

HAMPTON HILL PARISH MAGAZINE.

PAROCHIAL NOTES.

Churchwardens—Mr. C. E. W. Barrett and Mr. C. A. Child.

Organist—Mr. Bougourd, 214, Stanley Road, Teddington.

Parochial Church Officer.

Mr. S. V. Forrow, 68, Sunnyside Road, Teddington.

Sunday School.

11 a.m. in Club Room, Superintendent—Miss Bennett. Infants in Parish Hall, at 11 a.m. Superintendent—Miss Child. All children assemble in Church at 2.15 p.m. for Children's Service.

Missionary Association.

Meetings as announced. Hon. Sec.—Mrs. C. A. Child.

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 Branch of the Girls' Friendly Society meets in the Club Room, on Thursdays at 8 p.m.
Associate Member—Miss Harvey.

Girl Guides. Captain—Miss Bass.

Brownies. Brown Owl—Miss C. Brown.

Sea Scouts—"The Venture," Hampton Water Works Group Scout Master—Mr. Balden.

The Vicar may be seen at the Vicarage daily between 8.45 and 9.45 a.m.; and 6.15 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, 149, Burtons Road.

Magazine Hon. Secretary—Mrs. C. A. Child.

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Magazine Advt. Secretary—Mr. H. W. Morris-Pugh.

Vicar's Letter.

MY DEAR PEOPLE,

I want to thank most heartily and sincerely all those who brought or sent their contributions towards the Gift Day. The opportunity of meeting some hundred and twenty parishioners made the day worth while. Up to date the amount received is just over £50, just a third of the Target it was hoped to reach. The fact that out of four hundred and twenty envelopes distributed only one hundred and thirty have so far been returned makes me hope that others may find their way back to me in a short time. It is so easy to put these small receptacles aside and forget that they are there to receive a practical moiety of gratitude for all that the Church provides to help in the spiritual life of each individual parishioner. "Out of sight, out of mind," yes, it is so with things that matter most and which are not constantly being advertised. Well, I just want to remind those who still have the envelopes by them that it is not too late for them to send along their contributions. If of set purpose or unthinkingly your Gift Day envelope has found its way into the salvage basket, then take one of your own envelopes, put your gift into it and send or bring it to me.

It may be that there are some of the older inhabitants who remember the family of Lowdells who for many years were regular worshippers at St. James's Church. The son, the Rev. T. K. Lowdell, is coming to talk to the Mothers' Union at their quarterly service in Church on the first Wednesday in this month. Should there be any old friends who would like to see and hear him they are welcome to join us in our service at 3.15 p.m.

During last month there were a few days of grave anxiety when the fifth army were trying to establish a foothold on the beaches of Salerno. Such incidents go to demonstrate that the overcoming of the enemy is going to be no easy matter for ourselves and our allies. There will be much stern and terrible conflict in the days that are to come and may be some more periods of anxiety as to how this or that enterprise on the battle front is to go. Every ounce of effort from those at home who are producing instruments for warfare and all other things necessary for our fighting men must be forthcoming. It is no time for laying off work for some petty grievance or another. It is the time for increasing energy, longer hours of work if necessary without any thought of extra pay. The discomforts of those here who are supplying the goods to enable our

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forces to carry the war into the enemies' land are nothing compared with the severe hardships of our fighting men in the air, on land and on the sea. We must stop grousing until the war is won, then the opportunity of righting wrongs will follow and I feel sure that if the right spirit prevail amongst all concerned, all things and all people will work together for the welfare of all, for better living, better conditions of labour and much greater friendliness among people generally. And also every effort must be put forth in the realm of Prayer. I was reading the other day the account in the Bible of a conflict the Israelites, led by Joshua, had with the Amalekites. During the battle, Moses, Aron and Hur went to the top of a hill and there Moses extended his hands towards heaven in an act of intercession to God for His help in overcoming the Amalekites. As long as his hands were extended Israel prevailed, but when he dropped them Amalek prevailed. So exhausted did Moses become that his companions sat him down and held up his hands until the sun went down and the battle was won. God would only accept continuous prayer and I believe the same is true today. These fitful responses to calls to prayer and thanksgiving have little of real value. It is the prayers of the faithful regular worshippers that avail much and at the present time it is up to all who have come when specially called to make a regular habit, as a matter of course, to join in the regular worship of the Church on Sundays and, when opportunity offers, as often as possible during the week. We must get down to our prayers with increasing earnestness if we are to be worthy to receive our Heavenly Father's merciful guidance and help. Prayer is one of the channels through which Divine Grace flows into the life of God's children individually and corporately. It is God's grace we need to sustain and strengthen us more

and more as we feel the strain of long warfare telling upon us. "Pray hard and work hard" must be the slogan now and I am sure that when the war is over and we look back over the long four-and-a-half or maybe five years of awful conflict we shall with greater and more heartfelt gratitude join in the act of thanksgiving for victory which will usher in the way that will lead us into peace.

