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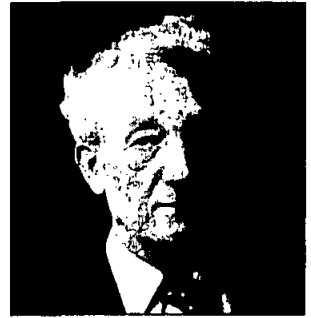
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EDITORIAL
ONE MAN'S VIEW

1998 was a glorious year of celebration for the Guild, with three magnificent well-supported Centenary Festivals and numerous local celebrations also. Our celebrations will continue this year with the Centenary of the first singing of the Guild Office on June 7th. Next year, of course, is the Millennium and, after that, will come the Centenary of COF in 2004. Perhaps it will be possible to gather together all those, still active and mobile, who have been supported by the Fund, for another celebration.



Raymund JM Waker

Devoid of inspiration for my editorial I turned again to the Occasional Papers and felt that extracts from The Warden's Address at the AGM on 12th December 1908 merited a fresh airing and our further consideration.

"...On our Annual Festival Day, we look back on the past, and we naturally wish to see whether the Guild is fulfilling the object for which it was formed. The first object - the foremost object, is to raise the spiritual tone of altar servers, and we must ever keep that in view, the deepening of the spiritual life of all those who serve at the altar.... God only knows how far the Guild is fulfilling its object in individual lives, but still we may have certain external indications of this, and one indication is I think, the attendance at the Annual Retreat. I am glad to hear that a great many more attended the Retreat last year than had ever attended it before; and I am also glad to be able to say that next year we shall have a Retreat of our own - entirely our own - at S Paul's Cathedral so that more members of our Guild may attend.

There is another indication, perhaps a better one than that, that we may look for, and we cannot here say whether it is seen or not. We should only be able to ask the clergy in the various parishes whether this other indication is evident. It is in the third object of our Guild and it is also in the third recommendation. The founders of this Guild evidently thought it was of very great importance, because they have put it down twice in our Guild Manual. The third object of the Guild is this: "To encourage more frequent attendance at the Holy Communion in addition to times of duty". And the third recommendation runs thus: "To attend if possible a celebration of the Holy Eucharist each week in addition to the times of duty and of obligation." There it is, placed twice before our eyes as an object of the Guild.

I would say that this surely would be an indication of the deepening of spiritual life. It is some evident thing that we may look for, to see whether the Guild is doing its work and fulfilling the first object of raising the spiritual tone of altar servers.

It is sometimes, we find, difficult for servers to appear, even on the morning on which they have put down their name to attend at the Altar of God; but if the servers are regular on these occasions, there is further evidence of the deepening of their spiritual lives, if we find them rising up early enough and coming to the offering of the Holy Sacrifice, and pleading that Holy Sacrifice for the good of the whole Church of God, living and departed, on some

other day or days of the week than that on which they have pledged themselves to attend.

Who can tell the power that might be exercised in the whole Church of God, if by this time next year all of us had made it a practice to be present in this way? I say, who can tell? We shall only know at the Day of Judgement what blessings the whole Catholic Church had received from this pleading of the Holy Sacrifice.

That is something for us to consider. Each member should endeavour more and more to realize his own responsibility to the rest of the Guild. The whole Guild, to a certain extent, depends upon each individual member for its progress, just as the whole Catholic Church, to a certain extent, depends upon each baptised person, because we are so closely knit together, that "if one member suffer, all the members suffer with it, and if one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it." If any member of our Guild becomes slack, it is not only he himself who is missing the mark, but he is lowering the tone of the whole Guild.

So let us pray God that we may realise our responsibility, and so make ourselves, each one of us, Priests and servers, more worthy ministers at the Altar of God."

By the time you receive this issue Lent will already be with us, Ash Wednesday is February 17th, and I take this opportunity to wish you all a very blessed Easter on behalf of the Officers and General Council.

Raymund JM WAKER

THIS EASTER MORNING

Hit at our heart-thuds, Lord, as now You come,
The Risen One, into our consciousness,
Jump with the breath within the breast-bone, plumb
Each freed soul's lowest depths, as we possess
This Easter blessedness, the morning earth
Its candour wears afresh. You conquered death,
Proved we can jettison all fear, and thus
Imperiously demand our all from us.

Purge now our time-bound and unliving lives
In each particular; each petty part
Throw wind-wide open; shatter all the gyves
Of sin still fettering us. This Paschal start,
With crucial change from apathy to sense,
Make now OUR resurrection. You, arisen,
Open our eyes to Love's omnipotence -
We can emerge, victorious, from our prison!

HO Brian O'Neil

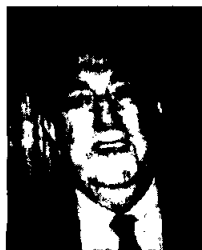
FROM THE SECRETARY GENERAL

ARREARS OF ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

The following chapters have not paid ANY Subscriptions for 1998 (nor for 1997 where marked *).

Annual subscriptions are due on 1st January and not later than Mid-Lent. Will the defaulting chapters kindly respond by return.

LG5/85	Incarnate Word	East Surrey
LG6/3	*S Alban	SW London
PG1/14	*S Augustine of Canterbury	Sittingbourne
PG11/239	*S Aldhelm & S Laurence	Not functioning



Roy Cresswell

CANDIDATES FOR ORDINATION FUND

Members training for the Sacred Ministry, who are considering applying for Grants from the Fund, are reminded that they must be Paid-up members of at least 3 years standing, at the time of application.

