

Queen enters from small chapel, waving – to applause. Kathy will curtsey and guide her to her chair

Queen: Do be seated, loyal subjects of South Warnborough.

People sit

My husband and I are delighted to be where with you as you celebrate my Jubilee. (Actually, I had to leave Philip at the Village Shop. He was enjoying his All Day breakfast and offering Mrs Hamilton some advice on playing polo..)

I have been hoping to visit Saint Andrew's ever since I read about it in Country Life Magazine and also my daughter in law Camilla took quite a shine to Mr Roberts when she met him at the Country Life Award Ceremony.

(Looking around and making eye contact) Ah some familiar faces – Valerie who I often see when I am at the abbey and dear Robert who I gave a lift to a few years ago – I don't see Mrs Haigh Lumbey though... such a delightful lady... I recently sent an anniversary card to Mr and Mrs Howard. I do hope you had an enjoyable day.

(To Corgi) Now do behave Monty – Sit!! Good boy

On the Day of my Coronation back in 1953 I prayed that God would give me wisdom and strength to carry out the promises I had made to serve my people with justice, law and mercy. I was quite a shy young woman at 26 but with my husband and Charles and Anne I stood on the Balcony at Buckingham Palace and waved to the crowds. People said that I was young and vulnerable – but I have always trusted God and he has never let me down.

The world has changed dramatically since then, or as Harry would say 'massive'

The sixties were a time of rapid growth and after the austerity of the war years, a decade where anything seemed possible. I was very busy visiting all the places in my realm – going on walkabout, entertaining the Kennedys and watching the moon landings on TV – and also having Andrew and Edward.

I have felt that to encourage people to find a common purpose and to work together has always been an important part of my duty. In 1971 the countries of the Commonwealth pledged to co-operate and consult in the common interests of their people and that all people would be treated equally regardless of race, creed or ethnicity. It has been good to play my part in promoting international understanding and world peace.

The seventies also saw my Silver Jubilee and Punk Rock. I never cared for Mr Viscious' version of the National Anthem although I think Andrew thought it had a good beat. The Eighties saw a new couple on the Balcony – Charles and Diana. The world seemed to go wild for them and thousands thronged the Mall (*To Kathy*) I believe I saw you there Reverend O'Loughlin?

The Falkland's War, the big Bang and the Berlin wall coming down kept me busy – not to mention four grandchildren. Ideas about the monarchy were changing but I continued to be calm dutiful and dignified as seemed best.

The 90s were not so good for my family – with 3 of my children's marriages ending in divorce. There was the tragic death of Diana and a fire at Windsor... and everything increasingly in the glare of the camera and the media. I needed all my courage and determination to continue but I believed that God had called me to this role and indeed He helped us in every way and showed us that we have so much to

be thankful for. In 1997 Philip and I celebrated our Golden wedding and my dear mother's 100th birthday in the first year of the new millennium.

Terrorism and the deaths of my mother and sister dominated the first half of the new decade. Our world has become increasingly global and we are increasingly called upon to guard its resources. Words like Smartphone and Google and Tsunami have entered our dictionaries. Last year we had the wonderful weddings of Zara and Michael and William and Kate.

Looking back there have been joys and sorrows both nationally and personally and I suppose that is life. It never stands still and it often takes you by surprise.

In my Christmas message I remarked that God sent into the world not a general or a philosopher or a monarch – but a Saviour. My prayer then as it is now is that you will continue to find room in your heart for the Saviour and room in your lives for the love of God.

May God Bless you South Warnborough.