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## New Anthem Written For St. John's Church

Miss Carol Henderson, who recently took an Honours degree in music at Manchester, has written an anthem for St. John's choir. The words are very aptly taken from St. John's Gospel, where they are spoken by St. John the Baptist: "He that cometh after me is preferred before me for he was before me. And of his fulness have we received and grace for grace. For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ."

It is hoped that the first performance of this work will be given at the Parish Church on December 20th.

## ST. JOHN'S P.C.C. SAYS "YES" TO CHURCH UNITY

Each Parochial Church Council throughout England has been asked to answer four questions, and St. John's P.C.C. have answered them quite simply as follows:

1. Do you believe that visible Christian unity is a part of God's will and that the coming together of Anglicans and Methodists in one church is a natural and logical step towards this? Yes.

2. Do you believe that the report on "The Conversations between the Church of England and the Methodist Church" and the proposed reconciliation of the two churches and their ministries, offers in broad outline the way forward? Yes.

3. Do you think that further discussion between the two Churches is necessary for the clarification of outstanding issues before the implementation of Stage 1? No.

4. Do you think that we can expect the answer to the many questions concerning Stage 2 to become plain as we seek God's will together during the period of full communion? Yes.

It was the unanimous decision of your church council that everything should be done to promote church unity as soon as possible.



## Confirmation Club Swings Along

Every Friday Night boys and girls in their second or third year at a senior school have their own Club at St. John's Church Hall from 6 — 7-30 p.m.

The activities are many, snooker and billiards, table tennis, badminton, shooting, jiving. In fact it is a free and easy evening run by the youngsters

themselves with coca cola and sweets and chocolates in the coffee bar. The evening concludes with some group activity in preparation for Confirmation. Those in the third year should be presented for the next Confirmation which will be at St. Giles Church on December 9th. In 1965 the Confirmation will be held at St. John's on December 11th.

## Sunday, 15th November

EVENSCNG 6-30 p.m.

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## ST. ANDREW'S DAY

Monday, November 30th

FAMILY COMMUNION

7-30 p.m.

(To the modern music of Patrick Appleford)

## S.P.G. SUNDAY

22nd NOVEMBER, 1964

FAMILY COMMUNION 9-15 a.m.

The Rev.

## Olympic Games in Lincoln

After three weeks in Tokyo the Olympic Games are now coming to Lincoln for two days, and, to be more precise, two nights.

On Wednesday and Thursday, November 18th and 19th, the St. John's Players are performing the farce: "Running Riot" at St. John's Hall, Laughton Way.

The play is set in a small town in Europe where the Olympic Games are being held. The plot revolves round a meek and mild Yorkshire grocer from Little Bruddersford, who is mistaken for an olympic athlete. Due to this and also to the fact that he has run away from his wife he becomes entangled in a web of romance, mystery and espionage. Many farcical situations arise when his wife turns up at the same hotel and also when he realises that he is entered for the 5,000 metres race. These and many other situations make this a very exciting play with laughter as the main ingredient.

This is the St. John's Players fourteenth production and the proceeds will be divided between St. John's Building Fund and Lincoln and District Spastics Society.

Members of the cast include: Anne Etherington, Jim Parker, Marjorie Bailey, Dorothy Stokes, Sheila Stokes, Pete Garfitt, Ray Haresign, Eric Griggs, Barry Etherington. The show is being produced by Eric Griggs.

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## Visitation of the Elderly

A meeting was held on Wednesday, September 30th in the Church Hall and was presided over by the Rev. F. Barker. Mrs. Wenham, the Visiting Organiser was present. Coffee was served and after the affairs of the meeting had been dealt with we were joined by Ermine West Visitors to hear a most interesting talk on First Aid given by Mrs. Stone of the Red Cross. Proof of the interest taken in her talk were the many questions ask by her audience.

A very worth-while job is being done by the Visitors who call on the elderly, many of whom would not otherwise have a visitor; an illustration of this is given in a booklet issued recently which describes how after an old lady of ninety had died her dairy was found and against every day the same entry was made: "No One Came."

Several more Visitors are still needed, if anyone is interested please contact the Vicar or Mrs. Hills, 43 Welton Gardens.

PAMELA HILLS.

## Lucky Pen

The winner of the Lucky Pen competition at the Autumn Fair was Mrs. Etherington of Lancaster who kindly donated the 10/- prize to the Church Building Fund. The pen was coloured Blue and Green.

## Christmas Cards

It may be a chore or it may be a joy, but we all send cards at Christmas. If you want to make it a time of goodwill (and who doesn't?) then why not buy your cards from one of the many Charitable Societies. In this way you get some excellent cards from as little as fourpence and the profits go to charity. Further details from the Church notice board or from the Ermine Library.

