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MY DEAR PEOPLE,

It was a real joy to be able to take my part in the Easter Festival again this year. All the services were well attended although many more seemed to be on holiday than last year. The Choir sang quite nicely and we were glad to have some of the old members with us again. The Church was beautifully decorated. I am grateful for the number of beautiful flowers that were sent and also to the decorators. Once more I have to thank the congregation for their kind Easter Offering.

As I reminded you on Easter morning, this Queen of Festivals is not merely a climax to the Forty Days Fast of Lent, but rather a day for beginning fresh efforts to climb to further spiritual heights in the days that are before us. Let us resolve then that our Communion shall be more regular and if possible more frequent and that the other services on Sunday and even in the week may find a place in the time-table of the daily round, not forgetting to make more use of all other means of Grace.

Most of us who remained at home for Easter were congratulating ourselves on having the comfort of our home fires. None the less did we sympathize with those who had gone away and had to put up with wintry conditions, especially did we feel for those whose only real holiday in the year is the Easter holiday.

It is not too late to join the Confirmation Classes. If those mentioned under the Parish News are not convenient for any intending Candidates I shall be glad to make other arrangements for them.

Eclipsed by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting and bereft of most of its powers as a piece of purely parochial machinery the Easter

Vestry creates little interest amongst parishioners to-day. The main business of the Vestry is the election of Churchwardens. I am sure we can all congratulate ourselves in again having the services of Mr. Evans and Mr. Jakeman as Churchwardens for the ensuing year. It was good news to be told that work upon the Old School buildings would be begun in the near future. I expect there will be signs of a commencement before you receive this issue of the Magazine. There are some people who are under the impression that the Parish never had any hall in which to hold its social functions in, and they are wondering why, after so many years, it is necessary to build a Parish Hall. The fact of the matter is that up to eighteen months ago we used the hall of the Old Boys' School for holding all our indoor parochial gatherings, that the old building had got into such a state of disrepair that it was impossible to use it, and that the County Licensing Committee refused to license it unless drastic alterations were made involving considerable expense. It was considered, therefore, that in the long run it would be money saved to make an effort to remodel the old building in such a way as to provide a really worthy hall for the Parish which would serve its purpose for very many years to come and would meet the requirements of the County Council for licensing purposes. Hence the launching of our scheme and our appeal for subscriptions towards the carrying out of our plans.

There is one important Church Festival this month. The day on which we commemorate our Lord's Ascension claims the attention of all Church people. I hope that the services I have provided will meet the convenience of all and that the congregations on Ascension Day will show a large increase.

Rogation Sunday, May 25th, is one of the Sundays suggested by the London Diocesan Fund for

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having special collections towards the Parish quota. I do ask for your very liberal offerings on that day.

Ours Boys' Sunday School Superintendent, Mr. L. Singleton, has unfortunately been unable to attend to his duties owing to illhealth. We sympathize with him in his indisposition and hope that he will soon be restored to health. Mr. Singleton has taken a keen interest in the boys and his work for the Sunday School has by no means been confined to Sundays. The boys all miss him and eagerly look forward to his return. Mr. Lovell has very kindly acted Locum for the time being and will continue to give as much assistance as he possibly can. We are to have the help of another male teacher in the near future but even then there will be room for another teacher in the Boy's Sunday School.

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.

I. Donations to the Parish Hall Fund.

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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.—For boys in the Old Boys' School and for girls in the Club Rooms, School Road, at 10 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. For Infants in the Church Room at 10.30 in the morning and 2.30 in the afternoon.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.—Teachers' Preparation Class will be held on the Fridays in the month at the Vicarage at 8 p.m.

BIBLE CLASS.—A class for girls over fourteen years of age is held in the Club Rooms, School Road, on Sundays at 3 p.m.

LADS' CLUB.—The season ended with a Social Gathering in the Club Room on Thursday, April 24th. The Girls' Club and other friends were invited, and the company numbered over eighty.

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The programme consisted of games and dancing. An excellent jazz band composed of the lads of the Club was responsible for the music. In the middle of the evening, Mr. and Mrs. Creane and a band of helpers handed round a liberal supply of refreshments. During an interval the Vicar said how pleased he was to be with them, and how glad he was to hear that they had had a successful season. He referred to the amount of work put in by Mr. Creane and a certain number of the Committee and said that he was sure the lads realized what a debt of gratitude they owed to these good friends.

Mr. Creane announced that the Club would be closed for the summer months and would reopen on the 10th of September.

GIRLS' CLUB.—The Girls' Club will meet for the present in the Church Room on Fridays from 7.45 p.m. to 10 p.m. The Vicar has given permission for the Girls to use the Tennis Court in the field on Club nights.

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 on Wednesday, May 7th, at 2.30 p.m. in the Church Room.

SAINTS' DAYS.—May 1st, St. Philip and St. James, Holy Communion 7.30 a.m. and 12.

ASCENSION DAY.—There will be celebrations of the Holy Communion at 6.30 a.m., 7.30 a.m. and 12. Festal Evensong and Sermon at 8 p.m.

MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION NOTES.—The Visit to the Albert Hall for the Annual Meeting of the S.P.G. took the place of the usual Monthly Meeting. The Monthly Intercessions will be taken after Evensong on Sunday May 11th.

CONFIRMATION.—There are two Classes for girls held each week; one on Mondays at 7.30 p.m. and the other on Tuesdays at 8.30 p.m. A class for lads is held on Wednesdays at 8 p.m. Both these classes are held in the Vestry of the Church. If these days and times do not suit any prospective candidates the Vicar will be pleased to make other arrangements.

