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Deputy Organist—Miss F. Lloyd.

Verger—Mr. J. Craner

Sunday Services for August.

- 3rd—Holy Communion 8 a.m. and 11.30.
Matins 11 a.m.
- 10th—Holy Communion 8 a.m.
Matins and Sermon 11 a.m.
- 17th—Holy Communion 10 a.m. (Choral).
Matins 11 a.m.
- 24th—Holy Communion 8 a.m.
Matins and Sermon 11 a.m.
- 31st—Holy Communion, 8 a.m.
Matins and Sermon, 11 a.m.
Evensong every Sunday at 6.30.

Notices for the Month.

MONDAY.—Men's Club.

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.

Vicar's Letter.

Matters of a purely parochial nature seem too insignificant to record in comparison with the momentous events, which absorbed our thoughts during the past month. We have shared in celebrations that will go down to posterity, as perhaps the greatest in the world's history.

The Thanksgiving Services on July the 6th, and the Peace Celebrations held on the 19th, bring to a close a period of vast issues in the life of the nation.

The war has changed everything. The events of the last five years are too great, too terrible and too near to allow us to realize as yet much of their meaning.

We thank God with full hearts for deliverance from enemies that threatened our existence as a people—enemies of such strength that they were justified in their belief that the war would be over in six months against any defence.

We thank God for the magnificent courage and spirit of the men who did "their bit."

Yet it seemed impossible to rejoice—to order. Those who made the bravest show in their hour of sorrow, have found this the hardest time.

The triumph of victory is a commemoration of the immortal dead, who died that we might live. In the hour of thanksgiving we feel intensely at what a price the victory has been gained. Our comfort lies in their knowledge that the cause was won for which they died.

"They died that we might live—

Hail!—And Farewell

—All honour give

To those who, nobly striving, nobly fell,
That we might live.

That we might live they died

Hail!—And Farewell

—Their courage tried

By every mean device of treacherous hate
Like Kings they died.

Eternal honour give

Hail!—And Farewell

—To those who died

In that full splendour of heroic pride
That we might live!"

Church Officers Meeting, 14th, 7-30 p.m., at
the Vicarage.

The committee responsible for local celebrations have decided to limit their efforts to a dinner to ex-service men. This will be held in the C. of E. Schools on the 15th of this month.

The Church Council will not be summoned until September, when the programme for the winter's work will be ready.

Communicants' Guild Service, 13th, 8 p.m. Members—especially those who forgot last month's date—please note.

Sunday School.

The Editor was just spreading himself in a description of the Outing, when something familiar in the phraseology induced him to glance backwards.

Here is the story of July, 1906—Our First Outing. If we substitute Miss C. Clarke and her helpers, for the names mentioned, and the date, the account can stand.

"The Sunday School had their party on the 2nd, and a delightful one it was. Perfect weather, a pretty drive to Stoneleigh, the beautiful park to wander through, the river to paddle in. Tea artistically laid out on a hill top, in such force and profusion that it successfully withstood the fierce onslaught. The afternoon passed only too quickly in games and races.

Hearty cheers were given for the subscribers and teachers, then the drive home, feeling somewhat weary, but very contented with our happy outing.

The catering was excellent, arranged by the Misses Turner, Miss Hands, Miss H. Rotherham, Miss Kerr."

[We have realized the labour saving advantages (?) of turning the sermon stock, but 'tis a happy idea to work the same stunt with magazine fodder.—*Sub. Ed.*]

Churchyard.

The gardener employed has done the work well. Funds will not allow us to retain him on full time, and the Vicar would be glad to hear from those requiring a good worker for one or two days weekly.

Magazine.

"The Editor" has ceased to edit. The new staff take the earliest opportunity of expressing their appreciation of Mrs. Niblett's courage in undertaking, as well as her success in carrying on, this useful work.

Tennis Club.

The committee and members are most grateful to Mrs. Iliffe (Allesley Hall), and to Miss Rotherham, for their gifts of Tennis Balls, and send them many thanks for these.

The Tournament begins on the 16th. Visitors are invited.

CONSTANCE CLARKE,
Hon. Sec.

Mothers' Union.

The next meeting of the Mothers' Union will take place on September 1st, at Keresley Church, at 3 o'clock. There will be no meeting in August.

The July meeting was held at The Cottage, Coundon, about 50 members were present. Miss Biggs gave a most interesting address, and after tea the mothers enjoyed strolling about the garden and playing games. The weather was perfect.

Parochial Returns.

We gratefully acknowledge the following subscriptions to the Parish Funds:—

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Holy Baptism.

"One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism."

- April 20.—Francis Olive Lucas
.. 20.—Leonard Vincent Buttle
.. 20.—Marjorie Gwendoline Allen
May 30.—Daphne Diana Roberts
June 8.—Dorothy Eva Parr
.. 8.—Eva Roberts

Holy Matrimony.

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

- April 21.—Charles Henry Green and Lucy Thorpe
June 24.—Edward Alfred Frank Wadham and Annie Summersell

Burials.

"I am the Resurrection and the Life."

- April 19.—William Frank Stowe, aged 2 months
.. 28.—Nathaniel Goodridge, aged 65 years
May 24.—Martha Gray, aged 69 years
.. 25.—Elijah Gibson, aged 41 years

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