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SUNDAY SERVICES FOR JANUARY 1973

<u>BRIDGE</u>	<u>PATRIXBOURNE</u>	<u>BEKESBOURNE</u>
<u>7th January - 1st Sunday after Epiphany</u>		
11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon 11.45 Holy Comm. 6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Comm. H	9.30a.m. Sung Holy Comm.
<u>14th January - 2nd Sunday after Epiphany</u>		
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 H
<u>21st January - 3rd Sunday after Epiphany</u>		
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
<u>28th January - 4th Sunday after Epiphany</u>		
8 a.m. Holy Comm. 6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon	9 a.m. Holy Comm.	11a.m. Mattins and Sermon 11.45a.m. Holy Communion
<u>4th February - 5th Sunday after Epiphany</u>		
11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion 6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Comm.	9.30a.m. Sung Communion

Holy Communion is celebrated at 9.30 a.m. on Wednesdays at 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.

May I first wish you all every blessing in
1973.

Confirmation classes will begin on Monday evening the 15th January at 6.30 p.m. at the Vicarage. I look forward to welcoming at these classes all those who would like to be prepared for this Sacrament. Perhaps those who are coming would let me know before but I don't mind if you come on this 15th January without letting me know beforehand. Again I would be pleased to know of any older person who may have thought about Confirmation in the past but has not had the opportunity for preparation. Discussion could take place at a mutually convenient time. Also I would like to know beforehand of any young person from Bekesbourne who is desirous of being prepared for Confirmation so that arrangements for bringing them to Bridge and getting them home can be made.

This Christmas Market at Bridge was a great success. May I thank all of you who were present and helped in any way or gave gifts for the various stalls.

Thank you too for the gifts of flowers and decorations for the churches at Christmastide.

The week of Prayer for Christian Unity takes place this month. Elsewhere you will find details of services in the Canterbury district. Christians of many churches and many countries will be sharing in their observances and we shall be strengthened in the perseverance of our own prayers by our remembrance of the vast company who will be praying too and of the prayer of Jesus our great high priest in his prayer to the Father that we all may be One.

I would like to invite all members of other Christian churches to the service at Bridge at 6.30 p.m. Evensong on Sunday January 21st.

At the General Synod in November 1972 final approval to the Series III Service of Holy Communion for a period of four years from February 1st 1973 was given. The date has been chosen to enable copies of this service in its finally revised form to be printed and made available. The Series II Service is not superseded and still has authority for several more years. The Archbishop wishes to emphasise that a parish should consistently use one Service or the other when it's mind has been made up and not be changing to and fro. Perhaps our Parochial Church Council could discuss this matter when the Services have been published?

The General Synod also gave general approval to the Measure designed to give to the Synod new authority in matters of doctrine and worship on the lines of the Report on Church and State which has recently been discussed at the Diocesan and Deanery Synods. It was decided to adopt the Measure in the form which allows a parish to continue to use the 1662 Prayer Book in whole or in part if it desires to do so.

Yours sincerely in our Blessed Lord,

COLIN E. H. PERRY,
Canon and Rural Dean.

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CALENDAR FOR JANUARY 1973

December

31st Sunday 1st Sunday after Christmas. Bridge Church Carol Service at 6.30 p.m.

January

1st Monday New Year's Day. Feast of the Circumcision. Holy Communion 9.30 a.m. Bridge.
3rd Wednesday Mothers Union Corporate Communion with Intercessions at Bridge Church 9.30 a.m.

6th Saturday Feast of the Epiphany. Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m. at Bridge Church.
7th Sunday 1st Sunday after Epiphany.
11th Thursday Bible Study Group Meeting at Mr. and Mrs. Pierce's home, 7 Windmill Close. 8 p.m.
14th Sunday 2nd Sunday after Epiphany Junior Church recommences at 11 a.m. at Bridge Church.
15th Monday Confirmation Classes begin at 6.30 p.m. at the Vicarage.
21st Sunday 3rd Sunday after Epiphany - Christian Unity Sunday.
22nd Monday Confirmation Classes 6.30 p.m. The Vicarage.
25th Thursday Conversion of St. Paul Holy Communion at Bridge Church 9.30 a.m. Bible Study Group Meeting at 39 Union Rd. 8 p.m.
28th Sunday 4th Sunday after Epiphany.
29th Monday Confirmation class 6.30 p.m. The Vicarage.

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FOUND

A pair of grass clippers has been found in Bekesbourne Churchyard. C.E.H.P.

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PATRIXBOURNE CHURCH FLOWERS

1973

January	Mrs. Partridge
February till March 9th	Mrs. Potter
April 20th and May	Mrs. Greenwood
June	Mrs. Johnson
July	Mrs. Edmonds
August	Mrs. Watson-Taylor
September	Mrs. Potter
October	Mrs. Johnston
November	Mrs. Greenwood

Re: Bridge Cricket Club.

As you are probably aware from the local press the Bourne Paddock Cricket Club which has, in the past, had the use of the village recreation ground, is to be reformed under the name of the Bridge Cricket Club.

It is hoped that in the future closer contact can be made with the village as the Club wishes to be more closely identified with the village.

May I draw the notice of the village to the above fact and draw the attention to the village that if anybody is interested in playing for the Club will they please contact me at the above address.

The Club also proposes holding functions throughout the year and it is hoped that the same will receive the support of the village. The first of such functions will take place on Saturday 27th January 1973, this being a cold meat Buffet Dance at the Punch Tavern, Calcott Hill, Sturry, from 8 o'clock to 12 midnight.

The Club would, of course, prefer to hold such events in the Village but as large numbers are expected to attend, the facilities in Bridge at present do not allow this.

Tickets for the functions can be obtained from me at 11 The Green, Blean, Canterbury, Kent

BARRIE R. J. COLES,

Hon. Secretary.

22nd November, 1972.

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MOTHERS UNION

Wednesday January 3rd 9.30 a.m. Corporate
Communion with Intercessions. Bridge Church.

No Branch Meeting.

JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet on Sunday January 14th, 21st and 28th at 11 a.m. in Bridge Church.

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CHRISTMAS MARKET

2nd December 1972
In Aid of Church Funds

1971		£
£		
22	Young Wives Stall (gifts and toys)	17.58
22	Cakes and Teas	24.20
12	Mothers Union (groceries)	14.80
5	White Elephant Stall	3.09
5	Fancy Goods	13.25
5	Brownies (Christmas Decorations)	8.73
	Raffle	36.47
24	Less Prize-printing tickets	7.90 28.57
19	Bottle Stall	33.05
4	Jackpot	3.34
3	Wheel of Fortune	4.70
1	Donation	
122		151.28
2	Less hire of Hall	1.00
120	Surplus	150.28

This is the best result that we have ever had from the Christmas Market. £30 more than last year! Congratulations to all concerned. C.E.P.

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

May They Rest in Peace

St. Peter's Church Bridge

12th December 1972

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28th November 1972

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BRIDGE CHURCH CHRISTMAS MARKET

Result of Draw:

<u>Ticket Number.</u>	<u>Winner.</u>
1. 2060	Mrs. Ash, 71 Bridge Down, Bridge.
2. 624	Mr. T. Hoare, Cedars, Bridge.
3. 563	Mrs. Knight, C/o Mr. Barley.
4. 230	Mr. L. Hogben, 6 Brewery Lane, Bridge.
5. 960	Mr. D. Hill, Red Deer, Bridge.
6. 904	Mr. Potter, Field House, Bridge.
7. 734	Mr. Pomeroy, 22 Windmill Close, Bridge.
8. 385	Miss Kemp, Willow Lodge, Bridge.
9. 2036	Mrs. Arnison, 3 Western Avenue, Bridge.
10. 145	Mrs. Stokes, 93 Oxford Road, Canterbury.
11. 561	Mr. E. J. Knight, C/o Mr. Barley.
12. 179	Mrs. Vinten, 1 Mill Terrace, Bridge.
13. 21.	Mrs. Wright, 12 Churchill House, Bridge.

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Prize No. 11.	Lamp Shade and Holder.	Mrs. Baker.
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Prize No. 13.	Two Headscarves.	Mrs. Hawkins.

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INFORMATION FOR YOUR INTEREST
CANTERBURY WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY -
January 18th-25th 1973

THEME - "Lord, Teach Us To Pray"

January 18th Day of Prayer for Christian Unity -
Thursday. St. Alphege's.

7.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
 3.00 p.m. Service arranged by the Committee of the Women's World Day of Prayer.
 10.00 p.m. Service arranged by the St. Augustine's College Students.

January 19th
Friday.

12.00 noon Roman Catholic Mass for
Unity - St. Thomas's
 Church. Members of all churches are invited to attend.
Bread & Cheese Lunch -
 St. Thomas's Hall.
 7.45 p.m. "Communicating the Faith"
 Salvation Army Temple.
 This is directly linked with the House Groups and everyone is urged to attend.

January 21st
Sunday.

Morning - Ministers are encouraged to arrange exchange of pulpits.
 7.00 p.m. United Service -
 Cathedral Nave. Preacher to be announced shortly.
 It is hoped that all clergy will forego their evening service to join together in the Cathedral.

January 22nd and 23rd
Monday and Tuesday

House Group Meetings.

January 24th 7.45 p.m. Communion Service -

Wednesday

St. Peter's Methodist Church. Members of all churches are invited to attend.

January 25th

Thursday

7.45 p.m.

"Singing Together" - Baptist Church. This is a service for everyone, of every age with something in it for all. There will be a number of young people participating. We hope everyone will come and bring their friends.

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BRIDGE GROUP LEAGUE OF FRIENDS
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A very successful whist drive was held on Thursday 14th December at Bekesbourne Village Hall. We missed 'Our Jack' Mr. Carpenter as M.C. who was unable to attend owing to a previous engagement. Mr. Freelove acted in his place, our thanks to him.

Refreshments supplied by the Committee were served during the interval and appreciated by all present.

Our thanks go out to the Committee and other residents who gave prizes.

After expenses were met we were able to place the sum of £19.00 to the Bridge Group Funds.

We wish to all our members in Bridge, Patrixbourne, Bekesbourne and Bishopsbourne a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

M. Milton. Hon. Treasurer.

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BRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS

We had a really marvellous response from you all for our Bring and Buy sale, held in November, and your very generous support raised £30 for our Club Funds.

Our most grateful thanks to all who gave and bought at the Sale.

Your kindness and generosity gave your 'Senior Citizens' a truly 'Goodwill' Christmas lunch which they all enjoyed.

Our best wishes to you all for the New Year, and again our thanks. M. J. Bate,
Hon. Secretary.

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SAVING TAX

'In one year our Church has recovered over £250 from the Income Tax Authorities and this from donations made by only twenty or so members'. So reads a very typical comment from a Church leaflet. What is even more important is the fact that the £250 is an extra gift to the Church made without

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Saving Tax/Cont'd.....

the subscribers having to increase their normal contributions to any significant extent.

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Successive Governments have exempted the income of recognised charitable bodies, including the Church, from the payment of income tax, and in addition allowed them to recover the income tax already paid on donations made to them.

REMEMBER

If you pay tax at the full standard rate of 39p in the £1 every pound you subscribe to the Church represents only 61p. Covenanting allows the Church to recover the 39p tax for each 61p subscribed.

WHAT MUST I DO?

The scheme is very simple. You enter into a Deed of Covenant with the Church promising to give a fixed annual sum for a period of not less than seven years. Each year you will be asked to sign a certificate of deduction of income tax (form R 185) and to enter on your annual income tax return the annual amount of your covenant.

As you see there is very little 'form-filling'.

WHAT WILL IT COST?

If your income is entirely un-earned (i.e. investments etc.) then no extra at all.

If your contribution is made out of earned income (wages, salary etc.) then your earned income relief will probably be restricted by an amount equal to the earned income relief on the

gross amount of your covenant. This amounts to approximately 1p a year for each 5p you subscribe - a very small sum when compared with the enormous benefits which the Church will receive.

If you die during the 7 year period the deed is automatically cancelled.

If you move to another area the deed rests with your former Church although of course it would normally make over the tax recovered to your new Church if you wished.

This difficulty can be covered by ensuring that the original deed makes provision for a 'deed of assignment' enabling legal transfer of the covenant to be made should a move take place. Alternatively the original deed could be made not with your local Church but with a central Church authority and instructions given to them regarding the allocation of the monies.

'BUT I GIVE WEEKLY'.

This is no difficulty. All you are doing is dividing your annual contribution into 52 (or in some cases 50) parts. The Church is still entitled to recover tax but you would need to enter the total annual covenanted contributions made on the deed of covenant form.

'BUT I DO NOT PAY TAX AT THE FULL STANDARD RATE'.

This does not exempt you from taking part but would mean your paying tax at the full rate on the gross amount of your covenant.

'BUT THE SMALL AMOUNT I GIVE WOULD NOT HELP THE CHURCH',

This is really the worst reason for dismissing the scheme when you think about it for a moment.

If 20 people are giving only 20p per week each (£10.40 per year) and this is covenanted, the Church, instead of receiving £208 as it would from uncovenanted gifts, receives £339.60 Still doubtful? Then have a word with your treasurer Mr. C. Potter

Saving Tax/Cont'd

Field House, Bridge, who can explain the scheme from your personal viewpoint.

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U.S.P.G.

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BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Our first meeting in the New Year is on 11th January at 7 Windmill Close and the second one on the 25th January at 39 Union Road by the kind invitation of their respective owners, Mr. & Mrs. Pierce and Mrs. Meigh.

A happy new year to you all. F.E.A.

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Mr. and Mrs. Philip Edmonds held a most successful Musical Evening at HODE on 8th December, 1972. Over 50 people attended and both the music and the refreshments were much appreciated. £52 was donated to the Patricxbourne Church which is most gratefully received. C.A.P.

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Notes on the History of Bokesbourne/Cont'd.....

The Isle of Thanet was really an island then, and a sea channel flowed through from Sandwich to Reculver. The river journey to the sea was but a short one, and whenever there was fighting to be done the little Bokesbourne snecca would run down to the sea and do her part in the defence of the shores.

In the 13th Century the "snecca" was replaced by a larger vessel, a "ship" manned by 21 men and a boy called a "gromet" (or groom).

In return for such service Bokesbourne received the Freedom of Hastings. It was placed outside the County control, and might almost be called a little bit of Hastings planted down in Kent.

Hastings appointed each year a Deputy Mayor in Bokesbourne who acted as a Magistrate in smaller matters, but all important cases were sent to Hastings for trial. The Cinque Ports had punishments of their own. At Dover, a man condemned to death was thrown over the cliff, at Sandwich he was buried alive in the Thiefs Down, at Hastings he was drowned in the West Port. Whether any Bokesbourne man suffered this Hastings penalty one does not know.

Lesser punishments are mentioned by Jeake. "The same Barons and Goodmen their heirs and successors within every port and Member of the Ports aforesaidas it shall please them may have Thewe (stocks) Pillory and Tumbrel for the punishment of Malefactors."

It is explained that a "Tumbrel is a dung-cart wherein the party worthy of punishment is carried about, and dirt thrown upon him by any of the people that will."

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SUNDAY SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY 1973

<u>BRIDGE</u>	<u>PATRIXBOURNE</u>	<u>BEKESBOURNE</u>
<u>4th February - 5th Sunday after Epiphany</u>		
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 Comm.
<u>11th February - 6th Sunday after Epiphany</u>		
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
<u>18th February - Septuagesima Sunday</u>		
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
<u>25th February - Sexagesima Sunday</u>		
8 a.m. Holy Comm. 6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon	9 a.m. Holy Comm.	11a.m. Mattins 11.45a.m. Holy Communion
<u>4th March - Quinquagesima Sunday</u>		
11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion 6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Comm.	9.30a.m. Sung Holy Comm.

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, Patrixbourne
and Bekesbourne.

This year the Confirmation will be on Tuesday April 3rd at Bridge Church. I do commend to your prayers those young people who are being prepared for this Sacrament. As I mentioned in the January magazine I would be most happy to prepare any adult who would like to present themselves for Confirmation. Will they kindly let me know and we can make arrangements accordingly.

I am most anxious that those who last year omitted to complete the new Church Electoral Roll forms should this year remedy their omission. I do hope also that those of you who have recently come to live in our parishes will enter their names. Enrolment forms are to be found in all the Churches and can be obtained from me.

On the 2nd of this month we keep the Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple, more commonly known as the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It was the custom of all Jewish mothers on the fortieth day after the birth of their babies to visit the Temple with them to present them to God; and Mary, in accordance with the ancient custom, visited the Temple for this purpose. February 2nd is the fortieth day after Christmas.

On the 24th February we keep St. Matthias' Day. He was the one chosen by the remaining eleven Apostles to take the place of the traitor Judas. You can read in the first Chapter of Acts how, after the Apostle had prayed, they chose by drawing lots, as a result of which Matthias was elected.

On February 16th I will have been with you for ten years. I will be celebrating Holy Communion on that day at 7.30 a.m. and I do hope that some of you might come and be with me when I shall be thanking God for the many blessings he has given me in and through my Ministry with you and from the many people; some of whom are now at rest in Our Lord, whom I have learned to love and respect.

Yours affectionately in our blessed Lord,
COLIN E. H. PERRY

CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY 1973

February

- 2nd Friday Candlemas Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m. at Bridge Church.
- 4th Sunday 5th Sunday after Epiphany.
- 5th Monday Confirmation Class 6.30 p.m. at the Vicarage.
- 7th Wednesday Mother's Union Corporate Communion with Intercessions at Bridge Church 9.30 a.m.
Young wives Group meeting at 7.30 p.m. Bridge Village Hall.
- 8th Thursday Bible Study Group meeting at 8.00 p.m. at 7 Windmill Close, Bridge.
- 11th Sunday Sixth Sunday after Epiphany.
- 12th Monday Confirmation Class 6.30 p.m. at the Vicarage.
- 18th Sunday Septuagesima Sunday
- 19th Monday Confirmation Class 6.30 p.m. at the Vicarage.
- 20th Tuesday W.I. Bridge meeting at Bridge Village Hall.
- 22nd Thursday Bible Study Group meeting at 8.00 p.m. at 37 Union Road, Bridge.
- 24th Saturday St. Matthias Day.
Young Wives Group American Supper 8 - 11.30 at Bridge Village Hall.
- 25th Sunday Sexagesima Sunday.
- 26th Monday Confirmation Class 6.30 p.m. at the Vicarage.

March

4th Sunday Quinquagesima Sunday.

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POPPY DAY FUND

This year we made the excellent total of £86. Many thanks to all who gave so generously and to the helpers who made this sum possible.

Joyce Hunter

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MOTHERS UNION

- Wednesday February 7th Corporate Communion with Intercessions. Bridge Church 9.30 a.m.
- Festivals for 1973 -
- Wednesday March 21st Wingham Village Hall at 3.00 p.m.
- Wednesday 23rd May Deanery Festival Goodnestone at 7.30 p.m.
- Thursday June 21st Quiet Evening Womenswold 7.30 p.m. This will be a Communion Service. Refreshments will be served in the Woodpeckers after the service.

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BRIDGE CRICKET CLUB

The formation of the Bridge Cricket Club is now proceeding with some speed and the members are starting work on the pavilion and ground. Work has been commenced and will continue to be carried out on Sunday mornings commencing 10.30 a.m. and any new members will be welcome.

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KNOW YOUR VILLAGE EXPOSITION - 1973

The Parish Council of Bridge has agreed to sponsor a "Know Your Village" Exposition to be held in the Village in the Autumn of 1973.

The idea behind the Exposition is to give ALL the organisations in the Village, e.g., the Churches, the Women's Institute, the Youth Club, the Chess Club, the Protection Societies, the Protest Groups etc., the opportunity to make themselves known and to publicise their activities.

In general terms the Exposition will consist of a number of Stands, each one with a Display prepared by the Organisation represented thereon

and manned by Members of that Organisation who should be qualified to answer questions put to them by the Public.

An Exposition of this kind was held in the Village some years ago, it proved to be a great success; the Parish Council now looks forward to similar support in 1973.

The Clerk to the Parish Council of Bridge, Mr. E. G. Down, of 59 Bridge Down, Bridge (Bridge 480626) or Peter Lawrence, 72 Bridge Down, Bridge (Bridge 480472), and any of the Parish Councillors, will be very pleased to hear from the Hon. Secretary of any Organisation that is prepared to support the Exposition, and in particular from those prepared to represent the Exhibitors on an 'Organising Committee' which will be set up by the Parish Council.

H.P.M. Lawrence, Parish Councillor
& Churchwarden.

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BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Our first meeting in the months will be on 8th February at 7 Windmill Close and the second one on the 22nd February at 37 Union Road, Bridge, by kind invitation of Mr. & Mrs. Pierce and Mrs. Meigh.

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BRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

If you have no further use for last year's Christmas cards would you kindly send them to Bridge Primary School so that the Headmistress can remake them and sell them in aid of the three churches - Bridge, Patricxbourne and Bekesbourne.

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BRIDGE YOUNG WIVES GROUP

Wednesday February 7th Malcolm Withnall.
Slides and talk about fruit farming in America.

We meet in the Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. in Bridge and new members will be very welcome.

Saturday February 24th American Supper.
8 - 11.30 p.m. in Bridge Village Hall.

K. Buckhurst.

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BRIDGE PARENT - TEACHER ASSOCIATION

First our grateful thanks to those who gave of their time, jumble and money at our recent January Jumble Sale which has made the funds richer by £25.

