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PAROCHIAL NOTES.

Churchwardens—Mr. W. F. Wigginton, 9, Oxford Road Teddington Mr. E. Beckett, 35, Wellington Road, Hampton Hill

Organist-Mr. C. Haydn-Bull, M.I.G.C.M.

Parochial Church Officer.

Mr. S. V. Forrow, 68, Sunnyside Road Teddington.

Sunday School.

Held at 11 a.m. every Sunday

In the Parish Hall Infants—Superintendent—Miss B. Rooney.
Boys—Superintendent—Miss O. Wright.
Girls' Fellowship—Superintendent—Mrs. G. Casey

In the Club Room

Senior Girls—Superintendent—Miss R, Phillips
Junior Girls—Superintendent—Miss B. Stewart

Children's Service every Sunday at 3 p.m. in Church

Missionary Association.

Hon. Sec.-Miss Cox, 6, Queen's Road, Hampton Hill.

Mothers' Union.

Menthly Meetings, First Wednesday in each month in the Club Room, 3 p.m., and Quarterly Services. Corporate Communion First Wednesday 10 30 a.m.

Enrolling Member (Temporary) Mrs. Beckett.

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHURCHWARDENS.

Dear Friends,

This is the month during which we come to the day which has been anticipated since we heard that the Rev. R. H. Brunt, B.A., A.K.C., had accepted the call to take up the work and responsibility of the care of souls in our Parish. Our first words are therefore especially addressed to him in your name to assure him that, as he comes to live and minister in our midst, the sincere and heartfelt prayers of all will be upholding him that all-sufficient grace will be bestowed to enable him to do exploits for God. Mrs. Brunt and their family will also have a very real place in our intercessions, and to them all we extend a great welcome which we expect you to endorse by your presence at the Service on the 16th, full details of which you will find in another column. What an encouragement and a strengthening of his hand it will be to know that from the commencement of his ministry here, as he is commissioned by the Bishop, he is surrounded by a great band of Christs' followers who are pledged to pray with him, to plan with him and to work with him for the promotion of Christ's Kingdom in this place.

O bless the shepherd: bless the sheep; That guide and guided both be one, One in the faithful watch they keep, Until this hurrying life be done.

We would like to record here our personal appreciation of all the loyalty and co-operation which we have received during the interregnum both from church workers and the clergy who have taken our services. As our new leader comes to us we ask that there may be given to him that same help, friendship and fellow-

As we conclude may we remind you that soon we shall enter the sacred days of Holy Week. Unfortunately it has not been possible to arrange the customary midweek services previously held over the past years during Lent, and we therefore urge everyone to do his or her utmost to take advantage of the services which will take place—even if it means special effort and sacrifice. Let Good Friday be so observed that from every heart which pauses before the Cross of Calvary, there breaks forth that complete and full surrender expressed in the hymn which no doubt will be sung sometime during

St. James's Youth Club.

Meetings in the Club Room, on Mondays and Fridays at 7.30 p.m. Joint Hon. Secs.: Mrs. G. Casey and Mr. J. Sumner.

Girl Guides. Captain-Miss Cynthia Hayward.

Brownies. Brown Owl-Miss D. Proctor. Meetings in the Club Room on Thursdays at 5.30 p.m. Sea Scouts—"The Venture," Hampton Water Works Group Scout Master—Mr. A. W. Lewer.

Scouts. Scout Master: Mr. G. Casey, 20. Windsor Road, Teddington The Vicar may be seen at the Vicarage on Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. and on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays between 6.15 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Sickness. The Vicar will be grateful if cases of sickness are reported to him

at once District Nurse-Mrs. S. Shaw, 5, Regina Court, Gloucester Road

Churchyard.

Contributions towards the up-keep of the Churchyard will be gratefully received by Mr. E. Beckett, 35, Wellington Road, Hampton Hill.

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the day—"Love so amazing, so Divine," not only "Demands" but "Shall have, my soul, my life, my all."

Then as the Triumph of the Resurrection is borne home to us again on Easter morn, in spite of the mystery surrounding it, may the certainty of it be so absolute that as we meet Him by faith just one word shall pass—but with what depth of meaning—"MASTER!"

