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MY DEAR PEOPLE,

From many one hears how much the beautiful Harvest Thanksgiving Services were appreciated. The Choir certainly acquitted themselves very well, doing great credit to the untiring energy of Mr. Russe. The Preachers gave us messages appropriate to the occasion. The Church was most tastefully decorated, and our best thanks are due to those who sent gifts of bread, flowers, fruit and vegetables, as well as to the decorators. The offerings at the Flower Service were sent to the Hampton Hospital, and a letter of thanks has been received from the Matron.

Armistice Day falls on a Sunday this year. A Special Service will be held in the morning, commencing at **10.45 instead of 11 o'clock.** This will enable us to observe the two minutes' silence at the appointed hour. After the third collect, if the weather allows it, we shall proceed to the Memorial Cross in the Churchyard for the rest of the Service. I have invited members of the District Council and all Ex-Service men to attend, and shall feel most grateful if seat-holders will allow the men to occupy the first few rows in front. The collection at this Service will be divided between the Service Candidates' Ordination Fund and the Churchyard Fund.

Our Bishop has once more called us to a Week of Prayer, Fellowship and Self-Denial. Such a week, apart from any other result, should be an occasion of considerable Spiritual uplifting of the Parish. In addition to the usual daily Celebration of the Holy Communion and week-day Services, there will be an Intercession Service with a short address each evening at eight o'clock, lasting

about half-an-hour. In conjunction with a scheme drawn up by the Rural Dean, I have promised to set aside the Wednesday (Nov. 21st), for a day of continuous Intercession from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. For this we shall need twenty-two people to take a half-an-hour each in Church during the day. A paper will be placed on the door of the Church, and I should be grateful if you would put your names opposite the half-hour you can take as soon as possible. For the Self-Denial part of the week envelopes will be distributed, into which offerings should be placed and brought back on Sunday, November 25th. These offerings are supposed to be the result of some special piece of self-denial during the week, and should not take the place of your assessment or Sunday offertory money. The result of the self-denial effort will be taken by one of the Churchwardens, and offered at a Thanksgiving Service to be held in St. Paul's Cathedral, on Saturday, December 1st, at 5.30 p.m. This money will not form part of our Parochial Quota to the Diocesan Fund, but will be treated by the Diocesan Finance Committee as New Money.

Those who are interested in the Work of the Church Overseas will be anticipating the arrangements for the proper observance of St. Andrew's Day (Nov. 30th). As usual, we shall have a day of continuous Intercession, and I hope all who are interested will be able to spend a half-an-hour each in Church. A List will be placed on the door of the Church for those who will help to put their names opposite the half-hour they will take. Further information as to services will be found under Parish News.

According to the Enabling Act of 1919, elections to the National Assembly of the Church of England are held every five years. The next election will take place in 1925. The basis of representation to the House of Laity at the first

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election was the population of each diocese. In future it will be the number of electors on the Electoral Roll. On this basis the number of representatives for the London Diocese will be fourteen instead of thirty-nine. The reason for this big drop in numbers is that comparatively few Church people have taken the trouble to see that their names are on the roll of their particular parish or Church. I hope that all who are qualified to be placed on the Electoral Roll of this Parish will not delay obtaining a form from one of the Churchwardens, filling it up and returning it at once. It behoves us to see that our Roll is complete without further delay, so that we may be doing our part to increase the probable number of representatives from our Diocese in the next National Assembly.

Owing to a parochial engagement, I was unable to attend the Meeting at the Royal Albert Hall in connection with C.O.P.E.C. On December 17th, there is to be a meeting in connection with this movement at Twickenham, when I hope that many from this Parish will be present. The principal speaker will be Bishop Gore. Further particulars will be announced in next month's Magazine.

We have started our Girls' Club, and it promises to be quite a success. I should be grateful for some more games for the girls. A gramophone would also be most acceptable.

The Sale of Work in connection with the Work Party was as successful as the weather would allow it to be. Mrs. Norton very kindly came and opened the Sale. I am sure we were all very grateful to her for coming, and for the very nice and appropriate speech she made. The afternoon was much enlivened by an orchestra composed of kind friends from Teddington. We are most grateful to Miss de Courcy for bringing such a nice band, and to all her friends who

came with her. Miss Newman very kindly allowed her girls at St. Mary's College to give two Entertainments during the afternoon, which were much appreciated, and Miss Lush also kindly provided an entertainment which was much enjoyed. We extend our best thanks to Miss Newman and Miss Lush. Nor do we forget the many kind friends who sent gifts in kind for the various stalls and the tea department, and those who gave their time in a labour of love for the Master; to all we offer our most sincere thanks.

We are grateful to an anonymous Donor for presenting a new Altar Service Book to the Church, to replace one that had been in use many years and was very dilapidated.

I am pleased to be able to report that we are within about twenty-five pounds of the sum required to meet the expense of a Parish Nurse for the first year. This piece of good news is due to a grant we have received of fifty pounds. Perhaps some of our readers who have not already subscribed will be good enough to send a donation to our Treasurer, Mr. Smith, Barclay's Bank, High Street, to help make up the sum still wanted. The Committee of the Jubilee Nurses' Institution will meet on Monday, November 5th, to consider our application for a Nurse, so we shall most likely have one amongst us by the middle of the month.

At the last Parochial Church Council Meeting two matters of importance were discussed. The necessity for extending the churchyard was one, and a Committee was appointed to go into the matter. The other was the possibility of making progress in the matter of a Parish Hall. Again a committee was formed to consider what steps should be taken. I hope to be able to give some report of the work of these Committees in the December Magazine.