Now dates for your diary:

Thursday March 1st. We are holding a Whist Drive at Bekesbourne Village Hall on Thursday March 1st at 7.30 p.m. Come along with your friends and enjoy a most rewarding evening. If transport is required please contact me at Bridge 830475.

Saturday March 1st. Barn Dance. Have a swinging time at our Barn Dance with music by the "Rigadoons". Tickets at 35p. each will be limited so get your tickets early, and avoid disappointment. Watch out for our posters giving more details. Tickets when available, from committee members and Mr. Shirley, Bridge Post Office.

Saturday July 7th. School Fete - arrangements are going ahead for a 'super' Fete. We count on you to make our efforts all worth while so children come along and bring your parents, grandparents, aunties, uncles and friends with you. More details as the 'Big Day' draws near.

Jean Farrow Hon. Secretary.

BRIDGE YOUTH CLUB

Since our last report the Club has continued to thrive and make progress.

On December 10th a happy band of footballers visited Rough Common. Our team consisted of six members clad in as many different shirts. On their arrival they were matched against a full uniformed and trained team several years their senior. It is therefore not surprising that even after borrowing several players from the other side the result was Rough Common 7 - Bridge 5.

Mid-December brought the second 'Disco' of the Club where a Group and Discotheque were the attraction. The evening proved successful both to our own youth and many visitors to the Village.

Nearer Christmas a party of Club members enjoyed an evening carol singing around the Village and the proceeds of this together with a donation from the Club was handed to the Archbishop of Canterbury by our two representatives at the Christingle Service held in the Cathedral on 28th December 1972.

On the 7th January 1973 our Soccer Team visited Kingston where against their Youth Club we were defeated 5 - 3.

We are determined that we will not complete the hat-trick of defeat with our first three games and Mr. Jarvis and Mr. Burt have come to our aid. Our training programme has been arranged, new shirts are virtually here and, undaunted we have applied and been accepted into the Youth League.

At a recent committee meeting several older members suggested that the Club build their own Disco unit.

This is taking shape in the form of a twin turntable assembly constructed in a cabinet of their own design.

At the next 'Disco' which will be held on

3rd February 1973 we appreciate the lighting effect made by the members.

Tickets for the 'Disco' are available at 15p each from Club members.

See you there!

B. T. Kingsnorth,
Secretary.

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JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet on Sundays February 11th, 18th and 25th at 11 a.m. Bridge Church.

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WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday March 2nd -	Services in St. Thomas's Church, Burgate Canterbury. Lunch time - 12.45 p.m.
	Afternoon - 3.00 p.m. Speaker - Kathleen Partridge.
	Evening - 8.00 p.m. Speaker - Sister Jill Bowden.

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BRIDGE GROUP

LEAGUE OF FRIENDS CANTERBURY HOSPITALS

Our Membership subscriptions number 484 and at 12p annually brings in £60.50 On behalf of the above group with combined thanks from Central Committee I wish to thank the following collectors, without their conscientious hours of voluntary work We could not have realised this number. Mesdames. Anderson, Apps, Harris, Jarvis, Milton, Pierce, Pratt, and Talbot. Miss Sewell and Messrs. Milton and Pratt.

Subscriptions for 1973 will be a minimum of 15p plus any donation members would like to give. The great need is, as always for new members and more

collectors to volunteer for raising our membership higher still in the following four Villages, Bridge, Patricbourne, Bekesbourne and Bishopsbourne. More subscriptions/donations means more welcome gifts to Kent and Canterbury Hospitals. The State did a great deal but when it comes to the finer needs there emerged a new requirement of warmth and sympathy, this was the point at which the voluntary service came into its own. New collectors are urgently needed. For information please contact: Hon Treasurer: Mrs. M. Milton, 50 High Street, Bridge.

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WOMENS INSTITUTE
BRIDGE

Tuesday Feb. 20th

"Music Through the Ages"
Mr. Peter Blunt.

Competition: Greetings
card using fabric applique.

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THE LATE ERNEST GEORGE NEAME

Gratitude is expressed to Mrs. Dorothy Neame for the gift of £12.75 to St. Peter's Church, Bridge in lieu of flowers in memory of her dear husband the late Ernest Neame.

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

May They Rest in Peace:

St. Peter's Church Bridge.	
20th January 1973	Arthur Henry Jones.
St. Peter's Church Bekesbourne.	
29th December 1972	Florence May Hoare.
15th January 1973	Frederick William Goodwin.
Barham Crematorium	
11th January 1973	Fred Bolton Jeffrey.
23rd January 1973	Theodore Charles Fairbrass.

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SOME VILLAGE NOTES XII
The Bridge Parish Register 1579 - 1760

There are over three thousand names recorded in the Bridge Church Register during this period and the deciphering depends very much on the calligraph of the particular Vicar the Elizabethans are the best, the Stuarts the worst, but each period gives some insight into how life was led at that time; the earliest record is to Anne Ryall buried 12th day of September Anno Supra 1579 and the last to the baptism of the son of Mary and George Kendall (his reputed father) 20th April 1760. Some typical recordings during the Seventeenth Century are as follows:-

1661 Christopher Carger an aged man buried 13th August.

1663 James Jordan the Clerk of Bridge buried 21st December.

1667 Macobus Kasey, later of Pembroke College Oxford Vicar of Patrixbourne with Bridge died aged 32 years 7 weeks and 4 days and is buried in ye north chancel of Bridge Chappel.

1668 Died: John Herring a poor householder of Bridge Hill House and Richard Adams a poore servant of John Fowler a Butcher at Bridge.

1669 Joan Briggs a servant maid brought from Canterbury died October 1st.

1672 Samuel Mazbrook, a stranger was buried in woolen (as the affidavit doth appoint)

1681 Sir Arnold Braenes born in Dover in 1602 was buried on 20th November near the tomb of his two deceased ladies.

1686 John Taylor of Tower Hill London was killed by a fall from a horse on Barham Downs on March 17th between 3 and 4 in ye afternoon and was buried behind the pulpit at Bridge.

During the 18th Century there were often military encampments at Barham Downs. For example in 1748 there is recorded that John Levingston a private soldier in Major General Jeffereys regiment was accidentally killed by a bread and forage waggon belonging to the camp at Barham Downs going over his body whereby he was crushed to death.

Some surnames repeat themselves frequently especially the following which are all Kentish names:

May, Goldfinch, Fourd, Maxted, Hogbin, Dadds, Denne, Stringer, Goldup, Philpot, Fagg, Ovenden, Backman and Maple. There is also the occasional Huguenot name such as Chapeau, Mousquetier and Martel and the Old Testament is frequently used for Christian names such as Abel, Abigail, Rebeccah, Abraham, Hannah and Ambrose.

The Church collections are also carefully recorded and funds were often used for the rebuilding of other churches and cathedrals as wide apart as St. Albans and Blandford in Dorset. In 1678 there was a collection after the Great Fire of London towards the rebuilding of St. Paul's cathedral. In 1681 there was a collection for the relief of French Protestants and in 1671 a collection was ordered by His Majesties Privy Council towards the raising of £3,0000 for "the redemption of a great number of our Christian countrymen from that miserable Turkish infidel whose inhuman slavery and bondage they now groan under.

Sir Arnold Braenes and his lady	£1.10.0d.
Daniel Ovenden and his wife	£0. 0.4d.
Thomas Denne	£0. 0.3d.

All the rest of the householders gave 2d. each!

John Williamson.

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THANK YOU

I am sure I speak for many Bridge and surrounding village parents when I send a grateful 'thank you' to those concerned with the founding and running of Bridge Youth Club, It is good to know that our youngsters are meeting and enjoying themselves under adult supervision and that there is no likelihood, only too common these days, of uncivilised behaviour spoiling the evenings. The 'Discos' are looked forward to with great excitement and I also feel that the club is generating a spirit of unity amongst the youth of Bridge. Anything we parents can do to help raise

funds will I am sure be willingly undertaken. Thank you all for giving up your spare time to this venture.

A Bridge Mother.

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ST PETER'S CHURCH BEKESBOURNE

Cleaners for February:

Week ending February 3rd Mesdames Grey & Purchase
" " " 10th Mrs. Sandall
" " " 17th Mesdames Kingsford and Smith.
" " " 24th Mesdames Cox & Stickels.

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BEKESBOURNE W.I. FEBRUARY 13th AT 7.15 p.m.

A Talk On Antiques Given By:-

Mr. M. BERTHOUD

COMPETITION: 3 Hyacinths in a Bowl.

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BEKESBOURNE

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BRIDGE

PATRIXBOURNE

BEKESBOURNE

4th March - Quinquagesima Sunday

11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Comm.	9.30 a.m. Sung Holy Comm.
11.45 Holy Comm.		

11th March - 1st Sunday in Lent

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Series II)	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion
6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon		

18th March - 2nd Sunday in Lent

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (sung)	8 a.m. Holy Comm. (Series II)	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon
6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon		

25th March - 3rd Sunday in Lent

8 a.m. Holy Comm.	9 a.m. Holy Comm.	11 a.m. Mattins 11.45 a.m. Holy Comm.
6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon		

1st April - 4th Sunday in Lent

Mothering Sunday

11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion	9.30 a.m. Sung Holy Communion
11.45 a.m. Holy Communion		
6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon		

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Dear Parishioners of Bridge, Patricxbourne
and Bekesbourne,

On Tuesday, 3rd April, we should be having our Confirmation at Bridge Church. Between now and that date I ask your prayers for these young people who are preparing for their confirmation.

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on 7th March. I do hope many of you will begin Lent by coming to Holy Communion either at 7.30 a.m. or 9.30 a.m. at Bridge Church. Lenten Boxes will be provided for the work of the Church overseas. I trust that many will take these boxes which will be found at the back of the Churches so that our contribution to the missionary work of the Church may be a large and sacrificial one.

Mothering Sunday falls on the first day of April. I look forward to seeing many children and their parents at the Family Service at 11 a.m. at Bridge Church. Perhaps too those young people whom I have prepared to Confirmation in the past might come to Holy Communion either at the 8 a.m. Holy Communion at Patricxbourne Church or 9.30 a.m. at Bekesbourne Church to thank God for the blessings that have come to them from their mothers.

I hope solemnly everyone who is faithful will make and keep a Lenten Rule. Under the heading of prayer I would suggest that you might come to the 7.30 a.m. Holy Communion Service at Bridge on Friday mornings. This appointed time of Lent is something that has been neglected recently in the life of the Church but is something that is necessary for our well being and many who have accepted the Church's discipline have found the value of such a period. We should accept it with joy as an opportunity to make sacrifices so that our lives may be more simple and more sincere in our attempt to follow the pattern of Christ.

It is right that I should mention that the General Synod of the Church of England gave final approval to the Series III Service of Holy Communion for a period of four years from 1st February

of this year. The Series II service is not superseded and still has authority for several more years. The Archbishop has emphasised that it is important that a parish should consistently use one service or the other when its mind has been made up. The Series III Service cannot be used without the prior approval of the respective Parochial Church Council. I intend to preach and give instruction about the Series III Service at Evensong at Bridge on 18th March. This Service has not yet been printed - copies with an Introduction and Commentary can now be obtained at the cost of 20p from the S.P.C.K. Shop in the Precincts, Canterbury. Perhaps you could buy a copy and bring it to the 6.30 p.m. Evensong for reference during my talk.

Yours sincerely in our Blessed Lord,

COLIN E. H. PERRY,
Rural Dean and Vicar.

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CALENDAR FOR MARCH 1973

March

4th Sunday Quinquagesima Sunday
5th Monday Bekesbourne Church P.C.C. at 7.45 p.m. by the kindness of Mr. W.B.Mowll at Mulberry Cottage, Patricxbourne.
6th Shrove Tuesday
7th Ash Wednesday Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m. and 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church Mothers Union Corporate Communion at 9.30 a.m.
8th Thursday Bible Study Group Meeting at 8 p.m. 7 Windmill Close, Bridge.
9th Friday Bridge Young Wives Group Open Meeting, Bridge Village Hall 8 p.m.
11th Sunday First Sunday in Lent. 6.30 p.m. Evensong Bridge Church Preacher:- The Rev. L. Geddes, Vicar of Kingston and Bishopsbourne.
12th Monday Mothers Union Branch Meeting 2.45 p.m. 37 Union Road, Bridge.

March (Contd.)

13th Tuesday Bridge and Patricxbourne Churches Annual Church Meeting and Election of Churchwardens 7.30 p.m. Bridge Village Hall. W.I. Bekesbourne Village Hall Meeting at 7.15 p.m.
18th Sunday Second Sunday in Lent (Summer time begins). Young Wives Corporate Communion 9 a.m. Bridge Church. 11.00 a.m. Mattins at Bekesbourne Church. Preacher: Rev. Alan Richardson, Rector of Barham. Evensong Bridge Church. Vicar to speak on Series III.
19th Monday Bekesbourne Annual Church Meeting and Election of Churchwardens 7.45 p.m. Bekesbourne Village Hall.
20th Tuesday Bridge W.I. meeting Bridge Village Hall 7 p.m.
21st Wednesday Deanery Overseas Meeting of the Mothers Union 3 p.m. at Wingham Parish Hall. Bridge Young Wives Group Meeting 7.30 p.m. Bridge Village Hall
22nd Thursday Bible Study Group Meeting 8 p.m. at 60 Bridge Down.
25th Sunday Third Sunday in Lent. Mattins 11.00 a.m. at Bekesbourne Church. Preacher: The Rev. L. Geddes, Vicar of Kingston and Bishopsbourne. Evensong 6.30 p.m. at Bridge Church. Preacher: The Rev. E.A. Wild, Vicar of Ash.
31st Saturday Bridge P.T.A. Barn Dance.

April

1st Sunday Fourth Sunday in Lent. Mothering Sunday.
3rd Tuesday Confirmation Service Bridge Church 7.30 p.m.

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JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet on Sundays 11th March 18th and 25th at 11 a.m.

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BRIDGE & PATRIBOURNE P.C.C.
Summary of Accounts for the
Year to 31.12.72.

REVENUE ACCOUNT
Receipts

<u>1971</u>		
£	£	
536	606	
106	141	
580	869	
45	26	
57	83	
90	95	
41	36	
26	22	
148	182	
120	150	
<u>1749</u>	<u>2210</u>	

Expenditure

<u>1971</u>		
£		£
251	Wages - Salaries	272
248	Light, heat	260
150	Insurance	176
100	<u>Reps. Maint.</u>	23
23	Churches	29
74	Churchyards	81
58	-----	80
261	Church Services	354
204	Quota	364
47	Vicar grant	61
51	Vicar Easter offering	26
44	<u>Donations</u>	52
29	Missions	38
5	Charities	19
<u>204</u>	-----	<u>375</u>
1749	Sundry Exp.	2210
	Parish Mag. net loss	
	Bal. C/F.	

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

Opening Bal. 1.1.72	345
Bal. B/D.	375
Donation P/B Church	52
<u>T.S.B. Withdrawals</u>	<u>641</u>
Bridge Reserve Fund	1413

Repairs to Bridge	641
Church roof	52
<u>T.S.B. Deposits</u>	<u>600</u>
P/B Reserve Fund	120
General Reserve	1413
Bal. as per C.B.	

NOTE:

Deposits with Trustee Savings Bank

P.C.C. Gen. Reserve A/C	£1093.43
Int.	39.62
	<u>£1133.05</u>
Patribourne Church Fund	325.68
Int.	19.11
	<u>£344.79</u>

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.

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Hon. Treasurer's Report

The highlight of the P.C.C. Accounts for 1972 is the increase in revenue by £462 compared with the previous year. The following items of expenditure showed considerable increases:-

Insurance by £26 owing to the higher cover for Bridge Church;

The Quota by £93;

Grant to the Vicar for working expenses by £160 due to the fact that parishes are now responsible for paying their share of their Incumbents' working expenses in full;

The Parish Magazine - there was a loss of £19 compared with £5 in 1971 in spite of an increase in the price of the magazine by $\frac{1}{2}$ p per copy;

On the other hand the cost of normal maintenance of the two churches at £23 was very low.

The result for 1972 can only be described as very satisfactory, to be able to set aside £600 out of revenue is today a remarkable achievement. However, I must point out that it is probable that the Quota for 1974 will be increased to over £600 and that as a result of the Architect's Quinquagesimal Survey of the two churches it will be necessary to spend considerable sums on them in the coming year; so that it is essential that our efforts in support of the Church should be maintained.

C.A.P.

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BRIDGE YOUNG WIVES GROUP

Friday 9th March

We invite everyone interested in conservation to join us for an OPEN MEETING in the Village Hall at 8 p.m. The speaker will be Mr. Hector Wilks, Chairman of the Kent Trust for Nature Conservation. Light refreshments will be served. Do come and join us and find out more about conserving our country.

Wednesday, 21st March

Talk by Mr. Dermot Stewart - Care of domestic animals and the work of a veterinary surgeon.

New members will be very welcome, at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

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MOTHERS UNION

Wednesday 7th March - Corporate Communion with Intercessions. 9.30 a.m.
Bridge Church.

Monday, 12th March - Branch Meeting at 37 Union Road. 2.45 p.m.
Speaker: Mrs. Christmas.

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

St. Peter's Church, Bekesbourne.
11th February 1973 Emma Caroline Geering

Holy Matrimony

St. Peter's Church, Bridge.
24th February 1973 Robert George Irvine
and
Carolyn Elaine Margaret
Holmes

May They Rest in Peace

Barham Crematorium.
1st February 1973 Mary Ann Patterson
St. Paul's Church, Canterbury.
7th February 1973 Margaret Mount

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BRIDGE PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

BARN DANCE

Please note that our Barn Dance takes place on Saturday 31st March and not on 1st March as was stated in the February issue of the Church

magazine. Tickets will be available from Committee members and Mr. Shirely, Bridge Post Office, at 35p each.

J.M. Farrow,
Hon. Secretary.

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BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Our meetings in March will be 8th March at 7 Windmill Close and 22nd March at 60 Bridge Down. By the kind invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Pierce and Mr. and Mrs. Howells. We do thank them for having us.

L.E.A.

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BRIDGE W.I.

Tuesday 20th March 7 p.m. Bridge Village Hall.
'The Work of the Samaritans'
Mr. John Carlottes.
Competition:- A piece of
Victoriana.

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TREE PLANTING YEAR 1973

The Rural District Council have decided to set aside a sum of money which can be used either to plant trees on their own land or to plant trees on land belonging to other persons if the other persons are willing.

I am asked to act as co-ordinator of any efforts in the parish. Schools and other bodies might be brought into the united effort.

I shall be pleased to pass on any requests for trees to be suitably planted and look forward to being helpful in this matter.

E. G. Down,
Clerk of the Council.

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CONGREGATIONAL MUSIC

This is the first of some extracts on Congregational Music. They are taken from "The Singing Church" by C. Henry Phillips and published by permission of Faber & Faber. The book was first published in 1945, before our own Ancient and Modern Revised hymn book came along.

"Hymns A. & M.

"On its first appearance in 1861 "Hymns Ancient and Modern" was looked upon as a high-church, 'ritualistic' book. It contained translations of medieval office hymns, arranged its matter seasonally and its proprietors identified themselves with the Anglo-Catholic Oxford Movement of the mid-century by issuing further publications giving translations, set to the original plain-song, of such things as the propers of the mass. In 1868 the book was furnished with an appendix and in 1875 under the musical editorship of Monk the book acquired a larger proportion of contemporary tunes, Steggall, in 1889, edited a supplement (called in the Ancient and Modern Standard 'First Supplement' and consisting of hymns 474-638) and this Old Edition is the book which came in for so much criticism at the beginning of the present century. Three lesser used books had meanwhile been published mainly as protestant counterblasts to A. & M. They were "Hymnal Companion", 1870, "Church Hymns" 1874, and "Oxford Hymnal" 1898.

'The 'Yattendon Hymnal'

Robert Bridges, working with a village choir at Yattendon near Oxford and feeling outraged by current hymns, issued in 1899 his 'Yattendon Hymnal' an important book for many reasons though it never became popular. By its printing, paper and format it showed that a hymnal could be produced to look well (its general get-up certainly shamed the ugly pages of all the other hymnals) and sent editors to new sources, especially to the unknown melodies of Bourgeois and Goudimel,

Gibbons, and Henry Lawes, Croft and Jeremiah Clarke. As many of their tunes were written in unusual metres, Bridges wrote for them some excellent verses. Bridges rightly argued that for hymns this method of suiting text to tune is excellent, for it assures correct mechanical details in matters of accent and quantity; there are no lines in the 'Yattendon Hymnal' to give the reformers' doggerel of the metrical psalms or that unbelievable and unsingable line of Charles Wesley:

'With inextinguishable blaze'

In an illuminating preface the author defends the practice of writing words to existing melodies, champions Clarke as the inventor of the modern English hymn-tune, treats at length of the gathering-notes and finals of the psalm-tunes and gives much information about Bourgeois and his interesting metres. The book contains eight tunes and four by Croft; it henceforth became a source-book for future compilers. It was not a popular book, for like their eighteenth century forebears who 'quavered and semi-quavered care away' the nineteenth century hymn-singers, even in Yattendon, were very tenacious for their favourite hymns. But its influence on scholarly research and future compilation was important."

