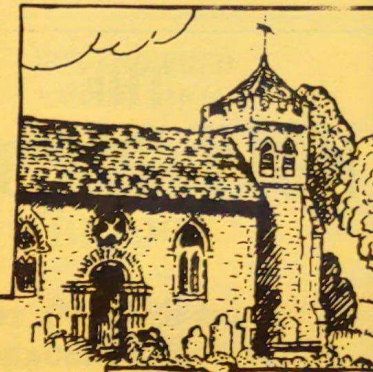
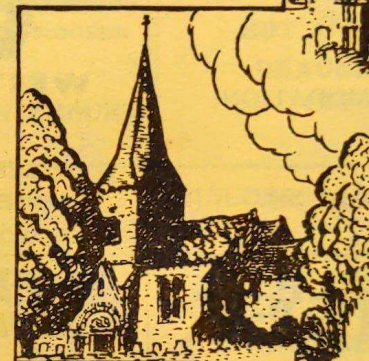


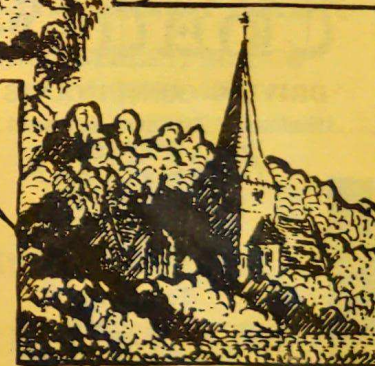
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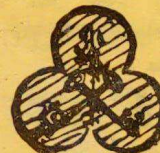
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SUNDAY SERVICES FOR JANUARY 1972

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PATRIXBOURNE

BEKESBOURNE

2nd January - 2nd Sunday after Christmas

11 a.m. Matt. & Ser. 11.45 a.m. Holy Comm. 6.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion	9.30 a.m. Sung Communion
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9th January - 1st Sunday after Epiphany

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Series II) 6.30 p.m. Service of Nine Lessons & Carols	11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion
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16th January - 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (sung) 6.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion	11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion
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23rd January - 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

8 a.m. Holy Comm. 6.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon	9 a.m. Holy communion	11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion
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30th January - Septuagesima Sunday

9 a.m. Holy Comm. 6.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon	11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion
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Dear Parishoners of Bridge, Patribourne and Bekesbourne,

I would first like to draw your attention to the Church Electoral Rolls. In the Spring of this year the present Electoral Rolls, which have been in existence since 1919, will come to an end and every parish must have a new roll. In future rolls will last for only six years and then be replaced by new ones. In all other years the current roll is revised. Only those who apply to have their names entered will be on the new roll. No names will be carried over from the previous one. Enclosed with this magazine is a form for application for enrolment on the Church Electoral Roll. On completion please return to the Church Electoral Roll Officer for Bridge and Patribourne, Mrs. M. Hulyer, 8 Bridgedown, Bridge or if you live at Bekesbourne return to Mrs. D. Sandal, School House, Bekesbourne. You can if you like return them to me and I will see that they are given to the Electoral Roll Officer. Further enrolment forms may be obtained from the back of the Churches, from the Electoral Roll Officers or from me.

I hope you will regard what I have said above as a most important matter in the maintenance of our Church life.

The second important matter I would mention in this letter to you. Confirmation classes will begin on Friday the 14th January at 7 p.m. for younger people and at 8 p.m. for adults. Both classes will be at the Vicarage. It would give me great pleasure to welcome at these classes those who would like to be prepared for the Sacrament. I should be glad to know of any older person who has not had the opportunity in the past to be instructed but now wishes to have the opportunity. Also there is the question of Bekesbourne children and with the closing of Bekesbourne School and arrangements for their transport to and from the Vicarage, so I would like the names of those desirous of Confirmation as soon as possible, I can then make arrangements for bringing them to Bridge and seeing them safely home.

Confirmation in the New Testament is a sign and symbol of strengthening, to enable people to enjoy and experience full membership of the Christian Church.

Each new person confirmed is a strengthening of the Church in our time. It is a vital, symbolic, useful and meaningful part of the discipline of the Church of England. At each Confirmation there is a re-assertion of God's promises given through Christ, he will care for us and give us grace to respond.

I think our Christmas Market was a great success. The result was utterly splendid. My personal grateful thanks to all who helped, gave gifts for the stalls and in any way supported us by their help and presence. Beside the material aspect it was a happy family gathering. It was particularly nice to see the younger element, the Guides and Brownies present and faithfully helping.

The Canterbury Council of Christian Congregations invites Christians of all churches to join in the universal Week of Prayer for Christian Unity from Monday 17th January to Monday the 24th January. On Sunday the 23rd January there will be a combined service at 7 p.m. at Canterbury Cathedral when the Rev. Alan Booth, Director of Christian Aid will preach and on Monday at 7.45 p.m. at St. Paul's Church, Canterbury there will be an open meeting of the Canterbury Christian Council.

My wife and I would convey our sincere thanks to who sent us Christmas Greetings.

May God grant you all every blessing in 1972.

Yours sincerely in our blessed Love

COLIN E.H. PERRY
Rural Dean and Vicar

CALENDAR FOR JANUARY 1972

2nd Sunday	2nd Sunday after Christmas
5th Wednesday	Mother's Union Corporate Communion Bridge Church at 9.30 a.m.
6th Thursday	Feast of the Epiphany. Holy Communion Bridge Church at 9.30 a.m. Bible Study Group Meeting 8 p.m. at 27 Union Road, Bridge
9th Sunday	1st Sunday after Epiphany Service of Nine Lessons and Carols 6.30p.m. Bridge church
11th Tuesday	Bridge and Patricbourne Church P.C.C. meeting 7.30p.m. at Bridge Village Hall
12th Wednesday	Young Wives Group meeting 7.30p.m. Bridge Village Hall
14th Friday	Confirmation Classes begin - Young people at 7 p.m. - Adults at 8 p.m.- at the Vicarage
16th Sunday	2nd Sunday after Epiphany
18th Tuesday	W.I. Meeting 7 p.m. Bridge Village Hall
20th Thursday	Bible Study Group Meeting 8 p.m. at 60 Bridge Down
23rd Sunday	3rd Sunday after Epiphany
26th Wednesday	Young Wives Group Meeting - 7.30 p.m. Bridge Village Hall
30th Sunday	Septuagesima Sunday

MOTHERS' UNION

Wednesday 5th January Mothers' Union Corporate
Communion 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church
No Branch Meeting until March

WOMENS' INSTITUTE

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 18th
January, at 7 p.m. in the Village Hall, Bridge.
A talk and film show will be given by the East Kent Road
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Ethel M. Johnson

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Sister Mary Rose Kirkpatrick Medical Superintendent of St. Mary's Hospital, Kiva, Magwaza, Africa, the Hospital which Bridge Sunshine Guild send contributions each year, will be coming to Bridge Village Hall on Friday 4th February 1972 at 6 p.m. Sister Mary Rose will speak about the work among the sick and show slides. There will be a Bring and Buy Stall in aid of the Hospital.

Please book this date and bring the children and many friends to welcome Sister Mary Rose.

BRIDGE YOUNG WIVES GROUP

We open our Spring Session 1972 on-
January 12th - Mr. Peter Lawrence talking about the work of the Channel Pilots.

January 26th - Mr. John Williamson will give a talk on the history of Bridge.

Meetings begin at 7.30 p.m. in Bridge Village Hall and we extend a warm welcome to all Young Wives to come and join us.

K. Buckhurst (Secretary)

BRIDGE GROUP - LEAGUE OF FRIENDS CANTERBURY HOSPITALS

A successful Xmas Whist Drive was held on Thursday 2nd December. A useful sum of £18 after expenses were paid was realised. Our grateful thanks are due to the following, our committee who supplied all the refreshments and many of the prizes and others who also contributed to the prize list also all those who provided transport for a number of players who resided at some distance from the Hall.

This was our last money raising event of 1971 our next effort will be a Spring Jumble Sale date to be announced later.

Meanwhile would our friends save jumble or Bric-a-brac for this sale, collections can be arranged or small lots can be left at 50 High Street Bridge or with any committee member.

M. Milton (Hon. Treasurer)

JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet at 11 a.m. on January 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th

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I have received a letter from the Secretary of the above thanking me for the sum of £11.08 which was raised from our collection in Bridge. Thanks to all those who gave so generously and to Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Pratt who very kindly helped me.

Jane Maslin (Mrs.)

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Our first Meeting in the New Year will be held on Thursday 6th January 1972, at 27 Union Road, the home of Miss Maltby by her kind invitation. And on Thursday 20th we shall all meet at 60 Bridge Down by the gracious permission of Mr. and Mrs. Howells.

A Happy 1972 to all our Friends.

POPPY DAY APPEAL

The record sum of £76 was collected, thanks to all who gave so generously and to the helpers, who made this sum possible.

BEKESBOURNE CHURCH FLOWERS

1972

January	Mrs. West
February (till 20th)	Mrs. Greenwood
April	Mrs. Partridge
May	Mrs. Watson-Taylor
June	Mrs. Potter
July	Mrs. Greenwood
August	Mrs. Johnston
September	Mrs. Partridge
October	Mrs. Watson-Taylor
November	Mrs. Potter

CAROLS, READINGS AND CANDLES

AT BRIDGE CHURCH JANUARY 9th 1972 at 6.30 p

This year's Carol Service will be in the same form as last year in that the Church will be filled gradually with candlelight as the service proceeds. The Choir, slightly augmented will process round the building stopping at certain points for a carol and a reading from the Gospel narrative and/or a poem relevant to the coming of Christ and the message to us in 1972. Readers will be placed in different parts of the Church and amongst the congregation.

The whole form of service is designed to involve everybody in what goes on and tries to avoid the feeling that "all is distant and only in the Holy end

There will probably be some visiting readers as well as members of this parish. Some of the readers will possibly be of other denominations.

Bridge Church welcomes all members of Patricxbourne and Bekesbourne Churches and all people living in the area who are members of other churches or who belong to no particular denomination.

The theme of the service is, broadly speaking, the coming of light in the person of Christ.

BEKESBOURNE COMMUNITY CAROLS

A very pleasant evening was spent at the Village Hall on Friday 17th December.

Our grateful thanks to Mr.H.S. Shorey for bearing the cost of the hall also to everyone who contributed to make the evening a success.

We should also like to express our thanks to Miss Marion Hawkins for the gift to our church of a new English Bible. Also to Miss Douglas who presented us with a new cloth for the vestry table.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

<u>St. Peter's Bridge</u>	<u>Holy Baptism</u>
28th November 1971	Katherine Ann Stokes
12th December 1971	Christopher James Tamsitt
19th December 1971	Simon John William Irvine

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

22nd December 1971	Henry George Linkins at Barham Crematorium
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Notes on the History of Bekesbourne

THE MANOR OF BEKESBOURNE

Bekesbourne takes its name from the Bourne or stream which flows through the valley. Originally the place was called Bourne. It is so called in Domesday; and in Assize Roll the Church is spoken of as the Church of St. Peter de Bourne as late as 1313. There were however two adjacent villages also named Bourne,

The Manor of Bekesbourne (cont'd)

and to distinguish them each was named after its proprietor. One became Bishopsbourne, one Patricxbourne and the village before us became Livingsbourne after Levine a Saxon who held the manor. This name continued as an alternative title as late as the Commonwealth, 1655. Later, when the Beke family came into possession the place came into its present name of Bekesbourne.

Our story begins then with Levine the Saxon, nearly 900 years ago, in the reign of Edward the Confessor. We can imagine Levine living in his manor house, probably a wooden building, presumably on the site of the present "Old Palace," his people's houses clustering near him in the neighbourhood of Bekesbourne Street and with a little wooden Church in which to worship.

Then came the evil day for them when William the Conqueror landed, Levine was driven out, and his estate handed over to Odo, Bishop of Bayeux, who was half-brother to the Conqueror. Miserable days for the parish they must have been, with Levine their countryman gone, and Normans living in the manor house and talking a strange language. For these Normans they had henceforth to toil. Odo, though a Bishop, living the life of a warrior and statesman was rewarded by the gift of large estates in Kent. He would not probably have lived in Bekesbourne but would have put some Norman to reside in the place.

Now at this point we have accurate information which shews us what the village was like at this period. In 1080 William the Conqueror made his great Domesday Book, in which is set down all the Estates in England who held them, and what people lived on them.

We will see what it tells us about this village. To begin with there were 25 Villeins. A villein was a small farmer cultivating about 30 acres. This land he held from the Lord of the Manor on condition that he worked without payment so many days on the Lord's land. He had not only to work but also to provide his own plough with eight oxen. He must do extra days in harvest, take loads as far away as a hundred miles, mend ploughs, do hedging and ditching and go sheep-

shearing. It was a hard life, and one wonders how they found time at all to work their strips of land.

Besides these 25 villeins, Domesday tells of 4 Borderers, who one might call smallholders. They held about five acres, and were in the same kind of position as the villeins, only humbler. They supplied no oxen for the plough, but worked so many days for the Lord, and from them the shepherds and bee keepers were taken.

On this estate too were 6 slaves or serfs who could be bought and sold in the market.

As to the actual village, Domesday speaks of a Church, probably a wooden Saxon building. It also speaks of a Mill. Windmills were apparently not introduced into England till the time of the Crusaders. The mills of Domesday are watermills, where all the village corn would be brought to be ground. This reminds us of the fact that the river then must have been far larger than now - indeed small ships came up to Bekesbourne till the year 1400, if not later.

In addition to the mill was another possession, of great value in early days, that is a saltpit, or, as we take it to be, a saltpan, where salt was derived from sea water. It may be suggested that, when Thanet was still an island, the tide ran up to this village.

/To be continued.

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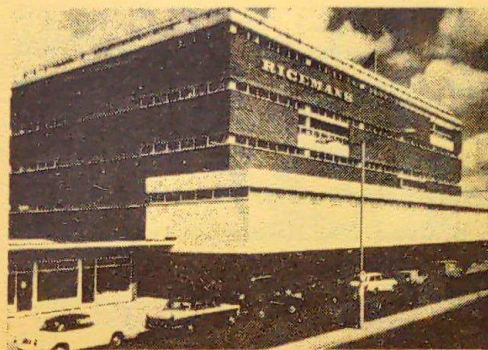
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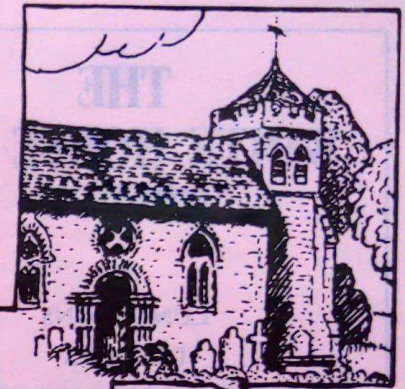
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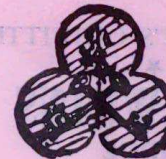
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SUNDAY SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY

BRIDGE

PATRIXBOURNE

BEKESBOURNE

6th February - Sexagesima Sunday

11a.m. Matt.& Ser. 11.45a.m. Holy Communion 6.30p.m. Evensong and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion	9.30 a.m. Sung Communion
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13th February - Quinquagesima Sunday

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Series II) 6.30p.m. Evensong and Sermon.	11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion
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20th February - 1st Sunday in Lent

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Sung) 6.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion (Series II)	11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon
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27th February - 2nd Sunday in Lent

8 a.m. Holy Comm. 6.30p.m. Evensong and Sermon	9 a.m. Holy Communion	11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon. 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion
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5th March - 3rd Sunday in Lent

11 am.Matt. & Ser. 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion 6.30p.m. Evensong and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion	9.30 a.m. Sung Communion
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Dear Parishioners of Bridge, Patrixbourne and
Bekesbourne,

Lent begins very early this year on Ash Wednesday the 16th February. I trust that you will endeavour to be present at Church that day. At Bridge Church there will be celebration of Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m. and 9.30 a.m. Lent is a way of reawakening us to our Christian duties. Lent is the penitential season when we seek a fresh insight on to the meaning of the Church and of our Lord Jesus Christ's persona and work. It would be a good thing if during Lent some might work to make it a matter of spiritual discipline to come to the Evening Service at Bridge as well as the Eucharist on Sunday and to apply their minds particularly to the subject of Christian renewal. Lent will pass practically unnoticed if you are casual about your commitment to your Lord and His Church but if you are in real earnest about your religion the season of Lent can be a time of great earnest about your religion the season of Lent can be a time of great refreshment and blessing. Each year I ask you as part of your Lentern discipline to come to one of the weekday Holy Communion services at Bridge Church on Wednesday at 9.30 a.m. or Friday at 7.30 a.m.

Please take a Lentern self-denial missionary box which will be found at the entrance of the churches. The Missionary Societies are in dire need of help.

Please remember the Confirmation candidates in your prayers. I would welcome any adult for preparation for Confirmation. The class would begin on Friday the 4th February at 8 p.m. at the Vicarage. If you have not yet been confirmed please think seriously along these lines. I would personally give you every help and encouragement.

On February 16th (which this year is Ash Wednesday) I will have been with you for eight years and on that day I will be thanking God for the many blessings he has given me during my ministry with you. I ask your prayers on that day for my work amongst you and

I thank you for the many kindnesses and love you have given me.

There are two Saints Days this month. February 2nd is commonly called the Purification of St. Mary the Virgin. I do hope members of the Mothers Union and the Young Wives Group will make a real and special effort to be present on that day at 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion at Bridge. The other Saints Day is St. Matthias Day Thursday the 24th February. Holy Communion will be at 9.30 a.m. on that day. St. Matthias was the apostle who was chosen to take the place of Judas to be of the member of the twelve Apostles. It is the particular day when we ask that we may be guided by faithful and true pastors to teach the faith each in their generation and time and to love and care for the souls of men.

Yours affectionately in our Blessed Lord
COLIN E. H. PERRY
 Rural Dean and Vicar

WANTED: Copies of the Parish Magazine of the following dates: September 1968, May 1970, August 1971.

C. E. H. Perry.

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CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY 1972

February

- 2nd Wednesday Mothers Union Corporate Communion Bridge Church, 9.30 a.m.
- 3rd Thursday Purification of St. Mary 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion Bridge Church. Bible Study Group Meeting 8 p.m. at 7 Windmill Close Bridge.
- 4th Friday Mothers' Union Bring and Buy Stall and visit by Sister Mary Kirkpatrick 6 p.m. Bridge Village Hall.
- 6th SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY
- 9th Wednesday Young Wives Group Meeting Bridge Village Hall.
- 12th Saturday Brownies and Guides Jumble Sale Bridge Village Hall 2 p.m. Bridge Parent Teacher Association Dance at Bridge School.

13th QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY

- 15th Tuesday Women's Institute Meeting Bridge Village Hall 7 p.m. Summer Fete meeting 8 p.m. at the Vicarage.
- 16th ASH WEDNESDAY First Day in Lent. Holy Communion at Bridge Church 9.30 a.m.
- 17th Thursday Bible Study Group Meeting 8 p.m. at Church Cottage Bridge.
- 20th First Sunday in LENT - EMBER WEEK
- 21st Monday New Church Electoral Roll to be completed by this date.
- 22nd Tuesday Deanery Synod 7.30 p.m. at St. Augustine's College.
- 23rd Wednesday Young Wives Group Meeting at Bridge Village Hall.
- 24th Thursday St. Matthias Day Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m. at Bridge Church.
- 27th Second Sunday in LENT

March

- 1st Wednesday Mothers' Union Corporate Communion in Bridge Church 9.30 a.m.
- 3rd Friday Womens World Day of Prayer.

