

# HAMPTON HILL PARISH MAGAZINE.

THE VICARAGE,

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MY DEAR FRIENDS,

Since my last letter Easter has come and gone, and in many respects it will be remembered as a most happy and encouraging one. The cold and belated Spring caused a great deal of sickness, and scarcely a family was free from influenza or something of the kind, and then the bright happy thoughts that cluster round Easter seemed to bring new life to everybody and brighten depressed spirits, and help people to triumph over inclement surroundings. Of all the Church's Seasons Easter is the most inspiring. It comes when we hope "the Winter is past, the rain is over and gone, the flowers appear on the earth, and the time of the singing of birds is come," and everybody is full of hope. It comes, too, after the serious time of Lent, with its most valuable lessons and suggestions, its self examinations, and its fresh resolutions. All of which are like the ploughing and harrowing and sowing, which are absolutely necessary to a subsequent harvest, and are full of promise and hope.

The Church on Easter Day presented its usually beautiful appearance at festivals. Many kind friends were as kind as usual and there was no lack of flowers and plants, and no lack of helpers to arrange the rich profusion of pretty things. We are very much indebted to all those who helped and all those who so thoughtfully sent plants and flowers. The Services were very bright, and the number of communicants exceeded our highest record, there being 519 throughout the festival. I should like to express

my sincere thanks to all who so kindly contributed to the Easter Offering, which has been repeated for so many years.

The Service at the Victoria Hall and Cantata, "From Olivet to Calvary," on April 8th was well attended, and people seemed to be much interested. The "Lend-a-Hand" Society again gave their willing help, under the direction of Mr. Phillips.

The Annual Vestry Meeting was held too late for any account of it to be given this month.

During the year ending the 31st March there were at the Church 68 Baptisms, 26 Marriages, and 31 Burials.

On Tuesday, the 5th inst., there will be a Temperance Meeting in the Boys' Schoolroom, when an address will be given by Mrs. Cary, on Police Court Work amongst women. The address is sure to be full of interest, and I hope we shall have a good meeting. Many who are interested in Temperance work do not approve of the Government Licensing Bill, but the necessity for sound Temperance work is very great indeed, and there must be no slackening of interest or effort to educate public opinion in favour of just and fair methods of improvement.

There will be a Band of Hope Entertainment at the Victoria Hall on Tuesday, the 19th inst., when there will be a rendering of the Crystal Palace Music. The attendance is generally large at this Annual Concert, and I hope we may again have the support of our friends on this occasion.

I am, my dear Friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

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## OFFERTORIES.

	11 a.m.	7 p.m.	TOTAL.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Mar. 22—Church Expenses ...	3 3 9	1 10 8	4 14 5
„ 29— „ „ ...	3 8 10	1 12 3	5 1 1
April 5—Curate's Fund... ..	4 9 9	1 19 10	6 9 7
„ 12—Church Expenses ...	3 8 0	2 1 11	5 9 11
„ 17—Good Friday, Rescue and Preventive Work ...	4 2 1	0 12 4	4 14 5
„ 19—Easter Offerings, 6 45 a.m. £2/3/7; 8 a.m. £7/2/3; 18 3 10	4 1 9	31 11 5	
Early Celebrations (Poor Fund) Mar. 22, 6/10; Mar. 29, 10/9; April 5, 10/4; April 12, 10/3 ... ..		1 18 2	
Children's Services (Missions), Mar. 29, 2/2; April 5, 2/6; April 12, 2/10; April 19, 5/11 ... ..		0 13 5	
Special Celebrations, Mar. 25, (The Annunciation), Mothers' Union ... ..		0 17 1	
Thursdays, Mar. 19, 8/9; Mar. 26, 3/6; April 2, 8/8; April 9, 10/8; April 16, 7/11 ... ..		1 19 6	
Special Service, Communicants' Guild ... ..		0 11 6	
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## BAPTISMS.

“Grant, O Lord, that they may have power and strength to have victory and to triumph, against the Devil, the World and the Flesh.” Amen.

April 12—Kathleen Enid Carter.

## MARRIAGES.

“O Lord, send them help from Thy Holy Place, and evermore mightily defend them.”

Mar. 28—Hubert James Chaffey to Helena Blanche Welch.

April 11—Albert Edward French to Florence Mary Allen.

„ 13—Frederick William Alliston to Annie Agnes Dixey.

„ 19—Henry Benjamin Wells to Phyllis Busby.

„ 20—George Plim to Sarah Seward.

## BURIALS.

“I am the resurrection and the life saith the Lord, he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live, and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die.”—*St. John*, xi, 25, 26.

April 1—Gertrude Hannah Westrup, aged 21 years.

„ 2—Irene Eva Ellen Glanfield, aged 5 months.

„ 2—Edith May Davey, aged 9 months.

„ 4—Walter Hubert Middleton d'Este aged 41 years.

„ 4—Mary Ann Foster, aged 53 years.

„ 6—Fanny Mary Birkinshaw, aged 59 years.

„ 10—Augustus Barton Wilson, aged 85 years.

## HYMNS FOR THE MONTH.

DATE.	MORNING.	AFTERNOON.	EVENING.
May 3	500 197	334 341 333	258 129 411 302
„ 6	...	...	126 (3) 140
„ 10	501 499 232	338 336 342	176 503 18 271
„ 13	...	...	504 31
„ 17	127 524	571 572 573	290 139 229 141
„ 20	...	...	269 22
„ 24	143 527 142	332 567 569	505 526 246 468
Ascension Day	...	...	147 149 150
May 31	147 230 506	149 567 337	292 145 304 148 (2)