

## HAMPTON HILL PARISH MAGAZINE.

THE VICARAGE,  
HAMPTON HILL,

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MY DEAR PEOPLE,

Of the three outstanding events of last month which call for comment, by far the most successful was the Hampton Choirs' Festival Service. The Church was filled as it rarely is in these days and the whole service was inspiring. I hope the Canon's remarks about psalm-singing will be taken to heart, especially by the adult members of the Choirs, and that they will be more patient with their Choir Masters when much time at the practices is taken up with the pointing of the psalms. At present, there is room in our own Choir for two or three adult members. Mr. Russe would gladly welcome gentlemen who are fair readers at practice on any Thursday at 8 o'clock, or he would arrange an interview at his own house, St. Kilda, Windmill Road.

The Week of Prayer did not come up to my expectation. During the week, few in comparison took advantage of the many opportunities for prayer which were provided. It was disappointing, and yet one still hopes that a time will come when those who call themselves Christians will not be satisfied with such a meagre output of Christian devotion as they are accustomed to at present.

The Services on Armistice Day were well attended. Several of the Congregation were disappointed that we did not make more of the Sunday before or the Sunday in the Octave, but I think these missed the whole point in my letter of last month, which was that it appeared to me to be more fitting to make more of the Day itself than to transfer our thoughts and feelings on the subject to a Sunday before or after the actual day. However, next year, this Annual Commemoration will fall on a Sunday.

There is one social event which I must mention. Owing to the kindness of Mrs Holt, a Whist Drive was held at her house, and I received a cheque for five pounds towards the Parish Hall Fund as a result. I am very grateful to Mrs. Holt and hope that others will follow her example.

The financial result of the concert held in November was not quite as good as I had anticipated. Expenses in connection with such efforts are always heavy, but when you have to hire the bulk of the chairs it adds considerably to one's liabilities. The actual balance will be seven pounds three shillings and three pence. A complete financial statement will be given next month.

I am sure that you will all be glad to know that Mr. Alford, the Headmaster of our Boys' School, is convalescing, and hopes to be back at school again soon. Miss Mellish, the Headmistress of the Infants' Department, was taken ill last month and will not be at school again till after Christmas. All who know her will sympathise with her in her sickness, and will hope that she may soon be restored to health.

The Christmas Festival is drawing very near. At the request of certain members of the congregation, I am having a Midnight Celebration of the Holy Communion, which will commence at a quarter before midnight. It will be a plain celebration with a few of the Christmas hymns. As it is the fourth Sunday in the month, we shall have our usual Choral Celebration, which will begin at a quarter-to-ten, instead of ten o'clock. There will be Matins and Sermon at eleven, and this will be followed by a plain Celebration of the Holy Communion at 12 noon. The other Celebrations of the Holy Communion are at seven o'clock and eight o'clock. I shall be very grateful for flowers and evergreens for the decorations. They should be sent to the Church on Saturday

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morning between half-past nine and half-past ten. It has been suggested that we should decorate the pillars this year. To do this, we shall require a few more decorators. I should be glad, therefore, to receive offers of help as soon as possible. The Collections on Christmas Day will be given to the Poor Fund.

All good wishes for a happy and joyful Christmas.

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 & Over-seas

*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.

We are grateful to our Advertisers for their support of our Magazine, and confidently hope our readers will support them.

### Parish Wants.

1. A Litany Desk.
2. A Parish Hall.
3. A Bier for use in Church at Funerals, approximate cost about £30.
4. A Piano for the Infants' School.
5. A Flag and Staff for Church Tower.

The Vicar may be seen at the Vicarage on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, between the hours of 8.45 and 10 a.m. And on any day, except Mondays, between the hours of 6 and 7 p.m.

**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.

### Parish News.

**BIBLE CLASSES.**—A Class for Girls is held in the Girls' School on Sundays at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

A Class for Lads is held in the Church Room at 2.45 p.m.

**LADS' CLUB.**—The Club is held in the Boys' School on Wednesdays from 7 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.

**MOTHERS' MEETING.**—This Meeting is held on Thursdays in the Church Room, at 2.30 p.m.

**MOTHERS' UNION.**—The Monthly Meeting will be held in the Church Room on Wednesday, December 7th, at 2.30 p.m.

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**ADVENT.**—The Preacher on Sunday, December 11th, at Evensong, will be the Rev. E. E. Charles, Vicar of Hampton. On Wednesday Evenings there will be an address at Evensong, which will be held at 8 p.m. instead of 5.30 p.m. On the Fourth Sunday in Advent, December 18th, the Evening Service will consist of shortened Evensong and Carols.

