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Vicar—REV. WALSHINGHAM C. KERR, B.A.

Churchwardens—Mr. Sidney Cash, Mr. W. H. Tabberer.

Sidesmen—Mr. A. Enser, Mr. R. Green.

Mr. J. H. Clarke, Mr. J. Allen, Mr. Sleath, Mr. Harrison.

Organist—Mr. H. P. Loasby.

Deputy Organist—Miss F. Lloyd.

Verger—Mr. J. Craner

Services.

Holy Communion.—Sundays, 8 a.m. Also, 1st Sunday, 12 noon; 3rd Sunday, 10 a.m. (Choral).

Wednesdays, 8 a.m.

Matins.—Sundays, 11 a.m.

Evensong.—Sundays, 6.30 p.m.

Intercessions.—Wednesdays, 7.30.

Holy Baptism.—2nd Sunday, 3.45 p.m.

Saints' Day.—8.30 a.m.

Churchings.—Before or after any Services.

Catechism.—2nd Sunday, 3 p.m.

Notices for the Month.

MONDAY.—Clothing Club. Men's Club.

WEDNESDAY.—Holy Communion 8 a.m. Parochial Working Party at the Parish Room, 2.30 to 4.30.

THURSDAY.—8 p.m., Choir Practice. Parish Room.

SUNDAY.—The Library, 3.45 p.m., Mr. Suffolk. (First and third Sundays.)

The Church is open daily for private prayer.

The Church bell rings every day at noon, when we invite all our people to pause from their duties for a moment and offer up this prayer:—O God, guard and bless our Sailors and Soldiers, and give us victory and peace—Amen.

Letter to Parishioners.

My dear Friends,

The well-attended Christmas services were, I am sure, a joy to all who took part in them. We must thank the ladies who decorated the church so tastefully. The Day of National Prayer, on Jan. 6th, was well observed, there being good congregation at all the services. There seemed to be a greater spirit of reality and earnestness about our worship than is sometimes the case with ordinary services.

Lent begins early this year, Feb. 13th being Ash Wednesday. The old, old Lenten discipline of penitence and self-denial is still as good for our souls as ever. The Church Army is issuing Lenten self-denial collecting boxes for its war fund. Here is a practical opportunity for self-denial, which I hope some, at least, will not miss. I shall be glad to receive the names of any who wish to take a collecting box.

There should be some candidates for Confirmation again this year, and I propose to begin Confirmation classes some time in February. Will those who wish to be confirmed send me their names as soon as possible?

In a letter just received the Vicar says he expects to be over on leave early in February. I hope he will not be disappointed, and that we shall have a visit from him.

Subscribers to the Parochial Red Cross Fund are asked to note that the reason they did not receive their envelopes in December was that the supply of envelopes had run short, and that a fresh stock which was on order had not been delivered. If by the time this is read subscribers have not received an envelope for January, will they please send in their subscriptions as usual in plain envelopes, with their number written on the outside.

Your faithful Minister,

A. C. COLLIN.

Keresley Food Economy Sub-Committee

A demonstration-lecture on "Meatless Meals" was given by Mrs. Kirby to an audience of about 30 in the Parish Room on Jan. 14th. Some simple and economical recipes for nourishing meatless dishes were demonstrated, and should prove very useful in the present meat-shortage.

A competition is being arranged for the best original recipe for a meatless dish. Prizes have very kindly been offered by Mrs. Kirby and Mrs. Cash. Further details will be announced later.

Sunday School Christmas Party.

Our Christmas Party was held in the Schools on December 31st, 1917, and a most enjoyable party it was. The children came to tea as usual at 5 o'clock. We had decided that it was impossible to arrange a tea this year, but Mrs. Miller, learning of this, said she would provide tea for us. We received her proposal with great pleasure, remembering at the same time that such an offer meant a lot of trouble and thought under the present condition of things. After tea came Captain Miller's magic lantern, kindly lent to us for the occasion. He gave himself for the children's pleasure too, and came to work it. The slides he showed were very amusing—"Ten Little Nigger Boys," "The Sweep and the Whitewasher," etc. When the last slide had been shown—"No more this time, Good-night"—the children gathered round the Christmas tree. Mr. Adcock kindly gave us the lovely fir tree, for which we thank him very much; and the teachers decorated it with presents, candles and lanterns. Before, however, the presents were distributed we felt that we must not delay our thanks to Captain and Mrs. Miller for so much kindness, and the children gave them ringing lusty cheers. Each child then received a small present off the Christmas tree, and went happily home.