## Teacher's Training

As we go to press some of the Sunday School Teachers are ready for a week-end training course at Diocesan House. Their absence from Sunday School means the trainee teachers will take over for their first spell of teaching. Good luck to them!

## Things to do in Lincoln

Are you one of those who grumble that there's nothing in Lincoln? Then have a look at the notice board which faces you as you go in the Central Library where over two dozen activities are advertised. Or have you seen the Town Clerk's Central Library where over two dozen activities are publication: "Lincoln — What's On"? Copies are available in Ermine Library and one is displayed on the Church notice board. It tells you about such things as the A.T.C., the Lincoln Camera Club, the Film Society, Magicians, the Theatre and Youth Events.

## Decoration

Both the Hall and St. John's House have just received a new coat of paint, so things are looking brighter there. Another decoration item; we hope soon to re-blacken the floor of the Church, but this will be a do-it-yourself job, so watch out for details and lend a hand.

## C.L.B.

## in South Africa

The seventieth anniversary of the inauguration of the Church Lads' Brigade in South Africa is to be marked by a special service in Cape Town on Sunday, October 11th and by a floodlit display of physical culture, drilling and Church Lads' Brigade music on the previous evening, when it is expected that a thousand lads will take part. The South African C.L.B. has 54 companies in three dioceses — Cape Town, George and Kuruman.

The C.L.B. in Ermine meets on Monday nights at St. John's Hall. Recruits welcome.

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## Monday Night

## is Choir Night

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# Sunday 63 Club

The Club is busy at the moment getting down to the script for the "Pick of the Shows", 1965, and we hope to have the winning entry this time.

On Wednesday, November 11th we are hosts to the City Youth Council's Youth Dance.

On Tuesday, 12th October members of the Club went to the Annual Youth Council meeting and they were presented with the awards for the year, i.e., 1st, One Mile Relay; 1st, 440 yards Relay; 2nd, Runners-up, Pick of the Shows.

We still have a few vacancies for boys between the ages of 14 — 19. The Club meets at the Church at 6-30 p.m. and then goes into the Hall at 7-30

p.m. for Games and Social Evening. Membership closes **November 15th** for this year. So if you wish to join see the Youth Club Leader or any member of the Youth Committee on Sunday evening at the Hall.

A very great interest has been shown in discussions held at St. John's House for forty-five minutes during club time. This is mostly optional and only those interested need take part. Some very good items have so far been discussed, including 'The Colour Bar' and there has been a mock election.

A.D.

## Evergreen Club (West)

On September 29th Mrs. A. E. Johnson gave an account of her pilgrimage visit to the Holy Land, illustrated by slides, depicting scenes from Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazereth and Bethany and the river Jordan. A very interesting afternoon. October 6th, Harvest Festival. A short service was conducted by the Rev. Barry Etherington, followed by the sale of flowers, produce, etc. The proceeds were donated to the Church of England and Methodist Missionary Societies. October 13th The main event was a Cake, etc., competition, when many members brought along a variety of cakes, etc., all of which were afterwards sold for Club Funds.

Mrs. Tindall and Miss Lynon were the judges and awarded prizes as under:

Mrs. Hodson, 1st prize for Mushroom Cakes, also the sash (presented by the young people of the Church for the last competition). Mrs. Barrett, 2nd prize for sponge cakes. Mrs. Majer, 3rd prize for sausage rolls.

A Jumble Sale concluded the proceedings. Mrs. Lilley and her helpers had a long but enjoyable afternoon.

October 20th. Mr. Frank Alderson from Ermine East Congregational Church was the speaker, when he spoke about "The Young and the Young in Heart."

October 27th. Mr. H. A. Alderson from St. Giles Methodist Church continued his reminiscences he started at a meeting held in May.

## Evergreen Club (East)

Plans are well in hand for the party on December 2nd and places have already been reserved for the trip to the Pantomime at Leeds next January.

Most afternoons are spent in a free and easy social manner with games for those who wish to join in them. However, a good speaker is appreciated from time to time and Mrs. Dawber will be visiting the Club on November 5th.

## The Autumn Fair

Mrs. H. S. Scorer, who opened the Autumn Fair on October 10th, said: "Ladies and Gentlemen, my husband, as the architect, has been connected with your church for a very long time, and so of course I have many memories of its early beginnings. But there is one particular memory which I know will remain with me always. I came here one evening during that hectic week before the dedication to find an **army** of workers in the church, painting, polishing, scrubbing and sweeping. It seemed that the whole community had gathered in service to the church.