**CHRISTMAS DAY.** The Celebrations of the Holy Communion will be as follows:— December 24th, 11.45 p.m., plain with Hymns. December 25th, 7 a.m., 8 a.m., 9.45 a.m. (Choral), and 12 noon. Gifts of flowers and evergreens for decorations should be sent to the Church on Saturday morning between 9.30 a.m. and 10.30 a.m.

**FEAST DAYS.**—December 21st. St. Thomas. Holy Communion, 7.30 and 12. December 26th. St. Stephen. Holy Communion, 7.30 and 12. December 27th. St. John. Holy Communion, 7.30 and 12. December 28th. Holy Innocents. Holy Communion, 7.30 and 12.

**WATCHNIGHT SERVICE.**—The usual New Year's Eve Service will be held at 11.30 p.m.

**COMMUNICANTS' GUILD.**—The Monthly Meeting which will be incorporated with the Preparation Service for Christmas Communions, will be held on Wednesday, December 21st, at 8 p.m.

**CHOIRS' FESTIVAL.**—The Service on November 15th was in every way a success. There was a full Church. The music was extremely well rendered and repaid the respective choir masters for their work at initial practices, and Mr. Russe, the conductor, for the pains he took over the final rehearsals. The voluntaries played by Mr. Ridgway, who also accompanied the Cantata, were much appreciated, as was also the accompanying of the rest of the service by Mr Frank Cooke.

Canon Simpson's message to the Choirs was appropriate. He said that the test of good choir singing was the way in which the psalms were rendered. The collection, £5 11s. 2d., was small for such a large congregation.

**PRESENTATION.**—It is the wish of all who knew him that a suitable presentation should be made to Mr. Jordan as a mark of appreciation of his long and devoted service in connection with many of the organisations in the Parish. Donations should be sent to the Vicar or to Miss Lush as soon as possible.

**CHOIR BOYS' CHRISTMAS TREAT.**—It is hoped that it will be possible to take the boys to the Pantomime again this year. Subscriptions towards this Outing should be sent to the Vicar as soon as possible, in order that seats may be booked early in the month.

**WHIST DRIVE.**—Mrs. Holt very kindly organised and held a Whist Drive at her house in aid of the fund for a new Parish Hall. As a result, a cheque for five pounds has been sent to the Vicar.

**MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.**—The Monthly Intercession Service will be held on Sunday, December 11th, after Matins. The Monthly Meeting will be held in the Vestry on Friday, December 9th, at 8 p.m.

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**In Memoriam.**

Another old and respected resident passed to his rest last month in the person of Henry Jarvis. For thirteen years he lay on a bed of sickness, made all the more wearisome and trying because he was unable to turn to one side or the other. And yet through all his suffering he was most patient, thinking more of those who were looking

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after him than of his own pain and weariness. He was indeed like unto Christ in suffering, and we feel confident that he rests in Jesu's keeping now. Our deepest sympathy is with those who are left to mourn the loss of him, especially his good and devoted wife and daughter.

F. P. P. H.

### MUSIC FOR DECEMBER :—

Dec. 18th—7 p.m. Carol Service.

Dec. 25th—Christmas Day.

10 a.m. Choral Celebration.

11 a.m. Te Deum. *Stanford* in B flat.

Anthem. "Sing, O daughter of Zion," *Wareing*.

7 o'clock. Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis,  
*Stanford* in B flat.

Anthem. "There were Shepherds," *Vincent*.

### BAPTISMS.

"Made a Member of Christ."

Oct. 26th—Gillian Paines.

Nov. 12th—Geoffrey Wadsworth Sears.

.. 12th—Hilary Marian Sears.

.. 12th—Christine Mary Page.

### MARRIAGE.

"Those whom God hath joined together."

Oct. 29th—Sidney Alfred King and Sarah Charlotte Sponsford.

### BURIALS.

"I am the Resurrection and the Life."

Oct. 26th—Herbert Owen Marriott, aged 31 years.

Nov. 16th—Henry Jarvis, aged 73 years.