PARISH HALL.—The tenders for the construction of the Parish Hall have been opened and considered by the Finance Committee. They amounted to the following sums: 1, £2312 9s. 10d., 2, £1889 19s. 8d., 3, £1899, 4, £1803, 5, £1790 11s. 6d. The lowest tender of Messrs. W. C. Petty & Sons of High Street, Hampton Hill, has been accepted and the work is to be completed by November 19th next. The total sum required to finish the job including heating, lighting and furnishing will amount to £2300, towards which over £1400 has been received or promised.

Willing helpers are required immediately to take collecting cards, organise Whist or Bridge Parties, and use any other means to raise the sum required at the earliest possible moment. It would be a great proof of enthusiasm for the project if the complete sum were raised by the time the last instalment becomes due in January next. We hope also for great help from the Fête this year, not only in returns from the stalls and games but also from the collecting boxes which will be provided.

**THE FIRST LIST OF DONATIONS UP TO APRIL
15th IS GIVEN BELOW.**

	£	s.	d.
Miss Foreman	5	0	0
Lads' Club	0	7	0
Miss Marshall	5	0	0
Anonymous	10	0	0
Mrs. Gascoyne	1	0	0
Mr. and Mrs. Constable	0	10	0
Dance at St. Mary's College—per Mrs. Harvey	8	10	0
Card No 2, Mr. Girling	0	13	3
Miss Griffiths	10	10	0
T. C. Bench, Esq.	1	1	0
Mrs. Jennings	0	1	0
H. Nunn, Esq.	0	10	0
E. Eldrige, Esq.	0	2	6
Mrs. Newman	0	2	0
Mrs. Budd	0	2	0
Mrs. Spears	0	5	0
Mrs. Christie	0	1	0
Mrs. Gordon	0	0	6
Mrs. and Miss Bright	0	2	0
Mrs. Robins	0	0	6
A. J. Tollman, Esq.	0	0	6
H. E. Woodard, Esq.	0	1	0
Mrs. Eggleston and Mrs. Cannon	0	1	0
Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Webb	0	5	0
G. W. J. Webb, Esq.	0	5	0
C. Jakeman, Esq.	9	0	0
Mrs. Digby	0	1	0
Lady Stanton	5	0	0
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EASTER VESTRY MEETING.—A small gathering of Parishioners was present at the Church Room on April 23rd. The principal business was the election of the Peoples' Churchwarden. Mr. Evans, who has held The Office for eleven years, was unanimously re-elected for the ensuing year. The Vicar announced that Mr. Jakeman had consented to accept the Office of Vicar's Warden for another year. The Vicar thanked Mr. Evans and Mr. Jakeman for their valuable assistance in the past. Mr. Basey voiced the appreciation and thanks of the parishioners for the very able and painstaking way in which the Churchwardens had always fulfilled the duties of their Office.

Mr. Jakeman announced that Messrs. Petty and Sons' tender for the construction of the Parish Hall had been accepted, and that work would be started on May 18th. He emphasized the necessity of completing the canvassing of the Parish for subscriptions to the Parish Hall Fund as soon as possible.

TEMPERANCE SUNDAY.—Sunday May 11th, has been selected for the annual Sermons and collections on behalf of the Church of England Temperance Society. The Rev. C. H. Hughes will preach for the Society in St. James' Church on May 11th, at Evensong, and the collection at that Service will be given to the C.E.T.S.

GIRL GUIDES.—The Hampton Hill Company are having a Bazaar and Jumble Sale in The Old Boys' School on Saturday May 3rd, from 3 o'clock. The admission is twopence and the proceeds will go towards the expenses of the Summer Camp. The girls are hoping to be able to take some of the Guides from Dr. Barnado's Homes with them this year, and for that reason they ask for generous support from all interested friends.

ST. GEORGE'S DAY.—A Scout and Guide Service was held on Commemoration Day of England's Patron Saint in St. James' Church. The District

Commissioner was present and Sections of the two Parochial Companies with their Officers.

ST. JAMES' ANNUAL GARDEN FETE.—The date fixed for this event is Wednesday, July 9th. The various committees are busy making plans for their different sections of entertainments and stalls. It is hoped that all in the Parish and crowds of friends outside the Parish will book this date and let nothing except illness prevent them being present to make the effort a record success.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.—The 126th Annual Meeting will be held in the Queen's Hall on Wednesday, May 7th, at 11 a.m. H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester is to be the Chairman. Admission is free.

BIBLE READING FELLOWSHIP.—The Books of Daily Reading and Notes for May can be obtained from the Missionary Library, price one penny each. For those who are accustomed to read portions of their Bible daily, this is a very helpful little book.

VICARAGE WORKING PARTY.—The meetings this month are Fridays 9th, and 23rd, at 2.30. Just now the efforts of the members are centred on providing a stall at the Fête on July 9th, the greater portion of the proceeds of which will go to the general funds of the Parish with a small percentage given to the work of the Church Overseas. A hearty welcome will be extended to new members.

BAPTISMS.

"Made a Member of Christ."

April 13th—Ronald Frank Horn.

.. 13th—Joan Pamela Guest.

MARRIAGES.

"Those whom God hath joined together."

April 16th—Robert Frederick Godbold and Olive Margaret Kerr Meyer.

April 19th—Charles Alexander and Ivy Crisp.

BURIALS.

"I am the Resurrection and the Life."

March 25th—Frederick Allen, aged 64 years.

April 23rd—William James, aged 79 years.

.. 24th—Isabella Barnes, aged 74 years.