

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. Ealden.

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.

Magazine Advt. Secretary—Mr. C. A. Child.

Vicar's Letter.

MY DEAR PEOPLE,

It is fortunate that this issue of the magazine was not printed till after the Easter Festival. I hope you all felt as I did the real joy which was the note of our Services on Easter Day. When one thought of all that was going on in the world in the struggle against the great force of evil and for the liberation of mankind everywhere, from the domination of cruelty and brute force, the reminder that the Creator and Ruler of the Universe shared our struggle on the Cross on Good Friday and by His Rising again on Easter Day proclaimed the Victory He won over Satan and all his satellites, a Victory which may be shared by all who faithfully follow Him, there was an added note of joy in our Easter Services. The joy of certainty, not only that Jesus lives and is our ever present Companion in all our sorrows and happinesses, but that He, our victorious Captain, will lead us on in our present conflict until Victory is gained, seemed to take possession of us and give fervour to all our acts of Prayer, Praise and Thanksgiving on Easter Day. A strong sense of the presence with us of an Overruling Providence came into our Services. We felt truly that underneath us are the Everlasting Arms. We came seeking God in the

Person of the Risen Saviour and I sincerely hope we found Him—Him who is the same yesterday, to-day and for ever and by whose guidance alone the good we hope and pray for will come out of this combat with evil. For me our Easter Festival was a particularly happy one. The congregations were beyond expectation and so were the number of communicants. We are much indebted to Mr. Bougourd and the choir for their very helpful rendering of the choral portions of the services. I am sure that those who were present at the Choral Eucharist appreciated the presence of a full choir for the first time since the war began. Not a few have expressed the hope that we may have such a service on the fourth Sunday of each month. The Church was beautifully decorated and I am grateful to all who contributed money or flowers and also to the decorators. Thank you all very much for your kindness to me on Easter Day.

This month our thoughts and prayers are concentrated on the Evangelistic Campaign which is to take place in the Borough of Twickenham during the week beginning on May 23rd and ending on May 30th. Under Parish Notes you will find details of the programme prepared for this Parish. I feel sure that we shall be particularly happy to have obtained the Rev. C. S.

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Crowson for our Leader. In the subjects he has chosen for the talks on the various evenings in the week he will have ample opportunity of discussing problems of moment to all people as we turn our attention to post-war reconstruction. The fact that Halls and not Churches have been chosen for our deliberations shows the importance he attaches to the full discussion of the subjects by those present. We very much hope that there will be many enquirers after Truth at the meetings including those who for one reason or another have fallen away from the public Worship of the Congregation on the Lord's Day. The meetings will give a chance for us to air our views and express our difficulties in regard to Faith and Order and I am sure that, with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the way to give a practical expression to the necessity of the moment as stressed by the Archbishop of Canterbury when he bade the Nation "Turn to God" will be made plainer. I, myself, rejoice that in this Campaign the Congregational Church is joining with us and that the meetings are to be held partly in their Hall and partly in our own. This, I hope, will be the means of bringing all Christians in Hampton Hill much closer together. It is very necessary that the Christian Church should speak with one voice concerning those things which in our everyday life she has the responsibility of exerting a Christian influence upon. For the future, no doubt, we shall be united more closely in watching and having a share in the problems of reform which will make for the happier conditions under which our fellow creatures shall live. Most important of all, it may be that we in our small corner may be doing something to stop the sneers of the man-in-the-street levelled against the Christian Community by reason of its unhappy divisions and make our small contribution to the answer of the prayer of our Divine Head that

"They all may be one; as thou Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me."

The Campaign will end with a United Service of Thanksgiving in St. James's Church, on Sunday, 30th May. This will be a fitting close to our great spiritual effort. In the meantime, we are holding intercession services in preparation alternately in St. James's Church and in the Congregational Church, on Fridays, 30th April, 7th May, 14th May and 21st May. Those who cannot be present at these services will help us by making intercession for the Campaign in their private devotions.

May I remind you that Rogationtide comes at the very end of the month. It is a season when we pray for God's blessing on the crops of the earth, not forgetting its spiritual significance—the sowing of the spiritual seed which is the Word of God by our Missionary effort. During the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 31st May and June 1st and 2nd I shall visit as many of the Allotments as possible and will offer prayers for the holders and the crops sown.

I remain your faithful friend and Vicar,

FREDK. P. P. HARVEY.

Days of Special Remembrance.

May 4th—St. Mark. Holy Communion 7.30 a.m.

May 5th—SS. Philip and James. Holy Communion 7.30 a.m. Corporate Communion M.U. 10.30 a.m.

May 16th—Youth Sunday.

May 23rd-30th—Evangelistic Campaign.

