

# HAMPTON HILL PARISH MAGAZINE

THE VICARAGE,

*April 1st, 1903.*

MY DEAR FRIENDS,

We are just now passing through the busiest part of the year, so for as Church work is concerned, and the past month has been a very full one, as regards services and classes and meetings. The Lent services have on the whole been very well attended. We had not a large number of confirmation candidates this time. So many of our young people prefer to be confirmed at our own Church, that they are disposed to wait for our turn to have the service here. The numbers were three males and sixteen females. The addresses by the Bishop of Kensington were most earnest and impressive and are sure to be remembered. The newly confirmed will come to the Holy Communion for the first time on Easter Day, and I hope that, as far as possible, their friends will accompany them. Many of those who have been confirmed in previous years have become irregular in their attendance at the Sacrament. This is disappointing, and thoroughly bad for them. I earnestly appeal to them to make a fresh start this Easter and to try to maintain greater regularity. Nothing is so easy as to go down hill, and it often leads to disaster in the end. There will be celebrations at 6.45 and 8 a.m., and after morning service on Easter Day. May I ask all who come to put their names in the basket in the porch, as usual? This will save us a great deal of trouble.

On Thursday in Holy Week there will be celebrations at 7.30 and 11 a.m., and the service at 8 p.m. will be of the nature of a preparation for

the Easter Communion. On Good Friday there will be services at 11 a.m and 7 p.m., and "meditations" from 2 to 3 p.m. The last month saw the birth of a local branch of the Church of England Temperance Society, and the new arrival is showing signs of considerable vigour. Two successful meetings have been held, and about sixty members have joined, either as total abstainers or as members of the general section. The next meeting will be held on the 27th inst., and I am glad to say that Major Knox, the governor of Wandsworth Prison, has most kindly promised to come and speak. He is, I believe, one of the most remarkable temperance advocates that we could have.

The sermon by the Rev. Sadler Phillips on the 29th ult., was of the most stirring character, and made a distinct impression. I am glad to say that he has kindly promised to come again, and I hope very shortly to make an announcement respecting his second visit.

The Missionary working parties for the S.P.G. have now come to a close for this season. About £16 worth of work has been produced, and there will be a balance of the subscriptions as well for the Society. A large parcel of work has also been forwarded to the Colonial and Continental Church Society, in addition to £12 5s. 10d. in money.

The Churchyard has undergone some changes recently. Several chestnut and other trees have been removed; some because they darkened the Church on the North side; some because they overhung gravestones and their drippings caused discoloration of the monuments, of which many

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people complained. The chestnut trees were also a great source of annoyance, because of the attraction they were to boys, and the stone throwing and the trampling on graves which they caused. In place of those removed, more than twice the number of ornamental trees have been planted, and when they have become established we hope that the change will be admitted to be a great improvement.

The Vestry meeting for the election of Churchwardens and sidesmen, and for receiving the Churchwardens' accounts, will be held on Thursday, the 16th inst., at 8 p.m.

I am, my dear friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

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P.S.—The Hampton Hill Football Club have been good enough to promise to divide the proceeds of the match on Easter Monday afternoon, equally between the Hampton Hill and Hampton Nurse Funds. There is therefore a special reason why

the match should be largely patronized. Tickets may be had from the Secretary, Mr. Williams, from Mr. Rowland Moores and other members of the Committee.

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## OFFERTORIES.

	11 a.m.		7 p.m.		TOTAL.
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£ s. d.
Mar. 1.—Curate's Fund ...	5	11 9	1	8 11	7 0 8
„ 8.—Church Expenses ...	4	0 6	1	12 6	5 13 0
„ 15.—Church Expenses ...	3	1 6	1	11 3	4 12
„ 22.—Church Expenses ...	3	9 2	1	4 6	4 13 8
Early Celebrations (Poor Fund), Mar. 1, 10/2; Mar. 8, 9/1; Mar. 15 9/4; Mar. 22, 10/3 ...	...	...	...	...	1 18 10
Children's Services (Missions), Mar. 1, 9d.; Mar. 8, 5/4; Mar. 15, 3/4; Mar. 22, 2/6. ...	...	...	...	...	0 11 11
Special Celebrations (Thursdays) Mar. 5, 6/8; Mar. 12, 11/7; Mar. 19, 8/2 ...	...	...	...	...	1 6 5
Special Service (Communicants' Association) ...	...	...	...	...	0 12
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## BAPTISMS.

“Grant, O Lord, that they may have power and strength to have victory and to triumph, against the Devil, the World and the Flesh. Amen.”

- Mar. 7.—Roma Augusta Caroline Keefe.
- „ 8.—John Miall Coxall.
- „ 8.—Ernest John Reed.
- „ 18.—Grace Lilian Nash,
- „ 18.—Edith Margery Nash.
- „ 18.—Ruby Ellen Nash.