



ALL SAINTS BIRTH
ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION

**All Saints Church
Bow Brickhill**

1185-1985

Festival Programme

- Wednesday, October 30 Woburn Sands Band in Concert -
The Church, 8.00 p.m. Tickets £1.50,
children £1.00.
- Thursday, October 31 Junior Disco for Under 13's -
Church Hall, 7.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.
- Friday, November 1 All Saints' Day, Holy Communion -
7.30 p.m. The Church followed by
Parish Party in the Church Hall.
- Sunday, November 3 Festival Family Communion -
Bishop of Oxford - 9.30 a.m.

From Tuesday, October 29, the Church will be decorated on the theme of All Saints by the W.I.

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The Rectory,
Bow Brickhill.

Dear Friends,

I have always been one of those people who object strongly to 'Christmas coming early': by this I mean Christmas cards in the shops in July, Father Christmas coming into the stores in October and so on. In the Alternative Services Book the 27 October is the 'Ninth Sunday before Christmas', so it looks as if the church is starting to anticipate the Feast. In fact the church is saying that the four weeks of Advent were really not enough time for spiritual preparation for this great occasion, and so now we have another five Sundays to help us to get ready for the festival.

On Saturday 30 November in the Church Hall there will be a Book Fayre organised by Avins Bookshop of Bletchley: here is a chance to look for suitable presents for children and godchildren in support of the promises you made on their behalf at their baptism; and also to see what reading material might be suitable for yourselves and other adults to give them a greater understanding of the Christian faith. Make a note - Saturday, 30 November, 2.30 - 4.30 p.m.

Faithfully and sincerely,
Rayner Harries.

From the registers:-
BAPTISM 6 October Sarah Joann Halford

	<u>FLOWERS</u>	<u>CLEANING</u>
November 3)	Mrs. Olney	Mrs. Giles
10)		
November 17)	Mrs. Fox	Mrs. Joords
24)		

CHURCH HALL

This must be booked prior to the event. Requests for booking forms to:-

Mrs. C. Wilkins,
53a Station Road,
Bow Brickhill. Tel: 642578.

Incumbent Bow, Great and Little Brickhill
The Revd. H. R. H. Harries, M.B.E. Tel: 642086.

SERVICES IN NOVEMBER 1985

Bow Brickhill - All Saints.

November 3	Festival Family Communion The Bishop of Oxford	9.30 a.m.
November 10	Holy Communion (said) War Memorial Service	9.30 a.m. 3.00 p.m.
November 17	Holy Communion (said) Evening Prayer	11.00 a.m. <u>7.00 p.m.</u>
November 24	Holy Communion	8.00 a.m.

Little Brickhill - St. Mary Magdalene.

November 3	Holy Communion Evening Prayer	8.00 a.m. 8.00 p.m.
November 10	Holy Communion Remembrance Service	8.00 a.m. <u>10.30 a.m.</u>
November 17	Family Communion	9.30 a.m.
November 24	Holy Communion	11.00 a.m.

Great Brickhill - St. Mary the Virgin.

November 3	Holy Communion	11.00 a.m.
November 10	Remembrance Service Evening Prayer	<u>10.30 a.m.</u> 8.00 p.m.
November 17	Holy Communion	8.00 a.m.
November 24	Family Communion	9.30 a.m.

PLEASE NOTE: ADVENT CAROL SERVICE AT BOW BRICKHILL
Advent Sunday - 1 December 1985 at 5.00 p.m.

READERS FOR NOVEMBER.

November 3	9.30 a.m. Holy Communion	O.T. Mr. A. Goodger Ep. Mr. S. Leeming
November 10	9.30 a.m. Holy Communion	O.T. Mr. P. Tunstall Ep. Mrs. S. Pepper
November 17	3.00 p.m. Remembrance Service	Mr. M. Walduck
	11.00 a.m. Holy Communion	O.T. Mrs. F. Hilby Ep. Mrs. R. Goodger
	3.00 p.m. Evening Prayer	O.T. Miss J. West M.T. Mrs. P. Schorr
November 24	8.00 a.m. Holy Communion	O.T. Mr. A. Malleson Ep. Mr. M. Walduck

CHURCH NEWS.

We are looking for anyone over the age of twelve who would be interested in becoming an Altar Server at Holy Communion Service. Experience is not essential as training can be given. Please contact Reg Goodger, Tel: 72173.

