

## CLUBS & SOCIETIES

*Daphne Langton writes*

### LADIES FELLOWSHIP

Members enjoyed a summer coach ride through the Suffolk countryside for tea at Hollow Tree Farm Shop, at Semer near Hadleigh.

Geraldine Watson will be the speaker in the Assembly Rooms at 2.30 p.m. on Wednesday 30 September. The Rev'd. Gillian Greenslade will be the speaker at the October meeting.

*Betty Callaghan writes*

### GOOD NEIGHBOURS' CLUB

At our September meeting, the challenge was a quiz where most of the answers were lying on the soil. A stimulating afternoon!

For Friday 9 October, an outing has been arranged to Felixstowe.

*Paw Slingo writes*

### HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Our first meeting on 7 October will be held in the Assembly Rooms at 7.30 p.m. The speaker will be Robert Gardiner and the topic will be 'Birds as Weather Forecasters'

Just a reminder, we still have one vacancy left on the Committee which we would like to fill. Please ☎ 322 147 or 323 192 or 231 164 if you would like to join us.

*Ian Rose writes*

### U3A

The Stour Valley AGM will be on the 14 October at 2.25 p.m. in the Constable Memorial Hall, East Bergholt, followed by a talk by Roy Pagham on 'How the Hollywood Studios survived the Depression Years of the 1930s.'

## DEDHAM EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

*The Governors invite applications from residents in the Parishes of Ardleigh, Bradfield, Dedham, Great Bromley and Stratford St. Mary for financial grants that are available in the following categories.*

### Secondary Schools & Sixth Form Colleges

Applicants must be at least 12 years old on the 1st August in the year of application.

### Universities & Colleges of Further Education

Applicants must have lived in one, or more, of the five parishes for at least two years prior to the application date.

For an application form, or further details, contact the Clerk to the Governors, Mrs. Jean Flewin, Coppins, Crown Street, Dedham, Colchester, Essex, CO7 6AT.  
Closing date for applications:- **30 October 2009**

## DEDHAM PARISH CHURCH

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e-mail: [office@dedham-parishchurch.org.uk](mailto:office@dedham-parishchurch.org.uk)

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Barbara Ward	<i>Weddings</i>		337 242

### DEDHAM PARISH MAGAZINE

Parish Office	<i>Editorial &amp; Advertising</i>		322 136
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### PARISH OFFICE at the Vicarage 322 136

2.30 p.m. - 5.00 p.m. Monday - Thursday

*Parish Secretary Betty Cox,*  
*Office Admin Support Joan Edwards, Gill Seymour-Pugh*

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Gay Burfield	<i>Bookings</i>		322 261

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## DEDHAM PARISH MAGAZINE

# October 2009

## SUNDAY SERVICES

**8.30 a.m.**

Holy Communion *BCP*  
Every Sunday (not August)

**10.30 a.m.**

Family Service  
1st Sunday in month

Morning Worship *CW*  
2nd & 5th Sundays

Holy Communion *CW*  
3rd Sunday in month

Morning Prayer *BCP*  
4th Sundays

**6.30 p.m.**

Evening Prayer *BCP*

## JUNIOR CHURCH

10.15 a.m.

Family Service in Church  
1st Sunday in month

In the Assembly Rooms  
or Duchy Barn  
on all other Sundays  
during school terms

## DEADLINE FOR

**NOVEMBER**

**EDITION :**

**14 October**



## TOWER FLAG DAYS THIS MONTH: SUNDAY 4 OCTOBER HARVEST FESTIVAL

*Your gifts of  
vegetables,  
fruit, jams  
and chutneys  
will be gratefully  
received*



### HARVEST FESTIVAL

#### Sunday 4 October

10.30 a.m. Parish Communion

*Celebrant & Preacher* : The Bishop of Colchester

[N.B. no 8.30 a.m. service on this day]

#### Monday 5 October

10.00 a.m. Primary School Harvest Service

#### Sunday 11 October

10.30 a.m. Family Service

#### Sunday 18 October *St. Luke*

10.30 a.m. Morning Worship

6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer (with prayers for healing)