SECRETARIES AND TREASURERS - PLEASE NOTE

THE REVISED GREEN FORM 'C'

All Annual Subscriptions, Life Membership Fees, Removals, Transfers, RIPs and Subs Arrears etc must be recorded on this Form and sent to the Secretary-General, (photocopies are not acceptable) who will record the information and return it to the chapter.

CHAPTERS IN ABEYANCE

Chapters are reminded, when they fold, that all Bank Accounts etc should be closed and the balance forwarded to the Secretary-General so that, if the chapter reforms, the funds can be paid back to the chapter.

CENTENARY SOUVENIRS

Will those chapters which have not sent the £2.50 for the Sample Centenary Souvenirs please remit same to the Secretary-General.

BANK ACCOUNTS

Chapter Funds should not be kept in Personal Accounts and cheques should be endorsed with 2 signatures.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday, 10th April 1999 at
S Augustine's church, Queens Gate,
London SW7 5LW at 3.15pm.

AGENDA

Opening Prayer

Apologies

Minutes of 1998 AGM

(to be taken as read having been
printed in The Server)

Matters Arising

Annual Report for 1998

(to be taken as read)

Financial Statements - General & COF

Appointment of Auditors

Candidates for Ordination Report

'The Server' Magazine Report

Young Servers Report

The Warden's Address

Elections

a. The Warden

b. Chaplain-General

c. COF Chaplain

d. Secretary-General

e. Treasurer-General

Appointments

Membership Secretary

COF Secretary

'The Server' Editor

'The Server' Distributor

Secretary to Guild Choir

Group Elections statement
1999 Festivals (not in 'The Server')

AOB

The Blessing

1999 COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS

LG1&2	London, North & West, Willesden, Wembley, Hounslow, Southall	John Cairns	Unopposed
PG4	Hampshire, E Wiltshire, W Sussex	Peter J Keat	"
PG9	Berkshire, Oxfordshire, S Bucks	Poll taking place	
PG13	Essex	Kenneth Jennings	"
PG14	Suffolk, Norfolk, Cambridgeshire	Peter D Dicken	"
PG15	Warwickshire, Northamptonshire Leicestershire	Poll taking place	
PG16	Nottinghamshire, Derbyshire	Roland F Hudson	"
PG 22	Cornwall	No Candidate	

It is regrettable that 25 chapters from the above areas have not bothered to complete a Nomination Form. Again they are reminded that it is in their own interest to nominate someone to represent them on the General Council.

MINUTES OF THE 1998 AGM

The Annual General Meeting held at 3.15pm on Saturday, 18th April at S Alban's Church, Holborn, London. There were approximately 185 members present.

1. Opening Prayers by the Chaplain-General (Fr MC Brain).
2. Apologies were received from 15 members.
3. The Minutes of the Last Annual General Meeting held on 5th April 1997, having been printed in "The Server" Magazine, were taken as read and signed as a true record.
4. Matters Arising There were no matters arising
5. Secretary-General's Report for 1997. As this had been printed in "The Server" Magazine and copies were at the back of the church, it was agreed that it be taken as read. Roy Cresswell was thanked for his services during the year.
6. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FROM THE TREASURER GENERAL (LOUIS LEWIS).
Counc Lewis said that, once again, he had produced the accounts in a simplified form. He again reminded the meeting that we receive the services of Roy Cresswell, together with an office, free of charge - one day we may have to pay for the services of a Secretary-General and an office. A questioner asked if chapters were covered under the Data Protection Act. It was not possible to answer this question but advice would be sought. Louis Lewis was thanked for his work as Treasurer-General and also for continuing to look after COF, which he only took on temporarily. Both accounts were accepted.

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS.

Harper Broom Roberts were re-appointed. The Warden thanked all for the gift of £250 which was presented to him by Louis Lewis, on behalf of the Guild, when he celebrated the 40th anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood.

7. CANDIDATES FOR ORDINATION FUND REPORT. Louis said that, sadly, we have very few candidates at present. He reminded all that the Rule of the Guild for receiving a grant is: 1 year's Probation plus 2 years Full Membership. The grant is for Members of the Guild and one has to qualify for it. He thanked those chapters which continued to send donations to the Fund.
8. "THE SERVER" MAGAZINE REPORT. There was a paragraph in the Spring Issue of "The Server" Magazine and an additional report was read out by the Warden in Counc Raymund Waker's absence. During 1997 the number of magazines distributed had fallen to 1700. All chapters should obtain a copy in order to keep up with what is happening in the Guild. It is calculated that 20 chapters do not receive a single copy and shortly, chapter secretaries will be reminded of this. The National Distributor's address can be obtained from the Secretary-General after this meeting. Raymund Waker had apologised for the late publication during last year and now hoped the technical problems had been resolved. He asked for suitable articles for publication. Raymund

Waker was thanked for his work as Editor and Nigel Makepeace for all his efforts in distribution, together with Roland Hudson who assisted with the transport of the copies.

9. YOUNG SERVERS' REPORT. This had been printed in "The Server" Magazine and Fr Geoffrey Squire was thanked for the excellent work he does.
10. THE WARDEN'S ADDRESS. After giving his address, Fr Moore said it would be printed in "The Server" Magazine.
11. TO CONFIRM GENERAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS.

OFFICERS		APPOINTMENTS	
Warden	Revd JD Moore	Secretary COF	LA Lewis
Chaplain-General	Revd MC Brain	Membership Secretary	P Durrant
COF Chaplain	Revd EC Ford	"The Server" Magazine Editor	RJM Waker
Secretary-General	RST Cresswell	"The Server" Magazine Distributor	NK Makepeace
Treasurer-General	LA Lewis	Secretary to the Guild Choir	B Chilton

12. GROUP COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS.

The following Councillors have been elected:-

PG3	Sussex	Raymund Packham	Unopposed
PG11	Avon, Glos, Soms, E Wilts	Peter Graham (New)	"
PG12	Wales	Donald E Hoare	"
PG18	Lincs, N & E Humberside	Malcolm Williams	"
PG19	West Yorks	J Trevor Theaker	"
PG20	Northumb, Durham, Tyneside		
& 25	& Cleveland	G Brewis Wellock	"

Raymund Waker decided not to seek re-election as the Councillor for PG11 (Avon, Glos, Soms, E Wilts). He was thanked for his care of PG11 for 33 years.

