



Above: the Revd Harvey Pentreath was made an Honorary Canon of Guildford Cathedral. Later that year he returned to his home county of Cornwall as Vicar of Helston (and later Team Rector of Helston and Wendron, Rural Dean of Kerrier, and Hon Canon of Truro Cathedral).

Photograph courtesy of Gill Thorne.



A flower festival was held on the theme Celebration of Marriage. Many of the arrangements were inspired by the traditional names for wedding anniversaries, such as Pearl (30th) by Doris Morris and Millie Osbourne (*above left*), Crystal (15th) by Janet Grimshaw (*above centre*) and Steel (11th) by Christine Clarke (*above right*).

Photographs by Don Newton.

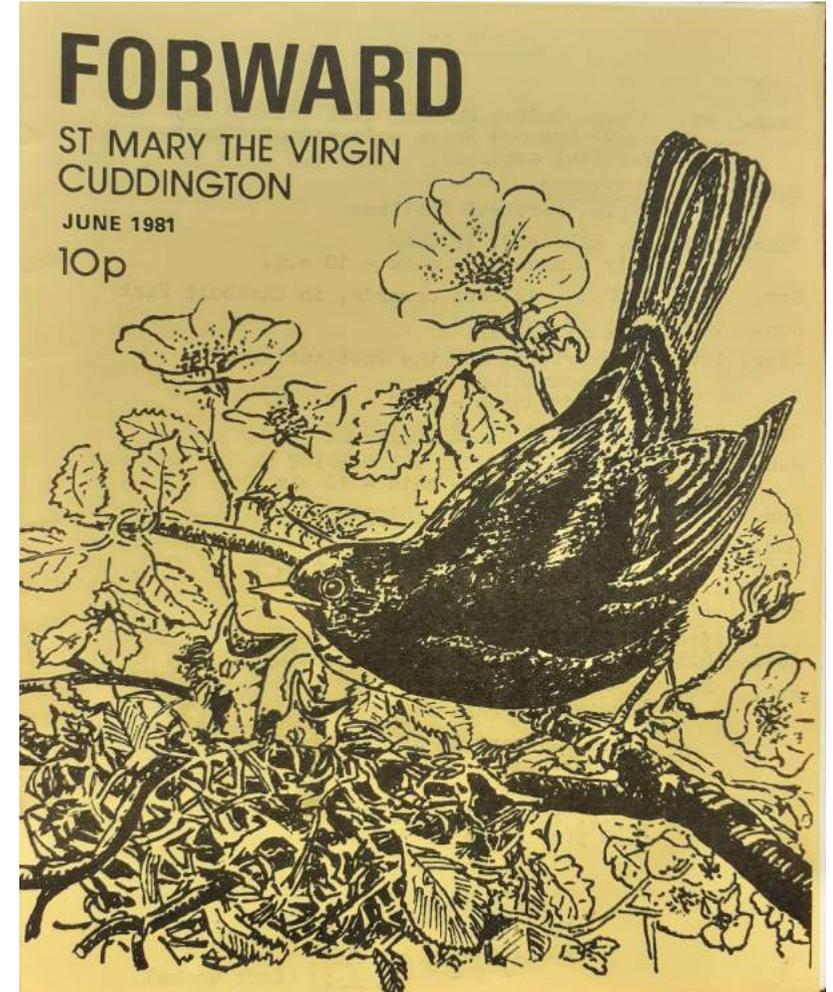
1980



Left: the Revd Barry Preece was appointed Vicar.

Photograph (taken in 1988)
by Gill Thorne

Right: Malcolm Bisset became the first lay editor of the parish magazine. Over the years Malcolm also served the church in many other ways, as Churchwarden, PCC Secretary and parish contact for The Leprosy Mission.



1981

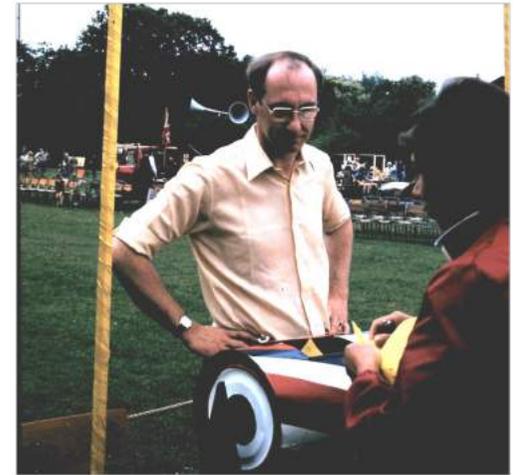
Also this year:

The Alternative Service Book 1980 was introduced.

