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PAROCHIAL NOTES.

Sunday School.

10 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. Boys in Parish Hall. Superintendent—Mr. Lovell. Girls in Club Room. Superintendent—Miss M. Harvey. Infants in Church Room at 10.30 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. Superintendent—Miss Watts.

Bible Class.

For Girls on Sundays in the Club Room at 3 p.m.

Band of Hope.

In the Club Room on Mondays at 6.15 p.m. Hon. Sec.—Mrs. Grange.

Lads' Club.

In Club Rooms, School Road, Mondays and Fridays, 7 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. Hon. Sec.—Mr. Creane.

Parochial Church Officer.

Mr. R. H. Alford, "Sarum," Uxbridge Road.

Missionary Association.

Meetings as announced. Hon. Sec.—Miss Jakeman.

Mothers' Union.

Monthly Meetings, First Wednesday in each month in the Club Room, 2.30 p.m., and Quarterly Meetings. Enrolling Member—Mrs. Harvey.

Vicar's Letter.

My DEAR PEOPLE,

How time does rush along ! This year there will be little space for breathing between the round of Christmas Festival and feasting and the disciplinary season of Lent. Just when I wanted to be busy preparing the services and preachers for Lent I have been confined to my room with a temperature for a whole week. However, I am just up for a while and am spending the time addressing these few lines to you. I hope in due course to be able to arrange a programme of Lenten Services at convenient times for all and which will be of spiritual help to all. There

St. James's Young People's Social Guild.

Tuesdays in the Club Room from 8 to 10.30 p.m. Open to Communicants and intending Confirmees between the ages of 16 and 30 years. Hon. Sec.—Mr. E. Gubbins, 36, Links View Road.

Mothers' Meeting.

Thursdays in the Club Room, 2.30 p.m. Superintendent—Miss Butler.

Girl Guides.

Fridays in the Club Room, 7—9 p.m. Captain—Miss R. Le Blanc.

Brownies.

Thursdays in Club Room, 5.30—7 p.m. Acting Brown Owl—Miss M. Winter.

Sea Scouts.

Wednesdays in Church Room, 7.30 p.m. Group Scout Master—Mr. Ealden.

Cub Pack.

Wednesdays in Church Room, 5.45 p.m. Cub Master—Miss Newman.

The Vicar may be seen at the Vicarage on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, between 8.45 and 9.45 a.m.; and generally on any day except Tuesday, between 6 and 7 p.m.

Sickness.

The Vicar will be grateful if cases of sickness are reported to him at once.

Help a Vicar to keep his Churchyard.

Contributions towards the up-keep of the Churchyard will be gratefully received by Mr. & C. H. Evans, Roseneath, Edward Rd., Hampton Hill.

Time to live and let live has disappeared and it is perhaps more need than ever for a particularly strict keeping of the Lenten Fast especially by those, who for a better word, are called the Faithful. Religion is exercising the minds of many to-day and much is written about the Christian Church not only here but in other countries. The Church is the generator of that wonderful Christian atmosphere in which a vast number of people live and thrive, partaking of all the Beneficence which Christianity gives out to them, but doing little to continue the generation of that atmosphere of Christian Religion in which only is it possible for such good things to be given to mankind. It is to the faithful few that we have to look to fill up in the generator that

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breath of Christianity in which all live and move and have their being. And the approaching solemn Fast of forty days seems to be provided as a time of filling up the store of spirituality in the Church by and through those who so order their lives during the six weeks of Lent as to be able to join in the extra number of devotional services. I bid you all prepare for a beneficial keeping of this solemn season.

We have had our Annual Parochial Church Meeting and have elected our Lay Representatives to the Ruri-Decanal Conference and the Parochial Church Council. That means that we have started another chapter in the history of our Parish and Church. Although we finished the last chapter on a note of congratulation and satisfaction, we must bear in mind that if the same note is to recur at the end of the next chapter, which is I believe chapter 71 according to the number of years the Church has been consecrated, we must continue to exert even more energy in the spiritual, social and economical departments of Church life. I know you will all do your best when I ask from you just two things; a greater regularity in your Churchgoing and a larger number of subscribers to the Assessment Scheme.