13. 1998 GUILD FESTIVALS. Notice was given of various Festivals around the country.
14. ROLL CALL. The Roll Call indicated that there were in attendance members from: Ashford, Brighton, Bristol, Cambridge, Chingford, Colchester, Coventry, Ealing, Grimsby, High Wycombe, Leicester, North Staffs, Nottingham, Plymouth, Portsmouth, Reading, Scarborough, Shrewsbury, Southend, Walsingham, Wellingborough, W Yorkshire.
15. AOB.
 - a) The Warden said that the Cope, which had been presented to Walsingham to celebrate the centenary of the Guild, had now been made.
 - b) The Warden also wished to thank the Guild Organist (Philip Jarvis) and his Assistant (Keith Hearnshaw), now an Organ Scholar at Liverpool Cathedral and who had recently gained his FRCO, for the magnificent organ music we had heard this morning - it was absolutely tremendous. This concluded the business of the Meeting and Members adjourned to S Alban's for the Solemn Guild Office, Procession and Benediction.

ANNUAL REPORT 1998.

Roy ST Cresswell

I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report of the Guild of Servants of the Sanctuary for 1998 - this being the 100th year of our foundation. We give thanks to God for all his blessings, for 100 years of progress and for our great privilege of assisting at his Holy Altars, as servers in his Holy Church.

The success of any Society is in the hands of its members, who are reminded to be loyal and faithful to the promises they made on joining - for their faithful support at their respective Meetings and Festivals - which is most important.

This year, we have had some 180 new members joining plus 27 new Priests-Associate.

Our Centenary Festivals, held in various parts of the country, have been very well supported. The Easter Festival and AGM at S Alban, Holborn, London, with the Bishop of Richborough, (the Rt Revd Edwin Barnes) as our preacher. The Summer Festival at Exeter Cathedral with the Rt Revd John Richards (Bishop of Ebbsfleet) as our preacher. The Midlands Area Servers' Festival at Lichfield Cathedral in September with the Bishop of Lichfield (the Rt Revd Keith Sutton) as our Celebrant and Preacher. The Autumn Festival at Wakefield Cathedral with the Rt Revd John Gaisford (Bishop of Beverley) as our Preacher.

The Centenary Souvenirs of pens, bookmarks, coasters, car stickers and key fobs have been fairly well received except for a few chapters who failed to order any or even pay for the sample set sent to them. The Receipt Book is still being kept open!!!!

The Secretary-General was privileged to join the chapter of the Holy Apostles, Guernsey, Channel Isles for their Centenary Procession and High Mass at S Stephen, St Peter Port, when the Celebrant and preacher was the Rt Revd Geoffrey Rowell, Bishop of Basingstoke. This was a very well organised Festival, with thanks to Chapter Secretary Eric Piprell.

We record our thanks to all Guild Officers and Members of the General Council - a special thanks to Paul Durrant, our Membership Secretary, to Raymund Waker, the Editor of "The Server" Magazine, to Nigel Makepeace, the Distributor of "The Server" Magazine, to Philip Jarvis and Keith Hearnshaw, our Guild Organists, to Bryan Chilton and the Guild Choir, to Trevor Theaker for producing the Cycle of Prayer and, finally, to all Chapter Officers and members for their dedication.

It is with sincere regret that we report the passing of several of our members during the year:- Patrick Anderson; Michael Archer; Victor Arnold; Reginald Bennett; George Bierley, priest; Gordon Bourne; Robert Boyce; James Calcutt; Leslie Cater; Clarence Cawdron; George Clay; Derek Coombs; Albert Croucher, coun; Caroline Cunningham; Courtney Donnell; Bert Dye; Wilfred Dymond; Leslie Fletcher; Dudley Ford; Leslie Heald; Reinsford Hocking; Peter Hulett; George Hurst; George Kemp; Arthur Keyworth; R Maries; Leslie Moore; Glenwood Oates; S Parker; Jack Parsons; Francis Paveley; Geoffrey Price; Jilda Prouse; Edward Rackham; William Rate; Ronald Rock; Louis Rossiter; Albert Rowbotham; A Rowley; Vivian Ryder, priest; Harry Speed; George Spence; George Spencer; William Stuart; Vincent Thompson; Harry Threadball; Ralph Tilley, priest; Bill Todd; Frank Vear, priest; Derrick Watkins; George Whittaker; & Raymond Woollatt.

May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

GUILD PROPERTY AS AT 31st DECEMBER 1998

1 Guild Banner	1 Warden's Cope
4 Cantors Copes	4 Silver Officers' Badges
1 Brass Thurible & Boat	1 Photocopier
1 Computer	1 Duplicator
1 Small steel cabinet	



THE SERVER REPORT 1998

What a year! On the one hand a very successful celebration of our Centenary, with all our preachers making their texts available for publication in The Server, and, on the other hand, the printing arrangements for The Server seemed to go from bad to worse. One can understand the delays caused by a collator break-down but it is hard to accept the latest problem when, apparently the pages were assembled out of order.

I have included in this issue a copy of the letter I have written to the printers and I hope also to include the reply. Apart from the problems created by the late arrival of The Server of missing a meeting which one might have attended if it had been known about in time, there is the additional one, for me, of the contributor who relies on receiving the current issue before sending the next contribution.

