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THE VICARAGE,

HAMPTON HILL,

February 1st, 1929.

MY DEAR PEOPLE,

The Christmas round of festival and feast has passed for another year, and we, as it were, pause to take a breath before entering the Lenten season of fast and penitence.

Thinking over the various parochial treats, the number of kind friends who make it possible to give our children such enjoyable times comes to mind, and I feel how great a debt of gratitude I owe them. I can assure them that the young people, whether choir boys, members of the Band of Hope, or Sunday School scholars, thoroughly enjoyed every moment of their particular entertainment.

Most of you have read the account of the Parochial Church Meeting in the local paper. There are, however, one or two comments I should like to make. It did not seem to me to be a satisfactory meeting in point of numbers. Out of 271 notices sent round to the electors on the Electoral Roll only some 40 took the trouble to turn up. Allowing for the bad weather and the prevailing influenza colds of the time, there would still seem to be a lack of interest in the affairs of the Church. From the Balance Sheet of the Church Accounts we see that but for two heavy items of expenditure—on the lighting and the Churchyard extension—our income guaranteed a full-time Curate and the payment of our quota of obligation to the London Diocesan Fund. With an increase of support from many whose names are missing from the list of subscribers given in last month's issue of the Magazine, all financial anxiety would be lifted from the shoulders of the Parochial Church Council, and the Parish would be adequately staffed.

At the Parochial Church Council Meeting, which preceded the Parochial Church Meeting, an important and historic document was signed—the Deed conveying the sites of the old schools to the Parochial Church Council. We are greatly indebted to the generosity of the relatives of the late Rev. F. W. FitzWygram, and we can assure them that their kindness is much appreciated by all concerned. Our best thanks are due, also, to Mr. King-Stephens who very kindly undertook all the legal matters in connection with the conveyance.

And now the question is being asked, What are we going to do with the buildings? That is a matter for the new Parochial Church Council to decide, but I hope that the old Boys' School building will be turned into a Parish Hall worthy of the Parish. I believe it is possible to do this for a sum not exceeding nine hundred pounds, and I further believe that once we have the hall we should not be long in paying off any capital sum we may have to borrow, together with the interest. With regard to the Girls' and Infants' buildings, it is proposed to keep them as they are for the holding of Sunday School, Clubs, etc., letting a sufficient portion of it to bring in funds towards the maintenance and upkeep. However, we have something for all to take a keen interest in and upon which to concentrate a special effort just now.

There are one or two needs which I hope will be soon satisfied. I badly want three or four more Sunday School teachers, someone to take a Lads' Bible Class, and two or three ladies to run a Girls' Club. With so many young girls coming here from a distance for domestic service, the need of a club is badly felt. I am constantly being asked by mistresses whether we have such a place for their maids to go to.

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The arrangements for Lent will be found under the Parish News. I commend the list of extra services to your notice, and hope you will all endeavour to make use of them.

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.

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.

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

Parish Wants.

1. A Parish Hall.
2. A Bier for use in Church at Funerals, approximate cost about £30.
3. Two Urns.

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.

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.

MOTHERS' UNION.—The Monthly Meeting will be held in the Church Room on Wednesday, February 6th, at 2.30 p.m.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS' PREPARATION CLASS will be held in the Vestry on Fridays in the month at 8 p.m.

COMMUNICANTS' GUILD.—It is hoped that the members of the Guild will be present at the Lenten Wednesday evening service on Wednesday, February 20th, and will adjourn to the Vestry after the service for the usual meeting.

MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.—A Lantern Lecture dealing with the work of the South American Missionary Society on the West Coast of South America, will be given by the Rev. C. G. Shaw, on Tuesday, February 26th, in the old Boys' School, at 8 p.m. A collection will be taken for

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the Society. The Monthly Intercession Service will be held after Matins on Sunday, February 10th.

WORKING PARTY.—The Vicarage Working Party will meet at the Vicarage on Fridays, February 1st and 15th, at 2.30 p.m.