I remain,

Your faithful friend and Vicar,

FREDK. P. P. HARVEY.

Days of Special Remembrance.

February 2nd—Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Holy Communion, 7.30 a.m. February 24th—St. Matthias; Holy Communion, 7.30 a.m.

Ash Wednesday and Lent.

February 14th—ASH WEDNESDAY, Holy Communion, 7.30 a.m. and 11 a.m., Matins, Litany and Commination Service, 10.15 a.m. Evensong and Address, 8 p.m.

On Thursdays during Lent there will be a Service and Address at 3.15 p.m. The first of these Services will be on February 15th.

On Wednesdays in Lent there will be a Service and Address at 8 p.m.

The Conductors of these Services will be announced later.

The Vicar is arranging a list of Special Preachers for the Sunday Evenings in Lent. The Rev. W. P. Cole-Sheane will preach on the 1st Sunday, February 18th, and the Rev. C. Millington will be the preacher on the 2nd Sunday, February 25th.

The Rev. E. E. Charles will preach on behalf of the Moral Welfare Work in the Hampton Deanery on Sunday, March 4th, at 11 a.m.

The collections at the Thursday afternoon Services will be given to the Moral Welfare Work of the Hampton Deanery.

Lent Savings Boxes for the Work of the Police Court Mission (C.E.T.S.) may be obtained from the Vicar, Mr. Lovell and the Verger.

Acknowledgments.

The Treasurers are grateful for the following donations:—General Fund, D. E. Norton, Esq., £10 and Madame Mottu, 10/- . Talent Fund, a pound each from Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. A. Cox, and £1 7s. 6d. per the Vicar.

Missionary Association.

The current issues of the quarterly magazines of the Indian Church Aid Association and of the Oxford Mission to Calcutta are both exceedingly interesting. They can be borrowed, free of charge, from the Tract Case in the Baptistry.

A book suggested for Lent reading is "Let the People Praise Thee" by the Rev. R. L. Whytehead, published by S.P.G. at 1/-, by post 1/2d. The Secretary will be pleased to supply copies if names are given to her as soon as possible.

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Mothers' Union.

The mothers had a very jolly afternoon on the first Wednesday in the New Year. For an hour before tea they were entertained and entertained themselves with the best known of the community songs. In passing—what a number of such books and sheets there must be! Of the four or five different books with or without music and sheets of words only, all differed in the numbering of the songs or in the words, but this only added to the fun—it does sound funny, to hear various people putting varied words to what all believed to be such a song as "Home Sweet Home" for example. A very appetising tea was served at four o'clock to which fair justice was done and after tea two exciting games were played, each one a competition which carried with it a prize for the winner. The meeting broke up at six o'clock after a hearty vote of thanks had been accorded to Mrs. Harvey for an enjoyable time.

The Monthly Meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 7th, at 2.30 p.m. Mrs. Fry is coming to speak to the members and Mrs. Harvey hopes a number will be able to be present.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting was held in the Parish Hall, on Thursday, January 18th. The Vicar presided and there were less than a sixth of the number on the Electoral Roll present. The proceedings opened with prayer. The Vicar referred to the death of Mr. Creane, the devoted Secretary of the Lads' Club, who had during the last few years brought at least two bright evenings a week into the lives of hundreds of lads in the Parish. He said that Mr. Creane would be much missed and that he was sure Mrs. Creane had the sympathy of all present. The meeting stood in silence. The Vicar also announced the unavoidable absence of several people owing to indisposi-

tion. After the Minutes of the last Meeting had been read, the Parochial Church Officer read a Report of the doings of the Parochial Church Council for the Year 1933. Five Meetings had been held and amongst the activities undertaken by the Council were a Whist Drive and the Summer Fête.

Mr. Evans presented the Statement of Accounts for 1933. He pointed out with regard to collections that they were between thirty and forty pounds more than in 1932. The Christmas collections were nearly as much as the record year of 1926. Once more the Church had paid its Quota of Obligation to the London Diocesan Fund, viz., £72 10s. od.

With regard to the Parochial Church Council Account Mr. Evans drew the attention of the gathering to a drop of about thirty pounds in the Assessments and said he hoped this would be more than made up this year by new subscribers. He pointed out savings in many items of expenditure and mentioned that the small deficit would have been a slightly increased balance if the whole of the money which it was hoped the Talent Fund would bring in had been collected before the end of December.