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CHRISTMAS MARKET 4th DECEMBER 1971

In Aid of Church Funds

Young Wives Stall (Gifts and Toys)	22.44
Teas - Cakes	21.46
Mothers' Union	12.05
White Elephant Stall	4.74
Fancy Goods..	4.86
Guides & Brownies - Christmas Tree & Decorations..	5.29
Raffle	31.77
Less Savings Bond & Tickets	7.50
Bottle Stall	19.16
Jack-Pot	3.82
Pull-A-Straw	2.90
Donation	1.00

/Cont'd. on P. 7 121.99

BRIDGE and PATRIBOURNE P.C.C. SUMMARY ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR to 31st December 1971

<u>REVENUE</u>		<u>ACCOUNT</u>		
1970	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	70	<u>PAYMENTS</u>	
483	Church Collections	549	Wages and Salaries	252
	<u>Free Will Offering Scheme</u>	33	Light, Heat and Water	248
114	Envelopes	134	Insurance	150
456	Convenants	434	Repairs - Maintenance	197
10	Donations to Missions	60	Church Services	58
84	" " Church Funds	60	Diocesan Quota	261
39	Church Collection Boxes	40	Grant for Vicar's Working Expenses	204
87	Investment Income (Various Trusts)	55	Easter Offering	47
41	Other Income (including grant of £20 from Bridge Parish Council towards upkeep of Church Yard).	10	Donations to Missions	51
	<u>Special Efforts</u>	32	" " General Charities	44
218	Summer Fete	6	Sundry Subs, Payable	6
144	Christmas Market	122	Sundry Expenses	17
		118	Loss on Church Magazine	5
		23	Surplus C/F	209
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CAPITAL OF BRING ITEMS

Balance brought forward from Revenue Account	2	<u>S.E. Savings Bank</u>	
Opening Balance - 1st January, 1971	1	P.C.C. Account	150
Refund of over payment on organ		Bridge Church Reserve Fund	605
" " repairs to Patribourne Wall			
Legacy from the late Miss Gregg	6	Closing balance as per cash book	350
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NOTES

The following sums were held by S.E. Savings Bank

P.C.C. Account	493
Bridge Church Reserve Fund	619
Patribourne ditto	274

The figures in the Summary have been extracted from the Cash Book. They may not correspond with the amounts shown in the audited accounts owing to apportionment of various items and other adjustments.

Christmas Market /Cont'd.

	121.99
Balance brought forward	<u>2.15</u>
<u>LESS</u> Hire of Hall	
PROFIT	<u>£119.84</u>

This is a good result which does credit both to the stall holders and the parishioners for their excellent support.

C.A.P.

It is regretted that the above was omitted from the December Magazine.

C.H.P.

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HON. TREASURER'S REPORT

There is a surplus on Revenue Account of £209 compared with £223 in 1970.

On the Receipts side direct giving shows a total increase of £169 including an increase of no less than £82 in the Envelope Scheme. This was offset to some extent by a fall of £95 in the proceeds of Special Efforts but the profits on both the Fete and the Christmas Market in 1970 were exceptionally high.

On the payments side there was a reduction of £83 in the cost of heating, grants towards the Vicar's working expenses increased by £63 and there was a welcome increase of £53 in donations to Missions and Charities. £75 was spent on resurfacing the paths in Bridge Church Yard, otherwise little had to be spent on the fabric of the two churches in 1971.

The financial results for 1971 are very satisfactory but as usual we shall be faced with substantial increases in expenditure during 1972 for instance the Quota alone will go up by £94 to £353 and it will be necessary to increase Insurance cover. It is therefore essential that there should be no slackening of our efforts.

C.E.P.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP Our first meeting in February will be on the 3rd at Windmill Close. The home of Mr. and Mrs. Pierce and the second meeting on the 17th Feb. at Church Cottage the dwelling place of Mr. & Mrs. Rose. by the kind invitations of the owners. "Our Friend

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

St. Peter's Bridge.

Holy Baptism

9th January 1972	Andrew Dighton
23rd January 1972	Lee Mark Edwards

May They Rest in Peace

St. Peter's Bokesbourne

18th January 1972	Georgina Elsie Morgan
21st January 1972	Elsie Ellen Downing at Barham Crematorium.

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BRIDGE YOUNG WIVES GROUP

Our Meetings for February are as follows:-

Wednesday

February 9th Mr. Gaulstone from the Health Food Shop talking about "The Art of Healthy Living".

Wednesday

February 23rd Games Evening and preparation for the Jumble Sale on Saturday February 26th.

Wednesday

March 8th The Gas Board will talk about "Natural Gas and Conversion" accompanied by slides. This is an open meeting and all residents of the village will be welcome at 7.45 p.m. in the Village Hall.

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BROWNIES AND GUIDES

The Brownies and Guides will be holding a Jumble Sale on Saturday February 12th at 2 p.m. in the Village Hall. Jumble may be given to any Brownie or Guide or a phone call to Bridge 370 will ensure collection. Mrs. Farrow will be running a cake stall again this year and will be grateful for any cakes from Brownie or Guide Mums.

Brownie parents are reminded that soft shoes

must be worn at Brownie meetings, plimsols are best as slippers are difficult to run in.

The district finals for the County Drama Competition will be held at Littlebourne Village Hall on March 11th.

B.M. Goode.

BRIDGE PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Valentine's Dance

Make a note in your diary to dance the night away at Bridge School on Saturday 12th February. Tickets available from Bridge Post Office and Committee Member Price 45p each - 'eats and coffee' inclusive.

See you there! J.M. Farrow, Hon. Sec.

WOMENS INSTITUTE

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday February 15th at 7 p.m. in the Village Hall, Bridge. A talk with slides will be given by Mr. Brian Hawkes, entitled 'Wild Life of Kent'.

Competition - "Wild Life" Christmas Card.

E.M. Johnson.

MOTHERS' UNION

Wednesday Feb. 2nd - Mothers Union Corporation Communion 9.30 a.m.

Friday March 3rd - Women's World Day of Prayer.

FEBRUARY 4th at 6 p.m. IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Sister Mary Rose Kirkpatrick of St. Mary's Hospital Kiva, Magwaza, Africa will speak and show her slides of her work in the hospital. There will be a Bring and Buy stall in aid of the hospital. Please come and bring the children and their friends especially past members of Junior Church and the Sunshine Guild.

SUMMER FETE

There will be a meeting at 8 p.m. on Tuesday 15th February at the Vicarage to discuss the Summer Fete. Those interested in helping at the stalls or in any other way are invited to come to this preliminary meeting.

COMING EVENTS

The Bridge and Patricbourne Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday 14th March.

IMPORTANT NOTICE - CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL, 1972

Under the Church's new form of Synodical Government it becomes necessary this year for our Electoral Roll to have an entire and complete revision, which means that all whose names appear on our present roll have to re-register. May enrolment forms be completed and returned not later than 21st February with which request we hope ALL will comply.

A person shall be entitled to have his or her name on the Electoral Roll if he or she is:

- (a) baptised
- (b) a member of the Church of England or another Church of the Anglican Communion, and is not a member of any other religious body which is not in communion with the Church of England.
- (c) of seventeen years or upwards.
- (d) resident in the parish, or, if not so resident, has habitually attended public worship in the parish during a period of six months prior to enrolment, and
- (e) has signed the form of enrolment.

There was never a time when it was more essential than the present, that those who profess and call themselves Christians should boldly align themselves on the Church's side as its members.

Synodical government means a greater participation by the laity in church affairs. By enrolling you become a voting member of the Church and so help to ensure that all the Councils of the Church, including the parochial church council, the deanery synod, and the diocesan and general synods, are fully representative of its members.

Enrolment forms are available at the west end of the churches, from the Vicar, or the Electoral Officers, Mrs. P. Hulyer, 8 Bridgedown or Mrs. D. Sandal, School House, Bekesbourne.

C.E.P.

JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet on Sunday February 13th, 20th and 27th at 11 a.m.

Notes on the History of Bekesbourne
Part II - The Manor of Bekesbourne /Cont'd.

There was also half a fishery, which was valuable in the days when fasts were strictly kept.

Outside the arable land were pastures where cattle and sheep would be turned out onto common land. And in the woods there was pasture for six and a half hogs we read.

There we have a sketch of the parish in the year 1080. The people clustered together round the manor house, round the houses the arable land, beyond that pastures and wood, while the little river provided its mill and saltpan and carried small ships to the sea.

The community would be practically self-contained. All food came from within its borders, it ground its own corn, it made clothing from its own wool, and found its firing in the woods.

Four years later, in 1084, Odo being disgraced, this manor became confiscated to the Crown.

Six years later again, in 1090, we find a new name in the village which has been connected with it ever since, "Hugh Beke (a) of Livingsbourne" appears on the scene.

Three others of the same name followed him. The fourth was the celebrated William de Beke, who, in the reign of Henry III, held this place in grand Sergeanty for the service of finding one ship for the King when he passed the seas, and a present to him of three marcs.

In time the Manor passed out of the hands of the Beke family and after various changes was purchased by John Brown early in the fifteenth century. John Brown was plumber to Canterbury Cathedral, and seems to have made money in that position. He paid 200 marcs for the estate, which he held for some years. Finally he gave the Manor to the Monks of Christ Church, Canterbury in order to secure their prayers for the souls of his wife and himself - giving at the

Part II /Cont'd.

same time to the Shrine of St. Thomas a pax of the purest gold (b).

So the Manor came into the hands of the Church. There was never a Monastery here, but a Manor House with a bailiff in charge. And the Prior would no doubt come over from time to time for audits and other business. He had his private rooms in the house and a little Chapel. Hasted tells us that Prior Goldston (K. Henry VII) rebuilt the Prior's apartment here, and the Chapel adjoining, dedicating it to the Annunciation and the Patron of the Church. He likewise built the hall adjoining the Prior's dormitory and all the buildings there except the lodge and the two barns.

/To be continued..

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- (a) From a pedigree supplied by Mrs. F. A. Sawyer.
(b) From a M.S. in the Library of the Dean and Chapter, Canterbury.

VICAR AND RURAL DEAN :

THE REV. CANON COLIN E. H. PERRY, B.Sc., The Vicarage, Bridge. (Bridge 250)

PATRIXBOURNE WITH BRIDGE

Churchwardens :

MR. C. A. POTTER, Field House, Bridge. (Bridge 218)

MR. H. P. M. LAWRENCE, Tullymore, 72 Bridge Down, Bridge. (Bridge 472)

Hon. Secretary : MR. D. R. HILL, Red Deer, Bridge Down, Bridge. (Bridge 426)

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Organist (Bridge) : MR. P. GILES, N.D.D., A.T.C. (Lond.), Filmer House, Filmer Road, Bridge. (Bridge 293)

Organist (Patricxbourne) : MRS. AMOS, 8 St. Martin's Close, Canterbury. (65055)

Verger (Bridge) : MR. J. HOPKINS, Bourne Park Cottage, Bridge.

Verger (Patricxbourne) : MR. J. CARPENTER, The Green, Patricxbourne.

BEKESBOURNE

Churchwardens :

MR. W. R. MOWLL, Mulberry Cottage, Bekesbourne. (Bridge 213)

MR. H. S. SHORBY, Cherry Tree Cottage, Bekesbourne. (Bridge 235)

Hon. Secretary :

MRS. SANDALL, School House, Bekesbourne. (Bridge 256)

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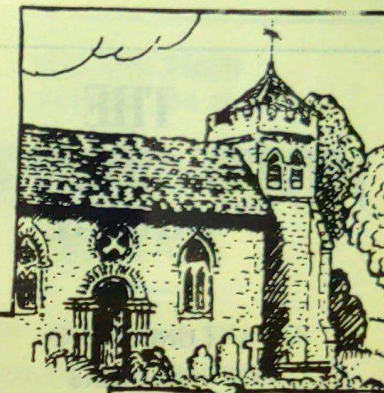
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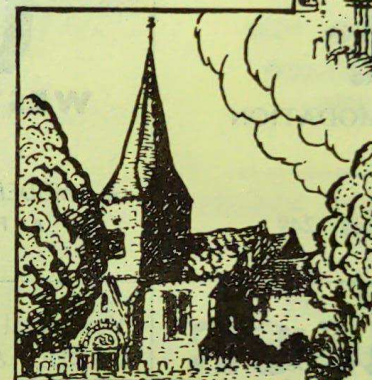
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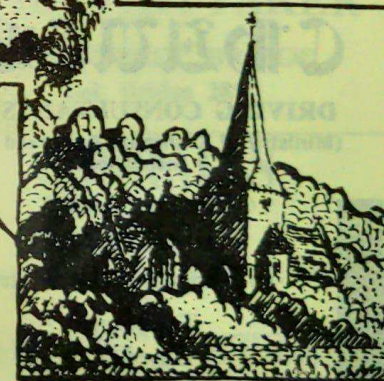
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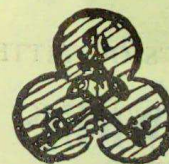
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**CHURCH
MAGAZINE**

March, 1972 3p

SUNDAY SERVICES FOR MARCH

<u>BRIDGE</u>	<u>PATRIXBOURNE</u>	<u>BEKESBOURNE</u>
<u>5th March - 3rd Sunday in Lent</u>		
11a.m. Matt.& Ser. 11.45a.m. Holy Communion 6.30p.m. Evensong and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion	9.30 a.m. Sung Communion
<u>12th March - 4th Sunday in Lent</u>		
9 a.m. Holy Communion (Series II) 6.30p.m. Evensong and Sermon	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion
<u>19th March - Passion Sunday</u>		
9 a.m. Holy Communion (sung) 6.30p.m. Evensong and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon
<u>26th March - Palm Sunday</u>		
8 a.m. Holy Communion 6.30p.m. Evensong and Sermon Blessing and distribution of Palms	9 a.m. Holy Communion	The Cross of Christ Sung by Choir & Congre- gation 11 a.m. at all Services.
<u>2nd April - Easter Sunday</u>		
11a.m. Matt.& Ser. 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion Festal Evensong & Sermon 6.30p.m.	8 a.m. Holy Communion 11a.m. Mattins and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion 11a.m. Mattins and Sermon 11.45p.m. Holy Communion

Holy Communion is celebrated at 9.30 a.m. on Wednesdays and 7.30 a.m. on Fridays during the week in Bridge Church. Evensong is at 5p.m. at The Close every Sunday except on the 1st Sunday in month when there is a celebration of Holy Communion.

My dear People,

When this magazine reaches you we shall be in the middle of the season of Lent and of the Passion of our Lord leading through Palm Sunday and Good Friday to Easter. It is easy to have a religious commemoration of Calvary which makes little difference to us in person or to the life of our Church. But it is the loving will of our Lord that our self-denial in Lent and our Commemoration of His Suffering shall make all the difference to us and shall affect the life of our Church deeply.

The times of the services in our churches during Lent, Holy Week and Easter may be found elsewhere in the magazine. Mothering Sunday is kept on the Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 12th. This day is an excellent opportunity for family thanksgiving and renewal. It has been an age-long custom on this day for children to make gifts expressing gratitude to their parents and especially to their mothers for the care and devotion that has been given to them. Families join together in the Church for worship and to pray for God's blessing on their homes. The services to which I especially invite you to come are the 9 a.m. Holy Communion at Bridge Church and the 11 o'clock Mattins at our very beautiful Patribourne Church. What a very lovely thing to do if it is a fine morning, to walk along from your house to worship there together.

Then on Wednesday, March 22nd we have our Confirmation which this year will be held as a Deanery Confirmation at 7.30 p.m. at Littlebourne Church. I ask your loving prayer for those young people who are to be confirmed.

I would draw your attention to the two "Annual Parochial Church Meeting and meeting for the election of Churchwardens", which under Synodical Government are the titles for your old Vestry and Annual General Meeting. These will be

held at 7.30 p.m. on March 13th for Bekesbourne Church at Mulberry Cottage, Bekesbourne (by the kindness of Mr. W. Mowll) and on March 14th for Patricx-bourne and Bridge churches at Bridge Village Hall. It is important that those who worship in our church should express their care and concern for all that goes on, by being present. These meetings provide opportunities for parishioners to get a clear picture of how their church stands financially and to look at the year's work.

Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday the 26th March. Blessed palms will be distributed at services throughout the day. Good Friday the Holiest Day of the year when we commemorate the Crucifixion of Our Lord is on March 31st. Let not this day pass without your presence in prayer and penitence at one of the services.

In case the April Magazine may not reach you by Easter Day which this year is on April 2nd may I wish you all a Holy and Joyous Easter Day.

Yours sincerely in Our Lord,

COLIN E. H. PERRY
Rural Dean and Vicar

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CALENDAR FOR MARCH, 1972.

March

- 1st Wednesday 9.30 a.m. Mothers' Union Corporate Communion, Bridge Church.
- 2nd Thursday Bible Study Group Meeting, 8 p.m., 42 Bridge Down, Bridge.
- 3rd Friday W.I. Meeting Travel Films, 7.30 p.m. Bridge Village Hall.
Women's World Day of Prayer Service, 3 p.m. at the Salvation Group Citadel Whitefriars Lane, Canterbury.
- 4th Saturday Diocesan Synod 10 a.m. at St. Mary Bredin, Canterbury.
- 5th - 3rd Sunday in Lent.

CALENDAR FOR MARCH, 1972 /Cont'd..

- 6th Monday Bridge Horticultural Society Finals of Quiz in Selling Village Hall, 7.30 p.m.
- 8th Wednesday Young Wives Open Meeting - Bridge Village Hall, 7.45 p.m.
- 9th Thursday Summer Fete Meeting, 8 p.m. at the Vicarage.
- 11th Saturday Bridge Parent Teacher Association Jumble Sale 2.30 p.m. at Bridge Village Hall.
- 12th - 4th Sunday in Lent.
- 13th Monday Bekesbourne Annual Church Parochial Meeting and Vestry, Mulberry Cottage, 7.30 p.m.
- 14th Tuesday Bridge & Patricxbourne Annual Church Parochial Meeting & Vestry, 7.30p.m. at Bridge Village Hall.
- 16th Thursday Bible Study Group Meeting at 8 p.m., Red Deer, Bridge Down, Bridge.
Young Wives Coffee Morning Bring & Buy 10.30 - 12 noon., 6 Bridgeford Way.
Annual Assembly 7.30 p.m., The Barton Patricxbourne. (Patricxbourne Parish Meeting).
- 19th - Passion Sunday - 5th Sunday in Lent.
- 20th Monday Mothers' Union Branch Meeting, 2.45p.m. at 37 Union Road, Bridge.
- 21st Tuesday W.I. Meeting 7 p.m., Bridge Village Hall.
- 22nd Wednesday Mothers' Union Overseas Meeting 3 p.m. at St. Peter's Church, Aylesham.
Young Wives Meeting 7.30 p.m., Bridge Village Hall.
- 23rd Thursday W.I. Visit to Marlowe Theatre.
Confirmation at Littlebourne Church at 7.30 p.m.
- 24th Friday A.G.M. League of Friends of Canterbury Hospitals Bridge Group, Bridge Village Hall, 7.30 p.m.
- 25th Saturday - Lady Day.
- 26th - Palm Sunday.
- 27th March/1st April - HOLY WEEK

Bridge Young Wives Group /Cont'd..
"Easter Music" at 7.30 p.m. in
the Village Hall.