## From the Registers

### BAPTISMS

2 August 2009	Thomas William HALSALL
6 September 2009	Owen George BAILEY
13 September 2009	William George VOLLER

### WEDDINGS

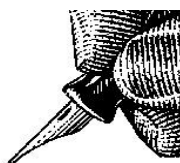
25 July 2009	Christopher STEWART & Rebecca Louise WHYBROW
1 August 2009	Michael John COKER & Noha Marina ABDEL-KAREEM
8 August 2009	Daniel Matthew LEVERIDGE & Lisa Amanda HOW-CHUNG
12 September 2009	Benjamin Richmond WORDEN & Naomi Denise BRIGGS

### FUNERAL

6 August 2009	Edward James COOK (81)
9 September 2009	John Gilbert ADAMS (78)

### INTERMENT OF ASHES

16 August 2009	James Graham BOOTH (50)
16 August 2009	Barbara Claire ROSOMAN (69)



Matthias Claudius

*We plough the fields and scatter  
The good seed on the land,  
But it is fed and watered  
By God's almighty hand:*

*Hymns Old & New No. 534*

This much-loved harvest hymn seems to have come from the very depths of the English countryside, so it would be no surprise to learn that it had been written by someone in Constable Country. In fact, it is a translation from a German original, written by Matthias Claudius (1740-1815), who was born in Lübeck, the son of a Lutheran pastor. Claudius became a journalist and was a friend of the poet Goethe. After a period of professed atheism, Claudius renewed his Christian faith.

His harvest hymn first appeared in a play he wrote in 1782, about a harvest celebration in a North German village. It was closely based on a peasants' song he had heard sung by one of the farmers. The original ran to seventeen four-line verses, with a refrain to each, but when the hymn was published in 1800 it had been shortened to six verses with a chorus.

This shortened version was translated into English in 1861 by Jane Montgomery Campbell (1817-78), the daughter of the vicar of St. James', Paddington, who taught music in schools in Devon. The usual tune, WIR PFLUGEN, or DRESDEN, is attributed to J.A.P. Schultz (1747-1800), who was *Kapellmeister* to Prince Henry of Prussia.

One modern, untraceable, revision of this hymn has the lines:

*We plough the fields with tractors,  
With drills we sow the land*

and

*We add our fertilizers  
To help the growing grain*

which is so not far removed from John Betjeman's deliberate parody:

*We spray the fields and scatter  
The poison on the ground*

Nowadays English harvest celebrations seem incomplete without hearing the traditional version sung at least once.

# OPERATIC SOIRÉE

including extracts from Carmen, Rigoletto, Don Giovanni and other favourites



**9th and 10th October 2009  
Dedham Assembly Rooms  
8 pm**

Daniela Bechly • Megan Peel •  
John Marshall • Hakan Vramsmo  
James Longford *piano* and  
Pimlott Foundation Young Singers

Tickets £15  
Under 18 concession £10  
Bar and refreshments  
available from 7.30 pm

Tickets from Kerstin Davey ☎ 262 376 or [www.pimlottfoundation.org](http://www.pimlottfoundation.org)  
or available in person from Dedham Post Office

Registered Charity No. 1122550

## DIRECT ACTION — NEWS FROM PETRA

- After the success of Burns' Night in Dedham this year £1,236 was raised for *The Brooke Clinic* in Petra, Jordan and £1,000.00 was sent out to Jordan for use by Suleiman Mahsaleh the Programme Manager for *The Brooke Hospital for Animals* in Jordan. Suleiman wrote

*"I am pleased to inform you that with the money you sent:  
One government vet has been trained in an advanced course on equine health care.  
15 Horse boys and 4 Donkey boys have been trained in three training courses on  
prevention methods and primary treatment of wounds, and eye and hoof care.  
One week refresher course for Brooke Vet Staff has been conducted. This for sure  
will contribute to a better welfare of the working equines in Petra.  
Once again I thank you and highly appreciate your hind donation."*

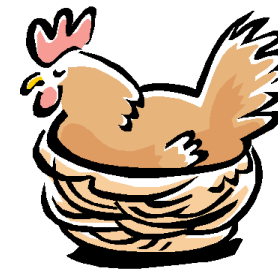
- Sue Evans-Avlonitis hopes to raise another £1,000 this year. If you would like to send a donation for this direct and worthy cause please make your cheque payable to '*The Brooke Hospital for Animals (Petra)*'. All donations would be gratefully received and, as you can see, will be put to direct good use.



