

## “LINCOLN'S CHURCH OF TOMORROW” WORK STARTS

Monday, 28th May at 7-30 p.m.



*Canon Cook, recently Sub Dean of Lincoln Cathedral will start the work when he drives a bulldozer to begin the clearance of the site.*

You are invited to be present at this ceremony and to witness a truly historic moment in the history of our Parish.

Canon Cook, who is a very vigorous eighty, has been associated with historic and modern churches in this diocese throughout this century.

It was his idea that the 18th century church of St. Peter at Arches should be taken uphill to become St. Giles Church; and he initiated an

open architectural competition which resulted in the present church of Holy Cross at Boultham. As vicar of Boston and Subdean of Lincoln Cathedral, Canon Cook has become a very well known and much loved figure.

Old enough to have known the saintly Bishop King, and young enough to drive a bulldozer, Canon Cook is the ideal choice to start the building of Lincoln's 'Church of Tomorrow'.

### Local Winners

#### —Arts and Crafts

In the Exhibition of Elderly People's Arts and Crafts held on 26th April, the first prize for a team entry went to St. John's Evergreen Club (East). It was indeed an excellent effort, but unfortunately it was the only exhibit in that class.

Individuals from both our clubs won prizes. From the West, Mrs. Ashton, 3rd prize for embroidery; Mrs. Froggatt, 3rd prize for dress-making and Mrs. Trevor, 3rd prize for Knitting. From the East: Mrs. Howsam, 1st prize for Knitting and 3rd prize for soft toy; Mrs. I. Dixon, 2nd prize for Knitting; Mrs. G. Dixon, 2nd prize for Soft Toy; Mrs. W. E. Barnes, 3rd prize for Embroidery.

The Exhibition was organised by the City of Lincoln Association For The Care Of The Elderly for all men and women of sixty or over, and it attracted a very large entry of high standard from clubs and hospitals all over the area.

### Double your Money!

The Lincoln Church Extension Society has given £3,250 towards the building of our new church. In addition they have promised to match us £1 for £1 up to another £1,000.

This means, that every Pound that is raised in the Parish will be worth £2 to the Building Fund. When we have raised £1,000 we shall be able to apply to the Society for their further gift of £1,000.

All those who give week by week under our Planned Giving Scheme form the financial rock upon which our Building Fund grows. In addition to this there is the need for all who can to help in this great work for God. Can you make some gift or organise some effort on your own? Would you like to give some part of the church or its furnishings as a memorial to some loved one departed this life, or as a Thanksgiving to God for some special blessing?

Donations Please to:—

L. A. Smith, 10 Barkston Gardens or to the Clergy.

## SUPER NEW LIBRARY

Miss Freda Goodhead, who was recently appointed as librarian for our own Ermine Library, writes:—

People of the Ermine Estate must have been interested for some time in the building going on at the corner of Ravendale Drive and Laughton Way, opposite the parish church. By mid-summer, the bull-dozers, cement-mixers and all the confusion which collects on building sites, should have given way to two fine new buildings, designed for the physical and mental well-being of the people living round about—a clinic and a public library.

Mrs. Olive Deer, Chairman of the London County Council, has been invited to perform the opening ceremony for both buildings, and from that time the library at least hopes to be fully occupied coping with a rush of users.

'Users' is really a more suitable word than 'borrowers' or even 'readers', since we intend the library to become a centre for all sorts of cultural activities, apart from the borrowing of books.

The library has been designed to look bright and pleasant and welcoming—neither too casual

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### October Football?

The Recreation Field on Woodhall Drive is nearing completion, and two areas have already been opened to the public. The four hard tennis courts were in use last year, and a few weeks ago the childrens playing area was opened. This has been a great success, and when they are not at school, children seem to flock there in their hundreds.

The main field may be used casually, but organised games won't be possible until next year. Certainly the cricket table will need this season for further growth and attention.

However, there is a chance that football, hockey and rugby may start in the Autumn. We shall just have to wait and see how the turf develops during the Summer.

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The Club meets in St. John Evangelist Community Centre, Queen Elizabeth Road every Friday, 6-45-9, and is for boys and girls when they go to their secondary school. We have a waiting list at the moment.