K. Buckhurst.

ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

The Annual Assembly (to give the correct title)
of the Patricbourne Parish Meeting will be held on
Thursday March 16th at The Barton, Patricbourne at
7.30 p.m.

P. Greenwood, Acting Clerk.

BRIDGE PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Jumble! Jumble! Jumble!

Help us to make a mammoth success of our Jumble
Sale to be held on Saturday 11th March at Bridge
Village Hall. Door(s) open at 2.30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 28th. - a talk will be given by
Mr. Beere, Deputy Educational Officer at Bekesbourne
Village Hall commencing at 8 p.m. Coffee will be
served during the evening.

Do come along and support these "happenings".

J.M. Farrow, Hon. Secretary.

BRIDGE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The Society has reached the Final of the Neame
Cup Quiz Competition to be held on Monday March 6th
at 7.30 p.m. in Selling Village Hall. Your support
would be appreciated.

Malcolm Withnall.
Secretary, Tel. Bridge 589.

JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet at 11 a.m. on Sunday,
March 12th, 19th and 26th

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BRIDGE AND PATRICBOURNE CHURCHES SUMMER FETE

A preliminary meeting took place on the 15th
February to discuss arrangements for our Summer Fete
which is to be held at Bridge School Grounds on
Saturday, June 10th. A further meeting has been
arranged at 8 p.m. at the Vicarage on Thursday,
March 9th. Please come to this meeting and support
us with any new ideas or suggestions. We plan to
make this coming Summer Fete a real success.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

May They Rest in Peace

St. Peter's, Bekesbourne

14th February, 1972

William Mayne Wallis

St. Peter's, Bridge

16th February, 1972

Mabel Frances Prynne at

Barham Crematorium

23rd February, 1972

John Edward Reeve at

Barham Crematorium

9th February, 1972

Wallace Leaver at

Barham Crematorium

ST. PETER'S CHURCH BEKESBOURNE

On Palm Sunday, 26th March 1972 at 11 a.m., the
Cross of Christ will be sung by Choir and Congregation.

We extend a very warm welcome to all who can
attend and join us in this very simple and lovely
devotion.

S.H.G.

DECORATING THE CHURCHES FOR EASTER

St. Peter's Bridge

This will take place on
Friday March 31st at 3.30a.m.
Any offers of help or flowers
will be most welcome.
This year lilies will be much
more expensive and those who

CALENDAR FOR MARCH, 1972 /Cont'd..

28th Tuesday Bridge Parent Teachers Association Meeting 8 p.m. Bekesbourne Village Hall

30th Maundy Thursday, Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m. at Bridge Church.

31st Good Friday. See Services in Holy Week.

April

2nd EASTER DAY - See Easter Day Services.

5th Wednesday Mothers' Union Corporate Communion at 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church.

WOMENS INSTITUTE

Friday, March 3rd Bridge Village Hall Travel Films by Mr. & Mrs. E. Down 7.30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 21st 7 p.m. meeting in Bridge Village Hall, Cookery Demonstration by S.E.G.A.S. - Competition: "Fruit Cake".

Thursday, March 23rd Visit to Marlowe Theatre.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

We will meet on Thursday March 2nd at 42 Bridge Down by kind invitation of Mr. & Mrs. Johnson and on Thursday 16th March at "Red Deer" the home of Mr. & Mrs. D. Hill. See you all there.

LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF CANTERBURY HOSPITALS
BRIDGE GROUP

We are holding our A.G.M. on Friday March 24th in Bridge Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. A Cheese and Wine evening is being considered to follow the business.

We hope all paying members of the Bridge Group and their friends will endeavour to attend and help to make our voluntary work a pleasure and enjoy themselves for an hour. Please try.

We are also having our first Jumble Sale this year on Friday 14th April at 6.30 p.m. When we again hope to see all our friends and we hope new ones.

Rally round your help is needed more than ever!

Frances E. Apps.

MOTHERS' UNION

Friday March 3rd Women's World Day of Prayer 3p.m. at the Salvation Army Citadel, Whitefriars Lane, Canterbury.

Wednesday March 8th Corporate Communion followed with Intercessions at 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church.

Monday March 20th Branch meeting at 2.45p.m. at 37 Union Rd. - Speaker, Mrs. Mason, "Dolls and their History".

Wednesday March 22nd Overseas Meeting 3 p.m. in Aylesham. Speaker, Mrs. Hopkins - "India". Teas will be served. Bring and Buy Stall.

Future Dates

Tuesday May 2nd May Market - Margate 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. East Bridge Supply Groceries.

Friday May 19th Deanery Festival Service - Bishopsbourne, 7.30 p.m. Refreshments.

BRIDGE YOUNG WIVES GROUP

We would like to welcome as many people as possible to an Open Meeting on March 8th at 7.45p.m. in the Village Hall when the Gas Board will tell us about "Natural Gas and Conversion". The talk will be illustrated with slides and we would urge those of you with gas appliances to come and find out what conversion to North Sea Gas will mean to you. Light refreshments will be served. Please contact me if you need transport. (Tel: 719).

Thursday March 16th 10.30-12 noon Coffee Morning, Bring and Buy at Mrs. Gillian Harvey's, 6 Bridgeford Way, to raise money to buy a seat for the Village. We warmly welcome anyone to come along.

Wednesday March 22nd Mr. Peter Giles the Church organist will give a talk on

Decorating the Churches for Easter /Cont'd..

may like to give a lily will they kindly give six shilling to Mrs. Roger Hunter, Mrs. Apps at the newsagents or Canon Perry.

St. Mary's Patricxbourne This will take place on Friday 31st March from 3p.m. onwards. Any offers of flowers or help will be most welcome.

St. Peter's Bekesbourne This will take place on 1st April at 10.30a.m. any offers of help or flowers will be most welcome to Mrs. Sandall, School House.

SERVICES IN HOLY WEEK

BRIDGE

Monday 27th March 9.30a.m. Holy Communion
Wednesday 29th March 9.30a.m. Holy Communion
Maundy Thursday 30th March 7.30a.m. Holy Communion
Good Friday 31st March 8.00a.m. Ante-Communion and Litany.
2 - 3 Devotional Service.

PATRICXBOURNE

Tuesday 28th March 8.00a.m. Holy Communion

BEKESBOURNE

Good Friday 31st March 11.00a.m. Mattins & Sermon

EASTER DAY RUBRIC

The Rubric in the Book of Common Prayer says:-

"Every confirmed member of the Church is to receive Holy Communion three times a year at the least, of which Easter is to be one."

Sick and Private Communion

Anyone who wishes to receive Easter Communion at home is asked to let the Vicar know.

EASTER OFFERING

The Churchwardens of Bridge, Patricxbourne and Bekesbourne Churches wish to remind parishioners that following the current custom of the Church, the collections throughout Easter Day will be given to the Vicar as a personal gift. Anyone who will be away at Easter might care to send his or her offering to the Churchwardens to be included in the collection.

EASTER DAY SERVICES

2nd April

St. Peter's Bridge	8 a.m. Holy Communion.
	11 a.m. Mattins and Family Service.
	11.45 a.m. Holy Communion.
	6.30 p.m. Festal Evensong.
St. Mary's Patricxbourne	8 a.m. Holy Communion.
	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon.
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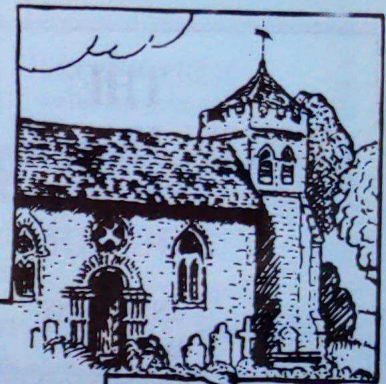
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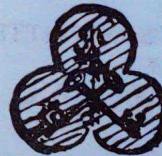
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SUNDAY SERVICES FOR APRIL
BRIDGE PATRIXBOURNE BEKESBOURNE

2nd April - Easter Sunday

8 a.m. Holy Comm. 11 a.m. Matt. & Ser. 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion 6.30 p.m. Festal Evensong & Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Comm. 11 a.m. Mattins	8 a.m. Holy Comm. 11 a.m. Mattins & Sermon 11.45 Holy Communion
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9th April - Low Sunday

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Series II) 6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon	11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion
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16th April - 2nd Sunday after Easter

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Sung) 6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Comm. (Series II)	11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon
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23rd April - 3rd Sunday after Easter

8 a.m. Holy Comm. 6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon	9 a.m. Holy Comm.	11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion
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30th April - 4th Sunday after Easter

9 a.m. Holy Comm. 6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion
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Dear Parishioners of Bridge, Patribourne and
Bekesbourne,

The joy of Easter is imminent when you will be reading this letter and Easter is pre-eminently the festival of joy. The joy of Easter continues down the ages touching the times in which we live and have our being. It is a living Church where we worship in a world sometimes of darkness and despair. We read once again in the Resurrection stories of the Gospel and from this historic past we recapture the gladness of the Apostles that their Lord was with them again. Is not this the secret of a more effective discipleship for each Christian and the secret of the renewal of the Church's life in the power of Christ's Resurrection of and the fellowship of His suffering. There will of course be the joyful Easter Service and I am sure that every communicant reader of this letter will determine to be at Church some time on Easter Day. I shall be glad to have the name of anyone who is housebound and would like to receive Communion in their own home.

Here may I take the opportunity to welcome as full Communicants those who were Confirmed recently. May their lives be ever enriched by the blessing of this Sacrament.

Quite a number of people who were in the old Electoral Roll have not made application for enrolment on the new Church Electoral Roll. I do hope that sometime in the future they will rectify this omission and the new Roll grow into a new spiritual strength in the life of our parish.

I welcome the duly elected members of the Parochial Church Council especially those members elected for the first time. Together with the elected officers of the Church we can show in our meetings throughout the coming year our interest and concern for the Church which Our Lord has given us to care.

Once again I wish you the joy of Easter: joy that we must remember is renewed each Sunday which in a vital respect is an Easter Day, since on each Sunday we meet together to worship the Risen Christ.

Yours sincerely in Our Lord

COLIN E. H. PERRY
Rural Dean and Vicar

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WOMENS INSTITUTE

Friday April 7th Bridge Village Hall Slide Show with Commentary by Mr. & Mrs. E. Down. 7.30 p.m. in aid of County Funds. 12p inclusive. Programme:- Peak District National Park. Refreshments. Tour of Italy. - ALL are welcome.

Tuesday April 18th "Members Night" Old Time Dancing, Mr. Eley.
Competition - "Dressed Wooden Spoon".

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LEAGUE OF FRIENDS KENT AND CANTERBURY HOSPITALS
BRIDGE GROUP

The above Group is badly in need for collectors for Bridge Down, Beech Hill, Meadow Close and Riverside Close, as owing either to illness and leaving the district we have lost the collectors for these areas.

It is not an onerous job and can be spread over quite a period as subs/dons are not required to be paid finally to me until October 31st each year.

It is a very worthy cause as money is badly needed in the hospitals for medical and surgical equipment not provided for by the state.

For further information please contact the

League of Friends - Bridge /Cont'd..

Treasurer Mrs. M. Milton, 50 High Street, Bridge.

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BRIDGE YOUNG WIVES GROUP

Wednesday April 5th Mr. Brian Pearson 'Photography' Competition for a print with the subject 'Child Study'.
Wednesday April 19th Deanery Festival 8 p.m. Wingham. Transport will be arranged at the previous meeting.
Wednesday May 3rd Two outings - to be confirmed.

Anyone interested in joining the Group is very welcome to contact me for a programme of the meetings for the rest of the summer session.

Kay Buckhurst
(Tel. 719)

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CALENDAR FOR APRIL

April
2nd EASTER SUNDAY. See elsewhere for Easter Day Services.
5th Wednesday 9.30 a.m. Mothers' Union Corporate Communion with Intercession at Bridge Church.
Young Wives Group Meeting Bridge Village Hall, Photographic Competition.
7th Friday W.I. Slide Show Bridge Village Hall 7.30 p.m.
9th LOW SUNDAY
14th Friday Friends of Canterbury Hospital Bridge Group Jumble Sale 6.30 p.m. Bridge Village Hall.
16th 2nd Sunday after Easter.
17th Monday Mothers' Union Branch Meeting at 2.45 p.m. 37 Union Road, 'Problems of Prayer'.

Calendar for April /Cont'd..

18th Tuesday W.I. Bridge Village Hall Members
Night. 'Old Time Dancing'.
19th Wednesday Young Wives Deanery Festival at 8p.m.
at Wingham Church.
23rd 3rd Sunday after Easter ST. GEORGE'S DAY
25th Tuesday - St.Mark's. Holy Communion at 9.30a.m.
Bridge Church.
Bridge & Patnixbourne Church P.C.C.
meeting 7.30 p.m. Bridge Village Hall
30th 4th Sunday after Easter

May

2nd Mothers' Union Deanery May Market
held in Margate. 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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COMING EVENTS

Saturday May 20th Bekesbourne Church May Fayre at
Bekesbourne Village Hall.
Saturday June 10th Bridge and Patnixbourne Church
Summer Fete at Bridge School.

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

St. Mary's Patnixbourne
17th March, 1972 Emma Caroline Kendrick White.
St. Peter's Bridge
19th March, 1972 Roy Christopher Martin

Holy Matrimony

St. Peter's Bekesbourne
18th March, 1972 Roger Martin Slingsby
Lynda Carol Morgan

May They Rest in Peace

St. Peter's Bridge
2nd March, 1972 Henry John Tonkin and afterwards
at Barham Crematorium
6th March, 1972 Elizabeth Jane Laming.
St. Peter's Bekesbourne
13th March, 1972 Annie Weatherall at Canterbury
City Cemetary

Sacrament of Confirmation, 22nd March, 1972

Roy Martin	Rosemary Crowe
Christopher Cooper	Tracy Vaughan
Stephen Twining	Georgina Muir-Little
Tina Twining	Alison Wantall
Katrina Booth	Tina Epps

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JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet on Sundays April 9th,
16th, 23rd and 30th at 11 a.m.

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MOTHERS' UNION

Wednesday April 5th Mothers' Union Corporate Com-
munion with Intercessions at
9.30 a.m., Bridge Church.
Monday, April 17th Branch meeting at 2.45 p.m. at
37 Union Road. Speaker -
Mrs. Ralph - 'Problems of
Prayer'.
Tuesday, May 2nd Deanery May Market held in
Margate. Bring and Buy Stalls.
East Bridge Deanery - Groceries.
11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Gifts please
for our Stall.

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DECORATING THE CHURCHES FOR EASTER

St. Peter's Bridge This will take place on
Friday at 3.30 p.m. and on
Saturday April 1st at
10.30 a.m. Any offers of
help or flowers will be
most welcome. This year
lilies will be much more
expensive and those who
may like to give a lily
will they kindly give six
shillings to Mrs. Roger

Decorating the Churches for Easter /Cont'd..

St. Mary's Patricxbourne Hunter, Mrs. Apps at the newsagents or Canon Perry. This will take place on Friday 31st March from 3p.m. onwards. Any offers of flowers or help will be most welcome.

St. Peter's Bekesbourne This will take place on 1st April at 10.30 a.m. any offers of help or flowers will be most welcome to Mrs. Sandall, School House.

GOOD FRIDAY

There will be a Special Service of music and prayers on Good Friday Evening at Bridge Church. It will include the traditional Plainsong Passion of Our Lord in which the soloists will be lay-clerks from the Cathedral Choir. There will be Passiontide Anthem of Hymns for the congregation. I hope many will come to take part in this devotion.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES

BRIDGE

Good Friday 31st March 8.00 a.m. Ante-Communion and Litany.
2 - 3 p.m. Devotional Service.
7.30 p.m. The Plainsong
Passion of Our Lord.

BEKESBOURNE

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Easter Offering /Cont'd..

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6.30 p.m. Festal Evensong.

St. Mary's Patricxbourne 8 a.m. Holy Communion.
11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon.

St. Peter's Bekesbourne 8 a.m. Holy Communion.
11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon.
11.45 a.m. Holy Communion.

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Notes on the History of Bekesbourne

PART III - THE MANOR OF BEKESBOURNE /Cont'd.

The estate remained in the hands of Christ Church till the suppression of Monasteries in the reign of Henry VIII. The property then came into the hands of Thomas Colepeper. Thomas Colepeper exchanged it for the Manor of Bishopsbourne, with Thomas Cranmer, Archbishop of Canterbury, from which time it was continuously held by his successors.

Cranmer made considerable buildings, the foundations of which still lie under the gardens of the present 'Old Palace'.

Archbishop Parker in the reign of Queen Elizabeth had a great affection for his Palace

The Manor of Bekesbourne /Cont'd..

at Bekesbourne, and made it his favourite residence. Dean Hook tells us in his Lives of Archbishops that, when Parker was in residence at Bekesbourne, his household consisted of a hundred persons, that he kept an open table for the Clergy of the Diocese and for the gentlemen of the County; and as participators of his hospitality the poor were especially welcome.

When Queen Elizabeth went to Canterbury in 1574 as the guest of the Archbishop, it was debated whether he should entertain her at Bekesbourne or at St. Augustine's. It was finally settled that the Queen should not go to Bekesbourne, but take up her abode at St. Augustine's.

There seems to be little doubt therefore that the house was of considerable size.

We hear of one more Archbishop who resided at Bekesbourne. In a letter to Fleny Wharton (c) Nicholas Battely states that Archbishop Abbot (1611 - 1633) "lived sometime at Beaksborn and preached in the Parish Church every Sunday morning.

A few years after this came the end of the Palace. Hasted tells us that "in the time of K. Charles I's reign, this palace was not only pillaged but almost the whole of it pulled down by the fanatics of that time."

The letter of Battely, quoted above, tells of its final end. He writes: "The Palace was demolished A.D. 1658 by the then sequestrator, who, to make the best of his purchased sequestration, did first (destroy) the pantry, then the baking house, then the other outhouses which were pulled down

(c) Strype Correspondence. Cambridge University Library.

The Manor of Bekesbourne /Cont'd..

and set up in other places. At last he caused the whole house, the hall, parlors, large gallery and the chappell (d) which was beautiful and adorned with painted glass to be demolished. As they were concluding the whole work by beating down the last piece of the Chapel wall John Chambers one of the workmen was killed by the fall of the wall and was buried, Feb. 1. 1658."

So the Palace itself was gone and only the Gateway with a few of the offices on each side of it remained.

/To be continued..

(d) Was this Goldstone's Chapel?

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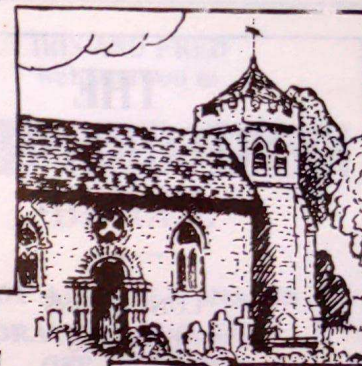
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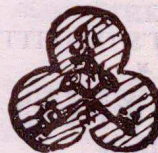
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SUNDAY SERVICES FOR MAY

BRIDGE PATRIXBOURNE BEKESBOURNE

7th May - Rogation Sunday

11 a.m. Matt. & Sermon. 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion 6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Comm.	9.30 a.m. Sung Holy Communion.
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14th May - Sunday after Ascension

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Series II) 6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion
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21st May - Whit Sunday

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Sung) 6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Comm. (Series II)	11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon
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28th May - Trinity Sunday

8 a.m. Holy Comm. 6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon	9 a.m. Holy Comm.	11 a.m. Matt. & Sermon 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion
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4th June - 1st Sunday after Trinity

11 a.m. Matt. & Sermon 11.45 Holy Communion 6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Comm.	9.30 a.m. Sung Holy Communion
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Dear Parishioners of Bridge, Patribourne and
Bekebourne,

During this month of May we have three great festivals of the Church, Ascension Day, Whit Sunday and Trinity Sunday. They are full of significance to the Christian.

