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KIDS GALORE

Have you got one, two or even three children who are not yet at school? If you have you will know that it can be quite a tiring outing to town if you have to take them with you. And now that the bus fares have gone up it can also be expensive. To help mothers who do find this too much of a task for them, a nursery is being started where children can be left in care and safety for a few hours while mothers go shopping or have their hair done.

The Ermine Nursery Playgroup hopes to go into operation every Friday morning starting on September 11th. The place is St. John's Hall and the times will be from 9-30 a.m. till 12-30 p.m. For a moderate charge of 2/6d. you can leave a toddler for half an hour or for the full three hours.

American Priest as Vicar of St. John's

In the August or September of 1965 Fr. John and his family will exchange places with an American priest and his family for twelve months.

Full details are not known yet, but the priest who comes to Ermine will live at the Vicarage and his children will attend the local schools. Everything will carry on much as usual, but the Vicar will have come from the heart of the prairies and his accent may be a little bit different.

On the other hand Fr. John will be ministering to a new church in Iowa, not very far from the Mississippi and about 1,000 miles inland from New York; which is a bit of a change from being close to the Brayford and about 40 miles inland from Skegness!

Harvest Festival

PARISH CHURCH

27th SEPTEMBER

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST
(Ermine West)

4th OCTOBER

Gifts of flowers and fruit and vegetables for the Harvest Festivals should be brought to church on the Saturday afternoon and anyone who is prepared to help decorate will be most welcome.

At the Family Communion at the Parish Church on 27th September the address will be given by the Rev. Christopher Laurence, Vicar of Crosby, Scunthorpe.

The idea is that of Mrs. Margaret Sayer of 223 Laughton Way North and Mrs. Janet Burgess of 19 Welbourn Gardens. So any offers of help, which will be most welcome, or any inquiries — see them. And if you want to take advantage of this service, come along on Friday the eleventh.

HARVEST SUPPER

Wednesday, 23rd September, 1964

ST. JOHN'S HALL

7-30 p.m.

Admission 3/-

(Children under 15, 2/-)



The above photograph was taken of St. John's cricket team which played against the Lincoln Imp on July 8th. This match was rained off. The replay was held on August 19th. The result was a win for St. John's Church by one wicket.

Autumn Fair

in aid of Parish Church Building Fund

10th OCTOBER, 1964

ST. JOHN'S HALL

Offers to help please to:

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Confirmation Club

FRIDAY NIGHTS

6 p.m. — 7-30 p.m.

This Club is for boys and girls in their second or third year at a Secondary Modern or Grammar School who wish to be prepared for Confirmation.

The middle half hour from 6-30 p.m. to 7 p.m. will be devoted to club work in preparation for Confirmation. Those who wish to come to the other two half hours will be able to play records or table tennis, etc., for the first half hour, and the last half hour will be an up to date session with the very latest records for the Top Ten. The club will arrange outings and special holiday activities.

ENROLMENT NIGHT

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th
at 6 p.m.

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Christians and Politics

Some people say that Christianity and Politics don't mix or that they shouldn't be mixed. What is usually meant by this is that whilst it is O.K. for a clergyman to be a member of the Conservative Party it is not quite the right thing for him to be a Socialist.

At least this was the experience of Mervyn Stockwood, now Bishop of Southwark, when he stood as a Labour Candidate for Cambridge City Council in 1957. People objected to this despite the fact that there were already two clergymen on the Council — though not as Labour Supporters. What was in fact objected to was the association between a clergyman and the Labour Party.

But this is not about clergymen and politics, but about Christians and Politics. What have the two got in common, if anything? Aren't Christians supposed to be concerned with the next life, the next world and all that sort of stuff? Aren't politics too worldly and 'dirty'? Nothing could be further from the truth. Politics is about people, the way they live together, their laws, the whole of

Society and its health, education, taxes and so on.

The christian faith is also concerned with people — people in this life not in the next one, about which we know so little. Most of Christ's teaching concerns life here and now, concerns people and how they get on with each other. So Christians, because they "love their neighbour" should show that concern by their attitude and behaviour in Society — in other words Christians and Politics have a great deal in common. Any Christian who tries to keep the two apart is not being true to God, or to his neighbour or to himself.