You will see under the Parish Notes that we are asked by the Committee of the London Diocesan Fund once again to join with the other Churches in the Diocese in intercession for the work that this fund enables the Church to do in this great area known as London and Greater London for the souls of men. Let us use the week appointed to the very best of our ability remembering that to our prayers we must add our offerings from some particular act of self-denial. These offerings will go towards the parochial Quota to the London Diocesan Fund and together with those from the other Churches will be presented to God at a special Service of Thanksgiving to be held in St. Paul's Cathedral on a date yet to be named.

We are in the last quarter of the year and now is the time to see that your names are inscribed on the Electoral Roll of the Parish. There are quite a number of regular worshippers whose names are not upon that Roll. Please ask one of the Churchwardens or Sidesmen for a Form and fill it up and put it into the box you will find on the table at the west-end of the Church. It is of importance that each one of you should be enrolled, in anticipation of the Annual Church Meeting which is held at the beginning of each year. At this meeting the work of the Parochial Church Council for the past year is brought under review, a financial statement is presented and the Parochial Church Councillors are elected for the ensuing twelve months.

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Confirmation Classes are being held in preparation for the Confirmation to be held in St. Mary's Church, Hampton, on Saturday, November 27th at 3 p.m. Candidates may still join the classes the days and times of which will be found amongst the Church notices on the Church door.

I remain your faithful friend and Vicar,

FREDK. P. P. HARVEY.

Days of Special Remembrance.

October 18th—St. Luke. Holy Communion 7.30 a.m.

October 28th—St. Simon and Jude. Holy Communion 7.30 a.m.

November 1st—All Saints. Holy Communion 7.30 a.m.

PARISH NOTES.

Mothers' Union.

On Wednesday, 6th October, the Quarterly Day of St. James's Branch, there will be Corporate Communion at 10.30 a.m. A Service will be held in Church at 3.15 p.m., when the Preacher will be the Rev. T. K. Lowdell, Vicar of St. Barnabas, Temple Fortune.

Sunday School.

The London Diocesan Council for Youth has arranged a series of Sunday School Demonstrations to be held at St. Mary's Day School, Arragon Road, Twickenham, on Saturdays, 2nd and 30th of October and 20th November. These meetings will begin at 2.45 p.m. At the first meeting "The Kindergarten Child" will be the subject. On 30th October the subject will be "The Junior Child." The subject for the 20th November will be "The Senior Boy and Girl." The Lecturers in order will be Mrs. M. L. Stephenson, Miss Clarice M. Knowles and the Rev. F. C. Tyler. On each occasion a Demonstration Class will be given and

there, will be an opportunity for questions and discussions at each Demonstration.

Miss C. M. Knowles is to visit St. James's Sunday School on one of the Sunday Mornings in October.

The Hampton Rural Deanery's Young People's Committee has arranged a quiet afternoon for Sunday School Teachers and Leaders of Youth Organisations to be held on Saturday, 16th October, at Whitton Parish Church, from 3 p.m.—6 p.m. The Conductor will be the Rev. Donald Harris, Rector of Greenford. It is hoped that all interested in Spiritual training of young people will endeavour to attend. There will be a short break for tea, those attending are asked to take their own food.

Annual Missionary Sale of Work.

Mrs. Harvey is holding her yearly "Bring and Buy" Sale of Work on behalf of the work of the Church Overseas in the Vicarage, on Wednesday, 27th November. This is only a preliminary notice given in order that the date may be booked by all.

The provision of two Stalls is anticipated, a "Make Stall" and a "Bake and Grow Stall," in other words, whether it is possible to attend at the Vicarage on the day appointed or not it is hoped that many will get busy during the next few weeks with needles and other implements and materials that the one stall may be furnished with useful articles, while others, as the day approaches, will make cakes or other eatables or go to their store cupboards and see what jars of pickles or bottled fruits and fruit and vegetables they can spare for the other Stall, maybe at the sacrifice of "Little Mary." Mrs. Harvey will be most grateful for all that is sent on or before the previous day of the Sale to furnish the two Stalls. Further details as to times, etc. will be given in next month's issue.

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S.P.G. Sunday.

The S.P.G. have arranged for Dr. R. Kelson Ford to preach in St. James's Church, on Sunday, 10th October, on behalf of the Society. Collections at 11 a.m., 2.30 p.m. and 3.30 p.m. will be given to the Society.

Diocesan Week of Prayer.

The Committee of the London Diocesan Fund have fixed the week October 24th—31st as the Week of Prayer and Self-Denial.

N.B.—On and after Sunday, 3rd October, Evensong will be at 3.30 p.m. and Children's Service at 2.30 p.m.

BAPTISM.

"Made a Member of Christ."

Sept. 18—Michael Anthony Tyzack.

MARRIAGES.

"Those whom God hath joined together, let no man put asunder"

Sept. 1—Robert William Liggins and Muriel Audrey Jacob.

Sept. 7—Francis Cyril Ernest Budd and

Elizabeth Margaret Dodson.

Sept. 12—Gordon Edward Shadbolt and Rosa Alice West.

BURIAL.

"I am the Resurrection and the Life."

Sept. 11—Louisa Amelia Jones, aged 83 years.