The real significance of Ascension Day is to be found in the concentration of the Church's devotion on the Sovereignty of Christ. He is worshipped as the Person in whose hands the destiny of each member of the human race reside. The Ascension meant, that Jesus was no longer present in the old manner of sight and touch, and was henceforth to be present in new unseen ways, near as well as far, in the depth as well as in the height. The apostles knew that Jesus, the Jesus of Galilee and Calvary, was sovereign ruler of the universe. They knew now that his presence would be found, all unseen, in a thousand places and a thousand ways.

Whit Sunday is the feast of divine power coming to the Church as a result of that Sovereignty of the Ascended Christ. On this day when we commemorate the promised gift of the Holy Spirit being given to the first Christians we do well if too we commemorate the gift of the Holy Spirit to us at our Confirmation. Whit Sunday too teaches us that the work of Christ continues from age to age. It is carried on through the agency of His Churches and congregations of Christian people who receive unto themselves all the love, the light, the presence, and the joy of the risen life of Christ through its ministry of word, sacrament and prayer.

Trinity Sunday is the Festival of the Eternal God Himself. God as He is in Himself, God as He is in His relation to us. Three Persons and yet One God. The Father, who wills our Salvation is God, Almighty, The Son, who came to do His Father's Will, is able to accomplish the work, for He too is God, Almighty, The Holy Ghost, who was sent from Heaven

to perfect the work of mans' salvation, He too is God, Almighty. And yet They are not three Gods, but one God. The mystery is so vast, so deep, so incomprehensible. And yet to us, with the needs and yearnings of which we are conscious, it seems so simple, so natural, the one thing which could make life bearable and possible.

We shall be having our Bekesbourne Church May Fayre on Saturday 20th May. It will be held at Bekesbourne Village Hall. This is always a happy event. We need, as always your presence and encouragement. I do hope that Bridge and Patrixbourne people will support Bekesbourne Church, as they I know will support Bridge and Patrixbourne Church Fete on June 10th.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking everyone who contributed so generously to my Easter Offering.

May I too extend my thanks to the Choirs and Organists of our Churches for the Passiontide and Easter music they provided, their efforts were very much appreciated, and also to all those who helped in the provision of flowers and the decoration of our Churches at this season.

Yours sincerely in Our Lord,

COLIN E. H. PERRY
Rural Dean and Vicar

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BEKESBOURNE MAY FAYRE

The Bekesbourne May Fayre will take place on Saturday, May 20th beginning at 3 p.m. at Bekesbourne Village Hall.

Gifts are urgently needed for the following stalls:-

Garden Produce, Plants, Cakes, Bottles,
Jumble, Gifts and Raffle Prizes.

Any of these may be left with Mr. H. Shorey at Cherry Tree Cottage, The Aerodrome, or with Mrs. D. Sandall at the School House. This is our one annual effort to raise funds for our church. Please help all you can by gifts and your presence on the day of our Fete.

D. Sandall.

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

St. Mary's, Patrixbourne
16th April, 1972 - Andrea Mary Gilham

St. Peter's Church, Bekesbourne
23rd April, 1972 - Anthony Thomas Durell

May They Rest in Peace

St. Peter's Church, Bridge
19th April, 1972 - Dorothy Elsie Bishop at
Barham Crematorium

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CALENDAR FOR MAY

April 30th - 4th Sunday After Easter.

May

- 1st Monday Archdeacon's Visitation 7.30 p.m. at
Canterbury Cathedral.
- 2nd Tuesday East Bridge Deanery Synod at 7.30 p.m.
at St. Augustine's College.
- 3rd Wednesday Mothers' Union Corporate Communion
with Intercessions at Bridge Church.
Young Wives Outing to Folkestone
Pilot Station
- 4th Thursday Village Hall Committee Meeting,
7.30 p.m. at Bridge Village Hall.
- 7th Sunday - Rogation Sunday

CALENDAR FOR MAY /Cont'd..

- 9th Tuesday Bridge Senior Citizens Bring and Buy Sale, 2.30 p.m. in Bridge Village Hall.
- 11th Thursday Ascension Day. Holy Communion 9.30 a.m. at Bridge Church. Bible Study Group meeting at Church Cottage, 8 p.m.
- 14th Sunday - after Ascension
- 16th Tuesday Bridge and Patricxbourne Fete Committee meeting at 7.30 p.m. at Bridge School. W.I. Meeting, Village Hall 7 p.m.
- 17th Wednesday Young Wives Group meeting 7.30 p.m. at Village Hall.
- 18th Thursday Joint Concert by Bridge Church Choir and Bridge Primary School at 7.30 p.m. in Bridge Church.
- 19th Friday Mothers' Union Deanery Festival, 7.30 p.m. at Bishopsbourne Church.
- 20th Saturday Bekesbourne Church May Fayre at 3 p.m. at Bekesbourne Village Hall.
- 21st Whit Sunday
- 25th Thursday Bible Study Group Meeting.
- 28th Trinity Sunday

JUNE

4th- 1st Sunday after Trinity

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Tuesday, May 16th Discussion of Resolutions for the National Federation Annual General Meeting.
"Boning and Stuffing a Chicken" by Miss H. Pullar.
Competition - "1lb. Lemon Curd".

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BRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS

On Tuesday, May 9th we are holding a Bring and Buy Sale in the Village Hall, opening at 2.30 p.m. This is to provide funds for our summer outing to Eastbourne.

We do hope all kind friends will come and support us, helping towards their senior citizens enjoying a very happy day.

M. J. Bate,
Hon. Secretary.

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BRIDGE YOUNG WIVES GROUP

May 3rd Outing to Folkestone Pilot Station to arrive 7.30 p.m. Transport as arranged.

May 17th Mr. Hill, Headmaster of the Orchard Special School will talk on "The Handicapped Child and Society".

June 7th Deputy Governor of H.M. Prison, Canterbury will speak about his job.

Meetings are at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

New members are always welcome.

K. Buckhurst,
Secretary.

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BIBLE STUDY GROUP

We will meet at Church Cottage on Thursday, May 11th by kind consent of Mr. and Mrs. Rose. The meeting place for Thursday, 25th May, will be announced at the meeting on the 11th.

F. E. A.

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JOINT CONCERT BY BRIDGE CHOIR AND THE
PRIMARY SCHOOL CHOIR

A joint concert by the Bridge Choir and the Primary School choir of Bridge will be held on May 18th at 7.30 p.m. in Bridge Church. Will all parents please support this.

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THE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION OF READERS

Mr. David Johnson will be licensed as a Parochial Reader by the Bishop of Dover at 3.15p.m. at Canterbury Cathedral on Saturday, June 3rd. It is hoped that many of the parishioners will come to support him by your presence and prayers.

C.E.H.P.

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BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION, 1972.

The Parish Council of Bridge has entered the above competition for 1972. For several years past, we have done reasonably well and we hope to improve on this for 1972. All parishioners are enjoined to take an interest in this subject and help to keep our village clean and tidy. The judging expected to take place in June.

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BRIDGE GROUP, LEAGUE OF FRIENDS
KENT AND CANTERBURY HOSPITALS

This group covering four villages, Bridge, Patricxbourne, Bekesbourne and Bishopsbourne, wish to bring to the notice of every person in these villages the help which has been afforded to the Kent and Canterbury Hospitals in supplying various medical and surgical equipment which funds from National sources have been insufficient to provide.

During 1971 the following have been bought and presented to the hospital purchased from donations and special efforts such as Jumble Sales, Coffee Mornings and Christmas Whist Drive etc.

	£	p
2 pairs cot sides	27.	50
Donation to Childs' Unit Fund	100.	00
1 Ripple Bed	33.	76
1 Cape Wayne Ventilator Unit	855.	00

The latter was purchased with the gift of a legacy of £605 from the late Miss Ada Gregg (who had been a patient at the Close Hospital for many years) supplemented with £250 from our funds.

Since my last report, two new collectors have been appointed, Mrs. Pierce for Riverside Close district and Mrs. Johnson for Meadow Close and Beech Hill district. Mr. Pratt who collects in Bishopsbourne would be glad of another collector to help out, any volunteers? Also a collector is still required for Bridge Down district as unfortunately Mrs. Peter Lawrence, who has been a marvellous and conscientious collector for several years has been obliged to resign. On behalf of the Bridge Group this opportunity is taken to offer our very sincere thanks for all her work. Will all collectors please note Mrs. Maburn, 44 Western Avenue, has been appointed Assistant Treasurer and to whom all subscriptions/donations should be paid.

During 1972 with the re-organisation of the Kent and Canterbury Hospital, the need for help from the League of Friends of K. & C. will still be as great if not greater than in past years and it is our sincere hope that we can look forward to a successful year of activity and an increased number of members which will ensure even a better financial year than we have enjoyed in the past.

M. Milton,
Hon. Treasurer.

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Letter from
UNITED SOCIETY FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE GOSPEL

This is a simple but none-the-less sincere expression of the Society's gratitude for your recent most welcome gift of £10.00, gratitude that is shared by our brethren overseas who will be helped by your interest and support in their work.

The work of spreading the Gospel to all nations is now, as it always has been, the most important of all endeavours and there can be no greater contribution to the peace of the world and the happiness of mankind than this, which is our bounden duty.

Please continue to support us with your prayers.

P.S. Anyone holding a U.S.P.G. Medical Mission Box kindly return to the Church or to Miss K.Wass, 16 Union Road, Bridge.

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CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

Christian Aid Week will be from 15th - 20th May. Envelopes will be left for this purpose, and your generous support will be greatly appreciated.

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MOTHERS' UNION

Mothers' Union Corporate Communion, May 3rd at 9.30 a.m. with Intercessions.

Branch meeting, Monday May 15th at 2.45 p.m. at 37 Union Road. Speaker: Mrs. Craig.

Mothers' Union Deanery Festival, Bishopsbourne

7.30 p.m. All Young Wives are welcome.
Refreshments after the Service.

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JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet:
Sunday, 11 a.m., May 14th, 21st, 28th.

The Lenten boxes brought in for the Church Missionary Society - £16.00

Thanking all who have so generously contributed.

M. Meigh.

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BRIDGE CHURCH

I wonder if there is anyone in the Village who would be prepared to come on the Rota for the dusting of the Church. If so, would they kindly contact me at the Vicarage.

Audrey Perry

TRINITY SUNDAY - 28th May
The Rev. Cecil Verity will preach at 11 a.m. Mattins at Patricxbourne Church.

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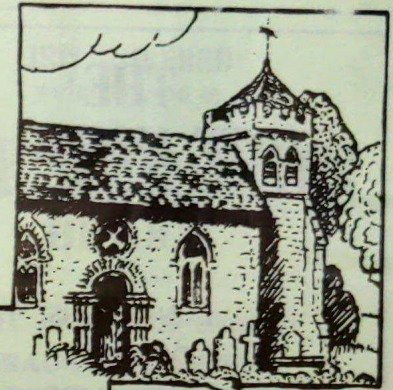
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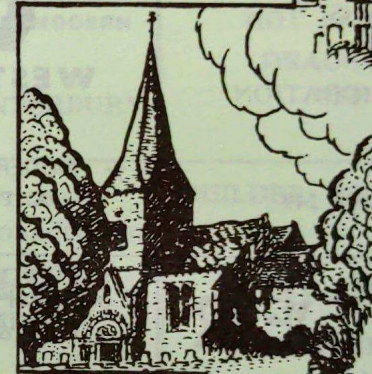
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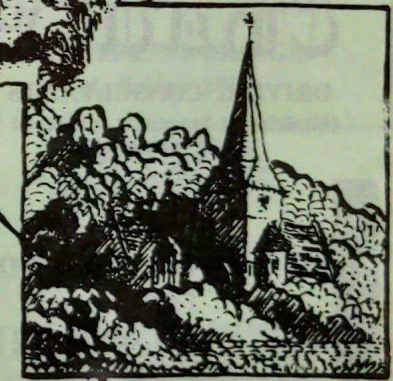
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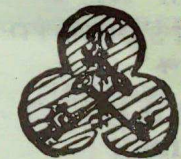
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**CHURCH
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SUNDAY SERVICES FOR JUNE

BRIDGE PATRIBOURNE BEKESBOURNE

4th June - 1st Sunday after Trinity

11 a.m. Matt. & Ser. 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion 6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Comm.	9.30 a.m. Sung Communion
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11th June - 2nd Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Series II) 6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon	11 a.m. Matt. & Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion
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18th June - 3rd Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Sung) 6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Comm. (Series II)	11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon
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25th June - 4th Sunday after Trinity

8 a.m. Holy Comm. 6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon	9 a.m. Holy Communion	11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion
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2nd July - 5th Sunday after Trinity

11 a.m. Matt. & Ser. 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion 6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion	9.30 a.m. Sung Communion
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Holy Communion is celebrated at 9.30 a.m. on Wednesdays and 7.30 a.m. on Fridays during the week in Bridge Church. Evensong is at 5 p.m. at The Close every Sunday except on the first Sunday in the month when there is a celebration of Holy Communion.

Dear Parishioners of Bridge, Patribourne and
Bekesbourne,

First I would commend to you for your loyal support the Bridge & Patribourne Summer Fete to be held on Saturday June 10th at Bridge School Grounds. Arrangements are well under way and we are most grateful to Mrs. Knight the Headmistress for her kindness to us in allowing the use of the grounds. I am sure it will be a happy and successful occasion. Elsewhere you will find particulars of its attractions. The stallholders will most gratefully receive your gifts for the stocking of the stalls. The City of Canterbury Band will be in attendance and I am sure will provide a pleasant and cheery background to the occasion.

The Bekesbourne May Fayre was a great success and a most enjoyable and happy event. May I say thank you to Mrs. Sandall and helpers for their hard work both in the preparations prior to the day of the Fayre and to all who gave gifts for the stalls and the Draw and to all who supported us by their presence.

The evening of music given by the combined choirs of Bridge Church and Bridge School was a great success and of a very high standard. May we have some more of this coming together of all ages.

We are now entering the long series of Sundays after Trinity. I consider this time is an opportunity for study of the various epistles and gospels of the particular Sundays. Here may I draw your attention to the Bible Study Group in our parish which has had a profound influence on the spiritual life of our Church and is of great credit to those who organise it and contribute to its family sense of belonging to the corporate life of the 'Body of Christ' by study and hospitality. Each month in this magazine you will find details of its meetings and new members will find a happy and sincere welcome. We need to discover afresh the wonder and beauty of God's word where there is

revealed ever afresh the gradual disclosing of God's purpose. Regular study of the Bible and the Church's Doctrine should be a part of every Churchman's life. I want you seriously to consider this, asking yourself truthfully when you last read a book bearing upon the Christian faith.

*Mr. David Johnson of 92 Bridge Down, Bridge, will be licensed as a Parochial Reader by the Bishop of Dover at 3.15 p.m. at Canterbury Cathedral on Saturday, June 3rd. I hope many of our parishioners will come to support him by their presence and prayer at this Service.

Yours sincerely in Our Blessed Lord,
COLIN E. H. PERRY
Rural Dean and Vicar

* He will be preaching the sermon at 11 a.m. Mattins in Bridge Church, 4th June.

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Just as we were going to press, the dreadful accident occurred in Bridge High Street, where a TIR vehicle loaded with meat demolished the shop and house of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis - miraculously, the family escaping injury. It was hoped that morning to set up Mr. Lewis' shop in temporary accommodation nearby. We would ask you to support Mr. and Mrs. Lewis at this time.

The usual Friday morning Communion service at Bridge was held as a Requiem Mass for the driver of the TIR who was killed instantly. It is hoped that the Ministry of Transport regard the incident as a serious indication of the inadequacy of the A2 and not just another "Statistic".

J.P.
C.E.H.P.

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CALENDAR FOR JUNE 1972

June
4th - 1st Sunday after Trinity

- 7th Wednesday Mothers' Union Corporate Communion and Intercession, 9.30 a.m., Bridge Church.
Young Wives' Group meeting, Bridge Village Hall, 7.30 p.m.
- 8th Thursday Bible Study Group Meeting, 8 p.m. at 7 Windmill Close, Bridge.
- 10th Saturday Bridge & Patricbourne Church Summer Fete, 2.30 - 5 p.m. at Bridge School Grounds.
- 11th - 2nd Sunday after Trinity - St. Barnabus
18th - 3rd Sunday after Trinity
- 20th Tuesday W.I. Meeting, Bridge Village Hall, 7 p.m.
- 21st Wednesday Young Wives' Group A.G.M., Bridge Village Hall, 7.30 p.m.
- 23rd Friday Bridge School Parent Teacher Association School Fete, 6.30 p.m. Bridge School
- 24th Saturday St. John Baptist
25th - 4th Sunday after Trinity
- 29th Thursday St. Peter Holy Communion, 9.30 a.m. at Bridge Church

July

2nd - 5th Sunday after Trinity.

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BEKESBOURNE CHURCH CLEANING FOR JUNE

June 3rd - Mrs. Sandall
June 10th - Mesdames Kingsford & Smith
June 17th - Mesdames Cox and Stickels
June 24th - Mrs. Hogben

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MOTHERS' UNION

Wednesday, June 7th Corporate Communion with Intercessions, 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church

Monday, June 26th Branch meeting at 37 Union Road, Bridge, 2.45 p.m.

The Bridge-Patrixbourne

CHURCH FETE

will be held at Bridge Primary School
on Saturday, 10th June 1972, 2.30 - 5 p.m.

TEAS * REFRESHMENTS

SEVERAL ATTRACTIVE STALLS

MANY FASCINATING SIDESHOWS

The City of Canterbury Band
will perform during the afternoon

Dancing Display by Miss Tudor's Pupil's

GRAND DRAW * CHILDREN'S
FANCY DRESS COMPETITION

The success of the Fete depends on good
attendance. PLEASE MAKE AN EFFORT TO COME.

JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior church will meet at 11 a.m. on
June 11th, 18th and 25th.

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

St. Peter's Church
30th April, 1972 - Chloë Murison-Small
Elinor Parry
14th May, 1972 - Robin Neil Cicero Bickerton
21st May, 1972 - Alexandra Gibbons Guisinger

Holy Matrimony

St. Mary's Patrixbourne
6th May, 1972 - Richard William Turner
Margaret Greenwood
St. Peter's Bridge
6th May, 1972 - John Ennis
Ruth Hewitt-Richards

May They Rest in Peace

St. Peter's Bridge
18th May, 1972 - Alfred Ernest Vaughan at
Barham Crematorium
St. Mary's, Patrixbourne
22nd May, 1972 - Fanny Doris Padwick at
Barham Crematorium
Methodist Chapel
1st April, 1972 - Ethel Price

We extend our deepest sympathy to Mr. Price on the
death of his wife on April 1st at Ashford Hospital.
Mr. and Mrs. Price are an old established Bridge
family and Mrs. Price was a well loved member of
the community.

