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News For All

For three years the *Ermine News* has been going into over 1,450 homes of our parish, but this is not enough! In order to reach every house a smaller edition of the *Ermine News* will be delivered free of charge throughout Ermine, both East and West. This means that no one need be out of touch with the life of the Church and Community within which we live.

The cost will be considerable and we are grateful to our advertisers who bear the brunt of it. The deficit could be made up if those of you who appreciate the *News* would give a penny a month, i.e. 1/- a year. But this is not a charge, merely a way in which you could help should you choose to do so.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank both you for your support, and the Street Representatives for their invaluable services in delivering the *News*. May God bless you all this Christmas and during the coming year.



Christmas Eve

11-45 p.m. Midnight Communion.

Christmas Day

9-15 a.m. The Family Communion.

10-45 a.m. *The Family Communion

4-30 p.m. Evensong (said)

St. Stephen (December 26th)

8- 0 a.m. Holy Communion

St. John the Evangelist (December 27th)

9-15 a.m. The Family Communion

10-45 a.m. *The Family Communion

2-30 p.m. *Carol Service

6-30 p.m. Carol Service

* Services at St. John the Evangelist Community Centre.

NEWS IN BRIEF . . .

Parties . .

Children from 4 years to 14 years who live on Ermine West are invited to a party at St. John the Evangelist Community Centre. There will be no charge but only those children who have obtained tickets in advance will be able to come. We shall have to stick very rigidly to this rule because of catering arrangements.

Tickets must be obtained from the Community Centre on Saturday afternoon, January 2nd, between 4-30 and 5-30 p.m. Anyone who cannot come at that time is asked to contact Mr. Williamson, 23 Queen Elizabeth Road, or Mr. Flintham, 90 Queen Elizabeth Road, the day before.

There will be three parties, for age groups as follows:

Friday, January 8th, 7-9 p.m., Children 7, 8, 9 and 10 years.

Saturday, January 9th, 3-5 p.m., Children 4, 5 and 6 years.

Saturday, January 9th, 7-30-9-30 p.m., Children 11, 12, 13 and 14 years.

Parties at St. John Baptist will be in the New Year.

The Faith For Adults . .

On Tuesday evenings at St. John's House, there will be a course of instruction on the faith of the Church, followed by a time for discussion and questions.

These meetings which are at 7-30 p.m. are open to all adults and boys and girls of 17 years or over. For those who wish to be confirmed this course will be the first part of the preparation.

The first meeting will be held on Monday, January 11th. It would be a great help if those who hope to come, or who find this time inconvenient, would contact the vicar as soon as possible.

Planned Giving . .

The Family Pledge has now become the normal way of giving towards the work of the church at St. John's, and what a difference it makes! A jump in the offertory from £8 to £30 a week is a cause for great thanksgiving, and will enable the church to reach out more and more to all the homes of this estate, bringing the peace and joy which only God can give. More and more

people are recognising that everyone needs the church at one time or another and that we should all share according to our means in this responsibility and great privilege. If your family wants to play its part as well, then please contact the vicar or one of the members of the Canvass Committee.

December 13th . .

In response to many requests a number of Evening Services have been arranged at St. John the Evangelist Community Centre. The first, on November 22nd, was very well attended, and the next will be on December 13th, the first anniversary of the Dedication. The Services are at 6-30 p.m. and will be held on the first Sunday in the month in the new year.

On the 13th December refreshments will be provided after the Service to celebrate the first year of the Community Centre and to give people an opportunity to meet and chat with one another.

St. John's Evergreen Club (West) . .

The Newport Co-op. Guild kindly gave a concert on 17th November to a large gathering of the members and their friends.

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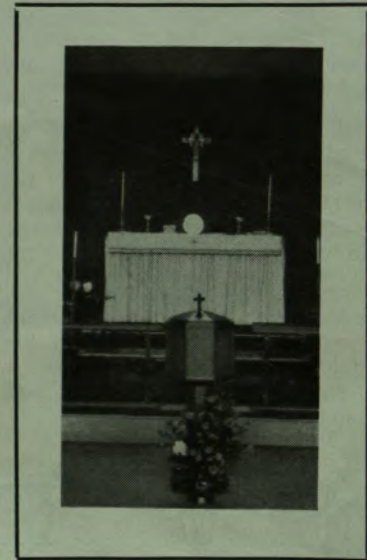


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What's on this month

December

- 1 Tue. Young Wives' Group 7-45 p.m.
 3 Thu. Guide and Brownie Concert 7-30 p.m.
 5 Sat. Christmas Fair 2-30 p.m.
 6 Sun. **Advent 2.**
 7 Mon. St. John the Evangelist Management Committee 7-45 p.m.
 8 Tue. Mothers' Union 7-45 p.m.
 9 Wed. Confirmation, 'St. Nicholas', 7-30 p.m.
 11 Fri. P.C.C. St. John the Evangelist 7-45 p.m.
 13 Sun. **Advent 3. Dedication Festival, St. John the Evangelist.**
 14 Mon. Evergreen West Birthday Party 7-30 p.m.
 15 Tue. Young Wives' Group 7-45 p.m.
 17 Thu. St. John Baptist Management Committee 7-45 p.m.
 20 Sun. **Advent 4.**
 21 Mon. St. Thomas A. & M. Holy Communion 6-30 a.m.

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St. John's Register

Baptisms

- Nov. 1 Keith, son of Walter and Maud Poyser,
 Richard William, son of William and Alma Smith.
 Sharon, daughter of Robert and Marjory Brummitt.
 Phillip, son of Geoffrey and Eileen Mundin.
 Laurence Anton, son of Laurence and Ingeborg Reeve.
 Susan, daughter of Walter and Vera Musson.
 Jane Elizabeth, daughter of Frederick and Hazel Breeze.

Burials

- Nov. 5 Jack Bird (62).
 „ 13 Wendy Viola Toyne (21).

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 3-45 p.m. A. Mason
 6-30 p.m. J. Andrews, A. Hewitt
 „ 13 9-15 a.m. R. Mason, D. Barsley
 J. Andrews, A. Hewitt
 6-30 p.m. T. Breese, A. Mason
 „ 20 9-15 a.m. G. Tibbs, S. Smith
 T. Davis, T. Breese
 6-30 p.m. J. Andrews, A. Mason
 „ 27 9-15 a.m. D. Barsley, R. Mason
 J. Andrews, A. Hewitt
 6-30 p.m. T. Davis, T. Breese
 Jan. 3 9-15 a.m. S. Smith, G. Tibbs
 T. Breese, T. Davis
 3-45 p.m. J. Andrews
 6-30 p.m. A. Hewitt, A. Mason

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SUNDAY SERVICES

St. John the Baptist

FAMILY COMMUNION, 9-15 a.m.

EVENSONG, 6-30 p.m.

St. John the Evangelist

FAMILY COMMUNION, 10-45 a.m.

Holy Baptism is held on the first Sunday in each month at St. John the Baptist, and two weeks' notice should be given to the Vicar.

CONFIRMATION SCHOOLS

SENIORS: All who attend Secondary or Grammar Schools—St. John's Church 10-45 a.m.

JUNIORS: All who attend Junior Schools—St. John's Church—10-45 a.m. St. John the Evangelist, 2-30 p.m.

INFANTS: All who attend Infants' Schools (and under 5 years). St. John's Church, 2-30. St. John the Evangelist, 2-30 p.m.

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