SAINTS' DAYS.—February 2nd, The Purification B.V.M., Holy Communion 7.30 a.m.; February 25th (transferred from Feb. 24th), St. Matthias, Holy Communion 7.30 a.m.

MISSIONS TO SEAMEN.—The preacher on Sunday, February 24th, at 11 a.m., will be the Rev. F. H. Somerville, Metropolitan Organising Secretary to the Missions to Seamen, and a retiring collection will be given to the Society.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR LENT.

ASH WEDNESDAY (February 13th).—Holy Communion, 7 a.m., 8 a.m. and 12: Matins, Litany and Communion Service, 10.30 a.m.; Evensong and Address, 8 p.m. The collections at the 12 o'clock Celebration and at Evensong will be given to the Colonial and Continental Church Society.

WEDNESDAYS, at 8 p.m. (beginning February 20th).—A Service and Address, conducted by the Rev. W. F. Grace, Assistant Priest of St. Michael and St. George, Fulwell.

THURSDAYS, at 3.15 (beginning February 14th). A Service and Address, conducted by the Rev. W. P. Cole Sheane, Vicar of Twickenham and Rural Dean. The collections will be for the Rescue and Preventive Society.

FRIDAYS.—Short readings on the Book of Esther will be given at the 5.30 Evensongs.

SUNDAY EVENINGS.—The Preachers on Sunday evenings during Lent are as follows:—

Feb. 17th	...	The Rev. E. E. Charles.
" 24th	...	The Rev. F. M. Tappley.
March 3rd	...	The Rev. T. K. Lowdell.

" 10th	...	The Rev. H. M. Sanders.
" 17th	...	The Rev. H. F. Gaster.
" 24th	...	The Rev. S. S. Rogers.

CHOIR BOYS' TREAT.—The boys thoroughly enjoyed their outing to the Circus and Fair at Olympia. The Vicar wishes to thank the following for their kind donations:—

Mr. Bailey, Mrs. Burton, Mrs. Douty, Miss Foreman, Mr. Vine Griffiths, Miss Griffiths, Miss Hews, Mr. Jakeman, Mrs. Kingsford, Mr. King-Stephens, Miss Lasenby, Mrs. Lush, Mrs. Macartney, Miss Makepeace, Miss Marshall, the Rev. D. Moore, Mr. Simmons, Mrs. Swain, Mr. and Mrs. Tozer, Mr. Webb and Anon.

BAND OF HOPE TREAT.—The members of the Band of Hope had their Annual Tea and Christmas Tree on the 12th of January. Mr. Ackard again very kindly presented the tree and some of the decorations. Mr. Prewett kindly gave the milk, and an anonymous donor gave the oranges. Amongst others to whom thanks are due are Mr. F. Singleton, Mr. L. Singleton and Mr. Clark. The children having been regaled with a sumptuous tea, betook themselves to games after tea for an hour. At seven o'clock the happy youngsters settled themselves around the tree, and each received a present. At the conclusion, cheers were given for all who had helped to give such a jolly evening to the children, and as they left they were given a bun and an orange.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TREAT AND PRIZEGIVING.—This annual event was held on the last Saturday in January. About 140 children sat down to an excellent tea. After tea the prizes were distributed by Mrs. Creane. The Vicar, in welcoming Mrs. Creane, said that for some things he was glad no scholar had obtained full marks as it was a sign that the teachers were requiring a much higher standard of proficiency. He thanked the teachers for their excellent work during the year.