I know that your church is somewhat controversial in design and there are those who have expressed disapproval. But have you ever considered how fortunate you are in being able to be controversial? Although some people may dislike the building, I don't think anyone has suggested that those responsible should be put in prison for having perpetrated it. You may think such an idea absurd, but I can assure you that it is not. I have recently concerned myself with an organisation called Amnesty International which is trying to help 'prisoners of conscience' all over the world and one of the particular men we have adopted is a young poet, whose work was considered politically unorthodox. Many such prisoners are practising Ministers of Religion. We tend in this country to take very much for granted our religious, political and aesthetic freedom.

So when I tried to sum up my thoughts about St. John's, Ermine, I found three ideas came to my mind — community, service and freedom.

This Autumn Fair is in aid of the Church Building Fund — I can think of no greater qualities with which a church can be identified in a community and I have much pleasure in declaring this Fair open."

The Fair raised the sum of £55. Many thanks to all concerned and especially Mrs. A. Dixon, the organiser in chief.

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The Family Communion, 9-15 a.m.  
 Senior and Junior Confirmation School, 11-0 a.m.  
 (Infants in Church Hall, 11-0 a.m.)  
 Holy Baptism (First and Third Sunday in the month), 3-45 p.m.  
 Evensong, 6-30 p.m.  
 (Confirmation Classes for boys and girls 13 and over Church Hall, Fridays, 6-00 p.m.)

## ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST COMMUNITY CENTRE (ERMINE WEST)

Holy Communion, 10-45 a.m.  
 Infants Confirmation School, 11-30 a.m.  
 Junior Confirmation School, 2-30 p.m.  
 Holy Baptism (arrange date with clergy)  
 Evensong (First Sunday in the month), 6-30 p.m.  
 BANNES, WEDDINGS, CHURCHINGS AND CONFESSIONS by arrangement.  
 (Please give two weeks notice for Baptism. Forms can be obtained from the Vicarage.)

## ERMINE CHURCHES JOINT MEETING 1964-65

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE  
AND  
THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

Reading: Matthew: 5, 6, 7 (New English Bible).  
 Place: Ermine West Methodist Church.  
 Time: First Tuesday in each month at 7-30 p.m.  
 Transport: St. John's Vicarage, Sudbrooke Drive at 7-15 p.m.

COMMENCING 1ST SEPTEMBER, 1964

### Programme:

1 Sept. Matt. 5 : 13-20 Salt and Light for God.  
 6 Oct. Matt. 5 : 21-48 Doing and not doing.  
 3 Nov. Matt. 6 : 1-18 Making a show of your religion.  
 1 Dec. Matt. 6 : 19-34 God and Money.  
 5 Jan. Matt. 7 : 1-14 Good and Bad Judgement.  
 2 Feb. Matt. 7 : 15-23 False Pretences.  
 2 Mar. Matt. 7 : 24-29 Firm Foundations.  
 6 April Matt. 5 : 1-12 The Essence of Christ's Teaching.

## St. John's Register

### Baptisms

Oct. 4 Deborah Gail, daughter of Terence Alan and Judith Anne Lynn.  
 Lorraine Angela, daughter of John Arthur and Harriet Ann Allen.  
 Tracey June, daughter of John Richmond and June Eileen Shields.  
 Mark, son of Jack Arthur and Margaret Hudson.  
 Dean, son of Ian and Josephine Sheppard.

### Weddings

Sept. 26 John Terence Clay and Janet Marie Fillingham.  
 Oct. 3 Geoffrey Douglas Lloyd and Christine Sandra Tomkinson.  
 „ 10 Gordon Marshall and Arline Abbott.

## WHAT'S ON?

### November

1 Sun. **All Saints Day.**  
 3 Tue. United Meeting, Ermine West Methodist Church, 7-30 p.m.  
 4 Wed. P.C.C., 7-30 p.m.  
 7 Sat. Social Evening, 7-30 p.m.  
 8 Sun. **Trinity 24.**  
 10 Tue. Mothers' Union. Mrs. Pat Griffin: "Life in Rhodesia".  
 15 Sun. **Trinity 25.**  
 17 Tue. Evergreen West, Sale of Work, 2-30 p.m.  
 18 Wed. } St. John's Players Present  
 19 Thur. } **RUNNING RIOT** at 7-30 p.m.  
 22 Sun. **S.P.G. Sunday.** (Sunday next before Advent), 9-15 a.m. Address:  
 24 Tue. Mothers' Union: "Australia Night".  
 26 Thu. Universities Mission to Central Africa. Film: St. Swithin's Hall, 7-30 p.m.  
 29 Sun. **Advent 1.**  
 30 Mon. **St. Andrew.**  
 Holy Communion, 7-30 p.m.

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