I do not like, repeatedly, to write asking for the next contribution. I have been pleased to accept material from new contributors this year but I could always do with more!

Once again my thanks to all contributors, the Distributor, the Transporter and all sales agents.

GENERAL COUNCIL NOVEMBER 14th 1998

The Centenary Service Books had been very much appreciated and Council Cresswell was thanked for his efforts in organising them.

Council Louis Lewis told us that COF had had to refuse 2 applications for a Grant because the applicants did not qualify under the rules. After a discussion the Council reaffirmed the present Rules for receiving a Grant, as follows:- 'That this Council confirms the present 3 year Rule regarding Grants made to Ordinands for training in a recognised Theological College, that being 3 Years (including the Probationary Period) and that Subscriptions have been paid and are up-to-date at the time of application'.

The sales of Centenary Souvenirs had been satisfactory, bookmarks and coasters had been re-ordered. A selection of Guild Ties had also been re-ordered and Head Scarves were now available for the ladies.

It was determined that the Order of Service for National Guild Festivals should be decided by the Warden and the Chaplain-General. The Easter Festival & AGM would be at S Augustine, Queens Gate, on Saturday, 10th April whilst the Autumn Festival would be at Derby Cathedral on Saturday, 10th October. It was proposed that, for the Millennium, the Easter Festival should be at S Peter, Vauxhall, London, and the Autumn Festival at Tewkesbury Abbey. We were reminded of the great celebration "Christ Our Future" at the London Arena on Saturday, June 10th, at noon.

The Membership Secretary reported that the new Forms 'C' were most helpful but that, for some reason best known to themselves, a small number of chapters was refusing to use them. This would not be tolerated in future.

We agreed that PG21/18 chapter of S Barnabas should be divided into 2 chapters.

Councillors were asked to advise chapters that chapter funds should not be kept in personal accounts and that cheques should be endorsed with 2 signatures.

CHANTRY BOOK



The souls
of the just are in
the hands of God.

WISDOM 3:1

JANUARY

Albert E Croucher, coun
Dudley SJ Ford

MARCH

Raymond Woollatt

JULY

Bill Todd

SEPTEMBER

Leslie Walter Cater
Reinsford Godfrey Hocking

OCTOBER

Albert Rowbotham
Vincent Thompson

NOVEMBER

James Callcutt
Bert Dye
Leslie Moore

?

Harry Threadball

1996?

Frank Vear, priest

1998

Wilfred Dymond
Edward Rackham

R.I.P.

Albert Croucher

Bert died on 4th January, 1999, aged 91. He was admitted to the GSS, into the chapter of the Holy Apostles, Guernsey on 26th, December, 1922. Throughout his long life of dedicated service at S Stephen's church, he held many offices which included Chapter Secretary and Hon Councillor of the Guild, Reader and Churchwarden, apart from serving on a number of Church and Secular Committees on the island. Bert will be sadly missed by everyone in the chapter for his friendship and careful guidance of the liturgy.

His funeral took place on Friday, 8th January at S Stephen's church when the vicar, the Revd Canon MC Millard officiated at the Solemn Requiem Mass, assisted by the Revd Fr HS Ridge. Robed Priests Associate and chapter Members from island churches filled the chancel, and many old friends and colleagues were in the large congregation.

Our condolences go to his wife Marjorie, daughter Christine and all the family.

Vincent Thompson

Vince passed peacefully away on Tuesday, 20th October 1998 at his home aged 74. He was a life member of the GSS and a founder member of S Peter ad Vincula chapter, Wolverhampton.

60 years of his life had been given to S Peter's Collegiate church, Wolverhampton, from school boy at S Peter's School to Bell Ringer, Server and Sacristan and finally to Verger and Sacristan.

His life was his Christian Faith and the church of S Peter.

His funeral and Requiem Mass was at S Peter on Tuesday, November 3rd (following a vigil at the church on the evening and night of November 2nd) which was led by Fr John Hall-Matthews, rector of S Peter and chaplain of the chapter. This was followed by cremation at Bushbury Crematorium, Wolverhampton.

May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

1999

APRIL

10 EASTER FESTIVAL & AGM

S Augustine, Queens Gate

Noon - High Mass

3.15pm - AGM in the Nave of the church

4.15pm - Guild Office, Procession and Benediction

MAY

8 Eastern Area FESTIVAL

S John Baptist, Our Lady & S Lawrence church, Thaxted, Essex

Noon - High Mass 3.00pm - Guild Office, Procession & Benediction

Access to Thaxted from London is via the M11 motorway, leave at Junction 8 then A120 to Great Dunmow and B184 to Thaxted

18 Annual Area FESTIVAL

S Laurence, Long Eaton

7.30pm Guild Office, Procession of Our Lady of Walsingham, Benediction

Address: Revd Mother Mary Theresa SSM (Priory of Our Lady of Walsingham)

31 WALSINGHAM NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE

JUNE

7 CENTENARY OF THE GUILD OFFICE

S Edmund, Dudley, West Midlands

8.00pm Solemn Guild Office, Procession & Benediction

Preacher: Revd JD Moore (Warden of the Guild)

(Leave M5 at Jtn 2 & join A4123 sp Dudley, for 3 miles. At Dudley, take sp Town Centre - pass Zoo on rt. Church car park is on left at top of hill, before tfc lts)

