

HAMPTON HILL PARISH MAGAZINE.

PAROCHIAL NOTES.

Sunday School.

10 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. Boys in Parish Hall, Superintendent—Mr. Lowell. 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.

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, 7.15 p.m. to 9.45 p.m. Hon. Sec.—Mr. A. T. Basey.

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, 3 p.m., and Quarterly Meetings. Enrolling Member—Mrs. Harvey.

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 S. Harvey.

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, Wednesdays and Saturdays, between 8.45 and 9.45 a.m.; and generally on any day except Monday, between 6 and 7 p.m.

Sickness.

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

Churchyard.

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

Vicar's Letter.

MY DEAR PEOPLE,

The year 1935 seems to be opening on a more hopeful note than its predecessor. From all accounts there are some signs of a return to prosperity. This is cheering and will certainly revive the spirits of those who have long been without regular employment. But any amount of prosperity will be of small avail unless the "big thing" upon which alone this improvement can be maintained becomes more than a desire. Real peace among nations is essential to any lasting forward prosperous movement. I believe that among the vast majority of individuals there is a great longing for the establishment of peace and goodwill among all peoples and I further believe that if we all willed to have peace we should quickly overcome all that tends to make for war and strife. In wishing you all a very happy new year I ask you to have the will to pray and work for peace. Live peaceably with all men, avoid all bitterness and anger and clamour which is the outcome of personal envy, jealousy and hatred. It may need a good deal of self-control but you will find in the end that it will be worth it. I should

like to see the "Press" devote its energies upon a peace-campaign, avoiding any reference to such matters as "the next war" and reference to such relationships between nations which tend to give the idea of an unfriendly spirit. I should also like to see a far greater interest taken by our young people in the affairs of the country. We have nursery departments belonging to all political parties, but I notice that in some of these nurseries there is far too much play. These young people must be educated and for that they should spend more time in the lecture room than in the dance hall. How few in comparison you find amongst an audience at a "League of Nations" meeting and yet that is our one great anchor of hope, and of course, we church people must see to it that the Church not only sets an example but endeavours to lead the people into the way of peace. There is certainly a more charitable spirit amongst the various schools of thought in the Church just now and I believe as time goes on we shall hear less about our unhappy divisions. It was rather distressing to read of an exalted cleric giving vent to his personal feelings in a prominent manner during the time a great congregation were met to pay homage to the Prince of Peace. There are other

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ways of protesting against what one does not personally like without hurting the feelings of other people and incidently bringing more light to shine upon himself. We do look to these learned divines to give a better lead in paths of peace. However, whatever others may do let us all work to bring about a greater spirit of love and brotherhood among ourselves.

Our Diocesan House is making a new venture this year. We are to have a Diocesan Chronicle with the object of stirring up greater interest in the parishes about the work of the Diocese as a whole. The subscription rate is one shilling a year per copy, post free and I shall be glad to order copies for all who send me their names and address and their subscription.

And just one word with regard to our own parish. There is need for parishioners to take a greater interest in the affairs of their Church. Please begin by turning up in force at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on Thursday, January 24th at 8.15 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Then follow that up by actively participating in the services and meetings during the year and not only in the spiritual side but in the social gatherings which take place month by month. Let us all work together for the well-being of our parish.

The Christmas Festival passed off very happily. The Services were well attended and the Choir rendered their part in a gratifying manner. I am grateful to those who sent flowers and evergreens for the decoration of the Church and to all the decorators.

We shall be turning our attention during the month to the various Treats in connection with the Choir, Sunday School and Band of Hope. Help in kind and money will be gratefully received.

Please send donations and promises of such things as cakes, bread, butter, tea and crackers to me as soon as possible.

I remain,
Your faithful friend and Vicar,
FREDK. F. P. HARVEY.

Days of Special Remembrance.

January 1st, the Circumcision; Holy Communion, 7.30 a.m. and 11 a.m. January 6th, the Epiphany, usual Sunday services.

Missionary Association.

The Missionary Sale on December 5th produced a net profit of £26 18s. 3d., which will be divided between the three societies. This is rather less than we have had for some years but the pouring rain in the afternoon no doubt kept many members of the congregation away, while illness was the cause of the absence of others. We are hoping to arrange a social gathering a little later on in order to dispose of the hundred and thirty "mysteries" left on our hands. Due notice of the date will be given and all our readers are cordially invited to come and relieve Mr. and Mrs. Evans of the burden of warehousing so many parcels. The takings of the various stalls are as follows:—
Mystery Stall £7 5s. 7d., Needlework £6 11s. 7d., M.A. Stall £6 1s. od., C.C.C.S. £2 11s. 3d., Cakes £2 6s. od., Refreshments £1 18s. 6d., Sweets £1 os. 8d., Apples 15s. 2d., Film £1 12s. 2d.

Intercessions for the work of the Church overseas will be said after the third collect at the morning service on Sunday, January 13th.

Acknowledgments.

The Treasurers acknowledge with many thanks £3 12s. 5d. from the Social Committee's Whist Drive for the General Fund; £14 12s. 8d. from

the Self-Denial envelopes for the Quota; 12s. 5d. from Mrs. Tandy for the Parish Hall Debt Fund; £5 for the Sick and Poor Fund per the Vicar.

Christmas Treats.

It is the season for giving the children a really happy time. The Sunday School, the Band of Hope and the Choir boys make up the number to be catered for. The Vicar and all concerned hope that members of the congregation will help to provide the various entertainments for these young people. Gifts in money and promises of gifts in kind should be sent to the Vicar as soon as possible.