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The Daines Memorial Prize for the boy obtaining highest marks for the year was won by Reggie Singleton with 484 marks out of a possible 490; his brother Leslie ran him closely with 483 marks and so secured the special prize for the runner-up presented by Mr. Lewin Singleton, the Boys' Superintendent. The Vicar remarked that it was a pity there were not some such prizes for the girls, especially as two had beaten even the top boy; and, before the prizes had all been distributed, Mr. Durrant very kindly offered a prize for highest marks, and Mrs. Creane kindly offered a prize for the runner-up. After the prizes had been distributed, the children were entertained for an hour by a conjurer. Cheers for teachers and others and the National Anthem brought a very happy evening to a conclusion. The Vicar wishes to thank many kind friends for their help in providing the tea, amongst whom are the teachers and their friends, Mr. E. Singleton, Mr. L. Rivers, Mr. Johnson, Mrs. Weedon, Mrs. Clarke, Messrs. Prewett, Messrs. Job, and Messrs. Edward and James. The following were the winners of prizes and certificates:—

Girls.—Prizes: Rose Jordan, Violet Muggeridge, Molly Wells, Jessie Butt, Violet Walters, Kathleen Davidge, Ivy Hurst, Edith Newcombe, Nora Percy, Dorothy Shepherd, Connie Chapman, Molly Higgins, Lily West, Joan Chaney, Gladys Wooding, Ada Brook, Ethel Collop, Winnie Byford, Beatrice Newcombe, Faith Tyler, Stella Wallace, Betty Carpenter, Mary Darling, Joan Wheatley, Violet Douty, Vera Green. Certificates: Nora Dennison, Beatrice Hayden, Joan Wells, Phyllis Bennett, Doris Higgins, Daphne Ward, Lily Hayden, Violet Smith.

Boys.—Prizes: Kenneth Geale, John Singleton, Albert Biggs, Fred Symes, Horace Harbottle, Leslie Singleton, George Rawson, Vivien Mayling, Fred Stride, Ernest Humphrey, Leslie Jordan, Peter Fletcher, Dick Everard, Reggie Singleton, Frank Heather, John Brown, Fred Hills, Roy Mayling, Jack Boulter, Ronald Jarvis. Certificates: John Soper, Kenneth Eaton, Geoffrey Wilcox, Edward Everart, Stanley Lewington, Reggie Reynolds, Percy Green, Charles New, Bernard Townsend, Alfred Watford.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING.—There was a very poor attendance at the Parochial Church Meeting—some 270 notices were sent out and only forty attended. The usual routine of business was undertaken. The Church Accounts showed a balance in hand of about £9, which was considered quite satisfactory. The following were elected to serve on the Parochial Church Council for the ensuing year: Messrs. Alford, Barrett, Cox, Looker, Lovell, Simmons Junr., E. Singleton and Webb. Mesdames Barrett, Burton, Carpenter, Cox, Foreman, Grange, Hews, Jakeman, Harvey, King-Stephens, Lush and Douty.

CORRECTIONS TO JANUARY ISSUE OF THE MAGAZINE.—Missionary Sale: The total receipts were as stated £48 os. 9d., but the expenses amounted to £1 7s., not £1 5s., and the sum forwarded to each of the three Societies was £15 11s. 3d., and not £15 11s. 11d.

List of Subscribers to Church Funds: The Churchwardens regret that in the list of subscribers to the General Fund Mrs. Fletcher's name was wrongly spelt, and that three names were omitted, viz., Mrs. Douty, Mrs. Smythe and Miss Swaine. The subscribers to the Assistant Clergy Fund (not given in the last Magazine) were Miss Griffiths, Mrs. Hetherington and Mrs. Highmore.

BAPTISMS.

"Made a Member of Christ."

January 13th—Peter Lee.

„ 13th—Allan John Probyn.

„ 15th—Olive Brown.

BURIALS.

"I am the Resurrection and the Life."

December 28th—Mary Anne Watts, aged 69 years.

„ 29th—Harriet Nichols, aged 72 years.

„ 31st—Emma Dorrell, aged 80 years.

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January 4th—Caroline Twogood, aged 68 years.

„ 11th—Caroline Amelia Hornsen, aged 75 years.

„ 19th—Donald McKenzie Robertson, aged 9 years.

„ 19th—John Basey, aged 2 weeks.