

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ERMINE

Parish Church of St. John the Baptist, Sudbrooke Drive, Lincoln
St. John the Evangelist Church Community Centre, Ermine West, Lincoln

NEWSLETTER

JULY 1966

Vicar: Rev. R. Kem, St. Johns Vicarage, Sudbrooke Drive. Tel. 25621
Curate: Rev. Barry Etherington, St. Johns House, Sudbrooke Dr. Tel. 21567

PERSONAL

Sunday July 10th will be the Kems last Sunday with us. Make a special effort to worship at St. John's on this Day.

Father Bob and his family embark on the S.S. France on July 15th for New York City, where they will meet Father John and his family, who are returning on the same ship.

Father John and his family will be present at St. John's on Sunday, July 30th, and with us here for the month of August.

Father Bob, Mrs. Kem, and their boys, Dan, Robert, and John, express their deep appreciation for the people of St. John's for their friendship and love to them during the past eleven months when they have been members of the St. John's Church Family.

To date no word has been received at the Church regarding the new Vicar for St. John's.

Fr. John will be instituted to the **living** of St. Hugh's, Old Brumby, Scunthorpe, on Sept. 8th, at 7 p.m. by the Bishop of Lincoln.

A bus will take people from St. John's to this Event.
Details will follow.

As the vicarage is going to be empty for some time, a phone has now been installed in St. John's House. A member of the PCC has kindly offered to pay the installation charge.
Fr. Barry's number is 21567.

Mr. F. C. (Dick) Rooke, 49 Welton Gardens, a member of the Lincolnshire division of the Royal Observers' Corps, was spoken to by the Queen last Friday at the inspection on the occasion of the presentation of the colors to the R.O.C. Dick was one of twenty-one representatives from this area at the presentation.

Mr. Cecil Robinson is at a Church conference at Canterbury Cathedral this week.

NEWCOMERS

Congratulations and prayerful wishes for growth in the Christian life are extended to those members of St. John's who were confirmed by the Bishop of Grantham, the Rt. Rev. Ross Hook, at St. Matthias Church on June 15th. They are:

Keith Parrham, Gregory Pearson, Colin Shaw, Graham Smith, Eric Terry, Lynn Bradford, Elizabeth Ann Barthorpe, Miss May Broughton, Jennifer Mary Derry, Susan Margaret Carter, Mrs. Vera Ivy Flunder and Carol Trigg.

JUNIOR CONFIRMATION SCHOOLS

The last Sunday of this session will be 17th July, so parents, teachers and children please note. The schools will reopen on Sept. 4 11 am at the Parish church 11:30 am at the Community Centre. During the summer we do, of course, welcome parents and children at the regular Sunday services.

"WITNESS"

"A real Christian, who abides in Christ and Christ in him, exerts an influence among his companions at work or at play, in mine or shop or factory or directors' meeting or Parliament,

A PRAYER FOR THE LONELY

"Watch with me, Jesus, in my loneliness, Though others say me Nay, yet say Thou Yes; Though others pass me by, stop Thou to bless."

PARISH GIVING

The offering boxes used by people during Lent contained £23. This amount has therefore been made up to £30 and has been sent off to the United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. The Church overseas needs our support and prayers and we hope that at St. John's we can continue to do our part in this work.

The Christian Aid Week collection throughout the Parish one week in May brought in £ in co-operation with the Methodists and the Congregationalists. This has helped to make Lincoln's total for 1966 over £1000 and a good increase on last year.

It seems that co-operation with other Churches is very much a thing of the present as the future. This sort of thing must continue and increase if our witness to our faith is to be realistic in the twentieth century.

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MEMORIAL PLAQUES.

Some people may not know that we have a system whereby a memorial plaque may be placed on a pew in church. The cost is £5 which is about the cost of providing a pew place. This makes a fitting and appropriate memorial for a departed friend or relative. Please contact Fr. Barry for further information.

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T H I S M O N T H

JULY

- 3 Sun TRINITY 4
Int: Riverton Close & View
Fr. Bob's slides of St. Johns in action will be shown after Evensong.
- 10 Sun TRINITY 6 Int: Ridge View
Fr. Bob's last Sunday at St. Johns.
- 17 Sun TRINITY 6 Int: Roughton Court
Last Sunday School of this session.
- 20 wed PCC meeting at Ermine West.
- 22 Fri ST. MARY MAGDALE
Holy Communion 7.30 p.m.
- 24 Sun TRINITY 7
Int: Sandringham House
- 25 Mon ST. JAMES
Holy Communion 7.30 p.m.
- 26 Tues Fr. John arrives back in Lincoln.
- 31 Sun TRINITY 8
Int: Sudbrooke Drive.

It was a privilege and a joy to welcome the Congregationalists with their Minister, the Rev Frank Barker to Evensong on June 26th. Over 100 were in church and we hope to repeat this success - probably with a return visit to the Congregationalists.

A future such occasion will be in September. A Conference of Churches in Lincolnshire will take place at Bishop Grosseteste College on Sept. 9-11th. The Conference will be joining us at the Family Communion on the Sunday when it is hoped that the Bishop will celebrate. We look forward to welcoming over 100 delegates from the Churches of Lincolnshire.

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CONFIRMATION CLUB

The Club will have a break for the summer and will not meet after July 1st until September 9th. The Club is for youngsters in their second and third year at grammar and secondary school. In the last twelve months some 30 of our young people have been through the club and are now confirmed. Next years Confirmation Service will take place at the Parish Church on our Patronal Festival, St. John the Baptist Day, Saturday 24th June 1967.

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?? THINKING POINT ??

Christian giving in this country has now reached the national average of 5/6 per person per week. Christian giving in this parish has now reached the average of 4/- per pledge.

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BAPTISMS

- Jun 5 Paula Jane Taby
Angela Claire Burton
Julie Fordham
Michelle Cooper
Barry Edward Smith
Jun 19 Donovan Robert Shaw
Ruth Jane Lewis
Amanda Jane Read

MARRIAGES

- Jun 4 Alan Charles Myte and
Norma Linda Carter
Jun 18 John Arthur Foster and
Sandra Eileen Bretten

BURIALS

- Jun 6 Ernest Andrews (80)