P. Giles.

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BRIDGE YOUTH CLUB

February has been a very favourable month for the Club. The 'Disco' of the 3rd brought many visitors and a handsome return to our funds. We are now using the new table tennis table supplied by the County Council and have opened a bank account with the financial grant that accompanied it. In the last issue of the parish magazine, I reported that the lads were building a 'disco unit'. This has been completed and operates on Club lights. At this point

I would like to inform the Residents Association of Kingston, Bekesbourne and Canterbury that we have located the volume control knob and that there should be no cause for complaint. We have received permission to use the Recreation Ground, marked the pitch and played our first home match. Bridge Youth are those in the new blue shirts and white shorts proudly running between the brand new football posts so kindly made and donated to the club by Mr. and Mrs. Buckmaster. The Club Football teams are now known to exist and are making good progress in both full matches and the St. Augustine's '5-a-side' League. Not to be left out the girls have sorted themselves out and have had their first practice for '5-a-side' football. At a recent visit to the Club a member of the Youth Council was pressed into making enquiries of other Clubs for a Girls' Football '5-a-side' League. This has been successful and plans are now being made at a higher level and will also include netball. There is no truth in the rumour that the boys are considering dressmaking !!

Our next 'disco' will be mid-March - make a date.

B. T. Kingsnorth.

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NOTES ON THE HISTORY OF BEKESBOURNE

Bekesbourne as a Cinque Port Member

Part 9

Any, or all, of such punishments would have been used in Bekesbourne if it "pleased" Hastings, and we can well imagine that such penalties were from time to time put in force.

We must turn, however, to a more romantic subject. The highest office connected with the Cinque Ports is that of the "Lord Warden."

Two Bekesbourne Land owners have held this office, which is a crown appointment. In 1559 Queen Elizabeth preferred William Lord Cobham, Lord Chamberlain of Her Majesty's Household, to this office, which he held for 38 years. He was succeeded by his son, Henry Lord Cobham, in 1597, who held office till the first year of King James. In that year he was arraigned for participation in the Raleigh Conspiracy, and spent the rest of his life in prison, where he died in 1618. With him the title expired, his estate, according to Hasted, being forfeited to the Crown.

This Henry brought about an event which must long have been remembered in the Village. When he took the oath on his appointment to the Office of Lord Warden, he had a Court of Shepway, called for that purpose, held at Bekesbourne. The Court of Shepway is the highest of all the Cinque Port Courts, and till then had always been held in the open air at Shepway Cross near Lympne.

This breach of tradition caused a good deal of stir in the Confederacy, but for Bekesbourne it must have been a great and memorable day when all the great men of the Ports in their splendid attire assembled at Cobham Court in the parish, a house which had been in the possession of the Cobham family since the beginning of the reign of King Edward III.

A few years ago there came to light a little relic, which may possibly date from this occasion. In the garden of the Old Palace a silver button was turned up by the spade, with the Cinque Port Arms upon it, dropped no doubt by some official or servant.

Other names connected with the Cinque Ports are those of three of the Old Deputy Mayors which have survived. The old Vestry Book in the Church Chest records that Robert Peckham (who lived at the Old Palace) was Deputy Mayor from 1778-1779. He was succeeded by Robert Potter (who lived at Howletts). While Thomas Southee (of Cobham Court) held the office in 1788.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BEKESBOURNE

Church Cleaners for March:

Mrs. Hogben	3rd March
Mrs. Watson	10th March
Mrs. Grey & Mrs. Purchase	17th March
Mrs. Sandall	24th March
Mrs. Kingsford & Mrs. Smith	31st March

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BEKESBOURNE W.I.

Tuesday 13th March

Bekesbourne Village Hall
7.15 p.m. Demonstration "Do
It Yourself"

Competition:- An article
from odds and ends.

Hostesses: Mesdames Routley,
Moon and Butcher.

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BRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS

The Committee are pleased to announce the appointment of Mrs. Lawrence, 36 Union Road, Bridge, as the new Honorary Secretary of the Club as Mrs. Bate will be leaving the District.

M.J. Bate, Hon. Sec.

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**PATRIXBOURNE
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SUNDAY SERVICES FOR APRIL 1973

BRIDGE PATRIXBOURNE BEKESBOURNE

1st April - 4th Sunday in Lent

Mothering Sunday

11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon 11.45 a.m. Holy Comm. 6.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Comm.	9.30 a.m. Sung Comm.
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8th April - 5th Sunday in Lent

Passion Sunday

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Series II) 6.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon	11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Comm.
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15th April - Palm Sunday

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Sung)	8 a.m. Holy Comm.	11 a.m. Mattins A Passiontide Devotion sung by Choir and Congregation.
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Blessing and distribution of palms at all services.

22nd April - EASTER SUNDAY

See separate announcements for Services.

29th April - Low Sunday

9 a.m. Holy Comm. 6.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon	11 a.m. Matt. and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Comm.
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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 Comm.

CALENDAR FOR APRIL 1973

April

1st Sunday	4th Sunday in Lent.
2nd Monday	Confirmation Class 6.30 p.m. at Bridge Church.
3rd Tuesday	Confirmation Service 7.30 p.m. Bridge Church.
4th Wednesday	9 a.m. Mothers' Union Corporate Communion with Intercessions at Bridge Church. Young Wives Group meeting 7.30 p.m. in Bridge Village Hall.
5th Thursday	Bible Study Group meeting at 7, Windmill Close, Bridge at 8 p.m.
8th Sunday	Passion Sunday Preacher at 6.30 p.m. Evensong at Bridge Church. The Rev. Peter Heartfield, Chaplain of Canterbury Hospital Group.
9th Monday	Mothers' Union Branch Meeting, 37 Union Road, 2.45 p.m.
10th Tuesday	Bekesbourne W.I. meeting 7.15 p.m. Village Hall.
11th Wednesday	East Bridge Deanery Young Wives Service 8 p.m. Elmstone Church.
12th Thursday	Patricxbourne Parish Meeting. The Red Lion 7.30 p.m.
15th Sunday	Palm Sunday. 9 a.m. Young Wives Corporate Communion. Distribution of palms at all services. Passiontide Devotion 11 a.m. The Choir of Bekesbourne Church.
17th Tuesday	Bridge W.I. Birthday meeting, Bridge Village Hall 7.00 p.m.
19th Thursday	Maundy Thursday. Holy Communion 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church. Bible Study Group meeting 37 Union Road, Bridge 8 p.m.
20th Good Friday	See elsewhere for Good Friday Services.
22nd Easter Day	" " " Easter Day Services.
25th Wednesday	Bridge & Patricxbourne P.C.C. Meeting 7.30 p.m. Bridge Village Hall.
29th Sunday	Low Sunday

May
1st Tuesday East Bridge Deanery Synod Meeting
7.30 p.m. at St. Augustine's
College
2nd Wednesday Mothers' Union Corporate Comm.
with Intercessions at Bridge Church.
Young Wives Group Meeting 7.30 p.m.
Bridge Village Hall.

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Dear Parishioners of Bridge, Patricxbourne and
Bekesbourne,

The Festival of Easter comes late this year. Of all the weeks in the year Holy Week provides an opportunity for all Christian people to enter into the exciting and dramatic events which led up to the Crucifixion and the transformation of the Resurrection morning. Easter Day itself still remains the central Christian festival in the life of our nation and I am confident that large numbers in our parishes will respond to the call to worship on that day. The message of the day is quite clearly a call to renewal. The story of Christ rising from the tomb and the clear picture that we have in the Gospels of His appearances to the disciples which are presented to us at the services on that Sunday are a vivid reminder of the overwhelming power of God over our human nature. Those who hesitate to accept the Christian evidence of the Resurrection of Our Lord would do well to study anew the Gospel narratives of the first Easter Day. They would discover how fully their attitude was shared by the personal disciples of Jesus who were slow to believe and at first "believed not for joy". Their experience may reasonably encourage us; for faith has nothing to do with credulity but a great deal to do with courage. The best and most secure and worthy serenity of faith is that which is able to pass from the disbelief for joy to the joy of full belief. According to the Christian faith the Resurrection of Christ is both an historical event and an eternal truth. It is a unique event because it reflects an eternal truth. An historical fact which cannot be questioned is that one of the

main causes of the rise and spread of Christianity was the belief of followers of Jesus that He had risen, so the Gospel tells us, and the certainty of the fact of the Resurrection. The story is told in language which in itself convinces from the dignity of its simple naturalness. Penitence brings hope to faith and love. Love outruns faith yet needs for the complete assurance what faith alone can bring.

Another great event in this month is the Confirmation on Tuesday, 3rd April. I am sure that the service will be as impressive and moving as usual. I trust that many will come to pray for the candidates and to welcome them into the life of the Church.

May I welcome all new members of the Parochial Church Council and express our gratitude to the Church Wardens and Officers of the Church for their loyal service in the past.

Yours sincerely in our Blessed Lord,

COLIN E. H. PERRY,
Rural Dean and Vicar.

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DECORATING THE CHURCHES FOR EASTER

St. Peter's Church, Bridge.	This will take place at 3.15 p.m. on 20th April. This year lilies will be expensive. Those who would like to give a lily should give 40 p. to Mrs. R. Hunter, Mrs. F.E. Apps or the Vicar.
St. Mary's Church, Patricxbourne.	This will take place on Friday, 20th April at 3.15 p.m.
St. Peter's Church, Bekesbourne.	This will take place on 21st April at 10.30 a.m.

In all churches any offers of help or
flowers will be most welcome.

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SERVICES IN HOLY WEEK

St. Peter's, Bridge
Monday 16th April 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion
Wednesday 18th April 9.30 a.m. " "
Maundy Thursday 19th April 9.30 a.m. " "
St. Mary's, Patricxbourne
Tuesday 17th April 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Matrimony

St. Peter's, Bridge,
10th March 1973. Howard John Charlton
Maureen Susan Deacon

May They Rest In Peace

St. Peter's, Bridge,
7th March, 1973. Albert Darvill

Barham Crematorium,
12th March, 1973. Ethel Eliza Cook

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MOTHERS' UNION

Wednesday, 4th April Corporate Communion with
Intercessions, 9.30 a.m.
Bridge Church
Monday, 9th April Branch meeting 37 Union
Road, 2.45 p.m. Speaker:
Miss Evenden "The Sayings
of the Virgin Mary".

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JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet at 11 a.m. on
Sundays April 1st, 8th, 15th and 29th.

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BIBLE STUDY GROUP

On 5th April we meet at Mrs. Pierce's,
7 Windmill Close, with our grateful thanks and on
19th April at 37 Union Road by the kind invitation
of Mrs. Meigh to whom we also give thanks.

INSTITUTION AND INDUCTION OF THE REV.

W. MOWLL

William Mowll began his clerical life in
Sheffield from where he moved about three years ago
to an active and highly organized parish near Sutton
Coldfield in the diocese of Birmingham.

On 4th April he is to be inducted as Vicar of
Upper Arley in the diocese of Worcester. Here he
will live and here he will officiate on Sundays.
During the week, however, his main work will be in
Industrial Missions in the large manufacturing town
of Kidderminster. We wish him joy in the town and
country life which lies before him.

Please remember William in your prayers
on 4th April. He is the son of Mr. Wilfred Mowll,
Churchwarden of Bekesbourne Church.

C.E.H.P.

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LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF CANTERBURY HOSPITALS
BRIDGE GROUP

We are holding our A.G.M. on Friday, 30th
March at 7.30 p.m. in Bridge Village Hall. There
will be a "Bring and Buy" stall and a raffle.
Refreshments of Cheese and Wine will be served.

We invite all our friends, who pay their
subscriptions each year, to come and join us for
a little while. I'm sure you will find it quite
interesting and you will hear how the moneys you
so generously donate, and we make on jumble sales
etc., are spent.

We shall look forward to welcoming you all.

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

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PATRICXBORNE PARISH MEETING

The Annual General meeting will be held at
'The Red Lion', Bridge, on Thursday 12th April at
7.30 p.m.

P. Greenwood, Acting Clerk.

THANKS

Thanks to all kind friends for their cards and prayers, during my recent illness, also the District Nurse and members of the Sunshine Guild.

(Mrs.) J. Sharp.

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DOCTORS PRESCRIPTIONS

If anyone will leave their prescription in the box at the office at The Close before 11.30 a.m. Monday - Friday inclusive it will be taken to a chemist and the medicine will be available for collection from The Close between 3.30 - 5.00 p.m. on the same day. The correct money where necessary should be put in an envelope with the prescription together with the name and address.

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BRIDGE YOUNG WIVES

- Wednesday 4th April Talk by Rev. J. Meek,
Vicar of St. Mary Bredin
Canterbury 7.30 p.m. Bridge
Village Hall.
- Wednesday 11th April Deanery Festival, 8 p.m.
Elmstone Church. Transport
will be arranged at the
previous meeting.
- Wednesday 2nd May Films about South Africa.
7.30 p.m. Bridge Village
Hall.

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BRIDGE WOMENS INSTITUTE

- Tuesday 17th April Birthday meeting. Cookery
Demonstration S.E.G.A.S.
Competition: 6 cheese
scones. 7.00 p.m. Bridge
Village Hall.

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CHURCH CLEANERS FOR BEKES-
BOURNE CHURCH - APRIL

- Mrs. Stickels & Mrs. Cox - 7th April
- Mrs. Hogben - 14th April
- Mrs. Watson - 21st April
- Mrs. Purchase & Mrs. Guy - 28th April

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ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BEKESBOURNE

On Easter Sunday, 22nd April, at 11.00 a.m. Matins, our Choir will sing the carol 'This Joyful Eastertide' and the anthem 'Christ is Risen'. There will also be for Choir and congregation a selection of the popular Easter hymns. We do hope that you will come and fill our lovely old church.

S.H.G.

It was decided at the P.C.C. meeting held at Mulberry Cottage, Bekesbourne, the residence of Mr. W.R. Mowll, to promote a raffle to take the place of the May Fayre. Later in the year it is proposed to hold in the Village Hall a Christmas Market. We should be most grateful for gifts to be used as prizes (for the raffle) and these can be given to the Vicar, the Churchwardens Mr. W.R. Mowll, Mrs. Shorey, Mrs. Sandall or Mr. Grey.

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BEKESBOURNE WOMENS INSTITUTE

- Tuesday 10th April 7.15 p.m. Bekesbourne
Village Hall, Demonstration
by British Bacon Curers.
Competition: Coconut cake.
Hostesses: Mesdames Castle,
Lewington, Deebank, Purchase,
Watson and Taylor.

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PALM SUNDAY

At 11.00 a.m. Matins on Palm Sunday, 15th April, a Passiontide Devotion will be sung by Choir and Congregation with bible readings at St. Peter's Church, Bekesbourne.

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.

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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 Churchwarden to be included in the collection.

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GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES - 20TH

APRIL

St. Peter's Bridge:

8.00 a.m. Ante-Communion and Litany
2 - 3 p.m. Devotional Service conducted by the Rev. Charles W. Harrington.

St. Peter's Bekesbourne:

11.00 a.m. Mattins and Sermon
Preacher: The Vicar.

EASTER DAY SERVICES - 22ND

APRIL

St. Peter's Bridge:

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
11.00 a.m. Mattins and Family Service
11.45 a.m. Holy Communion
6.30 p.m. Festal Evensong

St. Mary's Patricxbourne:

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
11.00 a.m. Mattins & Service

Easter Day Services (Contd.)

St. Peter's Bekesbourne:

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
11.00 a.m. Mattins & Sermon
11.45 a.m. Holy Communion

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Dear Parishioners of Bridge, Patrixbourne,
and Bekesbourne,

First I would welcome to the family of the Church all who were confirmed on the 3rd April, I hope that they will come faithfully to Holy Communion and enrich the spiritual life of the Church by their prayers.

It has been decided that until the next Bridge & Patrixbourne Annual Church Meeting, we should use the Series 3 Service of Holy Communion instead of the Series 2 Service on the second Sunday of the month at Bridge Church. The Church of England Liturgical Commission to the Archbishop of Canterbury and York were able to build Series 3 on the foundation of Series 2, although there were all kinds of changes in language and details they found no solid reason to make any serious departure from the basic structure of Series 2. It is indeed hoped that the Church of England will find in this rite a further significant step towards the creation of a new and worthy book of Common Prayer in the not too distant future. I hope you will come with open hearts and minds to this experimental period.

Easter was a most joyful and happy day at all our Churches. My appreciation is expressed to all who worked so hard to make it so. The churches were looking lovely and the music was at it's best, thanks to the organists and choirs. May I also thank Mrs. Flynn and Mrs. Grey for the care of the linen and choir robes for Easter Day.

I would also like to express my grateful thanks to those who so generously contributed to the Easter offering. It was indeed most kind of you all.

Ascension Day falls on the last day of the month. In olden days Ascension Day, which always falls on a Thursday, was kept as a Holy Day and everyone went to Church, but nowadays many churches neglect this duty. This year I am going to try an 8.30 a.m. Holy Communion at Patrixbourne Church

for the Patricxbourne and Bekesbourne parishes and a 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion at Bridge Church.

The real significance of this festival is to be found in the concentration of the Churches' devotion on Christ as a cosmic figure. It is the Feast of the Sovereignty of Christ. He is worshipped on this Day as the person in whose hands the destiny of each member of the human race resides. It was the faith in the Ascended Christ, the King of Glory which gave to the early Christian Community its astonishing boldness to take the Gospel to the Roman and Grecian civilizations.

I hope that this year Ascension Day will have a like meaning to you as it did to those early Christians. Faith that God is sovereign and that all things work together for good belongs to those who are ready to know the pain and cost of this love of Christ.

Yours affectionately in our Blessed Lord,

COLIN E. H. PERRY,
Rural Dean and Vicar.

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CALENDAR FOR MAY

- May
1st Tuesday East Bridge Deanery Synod 7.30 p.m. at St. Augustine's College.
2nd Wednesday 9.30 a.m. Mothers' Union Corporate Communion with Intercessions, Bridge Church.
3rd Thursday Bible Study Group meeting 8 p.m. Church Cottage, Bridge.
Summer Fête meeting 7.30 p.m. Bridge Vicarage.
6th Sunday Second Sunday after Easter.
7th Monday Canterbury Cathedral 7.30 p.m. Archdeacon's Visitation.
8th Tuesday Bridge Country Club. By-pass Enquiry 10.30 a.m.
Meeting of Sunday School Teachers East Bridge Deanery at 7.30 p.m. at

Littlebourne Church.
W.I. meeting Bekesbourne Village Hall 7.15 p.m.

- 12th Saturday League of Friends Jumble Sale. 2.30 p.m. Bridge Village Hall.
Bridge Cricket Club dance 7.30 p.m. The Punch Tavern.
13th Sunday Third Sunday after Easter.
14th Monday Mothers' Union Branch Meeting at 2.45 p.m. 37 Union Road, Bridge.
15th Tuesday W.I. meeting 7 p.m. Bridge Village Hall.
17th Thursday Bible Study Group Meeting at 7 Windmill Close, Bridge.
20th Sunday Fourth Sunday after Easter.
23rd Wednesday East Bridge Mothers' Union Deanery Festival 7.30 p.m. at Goodnestone.
24th Thursday Bridge P.C.C. meeting - Bridge Village Hall 7.30 p.m.
27th Sunday Rogation Sunday
31st Thursday Ascension Day
8.30 a.m. Holy Communion, Patricx-bourne Church.
9.30 a.m. Holy Communion, Bridge Church.

June

- 3rd Sunday Sunday after Ascension Day.
4th Monday Bekesbourne P.C.C. 7.30 p.m. Mulberry Cottage, Patricxbourne.
9th Saturday Summer Fête Bridge School 2.30 p.m.

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PARISH COUNCIL OF BRIDGE

The next meeting of the Bridge Parish Council will be held on Thursday, 24th May at the Village Hall commencing at 7.30 p.m.

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LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF CANTERBURY
HOSPITALS - BRIDGE GROUP

We are holding a late Spring Jumble Sale on

Saturday, 12th May in the Village Hall at 2.30 p.m.
We invite you all to attend. There are always
Bargains at the League of Friends Jumble Sales. Of
course gifts of clean jumble or bric-a-brac prior to
the 12th are always acceptable.

F. E. Appls,
Hon. Sec. L.O.F. Bridge Group.

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BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Just to remind us all, that our dates to
remember for May are Thursday, 3rd May at Church
Cottage and Thursday 17th at 7 Windmill Close by the
kind invitation of Mr. & Mrs. Rose and Mr. & Mrs.
Pierce, respectively.

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CHURCH CLEANING FOR ST. PETER'S BEKESBOURNE

Mrs. Sandall	4th May
Mrs. Kingsford & Smith	12th May
Mrs. Cox & Stickels	19th May
Mrs. Hogben	26th May

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

BRIDGE & PATRIBOURNE

Tuesday, 15th May - "Experiences in the Secret
Service in the Second World
War" Capt. R. A. Cooper.
Competition: Flower arrange-
ment 5 inches overall.
7 p.m. Village Hall.

BEKESBOURNE

Tuesday, 8th May Discussion N.F. A.G.M.
Resolutions.
Competition: Bacon dish
Social Time. Fashion Show
Dresses made by members.
Hostesses: Mrs. Farrow, Smith
and Petherbridge.
Village Hall 7.15 p.m.

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Advance Notice

Do come along to Patribourne Church on
Saturday 16th June at 6 p.m. when the Madrigal
Society of the University of Kent at Canterbury
will be giving a recital of both religious and
secular music. There will be a donation to the
Church and your strong support will be welcomed.
Please put this date in your diary. You will find
more details in the June issue of the magazine.

First Bridge Cub Pack

We urgently need someone to assist 'Arkela'
with the Pack which is now a thriving little group
of very enthusiastic 8 and 9 year olds. If you
are over 16 years old and interested in helping
please ring me. The Pack meets at 6 p.m. until
7.30 p.m. on Thursday evenings.

