

HAMPTON HILL PARISH MAGAZINE.

HAMPTON HILL,
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MY DEAR PEOPLE,

First of all I want to wish you a very Happy Easter-tide. There will be Celebrations of the Holy Communion at 6, 7, 8 and 11 a.m., and I hope you will all make a point of communicating at one of these times; a short service of Preparation will be held on Easter eve, April 3rd, at 8 p.m. in the Church.

A meeting of Church Electors will take place at an early date, of which due notice will be given, to elect the members, probably 24 in number, who will form the Parochial Church Council, and also three members of the Ruri-decanal Conference.

At the end of April Confirmation Classes will begin; may I call the attention of parents and other heads of households to the fact that it is their duty to see that those in their care are presented for Confirmation when of suitable age? The times of the various classes will be arranged to suit the candidates, names may be given to me or to any district visitor.

The annual cleaning of the interior of the Church will take place in April; I hope that those seat-holders who possess hassocks, etc., will see that they are properly marked, and are also in good repair.

I acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of the following sums in reply to my appeal for prayer books, etc., for the Sunday Schools: The Churchwardens £6, Mr. Wharton Tomson £5, Mrs. Styles, 5/-, and two sums of £1 and 10/- sent anonymously.

The Curate's Fund is making excellent progress, and I hope soon to be able to secure the services of a "whole-time" colleague.

Entertainments will be given by about 50 children in the Boys' School, on Thursday and Friday in Easter week: may I bespeak your generous support? Tickets may be obtained of Mrs. Elliott, Thirlestane House, Uxbridge Road, who is kindly undertaking the arrangements.

The Christmas appeal on behalf of the Blinded Soldiers' Children Fund produced £3 7s. 6d. from the Boys' School.

The Easter Vestry will be held in the Church Room, on Thursday, April 8th, at 8 p.m.

Yours very truly,

R. COAD PRYOR.

In Memoriam.

SARAH BREWER,

AGED 77 YEARS.

"Blessed are the pure in heart."

On Monday, February 9th, Sarah Brewer was called to her much desired rest, after a long weary illness, most patiently borne. She was a loyal and devoted daughter of the Church, and when in health, a regular worshipper at St. James's, her especial joy being the quiet Thursday mid-day Celebration of Holy Communion. The main-spring of her life was a deep devotion to a personal Saviour. Hers was a beautiful character, and the beauty of her character was reflected in her face. Though *frail* in body, she was yet *strong* in spirit, *strong* in her love for all that was noble and good, *strong* in her dislike of everything low and unworthy. Throughout her life she had known much suffering and much sorrow, and these had but served to purify and enoble her character. She was very fond of the following lines, and those who knew her best, know how true they are of herself:—

"For Love's strength standeth in Love's sacrifice,
And those who suffer most have most to give."

Thanksgivings and Intercessions.

LENT AND PASSIONTIDE.

LET US GIVE THANKS:

I.

For the call and message of the Christian seasons;

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THE WORKING PARTY will be held in April as follows:—Friday, April 9th, at Mrs. Anthony's, Sussex Lodge; Friday, April 23rd, at Mrs. Carpenter's, Cornwall Lodge.

DAY SCHOOLS' FUND. The Treasurer acknowledges with thanks the receipt of 5/- from "A member of the Congregation."

CHURCH LADS' BRIGADE.—An earnest appeal is made for helpers in this important work in the parish. The aim is to get hold of our growing boys and lads, and train them to be upright Christian young men. There are various sections without efficient help, *e.g.*, Sunday Afternoon Bible Class, Socials, Sports (Football, Cricket, Running, Boxing, Shooting, Swimming, etc.) Any offers of help will be greatly appreciated by the Vicar and Mr. Basey, who will be pleased to supply any information. The drills which were suspended for a month owing to the illness of the Commanding Officer, were resumed on the 17th February. Lieut. G. Clayson who has been in hospital for over two months, will be heartily welcomed back by all. The Social Gathering arranged for the 26th January, will take place on an early date after Easter. NEW NAME—The London Diocesan Church Lads' Brigade has now become the Church Lads' Brigade (London Division).

GIRL GUIDES.—There will be a Church Parade for all Guides up at Hampton Parish Church, on Tuesday, at 8.15 p.m., by kind invitation of the Vicar of Hampton. The usual monthly Church Parade on March 28th, all Guides and Brownies to meet at the Schools at 10.30 a.m.

(Signed) D. G. COCKBURN,
Captain 1st Hampton Hill G.G.

