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THE VICARAGE,

HAMPTON HILL,

October 1st, 1928.

MY DEAR PEOPLE,

Not a few have been wondering how they are going to spend their evenings during the coming winter. Bridge, dancing, theatres and the like are becoming very common-place amusements, and a change to something of a more serious nature, such, *e.g.*, as a series of lectures, would be a welcome diversion. There are many subjects, religious and secular, in which people are taking a keen interest to-day, but information about them is gleaned for the most part from the daily Press. From conversations, which I have had lately it would appear that some people have read the articles in their daily paper on the Modern Churchmen's Conference at Cambridge, and are beginning to question as to whether the Bible is really out of date and ought to be scrapped, or whether the Articles of our Faith are tenable in this enlightened age. It may be, then, that a course of lectures on the Bible would prove helpful to many whose minds are being confused with the present-day controversies. I hope, therefore, to be able to arrange to have six lectures on the Bible during the winter months. These will be held in the Church Room, so that those who attend them may have an opportunity of asking questions. Fuller details will be given by handbills which will be distributed in the Parish in due course.

One of the most interesting events in the course of the history of the Church in this Diocese is to take place on October 24th. On that date the Bishop of London will hold a Synod of Clergy, the first to be held in the Diocese since the Reformation. A Synod is an ecclesiastical assembly of the Bishops and Clergy of the Diocese summoned to deliberate on ecclesiastical matters. At the present Synod the Bishop will inform the

Clergy of the results of the deliberations of the Bishops who met at Lambeth Palace on September 25th last. You may remember that this meeting of Bishops was called to consider what steps should be taken as the result of the rejection of the Revised Prayer Book Measure by Parliament. The Bishop has intimated that he hopes to ask the Clergy to agree to the appointment of Commissioners to consider the relations between Church and State, and the question of Reservation and its implications. They are also to be asked to approve such modifications of existing services as have been agreed upon by the Bishops' meetings. The historical importance of the Synod will be somewhat eclipsed by the result it will have upon worship in the Church to-day.

In the meantime the Diocese is being prepared for the Week of Prayer and Self-Denial, which is fixed this year for the week November 18th—25th. The Bishop is sending Messengers to the various Deaneries, and the Clergy of this Deanery are to receive their Message on October 5th. The special object of this Week of Prayer is to fill the Diocese and our Parish as part of the Diocese with the Spirit of Jesus.

I am hoping that quite a number from this Parish will find their way to York House, Twickenham, on October 24th, the Missionary Gift Day, laden with gifts in kind or money for the needs of the Church Overseas. It is unfortunate that the Clergy of the Deanery will not be present till the evening, but perhaps it will be a test of the sincerity and loyalty of the laity not to be shepherded by their Parish Priests.

Because the concert held about this time last year was a success, I am organising another for the 26th of this month. Its excellence will no doubt be enhanced by the valuable help of one of London's leading social entertainers. You will notice that there are only two prices of admission,

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which I believe are not too high for the class of entertainment provided.

It has been suggested that one or two parochial whist drives be held this winter. The first will take place some time in November, and we hope to have the Boys' School full to overflowing. Full particulars will be given in November's Magazine.

The proceeds of these last two events will be given to parochial funds. We cannot afford to abate our efforts to raise money in this way and by personal subscription. Our deficit at the bank at the last finance meeting was over £8, and unless further subscriptions are forthcoming at once it will be considerably larger next month.

The Fête proved a great financial success. The balance was eighteen or nineteen pounds more than last year. The receipts from side-shows, however, show a falling off, and we hope that our Side-show Committee will put forth much effort of imagination to create new attractions for next year.

I remain,

Your faithful friend and Vicar,

FREDK. P. P. HARVEY.

INTERCESSIONS.

At 7.30 a.m.—Holy Communion

Mondays: Sunday Schools, Day Schools.

Tuesdays: District Visiting, Mothers' Union, Voluntary Workers in the Church, Cleaners, &c.

Wednesdays: Choir and Services, Parochial Church Council.

Thursdays: Temperance Work, Band of Hope, Crusaders and Adult Branch, C.E.T.S.

Fridays: Church Missions, Home & Over-seas

Saturdays: Church Lads' Brigade, Girl Guides, Girls' Friendly Society.

We are grateful to our Advertisers for their support of our Magazine, and confidently hope our readers will support them.

IMPORTANT.—Will all those who are responsible for Church Work please send in a full report by the 20th of each month, by so doing it will not only be of great use to our readers, but greatly forward the work of the Church. Applications for Advertisements in the Magazine should be made to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. A. SIMMONS, 7, Oxford Road, Teddington.

Parish Wants.