Anne Mummery, Bridge 830 297
Secretary of Bridge Cubs Supporters Group.

CHURCH FLOWERS

Bridge & Patribourne

The work of the regular flower arrangers
was greatly lightened this year by the kindness
and generosity of additional helpers who gave
flowers and came to assist with the decorations
for Easter. My grateful thanks to all who helped
or gave donations for flowers.

Bekesbourne

May I thank all those who decorated the
church so beautifully for Easter and those who
gave donations for flowers. C.E.H.P.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

St. Peter's, Bekesbourne
15th April 1973 Simon Francis Oldfield

Holy Matrimony

St. Peter's, Bridge
21st April 1973 Bryan Anthony Lewis
Pauline Anne Lavin

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May They Rest In Peace

St. Peter's Bridge

18th April 1973

Annie Elizabeth Seath

- Wednesday 2nd May MOTHERS' UNION
Corporate Communion with
Intercessions 9.30 a.m. Bridge
Church
- Monday 14th May Branch meeting at 37 Union
Road 2.45 p.m. Speaker - Mrs.
Bradley.
- Wednesday 23rd May M.U. Deanery Festival at
Goodnestone 7.30 p.m.

JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet on the following
Sundays at 11 a.m. - May 13th, 20th and 27th.

LENTEN BOXES

I should be grateful if all those who
kindly took these Lenten Self Denial boxes could
return them on or by Sunday, 6th May at either the
11 a.m. or 6.30 p.m. services at Bridge Church.

C.E.H.P.

SUMMER FÊTE

Please make a note in your diary of the date
of our Summer Fête which is Saturday June 9th at
2.30 p.m. at Bridge Primary School. Details will
be given in the June issue of the magazine.

C.E.H.P.

SERIES III - Holy Communion Service

I should be glad to have comments regarding
Series III and would be most happy to discuss this
service with anyone who so wishes.

C.E.H.P.

BRIDGE BY-PASS INQUIRY

The Department of the Environment is holding
a public inquiry at Bridge Place Country Club on
Tuesday, 8th May at 10.30 a.m. At the inquiry,
representations from any persons who have objected

to the orders and from any other persons who
desire to appear will be heard. Suggestions as
to an alternative route or that of improving,
diverting or altering the highway to which the
draft order relates, will also be heard.

E.P. Greenwood, Acting Clerk, Patricxbourne
Parish Meeting.

Bridge Cricket Club

The Club is, on the 12th May, holding a
Disco-Buffer Dance at The Punch Tavern, Calcott
Hill, Sturry commencing at 7.30 and lasting until
12 midnight. Tickets are £1 each and can be
obtained from myself or from Cyril Harding,
telephone number Bridge 488.

At present, I am waiting for fixture cards
to be returned from the printers. Our first
fixture is on Saturday the 28th April.

B.R.J. Cole

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necessary should be in the envelope with prescrip-
tion together with name and address. Prescriptions
must be booked in and out.

Bridge Methodists

Bridge Methodists will be holding a coffee
morning with a "Bring and Buy" Stall on Wednes-
day 30th May at Mrs. Wimpory's, 'High Beech',
Patricxbourne Road, Bridge. Please come along
between 10.30 and 12.00.

Tuesday, 4th September

Please make a note of this date for the
SAVE THE CHILDREN COFFEE MORNING & BRING & BUY
SALE at The Barton, Patricxbourne. We hold it

every other year and plans and preparations are well ahead - but we need the help and support of all our friends. Please keep us in mind - more details will be announced later.

E.G.

"KEEPING THE FEAST"

An Occasion for Clergy, Sunday School Teachers and Friends in the Deanery of East Bridge, at Littlebourne on Tuesday, 8th May commencing at 7.30 p.m.

The purpose of the evening is to provide the occasion for sharing experiences in our work with children within the Christian Family of the Church in the parish. The evening is without further commitment - whether there is another similar occasion will be a corporate decision.

BRIDGE YOUTH CLUB

The Club continues to flourish and as it does so the members are introducing their friends from other villages to our weekly meetings. There is even a small queue for the 10.20 bus from the Post Office most Thursday evenings.

Football - With the season almost ended we would like to thank Mr. Colin Moores for the hard work in training our teams and organising matches. Our record is now second to none for good football and such has been mentioned by League referees who have attended the meetings. We are also winning matches with results such as 8 - 4.

Girls' Netball - Our girls' team have visited Whitstable recently and secured a third position in the Youth League Division by defeating teams from other clubs and schools of the area. This was their first attempt at organised netball and some credit must be passed on to their 'Manager/Driver' for the day, Mrs. Dawn Crowe.

Discos - Our discos have now become something of a regular monthly attraction which bring many friends to the village to appreciate the performance given by Kim Green assisted by Jeremy Chellew and Alan

Loughlin. At this point I must not forget the 'backroom boys' who for hours before the curtain rises sit amongst a mass of wire connecting up coloured lights which when complete makes Blackpool look 'kids stuff'.

Gardening - We are able to offer a small service to the Senior Citizens of the Village or others, being sick etc. who cannot keep their grass or weeds down. This is entirely voluntary and free of charge. So come on, there must be others - we would like to know.

France - A day trip has been arranged for the 2nd June for Club members. A coach will leave Bridge at 08.10 and return at 21.15 hours having completed a tour of several French towns and making the major stop at Le Touquet. Remember over 15s must be in possession of a passport size photograph (or passport) and the final balance to the Treasurer Mr. Maber by the 10th May please.

Finally, we are in urgent need of the use of a shed or outbuilding of sufficient size to house our football post sections for the summer and I would be pleased to hear from any person who might be able to assist. Club nights for May - 3rd, 10th, 17th and Disco on 26th.

B.T. Kingsnorth, Secretary.

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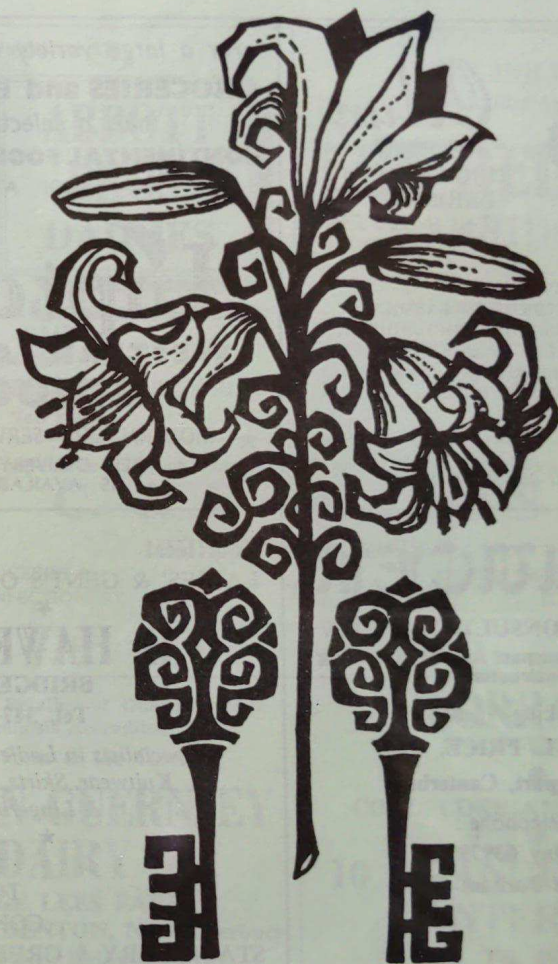
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SUNDAY SERVICES FOR JUNE 1973

BRIDGE

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3rd June - Sunday after Ascension

11 a.m. Mattins Family Service 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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10th June - Whit Sunday

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

9 a.m. Holy Comm. (Sung) 6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Comm.	11 a.m. Mattins
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24th June - First 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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1st July - Second Sunday after Trinity

11 a.m. Mattins Family Service 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion 6.30 p.m. Even- song and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Comm.	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 the first Sunday in the month when there is a celebration of Holy Communion.

Dear Parishioners of Bridge, Patricxbourne,
and Bekesbourne,

I do hope that you will support our Annual Bridge and Patricxbourne Parish Summer Fête at Bridge School Grounds on Saturday, 9th June. I would draw your attention to the full programme of stalls and activities which you will find elsewhere in the magazine. It is always a most happy family occasion. The stallholders will most gratefully receive gifts for their respective stalls.

This year Bekesbourne Church have been unable to hold their customary May Fair and instead are having a "Grand Summer Draw" in aid of Church Funds. The Draw will take place at Bekesbourne Village Hall on Tuesday 19th June at 7.30 p.m. There will be an entertainment by the Choir and also a film show afterwards. All will be most warmly welcome.

May I thank a very kind person who wishes to remain anonymous for a most generous donation of £20 towards this effort.

Also at 6 p.m. on the 16th June at Patricxbourne Church there will be a Madrigal Evening given by the University of Kent at Canterbury Madrigal Society. There will be a retiring collection for Patricxbourne Church Repair Funds.

Our deep sympathy and our prayers go out to Mrs. D. Irvine and her family on the death of her husband Col. George Irvine, a member of our Bridge Church Parochial Church Council. Also to Mrs. Marjorie Meigh, our Mothers' Union Enrolling Member, on the tragic death after a motor car accident of her son Dr. Donald Meigh.

Whit Sunday is on the 10th June. It is the birthday of the Holy Catholic church. The Breath of God has come upon it even the life-giving spirit of God; its life will live to eternity and its members through the power of the Holy Ghost in progressive ages will become 'an exceeding great army'.

The epistle for Whit Sunday tells us of the descent of the Gift which Christ has promised. In the Gospel Christ Himself tells us of the purpose of the Gift. The Collect gives us a prayer for His efficacious work upon us, the members of the Church.

In reading the Epistle we note the outward sign which attended the coming of the Holy Ghost; namely the "cloven tongues like as if fire" which "sat upon each of them". The fire distributing from the one source in separate tongues is the evidence of the one gift the same to all, yet 'divided to every man, severally as 'God Will'. It sat upon each and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost.'

Yours affectionately in our Blessed Lord,

COLIN E. H. PERRY,
Rural Dean and Vicar.

CALENDAR FOR JUNE 1973

May

31st Ascension Day Holy Communion 8.30 a.m.
Patricxbourne Church.
Holy Communion 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church.
Bible Study Group Meeting 8 p.m.

June

3rd Sunday Sunday after Ascension
4th Monday Bekesbourne P.C.C. Meeting
7.30 p.m. at Mr. W. Mowll,
Mulberry Cottage, Patricxbourne.
5th Tuesday Fête Committee Meeting 8 p.m.
Bridge Primary School.
6th Wednesday Mothers' Union Corporate
Communion with Intercessions
9.30 a.m. Bridge Church.
Young Wives Group Meeting
Bridge Village Hall 8 p.m.
9th Saturday Bridge and Patricxbourne Churches
Summer Fête. 2.30 p.m. onwards
at Bridge School ground.
10th Sunday Whit-Sunday.
Young Wives Corporate Communion
Bridge Church 9 a.m.

11th Monday St. Barnabas the Apostle
Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church
12th Tuesday Extra Ordinary Meeting of the Bridge
Village Hall Committee 7.30 p.m. in
Village Hall.
W.I. Meeting Bekesbourne - Cobham Hall. 7.15 p.m.
14th Wednesday Bible Study Group Meeting 8 p.m.
16th Saturday Womens Offering Service 10.30 a.m.
Canterbury Cathedral.
'Madrigal Evening' Patricxbourne
Church 6 p.m.
17th Sunday Trinity Sunday.
19th Tuesday St. Peter's Church, Bekesbourne.
Grand Summer Draw in Aid of the
Church will take place at Bekesbourne
Village Hall 7.30 p.m. Entertainments
afterwards. All welcome.
W.I. meeting Bridge Village Hall.
7 p.m.
20th Wednesday Young Wives Group A.G.M.
Bridge Village Hall 8 p.m.
21st Thursday Mothers' Union East Bridge Deanery.
Quiet Evening and Holy Communion
7.30 p.m. at Womenswold Church.
24th Sunday First Sunday after Trinity.
25th Monday St. John the Baptist's Day - Holy
Communion 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church.
28th Thursday Bible Study Group Meeting 8 p.m.
29th Friday St. Peter's Day - Holy Communion
9.30 a.m. Bridge Church.

July

1st Sunday Second Sunday after Trinity.

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ST. PETER'S CHURCH BEKESBOURNE
CHURCH CLEANERS FOR JUNE

Mrs. Watson	June 2nd
Mrs. Grey	June 9th
Mrs. Sandall	June 16th
Mrs. Kingsford & Mrs. Smith	June 23rd
Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Stickels	June 30th

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BEKESBOURNE W.I.

Tuesday June 12th 7.15 p.m. Cobham Court Talk.
Living with Deaf Children.
Mr. T. Pursglove.
Comp. Fruit flan - pastry case.
Hostesses - Mrs. Whigham
Mrs. Coombes and Mrs. Baker.

BRIDGE W.I.

Tuesday June 19th 7 p.m. Bridge Village Hall
Demonstration of Millinery by
Mrs. Ingleton.
Comp. Lady's Paper Hat.

CHURCHILL HOUSE

On Thursday, May 10th, the residents enjoyed their "Spring Coach Drive" leaving the House at 2 p.m. proceeding through Elham Valley to Hythe, then touring the Romney Marshes covering "Dr. Syn's smuggling domain" including Camber Sands and Dymchurch returning via St. Mary in the Marsh and Ashford.

A sumptuous buffet spread was served on arrival home by Mesdames Smith Holmes and Harris, the evening was rounded off with a coloured slide show of Romney Marsh and a collection of wild and garden flowers projected by Mr. Milton. Mrs. Smith, Warden, must be congratulated for organising a wonderful afternoon. Please make a note that "Churchill House" Summer Bazaar will be held on Saturday, July 28th.

M.M.

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BRIDGE YOUNG WIVES GROUP

Wednesday June 6th Pippa Dee Dress Party 8 p.m.
in the Bridge Village Hall.
An open invitation to see good
quality lingerie, summer
clothes and children's night
wear - no obligation to buy.

Free refreshments. Come and join us.

Wednesday June 20th Annual General Meeting 8 p.m.
in the Village Hall.
Please come and elect your new officers and committee for 1973/74. Wine and cheese will be served by the retiring committee.

Wednesday July 4th Annual outing to Margate
Winter-Gardens. K. Buckhurst.

JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet at 11 a.m. on Sundays
June 10th, 17th and 24th.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Our next meeting falls on May 31st and should really have been in our May notice. I apologise for the omission. It will, by the kind invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Rose, be held at Church Cottage; and now for June - on the 14th June we meet at 7 Windmill Close, the home of our Kath and Bill Pierce, and on the 28th June, we have been invited to 42 Bridge Down, by Mr. and Mrs. Johnson.

F.E.A.

MRS. O. KNIGHT, HEADMISTRESS - BRIDGE
WITH PATRIBOURNE CHURCH OF ENGLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL

On 20th July 1973, the last day of the School year, and the Summer Term, Mrs. O. Knight will retire after some 25 years service to the School as Headmistress.

The School Managers and the Parent Teacher Association would take this opportunity to join the many adults in the District as well as all those teenagers and children who have attended the school during Mrs. Knight's Headship, and wish her well for a long and happy retirement.

Organised by the Parent Teacher Association,

a Scheme will be started shortly for those who may wish to make a contribution toward providing Mrs. Knight with a suitable gift to mark our appreciation for all her many years service to Bridge and the neighbouring District. All donations will be anonymous.

Envelopes containing Donations for the gift may be left at collecting points in some of the neighbourhood shops, with the School Managers or with the Committee of the Parent Teacher Association.

H.P.M.L.

LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF CANTERBURY
HOSPITALS - BRIDGE GROUP

A very successful Jumble Sale was held on Saturday May 12th in the Village Hall, where approximately £30 was raised. This is a great boost for our funds.

On behalf of the Committee I thank everyone who gave gifts and help.

We also hope to repeat again our 'Market Evening' later on in the year.

May I take this opportunity to ask for gifts suitable as prizes for my "Mystery Parcels" and "Jackpot Stall" which my husband and I run both for the Hospital and the Church.

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

CHORAL MATINS AT BRIDGE

Starting on the first Sunday in June, the 11 a.m. Mattins will be attended and sung by the full choir. At present the choir attends only on the weekly evensongs at Bridge except for great festivals. Evensong on the first Sunday of each month will, therefore, be almost completely congregational and a few volunteers from the choir will help out the singing.

The purpose of this is to make Mattins more of a Family Service, with both parents and children.

There will be a choir practice before this service as at our usual Evensong.

One welcome result of this should be the freeing of Sunday afternoon and evening just once a month for choir members' family outings and trips.

It is profoundly hoped that parents of choir children will co-operate by fixing family outings for the first Sunday in the month.

VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Anyone interested in articles stored in the Village Hall please remove them, if required, by June 14th after which date the Committee will not be responsible.

GIFT TO THE CHURCH

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ENGAGEMENT

The engagement is announced between Mr. David Johnson of Bridgedown and Miss Anne Bonks of Orpington.

a Scheme will be started shortly for those who may wish to make a contribution toward providing Mrs. Knight with a suitable gift to mark our appreciation for all her many years service to Bridge and the neighbouring District. All donations will be anonymous.

Envelopes containing Donations for the gift may be left at collecting points in some of the neighbourhood shops, with the School Managers or with the Committee of the Parent Teacher Association.

H.P.M.L.

LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF CANTERBURY
HOSPITALS - BRIDGE GROUP

A very successful Jumble Sale was held on Saturday May 12th in the Village Hall, where approximately £30 was raised. This is a great boost for our funds.

On behalf of the Committee I thank everyone who gave gifts and help.

We also hope to repeat again our 'Market Evening' later on in the year.

May I take this opportunity to ask for gifts suitable as prizes for my "Mystery Parcels" and "Jackpot Stall" which my husband and I run both for the Hospital and the Church.

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CHORAL MATINS AT BRIDGE

Starting on the first Sunday in June, the 11 a.m. Mattins will be attended and sung by the full choir. At present the choir attends only on the weekly evensongs at Bridge except for great festivals. Evensong on the first Sunday of each month will, therefore, be almost completely congregational and a few volunteers from the choir will help out the singing.

The purpose of this is to make Mattins more of a Family Service, with both parents and children.

There will be a choir practice before this service as at our usual Evensong.

One welcome result of this should be the freeing of Sunday afternoon and evening just once a month for choir members' family outings and trips.

It is profoundly hoped that parents of choir children will co-operate by fixing family outings for the first Sunday in the month.

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GRAND SUMMER DRAW

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S.H. Grey

MOTHERS' UNION

Wednesday June 6th Corporate Communion with Intercessions.
9.30 a.m. Bridge Church.
Thursday June 21st East Bridge Deanery Mothers Union. Quiet Evening and Holy Communion 7.30 p.m. Womenswold Church.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

St. Peter's Bridge
6th May 1973 Karen Louise Edwards

May They Rest in Peace

At Bridge Methodist Church
3rd May 1973 Frederick Marsden Jones

At Barham Crematorium
4th May 1973 Leonard George Irvine

BRIDGE & PATRIBOURNE SUMMER FÊTE
Saturday June 9th at 2.30 p.m.

Venue: School Grounds - Conyngham Lane.
(If wet we shall have use of school hall)

Many helpers have already been working towards this year's fete and are again looking for the backing which has been forthcoming on previous occasions.

COMPETITIONS:

For Juniors - Class 1 Age 3-6 years. The best VARIED collection of wild flowers in a jam jar.
Class 2 Age 7-11 years. The best ARRANGED collection (not less than 5 varieties) of wild flowers in a jam jar.

Class 3 age 11 years and under (age to be stated on exhibit) "Miniature Garden" in a seed box, size not exceeding 15" x 10".

For Adults - Cake Competition to a recipe supplied by Mrs. Sharman (Tel. 830.247)

Fruit Loaf 8 oz. S.R. flour
Receipe 1 teasp. bicarbonate of soda
1 oz. butter
3 oz. dried fruit 1 loaf tin
1 oz. chopped nuts
2 teasp. golden syrup
½ pint milk

Directions: Sieve the ingredients & rub in the fat, add the cleaned fruit and the nuts. Warm the syrup and milk together, gradually pour on to the other ingredients and mix to a soft batter. Pour into a greased & floured loaf tin & bake in a moderate oven (350°F Mark 3) for 1-1½ hours.

Exhibits are to be handed in at Bridge School between 2.0 and 2.30 p.m. on 9th June. Results will be announced during the afternoon.

Music - By the City of Canterbury Band. Dancing - by Bridge school children. Raffle - Many prizes to be won. Stalls - Refreshments & cakes, groceries, garden produce, bottles (full ones),
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Offers of assistance on the day will be very acceptable. Do please make every effort to be there and ensure a successful afternoon.

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For one brief hour, on Saturday, June 16th at 6 p.m. the pleasing chimes of St. Mary's Church, Patrixbourne, will be eclipsed by the, one would hope, equally mellifluous tones of the U.K.C. Madrigal Society. Under their conductor, Dr. Philip Cheung, they plan to perform a varied programme of music, which will include some Tudor madrigals, and some modern versions of the medieval madrigal.

A collection will be taken, and a donation made to the Patrixbourne Church Restoration Fund. A magnificent attendance would be much appreciated by the Church and also by the group, which has recently sung with some success at the Cathedral, and at the Gulbenkian Theatre. Try not to miss this singular occasion at Patrixbourne. Could there be a lovelier setting for fascinating music on an evening in Summer?