## OUR TURN

Exactly a hundred years ago our church celebrated the re-opening of the chancel, which had been closed for seven months (see p.8). It falls to us, a century later, to tackle a significant refurbishment of the same area. In these tough economic times there will be reasonable questions asked, such as 'Why this project?' and 'Why now?'

For an answer to the first question, please see the next page. As to the second question; this is a good time to employ local craftsmen, some of whom have looked after our church building for a long time. One man said that he first worked here over fifty years ago!



*'nine, ten,  
the big fat hen...'*

Some major work has already been done this year: part of the old churchyard has been cleared, for re-use when the extension churchyard is full; failed exterior render has been replaced at the chancel end; and 40-year-old heating units in church have been replaced. This work was made possible through a legacy from the late Mrs. Kate Angell of Frinton, and through the generous support of the *Friends of Dedham Church*.

The next phase of the work will also be largely met from that legacy and with some further help from the *Friends*. Yet there will need to be some additional giving if we are to complete the re-lighting scheme we began in 2007, and the repairs to the exterior and interior of the nave, which we began this year.

Nearly twenty years ago this community was very generous in its support of the major repairs to the church tower. It was helpful to be able to link this with a celebration of the 500 years since the present building was begun, the 'Quincentenary Appeal'.

We have no anniversaries with which to connect this project (unless you know of any?), so it will be the responsibility of our community to give in a grateful and generous way, and also encourage others to do likewise, simply because it is 'our turn' in 09/10 to tackle these tasks. *Incidentally, it was these dates that suggested a light-hearted logo for this project!*

**Gerard Moate**  
Vicar & Lecturer

As part of the process of applying for permission to re-order the Chancel, the PCC has prepared a 'Statement of Needs'. Here is a shortened version of it:

**STATEMENT OF NEEDS**



**LIGHTING** The 1960s lighting is inadequate and inaccessible. The lamps once used for the high-level fittings are obsolete. Modern lamps fit incorrectly, overheat, and last only a short time. Access to them is now only permitted by use of a tower platform or scaffolding which is difficult to use because of varying floor levels and fixed furniture. Fluorescent lamps in the windows are difficult to replace and give poor lighting for reading. *A replacement lighting scheme must improve specific and context lighting within the chancel and sanctuary, and be easier and cheaper to use and maintain.*

**WOODWORK** The early 20th-century choir stalls have extensive death-watch beetle infestation. The oak has darkened unevenly by use and is in need of careful restoration to regain its original vitality. The fixed furniture means that safe access to some of the lighting is impossible without tower platforms or scaffolding. The sanctuary rail has become damaged through use and is in need of restoration. *We want a way of making the front row of choir pews and the book stands moveable to permit easier access to maintaining the lighting. Infested wood must be removed and replaced with oak to match the original design. Choir pews should be restored to their original, lighter and warmer, colouring. The sanctuary rail should be restored and, if possible, made moveable to improve access to the area.*

**CHANCEL DOOR** This door was damaged by an attempted forced entry some years ago and is poorly fitting. The extent of glass causes convection down-drafts, particularly in winter. *The chancel door should be repaired. A scheme for electric pew heating should be designed. This would make it possible to use this area for smaller congregations and without the use of the main heating.*

**PAINTING** In the 1960s refurbishment white emulsion paint was used on the walls when it should have been lime-wash. This has resulted in efflorescence and poor stability of the wall surfaces. *We want the walls restored to their former condition of lime-wash on lime plaster and all unstable surfaces to be made good.*

