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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.

Bible Class.

For Girls on Sundays in Church Room at 3 p.m.

Band of Hope.

In the Club Room on Mondays at 6.30 p.m. Hon. Sec.—Mrs. Grange.

Lads' Club.

In Club Rooms, School Road, Mondays and Fridays, 7 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. Hon. Sec.—Mr. Creane.

Communicants' Guild.

For Adults. Guild Service and Meeting on Wednesdays before the fourth Sunday at 8 p.m. Hon. Sec.—Miss Lush.

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 Church Room, 2.30 p.m., and Quarterly Meetings. Enrolling Member—Mrs. Harvey.

Mothers' Meeting.

Thursdays in Church Room, 2.30 p.m. Superintendent—Miss Butler.

Girl Guides.

Fridays in the Club Room, 7—9 p.m. Captain—Miss R. Le Blanc.

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, Thursdays and Saturdays, between 8.45 and 9.45 a.m.; and generally on any day except Tuesday, 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 Road, Hampton Hill.

Vicar's Letter.

MY DEAR PEOPLE,

No sooner do we get out of one season in the Church's year than the next seems to be upon us. Christmas with its attendant festivities in the form of treats and parties is to a large extent but a memory. We are fortunate this year to have several Sundays after Epiphany and yet before we realise it Lent will have come round again. It is well for us to remember this because the first day of March is Ash Wednesday. I must ask you to keep your eyes open to catch the notices on hand-bills and posters about the arrangements for observing this Solemn Season. This year we

Service on the Wednesday evenings in our own Church all the time. I hope you will all think out some way of observing the Lenten Fast to your own spiritual benefit, and that the attendances at the extra services will be greater than in the past.

At the moment of writing we are anticipating our Annual Parochial Church Meeting; the balance sheets of all the Parochial Funds are included in this issue of the Magazine. We have been passing through the usual course of influenza colds, and the result is that the congregations on the last one or two Sundays have been smaller than at the beginning of the year. There appear to be some people who think that the only place to catch shall return to our usual custom of having a Lent

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influenza is in Church, and that in consequence while the disease is prevalent, Church must be avoided. However in comparison the congregations and collections have been better than they were this time last year.

At last the unseemly state of affairs of having to hide the brushes and brooms, etc., for cleaning behind the curtain at the west end of the Church has been removed. Miss Jakeman has kindly given us a cupboard in which these implements can be kept, for which gift we are very grateful. I am hoping that in time it may be possible to remove all of the curtain except that which is necessary to keep out the draught from the door. The curtain is a harbourer of dust, not at all hygienic and far from beautiful.

It was pleasing to find that quite a number of our people went to York House to hear the first Lecture of the Course of four, which the Adult Religious Education Committee have arranged. Many I know were disappointed not to hear the Bishop of Kensington, and were very sorry that illness was the cause of his absence. However the Rev. H. M. Sanders was an excellent substitute. I hope that one of the results of these lectures will be that many who hear them will be led to read books which deal with points in the subjects that are taken. Talking about books, it is interesting to know that a certain Dr. A. S. Yahuda has written a book called "The Language of the Pentateuch in its relation to Egyptian," which has made a stir amongst the Higher Critics of the Bible, especially that part which concerns the history language and religious background of the Old Testament. Higher Criticism and Modernism have done much to arouse questionings and doubts. It is quite a relief to hear of a man of such learning bringing to light fresh evidence as to the truth of the Bible. I wish such books were not so expensive so that more of us could possess them and read them at our leisure.

I remain,

Your faithful friend and Vicar,

FREDK. P. P. HARVEY.

Days of Special Remembrance.

February 2nd—Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Holy Communion, 7.30 a.m. and 11 a.m. February 12th—Septuagesima Sunday. February 19th—Sexagesima Sunday. February 24th—St. Matthias; Holy Communion, 7.30 a.m. February 26th—Quinquagesima Sunday. March 1st—Ash Wednesday.

Missionary Association.

Prayers for the work of the Church overseas will be said at Evensong on Sunday, February 12th.

New books added to the Library lately, are a Life of Dr. Aggrey and "Worship in other Lands" by the Rev. H. P. Thompson. Several Magazines are now put in the tract case each month which may be borrowed free of charge for a week at a time. The books in the cupboard may be borrowed for three weeks at a charge of 2d.

Please note the date—Thursday, March 23rd—when we hope to have a Cinematograph Exhibition in the Parish Hall.

Treats.

The Choir Boys spent a very happy time at Olympia early last month. For two and a half hours they watched the wonders of an exceedingly good Circus, with its beautiful horses and clever riders, its daring feats on the trapeze and skilful acrobats, its well trained and really clever seals, elephants, lions, tigers and bears. After the Circus an excellent tea was partaken in one of Lyon's Rooms and then the various stalls were visited and some of the mechanical contrivances tested. At seven o'clock a start was made for home, which was reached about eight o'clock. The Vicar thanks most sincerely the following subscribers:—Mr. Ardley, Mrs. Burton, Miss Chamberlain, Mrs. Constable, Mr. and Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Douty, Mr. and Mrs. Evans, Miss Foreman, Mr. Franks, Mrs. Gascoyne, Mr. Girling, Mr. Gregory, Miss Hawes, Miss Lasenby, Miss

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Marshall, Mrs. Morse, Mr. D. E. Norton, Mr. Simmons, Lady Stanton, Mrs. and Miss Storey, Mrs. Swain, Mr. and Mrs. Tozer and Anon.