I remain, your faithful friend and Vicar,

FREDK. P. P. HARVEY.

INTERCESSIONS.

At 7.30 a.m.—Holy Communion.

Mondays: Sunday Schools, Day Schools.

Tuesdays: District Visiting, Mothers' Union, Voluntary Workers in the Church, Cleaners, &c.

Wednesdays: Choir and Services, Parochial Church Council.

Thursdays: Temperance Work, Band of Hope, Crusaders and Adult Branch, C.E.T.S.

Fridays: Church Missions, Home & Overseas

Saturdays: Church Lads' Brigade, Girl Guides, Girls' Friendly Society.

IMPORTANT.—Will all those who are responsible for Church Work please send in a full report by the 20th of each month, by so doing it will not only be of great use to our readers, but greatly forward the work of the Church. Applications for Advertisements in the Magazine, should be made to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. A. SIMMONS, 7, Oxford Road, Teddington.

Parish Wants.

1. A Parish Hall.
2. A Bier for use in Church at Funerals, approximate cost about £30.
3. A Piano for the Infants' School.

CHURCHYARD.—Contributions towards keeping the Churchyard and the graves tidy will be welcomed, and may be sent to Mr. C. H. Evans (Churchwarden), Roseneath, Edward road, Hampton Hill.

The Vicar may be seen at the Vicarage daily (Mondays excepted), between the hours of 8.45 and 10 a.m., and 6 and 7 p.m.

Parish News.

SALE OF WORK.—The Annual Sale of work for Missions Overseas was held in the Girls' School, on Tuesday, October 23rd. The Sale was opened by Mrs. Norton. The bad weather was responsible for only a moderate gathering of supporters. Business was brisk and the result of the efforts of the Working Party and their friends was a sum of about £47. The goods left over will be sold in the Church Room on some future date to be announced later.

WEEK OF PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP AND SELF-DENIAL, November 18th to 25th.—The Services in connection with this special week will be as follows:—A celebration of the Holy Communion daily at 7.30 a.m.; A Service of Intercession with a short address daily at 8 p.m.; A Day of Intercession on Wednesday, November 21st, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Leaflets were distributed on the last Sunday in October, and others together with envelopes for Self-denial Offerings, will be distributed on November 4th and 11th. Those wishing to take part and not able to attend church on these Sundays may have their leaflets by applying to the Churchwardens.

MONTHLY SOCIAL.—The next Monthly Social will be held in the Boys' School, on Friday, November 2nd, at 7.45 p.m. Tickets 6d. each, before the day, may be obtained from the Vicarage or any member of the Committee. The charge at the door is 9d. The number is limited to 150.

C.E.T.S.—A Meeting will be held in the Girls' School on Monday, November 12th, at 8 p.m. The Speaker will be Mr. Pearson, from the

Head-quarters of the Church of England Temperance Society. He will speak on the Subject of "Local Option." The subject will be thrown open for discussion. It is hoped that all interested in the Temperance cause will make a special effort to be present.

FEAST OF ST. ANDREW, November 30th.—Day of Intercession for the work of Missions Overseas. Besides the continuous Intercessions there will be the following services:—Holy Communion 7.30 a.m. and 11 a.m.; Litany, 12; Evensong and Intercessions, 3.30 p.m.; Service of Intercession, 7.30 p.m.

GIRLS' CLUB.—The Girls' Club meets on Mondays, in the Church Room, at 7.30 p.m.

LADS' BIBLE CLASS.—A Bible Class for lads of 14 years and over is held on Sundays in the Church Room, at 10.15 a.m.

MEMORIAL TO THE LATE REV. R. COAD-PRYOR. The work on the Window has been put in hand, and directly Messrs. James Powell and Sons can give an approximate date for its completion, the day for dedication will be fixed.

SUNDAY—THE LORD'S DAY. AN APPEAL.

The Middlesex United Committee for Sunday Defence, whose President is the Bishop of London, asks that preference and support may be given to shops not opening on Sunday. This more particularly refers to tobacconists, news-agents, restaurants and sweetmeat shops. The Committee also draws attention to the remarks of the Archbishop of Canterbury which appeared in the Press in June last:—

"I have no hesitation in reiterating my conviction that members of the Church of

Christ ought everywhere to make their voices heard in support of our duty to *safeguard for dear life* the splendid traditions which are ours as to the sacred heritage of the Lord's Day. . . Let no one push the question away as one lying outside his or her responsibility, for in these days of effective public opinion and effective popular vote, the responsibility lies steadily upon us all."

Copies of the Annual Report will be sent to any willing to help the work of the Committee, on application to Mr. A. G. Way, 71, Argyll Road, Ealing, W. 13.

OFFERTORY STATEMENT.

Sept. 30th. to Oct. 21st.

	£	s.	d.
For Church Expenses	14	8	10
For Hospitals	14	10	7
For Mothers' Union	0	12	3
For Missions	0	11	8
	£30	3	4
For Assessment	29	10	8
	£59	14	0

BAPTISMS.

"Made a Member of Christ."

Sept. 30—Arthur DuRose..
Oct. 14—Edith May Sage.
,, 14—Ivy Betty Lay.

MARRIAGE.

"Those whom God hath joined together."

Oct. 10—Leslie Arthur Carman and Olive Mountjoy.

BURIALS.

"I am the Resurrection and the Life."

Oct. 4—George Beard, aged 69 years.
,, 4—Emma Marshall Swanseger, aged 87 years.
,, 15—Dorothy Catherine Florence Rivers, aged 21 months.
,, 26—James Steedman Lane, aged 74 years.
,, 27—William Ware, aged 68 years.