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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.

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. H. Middleton.

Parochial Church Officer.

Mr. J. Henstridge, 46, Park Road.

Missionary Association.

Meetings as announced. Hon. Sec.—The Rev. H. Christian.

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 Confirmes between the ages of 16 and 30 years. Hon. Sec.—Mr. E. Gubbins, 36, Links View Road.

Mothers' Meeting.

Wednesdays (except the 1st Wednesday) 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 E. Henstridge.

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. A. Child, Brook Villa, Burttons Rd., Hampton Hill

Vicar's Letter.

MY DEAR PEOPLE,

It will not be long now till summer time ends. Many will not be sorry to see the back of summer 1936. It has been disappointing and rather un-summer like. No doubt we all hope for improvement in the summer of 1937. Now just as there is room for improvement in the weather of the next summer, so there is room for improvement in the lives of all of us. At some time or other in our lives, with some of us at frequent periods, the way in which we fail to carry out the purpose for which God placed us in a particular place and at a particular work in this world, must have caused our Father disappointment. But perhaps the thing that has grieved Him most is the way we have persistently neglected our worship of Him. During the summer there seems to be so much more to draw us away from God than at other times in the year. At least it seems so by the way the congregations fall off. Anyway be it summer or no there is room for a very great improvement in the attendance at worship by the vast majority of people who call themselves Christians. At the beginning of autumn let us consider our ways and

try to make a decided improvement in this matter. Our Sundays are not Continental, they are becoming purely pagan. People on the Continent do attend their worship before they partake themselves to their recreations and pleasures. But here God and the claims of God are neglected altogether. If this is not altered then the result will be a ruined national life. There are many who spend the Lord's Day absolutely for their own pleasure whose conscience at the end of the day is smitten by the thought of a mis-spent Sunday. They would be afraid to change their way of spending the day for fear of what their friends would say if they suddenly began to go to worship. Would it not be better to fear God rather than man? He is loving and forgiving and will receive you with a welcome which is greater than any welcome of man because it results in a quiet conscience and peace of mind. If only you would make more of your Sunday worship how much happier you would be and what an improvement in life generally we should see. You may only be an individual, but a little leaven will leaven the whole lump.

During this month there are three things I want to bring to your notice particularly. There

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is first of all our day of thanksgiving for harvest. We generally have our services on the second Sunday in the month and usually you are all kind and send a nice lot of things for decorations, even though you sometimes say it is rather late. I hope to be able to mention the names of the preachers at both services before this letter is printed. If, however, I cannot do this, please look out for the bills. The Finance Committee fear that they will not be able to give the whole of the Harvest Collections away this year because the cleaning of the Church and certain necessary repairs have been rather a drain on our finances. May I just suggest that the occasion will be an excellent one for some who make the Harvest Festival their Red-Letter Day in the year to give liberally towards the upkeep of their Church. There are other days and ways of supporting the hospitals.

The second event I want to impress upon your memory is the Missionary Day at Twickenham. This parish has generally been well represented at this annual gathering and I hope we shall be able to get rid of even more admission programmes than before. I can thoroughly recommend a visit to this meeting. It will do many of us good to see what a number of people in the Deanery are interested in the work that the Church is doing overseas. The programmes will be on sale before this magazine is printed. If you have not already obtained one then ask me and I shall be only too pleased to sell you as many as you want.

On the fourth Sunday in this month we are to have a preacher from overseas to tell the congregations about the work of one of the great Missionary Societies, viz.: The S.P.G. Those who go to Twickenham will be all the more eager to hear the Rev. R. G. Harker of British Columbia

and those who were not fortunate enough to be able to go to Twickenham will certainly be glad of this opportunity of hearing something about the foreign Missionary efforts of the Church.

The other important event is the Harvest Social. These Socials are very popular things and we look forward to quite a large gathering on October 21st. There is no doubt that the programme will be as attractive as it is always, though there may be some new items in it. I hope that all who come will do their best to make the evening a really sociable one. Do not wait to be introduced to your next door neighbour but just get to work and talk to him or her. It is one of the best ways in which we can get to know one another and it may lead to many lasting friendships.

Some amongst the readers of this magazine may be comparatively new to the parish. I may not have called yet and you may be wondering what you can do to take your place in parochial life. Well, presuming that you come to Church, I would ask you to give me your name and address as you go out of Church and to ask the Verger for an Electoral Roll Form. Be sure you fill that Form in and return it to Mr. Hensbridge at 46, Park Road, or to me or to one of the Churchwardens. We shall be revising the Roll not very long hence and it would be a great help if new-comers would help us by enrolling at once.

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

Days of Special Remembrance.

October 11th—Harvest Thanksgiving; Usual Sunday Services. October 18th—St. Luke; Usual Sunday Services. October 25th—Missionary Sunday. October 28th—St. Simon and St. Jude; Holy Communion, 7.30 a.m.

Mothers' Union.

Ill-health has compelled Mrs. Sandford the Hon. Secretary to give up much of the work she has been doing for the St. James's Branch of the Mothers' Union. During the short time she has been connected with the Branch Mrs. Sandford has accomplished great things. It is due to her energy that the Branch has grown and has done much to help the parochial finances. A working party has been started and is in a flourishing condition and in many other ways much has been done to band the members together. The enrolling member and all other members very much regret that Mrs. Sandford is unable to carry on. They are most grateful for all she has done and are glad that she will still continue her membership of the Branch.

