

HAMPTON HILL PARISH MAGAZINE.

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 Confirmees 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, Burtons Rd., Hampton Hill

Vicar's Letter.

MY DEAR PEOPLE,

There are quite a number of important things which I want to bring to your notice this month.

We begin November with the Commemoration of All Saints, a day dear to all who have relatives that have "passed on" and are in Paradise. It is a day dear to all who believe in the Communion of Saints, the fellowship of those here and in Paradise. For in Christ Jesus we have a bond of union between them and ourselves. As we think of the essentials of the saintly life we should consider whether there are any traits in our own lives which correspond to the characteristics of saintliness. We are all called to be saints, and in order to attain to that state we should see to it that at the very foundation there is that love one for another which lies at the root of our high calling in Jesus Christ. A saint is one who is trying as St. Paul says to "put on the Lord Jesus Christ," which means taking Him as our pattern and guide in life, to imitate His example, to obey His precepts and to become like Him. His

command to all who would be His disciples is "that ye love one another, as I have loved you, that ye also love one another." Again St. Paul says "Love worketh no ill to his neighbour; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law." We need in these days to see to it that we are trying to obey Jesus by making the spirit of brotherly love a prominent feature of all our dealings one with another. Let us pray very earnestly for grace to follow the blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living.

From All Saints' day we follow on in due course to Armistice-tide. I have arranged for the usual Sunday Commemoration Services, but I do hope that many who lost their dear ones in the Great War will join with me in the Services arranged for Armistice Day. It is not possible that we who lived through those terrible four years and are reading of the awful scourges of war in other places at the present time should be doing nothing to try and stem the spirit of war which is abroad to-day by every means in our power. One of the most powerful means is prayer. We pray weekly, if not daily, for the Peace of the World, let us all concentrate our prayers on November 11th

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on this petition to God, believing we shall receive. Surely there is cause for a much more definite and practical display of brotherly love among Christians just now.

In the next place we are called to a week of Prayer and Self-Denial for the work of the Church in the Diocese of London. It is fitting that all Church people in every parish in the Diocese should have an interest in and be concerned with the provision of the means of Grace to all their fellow Church people in the Diocese as a whole. The most adequate way in which this interest can be aroused and maintained and our concern take practical shape is by a careful observance of this Annual Week of Prayer and Self-Denial. I have given a list of services which I propose holding during this Week in the hope that many of you will come together with me at the times mentioned to intercede for the Church work being done and wanting to be done in London, particularly in those rapidly increasing new areas which are being thickly populated by people who, if the Church is not able to rise to her opportunity, will be as sheep without a shepherd. In providing for the spiritual care of these thousands of souls it is necessary that adequate financial help should be forthcoming. Hence Self-Denial is to be part of the observation of this Week.

The parish has just been circulated on behalf of the Parochial Church Council with an appeal to all to help shoulder the expenses of the upkeep of the Church and Churchyard. It was thought fitting to send the letter to all because all irrespective of denomination should have a share in the upkeep to the Churchyard. As for those who are Church of England people, even if they are not regular worshippers we ask them to take their part in bearing the expenses in connection with the preservation of the edifice, the cleaning, lighting and heating of the Church as well as the services, for the simple

reason that at some time or other in their lives they require the services of the Church and that there are times when the spirit does move them to attend public worship. We do not ask for charity in the rather degraded sense of the word as used to-day. We are asking you as members by reason of your Baptism and reception into that part of the Christian Society which is called the Church of England to fulfil the responsibility of your membership, by giving a sum annually, each one according to his or her means, to the common purse of that part of the Society to which you belong which is in your midst. The circular has been sent to the head of the house but it is hoped that the response will be from all members of the household. If we all do our part we shall not only be able to adequately staff the Church but we shall do away with the need of other efforts to raise funds.

For lack of space I would just call your attention to the notices of the Day of Intercession for Missions Overseas and of the Electoral Roll which you will find elsewhere.

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

Days of Special Remembrance.

November 1st—All Saints' Day; usual Sunday Services. November 2nd—Commemoration of All Souls; Holy Communion, 7.30 a.m. November 15th to 22nd—Diocesan Week of Prayer and Self-Denial. November 27th—Day of Intercession for the work of the Church Overseas. November 29th—Advent Sunday; usual Sunday Services with an additional Holy Communion at 12.10. November 30th—St. Andrew; Holy Communion, 7.30 a.m.

Mothers' Union.

The Monthly Meeting will be held in the Club Room, on Wednesday, November 4th, at 3 p.m. Mrs. Sinclair-Buxton will address the members.

In Memoriam.

In the "passing on" of Helena Ivy Sandford we have lost one of the sweetest women it is possible to meet. For the past two or three years she has been the Hon. Secretary of St. James's Branch of the Mothers' Union. Her kindly, good-natured and considerate disposition endeared her to all the members. She was a Christian in deed as well as by profession, and everything that she undertook was primarily done for the Master. Her love for Him reflected itself in her love for others. We all mourn her departure from among us and we deeply sympathize with her sorrowing son and daughter-in-law. May God of His mercy grant her rest and peace.

R. I. P.

Week of Prayer and Self-Denial.

The Bishop of London has called all Church people to observe a Week of Prayer and Self-Denial, from Sunday, November 15th—22nd. During that week there will be Celebrations of the Holy Communion, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 7.30 a.m., Services of Intercession on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, at 6 p.m., on Friday, at 10.30 a.m. and on Wednesday and Saturday, at 8 p.m. Leaflets will be distributed for the daily use of the congregations and the Meditations and Intercessions will be based on the subject for the day. It is hoped that a number of the congregation will try and be present in Church at the times mentioned above. Those who cannot possibly attend should use the leaflets.