In the unavoidable absence, through illness, of Mr. Jakeman, Mr. Evans presented the Parish Hall Account which was in a very satisfactory condition. During the year from the Fête and from the letting of the Hall a sum of two hundred pounds had been paid off the debt leaving only a balance of £150 due to the private loan. The Committee hoped to be able to pay £50 more of this off at their next meeting.

The Magazine Account and the Charities Accounts were also presented and all showed very satisfactory balances. Miss Jakeman and Mr. Girling were heartily thanked for their work in

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connection with the Parish Magazine. To Mr. Evans, Mr. Jakeman and the kind Auditors of the various Accounts hearty votes of thanks were also accorded.

A report on the fabric, goods etc., of the Church was given by Mr. Evans. He pointed out that some work would have to be done on the Church Tower in the near future, as well as repairs to the Church wall and a certain amount of painting.

After the reports the meeting proceeded to the Election of lay representatives to the Ruri-decanal Conference and the Parochial Church Council. The following Lady and Gentlemen were elected to the R.D. Conference:—Miss Jakeman and Messrs. Ardley, Cox, Girling and Lovell. The Ladies and Gentlemen on the Parochial Church Council for 1934 are as follows:—Mrs. Carpenter, Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Creasy, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Franks, Mrs. Grange, Mrs. Harvey, Miss M. Harvey, Miss Hews, Miss Jakeman, Mrs. Spears and Mrs. Wheatley and Messrs. Alford, Ardley, Child, Cox, Creasy, Garrett, Girling, Jakeman, Lovell, Sargeant, L. Singleton, Tandy. The appointment of twelve men to serve as Sidesmen for the year concluded the Elections.

The Vicar in his remarks said that he thought the Church affairs were in a satisfactory condition. He thanked all who had in any way worked for the Parish, the Church and its Services during the past twelve months.

At the end of the business the Vicar closed the meeting with the Benediction.

Christmas Treats.

The Vicar wishes to thank the following subscribers to the Christmas Treats' Fund, but for whose generosity none of these good things would have been possible:—Mr. Ardley, Mr. and Mrs. Ashworth, Mr. Bradfield, Mrs. Burton, Miss

Chamberlain, The Misses Chegwidden, Miss Clayton, Mr. and Mrs. Cox, Miss Foreman, Mr. and Mrs. Franks, Miss Hawes, Mrs. and Miss Heap, Miss Hews, Mrs. Kingsford, Miss Lasenby, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Morse, Mr. Simmons, Mr. E. J. Smith, Lady Stanton, Mrs. and Miss Storey, Mrs. and Miss Swain and Mrs. Tandy.

Waifs' and Strays' Society.

ST. JAMES'S HAMPTON HILL BRANCH OF THE CHILDREN'S UNION.

During 1933 the Children raised by a Lantern Lecture, Purses and Boxes the sum of £12 8s. 6d. They also sent a box of toys, two boxes of silver paper and a box of Woollies to Headquarters. Mrs. Grange wishes to thank all who have helped in this good work.

E. R. GRANGE, Hon. Branch Sec.

BAPTISMS.

"Made a Member of Christ."

Dec. 24—Donald Arthur Tagg,
Jan. 14—Gerald James Todman.
,, 14—Jasmin Mary Raven.

MARRIAGES.

"Whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

Nov. 25—Walter Bancroft and Nora Palmer Hart.
Dec. 24—Horace Bowman and Betty Elsie Muriel Cambridge.
Dec. 26—George William Rivers and Mary Jane Elizabeth Whiteway.
Dec. 26—William Thomas Earl and Dorothy Elizabeth Whiteway.

BURIALS.

"I am the Resurrection and the Life."

Jan. 3—Dorothy Madeline Macartney, aged 44 years.
,, 3—Lois Trimby, aged 77 years.
,, 5—Sarah Edith Fry, aged 79 years.
,, 10—Jane Ware, aged 69 years.
,, 20—Henry James Creane, aged 65 years.
,, 23—Lily James Barnes, aged 66 years.