1. A Parish Hall.
2. A Bier for use in Church at Funerals, approximate cost about £30.
3. A Piano for the Infants' School.
4. A Flag and Staff for Church Tower.

The Vicar may be seen at the Vicarage on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, between the hours of 8.45 and 10 a.m. And on any day, except Mondays, between the hours of 6 and 7 p.m.

CHURCHYARD.—Contributions towards keeping the Churchyard and the graves tidy will be welcomed, and may be sent to Mr. C. H. Evans (Churchwarden), Roseneath, Edward road, Hampton Hill.

Parish News.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.—For boys in the Boys' School and for girls in the Girls' School at 10 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. For infants in the Church Room at 10.30 in the morning and in the Infants' School at 2.30 in the afternoon.

BIBLE CLASS.—A Class for girls over fourteen years of age meets in the Girls' School on Sundays at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. A Class for lads over fourteen years of age will be held in the Boys' School at 10 a.m. and in the Church Room at 4 p.m. on Sundays.

LADS' CLUB.—The Club is open on Wednesdays from 7 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. for lads over fourteen years of age. Members' subscription is from a penny a week. Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. Creane, School Road.

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MOTHERS' MEETING.—This Meeting is held on Thursdays in the Church Room, at 2.30 p.m.

MOTHERS' UNION.—The Monthly Meeting will be held in the Church Room on Wednesday, October 3rd, at 2.30 p.m. October 17th is fixed for the Quarterly Day. On that day there will be a Corporate Communion at 10 a.m. and a Service with an address at 3.30 p.m. After service, tea will be provided in the Church Room.

TEACHERS' PREPARATION CLASSES will be held in the Vestry on Fridays October 5th, 12th and 19th, at 8 p.m.

SAINTS' DAYS.—October 18th, St. Luke's Day, Holy Communion 7.30 a.m. and 12. Intercessions for Medical Missions. October 28th, St. Simon and St. Jude's Day, usual Sunday services.

COMMUNICANTS' GUILD.—The Monthly Service and Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 17th, at 8 p.m.

MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.—A very interesting lecture on China was given by Mr. Britland last month. The Church Room was fairly well filled, and thirty-five shillings was collected towards the general fund of the S.P.G.

A general meeting of the Association was held on September 14th. It was decided to hold the monthly meetings on the Fridays before the second Sundays in the month. The book to be read and discussed at the monthly meetings is "Our Church's Youngest Daughter," by Bishop Chatterton. The price is one shilling, and Miss Jakeman will be glad to obtain copies.

The monthly Meeting will be held in the Vestry on Friday, October 12th, at 8 p.m.

The monthly Intercessions will be offered after Evensong on Sunday, October 14th.

The provisional date for the Annual Sale of Work is November 14th. For that sale, gifts of needlework, cakes, jam, sweets, pictures, etc., will be gratefully welcomed.

Don't forget the Missionary Gift Day in York House, Twickenham, on Wednesday, October 24th, from 3 to 9.30 p.m. The ideal thing is to visit York House between these hours and to take some gift with which to help fill the three empty stalls. If, however, attendance is impossible, Miss Jakeman will gladly receive your gifts at any time. A full list of things that are wanted will be found in the Church porch. Further details will be announced in Church.

How MUCH DO YOU KNOW?—For the next few months, instead of a series of questions, brief articles on some of the Saints of the Church will appear in the Magazine.

WORKING PARTY.—The meetings for this month are October 12th and 26th.

ST. JAMES' GARDEN FÊTE.—The following is the balance sheet:—

	RECEIPTS.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
From Stalls—				
Needlework (Working Party)...	10	6	0	
Toys	3	0	0	
Pottery	6	5	4	
Grocery (Pound)	6	7	4	
Fruit	10	5	0	
Japanese	3	9	8	
				39 13 4
Sweets	7	19	6	
Ice Cream	6	3	4	
Refreshments	29	8	5	
				43 11 3
Side Shows	28	11	6	
Less Expenses	3	14	3	
				24 17 3
Name Cards (12 completed)	9	0	0	
Sea Scouts' Exhibition	1	0	8	
Collections at Entertainments	1	1	3	
Subscription for 8 Lamps	11	8	0	
				22 9 11
Sale of Tickets	5	9	3	
Paid at Gate	9	11	9	
				15 1 0
Sale of Programmes	1	0	9	
Programme Advertisements	2	15	0	
				3 15 9
Donations				13 15 0
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	EXPENSES.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Band	8	10	0	
Refreshments for Band	0	9	6	
				8 19 6
Printing Posters, Tickets, etc.	4	2	6	
Printing Name Cards	1	5	0	
Sundries	0	12	6	
				6 0 0
Electric Wire, etc.				1 4 11
Hire of Tables and Chairs				3 9 0
Police Constable				0 17 0
Balance—				
To Missionary Societies, three-quarters of Needlework Stall	2	4	0	
To Nurse Fund	10	0	0	
To P.C.C. Account	130	9	1	
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CONCERT.—A Grand Evening Concert is being arranged for Friday, October 26th, in the Boys' School, at 8 p.m. Amongst the artists already secured is Mr. SELWYN DRIVER, one of the leading society entertainers in London. He has appeared before royalty on several occasions, and has toured many parts of the world with Harry Lauder. The prices will be half-a-crown and eighteen-pence and proceeds will be given to Parochial Funds.