There is also the Self-Denial during this week. All Church people are asked to make some definite act of self-denial, going without something they are accustomed to have, such as tobacco, sweets, cakes; users of buses for short journeys should walk, etc. Put the money saved by this means into the envelopes supplied for the purpose and place them in the box at the end of the Church, on Sunday,

November 22nd, or send them to Mr. Tandy, 73, Hampton Road, Teddington. The amount thus collected, together with the collections on Sunday, November 15th, will go towards the Parish Quota of £82, which will be presented with the quotas from all the Churches in the Diocese at the Service of Thanksgiving to be held in St. Paul's Cathedral, on Saturday, December 5th, at 6 p.m. Should any of the readers of the Magazine not get an envelope will they please ask the Vicar, the Verger or one of the Churchwardens for one.

Missionary Notes.

S.P.G. MISSIONARY BOXES.—The Treasurer would be grateful if all holders of S.P.G. boxes would bring or send them to the Church either at the morning or evening service on Sunday, 29th November. The boxes should be handed to Mr. Child who will arrange for them to be given to the Vicar during the collection so that they may be presented, with the offerings for the day, to God as the gifts of His Children for the Work of the Church Overseas. If any holders of these boxes should find it impossible to be at Church, would they hand them in at the Vicarage during the week.

Sale of Work.

The Annual SALE OF WORK for the work of Missions Overseas will be held in the Parish Hall, on Wednesday, December 9th. There will be Needlework Stalls, a Miscellaneous Stall, a Sweet Stall and a Mystery Stall. Gifts for these stalls should be sent to the Vicarage on or before Monday, December 7th. It is hoped to have a Missionary Play during the early evening and to end the Sale with a Lantern Lecture given by a lecturer from one of the Societies. For further particulars see bills and the next magazine.

Whist Drive.

The Parochial Social Committee is organising a Whist Drive to be held in the Club Room,

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School Road, on Thursday, November 19th, at 8 p.m. The price of tickets is 1/-, including light refreshments. The proceeds will be given to furnish a stall at the Missionary Sale of Work.

The Electoral Roll.

What is the Electoral Roll? It is a list of all members of the Church of England of either sex, of eighteen years of age and upwards, who are baptized and are resident in the parish or habitually attend public worship in St. James's Church, and have signed the form of application for enrolment. Parishioners who attend other Churches in the neighbourhood, and whose names are enrolled on the Electoral Roll of those Churches cannot enter their names on the St. James's Electoral Roll.

The Electoral Roll will be revised shortly and it is hoped that all Church people who have come to the parish lately will see that their names are placed on the Roll before the middle of December.

The benefit is chiefly to the Church. From this Roll the members of the Parochial Church Council are elected and representatives to the Ruri-Decanal Conference are chosen. For every hundred names on the Roll, the parish is entitled to send two representatives to the Ruri-Decanal Conference. From this Conference representatives are elected to the London Diocesan Conference.

It is important that all members of the Church of England should be enrolled because the representation of the Diocese on the National Assembly of the Church of England depends on the total number of enrolled members in all the parishes of the Diocese.

The benefit to the parishioner is that he or she has a voice in the affairs of the Church in the parish, the Rural Deanery, the Diocese and the Synod of the Church. The layman therefore, has real power in the management of the spiritual and secular interests of the Church.

Day of Intercession for Missions Overseas.

Friday, November 27th, will be observed as a Day of Intercession for the Work of the Church Overseas. There will be a Celebration of the Holy Communion at 8.30 a.m.; Matins and Intercessions at 10.30 a.m.; Intercessions at 3.30 p.m.; Evensong and Intercessions at 6 p.m., and a final Service with Intercessions at 8.30 p.m. During the rest of the day it is hoped that at least twenty-one members of the congregation will each spend a half-an-hour in Church. A list of times will be posted in the Baptistry of the Church. Names or initials of those willing to take part in this chain of Intercession should be placed opposite the convenient half-hour.

Armistice-tide.

Sunday, November 8th, is Armistice Sunday. The Services on this day will, in accordance with previous years, be suitably commemorative of those who gave their lives for their country in the Great War. On Wednesday, November 11th, Armistice Day, there will be a Celebration of the Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m. and a Service of Commemoration at 8 p.m.

BAPTISMS.

"Made a Member of Christ."

- Sept. 27—Shirley Ethel Ann Belcham.
- Oct. 11—Cynthia Moore.
- .. 24—Angela Marilyn Deane.
- .. 24—Kate Leslie Earl.
- .. 25—Leslie Francis Sargeant.
- .. 25—Audrey Beatrice Lown.

MARRIAGES.

"Whom God hath Joined together let no man put asunder."

- Oct. 19—John Samuel Harding and Jessie Gardiner McCash

BURIALS.

"I am the Resurrection and the Life."

- Sept. 25—George Garrick Skinner, aged 65 years.
- Sept. 30—Ada Fanny Bundyford, aged 70 years.
- Oct. 7—Alfred Charles Long, aged 56 years.
- .. 8—Emily Janet Gabbett, aged 82 years.
- .. 14—Jemima Manning, aged 79 years.
- .. 15—Elizabeth Matilda Goodman, aged 48 years.
- .. 16—Florence Mabel Stevens, aged 76 years.
- .. 28—Helena Ivy Sandford, aged 69 years.