A new Mothers' Union banner completed and dedicated.

The Large Hall improvement project began.

The first Christingle service was held.



Left and above: a Festival of Flowers, Arts and Crafts was organised by Joy Rumble and Glyn Smith

Photographs by Rod Clarke.

Hilary Hammer (*right*) was elected Churchwarden, serving with Rod Clarke (*above right*) who had been elected in 1981. Both are seen here in action at Fundays

The pew Bibles were later given in Hilary's memory.

Photographs by Don Newton.



1982

Also this year:

24 members of St Mary's visited the Friends Anonymous community project in Hackney, run by the Revd Gualter de Mello after two years' Harvest gifts had been sent there.

The Revd David Cleaves was appointed Curate.

Peggy Treliving became Musical Associate, replacing Malcolm Lock who had been appointed Organist of St Mark's, Tattenham Corner.

Numbers at the Over-60s Tuesday Afternoon Club increased following opening of Servite House; (later Bartlett House) at 49-51 The Avenue.



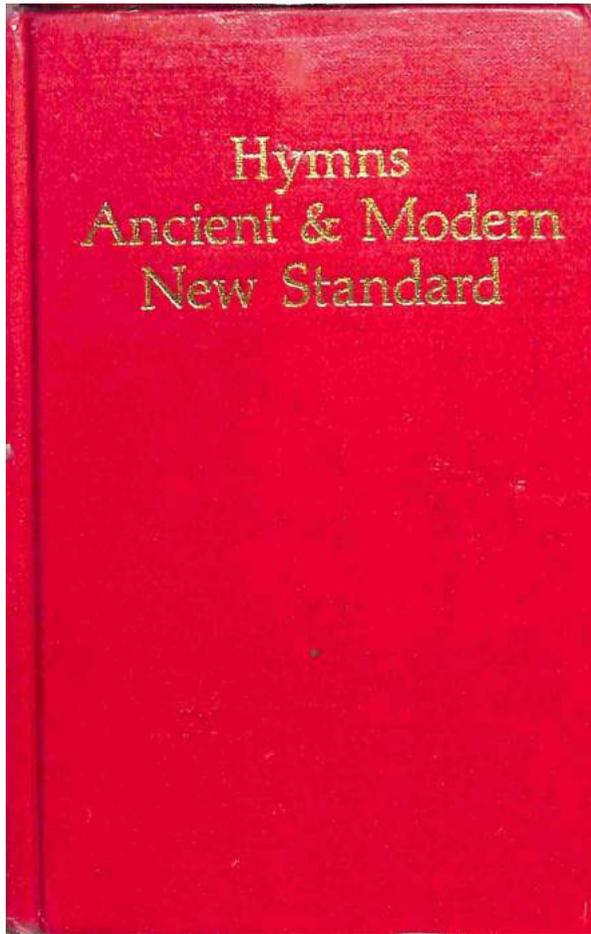
Following the completion of the Large Hall refurbishment project, it looked largely unchanged until its replacement in the 1990s; these photographs date from that decade.

Also this year:

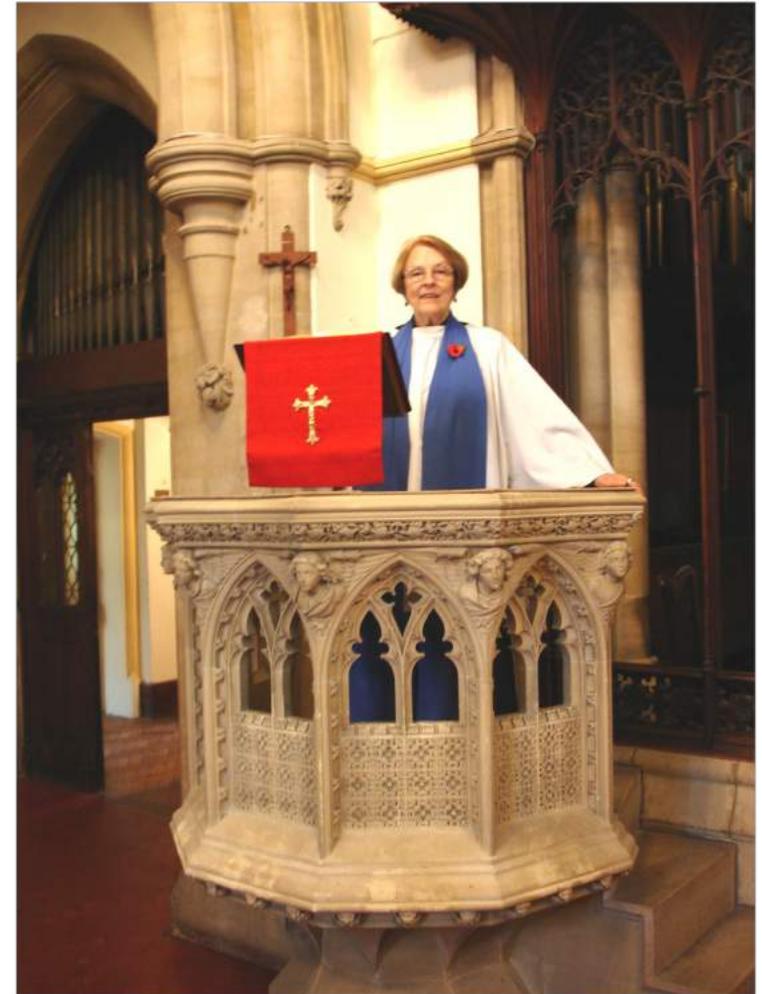
The uniformed organisations (Scouts and Guides) began joining the rest of the congregation for the 10am service once a month.