7 PG 3 FESTIVAL

S Bartholomew, Brighton

7.30pm Guild Office, Procession & Benediction

Commemoration of the Centenary of the First singing of the Guild Office

JULY

3 GLASTONBURY ABBEY NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE

10 Good Shepherd Chapter, Derby

90th Anniversary Festival

S Andrew with S Osmund, Derby

Noon - Sung Mass

3.00pm - Guild Office



SEPTEMBER

4 GROUP 11 FESTIVAL

Lord Mayor's Chapel, College Green, Bristol
Noon - Solemn Mass
3.00pm - Guild Office and Benediction

11 LICHFIELD DIOCESAN & MIDLANDS AREA FESTIVAL

Lichfield Cathedral
Noon - Solemn Eucharist
Celebrant: The Rt Revd Geoffrey Rowell
Bishop of Basingstoke
3.00pm - Guild Office & Procession
Preacher: The Bishop of Basingstoke

18 North Western Chapters FESTIVAL

S Andrew, West Kirby, Wirral
Noon - Mass (Preacher & Celebrant to be confirmed)
3.30pm - Guild Office, Procession & Benediction
The Bishop of Beverley (the Rt Revd John Gaistford) will be in attendance,
subject to other engagements

OCTOBER

9 AUTUMN FESTIVAL

Derby Cathedral
Noon - Solemn Eucharist
3.00pm - Guild Office & Procession
Preacher: The Very Revd Michael Perham (Provost of Derby)

ABOUT GOD - (40) - "THE HOLY CATHOLIC CHURCH" -
(d) - "APOSTOLIC" Revd Canon Wm H Barnard



The *fourth mark*, or note, of the Christian Church is, that it is *Apostolic*, which in a broad sense, means "*missionary*". It Emphasises the *evangelical* purpose of the Church in the world, which is, to proclaim fearlessly, day by day, *the "evangel"*, or as we usually say, *Gospel*, the Good News about God and man. The word *apostolic* reminds us, of course, of the Apostles, our Lord's first ministers, to whom was committed the task of handing on to their successors all down the ages the teaching (doctrine) which they themselves had received. No one else was likely to do this; certainly not the Jews, whilst the Romans, who regarded our Lord as an unimportant religious fanatic, "couldn't care less". It was up to *the Apostles*, with whom our Lord had lived for some 3 years before His death and to whom He had appeared many times after as the risen and ascended, living Lord, *to pass on to their own disciples* the truth necessary for man's salvation. These disciples in turn must teach

their followers and so the handing down has gone on until it has reached us. Once asked if He had any other plan, if the Apostles failed to do this, our Lord replied 'No'.

This *apostolic teaching* was given by our Lord *in simple language*, and if you had asked S Peter, for example, what "Hypostatic Union" meant, he could well have replied, "search me"! But later, when false teachers started to put it around that, eg the Godhead consisted of 3 Gods, or, there was one God with 3 different names; or, that Jesus Christ of Nazareth and the Son of God were two different persons, then it became necessary for the Apostles, or Bishops of the Church, from all over the world, to get together in what became known as a General Council to put out an agreed statement or Creed, concerning the real truth. Words had to be used to guard against heresy and the Christian Creed was enlarged to sharpen and define the Christian Faith. One had to use, eg phrases like "God is 3 Persons in one substance;" " Jesus Christ is very God from very God". So, the Creed became larger and larger rather like a balloon does, if you blow it up, yet remains the *same* balloon all the time. So the Apostles' Creed became the Nicene Creed, AD325.

The *Church is Apostolic* then *because* it teaches the doctrine of the Apostles and claims to have the same form of ministry as the Apostles, traceable back to apostolic times. It is the diverse views as to the form and nature of this Sacred Ministry today which cause our "unhappy divisions" in Christendom.

Next time we must look at what Anglicans believe in this vitally important matter. For until Christians reach some kind of understanding about the apostolicity of the Church, no reunion among them is possible.

S AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO

Julian Sampson

Augustine of Hippo was born in 354 at Tagaste in North Africa. His mother was a Christian but his father a pagan. Augustine received a Christian education and studied law at the University of Carthage, where he soon developed an interest in literature.

Augustine gradually lost touch with his Christian roots and took on a mistress to whom he was faithful for fifteen years.

At around 373 Augustine became interested in philosophy as a result of reading a work by Cicero. Perhaps as a result of his interest in philosophy he had awakened in him questions which he needed to answer. He joined a sect, the Manichaeans, which he followed for nine years. Eventually he became disillusioned with this cult because it could not give him the answers he was looking for.

He taught in Rome for a short period and then went on to Milan where he met the Bishop Ambrose. Augustine was attracted by many of Ambrose's ideas which answered his criticisms of the Bible and he was gradually drawn back into Christianity. Augustine was baptized on Easter Eve 387, and he established a monastery a few years later at his birthplace of Tagaste.

While visiting a place called Hippo one day in the year 388, the people were so impressed by him that they presented him for ordination as a Deacon to Valerius, the Bishop of Hippo.

He was ordained Priest in 391 but continued his Monastic lifestyle, and eventually became a very important figure within the African Church. In 396 he became Bishop of Hippo, a post he held until his death in the year 430.

S Augustine became an important figure within the Church because of his thoughts on Theological issues. During his time as Bishop he was called upon to resolve three heresies - the Manichaeian, Donatist and Pelagian heresies - which were presenting the Church with difficulties. Controversies involving heresy sprang up every so often in the early Church, and many of the doctrines to which the Church adheres today are as a result of people in the early Church coming together to find an orthodox standpoint and common ground of agreement on various issues of faith and teaching. The Nicene Creed, which we say at Mass, is the result of many Bishops coming together at Nicaea (hence the title "Nicene") in the year 325 to halt a controversy over the meaning of Jesus and defend the orthodox faith against the Arians.