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BEKESBOURNE MAY FAYRE

May I, on behalf of the P.C.C. thank those who helped make our Fayre such a success. Nearly £58 was realised. Our thanks for those who gave, those who manned the stalls and those who came to buy.

D.E.S.

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BRIDGE PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Friday, June 23rd - 6.30 p.m. Bridge School

Look out for our posters announcing the School Fete. Donkey rides, Children's Fancy Hat Competition, Tombola and many side shows.

May we count on you for your support and the weatherman for the sun!

J. M. Farrow,
Hon. Secretary.

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BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Our first meeting this month will be on the 8th June at 7 Windmill Close, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pierce by their kind invitation. The next meeting will be at 28 Bridge Down, and we thank Mr. and Mrs. Collingwood for allowing us to hold it in their house.

F.E.A.

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CHURCHILL HOUSE, BRIDGE

On Thursday, May 11th the residents of Churchill House were taken for a Blossom Drive through the lovely countryside of S.E. Kent by various orchards in full bloom. The outing was

arranged by Mrs. Smith, the Warden.

Returning home at 5.30 p.m. to a grand tea prepared and served by Mesdames Smith, Harris, Holmes, and Miriam. After tea, the residents were entertained by Mr. J. Milton with the projection of a series of colour slides of Dover and the river Stour.

The outing was made possible from the proceeds of Whist Drive and Bazaar held during the year.

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

20th June, Tuesday, - W.I. Meeting, Bridge Village Hall, 7 p.m.

Mrs. Swayne will be our speaker and will tell us how to "Grow old gracefully".
Competition:- "My Most Precious Possession".

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BRIDGE YOUNG WIVES GROUP

June 7th - Deputy Prison Governor will talk about his job at 7.30 p.m. at Bridge Village Hall.

June 21st - Annual General Meeting - Village Hall, 7.30 p.m.
Written nominations to Mrs. Harvey for the Secretary and Treasurer 1972/73.
Please come and vote for your new officers for the coming year.

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BRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS

We wish to thank all our kind supporters who so generously helped towards raising funds at our Bring and Buy for our Summer outing.

The wonderful sum of £27 was realised and we thank you all for making the event such a success.
M.J. Bate, Hon. Secretary.

COMBINED CONCERT BY BRIDGE CHURCH CHOIR and
BRIDGE SCHOOL CHOIR

There was a very successful concert in Bridge Church on May 18th which was given by Bridge Primary School Choir and instrumentalists and Bridge Church Choir. At this the first concert of its kind so far as we know, the church was completely full and everybody there seemed to enjoy the music greatly.

The two choirs sang well contrasted music. The school choir sang some Negro Spirituals, some Mozart, a folk song, music from films, a song by Britten and generally provided a lively and happy selection.

The Bridge Church Choir sang six anthems from its growing repertoire including 'Jesu Joy Man's Desiring' by Bach and 'Rejoice in the Lord Always' by Purcell to name but two.

Inevitably the Church Choir was smaller and utterly different in character when compared to the larger children's choir and it lacked something of the sheer exuberance and vivacity of the latter; but it did provide a sophistication which the larger choir lacked.

The whole evening was most successful and many people have said they would like another one soon.

Everybody sang Parry's "Jerusalem" to finish.

The organist was Mr. Gordon Chapman, the School Choir was conducted by Mr. Mike Windess and the Church Choir by Mr. Peter Giles.

C.E.H.P.

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SUNDAY SERVICES FOR JULY

<u>BRIDGE</u>	<u>PATRIXBOURNE</u>	<u>BEKESBOURNE</u>
<u>2nd July - 5th Sunday after Trinity</u>		
11 a.m. Matt. & Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion	9.30 a.m. Sung Communion
<u>9th July - 6th Sunday after Trinity</u>		
9 a.m. Holy Comm. (series II) 6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon	11 a.m. Matt & Ser.	18 a.m. Holy Communion.
<u>16th July - 7th Sunday after Trinity</u>		
9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Sung) 6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion (Series II)	11 a.m. Matt. & Sermon
<u>23rd July - 8th Sunday after Trinity</u>		
8 a.m. Holy Comm. 6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon	9 a.m. Holy Communion	11 a.m. Matt. & Sermon 11.45 a.m Holy Communion
<u>30th July - 9th Sunday after Trinity</u>		
9 a.m. Holy Comm. 6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon	11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion

Holy Communion is celebrated at 9.30 a.m. on Wednesdays and 7.30 a.m. on Fridays during the week in Bridge Church. Evensong is at 5 p.m. at The Close every Sunday except on the first Sunday in the month when there is a celebration of Holy Communion.

Dear Parishioners of Bridge, Patricxbourne and Bekesbourne,

First I would express my gratitude to all who supported the Bridge & Patricxbourne Church Summer Fete by your presence and gifts to the various stalls. Also a simple 'thank you' to the many loyal helpers. I am so delighted with the final result of £182. How fortunate we were in having the use of the school and my grateful thanks to the headmistress Mrs. Knight. The fancydress entries were most delightful and were judged most charmingly by Mrs. David Riceman.

You will find elsewhere in this magazine details of the result of our efforts.

For this month's magazine I have asked Mr. Peter Giles to write about the music and Choir of St. Peter's Church Bridge so my letter to you must of necessity be kept short. We are apt to take the music and singing of the choir for granted but you will on reading his letter to us come to appreciate so much the care and preparation that go into the Services at our churches.

Yours sincerely in Our Lord
COLIN E. H. PERRY
Vicar and Rural Dean.

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CALENDAR FOR JULY

<u>JULY</u>	
1st Saturday	Bekesbourne Social Club Summer Garden Fete, Cobham Court 2 p.m. onwards.
2nd Sunday	5th Sunday after Trinity
5th Wednesday	Mothers Union Corporate Communion and Intercessions 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church. Holy Communion at 10.15 a.m. at Churchill House, Bridge.

9th Sunday 6th Sunday after Trinity
 11th Tuesday Bridge Senior Citizens Club A.G.M.
 Bridge Village Hall 2.30 p.m.
 followed by the Third Birthday
 Party.
 16th Sunday 7th Sunday after Trinity
 17th Monday Mothers Union Branch Meeting at
 2.45 p.m. at 37 Union Road,
 Bridge.
 18th Tuesday W.I. meeting Bridge Village Hall.
 23rd Sunday 8th Sunday after Trinity
 30th Sunday 9th Sunday after Trinity

AUGUST

2nd Wednesday Mothers Union Corporate Communion
 and Intercessions 9.30 a.m.
 Bridge Church.
 Holy Communion at 10.15 a.m. at
 Churchill House, Bridge.

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

Holy Baptism

St. Peter's Church
 Bekesbourne

4th June 1972 - Rachel Cotter
 25th June 1972 - Sarah Louise Robinson
 Claire Elizabeth Turner

May They Rest in Peace

St. Peter's Church
 Bekesbourne

7th June 1972 - William Measday

Barham
 Crematorium

8th June 1972 - Frederick Charles Griggs
 15th June 1972 - William Chantler
 28th June 1972 - Leslie George Coombes

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BRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS

The Annual General Meeting will be held on
 Tuesday July 11th in the Village Hall at 2.30 p.m.

Miss Adams of the W.R.V.S will kindly chair
 the meeting.

Our 3rd Birthday party will follow and we
 hope all members will join us for this double
 event.

M. J. Bate.
 Hon. Secretary

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

18th July Tuesday Mr. P. Farrow will speak
 on the subject of "Perfumes"
 Competition - Specimen Rose.

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CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

The total collected in Bridge and Patricxbourne
 was £72.13½ as compared with £55.78 last year in
 Bridge. Miss Whewell on behalf of the Christian
 Aid Sub-Committee of the Canterbury Christian
 Council wishes to convey thanks to all Collectors
 and contributors. Thank you.

Ethel Johnson

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BEKESBOURNE SOCIAL CLUB

We are again holding a Summer Garden Fete
 this year to help raise money for Christmas
 Parcels for Senior Citizens of our village. It
 has been a great success in the past two years.
 I hope you will all come and support us and make
 it a real good effort.

U. A. Dalton
 Secretary

BEKESBOURNE SOCIAL CLUB
SUMMER GARDEN FETE

Cobham Court
by kind permission of Mr. & Mrs. W. H. Whigham
Bekesbourne Saturday July 1st 2 p.m.

Gardens open, Organ, Bowling for Pig, Country Magic Western Group, Childrens Fancy dress, Flower arranging, Swimming Pool open to public, Pony Rides, Refreshments, Many Stalls and Sideshows. Come and enjoy yourself! Free Car Parking.

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SUMMER FETE 1972

The Churchwardens on behalf of the Parochial Church Council would take this opportunity to thank all those who assisted the Fete Committee with donations, gifts or hard work to make the occasion a success. In particular we would thank those who turned up in the inclement weather to support the event with their presence and generosity.

H.P.M.L.

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CHURCH CLEANING AT BEKESBOURNE
FOR JULY

Mrs. Watson	July 1st
Mrs. Guy	July 8th
Mrs. Sandall	July 15th
Mrs. Kingsford & Mrs. Smith	July 22nd
Mrs. Cox & Mrs. Stickels	July 29th

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MOTHERS UNION

Wednesday July 5th Mothers Union Corporate
Communion with Intercessions

Monday July 17th 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church
Branch meeting at 37 Union
Road, 2.45 p.m. Mrs. Newbury
is the Speaker - The Greek
Orthodox Church.

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BRIDGE & PATRIBOURNE CHURCH FETE

<u>RECEIPTS.</u>	£
TEAS. CAKES (Mrs. Greenwood & Mrs. Hunter)	34
GROCERIES (Mother's Union)	13
GARDEN PRODUCE (Mr McKeever)	9
STATIONERY (Mr. J. Berry & Mrs Bell)	9
WHITE ELEPHANT (Mrs Turpin)	6
GUIDES	2
BROWNIES	2
RAFFLE NET. (Mr. Down & Mr. Turpin)	43
BOTTLE STALL (Mr, Johnson & Mr. Hill)	58
VARIOUS SIDE SHOWS	33
DONATIONS	5
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<u>EXPENSES</u>	£	
HIRE OF SCHOOL TABLES ETC.,	6	
PRINTING LEAFLETS & POSTERS	6	
BAND	15	
FANCY DRESS PRIZES	3	
SUNDRY EXPENSES	2	
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	PROFIT	

The actual surplus was £182.07 compared with
£148 in 1971 An excellent result.

C. A. P.

BRIDGE CHURCH MUSIC

Some of you would be surprised to know just what effort goes into the planning of each choral service here in Bridge.

Sunday Evensong here seems to be the main weekly service, and I thought you would perhaps be interested to know how each service is planned from the musical point of view, and what are the essential points to be remembered. I should emphasise that whatever I choose is naturally subject to the Vicar's consent and approval. It is thanks to him that we are able to have a more exciting programme than most village churches.

First, The particular church season and the particular Sunday in it has to be noted. It might for example, chance to be the third Sunday in Eastertide. All the music, besides the lessons, has to be suitable. The first job is to pick the Psalm, which can be done either from the 1928 Prayer Book or the 1672 Psalms for the Day. I myself prefer the former as they are chosen especially for each individual Sunday throughout the year.

Since there is a small choice, I consider the words: which of these few psalms has the most obvious meaning, fine poetry, reasonable length: and very important, does the choir know the Chant! If not, will they have time to learn it in the pre-service rehearsal? Sometimes I have to take my second choice for this reason. The choir might need to rehearse a difficult anthem or setting of the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis and there might not be time for a new psalm and chant to be learnt.

The psalm chosen is of course always rehearsed anyway. Then I consult the traditional table or scheme of Office Hymns for the year, and sort out once again whether the choir and people know the tune set or whether it must be sung to another tune. I never of course change the hymn

itself, even if it is a little unfamiliar, as it is specifically for the day in question.

Next I choose the other hymns - normally two if there is to be an anthem, three if not. They must fit the church season, and I therefore study what the hymn book has to offer from that section. Occasionally the Vicar will request a specific hymn to fit a sermon. We are of course always careful that the words are worthy of use in 1972, and of intelligent minds. The tune? The one set if it is good. Remember that there is good bad and indifferent in music, just as there is in language. If the tune is poor or not known and there is another better known tune which is reasonable then we sing it to this. Sometimes of course a superb tune which deserves to be known but has never broken through the "C of E" conservatism that we all know so well is a "must" so the choir learns it in its rehearsal, the congregation learns it during the service, and I try to put it down again the following week. I usually try to find contrasting moods and speeds for the hymns, and always endeavour to send people out of the church fired with enthusiasm and hope for the week ahead by careful choice of the last hymn, rather than with a Victorian sentimental whimper as in some churches!

We now have a few proper settings of the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis from which to choose, all of which the congregation now knows. I shall introduce a new one soon. We have enough of one set of "Mag and Nuncs" to give copies to the congregation! You may have noticed that some settings are simply melodic, sometimes in unison, sometimes in harmony. Others are based on plainsong, which is the most ancient and beautiful music of the church. Interspersed with the plainchant verses are harmony verses known as "faux bourdons" or 'fa-burdens'. These 'faux bourdon' settings of the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis are used for the most solemn and important Sundays and Feast days of the Christian Year.

Here in Bridge we usually have an anthem every Sunday, chosen from our present repertoire of 16. I have tried to build this repertoire with as much contrast as possible, drawing on music from the 16th to the 20th Century.

Speaking of both anthems and hymns, if music is to be used in worship then it has to be worthy, and must stand up to musical standards as applied to secular music. Much of what is often sung in churches is very poor and, incredibly, from a period of about seventy years starting near 1840. When you consider that Christian Church Music has probably existed for nearly two thousand years it really does seem ludicrous that those who say "we like the old tunes" are usually referring to those written in Victorian England! The odd thing is that good modern tunes also receive a poor deal in churches! We are trying to introduce more as soon as we can.

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Notes on the History of Bekeshourne
THE MANOR PART IV

This gateway was built of brick, and is thus described by Battely. "I suppose the Gateway (to be) built by Archbishop Cranmer and finished A.D. 1552 and that Archbishop Parker did the inward work and the wainscot doors, gates, etc. A.D. 1572. I have these grounds for my conjecture. The arms of Cranmer with the date 1552 are cut in stone, and set in the back wall on the North side, and on the South side there is another stone thus inscribed "A.D. T.C. 1552 - "Nosce te ipsum et Deum (Know thyself and God.) Set on the great gates, which still remain firm, the Arms of Parker together with the arms of the see of Canterbury with this date 1572, are set up. And in another place the Arms of Parker also and this label above the crest 'Gloria transit et concupiscentia

mundi' (The glory and desire of the world pass away)
All of them in wood."

There stood the gateway then-built of brick with Cranmer's inscribed stone let into the brick work above the arch on each side, while Parker's arms were on the wooden gate erected in his time.

Hasted tells that the Gateway was pulled down in his time-"through very narrow and sordid motives" So that the present buildings are the old gatehouse with the gateway gone, and are still called "the Old Palace!"

On the East side the building is still of 16th century brickwork, Cranmer's inscribed stones let into the wall, after their removal from the Gateway. The building on the West side forms one of the most charming old residences in the neighbourhood.

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JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet at 11. a.m. on July 9th
16th 23rd and 30th.

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SUNDAY SERVICES FOR AUGUST

BRIDGE

PATRIXBOURNE

BEKESBOURNE

6th August - 10th Sunday after Trinity

The Transfiguration

11 a.m. Matt. & Sermon.	8 a.m. Holy Communion P.H.	9.30 a.m. Sung Communion
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13th August - 11th Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Holy C. (Series II) 6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion P.H.
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20th August - 12th Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Sung) P.H. 6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion (Series II)	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon
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27th August - 13th Sunday after Trinity

8 a.m. Holy Comm. 6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon	9 a.m. Holy Communion P.H.	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon. P.H. 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion
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3rd September - 14th Sunday after Trinity

11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion P.H.	9.30 a.m. Sung Communion
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Holy Communion is celebrated at 9.30 a.m. on Wednesdays and 7.30 a.m. on Fridays during the week in Bridge Church. Evensong is at 5 p.m. at The Close every Sunday except on the first Sunday in the month when there is a celebration of Holy Communion.

Dear Parishioners of Bridge, Patricxbourne and Bekesbourne,

I have often been asked by children "Which is the first day of the week?" They say that they always thought it was Monday but many people seem to think Sunday is. The right answer is Sunday the day on which Christians meet week by week to commemorate Christ's Resurrection (St. John XX). Following the law of Moses, the Jews regarded Saturday, the Sabbath as a day more holy than other days. From the very first, Christians emphasised that God should be worshipped in every day of the week and not only on one in seven and so the Jewish Sabbath fell into disuse. As the Church Catechism puts it "My duty towards God is to serve him truly ALL the days of my life."

August is the great holiday month. May I wish all who will be on holiday a really happy time especially the children. I hope that they will all come back to school in September refreshed and strengthened for your new year's work.

In most diaries you will find August 1st given as La mmas Day. This is a corruption of Loaf-mass Day and it was the day when, in accordance with local custom, people brought gifts of bread and wine to Church for use in the Holy Communion Services. Indeed in ancient custom the first sheaf of corn and the first loaf baked from the flour of that early yield are supposed to be brought to Church in thanksgiving. This is not done nowadays but when I was a curate of St. Saviours Church, Roath, Cardiff at the beginning of my ministry, many people gave money at that time for the purchase of all things required for use in the sanctuary, that is not only for wafers and wine but also for such things as candles for the altar, new altar linen and so on. It was a delightful custom and as people in that parish were just at that time extremely poor and in dire poverty the gifts were not nominal gifts

but gifts to the Church at a cost. These holy things I am afraid we take for granted.

This year the Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord, August 6th, falls on a Sunday and on that day I will be preaching on this subject at Evensong at Bridge Church. The Transfiguration reveals specifically Christian insight. At the very centre of the Universe is Christ himself and his place in the destine of man.

There is too on the day after the day of the Transfiguration a little known feast - 'The Holy Name of Jesus'. It is full of sound teaching. What is the meaning of a name? To each one of us at our baptism we were given a name. As a child we were brought to the font and given our Christian name in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. Christian names! Whenever we hear ourselves called by that name let us remember that we belong to Jesus Christ for Christian simply means 'Christ's Own'. To each one of us of all ages and generations who bear the name of Christian - who bear a Christian name are 'Children of God' with a Common Eternal Father. All of us indeed baptised into the Family of God - Children of God.

I would like to thank the Committee of the Bekesbourne Social Club and Mr. & Mrs. Walter Wigham for their kind and generous invitation to Bekesbourne Church to have a stall at their recent Summer Garden Fete at Cobham Court which invitation we gladly accepted.

Yours sincerely in our Blessed Lord
Colin E. H. Perry
Rural Dean and Vicar

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CALENDAR FOR AUGUST

July

30th Sunday 9th after Trinity

August

2nd Wednesday Mothers Union Corporate Communion and Intercessions - 9.30 a.m. at Bridge Church, Holy Communion at Churchill House - 10.15 a.m.