"A joyous Easter be yours!" is the wish of Yours faithfully,

EDWARD V. BECKETT

WILLIAM F. WIGGINTON

Churchwardens

DAYS OF SPECIAL REMEMBRANCE March 4th. LENT IV. (Mothering Sunday). March 11th. LENT V. (Passion Sunday).

The 8 a.m. Holy Communion on these days will be taken by Rev. Dr. L. M. Teuten. Other services on these days will be taken by the Rev. Dr. H. Turner on March 4th and Rev. W. C. Freeman on March 11th. On Mothering Sunday at 3 p.m. Parents and their children are invited to unite in a Family Service of Praise and Worship.

FRIDAY, MARCH 16th. Institution of Rev. R. H. Brunt, B. A., A.K.C., as Vicar of this Parish by the Rt. Rev. The Lord Bishop of Kensington, and Induction by the Archdeacon of Middlesex.

This Service is at 8 p.m. Every effort will be made to reserve Pew holder's seats but they should be occupied not later than 7.45 p.m.

A Reception will be held in the Parish Hall immediately following the Service.

March 18th. Palm Sunday.

Distribution of Palm Crosses at Holy Communion, 8 a.m. and 12.10 p.m. also at the Children's Service at 3 p.m.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, there will be a service in Church at 8 p.m. each evening.

Maundy Thursday. Holy Communion 7.30 a.m. and 10.30 a.m.

Good Friday. 9 a.m. Children's Service 10.15 a.m. Matins and Address.

12 noon—3 p.m. 3 Hours' Service. 8 p.m. The Choir will render Stainer's Oratorio "The Crucifixion".

A. G. SIMS, F.B.O.A., Ophthalmic Optician, 4, The Gauseway, Teddington.

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Easter Day. 7 a.m. & 8 a.m. Holy Communion, 9.45 a.m. Choral Eucharist.

11 a.m. Matins and Sermon,

12.10 p.m. Holy Communion. 3 p.m. Children's Service.

6.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon.

The Church will be decorated for the Easter Festival on the Saturday morning, and gifts of flowers will be gratefully received at the Church between 9 and 10 a.m.

We were sorry that the Rev. L. St. C. Gower Williams. M.C., M.A., who ministered to us since January 7th, had to say goodbye on the 11th February, because another appointment which he had in view had been confirmed. Our thanks go to him for all he did and the searching messages with which he challenged us. May his new work prove to be a happy sphere and success attend his labours in the future.

E.V.B., W.F.W.

MOTHERS' UNION.

My dear Mothers,

It was encouranging to see such a good number at our Church Service. Will you do your best to support the next meeting on March 7th, in the Club Room. We want to give Miss Agnes Stops a very real welcome. I'm sure her talk will be of interest and help. The meeting will be open to visitors, and we hope many will come. We are hoping to have our April Service in Church conducted by our new Vicar and a Welcome Tea to follow afterwards. We have several new members to be enrolled and hope it may be possible to arrange it for this Service. Do pray earnestly for our new Vicar and his wife that their coming to us may be wonderfully blessed. The M.U. Committee appeal to each member for their loyal support to rally around and be ready to welcome lovingly our new leaders.

The Altar flowers for Easter Sunday are to be provided by the Mothers' Union. Kindly let Mrs. Bassett have your little gifts. The Coach for our outing to Mary Sumner House has been booked: we leave School Road, at 1.30 sharp, March 14th.

Mildred J. Beckett (Temp. Enrolling Member)

HAMPTON DEANERY MORAL WELFARE PEOPLE'S OFFERING.

As a result of re-organisation in the Deanery, the representatives of the local Churches are now concerned primarily with the People's Offering, which until this year has been known as the "Women's Offering". A change in title has been made in the hope that the interest of men in moral welfare work will be increased. Last year a sum of £4 4 s. 0d. was handed to the Bishop of London in St. Paul's Cathedral, from the members of St. James's Church. I should like to increase this amount for 1951 and should therefore welcome more subscribers to this all important Christian work.

Miss Bradbury, who since April last has been doing wonderful work in the Deanery gave some astounding facts in her report to a recent meeting of local repre-During the months April to December, sentatives.