Marriage preparation days were introduced for couples preparing for weddings at St Mary's.

1983



Right: Helen Bisset was licensed as a Lay Reader. This photograph was taken in 2009 to mark her 25th anniversary in this role.



Above left: *Hymns Ancient and Modern New Standard* was introduced, providing access in one volume not only to most of the hymns in the existing *Ancient and Modern Revised* and all those in *One Hundred Hymns for Today*, also used at St Mary's, but also those in *More Hymns for Today* which had not previously been in regular use in Cuddington.

1984



Above left: the new Vicarage (seen here under construction, with the old Vicarage behind) was completed.

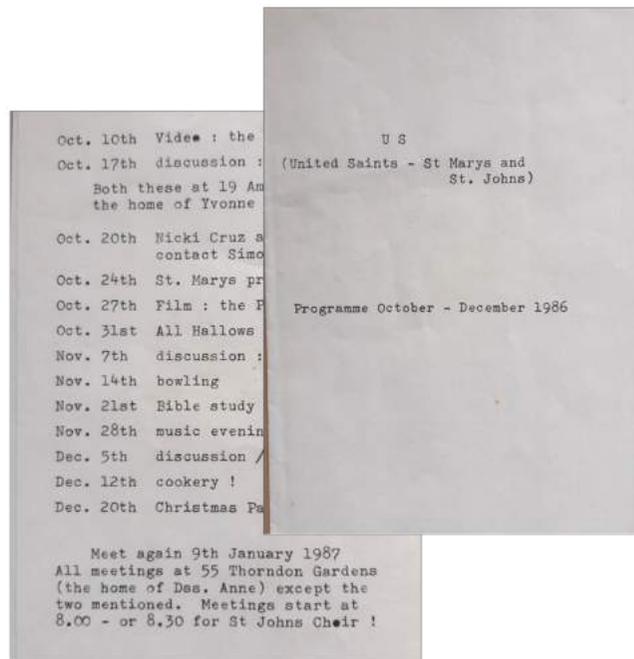
Wellfund was launched to provide a new well for the Chibolya Faith Mission in Zambia, run by Ted Blackmore MBE, with which the congregation had a link extending over many years. This photograph was reproduced in Ted's autobiography *Zambia Here I Come*.

Courtesy of the Hereford Times.

1985



Above: Anne Donaldson (photographed in 1995) was appointed as Deaconess of Cuddington and Stoneleigh, jointly with St John's.



Left: one of the benefits of Anne's joint appointment to Cuddington and Stoneleigh was the formation of a group for 15+ young people from St Mary's and St John's, United Saints, which generally met at Anne's house, 55 Thorndon Gardens.



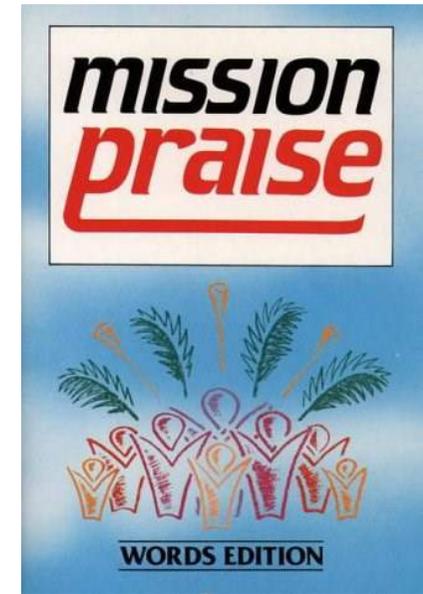
Below left: the choir in 1986. Martin Cawte, 2nd from left in back row, served as a Lay Reader in the parish before he and his wife Jill (just left of centre in back row) moved to Sanderstead after he was appointed Diocesan Secretary of Southwark. He was ordained in 2000 and since 2003 has served in the Diocese of Oxford.