### Regular Activities

We have a football team and a netball team, both of which have had a number of very good games. We run coffee mornings, have parties when members come as ghosts or beatnics or in 'evening dress'. We have various trophies which are played or danced for and have had a number of visitors including Bill Anderson of the City F.C.

### Outings

We went to London to see the Boat Race and Madam Tussaud's Wax Works. We have been to the Theatre and the Fire Station, the girls have had their hair done in Vanity Fayre. During the School Holidays there was a Treasure Hunt all over the City and a Hare and Hounds chase all over the Country.

## Whist Drive for Blind

The Management Committee of St. John's Church Community Centre recently organised a Whist Drive in aid of the Blind. In order that all the proceeds should go to this cause, no charge was made for the hire of the hall, and they gave £5 to provide the prizes. Over £30 was raised.

## Family Party

Sunday, June 24th is St. John the Baptists day, and therefore the Patronal Festival for this Parish. The address at Evensong at 6-30 p.m. will be given by the Rev. Colin Evans.

After the service there will be refreshments and a Social Hour to which you are all invited.

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## Baby Show

St. John the Baptist Church Hall, 2-30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 26th, Birth to nine months.

Thursday, June 28th, 6 months to 13 months  
and 13 months to 2 years.

## Flower Show

More details next month, but note the date,  
September 8th,

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## School Notes . . .

### Ermine Junior

The school has 580 pupils at the moment, but the Bulge is nearly over, and numbers should start to drop next year.

On July 12th, forty boys and girls will be taken to London for the day, and after a visit to the Plaetarium they will go on to see the Royal Tournament.

There will be the usual Sports Day and Open Day, but the dates have not yet been fixed. Term ends on Thursday, July 26th and the Autumn Term starts on Tuesday, September 4th.

### Ermine Infants

The school is exceedingly full at the moment with an extra class using the Entrance Hall. Even so, it has been possible this year to admit children in the term during which they reach their fifth Birthday.

Unfortunately it is not possible to say yet whether this will be possible next year. Teacher Training Colleges have recently changed from a two year to a three year course and so there will be no young teachers leaving College this Summer. This may create a temporary shortage of staff.

## ASCENSION DAY OUTING

### This Year—Hackthorn

For several years now we have taken two double decker buses loaded with choir servers, men, women, boys and girls of this parish to some village near Lincoln.

Normally we leave the buses just outside the village and then form up behind the processional cross and go to the Parish Church to join with our hosts in the Evensong of Ascensiontide.

After the Service we all join together for

refreshments. We have been to Waddington, Stow, Fiskerton, Welton and this year we have been invited by the Rev. R. L. Crampton to visit Hackthorn.

Buses will leave St. John's Community Centre at 7 p.m. and St. John the Baptist Church at 7-05. The bus fare is 1/6d. for adults and 9d. for children.

If you wish to go, please put your name down on one of the lists in the two churches.

### New Library Continued . . . . .

nor too formal—and the furnishings are modern and attractive. Coming to essentials—the book-stock has been chosen with the particular needs and interests of the district in mind, and the staff, though few and varying from fully-qualified to librarians-in-training, will know their job, and be pleased to help readers.

The largest area will naturally be the lending library. Here, there should be ample room to browse among practical books on gardening, cookery, cars and so on, more advanced technical books, books on the arts and humanities and books both fiction and non-fiction, to read just for fun. Of course, we shall also be able to borrow from the larger stock at the Central Library and from libraries throughout Great Britain if necessary.

Children of all ages will find books to please them

in the junior library, and provision will also be made here for various activities leading to and from books and reading.

The study room could become an important part of the library; it is not a reference room, nor a news room, but has been especially devised and furnished as a **study room**. It will contain a few basic reference books (the Central Reference Library is only a telephone call away, so all kinds of queries can be dealt with), and a collection of books, many of which may be borrowed, to help school-children and other students in their work. This room, too, could well be made available for meetings of local societies, for classes, or for talks and discussions.

This, briefly, is how the library has been planned; now it is for the users to realise the plans by making full use of what is offered.

