

# All Saints' Turvey

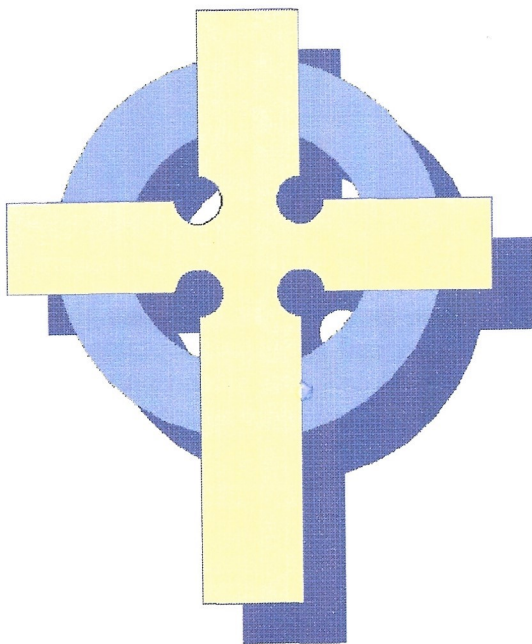
## NEWSLETTER

**SERVICES** (For details see back page).

First and Third Sunday  
11am Holy Communion  
6pm Evensong

Second and Fourth Sunday  
11am Matins  
6pm Holy Communion

Fifth Sunday  
11am & 6pm  
Services may vary



DECEMBER 1998

Price 10p

Dear Friends,

I have been asked to write this letter for the December issue of the Parish Newsletter and as I sit down in November to do it, I can't help feeling that here we go again, Christmas is starting earlier and earlier. The shops have had decorations and such like for some months and there are signs appearing asking you to reserve your Christmas tree. The truth is, it doesn't feel Christmassy. I wonder if I go and pull one of last year's left over crackers and put on a paper hat if that will help. You won't be surprised to know that as I sit in front of the computer with my paper hat on that it hasn't helped at all.

Then I realise that I too am missing the point, there is nothing wrong in looking back to the time of the birth of Christ and the forthcoming celebrations, but it must be done with balance. Before Christmas we have the season of Advent and it seems that this is what should provide the balance. Advent is a season of "earnestly looking forward", for the watching and waiting for the coming of the King in his Kingdom now. The emphasis is very much on the "now". Advent is similar to Lent, in some respects, as it shares the same spirit of preparation, restraint and penitence. Advent is a time when we think of the coming of Christ in power, not instead of, but as well as the anticipation of the celebrations of His birth.

So with my paper hat on, may I wish you all a very Happy Christmas, a Prosperous New Year and a thoughtful and reflective Advent.

Robert Evens.

### **In Lighter Vein**

At the school nativity play, three six year olds were playing the three wise men. As they came to Mary and Joseph at the stable, the first one handed over his present and said "Gold". The second presented his gift and said "Myrrh". The third one then gave his treasure and said "And Frank sent this".

### **Mothers' Union**

The Carol Party will be held on December 17<sup>th</sup> in the Manor Room commencing at 2:45 p.m.

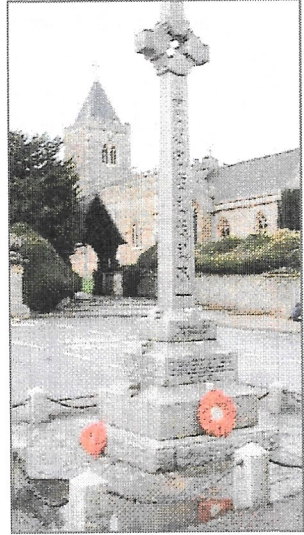
## Wedding

Charlotte Canny and James Eaton.

## Church Bazaar

The Church Bazaar will be held on 5<sup>th</sup> December commencing at 2 p.m. The venue is, of course, the Village Hall and not the Manor Room as shown in the November newsletter.

## Pictures from Remembrance Sunday:



The collection from the Remembrance Sunday morning service, £230-47, has been given to the Royal British Legion Poppy Fund.

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Please give items for the January Newsletter by 18<sup>th</sup> December to:  
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Rector:	(vacant)
Churchwarden Emeritus:	Mr. Leonard H. A. Savage
Churchwardens:	Mr. Daniel T. Hanbury Higgins Mr. Gordon Elliott
P.C.C. Secretary:	Mrs. Georgina Elliott
P.C.C. Treasurer:	Mr. David A. Nightingale
Organist:	Mrs. Enid Wadsworth

Services for December/January, including Christmas:

6<sup>th</sup> December:

11 am	Holy Communion, ASB	Rev. D Claypole White
6 pm	Evensong	an Ordinand in Training

13<sup>th</sup> December:

11 am	Christingle	Mr. Robert Evens
6 pm	Holy Communion, BCP	Rev. D Bannard-Smith

20<sup>th</sup> December:

11 am	Holy Communion, ASB	The Right Rev. Keith Arnold
6 pm	Nine Lessons and Carols	Mr. Robert Evens

24<sup>th</sup> December:

4 pm	Crib Service	Mrs. Olive Albon
11:30 pm	Holy Communion, BCP	The Right Rev. Keith Arnold

25<sup>th</sup> December:

10:30 am	Christmas Service	Rev. Peter N. Jeffery
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27<sup>th</sup> December:

11 am	Matins	an Ordinand in Training
6 pm	Evensong	Mr. Dennis Mabey

3<sup>rd</sup> January 1999:

11 am	Holy Communion, ASB	(to be arranged)
6 pm	Evensong	an Ordinand in Training

10<sup>th</sup> January:

11 am	Matins	Mrs. Monica Robinson
6 pm	Holy Communion, BCP	(to be arranged)

17<sup>th</sup> January:

11 am	Holy Communion, ASB	Bishop John of Bedford
6 pm	Evensong	an Ordinand in Training