May 30th—Rogation Sunday.

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PARISH NOTES.

Mothers' Union.

At the last Meeting it was decided that there should be a Corporate Communion on the 1st Wednesday in each Month. The first one will be on Wednesday, 5th May, at 10.30 a.m. As the Annual Meeting of the Hampton Deanery Moral Welfare Association is being held on the first Wednesday in the month, the usual Monthly Meeting of the M.U. will be held on **Wednesday, 12th May**, in the Club Room, at 3 p.m. The Vicar will speak on the Evangelistic Campaign to take place in the Borough during the last week in May, particularly as to what is going to be done in this Parish.

Hampton Deanery Moral Welfare Association.

The Annual Meeting will be held in St. Mary's Hall, Twickenham, on Wednesday, 5th May, 1943, at 3 p.m. The Speaker will be Miss Ena Steel (Lecturer Moral Welfare Council). At a quarter-to-three Miss Leah and Miss Christina Chalmers will give a selection of Music.

The Evangelistic Campaign.

"THE BATTLE FOR BRITAIN."

Under this title the Churches of all the Denominations in the Borough of Twickenham are to hold a series of meetings, and services in all places of Worship during the week commencing on **Sunday, 23rd May**, and ending on **Sunday, 30th May**.

The following are the arrangements that have been made for this Parish of St. James in union with the Congregational Church, Hampton Hill:—

Sunday, 23rd May. Usual Sunday Services at which the Missioner, The Rev. C. S. Crowson, Vicar of Neasden, will preach.

Monday, 24th May. Meeting at **The Congregational School Hall**, High Street, at 8 p.m. The **Subject** will be "The God whom we ignore."

Tuesday, 25th May. Meeting at **The Congregational School Hall**, at 8 p.m. **Subject:** "Man's Desperate Need."

Wednesday, 26th May. Meeting at **The Congregational School Hall**, at 8 p.m. **Subject:** "Man's Greatest Problem."

Thursday, 27th May. Meeting at **St. James' Parish Hall, School Road**, at 8 p.m. **Subject:** "Murder—Martyrdom—Mistake."

Friday, 28th May. Meeting at **St. James' Parish Hall**, 8 p.m. **Subject:** "Now or Never."

Saturday, 29th May. Meeting in **St. James' Parish Hall** at 8 p.m. **Subject:** "Something New."

Sunday, 30th May. Usual Sunday Services till 3 p.m. Evensong will be said at 6 p.m. At **7 p.m.** there will be a **United Service** of the joint Churches in **St. James' Church**. The **Leader** at the meetings and the **Preacher** at the Final Service will be the **Missioner—The Rev. C. S. Crowson, M.A., Vicar of Neasden.**

It is hoped that all members of the two congregations will attend the meetings and services and bring as many friends as possible.

A box will be placed at the end of the two Halls in which those present can make contributions towards the expenses of the Campaign. At the United Service there will be a collection which will be given to the Missioner as a Thank Offering.

The Easter Vestry.

The Easter Vestry with which was sitting the Parochial Church Meeting, was held at the Club Room, on Wednesday, 28th April. Mr. C. E. W. Barrett was nominated by the Vicar as his

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Warden and Mr. C. A. Child was proposed by Mr. Forrow and seconded by Mr. Cox and duly elected as People's Warden for the ensuing year.

BAPTISMS.

"Made a Member of Christ."

- Apr. 11—Anne Phyllis Biggs.
- Apr. 11—Geoffrey Leonard Spond.
- Apr. 11—Geoffrey Swatland
- Apr. 11—Dian Cathrine Wood.
- Apr. 11—David Alfred Nichols.
- Apr. 11—Elizabeth Anne Kingsford.
- Apr. 11—Diane Parmenter.
- Apr. 25—Leonard Robert Edwards.

MARRIAGES.

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

- Apr. 10—Geoffrey David Gibson and Joan Winifred Starley.
- Apr. 10—John Ougden William Webb and
Dorothy Margaret Cooper.
- Apr. 17—Roy C. Smith and Rosemary Annie Pellett.
- Apr. 19—Samuel Slade and Ivy Plummer.
- Apr. 24—Charles William James Cox and
Kathleen Mabel Cox.

BURIALS.

"I am the Resurrection and the Life."

- Mar. 23—Florence Emily Chapman, aged 64 years.
- Mar. 25—Charles Bigg, aged 84 years.
- Mar. 30—Ebenezer Thomas Samuel Hillyard, aged 77 years.
- Apr. 2—Annie Emma Elizabeth Clarke, aged 73 years.
- Apr. 20—Minnie Sutton Churton, aged 78 years.
- Apr. 21—Edward Henry Godsell, aged 29 years.