C. CLARKE, Hon. Sec.

Concert.

On Saturday, Dec. 29th, 1917, an excellent concert was held in the Schools, in aid of our Soldiers' and Sailors' Fund, arranged by Mr. J. H. Clarke. The attendance was good, and all appreciated the items provided for their pleasure. The programme opened with a pianoforte solo by Miss C. Cowpe. "When God gave you to me" and "The Lost Song" were sung by Miss F. Jayes; and an amusing little duet, entitled "Two Little Chicks," was sung by Miss F. Jayes and Master J. Clarke. A duet, "Why, of course," by Mr. W. Osborne and Mr. J. H. Clarke, caused much laughter; also another song by Mr. J. H. Clarke, entitled "My Meatless Day." A charming little song, "When Jack meets his Nancy Lee again," was sung by Miss E. Hands, with Miss E. Harrison coming in at the final chorus as Nancy Lee's sailor "Jack." The Rev. A. C. Collin gave us a cheery song entitled "The Lincolnshire Poacher," and a song called "Dream Boat" was nicely sung by Miss A. Enser. Another pretty duet, "Sincerity," was sung by Misses C. and B. Cowpe. The "Song of the Street Criers" was sung by the Chorus (Misses E. Harrison, C. Cowpe, A. Enser, and Messrs. W. Osborne, A. C. Collin, and R. Williamson), and also "How Merrily We Live" was sung by another Chorus (Misses A. Enser, C. Cowpe, B. Cowpe, E. Harrison, and E. Hands. A sketch, entitled "A Warm Reception," was well acted by Miss A. Enser, Miss E. Cowpe, Miss E. Hands, and Miss E. Harrison. A final sketch, called "Sally's Peppermint," was also very much enjoyed, the parts being well taken by Mr. J. H. Clarke, Mr. W. Osborne, Mr. R. Williamson, and Miss E. Harrison, Miss V. Clarke, Miss C. Cowpe, Miss A. Enser. The programme closed with "God Save the King." Pianists were Miss C. Cowpe and the Rev. A. C. Collin.

Each part was carried off splendidly, and every single item deserves much praise, but as our parishioners were there to see for themselves there is no need to tell them here what it was like.

Our many thanks are extended to all those who contributed towards so pleasant an evening (one of the best), and also to Mrs. Cooper and Mrs. J. H. Clarke, who provided refreshments for the artistes.

Balance Sheet below shows a good margin of £7 5s. 1d.

INCOME.		£	s.	d.
Sale of Tickets		6	15	6
Taken at Door			19	0
Programmes			9	1
		£8	3	7
EXPENSES.		£	s.	d.
Tickets		5	6	
Caretaker		4	0	
Room Rent		3	0	
Parish Room		3	0	
Mr. Enser		3	0	
Balance		7	5	1
		£8	3	7

Social Dance.

In the Schools on Nov. 10th, 1917, a Social Dance was held in aid of our Soldiers' and Sailors' Christmas parcels. A fair number were present, and a very enjoyable evening was spent, the programme being nicely arranged and our pianist (Mr. Lathbury) doing his part well.

Our best thanks are extended to Mrs. Sprigg, Mrs. R. Green, and Mrs. Clarke for the apples they kindly gave on this occasion.

Balance Sheet below shows a margin of £1 13s. 8d.

RECEIPTS.		£	s.	d.
Sale of Tickets		2	9	0
Taken at Door			6	0
		£2	15	0
EXPENSES.		£	s.	d.
Refreshments		6	4	
Pianist		7	0	
Caretaker		3	0	
Rent		2	6	
Tickets		2	6	
Balance in Hand		1	13	8
		£2	15	0

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RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
Balance in Hand from 1916	3	10	3
Members' Subscriptions	3	5	0
Visitors' Fees	18	10	
Tea Profit		1	11½
	<u>£7</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>0½</u>

EXPENSES.

	£	s.	d.
Whist Drive Prizes, Young Men's Guild		7	6
Two Racquets repaired (Pollard's)	10	6	
Whiting (Ralph's)		1	4
Bowl		1	2
D. Osborne		1	6
Milk (Mr. Sleath)		1	6
Crockery			8
Rent (Mr. Sleath)	1	0	0
One Dozen Balls		11	6
Lawn Mower Repairs	2	17	6
Bread (Mr. Dalton)		5	4
Balance in Hand	1	17	6½
	<u>£7</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>0½</u>

Holy Baptism.

Jan. 2.—Marian Maud Whitem.

British Red Cross.

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Subscriptions to Parochial Bed—November.

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