Junior Church. Thank you to everyone who supported us in various ways with our Action Aid Activity afternoon. We were delighted that £90.01 was raised. It is gratifying to have the villagers supporting our efforts.

Harvest. There was not space in last month's Parish News to include an account of the Harvest Festival and Supper. Both were well attended and all enjoyed the Harvest Supper which we hope will become an annual event. The Harvest Action at the Wharfedale raised £150.00 for the Church Funds. Our sincere thanks to Mick Robinson and Mike Parker.

Handrail. Older members of the congregation will appreciate the new handrail outside the Church. This has been made and installed by Fred O'Dell.

Following last month's appeal we are pleased to report that two gas heaters have been given for the Church Hall from Mrs. Burtenshaw and Jane Haller. We are most grateful.

Bygone Bow Brickhill. We would like to congratulate Barry Smith on the success of "Bygone Bow Brickhill" which raised £150.00 for Church Funds. We were glad to welcome many people not now living in the village who returned to revive old memories. Inside the church Barry assembled a remarkable collection of old photographs and memorabilia. The weather was clear so a good view was possible from the tower, which was a very popular attraction.

Village Calendar. A few copies of this excellent calendar are still available from:-

Mrs. Kay Leeming,
50 Station Road,
Bow Brickhill.

Milton Keynes MK2086

The Rectory,
Bow Brickhill.

Dear Friends,

When I wrote in the Bow Brickhill Parish News for October, the Mexican earthquake had just taken place, and I said what a cause we have for thanksgiving that we do not live in an area where natural disasters do happen. Except for the isolated line in our papers we have forgotten about it, it has been a 'Nine days wonder': now we learn of a massive volcanic eruption in Bogota, and one which may well prove to be the worst for loss of life in this century. We are preparing for Christmas, to celebrate once again the Birth of the Son of God, and the eternal truth which this portrays, namely that God loves each one of us, and wants us all to spend Eternity with Him: because man had become estranged from God, a mediator was necessary to bring God and Man back into a loving relationship, and this was done by His Son; he effected the RECONCILIATION between man and God. At both the great Christian Festivals we are reminded that the Spiritual is far more important than the Material, and as while we pray for those who have suffered injury or the loss of possessions and houses, we know that those who have died are now in that eternal life to which we shall all come.

So we come to our preparation for Christmas: you will remember that there is a Book Page in the Church Hall on Saturday, 30th November, from 2.30 - 4.30 p.m., and an excellent opportunity to get presents (particularly for God-children) in warmth and comfort. Then on ADVENT Sunday, 1st December, at 5.00 p.m. there is the Advent Carol Service to set the scene for us in Spiritual terms for Christmas. Our immediate preparation comes with the CAROL SERVICE on 22nd December, at 3.00 p.m. and the MIDNIGHT MASS on Christmas Eve at 11.45 p.m. or the Holy Communion at 9.00 a.m. on Christmas Day.

Christmas is about a baby's birthday, it is a Family Feast: I would like to remind you that the WHOLE family is not only welcome, but EXPECTED, at Christmas Services.

Faithfully and sincerely,
Rayner Harries.

CONFIRMATION INSTITUTE.

This will begin in January on Tuesday 14th at 8.00 p.m. in the Rectory for adults, and on Wednesday 15th at 6.30 p.m. for children. Candidates will be presented at a Confirmation to be held at Steekley on Friday, 21st March at 7.30 p.m. Please let us know if you are interested, or would like further information.

CHURCH FESTIVAL.

John Harper has taken some very nice photographs of the Church interior, showing decorations for the Festival. Sue Mallowen is taking orders for any copies you may like to have.