During the next few weeks a big election campaign will be going on. In October the people of this country will have to vote for the Government for the next five years. Everyone, and especially Christians should face all this in an adult and responsible way. Do you care or aren't you bothered? If you aren't bothered then you will be partly to blame if the next Government does not meet with your approval.

B.E.

London Groups for Friday Night 63 Club

By a new arrangement it has been possible to book a number of London groups to play at the 63 Club on Friday nights. Dancing is from 7-30 p.m. — 10-30 p.m., but there is definitely no admission after 8-30 p.m. and no pass-outs.

Sunday Night 63 Club

This club for church members meets every Sunday evening at 7-30 p.m. for those who are fourteen years or over. Table tennis, billiards, records, rehearsals for club pantomime, discussion groups.

St. John's Infants' Sunday School

AWARDS — JULY, 1964

For best kept Stamp Books:—Christine Horton, Alison Reeves, Beverley Lincoln and Stephen Lincoln received scripture books.

Helpers. Christine Scott, Elizabeth Bilboa, Richard Prisk received English Dictionaries.

Farewell Gift to Offertory Helpers. Susan White received a New English Bible.

C.L.B.

A party of forty went for a week's holiday at Rhyl on Saturday, 22nd August. The coach which took them was kept for the week to take the party on tours through the mountains, etc.

This is very much a Family Holiday rather than a Camp and for the first time a number of parents went with the boys.

Next Session starts on Monday, August 31st.

Thought for Today

If thou carry the cross cheerfully, it will carry thee . . . If thou carry it unwillingly, thou makest for thyself a burden and addest to thy load; and yet thou must bear. If there had been anything better and more profitable to man's salvation than suffering, Christ would surely have shown it by word and example.

*From the: "Imitation of Christ" by
Thomas A. Kempis.*

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MONDAY	Junior Training Corps Church Lads' Brigade Senior Choir (in church)	6-30 p.m. 7-45 p.m. 8- 0 p.m.
TUESDAY	Young Boys' Corps Mothers' Union (alternate weeks) Bible Study Group (see church notice board for dates)	6-30 p.m. 7-45 p.m. 7-30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	St. John's Drama Group Choir Practice	7-30 p.m. 6-30 p.m.
THURSDAY	Evergreen Club Brownies Girl Guides	2-30 p.m. 6-30 p.m. 7-30 p.m.
FRIDAY	Confirmation Club Friday Night Dance	6-30 p.m. 7-30 p.m.
SUNDAY	The 63 Club	7-30 p.m.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST COMMUNITY CENTRE ERMINE WEST

MONDAY	Brownies Girl Guides	6-30 p.m. 7-30 p.m.
TUESDAY	Evergreen Club Whist Drive	2-30 p.m. 7-30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	Over 21 Club	2-30 p.m.
THURSDAY	Bingo	7-30 p.m.
FRIDAY	Cubs Boy Scouts	6-30 p.m. 7-30 p.m.

Evergreen Club (West)

St. John's Evergreen Club, Ermine West re-opened on August 11th with a conversation over a cup of tea and purchase of a splendid selection of cakes, buns, tarts, sponges, etc., all these supplied by numerous members, too many to name. It was a pleasant afternoon enjoyed by over eighty members.

August 18th provided a half day mystery tour by bus with a stop for tea at Woodhall Spa. Two bus loads conveyed the party.

August 25th was another outing, leaving at 9-30 a.m. for Skegness with two bus loads.

After these social events we shall be able to settle down for the autumn and winter.

Future Programme

Oct. 6th	Harvest Festival. Speaker: Father Barry.
" 13th	Programme by Members.
" 20th	Mr. Frank Alderson.
" 27th	Brigadier J. Nellist, Salvation Army. E.P.

Evergreen Club (East)

There have been two interesting talks recently. Miss Jahn came and spoke on the work of the Central Library and she showed photographs of the library, past and present.

Mrs. E. A. Johnson brought many film strips and souvenirs to illustrate her talk about her recent pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

On August 12th forty nine members of the Club went on a day's outing to Scarborough.

