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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.

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Magazine Advt. Secretary—Mr. H. W. Morris-Pugh.

Vicar's Letter.

MY DEAR PEOPLE,

It was a happy coincidence that Mr. Biggs should once again be sent by the Church Missionary Society not only to plead the cause of this old and noble arm of the Church in her work overseas, but also and perhaps rather to stir up missionary zeal amongst his hearers. He stressed the importance of reading about the Church's position in the world as she endeavours to win souls for Christ and indeed wetted our intellectual appetites for more and more study on this great problem. From time to time you will find books of interest on this subject amongst those on sale in our book-rack. I do hope you will take them and read them yourselves and pass them on to others. We should take a much larger outlook on the Church and remember that all the young branches of the Catholic Church in the various parts of the Mission field are not merely daughters of the Mother Church at Home but united allies with us in the effort to establish the spiritual and ethical teaching of Christianity without which all dreams of the universal betterment of mankind are doomed to failure. We in this country have already much to learn from these young churches particularly in their self-sacrificing eagerness to propagate the Gospel amongst their

friends and relations. The war has made their task far harder than our own and in their poverty they will look to the Mother Church to continue and increase her financial help. Let us become more acquainted with foreign missionary work from books, let us plead their cause before the Throne of Grace in acts of corporate and private intercession and then I feel sure that we shall be careful to supply the necessary financial help which will be necessary not only to strengthen but to re-establish the life of the Christian Churches in parts where Christian Endeavour has been severely curtailed by the eventualities of war. I am hoping that it may be possible to revive lantern lectures on some parts of the mission field and to start study circles during the coming Autumn and Winter.

Our Patronal Festival was a very happy time. The Services were fairly well attended and we were glad to have Mr. Bowers with us once more and to welcome the Chaplain of the Chapel Royal, Hampton Court amongst us. They both gave us messages containing much food for thought concerning our present opportunity as Church members and our worship. The choir acquitted themselves very well and we hope that they will continue to prepare an anthem for at least one Sunday in the Month.

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The Service for Churchworkers was quite a success and my wife and I were delighted to welcome so many to the Vicarage garden after the Service. It is good for us all to meet together from time to time for social intercourse; we get to know one another better and possibly some ideas for increase in the better conduct of the affairs of the Church in this Parish. We were all glad to meet the new Vicar of Hampton and we hope to have him with us on many other occasions. We all wish him a happy ministry in his parish of St. Mary's, Hampton.

Thinking over the various parochial activities I realised how necessary it is to prepare for the revival of such as have been affected by the war. At the moment I would gladly welcome a lady who would take on the work of the G.F.S. in the parish, also at least two more Sunday School teachers are wanted, one to do ordinary classwork and the other to take the Bible Class or superintend the girl's department of the Junior School. Miss Knowles, the Assistant Secretary of the London Diocesan Council for Youth, is paying a visit to our Sunday School in the early Autumn and no doubt she will bring some helpful criticism to bear on our present system. Talking to the members of the R.D. Conference, Miss Knowles, in stressing the importance of getting and holding the children's interest, said that when the children shut their mouths it is time for the teacher to do the same. I am sure the teachers will look forward to the visit of Miss Knowles.

At the beginning of next month, as a matter of fact on Saturday, 4th September, we are going to have a Gift Day for Church Funds. As on the previous two occasions in 1942 and 1941 I shall sit in Church to receive offerings from the Church people in this Parish. This day has for the time taken the place of the Fête and it has

been a very gratifying substitute except that we lose the opportunity of meeting one another and having a real good chat. The Finance Committee is busy preparing for September 4th. You will all receive a statement of the financial needs and an envelope in which to put your cheques or coins as your extra contribution towards these needs. Then you will bring the envelopes to the Church on the appointed day or if you cannot come you will send them to me sometime previously. When making our parochial budget we must not forget that besides keeping up the payment of our quota to the Diocesan Fund in full, there is always another £250 of new money required for the proper staffing of the parish. When you realise that this means only another threepence a week each from those who made their Communion on Easter Day it is surely not beyond you all to make this need an accomplished fact. Please read carefully the statement you will receive and do your utmost on the Gift Day.

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

Days of Special Remembrance.

Aug. 24th—St. Bartholomew. Holy Communion 7.30 a.m.

PARISH NOTES.

Mothers' Union.