Courtesy of Gill Thorne.

Also this year:

Monthly ecumenical evening services started, held in turn at member churches of the Ewell Council of Churches (Churches Together in Ewell)

1986



Left: the link with the Friends Anonymous in Hackney continued with the funding by St Mary's of a 'Cuddington Room' there. The Revd Gualter de Mello is seen here (right), with the Revd Barry Preece.

Photograph by Rod Clarke.

Above 2nd Cuddington Scout Group's new Rowe Hall in Salisbury Road was opened.

Photograph courtesy of Barbara Pannell.

1987

Above right: *Mission Praise* was introduced as an additional hymn-book, introducing the congregation to worship songs from 'Abba Father' to 'You shall go out with joy'.

Anne Donaldson was ordained deacon

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THE CHURCH URBAN FUND - MAKE OR BREAK

By Clifford Owen

Church's Urban Fund is launched by the archbishops. The Archbishop of Canterbury has already called upon the Church of England to make a "serious and sacrificial response" to raise the £18 million requirement for the endowment fund. For many parishes this will mean a hefty money-raising exercise in addition to their existing commitments. Are the parishes likely to rise to the challenge?

The Revd Jim Voske, Vicar of Croadall near Farnham, formerly worked in Handsworth, Birmingham. "The situation wasn't too bad when I was there, but according to reliable information from friends it has got a lot worse in the last seven years."

The Revd David Eaton, who last year visited Sheffield with a Guildford Diocesan team, was clear and positive about the Church of England's task: "Where is the strength of the Church of England? It is in its parishes. It is good at being where people are, and being with them in their need. If you look at the Urban Priority Areas, the



Urban dereliction in an inner city - Liverpool

Enterprising businesses

The *Guildford Diocesan Leaflet*, which had been distributed with the parish magazine, was replaced by the *Diocese of Guildford Herald* in newspaper format, edited by Robert Leach of Cuddington, who was also editing the parish magazine.

Also this year:

A Mothers and Toddlers group was started.

A baptism visitors scheme was introduced, in which members of the congregation visited families preparing for baptism.

The Diocese of Guildford
HERALD

Guildford Diocese launches a free newspaper on 2 March, replacing the *Diocesan Leaflet*. The idea was first proposed by the Bishop of Guildford about two years ago. He said "I felt a need to have something which is current and gives more space to the life of the church."

With an initial circulation figure of 55,000, the newspaper immediately becomes one of the highest circulation Christian papers, even beating *The Church Times*. A last-minute hitch meant that the name had to be changed from *Messenger to Herald*.

The paper is under the control of a specially set up independent editorial board. The chairman is the Ven Paul Barber, Archdeacon of Surrey and a writer of devotional scripts for BBC Radio 2 and 4.

The editor is Prebendary Ronald Green, Rector of Chiddingfold and Prebendary Emeritus of St Paul's Cathedral. Ron is also a qualified teacher and writer of literature on theology and education.

Ron is assisted by Robert Leach from Cuddington, Epsom. Robert is a qualified accountant and a trained journalist. He writes on tax for *The Daily Telegraph* and other publications.



Robert Leach Making *Money on the Stock Exchange* was published last month. Tony Brown from Fleet is the Production Editor, recently retired from London Regional Transport, he has extensive editorial experience on books about railways. The editorial board also benefits from the skills of Gary Meirion-Jones, Nick Aiken, Cliff Owen, June Black, and Harold White.

Reactions from parishes and deaneries have been a mixture of enthusiasm and reserve. Epsom was the first to respond, which it did with great enthusiasm. Guildford deanery has engaged a van driver to deliver the newspaper to its parishes. Other deaneries had yet to get their act together when we went to press.

Four parishes are taking more than 1,000 copies each month. Top of the list is Ashted with 2,000 copies, then St Mary's, Ewell with 1,500, Fleet with 1,200 and Headley (Farnham) with 1,100. Some parishes are taking as few as 50 copies.