6th Sunday 10th after Trinity
Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord

13th Sunday 11th after Trinity

15th Tuesday W.I. meeting in Bridge Village Hall

20th Sunday 12th after Trinity

24th Thursday St. Bartholomew A. Holy Communion 9.30 a.m. at Bridge Church

27th Sunday 13th after Trinity
Preacher at 11 a.m. Mattins at Bekesbourne The Rev. P. H. Holden

September

2nd Saturday Bazaar and Sale of work at 2.30 p.m. at Churchill House Bridge

3rd Sunday 14th after Trinity

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

St. Mary's Patrixbourne

2nd July, 1972

David Jonathan Savage
Michala Tina Horlow

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ST. MARY'S CHURCH PATRIBOURNE

Our thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Edmonds for their kind gift of 24 new red kneelers as an act of in memoriam.

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BRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

The club will be closed for the month of August, reopening on Tuesday September 5th when Miss Dixon, Acting Centre Organiser for the W.R.V.S. is coming to talk to Members.... we look forward to seeing you all again after the holiday.

New members will be welcome, we meet in the Village Hall on Tuesday afternoons at 2.30 p.m.

M. J. Bate. Hon. Secretary

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WOMENS INSTITUTE

Tuesday August 15th "House Plants" - Miss D. Larkan.
Competition: Minature Flower arrangement (overall size 3")

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MOTHERS UNION

Wednesday, August 2nd Corporate Communion with Intercessions 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church

The Mothers Union members would like to record their thanks to the bottle stall holders at the Church Fete for their generous help on the Mothers Union Stall.

There will be no branch meeting in August.

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CHURCHILL HOUSE

You are invited to a Bazaar and Sale of Work at

CHURCHILL HOUSE, UNION ROAD

on Saturday September 2nd at 2.30 p.m.
Cakes, Groceries, Bric-Brac Stalls with an excellent raffle, Teas.

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Mrs. Watson . . August 12th
Mrs. Grey & Purchase . . August 19th
Mrs. Sandall . . August 26th

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CHOIR REPORT /Continued

The choir has increased in size and now numbers 24. The balance has improved as we have gained more trebles and sopranos. The top line consists of boys, girls, and women's voices, and the 8 men are 3 altos, 3 tenors and 2 basses.

Attendance is generally good, and most choir members are considerate enough to let me know in advance if they will be prevented from attending, though this is still not automatic, I'm sorry to say, particularly with our younger members! There are a few fair weather singers among them, just as there are in any congregation!

During the last year the actual sound the choir makes has markedly improved, and it took part recently in its first recital with me in the joint church-and-school choir concert, which brought us

Choir Report /Cont'd..

a few new members. We have been experimenting for some months with the positioning of the choir. What is certain is that the organ is so placed as to overpower the singers in the chancel, unless they shout! They may look very pretty in the "holy end", but musically the result is poor, and the children's voices cannot be heard.

For many Evensongs we have therefore had the choir in the North Nave Aisle near the organ, and from there the singers have sounded better, and more important they have been able to give the congregation a better lead. They can all see the organist too!

I have not had to drown the singing in order that the choir could hear the organ, which tends to be the case otherwise!

We have on several occasions brought the choir forward down the chancel steps just for the anthem, which has helped matters. Naturally, the congregation is divided on this issue. Some prefer to have the singers nearer them, and there is no doubt that the congregation sings up more when they are. Others prefer to see the choir rather than hear it, complaining with some justification that the chancel looks very empty without a choir in it!

What should be remembered also is that in a parish church robed choirs are a comparatively recent innovation; and were introduced in the mid 19th Century! Before that chancels contained only the priest and the Altar. Music came from elsewhere in the church, often a gallery.

In Bridge, ideally, from a musical point of view there would be a second set of choir stalls in the North Nave Aisle, near the organ and facing inwards towards the congregation, complete with

book and music rests. The church is seldom full enough for the congregation to use the present forward facing pews; and in any case all they see is the huge wooden side of the organ and the very attractive piano back!

Should these stalls be needed by a large congregation, no harm is done. They could be re-occupied and the choir could return to the chancel. Or the extra congregation could be seated there for that matter!

Peter Giles,
Organist & Choir Master,
St. Peter's Church, Bridge.

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LETTER FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

August, 1972

Who are allowed to receive Holy Communion in the Church of England? It has always been understood that no person presenting himself to receive Communion in the Service is passed over unless he is known to be "an open and notorious evil-liver". But it has equally been understood to be a different question: who may be invited or told that it is, or is not, within the Church's rules for him to receive.

Any uncertainties about this in the law and practice of the Church of England are now removed. At the General Synod on July 9th, it was announced that the Royal Assent had been given to a new Canon which makes the law of our Church clear and unambiguous. The Canon lays down that Holy Communion is given (a) to those who have been episcopally confirmed in our own or another Church; (b) to baptised communicant members in good stand in any Church which professes belief in God the Holy Trinity; (c) any baptised person in danger of death.

It is provision (b) which marks a new development. Hitherto there have been Convocation rules

Letter from the Archbishop /Cont'd..

defining certain types of occasion on which the reception of Holy Communion by non-Anglicans is allowed. Now there are no such restrictions. At any celebration of Holy Communion, the non-Anglican who is a baptised communicant of his own Church is welcomed. Let it be made known to enquirers, that this is now the lawful rule and practice of our Church.

If a non-Anglican communicates with us for a long period, then the Canon lays down he should be urged to consider accepting the rule of our Church for our own members, which is Confirmation by the Bishop.

It is noteworthy that in the General Synod, with its well known variations of outlook and with its known divergence on some other questions of reunion, the support for the new Canon on admission to Holy Communion was overwhelming.

Michael Cantuar

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RADICAL CHANGES PROPOSED BY
MOTHERS' UNION COMMISSION

Membership for unmarried divorced women is just one of a series of radical changes recommended for the Mothers' Union. The recommendations have come after three years' work by a special commission headed by the Bishop of Willesden, the Right Rev. Graham Leonard and are contained in a 300-page, 70,000-word report - New Dimensions, published by S.P.C.K.

Since its formation, the Mothers' Union has regarded divorce as a dis-qualification for membership because it believed that a woman who had two partners living at the same time could not witness

personally to the indissolubility of marriage and that divorce threatened the stability of family life.

The Commission, however, has recognised that no theology of marriage exists that can justify the exclusion of an unmarried divorced woman from Church membership.

Other main proposals in the report; the formation of Christian Family Groups, open to men and women; establishment of a single secretariat at headquarters; direct membership of the National Council of Social Service; reduction of the terms of office of all senior honorary officers from nine to six years; a complete overhaul of the constitution, including petitioning for a new Royal Charter.

The commission's findings are based on an immense volume of evidence from every part of the Anglican Communion, at home and overseas, from bishops, clergy, members at all levels and many other organisations and private individuals. The report will now be studied for the next year before any action is taken on the recommendations.

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3rd September - 14th Sunday after Trinity

11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion 6.30 p.m. Even-song & Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion	9.30 a.m. Sung Communion
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10th September - 15th Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Series II) 6.30 p.m. Even-song and Sermon	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion
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17th September - 16th Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Sung) 6.30 p.m. Even-song and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion (Series II)	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon
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24th September - 17th Sunday after Trinity

Harvest Thanksgiving at Bridge & Patrixbourne Churches		
8 a.m. Holy Communion 6.30 p.m. Harvest Thanksgiving Festival, Preacher: Rev. A. Richardson of Barham	11 a.m. Harvest Thanksgiving Festival	9 a.m. Holy Communion N.B.

1st October - 18th Sunday after Trinity

11 a.m. Mattins & Sermon 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion	8 a.m. Holy Communion	11 a.m. Harvest Thanksgiving Service, Preacher: Rev. L. Blaxland
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Dear Parishioners of Bridge, Patrixbourne
and Bekesbourne,

September is a month marked by the happy services of the Harvest Festival. You will find details of the arrangements for our Harvest Festival Services in all our churches in another part of the magazine, and it is hoped they will be well supported. There is always much preparation beforehand both on the part of the Organist and Choir and also by those who decorate our churches so beautifully. I am grateful to them all. It is a period of the cycle of our prayers when we say 'thank you' to God for his "loving kindness and goodness to us and all men."

The month of September in this country is a particularly beautiful month of the year associated with the final gathering in of the harvest, the turning of the colour of the leaves and with its strange beauty ere 'nature sleeps'. As some of you may know a 43-mile section of the North Down Way, one of the natural long distance paths is now open to the public. The path has been put in good order, sign-posted and waymarked by Kent County Council. It enters Bekesbourne where orchards mark the exit from Canterbury, where the path leaves the A257 road on the eastern side of the city and turns southward to Patrixbourne and thence to Barham Down.

The North Downs Way runs close to and in places makes use of the Pilgrims Way and is designed as a modern walk for its scenic attractiveness, beauty and interest. I do hope that many of you will use this pathway perhaps as a thanksgiving for the joy of God's creatures and as part of a Harvest thanksgiving.

Michaelmas Day is on Friday the 19th September. The close connection between the harvest festival and Michaelmas Day reminds us of judgement, as we think of the angel reapers coming at the end of time. This judgement as the gospel teaches us will

not be upon our religious feelings or habits but on the actual practical quality of our lives - in short our sincerity. The Michaelmas Collect is one of the loveliest in the prayer book. "O everlasting God who has ordained and constituted the services of Angels and . . . in a wonderful order: mercifully grant that, as thy holy angels always do thee service in heaven so by thy appointment they may succour and defend us on earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord." Are human beings the only creatures called to the love of God? 'Scripture speaks of such beings the angels. They are messengers of God or powers stemming from God ministering spirit is (Hebrews i 14) who are often presented under human form in the Bible. They give concrete form to God's goodness these great and good forces which work with us in the creation. Is their existence a supposition based on the Scriptures view of the world? Or is it part of God's message? In any case the Bible presents them as fully involved in our history of salvation in Christ and everything that is said about them in the Bible proclaims the marvellous truth; that God is concerned with us in a thousand ways. The name of the angels tell us this. Gabriel means 'strength of God' Raphael's 'God's healing', Michael 'Who is like God?'

Children's Church will re-commence on Sunday September 24th beginning at 11 a.m. at St. Peter's Church, Bridge. Mrs. Meigh would give a happy welcome to any of our children in our villages.

Battle of Britain Sunday falls this year on Sunday September 17th. It is good for us in this part of England to remember those days and to give thanks to God for our country's deliverance. It would be particularly fitting if former members of the Royal Air Force were present at one of our Services on this day.

Yours sincerely in Our Lord,
Colin E. H. Perry
Rural Dean and Vicar

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER

September

- 3rd Sunday, - 14th Sunday after Trinity
5th Tuesday, Senior Citizens' Club meeting in the Village Hall, 2.30 p.m.
6th Wednesday, Mothers' Union Corporate Communion with Intercessions 9.30 a.m., Bridge Church.
10th Sunday - 15th Sunday after Trinity
13th Wednesday, Holy Communion at Church House, 10.15 a.m.
14th Thursday, Bible Study Group meeting, 8 p.m. Mrs. Meigh, 37 Union Road, Bridge.
17th Sunday - 16th Sunday after Trinity
Battle of Britain Sunday.
18th Monday, Mothers' Union Branch meeting, 2.45 p.m. 37 Union Road, Bridge.
19th Tuesday, W.I. Harvest Supper, Bridge Village Hall.
20th Wednesday, Young Wives Group new season begins. Harvest Supper 8 p.m., Bridge Village Hall.
21st Thursday, St. Matthew - Holy Communion 9.30 a.m., Bridge Church.
24th Sunday - 17th Sunday after Trinity
Junior Church re-commences 11 a.m., at Bridge Church.
Harvest Festival Services at Patricbourne, 11 a.m. and at Bridge Church, 6.30 p.m. Preacher at Bridge: Rev. Alan Richardson, Rector of Barham.
28th Thursday, Bible Study Group Meeting, 8 p.m., at Mr. & Mrs. Pierce, 7 Windmill Close, Bridge.
29th Friday, St. Michael & All Angels Holy Communion at 7.30 p.m., Bridge Church.
Evening Market - League of Friends of Canterbury Hospitals Bridge Group. Village Hall 7 p.m.

Calendar for September /Cont'd..

October

1st Sunday - 18th Sunday after Trinity.

Harvest Festival Service at Bekes-
bourne Church 11 a.m. Preacher the
Rev. Lionel Blaxland.

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BRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS' CLUB

We look forward to meeting all our members on
Tuesday September 5th in the Village Hall at
2.30 p.m. Miss Dixon of the W.R.V.S. is coming to
talk to us. New members will be very welcome.

M. J. Bate, Hon. Secretary

BRIDGE YOUNG WIVES GROUP

The new season begins on September 20th when
we will be holding a Harvest Supper in the Village
Hall at 8 p.m.

Any young or not so young wife will be very
welcome to join us - we look forward to meeting you!

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Tuesday, September 19th Harvest Supper - Followed
by "The River Beult" -
Mrs. Gipson
Competition - "Harvest
Table Arrangement".

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

With most of the summer holidays over we re-
commence our studies on Thursday 14th September at
Mrs. Meigh's home in Union Road by her kind invit-
ation. The Rev. Holden will open the series with
"The Forgiveness of Sin". The following meeting will

be on 28th September at 7 Windmill Close, the home
of Mr. & Mrs. Pierce who once more have so gener-
ously opened their home to us. Both meetings com-
mence at 8 p.m.

LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF CANTERBURY HOSPITALS
BRIDGE GROUP

We invite you all to an "Evening Market" with
a Coloured Slides Show entitled "London Scenes" on
Friday 29th September in the Village Hall at 7 p.m.
There will be many varied stalls, a raffle and
there will be coffee and biscuits available. Do
all come and enjoy a couple of hours and help our
worthy cause. Who knows when you may want the hos-
pital to help you?

Frances E. Apps,
Hon. Sec. Bridge Group L.O.F.

MOTHERS' UNION

Wednesday September 6th Corporate Communion at
9.30 a.m. in Bridge Church.
Monday, September 18th Branch meeting at 2.45 p.m.
at 37 Union Road.
Speaker - Mrs. Yerbury.

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St. Peter's Church, Bekesbourne
CHURCH CLEANING FOR SEPTEMBER

Mrs. Kingsford & Mrs. Smith - September 2nd
Mrs. Cox & Mrs. Stickels - September 9th
Mrs. Hogben - September 16th
Mrs. Hogben - September 23rd
Mrs. Grey & Mrs. Purchase - September 30th

JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet at 11 a.m. on Sunday,
September 24th.

HARVEST FESTIVALS

All offers of help in decorating our churches and gifts of flowers, produce etc. will be very welcome.

St. Mary's Patricbourne, Decorating begins at 9.30 a.m. onwards, Saturday, September 23rd
 St. Peter's Bekesbourne, Decorating begins at 9.30 a.m. onwards, Saturday September 30th.
 St. Peter's Bridge, Decorating begins at 9.30 a.m. onwards on Saturday September 23rd.

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

St. Peter's Church, Bridge
 6th August, 1972 - Susan Wilsher
 13th August, 1972 - Paul Richard Whyman

May They Rest in Peace

St. Peter's Church, Bekesbourne
 8th August, 1972 - Lilian Collard
 Barham Crematorium
 17th August, 1972 - George Henry Cowley

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CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL LECTURES, 1972

Facing The Future - Wednesdays, 8 p.m.

MODERN PRESSURES AND -
 October 18th

HUMAN PERSONALITY - John C. Dancy

October 25th

THE COMMUNITY OF NATIONS - Lord Caradon

November 1st

SOCIAL COMMUNITY - Professor Pahl

November 8th

THE ENVIRONMENT - Dr. E. F. Schumacher

THE BRIDGE DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The final meeting of the Committee was held on 8th August, 1972 at Field House, Bridge.

The Hon. Treasurer presented the following account as at 19th July, 1972.

<u>Receipts</u>	£	p	<u>Expenditure</u>	£	p
Balance b/f	14.	99	Cost of QUIZ Competition & A.G.M.		
			Postage, Stationery etc.	8.37	
			Hire of Hall	2.43	
			Printing	3.00	
			Stamping Deed	0.50	
			Bal. transferred to Savings Bank	0.69	
				£14.99	£14.99

The Horticultural Society's account with the S.E. Trustee Savings Bank amounting to £118.59 (not including interest) has been transferred to the Bridge Parish Council in accordance with a resolution passed at a General Meeting of the Society held on 8th March, 1972, subject to the condition that should a responsible Committee wish to resuscitate the Bridge Horticultural Society the Parish Council may, entirely at its discretion, hand over the fund to such a committee. If no valid application is received by 1st April, 1977 the fund will then become the whole property of the Bridge Parish Council both as to capital and interest.

The cups and trophies belonging to the Horticultural Society have been disposed of as follows:

The Bridge District Horticultural Society /Cont'd..

Returned to the donors.

The PRESTIGE Rose Bowl to Major John Prestige.
The PRESTIGE Cup " Major John Prestige.
The MOUNT CUP " Mr. James Mount
The JOY cup " Mrs. N. Joy
The POTTER cup " Mrs. D. Potter
The POTTER trophy " Mr. C. A. Potter
The W.I. cup " Mrs. V. Dawson

Presented to the Bridge W.I. - the SOCIETY BOWL
(for members' wives)

Presented to Bridge Primary School

The BLEE Memorial Cup
The S. L. PRESTIGE Cup
The FREMLINS Cup

Presented to the Bridge Badminton Club -
The SOCIETY'S Cup.

Presented to the Bridge Chess Club
The SOCIETY cup.

Since the school authorities are unable to find room to store the rope and stakes, Mr. C. A. Potter has kindly agreed to keep them at Field House (Bridge 218) where they can be obtained on loan.

What remains of the crockery has been presented to the Village Hall Committee.

C.A.P.

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In connection with the Church and State Report, Dr. J. Pryor moved at the recent Diocesan Synod on July 29th:

"That this Diocesan Synod is in favour of early action by the General Synod to implement the recommendations of the Church and State Commission regarding the control of worship and doctrine by promoting a measure on the lines of the draft in Appendix B of the Commission's Report".

The motion was carried with the following amendment:

"That in the opinion of this Diocesan Synod, if a measure is promoted on the lines of the draft in Appendix B of the Church and State Report the General Synod should be given permanent powers to order forms of worship in the Church of England, except that the powers given to the General Synod should not include power to replace the 1662 Book of Common Prayer by another Prayer Book or to prohibit the use of any of the services of the Book of Common Prayer."

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SUNDAY SERVICES FOR OCTOBER

BRIDGE PATRIXBOURNE BEKESBOURNE

1st October - 18th Sunday after Trinity

11 a.m. Matt and Sermon 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion 6.30 p.m. Even- song & Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion	9.30 a.m. Sung Communion
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8th October - 19th Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Series II) 6.30 p.m. Even- song & Sermon	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon.	8 a.m. Holy Communion
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15th October - 20th Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Sung) 6.30 p.m. Evensong	8 a.m. Holy Communion	11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon 11.45 a.m. Holy Comm.
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29th October - 21st Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Holy Communion 6.30 p.m. Even- song & Sermon	11 a.m. Matt.	8 a.m. Holy Communion
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Holy Communion is celebrated at 9.30 a.m. on Wednesdays and 7.30 a.m. on Fridays during the Week in Bridge Church.

Evensong is at 5 p.m. at The Close every Sunday except on the first Sunday in the month when there is a celebration of Holy Communion.

Dear Parishioners of Bridge Patricxbourne and
Bekebourne,

First may I congratulate the Rev. Philip Holden on the commemoration of sixty years in Holy Orders on St. Matthews Day. He was ordained deacon in Chester Cathedral in 1912. His ministry still continues with us and it has given much happiness to many of us. May it continue for many years to come.

