saw the victorious Evergreens returning home with pork pies. This time the visit had been to the bacon factory at Ruskington. Again tea and cakes were provided and a walk round the gardens. Mrs. Wilson, looking at a row of pigs hanging up said she could just do with a pig's tail for her supper. The assistant obligingly reached up with a knife and presented the lady with— a pig's tail.

Names are now being taken for the next outing. This time to the sea, and after a drive through the delightful Yorkshire countryside, the destination is Bridlington. Here is hoping for sunshine on August 27th.

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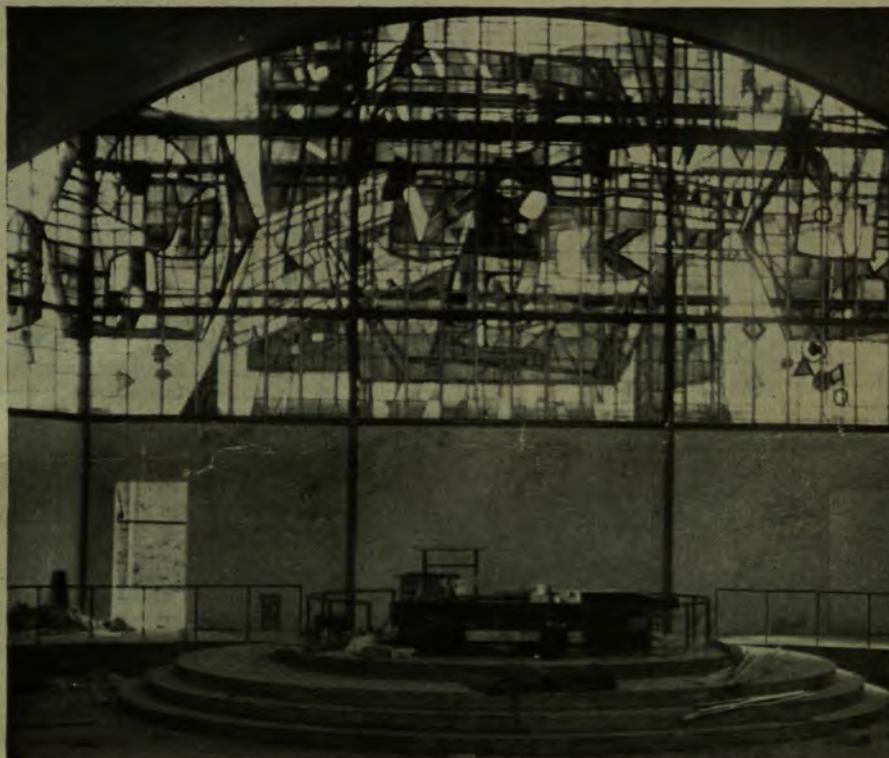
## Over to 'US'

The shell of the church is completed and the men of the parish have now moved in to decorate, make cupboards, complete the site works and many other jobs to be ready for Consecration Day, October 6th.

Twenty-five men turned up for the first meeting or sent word of their willingness to help. Many others I know would like to give a hand. There will be someone at work most evenings, and

sometimes during the day. Just turn up or let Father John know that you would be prepared to help.

And ladies too! Apart from providing cups of tea, there is needlework to be done, and in the last few weeks there will be plenty of cleaning for both men and women to do. This may be work, but it is also fun, and it is to the glory of God.



Interior of St. John's Church—May, 1963

Two things stand out in the above picture, the steps leading up to the communion rail, and the window.

It will be interesting to see the difference when all the clutter is removed and the altar is placed in position in the middle of the top step or platform.

But what of the window? It is certainly difficult to make head or tail out of it in black and white, but it needs to be seen in all its glorious colour. When the sun shines through in a morning the whole church is broken up into a patchwork of reflected colour from the window.

What does it mean? Everyone asks this question, and there is no straightforward answer. The appeal of this sort of window is that it means something different to each one of us, and there is always something new to be discovered about it.

Anyway, here are a few clues. The picture is closed linked with the total building, and so you will find the hexagonal shape of the interior reflected in the three large hexagonal shapes of the window. The central hexagon with its deep reds speaks to us of the mystery and yet of the deep

love of God. The hexagon on the right is mainly green, signifying the birth of Christ, and the deep blues in the left hand hexagon suggest the death of Christ.

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If so you are in the age group from which we need to draw more volunteers for the visiting of elderly people in our parish.

If you would be prepared to visit about half a dozen elderly people once a month, you would be doing a valuable piece of work, and what's more you would find a great deal of pleasure in doing it.

For visiting on the West, please contact Mrs. E. A. Johnson, 35 Ermine Close, and for the East, the Vicar.