As a result of the controversies Augustine developed his own teachings on the Fall, Original Sin and Predestination. Christian teaching today, in many ways, follows the teachings which Augustine developed. As well as the words we recite from week to week in our Creed, much of the teaching we receive from the stories in the book of Genesis is received by the Church now in the form originally interpreted by Augustine.

In the world of the early Church, where communications were poor by modern comparison, and where there was not the backing which the Church now has of teachings and traditions of many centuries, it was vitally important for the survival and spread of Christian influence that the Church be equipped with people of exceptional powers of penetration, interpretation and communication. It is in this that S Augustine of Hippo was so outstanding and continues to remain an important figure in Christianity today.

Here in England we are all probably aware that the first Archbishop of Canterbury was also called S Augustine. He lived some 200 years after the subject of this article, Augustine of Hippo, and they are not to be confused.

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SCOTTISH GUILD OF SERVERS AGM

Malcolm Perkins, Hon Councillor

The 70th AGM of the Scottish Guild of Servers was held in S Michael and All Angels church, Edinburgh on Saturday, 12th September 1998. The Festival commenced with High Mass at 2.00pm at which the Chaplain-General (the Revd Donald Strachan) presided. The serving team was that of the church. The organist and a small choir assisted the assembled brethren in the hymns and sang the propers. The sermon was preached by the Revd Fr John Penman.



Malcolm Perkins

The Mass was followed by tea, kindly provided and served by members of the church congregation. As many members had travelled for some time this was a great success.

The Warden (the Revd Canon IA Black) then chaired the AGM. Apologies were given and the Minutes of the 1997 AGM were read by the Secretary (Bro Barry Nisbet). The accounts, followed by the accounts of the War Memorial Fund were presented by the Almoner (Bro Bruce Couper). The election of the Chaplain-General then took place, Fr D Strachan having completed his three year term. Fr Strachan's was the only nomination and he was declared elected for a further term.

The Festival concluded with the singing of the Scottish Guild Office and with thanks to the Edinburgh Fraternity and the priest and people of S Michael's.

CHAPLAIN'S REMARKS AT A CHAPTER AGM

Fr Stephen Eldridge.

When Raymund phoned me the other week to say that Fr Howard had gone to Australia and would not be here today - Would I give the Chaplain's Address? I said that I would, but asked what sort of thing was wanted. "Oh", said Raymund, "say where you think the Church is going". And in that moment I thought that if I really did know, I should probably not be here today either. But, to be honest, I do not think that I do really know where the Church is going any more than any body else does.

And that is sad because, in various times in its history, the Church has been very definite about what it is for and where it is going, even if some people have always wanted to do things differently. What we seem to be lacking, above all things, in the Church, and perhaps the Church of England especially, is certainty. We need certainty in what we believe, and how we believe it, and then in how we live out those beliefs. Common Prayer is not the only thing that we now lack. We no longer speak with one voice, even in relation to basic tenets of the faith, and that too is sad. We have a lot to say, but much of it is unhelpful and unclear.

I was made to think about that particularly last Tuesday when I was on a train to London. We stopped at Didcot Parkway Station for a few minutes and I saw a sign on a scaffolding-clad building on the platform which offered apologies for any inconvenience caused due to a 'Service Regeneration Programme'. What they meant, or at least what I think they meant, was that that part of the station was closed for rebuilding! So why couldn't they have said just that, and then we would all have known without having to think about it. It would have been a clear statement and we would have been certain.

But let me share one or two of the bees which have been buzzing in my biretta for a little while now as to the way in which the Church is going, or maybe needs to go, at least in my opinion. Undoubtedly the danger that is leading the Church into ever greater realms of uncertainty is that of growing liberalism. That is, of course, nothing new, and plenty of people have been warning about the need to maintain the Church's traditional values in teaching, worship and ministry for a number of years. The liberal agenda has proved amazingly resilient, however, and the tendency to want things to mean just what people want them to mean seems to be accelerating rapidly. Words like traditionalist and orthodox have become shorthand terms of almost derision for those of us who want to practise the faith handed down by our fathers, whether it be expressed in modern liturgical shape and language, recognizable on both sides of the Tiber, or in the Tudor English of Cranmer which was produced to maintain a catholicity of understanding within the English Church, so that people could be certain about what they were doing, wherever they did it.

Then we have the continuing uncertainty about our orders of ministry. We have not yet done with questions of the ordination of women. Bishops will be next - they must be. It has been said that the admission of women to the priesthood but not to the episcopate is a nonsense and an offence to good order. So it is. But then what?

There are again talks about talks of union with the Methodist Church - It will be different this time round. But will it? How can it be? Existing Methodist ministers still need to be admitted to priestly orders - But How? Will the Church of England insist upon their unconditional ordination to priestly orders, as has happened with nearly all of those Anglican clergy who have popped - so that they could be certain about their priestly orders - or will it be merely a process of acceptance and absorption, which is not certain for anyone? Are they or are they not priests will be the question asked. And you and I both know the answer that we would most certainly give in the face of such uncertainty.

Communion before Confirmation has now become one of the latest issues to raise uncertainty in the minds of parishioners, by the decision of the House of Bishops to leave it to a vote of individual PCCs to decide which practice they wish to adopt. Many parishes will not wish to alter what has been traditional practice in the CofE of seeing Confirmation as being the gateway to the altar rail, while, in others, children will be admitted to the sacrament at 7 years of age, unless they come from Oxford Diocese where the age of reason has been deemed to be as young as 4. Meanwhile what was once reasonably certain has been confounded by uncertainty.

But there is one other matter that concerns me particularly, and that is the uncertainty created in our parishes by the 'stretching' of the parish priest. What I mean by that is the list

of meetings, synods, committees, councils, workshops, seminars, conferences, training opportunities and more, meetings that can quite easily fill the diary to the exclusion of all else. We do seem to be drawn into so much that takes us away from that once fondly remembered ideal of the priest who knew his people and was known by them, especially in rural areas.