**CONCLUSION** At present the chancel and sanctuary in our church is gloomy, cold, beetle-infested, dowdy, and gives all the appearance of being of secondary importance within our fine building. *We want the chancel and sanctuary to be restored so that it regains its significance within the life and worship of our church.*

St Helena Hospice *your time...your hospice*

**SALSA EVENING**

at the Assembly Rooms, Dedham

featuring an 11-piece live band

**Saturday 17 October 2009**

**7.30pm - 11.30 pm**



Tickets: £15 available from

Margaret ☎323 127 or Louise ☎07712 446 198

Raffle and Bar available

*Sally Noyes Fund in aid of St. Helena Hospice*

Registered Charity Number 280919

**FANTASTIC CHARITY FIREWORKS PARTY**

*to be held at*

12 Crownfields, Dedham, Colchester CO7 6AT

**Saturday 24 October 2009**

Gates Open at 6 pm

MASSIVE Fireworks Display at 7.30 pm  
(even better than last year!)

Adult Ticket: £12 Child Ticket (under 16): £ 6

Family Ticket: £30 (2 adults + 2 children under 16 years)

Ticket includes 'all you can eat' BBQ

Roast Pork Rolls & Cracking / Hot Dogs and Homemade Soup

Soft drinks and mulled wine will be on sale

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM

12, Crownfields Dedham ☎323 469 or

Beeson's Restaurant, 68, Rosemary Road, Clacton ☎01255 473 931

Tickets are limited, so get yours early to avoid disappointment!!!

PLEASE - for safety reasons — NO fireworks or sparklers to be brought in!

*All profits going to 1st Holland-on-Sea Scout group  
and Dedham senior citizens Christmas party*

Hayley Aherne writes

### DEDHAM YOUTH CLUB

We meet at the Duchy Barn on Fridays from 7.30 until 9.15pm and any youngsters living in Dedham who are in school years 7-9 are welcome. The senior group, for those aged 14-17, meet up regularly and also go on exciting days out. For more info. please ring Hayley ☎ 01473 328 695.

Liz Kotarska writes

### SELF-HYPNOSIS COURSES

Advanced hypnotherapists Hugh Clover and Liz Kotarska will be continuing their popular self-hypnosis courses this autumn, starting on Thursday 8 October. There are a few places remaining both for the morning course, 10am to mid-day, and for the evening course 7.30pm - 9.30pm.

Over six sessions participants learn how to develop deep relaxation, think more positively, cope better with the stresses and strains of the modern world and discover just how powerful their amazing mind really is. For those who have already taken part in the basic course Hugh and Liz are offering an extension course helping to expand their skills and understanding of the subconscious mind.

[Liz@LifeChangesNow.co.uk](mailto:Liz@LifeChangesNow.co.uk)

☎ 299 347 for Liz, or Hugh on [hughhyp@hotmail.com](mailto:hughhyp@hotmail.com) ☎ 323 089 for more information.

Fred Merrin writes

### ARDLEIGH SURGERY

A new GP Trainee, Dr Ayisha Sajid, started her training year with the Ardleigh practice. Dr Sajid previously worked at Ipswich Hospital.

Catherine Eldred writes

### EAST BERGHOLT SURGERY

It has been incorrectly stated in local press reports that NHS Suffolk has proposed stopping the issuing of prescriptions from the practice in East Bergholt. The practice has applied to for permission to dispense to patients in who live further than 1.6 km from a pharmacy. If the practice is granted permission to dispense it does not mean that patients must have their medication dispensed from Capel, it simply means that they will have the option to do so.

Linda Kitchen writes

### POSTAL PROBLEMS

I have had many problems with my post not arriving, but according to the PO Sorting Office at Brightlingsea, I am the only resident of Dedham who complains. I wish to emphasise that I have the greatest admiration for all our postal deliverers, some years ago I delivered the post in a neighbouring village, so know it is not an easy job. If any household is experiencing the same problems I believe that Royal Mail would be more sympathetic and be prepared to investigate.