The following areas still need visitors: Woodburn View, Pine Close, Jesmine View, Retief View, Allandale View, Natal View, Kershaw View, Clarendon View, Glynn View, Keddington Avenue.

The first meeting for Ermine West Visitors was held at Ermine West Methodist Church on Monday, July 15th. Father John explained the scheme, and it was generally felt that it was very good for the churches to be working as one team in this matter. The Rev. Michel kindly agreed for the first Report Meeting to be held at his church on Monday, November 4th.

## FRIDAY NIGHT CLUB

The second year of the Friday Night Club ended with a fine party on June 28th. The Falcons provided the music and Mrs. Robinson and her helpers the food. At the party we welcomed some members of the St. Matthias Youth Fellowship as guests.

Our next session begins on the first Friday in September, the 6th. That evening will be a party for members only; names can go on the waiting list the following week.

The past year has been quite a good one. We sent £1 2s. 6d. to the Oxford Committee for Famine Relief and raised about £15 for the church building fund, besides helping in other efforts. We are again in the finals of the Junior General Knowledge Quiz and our team, captained by Susan Rooke, will meet the Lincoln Roman Catholic Youth Club team in September.

Various activities have been arranged for the summer recess. We are to have a barbecue at Ivy Lodge Farm, Holton-cum-Beckering, a tour round the Smiths Crisp factory on the Newark Road, and we are to be taken back-stage at the Theatre Royal. In addition there will be swimming and tennis evenings.

## CERTIFIED

On Sunday, July 14th Jane Dixon and Andrew Mason became the first Sunday School teachers from St. John's to receive their Certificates of Recognition. The certificates were presented at the Family Communion.

To qualify for the certificates Jane and Andrew had, in addition of course to teaching and worshipping in church regularly and coming to the weekly preparation class, to attend two courses of lectures and do short exams. This is a fine effort and they are much to be congratulated.

It is hoped that eventually all our teachers will hold these certificates. The pattern for teachers is now more or less established. They begin with a six week course on teaching and after this start helping an experienced teacher. The next stage is to have a class and then, aged 16 or more, another set of lectures and the exams. for the Certificate of Religion. Now that the pattern is begun we have high hopes of it continuing.

## GIFT FROM R.A.F.

The new St. Michael's Church at the Royal Air Force College, Cranwell, have given fifty leather hassocks to St. John's Church.

These hassocks were a gift from St. Clement Danes Church in London and are surplus to the requirements for St. Michael's.

This is the second occasion that the R.A.F. church at Cranwell has helped us, and we are most grateful.

## CONSECRATION DAY October 6th

**9-0 a.m. Consecration of St. John's Parish Church**

By the Rt. Rev. Kenneth Riches,  
Bishop of Lincoln.

**3-0 p.m. Civic Service**

To be attended by the Mayor and Sheriff, Clergy and representatives of Lincoln's Churches.

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**6-30 p.m. The Family Communion.**

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## Open Evening—July 10th

Parents always attend open evening at school in good numbers. There is, of course, a prime interest in the progress of our own children, but it is always of interest to see the whole work of the school. We are very fortunate here, not only in our school buildings but in Mr. Harrod and Miss Sowerby and their excellent teams of teachers.

The concert which is a regular feature of Junior Open Evening, was the highlight of the evening. Mr. Ponting certainly has the gift of getting the children, not only to sing, but to enjoy singing. The orchestra made a joyful noise with their rendering of the Trumpet Voluntary, and one doubts if many junior schools could produce an orchestra of such ability.

### Mr. J. Harrod writes:

The School Outing to Liverpool on Friday, June 28th was an unqualified success. Accommodation on the train was spacious and comfortable, lunch at the Hague Cafe, Hoyle, ample and good, and the river trip full of excitement both in and out of the ship. We are grateful to British Railways, and to Mr. Horne in particular, for excellent arrangements.

Open Evening on Wednesday, July 10th saw more visitors to School than ever before. The arrangement of work in the classrooms was greatly admired and the short concert in which over 100 children took part much enjoyed. And all against a background of co-operation and goodwill deeply appreciated by the Staff.

## OXFORD FAMINE RELIEF

### WHERE THE FUNDS GO TO—

**The European refugee.** People think he no longer exists but many thousands like him still wait for the day when they can have more than a shack to call their own. In the last few weeks, Oxfam has allocated just over £20,000 to agencies in Europe so that these almost forgotten people may, even at this late hour, get the help they need. Funds have gone to "Lifeline & International Rescue Committee" to help them maintain a Children's Home in Vienna, provide immediate help for refugees arriving at Reception Centres in Germany and Trieste and vocational training for handicapped refugees in Italy. Help also for Caritas who run an Old People's Home in Austria, to Sue Ryder's "Forgotten Allies Trust" for a prefabricated home for children in Poland and to the World Council of Churches and International Social Service for their relief programme in Athens.