Have you a son or daughter aged between seven and eleven. Our parish churches at Bridge and Bekebourne needs boys and girls of this age for the Choir. What have our choir to offer? A choir gives musical training and enjoyment of music making. It also gives Christian training, character building and the development of alertness and self-confidence. Will being in the Choir take up a lot of time? Bearing in mind the demands of homework, rehearsals are kept to a minimum. How does one join? Parents are invited to bring or send their son or daughter to Church at one of the following times: 6.45 p.m. on Wednesday at Bekebourne Church or 5.30 p.m. on Sunday at Bridge Church. Alternatively they may like to communicate with either of the organists and choirmasters whose names and addresses may be found at the back of the magazine.

St. Luke's Day is on Wednesday October 18th. On this day at the 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion Service at Bridge Church special prayers will be offered for members of the medical and nursing profession, also for the matron and staff at The Close. There is a growing desire beginning to be felt in all spheres of the Church's life for a new understanding of Our Lord's healing ministry and the implication of it for the lives of those in sickness today.

I would like to draw your attention to the East Bridge Deanery Missionary Festival. This will be held at the Barn, Kingston from 3 p.m. to

6 p.m. I hope there will be a real effort on the part of our parishes to support this venture. There will be an Exhibition of Missionaries Societies Book Stall, A Bring and Buy Stall, a Raffle etc.

The Exhibition will consist of things lent by Missionary Societies and we are also asking all those who have lived and worked overseas or any others to lend anything of interest they may have from the countries with which they have had connections. There will be only one Bring and Buy Stall. We hope that every effort will be made to make it a particularly large one. Gifts of all kinds will be most welcome. Teas will be available and there will be a free parking for cars on the Playing Field. The Barn will be open on the morning of the 28th if anyone wishes to bring exhibits gifts etc.

You will find elsewhere details of the Series of Cathedral Lectures during October and early November. The theme is "Facing the future". The lectures are designed to encourage thought and discussion of particular areas of concern, where decisions taken now are likely to affect the quality of life in the future.

Yours sincerely in Our Blessed Lord
Colin E. H. Perry
Rural Dean and Vicar.

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MOTHERS UNION

Wednesday October 4th Corporate Communion with Intercessions Bridge Church 9.30 a.m.

Monday October 9th The Mothers Union and Young Wives Rally to be held in Margate, Bring and Buy Stall.

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SUNDAY SERVICES FOR AUGUST

BRIDGE PATRIBOURNE BEKESBOURNE

6th August - 10th Sunday after Trinity

The Transfiguration

11 a.m. Matt. & Sermon.	8 a.m. Holy Communion	9.30 a.m. Sung Communion
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8th October 13th August - 14th Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Holy C. (Series II)	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion
6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon		

15th October 20th August - 12th Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Sung)	8 a.m. Holy Communion (Series II)	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon
6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon		

22nd October 27th August - 13th Sunday after Trinity

8 a.m. Holy Comm.	9 a.m. Holy Communion	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon.
6.30 p.m. Evensong & Sermon		11.45 a.m. Holy Communion

29th October 3rd September - 14th Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Matt. and Sermon.	8 a.m. Holy Communion	9.30 a.m. Sung Communion
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Monday October 16th

Branch Meeting at 37 Union Road. Sister Bowden will speak to us from the Methodist Church at 2.45p.m.

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JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet at 11 a.m. on the following dates. October 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th.

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

Holy Baptism

St. Peter's Church, Bridge 17th September, 1972 - Steven James Flower - Trevor James Baker

St. Mary's Patribourne 24th September, 1972 - Edward James Martin Clarke

Holy Matrimony

St. Peter's Church, Bridge 2nd September, 1972 - Hedley Brian Hilton - Lesley Jane Gustard 9th September, 1972 - Keith Frederick Dice - Pamela Shirley Hoare

May They Rest in Peace

At Barham Crematorium 8th September, 1972 - Edward Baker

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CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER

October

1st Sunday 18th Sunday after Trinity Bekesbourne Church Harvest Festival 11 a.m. Preacher Rev. Lionel Blaxland. 4th Wednesday Mothers Union Corporate Communion with Intercessions 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church.

Calendar for October/Cont'd

- 4th Wednesday, Young Wives Group meeting Bridge Village Hall 7.30 p.m.
5th Thursday, W.I. Tea and Entertainment, The Close Residents.
8th Sunday, 19th Sunday after Trinity
9th Monday, Mothers Union/Young Wives Rally at Margate.
12th Thursday, Bible Study Group Meeting 8p.m. Church Cottage Bridge.
15th Sunday, 20th Sunday after Trinity
Mr. David Johnson Licenced Parochial Reader to preach at 11 a.m. Mattins at Bekebourne Church and 6.30 p.m. Evensong at Bridge Church.
16th Monday, Mothers Union Branch Meeting 37 Union Road, 2.45 p.m.
17th Tuesday, W.I. meeting Bridge Village Hall 7.00 p.m.
18th Wednesday, St. Luke's Day. Holy Communion 9.30 a.m. at Bridge Church. Canterbury Cathedral Lecture 8p.m.
22nd Sunday, 21st Sunday after Trinity
Rev. N. C. Rom Chaplain at H.M. Prison Canterbury to preach at Evensong at Bridge Church 6.30 p.m.
24th Tuesday, Bridge P.C.C. meeting 7.30 p.m. at Bridge Village Hall.
25th Wednesday, Canterbury Cathedral Lecture 8 p.m.
26th Thursday, Bible Study Group meeting 8 p.m. 42 Bridge Down, Canterbury.
28th Saturday, East Bridge Deanery Missionary Festival at the Barn, Kingston 3 - 6 p.m. Please support by your presence.
29th Sunday, 22nd Sunday after Trinity (British Summer time ends)

November

- 1st Wednesday, All Saints Day. Mothers Union Corporate Communion with Intercessions 9.30 a.m. at Bridge Church.
Canterbury Cathedral Lecture 8 p.m.
Young Wives Group Meeting Bridge Village Hall 7.30 p.m.

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CHURCHILL HOUSE

A successful bazaar was held on Saturday September 2nd in aid of funds for future events. Mrs. Smith (Warden) on behalf of the residents many of whom had stalls thanks everyone who came. Amongst the buyers were members of the Bridgeblean Rural District Council and their wives.

M.M.

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SILVER FOIL

Mrs. Douglas of 4 Riverside Cottage Patricxbourne wishes to thank all donors and collectors of silver foil for the Overseas Missions, especially the anonymous donors. The supply is being well kept up.

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WOMENS INSTITUTE

- Thursday October, 5th Tea and Entertainment, The Close Residents.
Tuesday October, 17th Meeting Bridge Village Hall 7.00 p.m. "Experiences as an Amateur Actress" Mrs. Pat Wilkinson. Competition. A Hedgerow Collection from a walk.

BRIDGE YOUNG WIVES GROUP

Wednesday October 4th Mrs. Penn "Being a J.P."
Wednesday October 17th "Homemade Wines" Talk and
Demonstration by Mrs.
Jean Pendirck.
Wednesday November, 1st "Childrens Shoes" Talk by
Mrs. Litten from Carlton
Sage Shoe Shop.

New members will be very welcome to join us at
7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall for any of these
meetings.

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BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Our first meeting in October will be on the
12th at Church Cottage and our hosts, Mr. & Mrs.
Rose. We thank them. The second meeting on the
26th will be at 42 Bridge Down, by the kind
invitation of Mr. & Mrs. Johnson.

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BEKESBOURNE CHURCH CLEANING

October, 7th - Mrs. D. Sandall
October, 14th - Mrs. Kingsford and
Mrs. F. Smith
October, 21st - Mrs. Cox and
Mrs. Stickells
October, 28th - Mrs. Hogben

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BROWNIE PACK

This year our 'Brownie Pack' is seven years old,
and on November 20th we shall be holding a birthday
party for all past and present members of the pack.
We hope as many 'old' Brownies as possible will
come along

Time and place of the party will be in the mag-
azine next month.

the next Brownie church parade will be at
11 a.m. at Bridge Church on November 5th. When
we hope as many Brownies as possible will come.

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CHRISTMAS CARDS

Remade Christmas Cards and Greeting Cards
in aid of the Church of England Children's
Society will again be on sale at 15b Burgate,
Canterbury from October 18th at the following
times:-

Monday and Wednesday 10.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.
Friday 10.30 a.m. - 4.30 p.m.

These cards, which have been collected in
the parishes, are remade and sold at very
reasonable prices, making a considerable con-
tribution to the Society's funds. The local Com-
mittee wishes to thank all those who co-operate in
this way. Boxes for the collection of used cards
will be placed in the church during January.

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THE SAVE THE CHILDREN FUND

Christmas Cards and Gifts are now available,
as previously, from MRS. CARNES, 3 BRIDGEFORD WAY,
BRIDGE. 'Phone Bridge 727. Your support will
be greatly appreciated.

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RESULT OF CENSUS OF VEHICLES PASSING THROUGH BRIDGE

The typical weekday, mid-day Thursday to mid-day Friday (24th to 25th August).

Total number of vehicles of all types: 16,494

Total number of lorries of all types: 1,699

Total number of T.I.R. and heavy goods: 708

T.I.R. flow equals one every 50 seconds/24 hours of the day.

Average traffic flow equals one vehicle every 5.2 seconds/ 24 hours of the day.

Since the 'Bridge By-Pass Campaign' census of 1964 traffic flows have increased by 246% and heavy goods traffic by 344%.

At the Public Meeting held at the County Hotel, the K.C.C. stated that the road should carry a maximum of 9,000 p.c.u.s. (the counter strips placed over a road to indicate the number of axels). This period showed 20,502 p.c.u.s.

The most recent Ministry census figures available are those of 2 years ago when it is stated that the road was carrying 18,250 p.c.u.s. The new figures show a 25% increase in those 2 years.

Mid-day Friday 25th to Mid-day Saturday 26th.

Total number of vehicles of all types: 18,194

Equivalent number of p.c.u.s. : 22,368

This shows a 38% increase on the Ministry figures of 2 years ago and an overloading of 248.5% on the K.C.C maximum of 9,000 p.c.u.s.

The busiest period recorded was between the hours of 5.00 p.m. and 6.00 p.m. on Sunday 27th when 1,739 vehicles passed through the village.

Notes on the History of Bekesbourne

Part V

BEKESBOURNE AS A CINQUE PORT MEMBER

Having dealt with the subject of the Manor in the former chapter, we come now to the chief pride of Bekesbourne, its position as a Cinque Port.

Bekesbourne has been connected with the Cinque Port Confederacy from time immemorial. We may call it a seafaring place on its own river, with its passage to the sea, and with its own ship for many generations.

It will be well, however, to say first a little about the Cinque Ports themselves.

The Confederacy takes its name from the five ports, Hastings, Sandwich, Dover, Romney and Hythe. To which were added later the "Two Ancient Towns" of Winchelsea and Rye.

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BRIDGE PATRIXBOURNE BEKESBOURNE

5th November - 23rd Sunday after Trinity

11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon 11.45 Holy Comm. 6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Comm.	9.30 a.m. Sung Holy Communion
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12th November - 24th Sunday after Trinity
Remembrance Sunday

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Series II) 6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion
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19th November - 25th Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Sung) 6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Comm. (series II)	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon
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26th November - 26th Sunday after Trinity

8 a.m. Holy Comm. 6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon	9 a.m. Holy Comm.	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion
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3rd December - Advent Sunday

11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon 11.45 a.m. Holy Comm. 6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Comm.	9.30 a.m. Sung Communion
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Dear Parishioners of Bridge, Patricxbourne
and Bekesbourne,

November starts with the refreshing festival of All Saints and a reminder of All Souls Day that we should remember in our prayers the faithful departed, especially our own loved ones.

The Sunday before All Souls Day is a good time for everyone to go if possible to the graveside of their kinsfolk to make sure that the graves are tidy and in good repair. I would especially recall people who have relatives in the three churchyards which come under my care as the incumbent, to their duty in this matter; praising those who take care of their relatives' graves and seeking to arouse a new interest on the part of those who have not accepted this responsibility. I would especially commend to your respect the Commonwealth War Graves Commission whose representative visits and inspects every year the three War Graves of Gnr. Leadbetter, A.C.I. Vidler and Gnr. Smith in Bridge Churchyard and the 1914-18 War Grave of Gnr. Goldup in Bekesbourne Churchyard. May their souls be remembered on Remembrance Sunday which this year is on November 12th. A short service of Remembrance at the War Memorials will be held beginning five minutes before the usual morning services at the three churches.

The month of November beginning with All Souls Day ends with the Feast of St. Andrew on Thursday the 30th November. It is a month which sets us thinking about Saintly lives as the supreme evidence of the truth of Christianity and about the calling to be saints which is the meaning and purpose of being Christian at all. There is in the saints an inner joy which reflects Christ in the Christian and makes him like St. Andrew one who draws others to the secret which he has found. St. Andrew's Day may I remind you is a day when the emphasis of our prayers will be on the missionary task of the Church at home and overseas, and I

trust that at the 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion at Bridge Church on this day many more than the usual small number will come to the Church to keep this day with zeal and hope.

I propose to bring Confirmation Classes early in the New Year. Confirmation is the ministry by which through prayer with the laying on hands by the Bishop the Holy Spirit is received to complete what he began in Baptism and to give strength for a Christian life. I would be most happy to know the names of any adult or young person who wishes to be confirmed and is desirous of receiving instruction. Please think seriously about this matter if you have not yet received the sacrament of Confirmation.

On Saturday December 2nd we shall be holding our Christmas market. Further details will be in the December Magazine. As I hope to have this magazine printed early would you be so kind as to let me have all magazine matters for the December issue by November 17th.

Yours affectionately in our Lord,
COLIN E. H. PERRY
Rural Dean and Vicar.

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

Holy Baptism

St. Peter's Church, Bridge.

8th October, 1972 Michael Wai Keong Lum

Holy Matrimony

St. Peter's Church, Bridge.

30th September, 1972 Clive Paul Endersby
Mary Francis Carpenter

May They Rest in Peace

Bridge Methodist Church and afterwards at Barham
9th October, 1972 Ernest Purssord

MOTHERS' UNION

Wednesday November 1st Corporate Communion with
Intercessions 9.30 a.m.,
Bridge Church.
Monday, November 20th Branch Meeting, 37 Union
Road. Speaker: Mrs. Parr
- Yugoslavia, 2.45 p.m.

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JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet at 11 a.m. on
November 12th, 19th and 26th.

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PROPOSED ROUTE FOR BRIDGE BY-PASS

The Kent County Council has arranged for plans of the proposed By-pass to be on public display at the Village Hall on:

November 17th 3 p.m. - 9 p.m.
November 18th 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Representatives from the County Council will be in attendance.

A joint public meeting for residents of Bridge and Patixbourne to discuss the plans will be held at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday, November 23rd at Bridge Village Hall.

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ST. PETER'S BEKESBOURNE

Church Cleaners for November

Mrs. Watson	November 4th
Mrs. Grey)	November 11th
Mrs. Purchase)	November 18th
Mrs. Sandall	November 25th
Mrs. Kingsford)	
Mrs. Smith)	

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Bekesbourne

Tuesday November 14th A.G.M. 7.15 p.m. Bekesbourne Village Hall. Ballot for 1973 Committee Election of President. Social Time. Bring and Buy. Hostesses: Mrs. Bissenden, Mrs. P. Baker and Mrs. Galvin.

Saturday November 18th 2 p.m. Bekesbourne Village Hall. Christmas Fayre. Gift Stall, Cake Stall, Raffles, Plants, etc. Come and buy your Xmas presents.

Tuesday November 21st A.G.M. Visit of Voluntary County Organiser Ballot for new Committee. Annual Reports and Financial Statements. Ballot for President. Competition: Limerick on "Bonfire Night".

Saturday November 25th Coffee Morning - Bridge Village Hall.

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BRIDGE YOUNG WIVES GROUP

Wednesday November 1st 'Children's Shoes' Talk by Mrs. Litten from Carlton Sage Shoe Shop.

Wednesday November 15th Evening out to St. Mary's Bredin's '8 o'clock Club'. Transport will be arranged at the previous meeting.

Wednesday November 29th Preparation for Christmas Market. Our stall will be selling doll's clothes.

glove puppets, secondhand toys and books, secondhand jewellery and other small items for children to buy. Any contributions for the stall will be received with gratitude.

Saturday November 11th 2.30 p.m. Grand Bazaar in Bridge Village Hall.

There will be stalls selling cakes, toys and books, good jumble, white elephant produce, Christmas cards etc. Teas and biscuits will also be on sale. A grand raffle. All proceeds will be to support the Conservation of Kent countryside - come and join us for a cuppa!

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HELP THE AGED

My thanks to all those people of Bridge who so generously gave towards this deserving cause, on October 17th and 18th. The collection amounted to:

- 11 Sacks of clothing
- 2 Sacks of Blankets
- 2 Sacks suitable goods for the Gift Shop

Note: I would also like to express my appreciation of the kindness of Mr. & Mrs. Milton who supervised the collection of the above gifts.
C.E.H.P.

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CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER

November

1st Wednesday, All Saints' Day. Mothers' Union Corporate Communion and Intercessions. 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church.

Calendar for November /cont'd..

- 4th Saturday Bridge Youth Club Discotheque,
Bridge Village Hall, 7 p.m.
- 5th Sunday, 23rd Sunday after Trinity
- 7th Tuesday, Meeting of Christmas Market Helpers
8 p.m. at the Vicarage.
- 11th Saturday, Young Wives' Group - Grand Bazaar
in Bridge Village Hall 2.30 p.m.
- 12th Sunday, 24th Sunday after Trinity
- 14th Tuesday, Bekesbourne W.I. A.G.M. 7.15 p.m.,
Village Hall.
- 18th Saturday, Diocesan Synod in the Chapter House
after Communion in the Cathedral
at 10 a.m.
Bekesbourne W.I. Christmas Fayre
in Village Hall at 2 p.m.
- 19th Sunday, 25th Sunday after Trinity.
9 a.m. Corporate Communion in
Bridge Church for Young Wives.
- 20th Monday, Mothers' Union Branch Meeting at
37 Union Road, Bridge.
- 21st Tuesday, W.I. Bridge A.G.M. Bridge Village
Hall.
Senior Citizens Club. Bring and
Buy in Bridge Village Hall at
2.30 p.m.
- 23rd Thursday, Public Meeting in Bridge Village
Hall 7.30 p.m.
Brownies Seventh Birthday party
at Bridge School, 6.30 p.m.
- 25th Saturday, W.I. Coffee Morning at Bridge
Village Hall.
- 26th Sunday, 26th Sunday after Trinity.
- 28th Tuesday, Deanery Synod, 7.30 p.m. at
St. Augustine's College.
- 30th Thursday, St. Andrew's Day. Holy Communion,
9.30 a.m. at Bridge Church.
- December
- 2nd Saturday, Christmas Market 2.30 p.m. onwards
at Bridge Village Hall.

BRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS' CLUB

We are holding our Annual Bring and Buy Sale
in the Village Hall on Tuesday November 21st at
2.30 p.m.

Once again we hope you will give your generous
support to the fund which provides your Senior
Citizens with a Christmas Party.

YOU ARE ALL WELCOME

Refreshments will be served during the after-
noon at a modest cost.

M. J. Bate
Hon. Secretary.

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BROWNIES AND GUIDES

The Brownies seventh birthday party will be
held on November 23rd not November 20th as pre-
viously announced. The party will be held in the
school from 6.30 p.m. - 8.00 p.m., we hope to see
lots of old Brownies.