John Osborn writes

### HELPED BY A DEDHAM TRUST

The Dedham Branch Surgery has now been operational for three months and regularly available, apart from some expected closures due to GP absence for holidays. The service has been well received by patients and has successfully merged with the Ardleigh practice. Some work on sound-proofing a consulting room will be carried out in the coming weeks, but this should not seriously affect the delivery of services on the four days when surgeries are held.

The *Dedham Relief in Sickness Trust* has played an important part in the restoration of a medical presence in Dedham. It would be accurate to state that the provision of medical facilities not previously available and in an area close to where people live is a most appropriate example of 'relief in sickness'. When the trustees of that charity decided to grant some working capital to the directors of the *Dedham Vale Community Health Association*, in early 2008, that they might continue their quest for a surgery in the Roman Place premises the prospect of a GP surgery seemed remote. Emphasis was then on the need to find other uses within the NHS. Because of that grant the *DVCHA* was able to ensure the premises would continue to be available for immediate use should suitable health-related users emerge.

The Dedham Vale Network began their provision of health, support and therapy choices in November 2008. Then the approach from the Ardleigh GP practice in January 2009 led to the commencement of NHS patient care in Dedham from July, after a gap of six years. The confidence of the trustees of the *Relief in Sickness Trust* was not been misplaced. That funding gave the *DVCHA* time and boosted the spirit of those engaged in the search, who refused to accept what to many seemed inevitable, that Dedham would never again have a GP surgery.

Even when the positive decision was made, it was still necessary to find additional funds for the cost of the preparing Roman Place surgery so that it would be a full part of the main Ardleigh practice. Some of this was paid by the NHS, but certain areas of expenditure were outside of their remit. The Trustees of the *Relief in Sickness Trust* made a further significant grant for these costs.

In the knowledge that funds were available the Ardleigh practice and *DVCHA* were able to furnish the premises commensurate with the excellent standard of patient care for which the practice is known. On behalf of all of those who do and will benefit from the Dedham surgery, our sincere thanks to the *Relief in Sickness Trust* for those most enlightened grants.

## NEWSROUND

Roy Laverick writes

### NEW PCSO FOR DEDHAM

Essex Police have announced that Natalie King has been successful in her application to become a Police Constable, consequently she will cease to be the dedicated Dedham PCSO. Natalie has been our *Police Community Support Officer* since 2007 when the role was first established. Since then she has become a familiar and friendly face in our community, establishing a good relationship with many residents. We wish her well in her future career. Natalie's place has been taken by PCSO Mark Hibben. We welcome him to the village. His e-mail address is [mark.hibben@essex.pnn.police.uk](mailto:mark.hibben@essex.pnn.police.uk)

### VILLAGE DAY

We enjoyed another successful August Bank Holiday Village Day, helped by superb weather. Our thanks are due to Judith Fowle, who has done much of the preparatory organisation for six years. She has said that it is now time for her to hand over the task. Next year's event is therefore conditional on a suitable volunteer coming forward. Procedures for the event are well established, and it is not as daunting as might at first appear. Is this something you might be willing to do? Please phone Judith ☎ 322 938.

### NEXT PARISH COUNCIL

The next Parish Council meeting will be at **7.30 pm Wednesday 14 October**, in the Assembly Rooms.

Christine Henderson writes

### NEW HALL FOR SCHOOL

Returning to the Primary School in September was a delight, as we finally got to see our new hall finished. As it is considerably larger than the old one, we can all fit in comfortably with room to spare. The light and airy space is superb. Thanks to the generous fund-raising efforts of parents, additional equipment is being received and installed to make the hall even better.

We still have to cope with the disruption of building work to the front of the school; many boxes have been unpacked and repacked, moved and removed. With the end in sight it makes all that easier to bear. All part of creating a successful school.

### SMARTYS

Thank you to all those who supported *Smartys* during the Dedham Village Day. The bouncy castle and tombola proved a real 'hit'. Please note that on Saturday 17 October we will be holding a pre-school sale of toys, games, clothes, and equipment. This will be in the Assembly Rooms, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. £1 entrance fee, with cakes and refreshments available. This will be ideal for grandparents, carers, childminders (and those with holiday homes in the area) to stock up.