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BARHAM BOWLS CLUB

The Spring Meeting, presided over by Mr. J. Wilson was attended by 40 members. Mr. Norman Collingwood was elected President and it was decided to launch a campaign to attract new members. During May, anyone who is interested in playing will be invited to do so without obligation to join the Club. However, if any reader is interested will they please get in touch with Mr. J. Pinches, Hon. Sec., By-the-Way, Dering Road, Bridge.

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CONGREGATIONAL MUSIC - Part 3

'English Hymnal' first showed its head in 1906 and became the standard and banner of the high-church party. The ritualistic A. & M. had become a

protestant book. The bright green cover of 'English Hymnal' and its well set up pages could be seen in all churches which boasted a set of vestments: their aisles were soon echoing to the sounds of hymns in praise of the Blessed Virgin, to jiggy, rediscovered folk-tunes now for the first time pressed into the service of public worship, and to the attractive, modal French three-fours of modern times. Party feeling was high and it was soon a point of honour to deride A. & M. if you sang E.H. and to be horrified at E.H. if your protestant sympathies led you to sing from A. & M. Eventually the two books have come to be admired. 'English Hymnal' contributing a few new and popular hymns like Bunyan's 'He Who Would Valiant Be', whose altered text was set to a vigorous old English melody or the stirring 'Sine Nomine' to the hymn 'For All The Saints' which were not to be found in A. & M. In 1916 under the editorship of S.H. Nicholson a second supplement was added to the Old Edition of Hymns A. & M., the 1904 book being written off as an unfortunate failure. It consisted of 140 hymns drawn from all sources, the tunes containing some good specimens by Wise, Clarke and Boyce and some new melodies of which many were inserted in the old part of the book like Stanford's fine tune to 'Love Divine, all loves excelling'. The 1916 Supplement contained no dross and made the complete book into a good representative collection; but at that time the temperature of hymn singers still ran high and while those who disliked A. & M. refused to admit the excellence of this new edition, those who used the book refused to examine the contents of the second supplement in case some new hymn should supplant an old favourite. The book was indeed still stuffed out with much poor and unused work but that apart its 779 hymns contained nearly all that was best in hymnody; despite the popularity of its rival, its sales remained astronomical and have never been seriously threatened even by the combined sales of other hymnals. In the 'Shortened Music Edition' 1939 the unused portions were cleared away, the get-up improved, it is now (1945) the most elegant of hymnals.



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Dear Parishioners of Bridge, Patrixbourne,
and Bekesbourne,

First may I thank all who worked so hard to make our Summer Fête at Bridge so very successful. We had a very lovely day and it was most enjoyable and gave great pleasure to all who attended. I am indeed deeply grateful to all who gave their services so readily, to Mr. Mummery for organising the sheep penning, the members of the Band, the young people and those who organised the refreshments and to the many who gave gifts to the stalls.

Our Summer Draw which was held at Bekesbourne instead of the usual May Fayre was also very successful and raised, together with an anonymous gift of £20 a sum of £75. Our appreciation is expressed to Mr. Stanley Grey and his helpers for organising the Draw, to Mr. John Purchase for the help in printing the tickets and providing the film entertainment and to all who gave prizes and help in the provision of refreshments not forgetting too those who sold or bought tickets.

With Trinity Sunday we have come to the end of the first half of the Church year and we start on the long list of Sundays after Trinity. The great festivals of the first half of the year remind us of the main Christian truth and dogmas; and during Trinity-tide we should consolidate this teaching by studying the theme for each Sunday as suggested by the Collect for the day and amplified in the teaching of the Epistle and Gospel.

We shall miss the Rev. Philip Holden who has been such a great help to me and our parishes and we affectionately wish him every happiness in the future.

The visit of the University of Kent at Canterbury Madrigal Society to Patrixbourne on a lovely summer evening was a delightful experience and a happy social event thanks to the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Greenwood. Mrs. K. R. Simmonds kindly made the arrangements for the visit and I am

most grateful to her and to the members of the Society.

Yours sincerely in our Lord,

COLIN E.H. PERRY,
Rural Dean & Vicar.

CALENDAR FOR JULY 1973

July

1st Sunday	2nd Sunday after Trinity
4th Wednesday	Mothers' Union Corporate Communion with Intercessions 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church. Bridge Wives Group - Annual Outing to Cliftonville.
7th Saturday	Bridge School Fête - 2 p.m. Bridge School.
8th Sunday	3rd Sunday after Trinity. Preacher at 6.30 p.m. Evensong at Bridge, the Rev. Michael Wunes, Rector of Rodden and Berkley, Frome in the Diocese of Wells.
9th Monday	Mothers' Union Branch Meeting at 2.45 p.m. at 37 Union Road.
10th Tuesday	Bekesbourne W.I. meeting 7.15 Village Hall.
15th Sunday	4th Sunday after Trinity
17th Tuesday	East Bridge Deanery Synod at 7.30 p.m. at St. Augustine's College.
20th Friday	Mrs. Olive Knight, Headmistress of Bridge and Patricxbourne School Testimonial.
22nd Sunday	5th Sunday after Trinity.
24th Tuesday	Bekesbourne P.C.C. meeting at 7.30 p.m. at Mr. W. Mowll, Mulberry Cottage, Bekesbourne.
25th Wednesday	St. James Apostle & Martyr - Holy Communion 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church.
28th Saturday	Churchill House Bazaar 2.30 p.m. at Churchill House.
29th Sunday	6th Sunday after Trinity.

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

HOLY BAPTISM

St. Peter's Church, Bekesbourne	27th May, 1973	Celia Uden
St. Peter's Church, Bridge	3rd June 1973	Alexander Murison Small
	17th June 1973	Adrian John Hodges

HOLY MATRIMONY

St. Peter's Church, Bekesbourne	9th June 1973	Anthony Young Marion Castle
St. Mary's Church, Patricxbourne	8th June 1973	Philip Gifford Holden Esther Frances Aldous

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

St. Peter's Church, Bridge	8th June 1973	Emily Carpenter (aged 102 years)
At Barham Crematorium	20th June 1973	Ada Mildred Hayman

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MOTHERS' UNION

Wednesday, July 4th	Corporate Communion followed with intercessions 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church.
Monday, July 9th	Branch meeting at 37 Union Road - Speaker Mrs. Elgar 2.45 p.m.

There will be no branch meeting in August.

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JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet on July 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th at 11 a.m. There will be no Junior Church during August.

COMING EVENT

Please make a note in your diary of the Bekesbourne Church Autumn Fair on Saturday October 27th.

PARISH MAGAZINE

Is there anyone in the parishes who would be willing to help out occasionally with the typing of the parish magazine? It would also be helpful if contributors of substantial articles could arrange to have them typed before submission. Please telephone the Vicar or Bridge 830-318 (Mrs. Muir-Little) if you can help.

RECITAL OF MUSIC AT PATRIBOURNE CHURCH ON JUNE 16th 1973

On the evening of Saturday, 16th June, the 'University of Kent at Canterbury Madrigal Choir' gave a Recital under their conductors Mr. P. Cheung and Mr. P. Nanceievill at Patribourne Church. The performance was much enjoyed by an audience of between 60 and 70 people.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Greenwood very kindly entertained both the choir and the audience to coffee afterwards at "The Barton". The collection amounted to £20.30 which was given to the Patribourne Church Repair Fund.

ST. PETER'S BEKESBOURNE Church Cleaners for July.

Mrs. Hogben	July 7th
Mrs. Watson	July 14th
Mrs. Grey	July 21st
Mrs. Sandall	July 28th

BEKESBOURNE W.I.

The July meeting will be held in the Village Hall on July 10th 7.15 p.m.

Demonstration by Mrs. Chuter - Dried Flower Pictures.

Competition: Single rose.

Hostesses: Mrs. Scales, Mrs. Bullen and Mrs. Sandall.

Letter from the Rev. Philip Holden

I am writing to thank you for giving me the opportunity of exercising my ministry in one of your three churches on every Sunday for the best part of the last nine years. As a member of the Group of Bible Study in Bridge, founded by David Johnson, I found a fellowship which was one of very real friendship in which I have been allowed to share in the fullest degree. It has been a happy time living next door to my own flesh and blood. I am looking forward to another happy time which, however short it may prove, I am confident will be happy. Nonetheless, for many reasons I am sorry to be leaving you.

With all good wishes to you and your people.

Yours sincerely, P. G. Holden.

BRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS

We have had some very interesting meetings these last few months. Mr. Abbot talked to us about his diaries through the years. Joanna came to us from the Samaritans. Mrs. Clark kindly gave us all a tea. Mr. Pearce gave us instructions about the new pelican crossing and Mrs. Maslin gave a very interesting talk about her nursing years in World War I.

Competitions have included an Easter bonnet parade, and this week we had a coach journey through the countryside to see the blossom. The Committee have suggested that we have a hymn and a prayer at future meetings.

We would very much welcome any new members.

K. Lawrence (Hon. Sec.)

SOME VILLAGE NOTES XII - Bridge Parish Registers 1813 - 1881

The marriage register for this period is interesting because it gives a list of the different trades and professions of the time;
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BRIDGE & PATRIBOURNE CHURCHES

Summer Fête 9th June 1973

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<u>RECEIPTS</u>		
Teas and Cakes	20.00	
Donation	<u>5.00</u>	
Mothers' Union - Groceries		25.00
Garden Produce		20.26
White Elephant		26.34
Raffle		<u>4.00</u>
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	<u>3.41</u>	49.47
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Young Wives		17.37
Mr. and Mrs. Pratt, Wheel of Fortune		7.19
Mrs. Pomroy		5.01
Mr. and Mrs. Milton		7.31
Mrs. Rampe		3.43
Mrs. Carpenter		3.62
Mrs. Pierce		4.38
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many of these are extinct like tollkeeper, ginger beer maker, basketmaker and Collar maker; others continue from one generation to another like Farrier, Surgeon and Policeman. As in the 18th century the same names repeat themselves in the village like Hogben, Denne and Collard; another great influence was the presence of the army both at Canterbury and at the annual camps on Barham Downs. The Adjutant of the East Kent Militia, the Staff Sergeant of the 4th Depot and a Private in the 1st Life Guards were all married in Bridge Church. There were also several who came to the village to get married: a clerk in the East India Docks in 1862, a Warder at Millbank Prison, a Clerk in the Bank of England, a pilot from Dover 1878 and in 1839 a horse trainer. Besides the resident vicar there was help from the Vicar of Patricxbourne who was also domestic chaplain to the Conyngham family and help from a visiting parson. In 1860 Mr. Keeney Chaplain at the King's School officiated at a wedding - also the Reverend Methuen (of the publishing family) and the Rev. A.M.V. Mallett from the British chapel at Bruges, whose son lived at Highland Court. His grandson was in charge of the Dieppe landings in 1942 and was subsequently Conservative M.P. for S. Croydon. Others mentioned are the Rev. C.J. Irwin, Colonial Chaplain in Hong Kong and the Rev. J. Lombard from Queenstown in Ireland. One of the most interesting entries is that of the Watchmaker Mr. Hardeman in 1818: his watches are now very valuable and one reached £320 last year at Christie's the London auctioneers. In none of the cases is the wife's profession listed except as spinster or domestic servant and all were married before the passing of the Married Women's Property Act in 1885.

J. J. WILLIAMSON

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HON. TREASURER'S REPORT

Summer Fête at Bridge

We were blessed with fine weather which makes all the difference and it was a most enjoyable afternoon. Compared with the previous year the Produce Stall made almost three times as much and the side shows almost doubled their receipts. We welcomed the assistance of the Scouts, the Guides and the Cubs; also the Bridge Youth Club Group who amongst other activities provided the Public address system. Mr. Mumford of Nackington Farms gave an excellent demonstration of sheep dog handling.

C.A.P.

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ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BEKESBOURNE
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In JULY (date to be announced) bell ringing lessons will be started in the above church under Mr. Harry Collard, captain of bells, assisted by other experienced ringers.

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ST. PETER'S, BEKESBOURNE -
SUMMER DRAW

On Tuesday, June 19th the draw took place and was well attended. We are very grateful to all who helped to make it such a success. The film show given by Mr. John Purchase was very much appreciated. To all who gave us prizes, provided refreshments and served them, the folk who took on the task of selling tickets and to all others who in many ways gave us their support and help - a very very big thank you.

The result of our labours is as follows:

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Mrs. O. Knight, Headmistress - Bridge with
Patricbourne Church of England Primary School

Further to the announcement in the June 1973 issue of this Magazine that Mrs. O. Knight will retire on 20th July 1973, after some 25 years service to the School as Headmistress, the School Managers and the Parent Teacher Association would advise that collecting points for donations towards providing a suitable retirement gift for Mrs. Knight have now been established in many of the shops in the Village, and the neighbouring District.

Donations can also be left with the School Managers or with members of the Parent Teacher Association Committee.

All Donations will be anonymous.

H.P.M.L.

BRIDGE WIVES GROUP

The A.G.M. and re-election of Officers and Committee for the coming year was held at the Village Hall on 20th June, 1973. The following Officers were elected:- Mesdames:

K. Pierce Group Leader, P. Anderson Secretary,
D. Welch Treasurer. Committee: Mesdames: E. Bevan,
J. Buckmaster, G. Harvey, S. Cruttwell, D. Talbot,

K. Buckhurst, J. Walton.

The Election of Officers was followed by an enjoyable wine and cheese party, provided by the retiring Committee. The raffle was won by Mrs. K. Pierce and the retiring Group Leader, Mrs. G. Harvey was presented with a long playing record of her choice.

July 4th

Our Annual outing is a summer show at the Winter Gardens, Cliftonville, starring Leslie Crowther and an evening meal at Reubis Restaurant.

The coming year's activities will commence in September with a Harvest Supper. New members are welcome to join us.

P. Anderson, Secretary.

BRIDGE PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION Bridge School Fête

We hope to welcome you to the School Fête on Saturday 7th July, commencing at 2 p.m. Programmes are on sale giving full details of the afternoon's entertainment and cost only 10p per family, 5p if bought before the day.

Among the treats in store will be a Judo display by the Canterbury Judo Club, Children's competitions, Sheep Shearing demonstration and a display by the Canterbury Pilgrims Model Flying Club.

Contrary to the programme, instead of a tombola this year we are having a mammoth raffle. Tickets are on sale along with programmes at local shops and from all members of the committee. Thank you for your co-operation. See you on July 7th.

Jean Farrow, Hon. Sec.

CHURCHILL HOUSE BAZAAR.

This will be held at the House on Saturday,

July 28th at 2.30 p.m. There will be raffles, cake and a produce stall, new and nearly new clothes and knitted items, odds and ends, bric-a-brac, teas will be served. We hope as many as possible will come and buy as the money raised goes towards the fund for outings and Christmas and New Year "Do's".

M.M.

BRIDGE YOUTH CLUB

Did you notice how quiet it was on Saturday, 2nd of June? It was, on this bright Saturday morning that 52 members left Bridge for their "French Trip". A slight delay at Dover Harbour failed to dampen their spirits and it was 'high jinks' all the way to our destination - Le Touquet. On our arrival the younger members were gathered into pre-arranged groups. Each group were given an adult for the day and then made their own decisions for their entertainment, sightseeing and shopping expeditions. Some enjoyed their lunch or the beach whilst others headed for the shops, eager to meet real French people and spend Francs. A further slight delay was encountered before our departure from Le Touquet when our last two female members were sighted riding a 'four wheeled canopied' chariot with 'reckless abandon' in the streets adjacent to the Coach Park.

A further shopping spree was made available at Boulogne where I am sure not a single French loaf was left for the townsfolk. On the Ferry returning to Dover, just a few of the party were showing signs of fatigue - the adults.

Girls '5-a-side' Football

Result - Student Nurses 1 - Bridge Y.C. 10
(Hope they do not require hospital treatment during the holidays.)

Club Nights

Thursday 5th July 7 p.m. No Club on the 12th (P.C.M.).

Thursday 19th July 7.00 p.m. This will be a Club

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Night with a difference and restricted to MEMBERS ONLY - DON'T MISS IT. We are then 'closed' until Thursday, 6th September which is the Annual General Meeting of the Club.

Finally, I would like to thank all those persons, too numerous to mention by name, who have assisted us in so many ways during our first year. We commenced with a membership of 50 and it now stands at 160, and we really could do with several more adults to assist on Thursday evenings from September.

B.T. Kingsnorth, Secretary.

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SUNDAY SERVICES FOR AUGUST 1973

BRIDGE

PATRIXBOURNE

BEKESBOURNE

5th August - 7th Sunday after Trinity

11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon. 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion 6.30p.m. Even-song and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion.	9.30 a.m. Holy Communion (Sung)
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12th August - 8th Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Holy Com. (Series III) 6.30p.m. Even-song and Sermon	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion
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19th August - 9th Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Holy Com. (Sung) 6.30 p.m. Even-song and Sermon	8 a.m. Holy Communion	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon
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26th August - 10th Sunday after Trinity

8 a.m. Holy Com. 6.30 p.m. Even-song and Sermon	9 a.m. Holy Communion	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon. 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion
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2nd September - 11th Sunday after Trinity

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

First I would express as a voice of the Church in our midst and as Chairman of the Board of Managers our gratitude to Mrs. Olive Knight, Headmistress of Bridge and Patrixbourne Primary School for over a quarter of a century. She has served the children of many generations of our villages with love and affection to them and with a deep sense of vocation. The Church and Country owe a great debt to people like Mrs. Knight. We wish her with our affection many happy years ahead of her in her retirement.

I wish to emphasise that although during this time of holidays the wider social and devotional activities of our Parish life will have temporarily closed down what remains is the abiding reality to which all else is directed - namely the sacramental life of pure devotion, prayer and dedication, Sunday by Sunday and day by day. Nothing else can take the place and everything else should be subordinated to it. Indeed it is quite meaningless unless it has this ultimate aim of pure devotion.

Monday August 6th is the Feast of the Transfiguration and there will be a celebration of Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m. at Bridge Church. This lovely and spiritually uplifting Festival which was really brought back into celebration by the Church of England through the revised Prayer Book of 1928 comes most fittingly in the midst of holidays. The sense that goes behind and beyond the outward forms of our lives that the glory is there waiting to be discovered and realised is very much the message of this Festival, for in the midst of his ceaselessly busy life Christ takes his disciples apart after the act of faith of St. Peter confessing "Thou art the Christ" and the glory of His divine nature shines through this outward and familiar form of His Person and in some mystical way this glory is associated with the crucifixion.

Many of you will be going on your holidays and I hope that you will have a happy time and come

back refreshed in mind and body.

Yours sincerely in our blessed Lord,

COLIN E. H. PERRY
Rural Dean and Vicar

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CALENDAR FOR AUGUST

August

1st Wednesday	Mothers Union Corporate Communion with Intercessions 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church.
5th Sunday	7th Sunday after Trinity.
12th Sunday	8th Sunday after Trinity.
14th Tuesday	Bekesbourne W.I. meeting 7.15 p.m.
19th Sunday	9th Sunday after Trinity.
21st Monday	Bridge W.I. meeting 7 p.m.
26th Sunday	10th Sunday after Trinity.

September

2nd Sunday	11th Sunday after Trinity.
4th Tuesday	Save the Children Coffee Morning at The Barton Patrixbourne 10.30 a.m. - 12 noon.

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

St. Mary's Church, Patrixbourne

1st July 1973	Robert Daniel Pratt
22nd July 1973	Gary John Moon
	Christopher James Rule

May They Rest in Peace

St. Thomas' Church, Canterbury and afterwards at Bekesbourne Churchyard.

9th July 1973 Walter Henry Whigham

St. Peter's Church, Bridge

20th July 1973 Elizabeth Ellen Punyer.

MOTHERS' UNION

Mothers' Union Corporate Communion with Intercessions:

Wednesday August 1st, 1973 - 9.30 a.m.

There will be no branch meeting until September.

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JUNIOR CHURCH

There will be no Junior Church meetings during school holidays.

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CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Lenten boxes brought in £13. With many thanks from The Church Missionary Society.

M. Meigh, Box Collector.

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BRIDGE & PATRIXBOURNE W.I.

21st August, 1973 at 7 p.m.:

The Perfect Hostess - Mrs. N. Swayne.

Competition: - My Prettiest Plate.

G. Dove, Secretary.

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BRIDGE PARENT - TEACHER ASSOCIATION

School Fete - July 7th

The School Fete raised a very valuable £150 towards funds. The Association would like to take this opportunity of thanking most sincerely all those people who helped, gave and attended to make this result possible.

The Summer holidays are now with us and to this end we wish you all a very happy time. See you in the Autumn.

Jean Fallow,
Hon. Secretary.

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BEKESBOURNE W.I.

Tuesday, August 14th - 7.15 p.m. Bekesbourne Village Hall:

Demonstration: "Dressing Dolls" - Mrs. Embleton.
Competition: Dressed Doll.
Hostesses: Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Metcalfe and Mrs. Wheeler.

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CLEANERS ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BEKESBOURNE

Mrs. Kingsford August 4th
Mrs. Smith
Mrs. Cox August 11th
Mrs. Stickels
Mrs. Hogben August 18th
Mrs. Watson August 25th

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BIBLE STUDY AND DISCUSSION GROUP

At our last meeting we had an interesting and most worthwhile time sharing ideas and discussing plans for the new session commencing in September. It was agreed we should alternate with questions submitted by friends and the reading of William Neil's book 'The Plain Man Looks at the Bible'. The first question will be "Many are content to do the best they can in the present and not worry too much about the next world, - is this attitude wrong?".