THANKS.—We are grateful to Miss Hanson, of St. Mary's College, for presenting us with a piano and a flag-staff.

S. REMIGIUS, APOSTLE OF THE FRENCH.

S. Remigius, more popularly known as S. Remi, Apostle of the French, is commemorated in our Prayer Book Calendar under October 1st.

Born in the year 437, of Christian parents, near the city of Rheims, he lived throughout the dark days of the Frankish invasion of Gaul, and survived to see the barbarian devastator brought within the fold of the Church. S. Remi's youthful prayer was for the conversion of the heathen Franks, and at the age of twenty-one he withdrew to a hermitage in the woods to prepare himself for what he realised must be his life's work.

But in the year of 459, at the extraordinary age of twenty-two, his saintliness marked him out for succession to the Bishopric of Rheims, and, as often happened in those rough days, he was consecrated amid popular clamour and against his own will. Tall and graceful in appearance, he made an admirable bishop, but for many years to come no opportunity presented itself for the evangelisation of the heathen invader. Then the young ruffian-king Clovis fell in love with a Christian girl, Clotilda, whom S. Remi advised to marry the fierce monarch that she might persuade him to be baptised. But no success appeared to crown the Bishop's efforts, for although Clovis permitted him to baptise his infant son, he broke forth into loud invective against the Christian God when the child died, alleging that had he been dedicated to his own gods instead he would have lived to become a hero.

Eventually however, in 495 the Franks and the Germans met in battle at Tolbiac, when in the midst of the engagement defeat threatened Clovis in the rout of his infantry, and in despair he cried, "O Christ, Who art according to Clotilda the Son

of God, help me and I will serve Thee." The tide of battle turned, and, in fulfilment of his vow, Clovis sought instruction for baptism at the hands of S. Remi and eventually led his warriors to the font in Rheims Cathedral.

The story is recorded how, in the course of his preparation for baptism, S. Remi was narrating to Clovis and his warriors the story of Christ's sufferings at the hands of Herod's soldiers, when the king, springing to his feet and waving his battle-axe above his head, exclaimed, "O that I had been there with my Franks," meaning, of course, that Christ should have suffered no such shame.

On his baptism, S. Remi's memorable advice to Clovis was "Worship what you have burned, burn what you have worshipped." The king's coat of arms consisted of three frogs (which in Christian symbolism represented impurity and ugliness), but this S. Remi exchanged for three lilies (the symbol of purity and beauty). The lilies ever after remained part of the arms of the kings of France, and may be seen quartered with those of England on the velvet surcoat of the Black Prince above his tomb in Canterbury Cathedral.

S. Remi continued his work for another thirty-four years until, when he died in 530, his boyish prayer had been fulfilled and the kingdom of the Franks had become evangelised.

BAPTISMS.

"Made a Member of Christ."

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| September | 8th—Derek Arthur Bourchier. |
| " | 9th—Muriel Dorothy May Rivers. |
| " | 9th—Ronald Peeling. |
| " | 9th—Joan Mary Shaw. |
| " | 9th—Lucy Gwendoline Todman. |
| " | 23rd—Joan Margaret Brown. |
| " | 23rd—Marie Elizabeth Brown. |

MARRIAGES.

"Those whom God hath joined together."

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| August | 29th—Harold Edgar Henry Colbourne and Lily Louise Lacey. |
| Sept. | 1st—Arthur Reginald Challoner and Violet Vivien Bethia Shepherd. |
| " | 5th—William John Hutton and Ivy Ellen Godwin. |
| " | 15th—Douglas Edwin Western and Grace Mary Shepherd. |

BURIALS.

"I am the Resurrection and the Life."

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| August | 29th—Caroline Emma Handcock, aged 92 years. |
| Sept. | 12th—George Hugh Stutchbury, aged 43 years. |
| " | 18th—Thornton Coe, aged 84 years. |
| " | 25th—Stanley Maskell, aged 4 years. |