Wednesday, October 7th will be observed as a Quarterly Day. There will be Corporate Communion at 10.30 a.m. and at 3.15 there will be a service in Church when the Vicar will give the address. After the service tea will be provided in the Club Room.

Missionary Association.

The Annual Missionary Day for the Hampton Rural Deanery will be held on Wednesday, October 14th in St. Mary's Parish Hall, Church Street, Twickenham, from 3 p.m.—9.30 p.m.

The opening ceremony will be at 3 p.m. when the Bishop of Corea will be the speaker. During the evening two missionary plays will be presented, one at 6.15 p.m. and the other at 7.30 p.m. To conclude the proceedings the S.P.G. African Film entitled "Zeliu" will be shown at 8.30 p.m.

Teas will be served during the afternoon and evening and there will be suppers and light refreshments during the evening. Several stalls of useful and delectable articles will be in prominence and an Orchestra will give musical selections.

Admission is by printed programme, price 6d. Programmes may be obtained from the Vicarage and members of the parochial Missionary Association. Sunday, October 25th is S.P.G. Sunday. The Rev. R. G. Harker formerly of British Columbia will preach at 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. The collections at these services will be given to the Society.

The intercessions for the work of the Church Overseas will be taken on Sunday, October 25th instead of October 11th.

Harvest Thanksgiving.

The Harvest Thanksgiving Services will be held on Sunday, October 11th. The Preacher at 11 a.m. will be the Rev. C. E. Thomas, Vicar of Sunbury; the Preacher at Evensong will be announced later. At 3 p.m. there will be the usual flower, fruit, vegetable, egg, etc. Service. As the hospitals are generally well supplied with flowers, it is hoped that most of the gifts at this Service will be of cooking or eating nature.

The Collections on this Day will be divided between the hospitals and parochial funds.

The Vicar will be grateful for gifts of flowers, fruit, etc. for decorating the Church. They should be sent to the Church on Saturday, October 10th, between 9.30 a.m. and 10.30 a.m.

The Lads' Club.

The Lads' Club opened for the Season on Monday, September 28th. Club evenings are Mondays and Wednesdays from 7.15 p.m. to 9.45 p.m. Lads who are sixteen years of age and upwards are eligible for membership. Members pay threepence on enrolment and at least a penny a week thereafter. The Committee will gladly welcome the help of at least four gentlemen to join them in the management of the Club. A football and cricket enthusiast is very much

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needed. Those willing to help should call at the Club Room, School Road, on any Club evening.

Sunday School.

The number of scholars in all departments is steadily growing and with this growth there is a need of more teachers, especially for the morning School at ten o'clock. Offers should be made to the Vicar as soon as possible. Teachers meet at the Vicarage on Tuesdays, at 8 p.m. and this would afford an opportunity for any who are willing to respond to this call to important work amongst Christ's little ones to introduce themselves.

Confirmation.

Classes in preparation for the Confirmation to be held in St. James's Church, on Friday, December 4th, have begun. The Class for lads and young men is held in the Vestry of the Church on Mondays, at 8 p.m. That for girls and young women in the Vestry of the Church on Fridays, at 8 p.m. The Vicar is prepared to arrange other Classes for any who cannot come on the days mentioned.

Parochial Church Council Social Committee.

The first social event of the Autumn season is to be a Harvest Social which is to be held on Wednesday, October 21st, in the Parish Hall, at 8 p.m. The price of admission is one shilling, and tickets can be obtained from any member of the Council.

League of Mercy.
 (UXBRIDGE DISTRICT).

A Bridge Drive will be held in the Parish Hall, Hampton Hill, on Wednesday, October 7th from 3 p.m.—6 p.m. in aid of the funds of the above. Tickets (including tea) price 2/6 each, may be obtained from Mrs. Bloxam, Mrs. Creasy, Mrs. Lock, Lady Stanton and Mrs. Wiseman.

Lady Eleanor Holles School.

Those who were privileged to have an invitation to the Foundation Stone laying of this School, which is in building on Rectory Farm, must have been impressed in the first place by the very simple ceremony accompanied with its Religious Service, and in the next place by the keen interest of those of the Governors who were present.

This is the second of the three big schools which are going to be erected in Hanworth Road. One is already occupied and should be visited. Such a visit will give an idea of what modern education is out to do for the children. One cannot but wonder whether the results will be in proportion to the benefits.

The Lady Holles School when erected will be one of the most up-to-date of the secondary schools for girls. It is hoped to draw four hundred girls from the surrounding neighbourhood to be pupils there. The question of transport needs early consideration.

BAPTISMS.

"Made a Member of Christ."
 Sept. 13—Daphne Edith Feuster.
 „ 13—David Rogers.
 „ 13—Jennifer Highmore.

MARRIAGES.

"Whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."
 Aug. 29—Clifford Walter Lamb and Gladys Bertha Phillips.
 Sept. 2—Olaf Maudsley and Violet May Card.
 „ 3—William Jolly Duncan and Enid Meyler Baker.
 „ 5—Stanley Oliver Rastin and Isobel Helen Lovell.
 „ 9—Cecil Edwin Lane and Elizabeth Bottrell.

BURIALS.

"I am the Resurrection and the Life."
 Aug. 29—Ethel Gypsy Dillon-Lewis, aged 59 years.
 Sept. 3—Elizabeth Harriet Higgins, aged 76 years.
 „ 7—Thomas Samuel Still, aged 82 years.
 „ 8—Sarah Annie Ingham, aged 85 years.
 „ 9—William Jordan, aged 71 years.