This we will discuss on the 13th September, at 8 p.m. at Red Deer, Bridge Down. Then we will meet on 27th September at 7 Windmill Close.

It is hoped that from time to time Christian friends of other denominations will join us.

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THE SAVE THE CHILDREN COFFEE MORNING
at The Barton, Patricxbourne,
on Tuesday, 4th September, 1973 from
10.30 a.m. - 12 noon

If you do not receive a pamphlet, please accept from all of us busily preparing for it, a very warm invitation to come.

There will be Bring and Buy Stalls for knitted goods and sewing, waste paper baskets, fashion accessories, produce and plants, cakes and confectionery and raffles - there will also be attractions for the children.

Your support is essential to enable us all to keep up our support for this very worthy Charity. We only ask your help on alternate years - so please let us do even better than our magnificent result in 1971.

E. G.

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BRIDGE WITH PATRICXBOURNE CHURCH OF ENGLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL

On Friday, 20th July 1973, Mrs. O. Knight retired after 25 years as Headmistress of the School. The occasion was marked by a farewell Concert performed by the Children of the School, and the presentation of gifts to Mrs. Knight in recognition of her many years of devoted service to the Children in the neighbourhood and to the School.

The School Managers and the Parent Teacher Association would take this opportunity to thank all those who so generously donated to the Fund they set up for Mrs. Knight's retirement gift; a tea set, binoculars and a cheque.

H.P.M.L.

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GRAVEL EXCAVATIONS AT BEKESBOURNE

A Public Enquiry is to be held at Bekesbourne Village Hall at 10 a.m. on 18th September next, to hear the Appeal by R. Brett and Sons against the refusal of Kent County Council to permit the excavation of sand and gravel and erection of a processing plant at Howletts Farm. The site will occupy some 72 acres.

If the appeal is successful and excavation is allowed, the increase in lorry traffic will be very considerable and the narrow and tortuous roads in this area will become more hazardous and dangerous than ever, especially to pedestrians and children.

It is hoped therefore, that as many as possible will come to the meeting on September 18th to register their protest.

P. Greenwood.

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CONGREGATIONAL MUSIC - Part 4.

Songs of Praise

Someone has called hymns modern folk songs and it is true that the 'man in the street' knows and loves certain hymns better than any other music.

They are indeed the only music in which he ever takes part. In 1925 "Songs of Praise" marked a new departure in hymnals. It took the hymn from the church to the market square. There are many occasions, it argued when men who meet together need to sing together for nothing equals a hymn for summing up the prevailing tone of a meeting and firing its audience with a common enthusiasm. "Songs of Praise" set out to cater not so much for the liturgical services of the church as for 'certain kinds of services in church as well as for schools, lecture meetings and other public gatherings. "Songs of Praise" is intended to be national in the sense of including a full expression of that faith which is common to English-speaking peoples today ...' This common faith to which it is difficult to set limits has often led the compilers into a drastic bowdlerisation of Christian texts, so that it can hardly be called a church hymnal and thus comes outside the scope of enquiry of this book. But the book is used in church and serves useful purposes even though the Stabat Mater is wrenched into a loose paraphrase which never once mentions the subject of its title - the paraphrase is merely signed A.F. - while the editor appends his name to a watered down 'suggestion' of Neale's 'Christian dost thou see them' taken from a Greek original of some vividness and power. Some of the modern texts are little more than competent work while more poetic pens supply verses perhaps too lovely and fanciful to stand the test of being sung by a large audience (yet what more unsuitable for that purpose than 'Abide with Me' which is popular enough: the taste of the crowd is ever unaccountable). But such 'spiritual lyrics' might well be sung by a small band of 'literati', those people so badly treated by most hymnals, if they boasted the voices to sing them. The music is almost without exception excellent and many fine and original modern tunes too numerous for mention are included. Like the 'Yattendon Hymnal' it provides many glorious melodies which everyone is the better for knowing and it is to be hoped that the book is used in so many schools generations

to come will possess a store of worthy tunes which they will value as new 'old favourite'. Such a book is invaluable to parish choirs in providing interesting little pieces to be sung in place of the anthem: sung thus by a good choir some of the more fanciful lyrics may be introduced to congregations as something to listen to rather than to sing. Mention may finally be made of two hymn books appealing to special congregations. The 'Church and School Hymnal' 1926 tackles the problem of hymns for the young with competence high standard and much success. The 'Plainsong Hymn Book' published by the proprietors of 'Hymns Ancient and Modern' in 1932 has collected together the best plain song tunes and provided them with first class English versions."

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NOTES ON THE HISTORY OF BEKESBOURNE (cont.)

Bekesbourne as a Cinque Port Member (cont.)

This brings us near to, if not quite to, the end of the reign of Deputy Mayors. Hasted tells now of a period when there was no Deputy Mayor appointed. "Since that has been omitted," he writes, "the inhabitants of this parish have upwards of 50 miles to apply for redress upon every occasion whatsoever, the inconvenience of which has made this at present an ungovernable and lawless place."

At last in the reign of George III., 1794, Brighlingsea, Bekesbourne and Grange were put under the jurisdiction of the County Justices and Coroners. So ended for these places the long period of Cinque Port rule.

In Bekesbourne, the Deputy Mayor was elected annually at the Vestry Meeting and the name sent to Hastings for confirmation. In a book by J. Cave Browne, entitled "Life among the Old Palaces," it is stated, in regard to the building on the East side of the Gateway of the old Palace,

that "the spacious upper room appears to have been till quite recently used as a Court for Magistrates' Meetings and the lower rooms as cells of prisoners". It would be interesting to know whether the Old Deputy Mayors dispensed justice in that building.

APPENDIX

Extract from Domesday Book

"The same Bishop of Baieux holds in demesne, Burnes. It was taxed at 2 sulings. The arable land is six caruscates. In demesne there are two and 25 villeins, with four borderers having seven caruscates. There is a Church and six servants, and one mill of 38 pence and one saltpit of 30 pence, and half a fishery, of fourpence. Of pasture 40 pence. Wood for the pannage of six hogs and a half. Levine held it of K. Edward."

In The time of K. Edward the Confessor it was worth 12 pounds, and afterwards seven pounds, and yet it pays 18 pounds. What Hugo de Montfort holds is worth five shillings. These three Manors (viz. this manor, and Hardres and Stelling both immediately before described) Rannulf (de Columbels) holds to ferme of the Bishop of Baieux."

(To be continued)

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2nd September - 11th Sunday after Trinity

11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon. 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion. 6.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon.	8 a.m. Holy Communion.	9.30 a.m. Sung Communion.
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9th September - 12th Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Holy Communion (Series III). 6.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon.	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon.	8 a.m. Holy Communion.
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16th September - 13th Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Holy Communion (Sung). 6.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon.	8 a.m. Holy Communion.	11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon.
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23rd September - 14th Sunday after Trinity

8 a.m. Holy Communion. 6.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon.	9 a.m. Holy Communion.	11 a.m. Harvest Festival.
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30th September - 15th Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Holy Communion. 6.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon.	11 a.m. Harvest Festival.	8 a.m. Holy Communion.
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Dear Parishioners of Bridge, Patribourne and Bekesbourne,

One is naturally aware of the fact that this magazine is taken and read by a number of people who do not come regularly to services at either of our three churches. It is my hope that these people will read this letter.

I am indeed grateful for the fact that our parish magazine is coming into your home but may I ask you - is that enough? What about church-going?

Let us be quite clear about one thing. If we believe that God exists, if we believe that God is our Heavenly Father, then we believe in someone who is so wonderful, so tremendous that He deserves some acknowledgement. It is this fact that leads us to worship. As far as worship in Church is concerned, it isn't a question of 'I don't need it' or 'I don't feel like it.' It is rather that God is entitled to it. It is simply giving God His due; the family of the Church (of which we are members) having a regular family get-together to make public or corporate acknowledgement of His Sovereignty, His Justice, His love and His worth-ship to us.

We don't go to Church primarily for what we can get out of it; our primary motive in going to Church is simply that this is what God deserves. Each Service in our Churches provides an opportunity for giving God His due.

This duty ought to have a high priority in our lives. To each of us there is the duty to offer to God that to which He is entitled. There are no two ways about it. Regular public worship in Church is the duty of all Christian people.

This month of September is a particularly beautiful month of the year in Kent, associated with the final gathering of the harvest, apples and hops. It is also connected with Michaelmas and the return of the children to school. The outstanding festivals are of course our Harvest Festival and the Festival of St. Michael and All Angels on the 29th September.

We should all remember especially in our prayers those children beginning their schooling or moving to another school or to a University or other place of further education.

May we also extend a warm welcome to Miss Wendy Tomlin, the new Headmistress of Bridge Primary School. The care and teaching of our children in our villages is a great responsi-

bility and we should remember her and her staff continually in our prayers.

Yours sincerely in our blessed Lord,

COLIN E. H. PERRY
Vicar and Rural Dean

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 1973

September

2nd Sunday 11th Sunday after Trinity.
 4th Tuesday Coffee Morning in aid of the 'Save the Children Fund' at The Barton Patricxbourne 10.30-12 noon.
 5th Wednesday Mothers' Union Corporate Communion 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church.
 9th Sunday 12th Sunday after Trinity. Junior Church recommences at Bridge Church 11 a.m.
 10th Tuesday Mothers' Union Branch Meeting 2.45 p.m. 37 Union Road, Bridge.
 11th Wednesday Bekesbourne W.I. Social Gathering.
 16th Sunday 13th Sunday after Trinity. "Battle of Britain" Sunday.
 18th Tuesday Bridge W.I. Harvest Supper 7.30 p.m. Bridge Village Hall.
 21st Friday St. Matthew the Apostle. 7.30 a.m. Holy Communion, Bridge Church.
 23rd Sunday 14th Sunday after Trinity. Bekesbourne Harvest Festival 11 a.m. Preacher The Rev. L. Blaxland.
 29th Saturday Michaelmas Day.
 30th Sunday 15th Sunday after Trinity. Patricxbourne Harvest Festival 11 a.m.

October

3rd Wednesday Mothers' Union Corporate Communion with Intercessions 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church.
 7th Sunday Harvest Thanksgiving Services at St. Peter's, Bridge.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

St. Peter's Church, Bridge
12th August 1973 Craig Anthony Wood

Holy Matrimony

St. Mary's Church, Patricxbourne
4th August 1973 Gerald Raymond and Jacqueline Maben

St. Peter's Church, Bridge
11th August 1973 Trevor Michael Browning and Judith Moore Kaliski

May They Rest in Peace

At Barham Crematorium
21st August 1973 Evelyn Elizabeth Eves

MOTHERS' UNION

Wednesday, September 5th 9.30 a.m. Bridge Church Corporate Communion with Intercessions.
 Monday, September 10th Branch Meeting, 37 Union Road, 2.45 p.m. Speaker: The Rev. C. Harrington.

JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet at 11 a.m. on Sunday, September 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th.
 We would welcome more boys and girls to join us. 11 a.m.-11.50 a.m.

W.I. BRIDGE AND PATRICXBORNE

Tuesday, September 18th - Bridge Village Hall, 7 p.m. HARVEST SUPPER - Entertainment by Mrs. Greenstreet and singers. Competition: Harvest table decoration.

OPEN LETTER TO BRIDGE YOUNG WIVES GROUP

Dear Member,

Looking forward to meeting you all again at the start of our New Year which begins with the Harvest Supper at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 19th in the Village Hall, Bridge.

We have a varied programme arranged for you and several new ideas which we hope to discuss with you all.

Try to bring a new member or encourage a lapsed member to come along again.

P. J. Anderson
(Secretary)

PATRIXBOURNE CHURCH HARVEST FESTIVAL

The church will be decorated for this at 10 a.m. on Saturday morning, September 29th. Help and gifts are most welcome.

BEKESBOURNE CHURCH HARVEST FESTIVAL

The church will be decorated at 10.30 a.m. on Saturday, September 22nd. Again offers of help and gifts will be welcome.

In Aid of the Save the Children Fund

Mrs. PAUL GREENWOOD
requests the pleasure of your company, and friends, at a

COFFEE MORNING
AT THE BARTON, PATRIXBOURNE
ON TUESDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 1973
FROM 10.30 A.M. - 12 NOON

There will be a choice of Ideal Gifts for Birthday and Christmas, with Bring and Buy Stalls for Knitted Goods and Sewing.

- Hand-made Waste-paper Baskets
- A Boutique Stall for Fashion Accessories
- Produce and Plants
- Cakes and Confectionery
- Children's Own Corner

RAFFLES

IMPORTANT NOTICE

All magazine matter must in the future be handed in to the Vicar by the 16th day of the month. It would be of great help if it were typed.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH BEKESBOURNE

FLOWER ROTA

September 2nd	-	Mrs. W. Bullen
9th	-	Mrs. W. Mowl
16th	-	Mrs. J. Mount
23rd	-	Harvest Festival
30th	-	Mrs. L. Whigham

CLEANERS

September 1st	-	Mrs. Grey
8th	-	Mrs. Sandall
15th	-	Mrs. Kingsford and Mrs. Smith
22nd	-	Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Stickels
29th	-	Mrs. Hogben

W.I. BEKESBOURNE

There will be a Social gathering on September 11th in Mrs. Kingsford's garden. Bring and Buy Stall and Raffle. Hostesses: Mesdames Wallis, Larret and Kingsford.

Mrs. O. Knight

Mrs. Knight would like to thank all who contributed to her retirement present and those who sent their good wishes.

GRAVEL EXCAVATIONS AT BEKESBOURNE

To remind you that a Public Enquiry will be held at the Bekesbourne Village Hall at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, September 18th next. Many of you will have received the leaflet from The Nailbourne Protection Society giving full details of the proposed excavations and what to do in relation to the Enquiry. If you would like a leaflet, please apply to me at The Barton, Patrixbourne.

ANNUAL MUSIC AND CHOIR REPORT
ST. PETER'S, BRIDGE, August 1973

Since September 1972 the music at Bridge has again developed. New music has been sung and new members of the choir have appeared, while one or two people have found it necessary to leave. Catherine Pahl has been made a side leader in place of Tracy Vaughan who has left. We thank her for her singing in the past few years and hope that she has gained some musicianship from her time with us.

The choir is generally well balanced but we could always do with more Trebles and Sopranos. As the comprehensive music list shows below, the choir is now able to tackle a good breadth of the repertoire. Anybody reading this who likes best to join a going concern should consider joining now! I am sure that there are good potential singers of all voices living in Bridge and district who would balance the giving of two hours each week with the gaining of good musical experience, particularly in the case of boys and girls, who get paid of course!

Here, in alphabetical order, is our current repertoire:

Anthems

J.S. Bach	Subdue us by Thy Goodness	(17th Cent.)
	Jesu Joy and Treasure (part)	
	Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring	
	King of Glory (arr.W.H. Harris)	
Beethoven	The Heavens Proclaim	(18th-19th Cent.)
Baker (arr.)	Whence is that Goodly Fragrance	(French Folk Carol)
John Bull	In the Departure of the Lord	(16th Cent.)
Farrant	Hide not Thou Thy Face	(16th Cent.)
Genge	In the Hour of my Distress (words by Herrick)	(19th Cent.)
Gibbons	Drop drop slow Tears (words by Phineas Fletcher)	(17th Cent.)
Greene	Thou visiteth the Earth	(18th Cent.)
Hilton	Lord for Thy tender mercies sake	(16th Cent.)
Ley	The Strife is O'er	(20th Cent.)
Mozart	Ave Verum Corpus	(18th Cent.)
Vincent Novello	Like as the Hart In Manus Tuas	(19th Cent.)
Purcell	Rejoice in the Lord Thou knowest Lord Now that the Sun	(17th Cent.)

Stainer	God so loved the World Hail Gladdening Light	}	(19th Cent.)
Stanford (arr.)	St. Patrick's Breastplate (Irish Folk Melodies)		
Tye	O Come Ye Servants		(16th Cent.)
Vaughan Williams	Let us now Praise Famous Men		(20th Cent.)
Vittoria	Good Friday Reproaches		(16th Cent.)
Samuel Sebastian	Blessed be the God and Father	}	(19th Cent.)
Wesley	Wash me Thoroughly		
	Lead me Lord		

Services

Magnificat - Nunc Dimittis	Arnold: Plainsong setting. Rowley Two Plainsong and Faux Bourdon settings. (20th Cent.) Martin Shaw in F (20th Cent.) Geoffrey Shaw in E Minor (20th Cent.) Vaughan Williams in C (20th Cent.) Walmsley in D Minor (19th Cent.)
Venite	St. Patrick's Breastplate setting arr. Giles. Plainsong
Good Friday Passion	

Bridge Church Choir

Trebles and Sopranos

Julie Gulvin
Catherine Pahl
David Marsh
Andrew Lewis
Catherine Giles
David Pearce
Erica Lewis
Simon Giles
Jonathan Hope
Matthew Hope
Mrs. Trixie Apps
Mrs. Elizabeth Giles
Mrs. Sheila Lewis
Mrs. Elizabeth Bridges

Altos

Mr. Selwyn Lewis
Mr. Geoffrey Bridges

Tenors

Mr. William Johnson
Mr. Tim Hoare
Mr. Simon Wood
Mr. David Mallinder

Basses

Mr. William Rose
Mr. John Purchase
Richard Hill
Mr. Peter Giles

Organist & Choirmaster

Assistant Organist

also

Mr. Selwyn Lewis
Miss Kitty Wass

Although an impressive list for a Village Choir, it must be remembered that newcomers are welcome!

May I thank the choir for their efforts and support during the past year.

We are planning a series of recitals by good soloists including Philip Moore, Assistant Organist of Canterbury Cathedral, in aid of the Organ Fund. These will take place in September and October.

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NOTES ON THE HISTORY OF BEKESBOURNE (Cont.)

Bekesbourne as a Cinque Port Member

Appendix - Extract from Domesday Book (cont.)

JOHN BROWN DELIVERS HIS ESTATE AT BEKESBOURNE TO CHRIST CHURCH THAT THEY MAY PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF HIS WIFE AND OF HIMSELF.

1434. Johannes Brun civis ballivus Cant' et plumbarius ecclesie Christi Cant' qui dedit Manerium Bewksbourne Ecclesie Christi Cant' quod emit pro iicc marcis, Item optulit ad Feretrum sancti Thome martiris unum pax preciosum ad valorem xti de auro purissimo, vide in australi parte prope regalem Francie.

(Library of Dean and Chapter)

Some Notes on the Story of Bekesbourne Church

In 1080 William the Conqueror had the Domesday Book compiled, which gives a description of all the Estates in the Kingdom, and in it is recorded that there was a Church in Bekesbourne, which clearly proves that there was a Saxon Church in the parish before the Normans came. Of that Church we have no details, nor do we know how long it had stood. It was most likely a wooden building, provided by the Lord of the Manor for himself and his people.

It was not many years, however, before the Normans, who

were famous church builders, set to work to build a worthier House of God. Thus the present Church was built about the year 1100, and although there have, of course, been alterations and additions since, it is the same church still. To picture what the church was like when it was first built, stand outside and look at the chancel. The two little round-headed windows which have been built up were the windows on each side of the altar, showing how short was the chancel in Norman days. The Nave also has its bits of Norman work in the beautiful doorway by which worshippers still enter.

In the xiiiith century there was again a desire to add dignity to the structure. The Chancel was lengthened to its present size, the little Norman windows built up and new windows inserted. At the East end two very fine lancet windows, with some elegant Early English moulding, were made, beautiful in their proportions, and far more uncommon than the three lancets seen in so many other churches.

As regards the rest of the church, the Nave was almost entirely rebuilt towards the end of the sixth century. Originally there was no chancel arch, as there is now. Instead, a beam ran across between the chancel and nave, on which was the Rood Cross.

One other thing is to be noticed. In front of the chancel step lies the old stone altar top, which was used till the Reformation, and then removed to make way for a new altar of wood.

(To be continued)

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BRIDGE

PATRIXBOURNE

BEKESBOURNE

7th October - 16th Sunday after Trinity

11 a.m. Mattins
and Sermon
11.45 a.m. Holy
Communion
6.30 p.m. Evensong
and Sermon. Harvest
Festival

8 a.m Holy
Communion

9.30 a.m.
Sung Communion

14th October - 17th Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Holy Comm.
(Series III)
6.30 p.m. Evensong
and Sermon

11 a.m. Mattins
and Sermon

8 a.m. Holy
Communion

21st October - 18th Sunday after Trinity

9 a.m. Holy Comm.
(Sung)
6.30 p.m. Evensong
and Sermon

8 a.m. Holy
Communion

11 a.m. Mattins
and Sermon

28th October - 19th Sunday after Trinity

8 a.m. Holy Comm.
6.30 p.m. Evensong
and Sermon. Youth
Service

9 a.m. Holy
Communion

11 a.m. Mattins

4th November - 20th Sunday after Trinity

11 a.m. Mattins
and Sermon
11.45 a.m. Holy
Communion
6.30 p.m. Evensong
and Sermon

8 a.m. Holy
Communion

9.30 a.m. Holy
Communion (Sung)

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,

On Saturday afternoon, October 27th at Bekesbourne Village Hall, Bekesbourne are for the first time holding an 'Autumn Fair.' Gifts of any kind would indeed be most gratefully received and could be given to Mrs. Dorothy Sandall or any members of the Parochial Church Council. I do hope you will come and support us by your presence. It is not easy in these days of mounting costs to maintain a small country church and even the smallest encouragement is doubly welcome. May I take this opportunity to thank Mr. Stanley Grey for the great work he has done voluntarily in the painting with wood preservative of the Lych-gate of Bekesbourne Church-yard. His labours are a great gift to the Church.