The weather favoured the members for their Quarterly Day. After the afternoon Service, the company adjourned to the Vicarage Garden, where a good tea was served and although while all had one eye on their cups, etc., the other was giving cursive glances at the sky wondering if the darkish clouds which at times passed over would emit a downpour before they had time to reach their

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respective homes. However, all reached their domiciles before the rain descended, having had quite a nice afternoon.

There will be no meeting in August. The next monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, 1st September, in the Club Room, at 3 p.m., when Mrs. Burnett is coming to speak to the mothers.

It was arranged for a small party of Mothers to take a trip by steamer to Windsor, but on the day appointed they arrived at Molesey Lock to be told that nearly two hundred people had been left behind at Kingston. Though disappointed at being crowded off the boat they were determined to have their "day out" and so the party split up, some found their way to Chessington Zoo and spent a really enjoyable time.

Community Singing.

It has been suggested that on some Sunday evenings after Evensong there should be community hymn-singing for about half-an-hour. Such a time would give an opportunity not only for reviving acquaintance with some old favourites but also of learning a few new hymns in the latest addition to Hymns Ancient and Modern. There are some really fine tunes amongst the six and the seven hundred's. The first of these rehearsals will be on Sunday evening, 15th August, and if it goes well an encore will be given on 29th August. Should any who anticipate being present have any special favourites will they please send a list to the Vicar or to Mr. Bougourd.

Sunday School Treat.

Rather dubious as to the probability of the Sunday Schools record of suitable climatic conditions for its Summer Treat being broken, it was arranged to take the children to Bushy Park and give them as good an afternoon as is offered there by the swings and boats and childish romps. The

transport presented a difficulty which was eventually overcome by arranging to take the Infants by bus and to walk the other children across the Park. For the boys Miss N. Harvey drew up plans for a Scavenger Hunt which thrilled the boys and incidently got them over a fairly long walk in double quick time. Dame Fortune smiled on the forty odd Infants as, with very little waiting at the bus stop, they were all able to get on to one bus. The girls under the care of Miss Bennett and Miss Stewart enjoyed their walk through the Park. The various places providing teas in the vicinity were unable to cater for the party and so a squad of the usual kind and willing helpers followed the Infants in another bus complete with boxes full of eats, an urn, etc. in which to make tea together with all accessories for giving the children a really nice picnic-tea. For an hour and a half the children played games and amused themselves in other ways and then they sat down on the grass and had a good tuck in. After tea there was more romping, swinging and boating until half-past-six when a happy and tired crowd of nearly a hundred children assembled for the homeward journey. This took little time because the whole party were able to commandeer a single bus. By a quarter-past-seven the return to the Club Room had been made, cheers given for all who had assisted in making the Outing a real success and the children dismissed to their homes. It was particularly noteworthy how the passengers in the bus, which the Infants boarded on their outward journey, entered into the Treat-Spirit and did all in their power to help. The bus-conductors also deserve a word of thanks for the cheerful way they accepted the task of coping with the children, doing all in their power to make the journey both ways as comfortable as possible.

The Vicar is most grateful to teachers and helpers and to all who gave in money or kind to enable the

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children to have what one expressed when she personally thanked the Vicar for "a very nice afternoon in Bushy Park." To the following the Vicar offers his sincere thanks:—Mrs. Chaplin, Mrs. Daines, Miss Hews, Miss Pound, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Keen, Mr. and Mrs. Christie, Mrs. and Miss Swain, Mr. Ewins, Miss Bennett, Miss Phillips, Mrs. Stewart, Miss Lambert, Mrs. West, Mrs. Childs, Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Habes, Mrs. Kingsford, together with some anonymous donors.

BAPTISMS.

"Made a Member of Christ."

June 27—Robert James Allwork.

June 27—Kenneth Andrew Martin.

July 4—Patricia Hicks.
July 4—Peter Hicks.
July 4—Pauline Margaret Shepherd.
July 18—David George Best.
July 25—Jaqueline Elsa Legge.
July 25—David Alan Thirkettle.

MARRIAGE.

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

July 10—Peter Francis Akers Smith and
Janet Madeline Godfrey.

BURIALS.

"I am the Resurrection and the Life."

June 25—John Roxburgh, aged 66 years.
July 6—Sarah Ann Barham, aged 69 years.
July 12—Elsie Stanley, aged 59 years.
July 24—Emily Alice Bennett, aged 80 years.
