

HAMPTON HILL PARISH MAGAZINE.

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December 1st, 1919.

Owing to a breakdown in health, through over-work, the Vicar has been ordered a complete rest for two months. We all greatly regret his illness and hope he will be completely restored by the end of that time. Meanwhile the Rev. J. F. M. Duncan of "Heddon," Park Road, is in charge, and all cases of sickness in the Parish should be reported to him or to the Churchwardens.

C. H. CARPENTER, }
C. H. EVANS, } Churchwardens.

"HEDDON,"
PARK ROAD.

ADVENT, 1919.

MY DEAR FRIENDS,

I am writing briefly about Advent. The Advent message is "Awake," and has to be emphasised this year more especially than ever before. Have we as a nation, or as a congregation and parish, or as individuals, taken to heart the lessons that God would have us learn from the war, and from the social unrest in the country following so closely on the heels of the war? I am afraid not, and in consequence we have missed many opportunities of doing service either to God or to man, and so again lost many blessings. We have done so because we have been asleep in negligence, in difference, in sin. We must Awake! Awake! Awake! and pray for grace to Awake and see, and grasp in the coming year, as individuals, as a congregation, and as a nation, the opportunities for service which will come in our way, and so win God's blessing on our endeavours.

You will allow me to wish you all a very Happy Christmas. Pray do not forget the *Holy Day* in the *holiday*. Make it a *Holy Day* by your Communion and thanksgiving for God's great gift of His Son, and then enjoy your *holiday*.

Believe me,

Yours very truly,

J. F. M. DUNCAN.

HAMPTON HILL PROVIDENT CLUB.

It was estimated at the District Visitors' Meeting at the end of October, that the Bank Interest and the Subscriptions, after repaying the amount borrowed from the Church Funds last year, would be insufficient to divide amongst the subscribers. The balance in hand will be left in the Bank and be added, with its interest, to the sum to be divided next year.

Parish News.

WELCOME TO SERVICE MEN.—Nearly 360 men demobilised from H.M. Forces accepted the invitation of the Vicar and Congregation to the "Welcome Home" Social Gatherings on October 27th and 28th. As most of them were accompanied by a lady, the guests, including the helpers, numbered about 750 for the two evenings. Excellent Entertainments were provided, including Miss Hughes (of Manor House), Pierrot Troupe, and were thoroughly enjoyed. The refreshments and "smokes" were in abundance and were likewise thoroughly appreciated. As was most fitting, those who have laid down their lives were not forgotten, and for a few moments each evening there was an interval of silence, all present standing to honour their memory. After all expenses were met, a sum of £9 remained over, which has been paid in to the War Memorial Fund.

ARMISTICE DAY.—On Armistice Day, November 11th, the two minutes' silence at 11 a.m. asked for by the King, were observed everywhere in the village, and in the Schools the children in each department were assembled together and kept absolute silence for that period. In the evening a largely attended Memorial Service was held in S. James' Church, and the Vicar read the list of names, 120 in number, of those who had made the great sacrifice for God, King and Country. The Rev. H. Fairfax Scott, Rector of Hanworth, gave the address, and an offertory was taken for the War Memorial Fund. A large laurel wreath "To our Glorious Dead" was placed at the foot of the War Shrine.

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JUMBLE SALE.—The Annual Jumble Sale organised by Mrs. Poley and Mrs. Carpenter was held on Wednesday, November 19th, and was easily a “record-breaker,” over £18 being taken.

On Wednesday, 10th December, Rev. J. Morgan, of Hampton, will give an address at the 8 p.m. service on “Why was the original Unity of the Church broken.”

SALE OF WORK.—As a result of the Missionary Working Party held during the winter months, the Annual Sale of Work will take place in the Church Room, on Wednesday, December 10th, at 2.30. Mrs. Stutchbury has kindly promised to open the Sale. This is a good opportunity to buy Christmas presents.

THE SCHOOLS.—On Sunday, December 14th, the offertories will be given to the Day Schools' Fund. There have been very heavy expenses during the year in connection with repairs to the Schools, and the congregation are asked to respond generously. While the interior of the buildings is kept in condition by the County Council, the maintenance of the fabric, including the roofs, falls on us, as these Schools are Church property.

PARISH MAGAZINE.—Owing to the greatly increased cost of printing, the price of the Magazine in the districts will be 2d. next year instead of 1d.

OFFERTORIES.

	8 a.m.	11 a.m.	7 p.m.	TOTAL
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Nov. 2.—Poor & Parochial (Assist Clergy Fund)	12/- 2 14 0		1 13 10	4 19 10
„ 9—Church Expenses	6/5 2 13 7		1 7 0	4 7 0
„ 11.—War Memorial	4 16 7
„ 16.—Church Expenses	4/11 2 11 10		1 7 5	4 4 2
„ 23.—Children's Services (Missions)—Nov. 2, 3/11; Nov. 9, 5/11; Nov. 23, 2/9	4/3 2 10 6		2 1 8	4 16 5
Week-day Offerings—Nov. 1, 5/7; Nov. 6, 2/7	0 12 7
				0 8 2
				<u>Total - £24 4 9</u>

BAPTISMS.

‘Made a Member of Christ.’

- Nov. 9—Betty Joyce Maggs.
 „ 9—Jessie Rosina Maggs.
 „ 9—Jack Edward Taylor.
 „ 9—Charles John Smallbone.

MARRIAGES.

“Those whom God hath joined together.”

- Nov. 10—William John Pride and Lily Edith Lock.

BURIALS.

“I am the Resurrection and the Life.”

- Nov. 4—Richard Howell Browne, aged 82 years.
 „ 14—Sarah Wise, aged 75 years.
 „ 17—Eveline Bowman White, aged 57 years.
 „ 20—Sarah Charlotte Sponsford, aged 73 years.
 „ 22—James Dunham, aged 69 years.