

# St. Thomas' Keresley and Coundon Parish Magazine.

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Deputy Organist—Miss F. Lloyd.

Verger—Mr. J. Craner.

Keresley Vicarage,  
Coventry,

Dec. 17th, 1921.

My dear People,

First of all I wish to thank you for the very kind welcome which you have given to my wife and myself. Although we do not know many of you yet, we already feel that we are among friends. We are especially grateful for the opportunity of meeting so many of you at the Women's Institute, on December 12th, and for the happy glimpse it gave us of what a spirit of fellowship can do in the social life of a parish.

By the time this Magazine is published the New Year will be near at hand: may it be a happy one for you all—and a happy one for our life together as a Parish.

I would remind you especially of two things. First, that there will be a Confirmation at the Cathedral, in the Spring, at which Candidates from here will be presented. I should be glad to have as soon as possible the names of any who wish to be confirmed this year so that I may arrange classes for them. Will you also be thinking of the Annual General Meeting of Electors for the Parochial Council. The date for that is not fixed, but it should take place early in the year. I hope that all those who are qualified to vote may try to be present at it. There is no doubt that the passing of the Enabling Act marks a revolution in Church Government: but we can only reap the benefit of it and get representative and efficient Parochial Councils if all members of the Church will take the trouble to vote and come to hear what work the Council has done in the past year. Those who have become eligible to vote since last year should see that their names are added to the Electoral Roll at once.

The list of organizations which is usually published in the January Magazine is held over for the present because several have not yet held their annual meeting.

Yours sincerely,

T. H. PERRY.

## Altar Flowers.

January—Mrs. Vernon.

February—Mrs. Niblett.

March—Mrs. Turrall.

April—Mrs. Miller.

May—Communicants' Guild.

June—Mrs. Tabberer.

July—Mrs. S. Cash.

August—Miss Ratliff.

September—Mrs. Plevins.

October—Mrs. Waters.

November—Mrs. Jagger.

December—Miss Rotherham.

## Sunday Services for January.

1st. *The Circumcision.*

8-0 Holy Communion.

11-0 Matins. Ps. : 119, vv. 1—32.

11-30 Holy Communion.

6-30 Evensong. Ps. : 91 ; 121.

8th. *First Sunday after the Epiphany.*

8-0 Holy Communion.

11-0 Matins and Sermon. Ps. : 46 ; 47 ; 67.

3-0 Children's Service.

3-45 Holy Baptism.

6-30 Evensong. Ps. : 18.

15th. *Second Sunday of the Epiphany.*

8-0 Holy Communion (Keresley Green).

10-30 Matins. Ps. : 27 ; 36.

11-0 Holy Communion, Choral.

6-30 Evensong. Ps. : 68 (omit vv. 21, 23).

22nd. *Third Sunday after the Epiphany.*

8-0 Holy Communion.

11-0 Matins and Sermon. Ps. : 42 ; 43.

6-30 Evensong. Ps. : 33 ; 34.

29th. *Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany.*

8-0 Holy Communion.

11-0 Matins and Sermon. Ps. : 60 ; 63.

6-30 Evensong. Ps. : 74.

Guild Preparation Service, Thursday, 12th, at 7-30.

## THE EPIPHANY.

6th. 8-0 Holy Communion.

6-30 Evensong.

## THE CONVERSION OF S. PAUL.

25th. 8-0 Holy Communion.

6-30 Evensong.

## Parochial Gathering.

There was a good number of parishioners present in the Women's Institute on Monday evening, Dec. 12th, to welcome the Vicar and Mrs. Perry.

The gathering was arranged by lady members of the Church Council, who formed themselves into a Committee, with Miss Rotherham as Chairman. Mr. A. H. Niblett, in introducing Mr. Perry, said he hoped the amicable relations which existed between the late Vicar and his parishioners would be continued with the present one, and in the name of the parishioners bade Mr. and Mrs. Perry welcome.

Light refreshments were supplied by ladies of the parish, Mrs. Martin and Mrs. Sparrow, assisted by the Committee, looking after these. It was felt that this gathering gave Mr. Perry an opportunity of meeting his parishioners much sooner than he could do so by a house-to-house visitation.

C.J.H.

**Women's Institute.**

At the Monthly Meeting, on Nov. 15th, Mrs. Newhall, a lady who has lived in New Zealand, gave a most interesting lecture on that country, illustrated by Lantern Slides. This was the first open meeting we have held, and a large number of school children and friends were present. The children were very quiet and attentive, and, as a reward, Mrs. Newhall taught them Maori for "Good-bye, Good luck, for ever and ever."

Three new members were admitted.

On Thursday, Dec. 8th, a debate on "Gardening" was held. Mrs. Miller presided, and Mr. Hopper, of Leamington, opened the debate with the question, "Are fertilizers beneficial to general cultivation." Mr. Stephens (gardener to Capt. Miller), Mr. Southall (gardener to Mr. S. Cash) took part in the discussion, and questions were asked by members of the audience. Altogether it was a most interesting meeting, and, on the proposition of Mrs. Miller, a hearty vote of thanks was given Mr. Hopper, Mr. Stephens and Mr. Southall. In reply, Mr. Hopper thanked Mrs. Miller for presiding.