FREEWILL OFFERING FUND.—Each member of the congregation is specially asked to help this fund by a small regular contribution. The financial management of the principal Church Societies in the Diocese (except the Missionary Societies) is now under one control, *i.e.*, the Council of the London Diocesan Fund, of which the Bishop of

London is President, and Lord Justice Bankes is Chairman. This body is making a great effort to organise the Diocese so as to secure the best results with the money available. Among the Societies which depend on the Diocesan Fund for money are the Bishop of London's Fund, East London Church Fund, Queen Victoria Clergy Fund, Church Schools Association, Sunday School Council, Council for Welfare of Lads, Board of Missions, Clergy Widows' Fund, Clergy Pension Institution, Additional Curates' Society, Pastoral Aid Society, and Scripture Readers' Association. Every Parish in the Diocese is asked to send each year a named sum; Hampton Hill's quota for 1920 was £61. Will you please subscribe 2d. a week, or whatever sum your means will allow? You may pay weekly, monthly or quarterly as you prefer, and small collecting envelopes can be obtained from the Verger. There is a collecting box marked "Freewill Offering" in the Church near the door for your regular subscriptions; or they may be sent instead to the Churchwardens, or to Mr. Elliott, Thirlestane, Uxbridge Road, Hampton Hill. The Parish Finance Committee hopes every member of the congregation will show his or her practical interest in this great effort for the Church in our Diocese, and subscribe regularly.

SECOND LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS TO THE CURATE'S FUND TO MARCH 16th, 1920.

Hon. Treasurer.—MR. ELLIOTT, Thirlestane, Uxbridge Road.

£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Anthony, Mrs. ...	3 3 0	Looker, Mr. ...	0 10 0
Basey, Mr. ...	0 10 0	Lowdell, Mr. ...	0 10 0
Brewer, Miss ...	2 2 0	Lush, Mr. J. ...	0 15 0
Cameron, Mrs. ...	1 1 0	Mahon, Mrs. ...	1 1 0
Dench, Mr. & Mrs. ...	0 2 0	Rylett, Miss ...	0 10 0
Eagle, Miss ...	0 5 0	Robins, Mrs. ...	0 1 0
F. E. G. ...	0 2 6	Robins, Mrs. (Jun.)	...
Green, Mrs. ...	0 5 0	Monthly ...	0 0 6
Gernat, Mrs. (Monthly) ...	0 5 0	Styles, Mrs. (1st Inst.)	5 0 0
Hawkins, Mrs. ...	0 0 6	Styles, Miss ...	3 3 0
Hayes, Miss ...	1 5 0	Tozer, Mr. M. ...	0 10 0
Joseph, Mrs. (don.) ...	1 0 0	Trotter, Mrs. (Monthly) ...	0 2 6
Kennedy, Miss ...	0 2 6	Westlake, Mr. ...	1 1 0
Kingsford, Mrs. ...	0 0 6	Wilkinson, Mrs. ...	0 1 0
King-Stephens, Mr. ...	0 10 0	Woodward, Mrs. (Monthly) ...	0 1 0
L. M. ...	0 5 0		

For Lent and its opportunities;
 For Passiontide and its great reminder;
 For Christ's victory in temptation, the earnest
 of our own;
 For His triumph on the Cross in which we
 have our share.

II.

For all readiness to share in the Church's life
 and work;
 For the greater sense of brotherhood and fel-
 lowship;
 For the greater realisation of the need of cor-
 porate action;
 For the greater sense of financial responsi-
 bility;

Thanks be to Thee, O Lord.

LET US PRAY:

For a better observance of the season of Lent;
 For a better practice of the duties of Religion,
 Almsgiving, Fasting, and Prayer;
 For a better knowledge of the Christian
 faith;
 For a greater readiness to read and study and
 think,
 That the priest's lips may keep knowledge, and
 may declare to the people the whole counsel of
 God,

II.

For the Blessing of God on the work of the
 Church Lads' Brigade;
 That by its means many may be kept true to
 God and His Church;
 That it may teach the lessons of discipline
 and fellowship and loyalty.

III.

For the formation of the Electoral Roll in
 every parish;
 That many may claim their right to be placed
 on the Roll of Electors, and desire to take their
 share in the counsels of the Church;
 That by its means numbers may be led to
 realise their fellowship, to claim their privilege,
 and to do their duty, as members of the Catholic
 Church in this land.

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

Parish News.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—We quote the following
 extract from "The Times" of a recent date:—

THE PLIGHT OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

All foreign missionary societies are being
 seriously hampered by the high cost of living
 which is now general throughout the world. In
 addition, the societies working in India and China
 have to contend with the abnormal rate of ex-
 change. The Church Missionary Society required
 before the end of March £275,000 more than
 last year, in order to maintain existing work. Of
 this sum £167,000 is due to loss on exchange.
 The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel
 needs £100,000 in new contributions to keep its
 grants up to last year's level. The other societies
 are proportionately affected by prevailing con-
 ditions. The additional cost to societies in India
 and China through loss on exchange alone is over
 £400,000. To this must be added the advance
 in every item of expenditure. All stipends and
 allowances have had to be increased, the fares
 for sea passages have doubled, and the expenses
 of administration at home have followed the steady
 rise in the cost of labour and commodities. Thus
 at a time when every society should be enlarging
 its operations and embarking upon a generous
 forward movement, there is the possibility that
 schools and colleges, hospitals and dispensaries,
 may have to be curtailed in their usefulness, if
 not abandoned altogether.