1950, she paid 351 visits to girls and others and received 214 visits. In addition 627 letters were written by the worker and 265 received. There were also 460 telephone calls. Arrangements were made for 5 girls to go to shelters and 20 to Maternity Homes. girls kept their babies; some of the babies were placed with foster mothers; two were adopted and four married women kept their illegitimate babies. Altogether there were 83 new cases, 24 of which were preventative and 59 rescue. The meeting was also privileged to hear a talk by Miss Elaine Walker, the Lecturer of the London Southwark Diocesan Education Committee.

The attenton of the meeting was drawn to a recent article in the Quarterly Review of the Church of England Moral Welfare Council and I should like to give one or two brief extracts therefrom. These are: "Few tragedies touch the heart more quickly than the death of a baby. The Ministry of Health give us a good deal of information about the death of babies in England today. One point emerges which has special relevance here. A baby which is born to an unmarried mother is more likely to die than one born in wedlock. The Minister of Health says this, 'If more attention were given to this group (of illegitimate babies) a considerable reduction might be effected in the total infant mortality rate'. In other words, the lack of interest may well be criminal in the moral, if not in the legal sense. The point is that as the Minister puts it, 'unmarried mothers require special care if they are to be adequately helped in the particular difficulties with which they have to contend'. How many, one wonders, of those who 'have no use for moral welfare because it only helps the girls when they go wrong' stop to realise that their attitude may be the cause of the death of a baby? Such people have a terrible responsibility for the continued high rate of infant mortality. Leaving the mother (and the father) out of the question, is it not wrong that a child who is completely innocent should die, because of the conditions of its entry into the world? Our local Moral Welfare Association has strong convictions about this and among the chief work it is doing, is to save the babies."

I am sure you will wish to help. If anyone would prefer a collecting box to making an annual donation, I shall be happy to supply one.

E. L. Forrow.

ORGAN RENOVATION FUND.

The amount approximately required as per tender from Organ Builders is

Total amount to date including interest on Account

£168 0 Pipe Collecting Box in Church £ 1 18 £169 18 0

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The Hampton Press, Artistic & Commercial Printers, 38, High Street, Mampton Hill

Lover", C. Harrison Esq., Mrs. Isdell Carpenter, Mrs. Allday, Mrs. Bassett.

The Pipe Collecting Box is for small contributions and has not been the success it was anticipated; owing to the Church being closed during the week visitors are unable to contribute, but I trust regular worshippers will keep in mind the existence and purpose of the Collecting Box.

APPEAL.

It is desired to find a comfortable home for payment, for an old lady crippled with Arthritis. She is not bedridden and is able to feed herself. Will anyone willing to perform this Christian Service, kindly communicate with the Parochial officer.

FROM FAR AND NEAR.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to our two Churchwardens who are so nobly bearing the responsibility of looking after things during the interval before the induction. We also thank them for their Christian work so freely given.

"Just look out of the upstairs window and see what time it is by the Church Clock", many times have I heard this request, and each time I remember quietly to thank those who look after the Clock. I shall soon be able to check up my watch also on my way home in the evening.

I have observed an increase in the Sunday Evening Congregation, a very welcome observation. Will new-comers make themselves known to the sidesmen present, in this way the stranger's face becomes no longer strange.

A visitor to our Church for Christmas told a member of our Congregation how much she had enjoyed the Carol Service. She complimented the organist and choir on their rendering of this and other Christmas music.

It is regretted that in the February magazine Mrs. Bassett's name was omitted from the list of subscribers to the Choir Boys' treat.

BAPTISMS.

"Suffer little children to come unto Me". Feb. 11th. Elaine ... Susan Harris.

MARRIAGES.

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder".

Feb. 3rd. Thomas Burton Myers and

Mary Hilda Ball.

Feb. 18th. Stanley Charles Baker and

Jean Mary Stevenson.

BURIALS.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord".

Feb. 1st. Annie Louise Robinson, aged 73.

Feb. 7th. Henry James Capsey, aged 67.

Feb. 10th. John Edward Madsen, aged 69.