The Christmas party to which Mrs. Miller invites all Members of the Women's Institute and Infant Welfare Centre, will be held in the Institute, on Tuesday, Jan. 3rd. The date of the Annual Meeting will be announced at this gathering.

C. J. HANDS, Hon. Sec.

**The Hut.**

On Nov. 22nd the Coventry Colliery Football Club held a very successful Whist Drive. Miss Saint gave away the prizes to the following winners:—1st lady, Mrs. Gurdon; 2nd lady, Mrs. McClachin; 3rd lady, Miss May Bricknell; 1st gentleman, Mr. Lowe; 2nd gentleman, Mr. Craner.

On the 23rd a most interesting address was given by Miss Bigge, of the Greyladies College, on "Japan." We are all looking forward to another visit from her soon.

On Dec. 3rd a very successful Whist Drive took place. The prizes were presented by Mrs. Niblett to—1st lady, Miss Dorothy Bennett; 2nd lady, Mrs. T. Perkins; Consolation, Miss Labram; 1st gentleman, Mr. G. Ensor; 2nd gentleman, Mr. Gurdon; Consolation, Mr. P. Ensor.

A New Year's party will be given on Jan. 6th. Tea, Games, Concert. Tickets 1s. each.

The Wednesday Evening Service will now be resumed at 7.30. And there will be a celebration of Holy Communion on the third Sunday of each month at 8 o'clock.

Some few weeks ago we were bidding God-speed and giving our best wishes to our old and esteemed Vicar. This month we have the greatest pleasure in extending the right hand of fellowship, and offering our heartiest congratulations to the Rev. T. H. Perry, the new Vicar, who was duly instituted on December 10th by the Rev. Canon Chappel (acting Commissary for the Lord Bishop who, unfortunately, was unwell and not able to conduct the ceremony) in ancient and solemn form, ably assisted by the Rev. Canon Littlewood.

The Vicar elect, having taken the various obligations and made the necessary attestations, was duly licensed to the Vicarage of Keresley with Coundon. Having tolled the bell, the font, reading desk, lectern, pulpit, etc. were visited, and the Vicar was duly admonished respecting the various duties appertaining to the same, all of which he promised faithfully to observe.

Canon Chappel then gave a powerful address, not only on the duties of the newly installed Vicar, but also on the duties of the laity, and emphasised the fact that without the hearty co-operation and help of the laity, it was impossible for the Vicar to successfully carry out the duties of his high office.

The singing of the final hymn brought a very interesting and historical ceremony to a close.

A. H. NIBLETT.

**Joint Missionary Boxes.**

The Annual Meeting of Box Holders was held at the Parish Room, Dec. 3rd, at 3 p.m., with the following encouraging result:—

	£	s.	d.
Vicar's Bible Class	...	...	14 11 1/2
Sunday School (Girls)	...	...	15 2 1/2
Sunday School (Boys)	...	...	8 7 3/4
Infant S. School	...	...	12 3
Mrs. Evans	...	...	10 0
Mrs. Evitts	...	...	1 7 0
A Friend	...	...	2 5 6
Miss Hands	...	...	11 2
Misses Clarke	...	...	5 4 1/2
Mrs. Sleath	...	...	13 9
Miss Lloyd	...	...	6 10
Miss Ensor	...	...	4 9
Mrs. Dalton	...	...	2 6
Miss Martin	...	...	3 3
Miss Sparrow	...	...	2 4
Mrs. Statham	...	...	1 9
Miss N. Osborne	...	...	1 3

£9 5 8

*Allotted—*

	£	s.	d.
S.P.G.,...	...	...	5 17 2
A.C.S. ..	...	...	1 13 6
Missions to Seamen	...	...	1 15 0

£9 5 8

Infant S. School, "Barnardo Box"	...	...	12 6
Subs. to A.C.S. Communicants' Guild (Proceeds October Social)	...	...	10 0

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M. E. SLEATH, Hon. Sec.

*To the Editor of the Parish Magazine.*

A criticism of a letter signed "Your faithful Wardens" appeared in last month's Magazine. Having edited this letter I must take the responsibility.

Unfortunately, my information was not quite correct at the time that the letter was drafted; otherwise I should have been very careful not to detract from anyone the honour to which they were entitled.

I quite agree that "Honour should be paid to whom honour is due." I therefore hasten to correct the "mis-statement," and pay honour and tribute to Miss Hands and her co-workers in those far off and bygone days.

Yours faithfully, A. H. NIBLETT.

**Burial.**

*"I am the Resurrection and the Life."*

Dec. 4. Sarah Hancox, Keresley, aged 92.

**Holy Baptism.**

*One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism.*

Dec. 6. Basil James, son of Henry Charles and Edith King, Brownhill Green.

" 11. Edna Mabel, daughter of Evan and Elsie Evans, Brownhill Green.