

St Hilary 2000

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Archbishop of Wales to bless St. Hilary's new bell

On Saturday 20th. of March, the Archbishop of Wales has agreed to come to St. Hilary in order to dedicate our new bell.

The committee will now liaise with the bell ringers and the representatives of the Church to organise an appropriate celebration.

The bell itself has been cast at the bellfounders, Taylors of Loughborough. A few villagers and ringers were invited to attend at somewhat short notice. If reasonable notice had been given then it would have been nice to have used all twelve places the foundry could offer us.

We are now told that the bell has been broken out of its mould and it due to be tuned in readiness for delivery to the village. This is expected to take place during late January.

The bell itself will be resting in the Church prior to fixing in the belfry over one weekend towards the end of January or February. It is hoped that we will have plenty of notice of delivery in order that we can make sure all villagers who wish to see it are able to do so.

Take away Quiz time now

After the popular Quiz sheets last winter, another Quiz has been



prepared for this winter. It is rather reassuring to find that friends now are asking for it.

It is tremendous value for money at only £1 for

many hours of entertainment. If you have not got a copy try the Bush Inn or Jenny Lord on (01446) 775108

Merry Christmas

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Happy

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Healthy

New Year



41 on St. Hilary trip to Houses of Parliament

At 6.30 a.m. on Wednesday a coach left Cowbridge stopping to collect passengers in St. Hilary village and Culverhouse Cross. A total of 41 enjoyed a trouble free journey arriving at the Palace of Westminster after a stop for refreshment in plenty of time for the tour of the Palace at 11.30. A large crowd had gathered outside Parliament building, not because of us, but because the House of Lords were sitting and about to pronounce their decision on the fate of Mr. Pinochet.

As a result of both Houses unusually sitting in the morning, a full tour was not possible but in compensation it was possible to see the House of Commons in action. Our M.P. Mr. John Smith not only greeted us as we arrived but joined us at the end of the tour and took us to one of the Committee rooms where he explained some of the more interesting bits of gossip on the running of the House.

Many travellers then went Christmas shopping or enjoyed one of the City's shows before the bus left at 6.30 from Parliament Square then picked up at Harrods. The bus arrived back in the village in time for those who wished to pop into the Bush to quench their thirsts.