

HAMPTON HILL PARISH MAGAZINE.

THE VICARAGE,

April 1st, 1896.

MY DEAR FRIENDS,

The Lenten Services have been occupying much of our time during the past month, and I am glad to say the attendance on all occasions has been exceedingly good. One can only hope that the increased interest will live, and that the numbers present on the Wednesday evenings throughout the year may compare well with what they have been during the last few weeks.

The Holy Week Services have been fully announced. On the Thursday before Good Friday there will be a preparation service for the Easter Communion, to which I would earnestly invite all communicants.

On Good Friday the services will be at 11 a.m., 2 p.m., and 7 p.m. I hope all who can will be present. The afternoon service will last for about an hour, and will consist chiefly of hymns and short addresses bearing upon the "Last moments on the Cross." There is not a more solemn hour in the year, than the one in which we commemorate the closing scene in the earthly life of the world's Redeemer, and surely it is most fitting that we should be in the house of God at that time?

On Easter Day there will be celebrations at 6.45, at 8, and after Morning service. It has always been customary for all christians to come to the Holy Communion on this day, and it is especially enjoined in our Prayer Book that it should be so. The newly confirmed will then come for the first time, and I hope their parents and friends will make a point of coming with them. All who come are requested to be kind enough to put their names in the basket in the church porch. This is important, as the clergy are required by the Bishop to keep a correct list of the communicants, and we can only do this by this little matter being attended to.

The offertories on Good Friday will be for the London Diocesan Penitentiary, Highgate, which provides a home for 66 young women.

The Confirmation took place at SS. Peter and Paul, Teddington, on the 9th ultimo. Bishop Jenner officiated. Our candidates numbered 19, viz, 10 males and 9 females. The service was very nicely arranged and carried out. Next year, if all is well, the Confirmation will take place at our own church, and we ought to have a large number of candidates.

The Winter Entertainment Committee have made up their accounts, and they are able to show a nett profit of a little over £16, which will be divided amongst those objects the most needing help. The accounts will be published next month.

The Band of Hope brought the winter session to a close on Thursday last, when the members had their quarterly tea, and thanks to Miss Isdell, Miss Hanrott, and Miss Eastland and other helpers, a very pleasant hour was spent afterwards. We hope to see the members at the Vicarage some afternoon in the summer for games.

I have been asked to draw your attention to the fact that the New Almshouses at Hampton have a debt hanging over them of something like £200. A considerable sum has been raised in subscriptions during the last seven years for this object, and it is felt that the remainder ought now to be cleared off. The Trustees are equally divided between Hampton and Hampton Hill, so that we have an equal share in the management, and there is every reason to hope that in time to come some of our aged poor will receive great benefit from the charity. It is therefore reasonable that we should try to give some help towards the extinction of the debt. I have already received two or three small sums for this object, and I shall be very glad to forward to the Treasurer, Aug. deWette, Esq., J.P., any further amounts that may be entrusted to me.

The Horticultural Show is fixed to take place on Wednesday, July 15th, and will this year be in the Vicarage Grounds. Schedules are now published, and copies may be obtained from Mr. Dowsett. Several additional prizes are offered, and if intending exhibitors will make their plans in good time; an excellent show will be the result.

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The Committee have bestowed great care upon the Schedule, and have done their best to consider the interests of cottage gardeners and allotment holders. The Middlesex Bee-keepers' Association have asked permission to hold their Annual Show of Honey and Working Bees, &c., here at the same time. This ought to prove an additional attraction.

The vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Gass, the late head mistress of the Infant Schools, has been filled by the appointment of Miss Williams, formerly head mistress of the Infant Schools at Maldon.

I regret to say that we have lost the services of Miss Hyem, the assistant mistress in the Girls' School, who, after fourteen years of faithful and efficient services, has left to take an important step in life, and I am sure she will take with her the heartiest good wishes, not only of the School Managers, but of the parents of all the children who have come under her quiet, patient care.

I expect to go away for a little holiday on the 14th instant. During my absence any matters requiring clerical attention should be reported to the Rev. H. Clarkson. Mrs. Job will be at the Vicarage, and will be very glad to be of any service she can to parishioners.

I am, my dear Friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

Collected for Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children by Mrs. Powell.

	£	s.	d.
Miss Gwatkin	0	10	0
Mrs. Foster	0	5	0
Mrs. Gullick	0	5	0
Mrs. Hanrott	0	5	0
Miss L. Hayes	0	5	0
Mrs. Humphreys	0	5	0
Mrs. Powell	0	5	0
Mrs. Stutchbury	0	5	0
Mrs. Hall	0	4	0
Mrs. Milne	0	3	0
Mrs. Ableson	0	2	6
Mrs. A. Bowling	0	2	6
Mrs. Barker	0	2	6
Mrs. Cobb	0	2	6
Mrs. Dawkins	0	2	6
Mrs. Edwards	0	2	6

	£	s.	d.
Mrs. Griffiths	0	2	6
Miss Hayes	0	2	6
Mrs. Job	0	2	6
Mrs. Larcombe	0	2	6
Mrs. Makepeace	0	2	6
Mrs. Rudderford	0	2	6
Mrs. Blundstone	0	2	0
Mrs. A. M. Humphreys	0	2	0
Mrs. Cubison	0	2	0
Mrs. Singleton	0	2	0
Mrs. Storey	0	2	0
Miss Williams	0	2	0
A. M. H.	0	1	0
Mrs. Anderton	0	1	0
Mrs. Bonfield	0	1	0
Mr. Cox	0	1	0
Mrs. Howe	0	1	0
Mrs. Moles	0	1	0
Mr. Paines	0	1	0
Mrs. Peers	0	1	0
Mrs. Prewett	0	1	0
Mr. Ridge	0	1	0
Mrs. Rudland	0	1	0
Mrs. W. Tayler	0	1	0
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Sent up to Society, March 9th, 1896.

OFFERTORIES.

	11 a.m.		7 p.m.		TOTAL.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Mar. 1.—Curate's Fund... ..	2	16 7	1	19 4	4	15 11
„ 8.—General Fund	3	3 2	1	15 4	4	18 6
„ 15.—General Fund	3	6 8	1	15 8	5	2 4
„ 22.—General Fund	2	18 11	1	18 2	4	17 1
Poor Fund (Early Celebrations)—Mar. 1, 11/1; Mar. 8, 6/1; Mar. 15, 7/11; Mar. 22, 8/1					1	13 2
Children's Services (Missions)—Mar. 1, 2/11; Mar. 8, 2/7; Mar. 15, 1/5; Mar. 22, 3/1					0	10 0
Special Celebrations—Feb. 27, 9/6; Mar. 5, 10/11; Mar. 12, 10/2; Mar. 19, 10/5					2	1 0
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BAPTISMS.

“Grant, O Lord, that they may have power and strength to have victory and to triumph, against the Devil, the World and the Flesh. Amen.”

- Mar. 1.—John Grimault Wilkinson.
- „ 8.—Alexander Edward Hemingway.
- „ 14.—George Albert Keen,
- „ 21.—Armored Constance Garrett.

BURIALS.

- Mar. 6.—Eliza Beeks, aged 80 years.
- „ 14.—Harriet Hedges, aged 59 years.
- „ 19.—Edward Murphy, aged 6 days.
- „ 21.—David Brackley, aged 62 years.