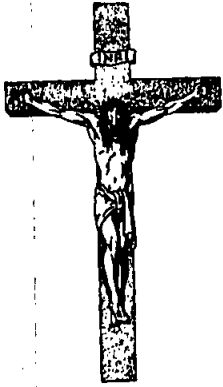
In the past, for many people in the parishes, God himself was almighty, distant and largely irrelevant to daily living. Then the same began to be said of bishops (almighty, distant and largely irrelevant). But the sad thing is that much the same is now being said of the parish clergy. Priestly ministry has gone that way too as multi-parish benefices get bigger, or have to accommodate some sort of diocesan job to justify having anybody in the Vicarage, or become non-stipendiary or retirement ministries on the house-for-duty arrangement. We are looking at new ways of ministry with new amounts of lay involvement. That is good and as it should be, but where, in a few years' time, will be the man at the centre of it all to lead them in prayer and sacrament?

And so, brothers and sisters, I have a dream, a dream of a bishop who will be a local bishop, known to the parishes and priests in his care, visiting them regularly and frequently, and coming to teach them what all men and women can hold to be true in matters of faith, to preside at the Eucharist with them, to be a true Father-in-God and focus for our unity. In a sense we already have them in the form of the PEVs, but we need more of them and we need them for all of our parishes. They have provided a good model, through their care and love and regular visits to the faithful. Now we need bishops who will fly a little less and visit more in our dioceses, irrespective of resolutions A to C. I would like to think that our present diocesan and suffragan bishops have learned something from the reception of the Flying Bishops by those who have placed themselves under their care, but I rather doubt it!

Oh, Raymund, see how the bee turns into a hornet's nest of ideas when you ask me to try to say where the Church is going! And, oh, we do still have a great battle ahead to maintain our faith, and a lot of recovery to do that we may all say once more that we hold fast to the Catholic faith, both those of us who claim to be reformed, and those who don't. There is so much uncertainty in matters of faith and practice now that we have strayed far from being able to say that we, the Church, still believe in what has been believed everywhere, always and by all. That, for more than 1500 years, has been the test of true ecumenism, tradition and common consent among Christians. And we have lost it and become muddled. Even when some of the greatest battles for the souls of men and women lie ahead of us, our trumpet-call is uncertain, to quote S Paul (1Cor 14.8).

So, therefore, dear friends, let us make sure that we are certain about what we believe, and (to quote S Paul again) let us "stand firm and immovable, and work for the Lord always" (1Cor 15.58), for only then shall we begin to see where the Church is really going with any certainty.





ON LOOKING AT THE CRUCIFIX

This still, unsullied figure, Lord,
Can never really show
The loneliness and suffering
You had to undergo:
The matted, thorn-encircled hair,
The throbbing hands and feet,
The twisted, aching arms and legs,
The flies and burning heat.

Nor can the figure tell us, Lord,
The torment in your mind,
Thoughts of your friend's betrayal and
Of mother, left behind.
Disciples who had fled away
And one who had denied,
The feeling of abandonment,
When in the dark you cried.

But through your suffering, dear Lord,
You won for us new life,
A hope of joy eternal at
The end of earthly strife.
We too may have betrayed you, Lord,
Or sometimes have denied;
Forgive us, that we too may have
Our own blest Eastertide.

Brian Jenkinson

NEWS FROM THE CHAPTERS

S CHAD, Coventry

The final meeting of the summer programme was a sung eucharist held at S Luke, Holbrooks on Saturday 17th October. Fr Kit Dunkley was the celebrant and preacher. We were privileged to be the first group to see the statue of Saint Luke which had only been placed in the church the previous day.

A good number of our members, together with family and friends, attended the Autumn Festival in Wakefield Cathedral. A week later we travelled down the M5 to Bristol Cathedral, where we met with others from the Coventry Diocese at a celebration eucharist, to say



farewell to Bishop John Richards on his retirement. Bishop John looked after a number of parishes in the Diocese of Coventry.

The annual Requiem Mass was held at S Mary & S John, Camp Hill, on Tuesday 3rd November. The celebrant was our chaplain, Fr Graeme Hands, assisted by Canon Dennis Sneath. Fr Dennis preached and gave us a warm welcome to his church which is situated in the middle of a large housing estate on the outskirts of Nuneaton. He has been vicar since the estate and church was built in 1968.

The chapter was again represented at the Bedworth Armistice Day Parade & Service. Bedworth is the only town in the country to keep the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month since 1921 without a break. Other places have, in recent years, started, again, to hold November 11th services. Our chaplain retired as vicar of S Nicholas, Radford, on Sunday, 29th November. Fr Graeme had been vicar of Radford since the Bishop of Coventry, the Rt Revd John Gibbs, inducted him in 1980.

He was trained at Cranmer Hall, Durham; curacies followed at S Mary, Atherstone, Chapel Aldwickbury School, Harpenden and S Alban, Coventry. He became Priest in charge of S Paul, Warwick, in 1968, before moving to Radford in 1980. A large congregation gathered at S Nicholas on Sunday, 22nd November at the Sung Mass to testify to the great esteem in which he is held in the parish and diocese. Fr Graeme celebrated, assisted by Fr Paul Nicholas.

Our Advent meeting was held at Holy Trinity church in the Coventry city centre on Saturday, 12th December. We were given a very warm welcome by the vicar, Canon David Urquhart.