## NOTICEBOARD

### VACANCY

#### Do you have some spare time?

We want someone to join our caretaking team at the Assembly Rooms, Dedham.

The caretaker's role includes opening and closing the building, cleaning, and some gardening.

Suitable candidates need to be available during the day, some evenings, and some weekends.

#### An good hourly rate will be paid

If you would like more information

Tracy Woods ☎ 323 921  
or the Parish Office ☎ 322 136

### DEDHAM'S (THIRD AND FINAL) CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

Will be held in the Parish Church

**Saturday 5 December  
&  
Sunday 6 December.**

Details obtainable from

Jill Strangward  
☎ 01206 322 006

Your last chance to exhibit your creative talents in our Church!

### CHILDREN'S SOCIETY HOUSE COLLECTION BOXES

There will be a collection of the Society boxes between

**26 October and 6 November**

Boxes can be left in the Parish Church at the Family Service on Sunday 1 November

### COLCHESTER BOROUGH COUNCIL TENANTS' ROADSHOW

Arrangements have been made for a Tenants' Forum to be held in the

**DUCHY BARN**

**4 p.m.**

**Tuesday 13 October 2009**

All tenants are very welcome to attend so that they can comment and report on any repairs and problems they may have.

**SEASONAL 'FLU  
VACCINATION CLINICS  
ARDLEIGH & DEDHAM**

The *Ardleigh Medical Practice* will be holding their clinics on

**Thursday afternoons  
during October**

These clinics will have to be co-ordinated with the availability of the swine 'flu vaccine

*Please telephone the surgery to book into one of these clinics.*

**VILLAGE FETE  
AUGUST BANK  
HOLIDAY**

**A great day  
with superb results:  
a total of £1,975.83 \*  
for the Parish Church.**

**Royal Square stalls 297.00  
Refreshments 1004.15  
Bric-a-Brac 485.24  
Bookstall 189.44**

**\* less expenses to be deducted**

**Thank you all who helped to  
make the day such a success**

**SEASONAL 'FLU  
VACCINATION CLINICS  
EAST BERGHOLT**

The *Constable Country Medical Practice* will be holding their clinics at the Medical Centre, East Bergholt

**Saturday 3 October**

and at Capel St Mary Surgery  
**Saturday 10 October.**

*No Appointments Necessary*  
Patients can attend either session.  
*Open from 8.30 a.m. until 1 p.m.*

Please note that this year we will not be sending out invitation letters to patients identified as 'AT RISK'

**St. Matthews'  
Parsons Heath  
Child Contact Centre**

Our sincere thanks to all who supported the Coffee Morning at Drift Cottage, Dedham.

We raised a total of **£500** which will go towards helping children and their non-resident parent have regular contact.

Thank you to Carol & John Mitson for hosting and their helpers for all their hard work.

*Judith Fowle writes*

**SIXTH DEDHAM VILLAGE DAY**

Despite all the red tape involved, another Bank Holiday Monday was enjoyed by many local residents and visitors. The sun shone and activities provided by the various village clubs, associations and societies, together with the stalls raising funds for local branches of registered charities, gave the playing fields a very pleasant village atmosphere. Donkey rides were very popular; 10% of the takings was given to a donkey sanctuary. There was music, stalls and hospitality at the church, Royal Square's market, the antiques fair, art exhibitions, Morris dancing at the *Marlborough Head*, and a welcome at the Craft Centre, in shops and pubs, which provided something for people of all ages.

Many thanks to all those who took part, and to the Parish Council and the Parochial Church Council who, through the cover of their insurances, made the event possible this year. I hope that this special event will continue in its present form for it seems to work well and helps make Dedham, Dedham!