The Sunday School Prize-giving and entertainment passed off very successfully. The children assembled at a quarter past five, and were regaled with an exceedingly good tea. After tea a Lady-Conjuror gave an hour's entertainment which all present thoroughly enjoyed. This was followed by the presentation of prizes and certificates by Miss Watts. There were competitions consisting of the recital of the books of the Bible and the Churchmans Catechism, the winners were given prizes presented by Mr. Lovell. Mrs. Daines very kindly presented the "Daines Memorial" prize for the best boy in the school, and this year it was won by Charles New. The prize for the best girl, presented by Mr. Durrant was won by Phyllis Waters. The runners up boy and girl were respectively Reggie Singleton and Lily West. One of these last two prizes was kindly given by Mr. L. Singleton. The children provided a programme of music and recitations. Soon after eight o'clock a very happy evening came to an end, the children receiving the usual bun and orange as they left the Hall. The Vicar would thank the Teachers and all who by money or by kind helped to give the children such a nice treat, among whom are Miss Marshall, Mr. Norton, Mr. Prewett, Miss Swain and Mrs. Stanley.

Mothers' Union.

The Mothers had a very jolly Christmas Party in the Club Room on January 11th. With the help of many kind friends Mrs. Harvey was able to provide an excellent tea. The Mothers very much enjoyed an entertainment of community singing, dancing and recitations. Miss Kathleen and Miss Rosemary Job gave some very pretty dances, Mrs. Parsons' recitations were much appreciated and Mrs. Shelbourn was at the piano. After tea the

company played games. A hearty vote of thanks to the entertainers and the National Anthem brought a very pleasant afternoon to a close. The next Monthly meeting will be held in the Club Room on Wednesday, February 1st, at 2.30 p.m.

The Parish Magazine.

The Magazine is on sale at the Post Office, at Mrs. Newington's, and at Mr. Key's. Miss Jake-man, (Walton Lodge, St. James' Road,) will be glad to have the names of new subscribers who would prefer to have the Magazine delivered at their houses. A great many fresh people have come into the district lately but the circulation of the Magazine has not been increased yet. May we appeal to our regular readers to try to secure one new subscriber for this year? Without the help of our advertisers it would be impossible to meet the expenses of the Magazine. We are very grateful to them and hope that in return our readers will give them a share of their custom.

United Laymen's Missionary Committee.

A United Laymen's Missionary Dinner will be held on Thursday, February 16th, at Bentall's Tudor Restaurant, Wood Street, Kingston, at 7.45 p.m. for 8 o'clock. The price of the tickets is 3/-. The Guest of the evening will be the Rt. Rev. Guy Vernon Smith, Bishop of Willesden, and the chair will be taken by the Rt. Hon. A. V. Alexander, Secretary of the Parliamentary Committee of the Co-operative Congress, and formerly first Lord of the Admiralty. The first Dinner was held last year when 300 men representative of all the Christian bodies in the district attended. It is hoped that a larger number will be present this year. Any laymen in the parish who would like to attend this Dinner should send their names to the Vicar not later than Friday, February 10th.

St. James's Young People's Social Guild.

The first Annual General Meeting of the Guild was held on January 3rd last. The Hon. Secretary gave an interesting report on last year's activities and said that at the end of 1932 the membership numbered thirty seven. The Hon. Treasurer produced his Balance Sheet which showed a balance of about £10. The Committee for 1933 was elected. The Vicar congratulated the members on the success of the first year, and said he was pleased that they had kept the important rule of the Guild concerning their attendance at Church and their corporate Communion. He hoped that the members would continue to answer the appeals for help in the parish as readily as they had the request for assistance in dealing with the house-to-house canvassing in connection with the Forty-five Churches Fund. The Hon. Sec. for 1933 is Mr. L. W. Stevens, and the Chairman is Mr. F. Harding.

The Guild held a very successful Dance on January 7th, the balance being between six and seven pounds.

Acknowledgements.

We beg to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the Parish Hall:—"In Memoriam," one guinea; Proceeds of Mrs. Harvey's Dance, £9 11s. 7d.

Parish Social Committee.

On Wednesday, February 8th, a Social is to be held in the Parish Hall, at 8 o'clock. The price of admission is one shilling. The Committee have been at pains to arrange a programme suitable for people of all ages. Besides singing, playing and dancing, room will be found for various games, such as musical-chairs. It is hoped that a large and representative gathering will be the result.

Adult Religious Education.

The last two Public Lectures to be held at York House, Twickenham, on Thursday evenings at 8 p.m. are as follows:—

February 2nd. Chairman—The Rt. Hon. and Rt. Rev. The Lord Bishop of London; Lecturer—The Rev. G. E. Newsom, M.A., Master of Selwyn College, Cambridge; Subject—"The New Morality."

February 9th. Chairman—Lt. Col. E. L. Gowlland, D.S.O., M.P., Lecturer—The Rev. J. K. Mozley, D.D., Canon of St. Pauls; Subject—"A Loving God and the Problem of Suffering."

BAPTISMS.

"Made a Member of Christ."

Dec. 30—Elizabeth Margaret Green.

„ 30—Murray Alistria Carter.

Jan. 8—Ann Marguerite Dorrell.

MARRIAGES.

"Those whom God hath joined together."

Jan. 15—Edwin Claud Collins and Dorothy Bowden Stephens.

Jan. 15—Maurice Heriot Nicholls and Olive Josephine Florence Rixen.

BURIALS.

"I am the Resurrection and the Life."

Dec. 30—Alfred Joseph Beaumont Rixen, aged 80 years.

Jan. 4—Edith May Frings, aged 63 years.

„ 4—Joyce Winifred May Rivers, aged 5 years.

„ 14—Edward John Harrison, aged 65 years.

„ 23—Mark Sargent, aged 54 years.

„ 26—Lucy Ashworth, aged 84 years.