Surely in face of such difficulties and respon-
 sibilities we ought, as a parish and as individuals,
 to shoulder part of the heavy burden now resting
 on the various Missionary Societies. One way
 to help is by joining the Missionary Working
 Party, another is to give an annual subscription,
 or to take a Missionary box. Boxes may be had
 from Miss Brewer (S.P.G.), Mrs. Anthony
 (C.M.S.), or Mrs. Joseph (C.C.C.S.) It is sur-
 prising how a small sum put *regularly every week*
 into the missionary box mounts up at the end
 of the year.

Children's Column.

DEAR CHILDREN,

You will find on this page the prize essay written by John Grey, to whom a book of the value of 5/- will be presented; there were a good many competitors, the second in the list was Louie Makepeace.

Mr. Basey tells me that the boys have made gifts to Mr. Willis and Mr. King on their resignation as Teachers in the Boys' School, I am so glad that you showed your appreciation in that nice way.

I am looking forward, and so are a great many others, to the Musical Play which you are giving in the Schools in Easter week, I expect the room will be crowded and that you will do your very best.

About 50 of you have Lenten Saving Boxes for the Boys' Home, will you please bring them with you to the Children's Service on Easter Day.

If any of you who read this are 14 years of age and would like to be prepared for Confirmation, or attend any of the classes, will you let me know?

For this month I want you to write an essay on "Your Favourite Character in the Bible, and why you think so," the essays must reach me by April 16th, and a book of 5/- value will be given for the best.

Will the members of the Band of Hope please bear in mind their "Promise."

Your affectionate friend,

THE VICAR.

Essay on "A Day in School," by JOHN GREY, 53, Windmill Road, Hampton Hill, age 11 years.

"To commence School the register is marked, and then we have prayers, afterwards lessons begin, which always start Scripture, followed by Arithmetic which I like very much, I am very fond of puzzling out problems in Arithmetic. Next comes Geography which I think is most interesting, as it tells one where all the different parts of the world are, we are learning the geography of Scotland and Australia. Then we

go out to play which is very soon over, and then lessons commence again with History, and the dates of different Kings and Queens, I am doing the Stuart period, and was glad King Charles II. escaped from Cromwell and his enemies, after that lesson is finished it is time to go home to dinner. At 1.45 I have to return to School, the first lesson in the afternoon is writing, which one cannot do very well if you have a bad pen. Then I go out to play again, and if it is a fine day we all enjoy ourselves, sometimes I have a game at Football and sometimes at Cricket, according to the season of the year, if it is raining hard we have to stay in school. Then we would have reading which I like the best of all lessons, we are now reading David Copperfield, which is a very nice interesting book. I don't like Uriah Heep because he is a sly sneak, Micawber often makes me laugh, for he is such a comical old gentleman. At the close of the afternoon we finish up with a short prayer before going home."

OFFERTORIES.

	8 a.m.	11 a.m.	7 p.m.	TOTAL
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Feb. 29—Church Expenses	5/9	3 0 5	1 10 3	4 16 5
Mar. 7—Poor Fund ..	1/6/9	2 2 11	1 17 9	4 17 5
		(Assist Clergy Fund)		
.. 14—Church Expenses	6/10	2 5 10	1 4 11	3 17 7
.. 21 ..	14/8	2 14 5	1 18 11	5 8 0
Children's Services (Missions) Feb. 29, 5/11; Mar. 7, 6/-; Mar. 14, 4/2; Mar. 21, 2/8				0 18 9
Week-day Offerings—Feb. 24, 1/3; Feb. 26, 3/4, Mar. 4, 1/7; Mar. 11, 1/7; Mar. 18, 1/7				0 9 4
Mar. 10—C.E.T.S., 7/4; Mar. 17 (Mothers' Union) 10/8				0 18 0
Free-will Offerings to March 14th				£21 5 6
				5 15 10
				<u>£27 1 4</u>

BAPTISMS.

Made a Member of Christ."

- Mar. 10—Marian Kittie Ward
- .. 14—John Ernest Rhoades Brown.
- .. 14—Eric William Cook.
- .. 14—Dorothy Winifred Brown.
- .. 14—Phyllis Audrey Coe.
- .. 21—Jane Bryce DuRose.

BURIALS.

"I am the Resurrection and the Life."

- Feb. 25—Sydney Hugh Mosse, aged 30 years.
- .. 26—Emily Maud Lewcock, aged 35 years.
- Mar. 5—Emma Wilkinson, aged 37 years.
- .. 9—William Walter James Moss, aged 21 years.
- .. 20—Robert Smith, aged 71 years.