The Parochial Church Council are very happy to report that our Festival Week celebrations were a great success. Our thanks to all those who helped to organise the various events, especially Sally Robinson, Sally Pepper and the Brownies who organised the children's tea party on the Monday of that week. On Wednesday the Church was packed to hear a very versatile and contrasting programme of music by the Mobern Seeds Band. This is an event we shall probably be repeating in the future. Thursday evening saw a wide variety of young vampires, ghosts and ghouls attending the Halloween disco for the under 15's in the Church Hall. Thanks to Ann Huff and her volunteer helpers who ensured the evening was a popular success. The Communion Service on Friday was well attended and was followed by the Parish Party in the Church Hall. We were very pleased that the Bishop of Oxford was able to accept our invitation to celebrate Communion at our Festival service on the Sunday. It was good to see a full church. The Bishop staged afterwards for coffee and chatted to quite a few members of the congregation. We hoped that when the programme was first proposed that we would reach all ages and tastes to mark this milestone. It is perhaps an opportunity to reflect that throughout a turbulent history, including the wars of the Roses and the dissolution of the Monasteries, the Civil War and the Reformation, our Church has stood like a rock as a symbol of the enduring strength of the eternal truths taught us by Christ, and should we not hope that in this world of super-powers, super-weapons, violence, rising crime, video nasties, greed and grain mountains, our world will become a better place. Let us all try to live an honest, truthful, fair-minded life. As Jesus said, "Do not look about you for the Kingdom of God, because the Kingdom of God is within you".

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

- November 3 Fireworks and Barbecue in the School Playing Field. 7.00 p.m. 75p adults, 50p senior citizens and children. Tickets from school or Diana Kesterton. Tel: 72434.
- November 9 "DELICIOUS Dishes", 7.00-9.00 p.m. at the pavilion, presented by the Guides. Tickets available from Sylvia Fox, 5 Greenways, or Sally Robinson, 17 Church Road. Adults £2.50, children £1.50. Bring your own wine/drink - glasses supplied. Profit to Church Funds.
- November 21 N.I. A.G.M. in the pavilion, 7.30 p.m. Competition, Dressed Peg Doll.
- November 21 Parish Council Meeting in the School. 8.00 p.m.
- November 22 Jubilee Sale. High Ash School, Great Brickhill. 9.00-8.00 p.m.
- November 30 Friends of Bow Brickhill School Christmas Fair in the School Hall at 10.30 a.m. Tarts, Cakes, Toys, White Elephant, Father Christmas.

VILLAGE NEWS.

Bow Brickhill Playing Field. The Committee would like to thank all the villagers who supported "IT'S A KNOCKOUT" and Show on 26 August. Approximately £450.00 was achieved on the day and this will be put to improving the Pavilion. The Committee decided to hold an Annual Show and we would like assistance from anyone interested in helping us. We need to think about the long term future of the Pavilion and facilities in the field and any ideas would be welcome. Ring Mill Armour on 73717.

We have two problems with the use of the playing field, damage and danger from golfers and fouling of the playing areas by dogs. If more care is not taken by golfers we will have to consider taking steps to stop golf practice on the field. It is essential that golfers use the far side of the field away from the Pavilion and replace divots. It is very unpleasant and unhygienic for players and children to have fouling of the playing areas. Could we ask all dog owners to control their pets and to ensure as far as possible that they use non playing areas. This is the purpose of the by-law asking for dogs to be kept on leads. Your co-operation would be much appreciated.

VILLAGE NEWS Cont'd.....

Bow Brickhill County First School. At the recent A.G.M. of the Parent Teacher Association it was agreed to change the name to "The Friends of the School Association" with the aim that village members without children at the school, but interested in its livelihood, could also become involved. The Chairman is Trevor Simons, Tele:73906, Secretary Diana Kesterton, Tele:72434, and they will be happy to supply more information.

Tuesday Club. The Club can report two recent very successful events. On Tuesday, 8 October, a coach load of members went out on a mystery trip into the lanes and by-ways of Beds., a tour of Hitchin, and then a journey home to the Wheatsheaf where an excellent fish and chip high tea had been prepared by Mr. & Mrs. Robinson. This was a splendid effort and enjoyed by all. The second event was our 7th Harvest Supper. Normally held in the Pavilion, this year we planned our supper in the renovated Church Hall. The Committee prepared a Ploughman's Supper complete with apple pie. Delicious! The Club was delighted to welcome as guests the Rector, and Borough Councillor, David Taylor, and his wife. At the end of the meal the President, Mr. Stanley, presented the Rector with a new clock, on behalf of the Club, and for use in the Church Hall. A period of folk singing followed, in which the electronic organ played an hilarious part. "Auld Lang Syne" brought the party to an end.

The P.C.C. would like to thank the Tuesday Club for the gift of the clock.

Engagement. Congratulations to Alison Shirley on her engagement to Christopher Lester, both of whom are well known in the village.

We are grateful to the Rector for this Festival Newsletter.

Contributions for December by the 22 November to Mr. Norman Casner, 14 Downs View. Tele:72884.