*Eniah Nhika writes*

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

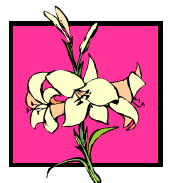
You may soon begin thinking about who might come for Christmas this year. Perhaps you would like to make it a bit different this year: some of the adults from overseas who are currently studying at UK universities would love to spend a couple of days in a real home, rather than on a deserted campus. It is interesting to share Christmas with people for whom it is all quite new (students who are from China, for example).

*HOST* is a charity that has been linking students with hospitable volunteers for twenty-two years, both at Christmas and also for occasional weekends throughout the year. *HOST* is a registered charity, backed by the Foreign Office, and used by many universities. See [www.hostuk.org](http://www.hostuk.org) or call the regional organiser, Eniah Nhika ☎ 01375 393 877.

*[This charity's work is in addition to the local Christian network of hospitality for students, which has been given by some Dedham families for many years. Ed.]*



We are holding a special service  
**Service of Thanksgiving**  
to remember those who have died  
and whose memories we cherish,  
and we invite you to attend.



**2.30 p.m. Sunday 1 November 2009**

## PAST TIMES

### Ten Years Ago **October 1999**

◆ CHURCH WEB-SITE Through the skill of Bob Cox the Parish Church 'launched' its web-site [www.dedham-parishchurch.org.uk] and he has maintained this ever since. The Parish Magazine is read regularly 'on-line' by overseas visitors and many visitors, researchers, genealogists, and pastoral enquirers get in touch through the web-site. Thank you, Bob, for this service to the w.w.wider community!

### Fifty Years Ago **October 1959**

◆ DISTURBING INCIDENT 'There was...a disturbing incident after the Family Service [3.15 p.m. on 1st Sunday in month], when so many people, after lining up outside the church, pushed their way into church before the congregation had time to leave their pews, much less look round the church...'

### A Century Ago **October 1909**

◆ RE-OPENING OF THE CHANCEL The Bishop of St. Albans 'visited Dedham and re-opened the Chancel, which had been closed for seven months...all that has been done...whole of the lead on the roofs of the Chancel, Nave, and South Aisle, including the South Porch...having been re-cast on the spot...lengths of deal have been laid crosswise over the original rafters of the North and South Aisle...increasing the warmth of the Church...let us hope [this] will prevent the bats from burrowing underneath...the Chancel roof [was] strengthened with two double tie rods, the battlements on the south wall have been restored to correspond with those on the north side...the four closed windows have been opened and filled with stained glass. Inside, the Chancel has been enriched with a black and white marbled pavement, of bold and effective design, and carved oak altar rails have been substituted in place of the old ones. The steps leading to the Sacarium have also been moved forward eleven inches, so that the communicants should be on the same level as the celebrant. As the opening of these windows will [make] the Chancel colder, a gas radiator...has been placed over against the north wall. At the west end a structural improvement has been carried out by the removal of the unsightly screen, which was left there when the organ was removed to its present position, and which blocked out the handsome arch opening on to the west door... the restoration...was undertaken by Mr. W.W. Hewitt and his sister, as a memorial to their brother, the late Mr. James Hewitt; and the other improvements were made possible by the legacy left by...the late Miss Eyre. The stained glass windows are the gifts of other friends...[detailed].

◆ DEDHAM STREET LIGHTING 'The Balance Sheet...[presented by] Mr. Percy Clover...not a satisfactory one...yet we presume there are very few...who would not wish the Street to be lighted during the winter months...'

## PAST TIMES

### 'The Lamb' Public House, Lamb Corner, Dedham — c.1990



This photo of 'The Lamb' - when it was still a pub, was taken by Carole Duffield.

Do you have any photographs (either exterior and interior) of the other pubs which have now gone — the 'Anchor' and the 'Rose & Crown' which can be copied by the Muniment Room Society for the village archives collection?

Photographs of any building in Dedham which have been significantly altered, developed or demolished, would be appreciated. Please contact the Parish Office.

## WANTED

If you have photographs (or other memorabilia) that would not be wanted by your family, please approach the Muniment Room Society before permanently disposing of anything. A copy of photographs and prints can usually be made if you would prefer to keep the original.

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