**Poverty is world wide . . .** The Mission of the Poorest in Colombo, Ceylon is aptly named. Here, in their own words, exists "untold misery that grows like a rotten jungle of hate, horror and inhuman wretchedness all round Colombo and in the entrails of this city." Oxfam has given the Mission sufficient money to build four family units which will be part of a programme to re-house and rehabilitate those living in the worst slums of all.

## 22nd GIRL GUIDES

This year the company took part in the District Shield competition, which was in two parts. Part one comprised of the making of an alphabetical scrap-book for which the company gained second place. Part two consisted of camp-cooking, boiling water and making tea, gadget-making, and nature study, the guides taking part in this event being D. Hughs, J. Miller, C. Richardson, J. Blades, C. Scott, L. Garner, S. Jenningson, L. Crees and C. Brewer. The competition was held in Burton Park, and I am very pleased to report that the company gained ninth place out of fourteen companies represented. I think this was a good effort seeing that this was the first time that the company had taken part in anything of this nature.

The company re-opens again on September the 9th at 7-30 p.m. If anyone knows of any girls aged 10½ to 16 who would like to become guides, please ask them to attend on this date. All newcomers will be made very welcome.

B. V. BUCKTHORPE,  
Captain.

Further East, Korea—and suffering of a different kind. Here more Oxfam aid has just gone to help agencies continue their fight against disease, particularly T.B. which is widespread not only amongst adults but children also.

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# WHAT'S ON?

August

- 4 Sun. **Trinity 8.**
- 6 Tues. **Transfiguration of our Lord.**
- 11 Sun. **Trinity 9.**
- 14 Wed. P.C.C., 7-30 p.m.
- 16 Fri. Dance. The Casuals, 7-30 p.m.
- 18 Sun. **Trinity 10.**
- 19 Mon. Monday Night Group, 8-0 p.m.
- 24 Sat. **St. Bartholomew.** Holy Communion, 7-30 a.m.
- 25 Sun. **Trinity 11.**

September

- 1 Sun. **Trinity 12.**
- 7 Sat. Garden Party, Vicarage, 2-30 p.m.

## August 6th MEETING POINT

St. John's Vicarage

On the evening of August 6th Father James Naters, s.s.j.e. is making a fleeting visit to Lincoln. Many of you may remember him when he spent a fortnight with us five years ago, assisting Father Manson during the October Mission.

During the past five years Father James has been working amongst the coloured people in Capetown, South Africa. He will be telling us something about this work and showing some coloured slides at the meeting on August 6th.

You are invited to come — 7-30 p.m.

## Gifts for the NEW CHURCH

Mrs. E. A. Johnson has offered to present a processional cross to be specially designed for the new church by Mr. Charles Sansbury and Mr. Robert Blatherwick. Made of metal and ceramics this cross will be very striking, and when not in use it will stand in the centre of the East wall; a permanent symbol of the death and resurrection of Jesus.

The committee of St. Matthias Children's Church have offered to buy some piece of furniture for the new church, maybe the offertory table.

# St. John's Register

Baptisms

- July 7 Dennis, son of Terence and Josephine Hole.
- Helen Louise, daughter of Clifford and Eunice Hansford.
- David Andrew, son of Stuart and Nita Ashworth.
- Sharon Elizabeth, daughter of James and Pauline Morley.
- Carol Ann, daughter of Raymond and Joan Scoffin.
- Debra, daughter of Ronald and Joyce Pashley.
- Denise Jayne, daughter of Raymond and Marlene Welbourn.
- Glynn Robert, son of Raymond and Lilian Knighten.
- Sharon, daughter of Gerald and Shiela Dolby.
- Susan Elizabeth, daughter of Ronald and Janet Finn.
- „ 21 Philip Roy, son of Raymond and Janet Hatton.
- Elaine Ann, daughter of Geoffrey and Muriel Richardson.

DURING HOLIDAYS

## CHILDREN'S SERVICE

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Every Sunday — 10-30 a.m.

## THANK YOU:—

(a) Mrs. Joyce Wilson, for helping with the Infant's Sunday School at St. John the Baptist since it was first formed, and especially for your time as superintendent of the school.

The school will continue to meet on Sunday afternoons until October, and it will then be possible to move to the more popular time of Sunday morning. But more details later.

(b) Trevor Hall, for playing the piano at St. John the Evangelist since it was first opened, for your strong lead to the singing, and for your great help with the children in the Infant's Sunday School.

Trevor goes to University in October, and has a job meanwhile as a bus conductor.

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Family Communion, 9-00 a.m.

Evensong, 6-30 p.m.

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