HIRE OF HALL

St. John the Baptist Church Hall or 'Back Room' may be hired when available. Details: Mrs. B. Etherington, St. John's House, Sudbrooke Drive. For St. John's Community Centre, apply Mr. H. Flintham, 90 Queen Elizabeth Road.

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH CHURCH

The Family Communion, 9-15 a.m.
 Senior and Junior Confirmation School, 11-0 a.m.
 (Infants in Church Hall, 11-0 a.m.)
 Holy Baptism (First and Third Sunday in the month), 3-45 p.m.
 Evensong, 6-30 p.m.
 (Confirmation Classes for boys and girls 13 and over Church Hall, Fridays, 6-00 p.m.)

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST COMMUNITY CENTRE (ERMINE WEST)

Holy Communion, 10-45 a.m.
 Infants Confirmation School, 11-30 a.m.
 Junior Confirmation School, 2-30 p.m.
 Holy Baptism (arrange date with clergy)
 Evensong (First Sunday in the month), 6-30 p.m.
 BANNES, WEDDINGS, CHURCHINGS AND CONFESSIONS by arrangement.
 (Please give two weeks notice for Baptism. Forms can be obtained from the Vicarage.)

St. John's Register

Baptisms

- Aug. 2 David Keith, son of Clifford and Eunice Hansford.
 Katherine Ann, daughter of Kenneth and Irene Wray.
 Paula, daughter of Jack and Eileen Luff.
 „ 16 Richard James, son of Frank and Ann Lily Borman.

Weddings

- Aug. 1 Barry Victor Knowles and June Pacey.
 Malcolm Bunzli and Dorothy Paterson Lomas.
 „ 3 David Conway and Aubrey Flowers.
 „ 22 Bart. West and Ann Wallace.

Burial

- Aug. 13 Kenneth Dutton Gamblin, aged 34.
 „ 22 George Berridge, aged 76.

WHAT'S ON?

September

- 1 Tues. United Bible Study, 7-30 p.m.
 2 Wed. P.C.C., 7-30 p.m.
 6 Sun. **Trinity 15.**
 12 Sat. Jumble Sale, 2-30 p.m.
 13 Sun. **Trinity 16.**
 14 Mon. Care of the Elderly Report Meeting, Ermine West Methodist Church, 7-30 p.m.
 15 Tue. Mothers' Union, 7-45 p.m.
 20 Sun. **Trinity 17.**
 21 Mon. ST. MATTHEW. Holy Communion, 7-30 p.m.
 23 Wed. Harvest Supper, 7-30 p.m.
 25 Fri. Hall Management Committee (East), 8 p.m.
 26 Sat. Decorating for Harvest Festival, 2-30 p.m.
 27 Sun. **Harvest Festival.**
 29 Tues. ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS. Holy Communion, 7-30 p.m. Mothers' Union, 7-45 p.m.
 30 Wed. Care of the Elderly Report Meeting (East), 7-30 p.m.

October

- 4 Sun. **Harvest Festival.** St. John the Evangelist, Ermine West.

ERMINE CHURCHES JOINT MEETING

1964-65

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

AND

THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

Reading: Matthew: 5, 6, 7 (New English Bible).

Place: Ermine West Methodist Church.

Time: First Tuesday in each month at 7-30 p.m.

Transport: St. John's Vicarage, Sudbrooke Drive at 7-15 p.m.

COMMENCING 1ST SEPTEMBER, 1964

Programme:

- 1 Sept. Matt. 5 : 13-20 Salt and Light for God.
 6 Oct. Matt. 5 : 21-48 Doing and not doing.
 3 Nov. Matt. 6 : 1-18 Making a show of your religion.
 1 Dec. Matt. 6 : 19-34 God and Money.
 5 Jan. Matt. 7 : 1-14 Good and Bad Judgement.
 2 Feb. Matt. 7 : 15-23 False Pretences.
 2 Mar. Matt. 7 : 24-29 Firm Foundations.
 6 April Matt. 5 : 1-12 The Essence of Christ's Teaching.

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 FRIDAY 11-30-1-30 7-30-11 p.m.
 SATURDAY 11-30-1-30

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