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# WHAT'S ON!

May

- 19 Sat. Balloon Race. Cornhill all day.
- 20 Sun. **Easter 4.**
- 25 Fri. Youth Dance, 7-30—10-30, 2/-.
- 27 Sun. **Rogation Sunday.**
- 28 Mon. Start of New Church, 7-30 p.m.
- 30 Wed. St. J.E. Management Committee, 7-45 p.m.
- 31 Thu. **Ascension Day.** Holy Communion, 6-30 a.m. Bus leaves for Hackthorn 7 p.m.

June

- 3 Sun. **Sunday after Ascension.**
- 5 Tue. Ruri Decanal Conference. St. Botolphs 7-30 p.m.
- 10 Sun. **Whitsun.** Usual Services plus H.C., 8 a.m. and Children's Services at 2-30 p.m.
- 12 Tue. Young Wives Group A.G.M. and Social, 7-45 p.m.
- 17 Sun. **Trinity Sunday.**
- 19 Tue. **St. Barnbas.** H.C., 6-30 p.m.
- 20 Wed. P.C.C., 7-45 p.m.
- 24 Sun. **Nativity of St. John The Baptist.** Family Party after Evensong.
- 25 Mon. St. J.E. Management Committee, 7-45 p.m.
- 26 Tue. Baby Show, 2-30 p.m.
- 28 Thu. Baby Show, 2-30 p.m.
- 30 Sat. **Garden Party.** The Vicarage, 2-30 p.m.

## Holiday Gifts

On Saturday, September 22nd there will be an Afternoon Tea or similiar function arranged, and it will include a stall of Holiday Gifts. These are gifts which we are all asked to bring back from our holidays, a piece of pottery or a stick of rock, etc. In fact it's a small gift towards the building of our new church, for the money raised from the sale of these gifts will go to that cause.

These gifts can be given at any time to:—

Mrs. E. A. Johnson, 35 Ermine Close

Mrs. A. Dixon, 17 Welbourne Gardens

## St. John's Register

### Baptisms

- Mar. 4 Shirly Karen and Dawn Elaine, daughters of Peter and Lily Andrew.
- " 17 Jane Ann, daughter of Terence and Margaret Gray.
- April 1 Susan Jean, daughter of Walter and Jean Rudd.  
Richard Alexander, son of Horace and Catherine Smith.  
Bernard Stephen, son of Albert and Florence Haw.
- " 22 Donna Leigh, daughter of Hugh and Marjorie Mayes.  
Mark Walker, son of Arthur and Gwenda Daykin.
- " 29 Rachel Anne, daughter of Bill and Jenny Brockie.

### Marriage

- April 21 Dereyk Arthur Corbett and Brenda Stacey.

### Burials

- Mar. 3 Charles William Dowse.
- May 7 Kathleen Coulbeck.
- " 8 Arthur Stallebrass.

## Cricket Matches

### Whit Monday, June 11th, 2-30 p.m.

The Annual Whit Monday match of the Men versus the Youth will take place on the Recreation Field, Ravendale Drive.

The Youth havn't won in this series yet, but they are determined to change this situation on the 11th. Do come and support.

### June 13th

A team selected on Whit Monday will represent the parish against St. George's Hospital. The match will be played on the Hospital Recreation Field, by kind permission of the Matron, and will start at 6-30 p.m. The field can be approached from Long Leys Road or down the steps from Burton Road.

## WIN £1000?

There will be a Balloon Race on Saturday, May 19th. Balloons filled with hydrogen will be released from the Cornhill. The one returned from the furthest distance, Poland maybe, will win a Premium Bond. Officers and boys of St. John's C.L.B. will be selling the balloons. Come and support them.

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## SUNDAY SERVICES

### St. John the Baptist

Family Communion, 9-15 a.m.

Evensong, 6-30 p.m.

Holy Baptism, 1st and 3rd Sundays at 3-45 p.m.—Two weeks notice please to clergy.

### St. John the Evangelist

Family Communion, 10-30 a.m.

Evensong, 1st Sunday in the month at 6-30 p.m.

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