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MY DEAR PEOPLE,

It was a great pleasure to me to note the large number of Communicants on Easter Day, numbers are not everything, but they are some indication of the spiritual life of the Church in our midst. The Church was beautifully decorated by the usual band of willing helpers, and we are all grateful to them and to the friends who sent such large quantities of flowers.

I should like to add a word of congratulation to Mr. Russe and the Choir for the excellent rendering of the "Crucifixion" on Good Friday, and the musical portions of the Easter Services, it reflected great credit on the singers and their teacher. Again I would ask for more adult members for the choir, Mr. Russe is willing to train, free of cost, anyone likely to make a useful chorister.

May I remind those who began preparing for their Confirmation that the Classes will be resumed in May; for girls, on Mondays at 8, commencing May 12th, in the Vestry, and for lads, on Fridays at 8, commencing May 16th, also in the Vestry. New names should be sent to the Vicar as soon as possible. The Confirmation will take place on Sunday, June 29th, at 3 p.m. in Holy Trinity Church, Twickenham.

There was a large attendance at the Easter Vestry on April 24th. Mr. Carpenter was again nominated as my Churchwarden, and the Parishioners', unanimously, Mr. C. H. Evans, as their representative. The parochial accounts were presented, and Mr. Evans was heartily congratulated and thanked for the success of his efforts during the past year, by which a very considerable deficit was wiped out, and a credit balance shown. All the funds, except that of the Day Schools, showed balances on the right side. Mention was made of the present condition of the Free-will Offering Fund, which showed a considerable advance on last year. I look upon

this as a very important matter, and every Communicant is asked to join the scheme, particulars of which will be gladly supplied by the Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. A. F. E. Poley, Willowbank, Uxbridge Road.

The Children have, by their Lenten Saving Boxes, contributed £3 18s. 1½d. towards the funds of the Police Court Mission Boys' Home.

A general opinion has been expressed that those men and lads who have returned from the war, should have some recognition of their services for their country and for us. I shall shortly be calling a meeting of the congregation to consider the matter, and I hope you will all make a point of being present. It does not seem right that these brave defenders of our homes should go back to their usual work again with no token of appreciation of all they have done.

On Sunday, May 4th, throughout the Hampton Deanery, Sermons will be preached on the Mission of the Church in these days. The S. P. G. have kindly provided preachers for this parish: 11 a.m. The Rev. D. V. Warner, Senior Chaplain of the Forces, and 7 p.m. the Rev. B. Chandler, London Secretary.

I have again to thank Mr. Goldie for his kind help by preaching at 7 p.m. on April 13th and 20th.

I am glad to say that Mr. Chipperfield has consented to act as Treasurer of the Parish Magazine account. All payments for advertisements should be made to him. Miss Ward continues to be Secretary, and a very excellent one she makes.

Yours truly,

R. COAD PRYOR.

## Parish Dotices.

Churchyard.—On and after May 1st. no artificial wreaths under glass cases may be placed on the graves in St. James' Churchyard.