HOLY RESURRECTION, Brighton

The chapter has enjoyed another successful year, visiting churches, both within Brighton and Hove and the surrounding districts. We continue to expand and have welcomed seven probationers and two priests associate during the year. A highlight of our programme was a visit to Lancing College which was celebrating the 150th anniversary of its founding by the Revd Nathaniel Woodward, a former curate of S Mary, New Shoreham.

A Sung Mass in the crypt was attended by some 30 members, supported by a similar number of family and friends. The eucharist was celebrated by Fr Ian Forrester, chaplain at the College, and the address was given by Fr John Hunwicke, Head of Theology. After the Mass we were pleased to hear from our chaplain, Fr Richard Bromfield, that Walter Leney, one of our elder brethren, had recently completed over 60 years as server and sacristan at S Anne, Lewes, and had been honoured by the Archbishop of Canterbury by the presentation of the Order and Medal of S Augustine.

In 1999 the chapter will be celebrating the 80th anniversary of its founding and we shall be combining this with the centenary of the Guild Office which was first sung on 7th June 1899. On the centenary day the Office will be sung at S Bartholomew, Brighton, probably the best known of all the catholic churches in the Chichester Diocese. We would be pleased to welcome any servers and friends who would like to join us on that occasion.

S JOHN BAPTIST, Torbay

In November we visited S Mary, Higher Brixham for the singing of the Guild Office and Benediction for which the joint chaplain, Fr Goran Chapman officiated. The address was given by Fr Tim Woods, team rector of Brixham. He counselled servers against feeling superior because they were ready and able to serve in the Sanctuary and others were not. He pointed out that we have no right to be in the Sanctuary - neither clergy nor servers. We are all called to the way of humility - to seek the lost, teach the ignorant and to remember that we ourselves are little better.

Our December meeting, on the Conception of the BVM, was at S John, Bovey Tracey. A Sung Mass was celebrated by Fr David Stanton, the vicar, assisted by Fr Chapman. Our other joint chaplain, Fr Roger McDowall was the preacher on the role of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the redemption of the world.

S JOHN the DIVINE, Leicester

We held our AGM at S Chad, Leicester on October 14th after we had sung the Guild Office. There were 34 members present.

Our November meeting, a Requiem Mass at All Saints, Loughborough, was only attended by 22 members, which was disappointing since 4 of our members, who travel all over the Diocese to chapter meetings, come from All Saints

S PETER THE APOSTLE, Mid Essex

REG

Towards the close of 1998, Brother Reg Passfield had completed just over 65 years as an Altar server. He first began his service to Almighty God as a choir boy in the, now demolished, church of S Peter. Reg began to serve immediately following his being a chorister. His unwavering adherence to Anglo-Catholicism, coupled with his acquired knowledge of Church Ritual, led to his becoming head server and sacristan of his local church - All Saints.

Bro Reg is also treasurer of his GSS chapter.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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January 4th, 1999

In 1998 we celebrated the Centenary of the Guild which, officially, came into being in December 1898.

The first Guild Office was sung on 7th June, 1899, at S Mary Magdalene, Munster Square, London.

To celebrate this event, I invite you to S Edmund's, Dudley, on 7th June, 1999, for Guild Office & Benediction at 8.00pm. The preacher will be the Warden, Fr D Moore.

Fr Michael Brain
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From the Chaplain-General: Revd Michael C Brain.

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Dear Sir,

I am very perturbed about the steady deterioration in the service I have received from you, particularly in this last year.

Our original understanding was that you would have the finished copies of The Server ready for collection within 6 to 8 weeks of receipt of the material from me. This would allow for receipt by us in early March, June, September and December. The system worked very well in the early stages when I sent you typescript which you then had to copy and set out but, as we moved to my sending you discs so the service has deteriorated. Throughout this past year it has gone from bad to worse.

I wrote to one of my regular contributors on 13 January 1998 apologising for "doing this again but because of delays in the production of the Winter (97) Server I was now compiling the Spring (98) issue so would appreciate his copy as soon as possible." He does not send me his copy until he receives the current issue from me.

The Autumn issue 1998 was, again, very late and, when I sent the material for the Winter issue, I suggested that you should make amends by ensuring that the Winter issue was published early in December!!

It is my impression that, although you receive the material in plenty of time to meet the deadlines, the deadlines have been forgotten and The Server is put on the back-burner as not urgent. Frequently when I enquire about progress I am told that 'It's on its way and you should get it in the next day or two'. This suggests to me that it has been forgotten and that if I hadn't rung up we might never have got it.

I should appreciate an early explanation of what is happening and whether you are still willing to meet your commitments.

Yours faithfully,

cc. The Warden
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13 January 1999

Dear Bro Raymund,

I read with interest a report from a chapter where a Bishop, in his homily, reminded the congregation 'that a good server is one who goes unnoticed through the liturgy'. I well remember as a young boy being told by my parish priest that unlike little boys 'who should be seen and not heard', servers should be 'heard but not seen'; heard by prompt and clear responses, especially at Low Mass, but not seen by going about quietly, slowly, carefully and therefore unnoticed. These wise words I have always remembered and passed on to many servers.

Another report commented on the excellent standard of serving at the Centenary Festival in London that was 'reminiscent of the best serving from the sixties'. Surely the standard of serving now, in the nineties, should be as good if not better than the sixties with the liturgy much simplified, less movement and (perhaps sadly) fewer servers in the sanctuary.

A fellow server away at Christmass who attended Midnight Mass at a fresh church commented only about the poor standard of serving when asked how he got on - how sad (not members of GSS I hasten to add, perhaps they should be).

Your sincerely,

Barry AW Johnson

I have been asked by the Treasurer to reprint the Form of Bequest to make it clear that it can be used just as it is. He thought that it was somewhat misleading to print it, as I had, as part of a letter from him.

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