Many comments have been made about the date of publication. The usual publication date will be the 26th of the month, which should allow distribution with those parish magazines produced for the first Sunday of the month or the last Sunday of the previous month. Production and scheduling difficulties meant the first edition had to be put back to 2 March and the second to 28 March. Sorry!

The newspaper exists to promote Christianity in general and the Church of England in the Guildford Diocese in particular. It aims to show the truth of the gospel being worked out in the lives of our churches. Hopefully our columns will be filled with testimony, encouragement and observation on the issues that really concern people, rather than the minutes of the Diocesan Gutter and Drainpipes Committee.

Generally the Diocese has little corporate identity. Many see it as remote and irrelevant, yet there is much that we can and should learn from each other.

As we have more space than the leaflet we replace, there is room for correspondence and debate on issues. Our pages are open to all in the Diocese, whatever their position. Articles are welcome, but as space for them is limited, we recommend that you discuss them with the Editor or Assistant Editor first.

If a man preaches to 100 people a week, it will take him from now to the end of the century to speak to 55,000 people. That is how many we reach every month. The opportunity for Christian witness is great. How the newspaper succeeds depends on the readers in the parishes. We need your news and views, your co-operation in distribution arrangements. And perhaps above all, your prayers that God will bless this work to spread the gospel, encourage the faithful and build up his church in the diocese.

Pilgrim Miller

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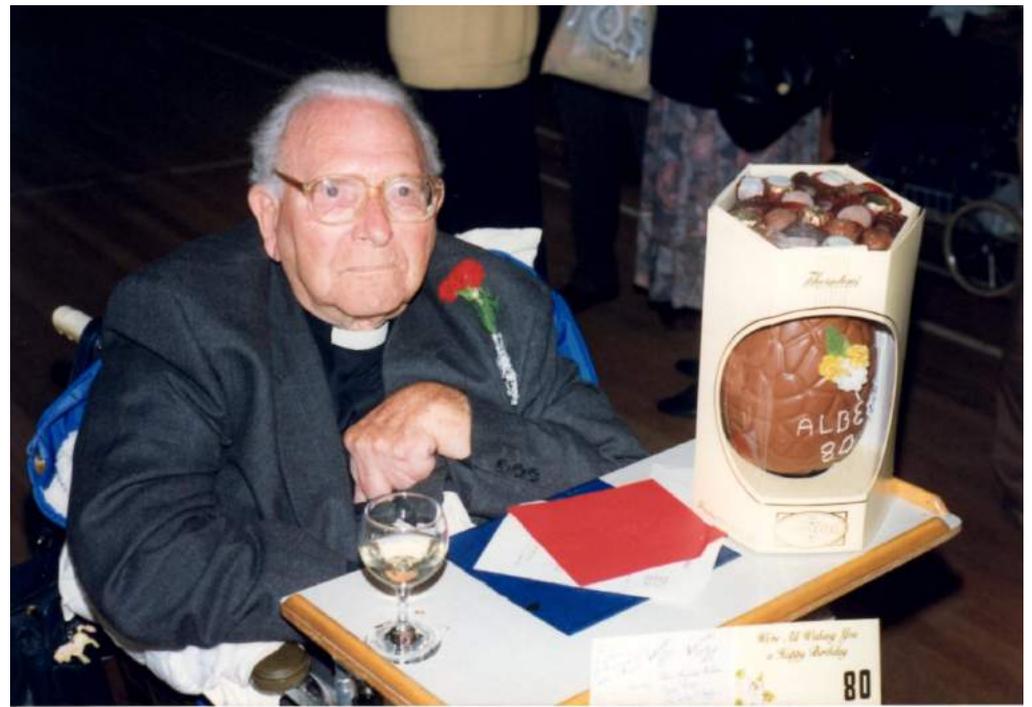
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1988

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1895-2020 ♦ CUDDINGTON ♦



Left: the Revd Colin Cheeseman was appointed Vicar. This photograph showing Colin (left) with the Ven Christopher Herbert, Archdeacon of Dorking (and later Bishop of St Albans) was taken in 1995.



Above: the 50th anniversary of the ordination of the Revd Albert Bull was celebrated. Albert, who had been paralysed from the waist down during the Sicily landings, lived in Cuddington and taught religious knowledge at Coombe Girls' School for many years. This photograph by Rod Clarke shows him at a celebration of his 80th birthday in 1992.

Also this year:

TWYG, a new youth group, was formed.

St Mary's co-operated with Worcester Park Baptist Church in providing coaches to the Billy Graham mission.

The Missionary Committee chose the Church Urban Fund as its Wellfund project for 1989.

1989