Education Sunday is normally observed on the Sunday after St. Luke's Day and this year it therefore it falls on Sunday, October 21st. On that day prayers will be offered for all educational work and special intercessions will be made for the contribution of the churches to that work both in the statutory and voluntary fields.

On St. Luke's Day, Thursday October 18th we are asked to pray for our doctors and nurses and the work of the hospitals. I should be glad to have the names of all doctors and nurses who live in the parishes or have a link with our parishes. Also we shall be remembering the Close and all who work there. The Service will be Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m. at Bridge Church.

On Sunday 28th October at 6.30 p.m. at Bridge Church we shall be holding a special Youth Service to which all members of the Bridge Youth Club are invited as well as other young people in our villages. There will be special music and the lessons will be read by representatives of the Youth Club. I hope they will have the support and encouragement of many older people.

Although I shall not be beginning Confirmation Classes until the New Year I would be most glad to have the names of any young persons or adults who would like to join the classes when they begin.

Yours sincerely in Our Blessed Lord,

Colin E.H. Perry

Vicar and Rural Dean.

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 1973

SEPT. 30th Sunday. 15th Sunday after Trinity. 11 a.m.
PATRIBOURNE Harvest Festival.

OCT. 2nd Tuesday. Wives Group Meeting. 7.30 p.m.
Bridge Village Hall.

3rd Wednesday. M.U. Corporate Communion 9.30 a.m.
with Intercessions

6th Saturday. BRIDGE VILLAGE EXPO.
Village Hall 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

7th Sunday. 16th Sunday after Trinity. 6.30 p.m.
BRIDGE Harvest Festival.

8th Monday. M.U. Branch Meeting. 2.45 p.m.
37, Union Road, Bridge.

9th Tuesday. Bekesbourne W.I. Meeting 7.15 p.m.
Village Hall.

11th Thursday. Bible Reading Fellowship 8 p.m.
7, Windmill Close, Bridge
M.U. & Y.W. RALLY in Croydon.

13th Saturday. Bridge Church Musical Festival 7.30 pm

14th Sunday. 17th Sunday after Trinity. 6.30 pm
Preacher - Mr. J. Plumtree, Lay Reader

16th Tuesday. 1st Bell Ringing Lesson
Bekesbourne Church
Bridge W.I. Meeting 7.15 pm
Village Hall

17th Wednesday. Bridge Wives Meeting 7.30 pm
Village Hall

18th Thursday. St. Luke's Day. 9.30 am

21st Sunday. Holy Comm. Bridge Church
18th Sunday after Trinity

27th Saturday. BEKESBOURNE CHURCH AUTUMN FAIR
Village Hall 2.30 pm

28th Sunday. 19th Sunday after Trinity
St. Simon & St. Jude.
YOUTH SERVICE Bridge Church 6.30 pm

31st Wednesday. Archdeacon's Visitation Wingham 6.30 pm

NOV. 4th Sunday. 20th Sunday after Trinity

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism
St. Peter's Church Bridge
16th September 1973 Michael James Thomas

Holy Matrimony
St. Peter's Church Bekesbourne
1st September 1973 Guy Allen Gilks
Penelope Ann Bullen Bullen

St. Mary's Church Patribourne
8th September 1973 James Philip Rogers
Carol Loft

THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Milton wish to thank all those who gave small 'odds and ends' for gift parcels, and for the items of jewellery; the latter are very welcome as if needed can be repaired or utilised in various ways. We shall be very grateful for any items for sale on our stall at future Hospital and Church money raising events. Please leave anything at:-

J. & M. Milton,
50 High Street,
Bridge.

MOTHERS UNION

Wednesday October 3rd Corporate Communion
with Intercessions
9.30 a.m. Bridge Church

Monday October 8th Branch Meeting at 2.45 p.m.
37, Union Road, Bridge
Speaker: Miss Mason

Thursday October 11th Mothers Union and
Young Wives Rally
Croydon 11 a.m. - 3.30 p.m.

WOMENS INSTITUTES

BRIDGE AND PATRIBOURNE

Tuesday October 16th Bridge Village Hall at 7 p.m.
Speaker: Mr. Wallace Harvey
'Wild Flowers of Kent'

Competition: An item over
50 years old.

BEKESBOURNE

Tuesday October 9th Bekesbourne Village Hall
at 7.15 p.m. Members are
asked to bring their photo-
transparencies and talk about
their holidays.

Competition: Dried Flower
Arrangement

Social Time: Exhibition of
members' paintings.

Hostesses: Mrs. Ash, Mrs. Farbrace
Mrs. Cornwall.

BRIDGE WIVES GROUP

Tuesday October 2nd A Judo Discussion and
Demonstration.
Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

Saturday October 6th VILLAGE EXPO
Bridge School Hall. 11 a.m. -6 p.m.

Wednesday October 17th 'The Beloved Physician'
A talk on St. Luke, by the
Rev. Blaxland. The Village
Hall 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday October 31st Visit to Canterbury
Ambulance Station 8.p.m.

BEKESBOURNE CHURCH NOTICES

AUTUMN FAIR

The Autumn Fair will be held in the Village Hall
Bekesbourne on Saturday, October 27th at 2.30 p.m.
Come along and buy your Christmas gifts.
Mrs. Sandall would be grateful to receive any
gifts or jumble at the School House, Bekesbourne.

BELL RINGING

Bell ringing lessons will be commencing on
Tuesday, October 16th at 7 p.m. under the
instruction of Mr. H. Collard, Captain of the
bells and other trained members of his team.
If anyone would like to receive lessons please
give your names to the Vicar, Mr. Collard or
Mr. Grey; or just attend the Church at the above
time and date. You will be made very welcome.

FLOWER ROTA

October 7th Mrs. M. Tyler
14th Mrs. D. Sandall
21st Mrs. F. Smith
28th Mrs. J. Mount

CLEANERS

October 6th Mrs Watson
13th Mrs Grey
20th Mrs Sandall
27th Mrs Kingsford
and Mrs. Smith

U.M.C.A.

Miss Douglas, 4 Riverside Close, Patribourne would like to
thank all the many donors of silver foil for the medical missions
during the past year. There is now no restriction on bottle tops
and other light foil being mixed with the heavier quality; it is
all urgently needed.

A RECITAL BY PROFESSIONAL MUSICIANS
IN AID OF THE ORGAN IMPROVEMENT FUND

In Bridge Church on Saturday 13th October at 7.30 p.m.

This recital differs from others in the past since full and very comprehensive combined programmes and tickets are being sold beforehand for seats at varying prices. There will be no admission at the door unless some seats remain. Programmes will be available from the Organist, Choir members and volunteers from the congregation.

This recital will be the first of a series by professional musicians who are accepting a reduced fee as a special favour to the Bridge Organist. Events of this type should be regarded as an enjoyable way of building a high musical tradition in your village and district.

The artistes taking part in this first concert will include Philip Moore, Assistant Organist of Canterbury Cathedral, an experienced recitalist who has given recitals all over the country; Peter Giles, Counter-Tenor, Cyril Wade, Tenor, both of whom have sung in many broadcasts and concerts and are Lay-Clerks: Jonathan Rose, Violin and Guitar who is widely experienced in several types of music.

The recital is being widely advertised so get your tickets early. It is a very interesting selection of music on the programme.

Peter Giles will be touring the United States and Canada in November and December, giving lecture-recitals, lectures and solo singing engagements.

APOLOGIES

Owing to a mistake, Teresa Harvey who is a long standing junior member of the choir, was left out of the list of choir members. I do apologise.

P.G.

BRIDGE CHURCH HARVEST FESTIVAL

Decoration of the Church will begin at 9.30 a.m. on Saturday October 6th. Gifts of flowers, fruit etc. and help will be most welcome.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Remade Christmas Cards and Greetings Cards in aid of the Children's Society will be on sale this year in the Foyer of the Marlowe Theatre in Canterbury from October 15th at the following times:

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Friday: 10.30 a.m. - 4.30 p.m.

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CHRISTMAS CARDS IN AID OF OUR VILLAGE CHURCHES

Re-made Christmas cards in aid of the three churches, Bridge, Patrixbourne and Bekesbourne, will be sold at Mrs. Olive Knight's 5 Dering Close, Bridge, on Wednesday afternoons from 2.30 - 5.30 p.m., from 24th October 1973.

SAVE THE CHILDREN FUND
CHRISTMAS CARDS AND GIFTS

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BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The first meeting will be held at 7, Windmill Close on 11th October at 8 p.m., and the second one at Church Cottage, High Street, on 25th October at 8 p.m. By kind invitation of Mr and Mrs Pierce and Mr and Mrs Rose, respectively.

JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet at 11 a.m. on Sundays
October 14th, 21st and 28th

THE SAVE THE CHILDREN FUND

By now, many of you will know of the wonderful result of our biennial activities, which culminated in the Coffee Morning and Bring and Buy Sale on September 4th. We have handed £390 to the Canterbury Branch of the Save The Children Fund and all the members of the Committee, including the three 'local' members are thrilled with this result.

Certainly none of this could have been achieved without the generous assistance of the group of friends who worked so hard over the past fifteen months. We wish to thank all those who helped us on the day - the stallholders and the many people who provided us with 'stock' to sell; the gallant band of men who assisted us 'backstage' - not forgetting the Police, in the person of P.C. McKay; Mr. Tittlemouse and his owner for the pony rides; the organisers of the children's corner; and above all everybody who came or gave us donations towards the effort.

A Big Thank you to All.

E.G.

CHURCH SERVICE FOR YOUTH.

Local Youth Groups and Villagers are invited to attend the Church Service for Youth to be held in St. Peter's Church Bridge, on Sunday 28th, October at 6.30 p.m.

This Service will be devoted to Young People and those concerned with their care and training in the life of the Church and Nation. There will be a Guest Preacher and the lessons will be read by young people and members of the Youth Service.

BRIDGE YOUTH CLUB

Lack of space prevents a full account of the Youth Club AGM held last month. The following Officers were elected: President, Canon C. Perry; Chairman, Mr. Brian Kingsnorth; Secretary, Mr. Brian Dewar; Treasurer, Miss Carol Booth.

The Club now has 157 members, and funds stand at over £100; a fine achievement. It is hoped to give more details in the November edition of the Parish Magazine.

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SUNDAY SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER

BRIDGE

PATRIXBOURNE

BEKESBOURNE

4th November - 20th Sunday after Trinity.

11 am. Mattins
and Sermon

11.45 am. Holy
Communion

6.30 pm. Evensong
and Sermon

8 am. Holy
Communion

9.30 am. Sung
Communion

11th November - 21st Sunday after Trinity.

Remembrance Sunday

9 am Holy Comm.
(Series III)

6.30 pm. Evensong
and Sermon

11 am Mattins
and Sermon

8 am. Holy
Communion

18th November - 22nd Sunday after Trinity.

9 am Holy Comm.
(Sung)

6.30 pm Evensong
and Sermon

8 am Holy
Communion

11 am. Mattins
and Sermon

25th November - 23rd Sunday after Trinity.

8 am Holy Comm.

6.30 pm. Evensong
and Sermon.

9 am. Holy
Communion

11 am. Mattins
and Sermon

2nd December - Advent Sunday

11 am. Mattins
and Sermon

11.45 am. Holy
Communion

6.30 pm Evensong
and Sermon

8 am. Holy
Communion

9.30 am. Sung
Communion

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Dear Parishioners of Bridge, Patrixbourne and Bekesbourne,

First I would like to commend to you Bridge and Patrixbourne Churches Christmas Market to be held on Saturday December 1st beginning at 2.0 pm. at Bridge School. It is both a social event and a means by which we endeavour to pay for the running expenses of maintaining our two churches. We have recently completed work on the pews on the south side of Bridge Church and also electrical work in the same church. We have also work to be done on the walls and roof of Patrixbourne Church. All this will almost completely use up our financial reserves. It is of course a continual struggle with increasing costs of restoration work due to inflation.

May I thank all who helped to make our Harvest Festivals such joyful happy events, those who decorated the churches and those who gave gifts and decorations.

On St. Andrew's Day, 30th November the East Bridge Deanery are holding a Missionary Service beginning at 7 pm. at Bridge Church. I hope many of you will come to support our Deanery effort. The Rev. T.F. Butler will be the preacher.

Many things happen in Church which are either taken for granted or may not even be noticed. The people responsible for these "happenings" do not seek recognition, but I have taken it upon myself to remind parishioners that the difference would soon be apparent if these things were not done. The flowers in Church each week and the maintenance of the lighting are examples of what I have in mind.

However, there has been another recent "Happening" which only the most avid observer would notice. Four carefully made kneelers have appeared in the chancel of Bridge Church. These kneelers were made from materials used in every home and I am reliably informed that the numbers could increase if enough suitable material could be collected.

I am therefore appealing to every parishioner to give to Mrs. Trixie Apps, 7 Brewery Lane, Bridge any surplus balls of knitting wool and pieces of underfelt they possess. Given enough support it may even be possible to provide new kneelers for the whole of the Church. We surely need them!

Remembrance Sunday this year falls on the original day, namely 11th November. It is fitting on this day to see our nation as one family in the total world community with something very positive to offer towards the world's wellbeing. We also take the opportunity to remember the faithful departed who of many nations suffered and died during the dreadful days of wars.

Services will be held at the War Memorials five minutes prior to the time of the usual services at Patricxbourne and at 9.35 am. after the 9.00am. Service at Bridge Church.

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

At the moment of going to press I am able to tell you that our first Autumn Fair at Bekesbourne Church was a great success and the result of over £75 was a great credit to all who worked so hard both in making articles for the stalls and giving gifts and helping on the day of the Fair. May I personally thank them and all who supported us.

Yours sincerely in Our Blessed Lord,

Colin E.H. Perry

Vicar & Rural Dean.

BRIDGE COUNCIL MEETING.

The Parish Council has been successful in negotiating an extended lease and area for the Parish recreation ground. The new ground stretches from the Patricxbourne Road to the new Primary School.

This welcome development will allow the establishment of additional facilities - tennis, soccer etc. Whether or not such facilities are established will of course depend upon the interest and enthusiasm shown locally for the formation of the appropriate clubs.

The Parish Council has arranged a meeting to take place at the Village Hall on Wednesday 14th November commencing 7.30pm. Anyone interested in the formation of clubs to cover additional sporting facilities is invited to attend this meeting to discuss the future use of the recreation ground.

P.K.Farrow.
Bridge Parish Council.

CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER

OCTOBER

31st Wednesday Archdeacon's Visitation, 6.30 pm Wingham Hall.

NOVEMBER

1st Thursday All Saints Day, Holy Communion 9.30 am Bridge.
2nd Friday All Souls Day, Requiem Holy Communion 7.30 am at Bridge.
4th Sunday 20th Sunday after Trinity.
7th Wednesday Mothers Union Corporate Communion, 9.30 am at Bridge.
Young Wives Group Meeting, Bridge Village Hall at 7.30 pm
8th Thursday Bible Study Group Meeting at 7 Windmill Close, Bridge at 8 pm.
11th Sunday 21st Sunday after Trinity.
12th Monday M.U. Branch Meeting at 37, Union Rd Bridge 2.45 pm
13th Tuesday East Bridge Deanery Synod Meeting at St. Augustine's College, Canterbury at 7.30 pm.
18th Sunday 22nd Sunday After Trinity.
20th Tuesday Bridge & Patricxbourne W.I. A.G.M at 7 pm.
21st Wednesday Young Wives Group Meeting, Bridge at 7.30 pm.
22nd Thursday Bible Study Group, 37 Union Rd. Bridge at 8 pm.
25th Sunday 23rd Sunday after Trinity.
28th Wednesday Young Wives Group Meeting, Bridge at 7.30 pm.
30th Friday St. Andrew's Day Holy Communion, Bridge Church at 7.30 am.

DECEMBER

1st Saturday Bridge & Patricxbourne Churches CHRISTMAS MARKET at BRIDGE VILLAGE HALL at 2.30 pm.
2nd Sunday Advent Sunday.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

May They Rest In Peace

At Barham Crematorium

19th October 1973

Carol Gavin

24th October 1973

Thomas Deebank

ST. PETER'S CHURCH BEKESBOURNE

AUTUMN FAIR

Result as follows:-

		£	p
Groceries.	Mrs Smallwood	3	16
Cakes.	Mrs Smith	6	42½
Toys.	Mrs Kingsford, Mrs Farbrace	13	75½
Choir.	Alan, Christopher, Andrew, Peter, Martin	3	33
Jumble.	Mrs File, Mrs Arman	7	08
Teas.	Mrs Coombes, Mrs Russell	2	52
Gifts.	Mrs Sandall	19	26
Doll.	Lyn Files, Angela Smallwood	1	28
Smarties.	Choir Children	1	27
Raffle.	Mrs Tyler, Mrs Grey	13	61
Donation		5	00
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I wish to thank all those who gave so much and worked so hard to make this Autumn Fair such a success. This wonderful result goes to prove what team work can do and I congratulate you all.

Colin E.H. Perry.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The meetings for November will be on the 8th at 7, Windmill Close, by kind invitation of Mr. & Mrs. Pierce and on the 22nd at 37, Union Road, the home of Mrs. Meigh.

BRIDGE CRICKET CLUB

The club is holding its Annual General Meeting at the Red Lion, Bridge at 8pm prompt on Thursday November 1st. Any persons interested will be very welcome.

B.R.J. Cole,
Hon. Secretary

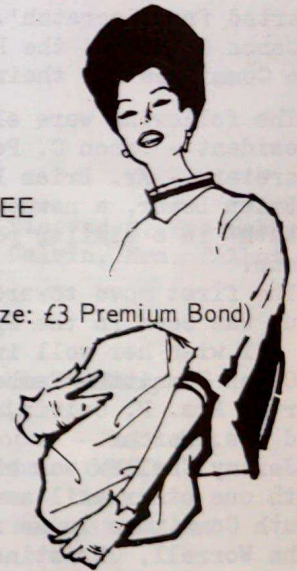
CHRISTMAS MARKET

at the PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL, CONYNGHAM LANE, BRIDGE
on Saturday 1st. December 1973, starting at 2 p.m.

STALLS – SIDESHOWS – CHRISTMAS TREE
CAKES – TEAS – SOFT DRINKS

GRAND RAFFLE (1st. Prize: £3 Premium Bond)

YOUTH CLUB 'DISCO' IN ROOM 4



Gifts for the Stalls, the Christmas Tree and the Raffle, will be very welcome. Please deliver them to the Vicarage or the Churchwardens – or bring them along on the day.

The following Report was held over in the October issue:-

BRIDGE YOUTH CLUB

Our first Annual General Meeting was held at the Village Hall on Thursday 6th September and was well attended. Mr. Tom Heap, the retiring Chairman outlined the previous years activities and thanked the Committee Members and other helpers for their services in our first year.

The retiring Secretary, Mr. Brian Kingsnorth read the Minutes of the first meeting of the Club in September 1972 and pointed out that the then Secretary, Mrs. Rosemary Kingsnorth had recorded 57 members. The Club now has 157 members.

Mr. Jack Maben, the retiring Treasurer informed the Club that over £100 was held to their credit and that the club had started from 'scratch'.

Canon C. Perry, the President then took the chair and thanked the Committee for their work.

The following were elected as officers of the Club:
President - Canon C. Perry, Chairman - Mr. Brian Kingsnorth,
Secretary - Mr. Brian Dewar, Treasurer - Miss Carol Booth.

Brian Dewar, a newcomer to the Village has been involved with 'Youth' in a similar position previously and is welcomed to our group.

The first move towards 'Youth' taking steps to run their own club was seen in the appointment of Miss Carol Booth as Secretary. We all wish her well in the task she has undertaken.

Other Committee Members elected were, Mr. Tom Heap, Mrs. R. Kingsnorth, Mrs. P. Gulvin, Mrs. L. Diss, Mrs. Charlton, Mrs. D. Crow and Mrs. Mercer.

Jeremy Chellew was elected Chairman of the Youth Committee and with one other will serve on the Management Committee. The new Youth Committee is as follows:- Alan Laughlin, David Goldfinch, John Worrell, Christine Kingsnorth, Karen Browning, Alexander Vaughan, Georgina Muir-Little, Martin Turff, David Upton and Tom Morton. Mr. Jack Hopkins was made Senior Member of the Club.

The Divisional Youth Leader, Mr. Dennis Prior said he noted with pleasure the progress made at Bridge and that he would be pleased to give assistance and advice as and when necessary.

Finally the Club wish to thank Mr. Tom Heap for his Chairmanship through our first year and to thank Jack and Betty Maben for their services. It does appear that they will be leaving us for pastures new later in the autumn.

ST. PETER'S BEKESBOURNE

CLEANERS

November 3rd.....Mrs. Cox and
Mrs. Stickels
10th.....Mrs. Hogben
17th.....Mrs. Watson
24th.....Mrs. Grey

FLOWER ROTA

November 4th.....Mrs Sandall
11th.....Mrs Sandall
18th.....Mrs Russell
25th.....Mrs Coombes

BEKESBOURNE W.I.

November 13th at 7.15 pm.
Bekesbourne Village Hall. Social time:
A.G.M. and Report. Bring and Buy:
Ballot for 1974 Committee Hostesses: Mrs. Bissenden, Mrs. Baker,
Mrs. Galvin, Mrs. Talbot.