St. James's Lads' Club.

A very enjoyable evening was spent at the Parish Hall on November 28th, when our members and friends from neighbouring Clubs were entertained by the showing of an excellent sound film. Thanks to the loyal support of the committee, the whole evening passed off without any "spot of bother." During a short interval light refreshments were handed round, and once again our ladies receive our grateful thanks for carrying out the catering in their usual capable manner.

We were very pleased to have with us three members of the Finance Committee, viz Messrs. Jakeman, Evans and Creasy, and to receive their congratulations and thanks. The Rev. Chappell of St. Mark's, Teddington, and the Rev. Symons of All Saint's, Hampton, were present, and thanked us on behalf of their respective clubs.

A dance in aid of the funds was held at the Parish Hall on Saturday, 17th November. This being well attended, has resulted in our funds receiving a much needed stimulus.

On Monday, 17th December a Social evening is being held in the Club Room to wind up the first half of the season. All members will take part in a whist drive, and prizes will be presented to the

fortunate ones at the close. A further account of this event will appear in next month's notes.

A big effort on behalf of our funds is to be made on Wednesday, 30th January next, when a Concert will be held at the Parish Hall. Entertainment will be provided by a clever juvenile troupe numbering about 40 members, under the direction of Miss Joyce Robinson. They have appeared at various places around London, and many of them were appearing in pantomime at the Grand Theatre Croydon, so they will no doubt come to Hampton Hill very keen to show us their prowess at dancing, sketches, etc. Look out for the display bills and book the date.

A wireless appeal on behalf of the London Federation of Boys Clubs was broadcast on Sunday, 16th December by Cannon H. R. L. Sheppard. This world famous friend needs no introduction, and I hope that his earnest appeal will produce a hearty response. We are members of the London Federation, and although we may count ourselves fortunate not to have to call upon Headquarters for financial assistance, it is distressing to hear such an organisation really begging for help.

In closing, may I wish all members, and all old and new friends of our club a very Happy Christmas, and health and happiness during the New Year.

A. T. BASEY, Hon. Sec.

Social Event.

The Parochial Church Council's Social Committee have arranged a New Year's Party to take place in the parish Hall on Wednesday, January 23rd, at 8 p.m. The price of admission is one shilling each and tickets may be obtained from members of the Parochial Church Council and Messrs. L. Rivers, P. Cowee and F. Nightingale. The Clarendon Dance Band will provide the music for the dancing. Refreshments are included.

Nativity Play.

Some members of the Girls' department of the Sunday School are giving a Nativity Play entitled "The Magic Window," in the Parish Hall on Monday, January 21st at 8 p.m. Prices of admission are 2/-, 1/- and 6d. For further details please look out for bills.

Mothers' Union.

The Monthly Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 2nd. There will be Corporate Communion at 10 a.m. and in the afternoon a service in Church with an address at 3.15 p.m. After service tea will be provided in the Club Room.

The members are to have a New Year's Party in the Parish Hall, on Friday, January 11th.

The St. James's Branch is steadily increasing in numbers, amongst the new members are a fair proportion of young Mothers.

Waifs and Strays Society.

The St. James's Children's Branch has collected £14 15s. od. during 1934 for the Crippled Children's Department of the Waifs and Strays Society. This amount is made up as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
From Lantern Lecture	0	5	0
For purses presented at Annual Meeting ...	4	10	0
Our day for "Pyrford"	0	10	0
Box opening	9	10	0
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	£14	15	0

I do wish to thank all who have helped me this year to send toys and clothes to our young friends.
R. GRANGE, Hon. Sec.

Christmas Party.

The First Hampton Hill Company of Girl Guides entertained the Fourth Battersea Company at a party held in the Club Room on Saturday,

December 22nd. The visitors arrived at half-past three and from then till tea time all played games. At half-past four an excellent tea was provided to which all did ample justice. More games were played until the visitors left for home at seven o'clock. During the evening Miss Fawssett, the District Commissioner, looked in and joined in the games. Miss Thurgood thanked the Hampton Hill Company on behalf of her Company for the exceedingly nice time which they had spent, every moment of which had been thoroughly enjoyed by them all.

In Memoriam.

The death of Mrs. Kestin has taken from our midst a parishioner of long standing. During most of their life in Hampton Hill Mrs. Kestin and her husband took an active interest in all that concerned the parochial life. For fifteen years she was the enrolling member for St. James's Branch of the Mothers' Union and was much loved by all the members. She has left behind a number of friends who will greatly miss her. R.I.P.

BAPTISMS.

"Made a Member of Christ."

- Nov. 25—Joan Flora Newton.
 „ 25—Janet Dorothy Elizabeth Earl.
 Dec. 2—Alfred Gordon Hitchcock.

MARRIAGES.

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

- Nov. 24—John Hamilton Cross and Laura Phyllis Highmore.
 Dec. 22—Harry Garrett and Evelyn Margaret Ackary.

BURIALS.

"I am the Resurrection and the Life."

- Nov. 24—Ronald Stanley Culver, aged 26 years.
 Dec. 4—Florence Leader, aged 57 years.
 „ 4—Alice Elizabeth Butt, aged 65 years.
 „ 14—Richard Smythe, aged 71 years.
 „ 17—Alice Mary Kestin, aged 76 years.
 „ 19—George Britton, aged 53 years.
 „ 21—Ellen Maria Hubbard, aged 77 years.