On November 5th the Guide Company will dedi-
cate its new colours during morning service, we
invite all parents and friends to join us on this
occasion.

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BRIDGE GROUP
LEAGUE OF FRIENDS CANTERBURY HOSPITALS

We are glad to report the great success of our
new venture "Evening Market" held on Friday, 29th
September 1972, at 6.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.
The Committee takes this opportunity to thank all
those who gave their services, also those who
gave gifts for the sale.

The following were stall holders:

Bridge Group League of Friends Canterbury
Hospitals /Cont'd..

Mr. & Mrs. Pratt, Miss Slaving, Mr. & Mrs. Milton,
Mrs. Apps, Mrs. Maburn, Miss J. Maburn, Mr.
Pomeroy, Mrs. Harris.

After expenses the sum of £51 was realised.

At the close of the Market Mr. Milton projected colour slides entitled "The London Scene" with taped commentary by Mrs. Milton.

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BRIDGE YOUTH CLUB

Once again the Youth Club is meeting each week in the Village Hall on Thursday evenings for table-tennis, games and records. Due to the enthusiasm of the young people and the encouragement of a group of helpers the first meetings have been most successful. It is hoped to extend the activities as facilities improve. A series of community events are planned for the future, beginning with a DISCOTHEQUE on Saturday, November 4th at 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. in the Village Hall to which all are invited. Tickets 15p may be obtained from the Youth Club members.

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NOTES ON THE HISTORY OF BEKESBOURNE

Part VI

These Ports did two great services to the Kingdom. They controlled one of the chief food supplies, that of the Herring Fishery, and they provided practically the whole of the fighting force at sea, and so may claim to be the parents of the British Navy.

In their day these towns were of unparalleled importance. Their people were the Cinque Port

Barons, and still are called by that title. Their privileges were unique, and at the coronation of our Kings the Cinque Port Barons carried the pall over the King and were placed at the Coronation feast at his right hand.

We must see how they came to occupy such important positions.

The Herring Fishery must be spoken of first. Every year the ships of the Ports went to fish off the coast of Norfolk. Off the spot where Yarmouth now stands was a sandbank on which the Portmen dried their nets, and which their Fair was held. All the control of this Yarmouth Fishing was in their hands, and they maintained great state. This naturally led to their other service to the State. These ships were easily transformed into fighting vessels and so were used for both purposes.

In 1044, Edward the Confessor was in command of his own ships raised by contributions from the nation, but he could not bring himself to continue the oppressive taxation which was necessary to carry this on. It was a natural idea then to incorporate the Cinque Ports for the purpose of a fighting force at sea. These towns had the necessary harbours, men and ships. It was only necessary to make it worth their while to provide the necessary fleet whenever it was wanted.

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Dear Parishioners of Bridge, Patrixbourne,
and Bekesbourne,

The Christmas market for Bridge and Patrixbourne churches will be held on Saturday December 2nd from 2.30 p.m. onwards. I am hoping that this magazine will reach you in time to ask your loyal and enthusiastic support of this event. Elsewhere you will find a list of all the various stalls. The stallholders would be grateful for any gifts for these stalls. Please support us too by your presence. We look forward very much to this pleasant dual occasion which provides too such a good opportunity for fellowship.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to Mr. Jack Hopkins and Mr. Jack Carpenter our respected and beloved vergers on their recent bereavements. We assure them both of our loving prayers and thank God for the lives of their loved ones, lived within the fellowship of Holy Church.

At Christmas we reiterate our belief in the Doctrine of the Incarnation. When the Son who abides in the Father became Incarnate. He became, for us the 'place' where the Father is to be known and believed, for He is the 'place' where God is to be found. But 'place' is here stretched beyond its ordinary use and must be interpreted 'elastically' in accordance with the nature of God and His activity in revelation and redemption through Incarnation as well as in accordance with the nature of the creaturely human being in which He became incarnate for our sakes. In other words Christ is 'in' us through sharing our bodily existence, but He is also 'in' the Father through His oneness with Him.

In the January magazine I will be saying something about the meaning of Confirmation. In the meanwhile I should be glad to have the names of any, both adult or young persons who is desirous of being prepared for this Sacrament.

Sunday December 3rd is Advent Sunday. Advent prepares us for the two comings of Christ

his coming at His birth and His coming as a Judge. St. John the Baptist came to prepare for Christ's coming. We must do the same and note the way. "Serve Him without fear in holiness and righteousness." Each of the great festivals of the Church is the centre of a sacred season which begins with a period of solemn preparation and ends with one of holy joy. Thus Christmas is preceded by the season of Advent which was formerly observed in much the same way as Lent, though with less strictness and it is followed by the twelve days of festal joy which terminates with Epiphany. The services for Advent are intended to prepare us for a devout and profitable celebration of Christmas and for Christ's second coming. We speak of the Sundays in Advent and Lent - i.e. in the season of Advent and Lent. The four collects in Advent refer:-

- 1) To His first and final coming in person.
- 2) To His coming in His Word, and to hope of everlasting life given us by His coming.
- 3) To the work of His ministry in preparing for His coming.
- 4) To His coming with 'grace' to help us and mercy to deliver us in our struggle with sin.

May our recollection of these thoughts in the collects for the Sundays in Advent prepare us for the deepest joy of Christmas.

With all good wishes to you and your families for a very happy Christmas.

Yours sincerely in our blessed Lord,

COLIN E. H. PERRY
Rural Dean and Vicar.

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CALENDAR FOR DECEMBER 1971

November

30th Thursday St. Andrew's Day. Holy Communion, 9.30 a.m. at Bridge Church.

December

2nd Saturday Bridge and Patricbourne Christmas Market 2.30 - 5 p.m. at Bridge Village Hall.

3rd Advent Sunday.

5th Tuesday Public meeting in Bridge Village Hall 7p.m. to discuss A.2. By-pass.

6th Wednesday Mothers Union Corporate Communion with Intercessions at Bridge Church 9.30a.m. Toy Service at Bridge School 10.15 a.m. Bekesbourne Church P.C.C. meeting at 7.30p.m. at Mr. & Mrs. Mowll, Mulberry Cottage, Patricbourne.

7th Thursday Bible Study Group meeting 8 p.m. at 27 Union Road, Bridge.

10th Sunday 2nd Sunday in Advent. Bible Sunday

11th Monday Mothers Union Christmas Branch, meeting at Mrs. Berry, 11 Union Rd.

12th Tuesday W.I. Bekesbourne. 7.15 in Bekesbourne Village Hall.

13th Wednesday Young wives Group Carol Singing.

14th Thursday League of Friends Canterbury, Hospitals Whist Drive 7.15 p.m. at Bekesbourne Village Hall.

15th Friday Community Carol Singing at Bekesbourne Village Hall, 7.00 p.m.

17th Sunday 3rd Sunday in Advent. Young Wives Corporate Communion 9 a.m. Bridge Church.

19th Tuesday Bridge School Childrens Service with parents 7 p.m. Bridge Church. Afterwards refreshments at the School at 8.30 p.m. W.I. Bridge meeting in Bridge Village Hall.

20th Wednesday Service of Nine Lessons and Carols 7 p.m. Bekesbourne Church.

21st Thursday St. Thomas Holy Communion at 9.30 p.m. at Bridge Church.

24th Sunday 4th Sunday in Advent.

25th Monday Christmas Day.

26th Tuesday St. Stephens Day

27th Wednesday St. John H.C. 9.30 a.m. at Bridge Church. - 4 -

28th Thursday Holy Innocents Day. Holy Communion
9.30 a.m. at Bridge Church.
31st Sunday 1st Sunday after Christmas
Bridge Church Carol Service 6.30
p.m. at Bridge Church.

January

1st Monday New Year's Day. Feast of the
Circumcision. Holy Communion
9.30 a.m. Bridge Church.

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CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES

St. Peter's Church Bridge

Christmas Eve 11.30 p.m. Midnight
Eucharist.
Christmas Day 8. a.m. Holy Communion
11 a.m. Mattins, Carols,
and Family Service
followed by:
11.45 a.m. Holy
Communion.

St. Mary's Church Patricxbourne

Christmas Day 8 a.m. Holy Communion

St. Peter's Church Bekesbourne

Christmas Eve 11.30 p.m. Midnight
Eucharist.
Christmas Day 11 a.m. Mattins and
Carols, Family Service
followed by:
11.45 a.m. Holy
Communion.

SERVICES OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

St. Peter's Church, Bridge

Sunday, 31st December, 6.30 p.m.

St. Peter's Church, Bekesbourne

Wednesday, December 20th, 7.00 p.m.

Bekesbourne Village Hall

Community Carol singing will be held at the
Village Hall on Friday 15th December 1972,
commencing at 7.15 p.m.
The Choir will be present to lead the singing, a
break for refreshments will be observed and a
retiring collection will be in aid of Choir funds.
Please come and enjoy a sing up, and give us your
support!

S. H. Grey

St Peters Church, Bekesbourne

A service of nine lessons and Carols will be held
in Church commencing at 7.15 p.m. on Wednesday
20th December 1972.

The Church will have flood-lighting installed and
the approach will be easy for all to see.
To all parents of the Choir we do extend a very
warm welcome and also to all our congregation,
and to our many friends from other places.

S. H. Grey

St Peters Church, Bekesbourne

A midnight service will be held at St Peters of
Holy Communion with Carols, commencing at 11.30
p.m. on Sunday (Christmas Eve) 24th December 1972.
The Choir will be in attendance, again the Church
will be illuminated by flood-lighting and we hope
that everyone that can, will attend this lovely
service.

S. H. Grey

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BRIDGE YOUNG WIVES GROUP

First many thanks to those who supported our
Bazaar on November 11th and helped us raise the
grand total of £40.28½ of which £35.19 was for
the Kent Trust and £5.09½ for the Mothers Union.

Bridge Young Wives Group /cont'd..

Saturday December 2nd.

Christmas Market - our stall will be selling dolls' clothes, glove puppets, pin cushions, lavender bags, second-hand toys, books and jewellery. If anyone has any contributions please leave them at 19 High Street, Bridge any time.

Wednesday December 13th.

Carol Singing - we invite all villagers to join us at 7 p.m. at Liptons when we will then proceed to sing carols around the Village, at The Close and Churchill House, and will end up at the Village Hall for Hot sausage rolls and mince pies, tea and coffee. Please bring a torch and anyone who plays a portable musical instrument will be very welcome! The door to door collection will be in aid of our project for this year:- The Kent Trust for Nature Conservation.

K. Buckhurst.

DECORATION OF OUR CHURCHES FOR CHRISTMAS

St. Peter's Bekesbourne - This will take place at 10 a.m. onwards on Saturday December 23rd. Gifts of Holly or flowers will be gratefully received at the Church. Donations for the purchase of flowers may be sent or given to Mrs. Dorothy Sandall, The School House, Bekesbourne.

St. Mary's Patricxbourne - This will take place at 2.00 p.m. onwards on the afternoon of Sunday December 24th. Gifts of Holly or flowers will be gratefully received at the Church. Donations for the purchase of flowers may be sent or given to Mrs. C. Potter, Field House, Bridge.

St. Peter's Bridge - This will take place at 10 a.m. onwards on the morning of Saturday 23rd December. Gifts of Holly or flowers will be gratefully received at the Church. Donations for the purchase of flowers may be sent or given to Mrs. R. Hunter, High Street, Bridge.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Our only meeting before the Christmas Festival will be on Thursday, December 7th at 27 Union Road, by the kind invitation of Miss Maltby. And our first meeting in the New Year will be at 7 Windmill Close the home of Mr. & Mrs. Pierce. We thank you Kath for allowing us to use your home so often. A blessed and Happy Christmas to all the Bible Study Group. F.E.A.

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LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF CANTERBURY HOSPITALS

BRIDGE GROUP

We are holding our Annual Christmas Whist Drive on Thursday December 14th at Bekesbourne Village Hall and hope to see all our old and valued friends and we trust some new one's as well. Transport can be arranged for those of you without cars. If you will either give your names or send a note to me at the address below.

Come and enjoy a good game and a Happy evening - see you -

Frances E. Apps, Hon. Secretary,
L.O.F. Bridge Group.

at Lavender Cottage,
Union Road,
Bridge.

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MOTHERS UNION

Wednesday December 6th 9.30 a.m. Corporate Communion with Intercessions, Bridge Church.

Monday December 11th Branch meeting at 11 Union Road by kind permission of Mrs. Berry. Mrs. Yarber will show slides of the Holy Land. No branch meetings in January or February.

JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet at 11 a.m. on Sunday December 11th, 17th and 31st.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

St. Peter's Church Bridge.
29th October, 1972. Samantha Jane King
5th November 1972. Lucinda Jane Spencer
St. Peter's Church Bekesbourne.
12th November 1972. Ian David Griend
Amanda Louise Chandler
Alicia Maria Pearce

May They Rest in Peace

St. Peter's Church Bridge.
31st October, 1972. Thomas Hopkins
St. Peter's Church Bekesbourne.
3rd November 1972. Richard Bertie Jarvis
St. Mary's Church Patricxbourne.
17th November 1972. May Carpenter

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ST. PETER'S BEKESBOURNE

On Sunday November 19th at 11.30 a.m. two boys and six girls were admitted to the Choir. They were as follows:-

Peter Smallwood, Timothy Purchase, Hilary Purchase, Lyn Files, Angela Smallwood, Tina Twyman, Tracy Twyman, Angela Bissenden.

We wish them all great happiness in the service they have promised to give. To their parents thank you for the encouragement you must have given them. We hope that sometimes you will come and support them by your presence. C.E.J.P.

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ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BEKESBOURNE

Cleaners for December:

Mrs. Cox)		
Mrs. Stickles)	December	2nd
Mrs. Hogben	December	9th
Mrs. Watson	December	16th
Mrs. Grey	December	23rd

BRIDGE PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Thursday December 7th

Why not start your Christmas festivities early by joining us on Thursday 7th December for our Christmas Whist Drive which this year is being held at Bekesbourne Village Hall commencing 7.30 p.m. If transport is required please contact me at BRIDGE 475. May we take this opportunity of wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and thank you for your support during the past year.

Jean Farrow, Hon. Sec.

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ROYAL NATIONAL MISSION FOR DEEP SEA FISHERMEN

This organisation is most grateful for the sum of £10.06, given by Bridge for their annual collection.

Many thanks for Mrs. J. V. Harris, Mrs. J. Baker and Mrs. J. J. Williamson for helping me.
Mrs. J. A. Maslin

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PROPOSED ROUTE FOR BRIDGE BY-PASS

The joint public meeting which was advertised for November 23rd will now be held at 7.00 p.m. on 5th December, 1972. at Bridge Village Hall. A representative from the KENT COUNTY COUNCIL will attend to describe the scheme. Residents of Bridge Patricxbourne and Bekesbourne are invited to attend this meeting to discuss the proposed route of the By-Pass.

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WOMENS INSTITUTE

Bridge

Tuesday December 19th "The Elham Valley" slides by Mr. Gipson, Carols by candlelight. Competition - Victoria Sponge.

Bekesbourne

Tuesday December 12th 7.15 p.m. in Village Hall. Talk with slides, 'Romney Marsh Churches'. Mr. Gipson. Competition: Box of sweets and chocolates Social time: Candlelight supper and carols. Hostesses: Officers of Returning Committee.

BRIDGE YOUTH CLUB

After much ground work between Mr. T. Heap and the County Council a meeting was held in the Village Hall on September 28th, 1972.

The meeting proved unanimous in the Club being formed as part of the Kent Youth Service and therefore agreed that it be created and run on the lines of that service. The club would then be recognised as such and also be eligible to facilities available of the Kent County Council.

A committee of officers and Managers were elected, Canon Colin Perry (President) Mr. T. Heap (Chairman), Mrs. R. Kingsnorth (Secretary), Mr. Loughlin (Treasurer) and Mr. B. T. Kingsnorth (Responsible for the Youth Club to the Parish Council). Others being Mr. L. Shirley, Mr. J. Maber, Mrs. B. Maber, Mrs. P. Gulvin and Mrs. Webb.

The first club night was on Thursday 5th October, 1972. when the attendance was greater than anticipated, there being 60 young persons present. Since that date the average has been 57 each week.

A youth committee with responsibilities was formed. The Club now meets most Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. The under 14 age group leave at 9 p.m. and the over 14 at 10 p.m.

Billiards, snooker, table tennis, darts and a model of the village are popular pastimes together with several 'board' games. Several other activities are in the 'pipeline' which include 'lampshades', 'models' and a 'spot' of sea angling from the breakwater pier at Dover. 'Disco' music is played constantly during the evening and a selection of refreshments available. A 'draw' is also held each week.

A 'Disco' held on Saturday 4th November proved a success when the 'Director of Music' for the evening was Kim Green, ably assisted by other club members. A similar 'Disco' is to be held on the 16th December, 1972.

A 'non-working' moped was loaned to the Club in order that some of the older members might gain some practical knowledge of "mechanics".

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BRIDGE AND PATRIBOURNE CHURCHES

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The Christmas Market this year will be held at The Village Hall, Bridge, on 2nd December at 2.30 p.m. when we hope all who are not at work will turn out in full force, to make this a really bumper year. Of course the stallholders are always grateful for gifts for their stalls. Please support us and bring your friends.

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* The Young Wives Gifts and Toys

* Mothers Union Sweets and Produce

* Mrs. Bell and Fancy Christmas
* Mr. J. Berry Goods

* Brownies and The Christmas Tree
* Guides and Gifts

* The Male Choir Bottle Stall

* Jack Pot Draw Mr. & Mrs. Milton

* Wheel of Mrs. Pratt and
* Fortune Mr. Pomeroy

* Teas and Cakes Mrs. Potter, Mrs.
* Hunter and Mrs.
* Greenwood.

* Raffle Mr. Down

* White Elephant Mrs. Turpin

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NOTES ON THE HISTORY OF BEKESBOURNE

Part VII

Their reward was not given in money but in great privileges. They were given lands, they were given the freedom of the seas, and they were allowed to try their own law cases. All this, coupled with their loyalty, made it well worth their while to fight when required.

So for 400 years they guarded the shore and kept the Gate of England. Even later than that they still held an important but humbler position, till in 1626 they made their last contribution in the reign of Charles I, consisting of two ships only.

Thus closed the more active days of the Cinque Port Confederacy, but it exists still as a glorious mounument of the past, and from time to time all the pageantry and old world glory of the past is revived on the occasion of a Court of Brotherhood and Guestling.

It remains to point out the connection of Bekesbourne with the Confederacy. It will have been realized that the Cinque Ports had before them in old days a heavy task, and needed all the help they could obtain. They therefore summoned various towns and villages to their aid, such places being spoken of as "Limbs" or "Members" of the ports.

Bekesbourne in this way became a "Limb" of Hastings which was the Head Port, and provided one ship to the Hastings Contingent. In the days of the Norman Kings, this "ship" was what was called a "snecca," a smack drawing little water and so able to run up and down the little river.

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At this point the Club wish to thank Mr. Malkin of Bridge Country Club, for use of his grounds where the moped is undergoing 'speed trials' most weekends.

Of several items given to the Club we are still unable to purchase a set of bar billiard balls (small size) and pins for the table, so if there is any knowledge of a second-hand set which we can buy please contact any club member who will pass on the 'news' to the right quarter.

R. Kingsnorth (Sec).

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