BRIDGE WIVES GROUP

Wednesday November 7th at 7.30 pm. Film Show - Travelling in
Switzerland.
Thursday November 21st at 7.30 pm. Mrs. J. Cooper - Talk and
Film Show about OXFAM.
Wednesday 28th at 7.30 pm Mrs. Sharman - Cake
decorating demonstration.

JUNIOR CHURCH

Bridge Junior Church will meet at 11 am.
on Sundays November 11th, 18th and 25th.

BRIDGE RECITAL SERIES

No. 1

Those who attended the first of the Bridge Recitals on Saturday October 13th heard some fascinating music of differing styles, expertly performed by Cyril Wade, Tenor; Peter Giles, Counter-Tenor; Jonathan Rose, Violin and Guitar; and Philip Moore, Organist.

The Concert raised a good sum for the Organ Fund, and greatly enjoyed by an audience which packed the church. The music ranged from Purcell, through Bach and Hugo Distler to Ralph Vaughan Williams.

Our sincere thanks are extended to the Artists who appeared, the members of the Choir who helped with the 'management' of the Concert, and to Peter Giles for arranging the concert.

BRIDGE AND PATRIBOURNE WOMENS INSTITUTE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING- November 20th at 7 pm.

Visit of Voluntary Organiser

Ballot for New Committee

Ballot for President

Annual Report and Financial Statement

Competition: 1 lb of Home made Jam.

ROYAL NATIONAL MISSION TO DEEP SEA
FISHERMAN

As a result of the collection in the Patribourne-Bekesbourne Area, the sum of £7.50 has been sent to Headquarters.

Thank You.

MOTHERS UNION

Wednesday November 7th. Corporate Communion at
Bridge Church at 9.30 am.

Monday November 12th Branch Meeting at 37 Union Rd.,
2.45 pm. Speaker: Miss Healing.



Next month -
1973 CHRISTMAS
EDITION !

CHILDREN'S COMPETITION

The Editor and Printers of this magazine invite the children of the parishes of Bridge with Patribourne and Bekesbourne to submit a Christmas Picture or Verse for inclusion in next month's special edition.

Drawings should be black ink (biro or indian-ink) not larger than 6 inches by 5 inches; verse should not exceed 24 lines.

Hand your entry to the Vicar or to John Purchase of Mill Cottage, Bekesbourne, not later than November 15th, so that selection can take place. All editorial copy should be with the Vicar also by this date.

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**PATRICXBOURNE
with BRIDGE &
BEKESBOURNE**

SUNDAY SERVICES FOR DECEMBER 1973

BRIDGE

11am. Mattins
Family Service.
11.45 Holy Comm.
6.30pm. Evensong
and Sermon.

PATRIXBOURNE
2nd December - Advent Sunday

8 am Holy Comm.

BEKESBOURNE

9.30 am. Sung
Communion.

9 am. Holy
Comm. Series III
6.30 pm. Evensong
and Sermon.

9th December - 2nd in Advent

11 am Mattins
and Sermon.

8 am Holy
Communion.

9 am. Holy
Comm. (Sung)
6.30 pm Evensong
and Sermon.

16th December - 3rd in Advent.

8 am Holy Comm.

11 am Mattins
and Sermon.

8 am Holy Comm
6.30 pm Evensong
and Sermon.

23rd December - 4th in Advent

9 am Holy Comm.

11 am Mattins
and Sermon.
11.45 Holy Comm.

25th December - Christmas Day.

See Special Announcement of Service Times.

30th December - 1st after Christmas

9 am Holy Comm
6.30 Nine Lessons
and Carols

11 am Mattins
and Sermon

8 am 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, Patribourne and Bekesbourne,
You will have been told in the November magazine that the Christmas Market for Bridge and Patribourne Churches will be held on Saturday 1st December at Bridge School. I hope this magazine will come in time to remind you of same. We look forward very much to this pleasant social occasion which provides such good opportunity for fellowship.

You will find the full list of Christmas Services elsewhere in this magazine.

Once again we are approaching this joyous Season of Christmastide. God Incarnate correlative of this great mystery, man in God are the basic points of this teaching of the Christmas Season.

By the operation of the Holy Ghost the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity born of a Pure Virgin, became Son of Man. We have to learn the reality of both natures in Christ; the human and the Divine. He was "equal with God": This, if nothing else "God of God, Very God of Very God". This is what He claimed and what the Church teaches.

And yet in the words of the Christmas Gospel He was made flesh and dwelt among us. He took upon Himself not merely one man's nature but took our nature - the nature of humanity. As His Godhead was real so was His manhood.

Faith illumined by the Holy Ghost bows in humble adoration before the manger at Bethlehem in which we behold the mystery of God made man. The spirit in which we ought to approach the Christmas Season is:-

- (1) Faith in the wondrous mystery of the Incarnation.
- (2) Hope in and for Mankind springing from the 'consciousness' of our adoption into the family of God.
- (3) Love responsive to the Divine Love which provides for our daily renewal.

How pleasant it will be to hear again on Christmas Eve the peal of bells from Bekesbourne Church. It is a great delight to me to know that Mr. Collard, the Captain of Bells is training new students of Campanology. May they ring in to you and your families a Holy and Joyous Christmastide with blessing and peace to the world.

Yours affectionately in our Lord,
Colin E.H. Perry
Rural Dean and Vicar.

CALENDAR

CALENDAR FOR DECEMBER

December		
1st	Saturday	Bridge & Patnixbourne Christmas Market, Bridge School 2.00 p.m.
2nd	Sunday	Advent Sunday
5th	Wednesday	M.U. Corporate Communion, Bridge Church 9.30 a.m.
6th	Thursday	Bible Study Group meeting at 7 Windmill Close 8 p.m.
8th	Saturday	Guides Christmas Bazaar, Bridge Village Hall 2.30 p.m.
9th	Sunday	2nd Sunday in Advent
10th	Monday	M.U. Branch Meeting at 11 Union Rd. 2.45 p.m.
12th	Wednesday	Bekesbourne Church Community Carol Singing, Village Hall 7.15 p.m.
14th	Thursday	Guides Carol Singing in the evening, Western Avenue & Bridge Down.
16th	Sunday	3rd Sunday in Advent
18th	Tuesday	Bridge W.I. meeting, Village Hall 7 p.m. Bekesbourne Church Carol Service 7.15 pm.
23rd	Sunday	4th Sunday in Advent
24th	Monday	Christmas Eve Midnight Eucharist, Bridge and Bekesbourne Churches beginning at 11.30 p.m.
25th	Tuesday	Christmas Day Details of services elsewhere in mag.
26th	Wednesday	St. Stephen's Day Holy Communion, Bridge Church, 9.30 a.m.
27th	Thursday	Holy Innocents Day Holy Communion, Bridge Church, 9.30 a.m.
30th	Sunday	First Sunday after Christmas Christmas Carol Service at 5 p.m. at The Close, Bridge.
January		
1st	Tuesday	Feast of the Circumcision of Our Lord Holy Communion, Bridge Church, 9.30 a.m.
6th	Saturday	Feast of the Epiphany Holy Communion, Bridge Church, 9.30 a.m.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTER

St. Peter's Church Bekesbourne

Holy Baptism Stephen Gary Clark 28th October 1973

CONFIRMATION CLASSES.

The Vicar would be grateful to receive the names of those who wish to be prepared for Confirmation next year. Classes will begin at the Vicarage in early January.

CHRISTMAS COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

I would be glad to know of any who, because of sickness or old age desire the administration of Holy Communion in their house during the Christmas Octave.
C.E.H.P.

ADVENT RETREAT

An Advent Retreat for Lay People will be held at the Canterbury Diocesan Retreat and Conference House, Westgate-on-Sea, from the 4th - 6th December 1973, assembling at 4.00 p.m. on the Tuesday and ending after luncheon on the Thursday. The Conductor will be the Reverend Hugh Maycock of St. Augustine's College, Canterbury.

A charge of £4.00 is made for this Retreat and applications, accompanied by a deposit of £1.00, should be made to:
The Wardens, St. Gabriel's House, Elm Grove, Westgate-on-Sea, Kent.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP.

There will be one Meeting before Christmas, on December 6th at 7, Windmill Close, by invitation of Mr. & Mrs. Pierce. We would like to thank them for the use of their nice home.

This Group wishes everyone a Peaceful and Happy Christmas and God's Blessings on us all.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES

St Peter's Church Bridge

Christmas Eve	11.30 p.m.	Midnight Eucharist
Christmas Day	9.00 a.m.	Holy Communion
	11.00 a.m.	Mattins and Christmas Day Family Service with-
	11.45 a.m.	Holy Communion

St Mary's Church Patrixbourne

Christmas Day	8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion
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St Peter's Church Bekesbourne

Christmas Eve	11.30 p.m.	Midnight Eucharist
Christmas Day	11.00 a.m.	Mattins and Christmas Day Family Service with -
	11.45 a.m.	Holy Communion

SERVICE OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

St. Peter's Church Bekesbourne

Tuesday 18th December at 7.15 p.m.

St. Peter's Church Bridge

Sunday 30th December at 6.30 p.m.



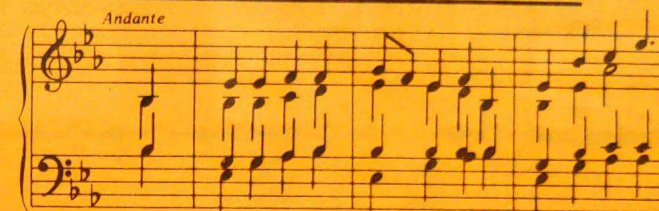
DECORATING THE CHURCHES FOR CHRISTMAS.

In all our three churches gifts of holly, flowers etc. and donations for flowers will be gratefully appreciated.

Decorating will begin at:

Bridge Church	2.30 p.m. on Sunday December 23rd.
Patrixbourne Church	2.00 p.m. on Sunday December 23rd.
Bekesbourne Church	10.30 a.m. on Saturday December 22nd.

The Bishopsbourne Carol



On Christmas Day
All Christians say
Our Saviour Christ was born;
A Prince Divine,
Whose light shall shine
On humankind forlorn.

The stars sang loud,
Their voices proud,
As Heav'n its King adored;
But only shepherds
Heard the words,
And went to greet their Lord.

No palace great
Flung wide its gate
To greet the young King's birth;
A stable-cave
Was all men gave
To God-made-man on earth.

He brought the Love
Of God above -
We hanged Him on a tree;
But on that tree
We men can see
God won the victory.

Rejoice, ye heavens,
And sing, O earth;
Let men their voices raise;
And all their days
Show forth God's praise
By walking in his ways.

L. F. Geddes,
Bishopsbourne
December 1965

No competition entries were received in response to last month's announcement in the Magazine asking for pictures and poems about Christmas; but thanks to the co-operation of Miss Wendy Tomlin, Head Mistress of Bridge & Patixbourne Primary School, four contributions have been received. Here they are:-

THINKING ABOUT CHRISTMAS

Christmas is a time when people give presents to others. We give presents to our friends. About two thousand years ago a boy was born in a stable and His name was Jesus. He was a very special person. He healed over one thousand people. After quite a long time people invented a name to give to His birthday. That name is Christmas.

PATRICK STACEY
68 Bridge Down
7 years.

I LIKE CHRISTMAS

I like getting the Christmas tree ready.
I like the decorations.
I like the lights and the tinsel that shines.
I like the balls that I can see my reflection in.
I like the colours – the silver, gold, red, blue and orange.
I like the dinner.
I like the meat or turkey or chicken.
I like to give presents to my family,
I like to see the expressions on their faces.
I like opening my presents quickly to see what is inside.
I like the cards and the pictures on the front.
I like school parties.
Last year we left some cake and milk out –
In the morning it was not there.
I wonder who had it?

MELANIE WHITE
6 Windmill Close
8 years.



DAVID RARATY,
40 Bridge Down,
8 years.

A WINTER POEM

Snow is falling, snow is falling
Pretty lights on Christmas trees
One month and eight days 'till Christmas Day
Think of cards, visitors too
The land is covered white with snow
Build snowmen, giant snowballs, little snowballs
Eating turkey, Christmas pudding afterwards
Later on, a party, friends and family
From places everywhere
The Christmas cake grows smaller, smaller
Sandwiches, drinks, crisps gone too?
What is left?
Crumbs

ANDREW MARSH
8 Windmill Close
7 years.

Venison.



At Christmastime much thought goes into meals – possibly too much! However, as a nostalgic exercise we here reprint recipes and notes from a mid-19th century cookery book called "A New System of Domestic Cookery" by A Lady (Mrs. Rundell).

TO KEEP VENISON

Preserve the venison dry, wash it with milk and water very clean, and dry it with clean cloths till not the least damp remains; then dust pounded ginger over every part, which is a good preventative against the fly. By thus managing and watching, it will hang a fortnight. When to be used, wash it with a little lukewarm water, and dry it. Pepper is likewise good to keep it.

TO DRESS VENISON

A haunch of buck will take three hours and a half or three quarters roasting: doe only three hours and a quarter. Venison should be over rather than under-done.

Spread a sheet of white paper with butter, and put it over the fat, first sprinkling it with a little salt; then lay a coarse paste on strong paper, and cover the haunch; tie it with fine packthread, and set it at a distance from the fire, which must be a good one. Baste it often; ten minutes before serving take off the paste, draw the meat nearer the fire and baste with butter and a good deal of flour to make it froth up well.

Gravy for it should be put into a boat and not into the dish (unless there is none in the venison), and made thus: Cut off the fat from two or three pounds of a loin of old mutton, and set it in steaks on a gridiron for a few minutes just to brown one side; put them into a sauce-pan with a quart of water, cover quite close for an hour, and simmer it gently; then uncover it, and stew till the gravy is reduced to a pint. Season with only salt.

Currant-jelly must be served in a boat.

Formerly pap-sauce was eaten with venison; which, as some still like it, it may be necessary to direct. Grate white bread, and boil it with port wine, water, and a large stick of cinnamon; and when quite smooth take out the cinnamon and add sugar. Claret may be used for it.

Make the jelly-sauce thus. Beat some currant-jelly and a spoonful or two of port wine, and set it over the fire till melted. Where jelly runs short put more wine, and a few lumps of sugar to the jelly, and melt as above. Serve with french beans.

FLUMMERY

Put three large handfuls of very small white oatmeal to steep a day and night in cold water; then pour it off clear, and add as much more water, and let it stand the same time. Strain it through a fine hair-sieve, and boil it till it be as thick as hasty-pudding; stirring it well all the time. When first strained, put it to one large spoonful of white sugar, and two of orange-flower water. Pour it into shallow dishes; and serve to eat with wine, cyder, milk or cream and sugar. It is very good.

COMMUNITY CAROL SINGING at BEKESBOURNE VILLAGE HALL

With the Canterbury Salvation Army Band and St Peter's Church Choir to lead the singing, this will take place at 7.15 p.m. On WEDNESDAY 12th December.

We hope that very many of you will come and fill our village hall with songs of joy.

A retiring collection will be made on behalf of St. Peter's Church Choir Fund.

SERVICE OF NINE LESSONS with CAROLS.

This will be held in Bekesbourne Church on TUESDAY 18th December commencing 7.15 p.m.

The Service will be conducted by the Rev. Canon C.E.H. Perry with, as our Guest, the Rev. L. Blaxland.

Please come and fill our lovely little church to overflowing, and you will inspire us all to greater efforts.

CHRISTMAS EVE MIDNIGHT SERVICE.

This will be held at St Peter's Church Bekesbourne on Monday 24th December at 11.30 p.m.

The Service of Holy Communion with Carols will be conducted by the Rev. Stanley Poole, who was for many years Vicar of Littlebourne Church.

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to the Rev. Poole and to all our friends who attend this beautiful service.

CHRISTMAS DAY FAMILY SERVICE.

There will be a Family Carol Service at Bekesbourne Church at 10.30 a.m. on Christmas Morning. Please bring your children, all will be most welcome.

Stanley Grey.
(Organist & Choirmaster.)

BEKESBOURNE CHURCH CLEANERS ROTA.

- December 1st..... Mrs. Sandall.
- 8th..... Mrs. Kingsford & Mrs. Smith.
- 15th..... Mrs. Farbrace.
- 22nd..... Mrs. Hogben.
- 29th..... Mrs. Watson.

1st BRIDGE GUIDES.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

This will be held in Bridge Village Hall on Saturday 8th December at 2.30 p.m.

Come along and buy your Christmas Gifts and Decorations. There will also be a 'Nearly New' stall, a Cake stall and a Raffle. Refreshments will be on sale.

CAROL SINGING.

We shall be Carol Singing in the Western Avenue and Bridge Down areas on Friday evening December 14th.

Please give generously as the girls have decided to use the proceeds from both these events to buy Christmas presents for the patients at The Close.

A. Mummary.

BRIDGE AND PATRIBOURNE W.I.

Tuesday December 18th at 7 p.m. in Bridge Village Hall

'Slides of the Elham Valley' - Mr. B. Gipson.

Competition: 6 Mince Pies.

Carols by Candlelight.

MOTHERS UNION

Wednesday December 5th

Corporate Communion with Intercessions.
Bridge Church at 9.30 a.m.

Monday December 10th

Branch meeting at 2.45p.m. at 11 Union Road, by kind permission of Mrs. Berry.
Speaker: Mrs. Yerbury.

There will be no branch meetings in January or February.

OPERATION 'TRIXIE'S KNEELERS'

A COFFEE MORNING and BRING AND BUY will be held at Church Cottage, Bridge on December 5th, 10.30 a.m. - 12 noon.

This is a follow up to the special reference in the October Magazine.

PATRIBOURNE CHURCH FLOWER ROTA - 1974

January	.....	Mrs Potter.
February	.....	Mrs Watson-Taylor.
April 14th	.....	Miss Foster.
May	.....	Mrs Greenwood.
June	.....	Mrs Edmonds.
July	.....	Mrs Johnston.
August	.....	Mrs Potter.
September	.....	Mrs Watson-Taylor.
October	.....	Miss Foster.
November	.....	Mrs Edmonds.

BRIDGE WIVES GROUP.

December 1st	GIFT STALL at the Christmas Market Bridge School 2.30 p.m.
December 12 th	Carol Singing and Christmas Story-telling by Members. Open invitation is extended to Senior Members to join us in the Village Hall at 7.30p.m.

BEKESBOURNE W.I.

December 11th at 7.15 p.m. in the Village Hall.	
Demonstration:	Petite Fours.
Competition:	A seasonal wall decoration.
Social time:	Candlelit supper with Carols.

JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church will meet at 11 a.m. on December 9th and 16th only.

OUR GRATEFUL THANKS.

We gratefully record that Pat Hyler's Mother, Mrs. Denker has donated £5.00 to the Bridge Church Organ Fund in memory of her husband, Mr. F.T. Denker who died recently.

BRIDGE SPORTS CLUB

At a public meeting held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 14th November it was agreed that a Bridge Sports Club should be established following the extension to the recreation ground which has recently been arranged.

Anyone who is interested in the following sports is asked to get in touch with any of the undermentioned people:

BOWLS: Mr. W.K. Chapman, 18 Western Avenue, Bridge.

TENNIS: Mr. J.E. Hill, Rowanhurst, 10 Conyngham Lane, Bridge.

CRICKET: Mr. B.J. Cole, 11, The Green, Blean.

SOCCER: Mr. D.R. Hollingsbee, 8 Mill Terrace, Bridge.

YOUTH SOCCER: Mr. C. Moores, 88, High Street, Bridge.

It is important that the extent of interest in these sports is established as quickly as possible and if anyone is prepared to assist in the formation of the tennis club would they please contact either John Hill at the above address or the Chairman of the Bridge Sports Club - Cllr. P.K. Farrow, 62, High Street, Bridge. Further details will be made known as quickly as possible.

BEKESBOURNE SOCIAL CLUB.

On Saturday 15th December, Bekesbourne Social Club is holding a CHRISTMAS FAIR in the Village Hall at 2.30 p.m. The proceeds of this sale will be added to funds already raised for Christmas Parcels for Bekesbourne Senior Citizens and for the Party that will be held for Bekesbourne Children on January 5th 1974.

Stalls will include: Tombola, Gifts, Jumble, Cakes, Christmas Fayre and a Raffle.

Any contributions gladly received by Mr David Petherbridge at 1, Cobham Court Cottages, Bekesbourne.

The Social Club are also having a BARN DANCE that evening. This will be in the Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. Dancing to records with an M.C. to call the dances. Licenced Bar and refreshments will be available.

THANKS AND APPRECIATION.

Harry and Prill Hawkins regret the closing of their Clothing Business and wish to thank their many customers for their loyalty during over 66 years of family trading.

MR. PETER GILES.

Mr. Peter Giles will be away from 21st November to 17th December touring the U.S.A. and Canada, giving lectures in universities and schools and giving solo vocal concerts from Handel's Messiah and other musical works.

THE COST OF LIVING HITS AGAIN.

It will not be much of a surprise to our readers to learn that the cost of producing the Parish Magazine has risen very steeply over the past eighteen months. The loss on the magazine for 1973 will be £50; so the PCC have regretfully had to increase the price from next month to 5p a copy - still very good value for money.

The Magazine is there to serve the community with news; and any non-church organisation is welcome to make use of its pages in advertisements which would be charged at the appropriate rate.

The Editor is anxious to broaden the interest in the magazine and would welcome copy from anyone in the Parishes of Bridge, Patricxbourne and Bekesbourne.

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