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My dear People,

Last month saw two additions to our Church. First, the Sanctuary has been tiled by Mrs. Waters in memory of her husband. We are very glad to have such a beautiful and useful memorial to one who was churchwarden here for so many years. And then curtains have also been put in the Sanctuary as part of the memorial to the late Mr. G. F. Twist. We hope that we may soon have the reading-desk and carpet which are also to be in his memory.

The Church looked very beautiful for the Harvest Festival, and everyone must have felt grateful to those who took so much trouble to decorate it.

The congregations, too, were very good, and the collection for the Bishop's Memorial Fund came to £18 7s. 6d., which has been sent to the Treasurer of the Fund. A letter of thanks has been received from the Matron of the Hospital for the gifts of fruit and vegetables which were sent there after the Festival.

November 5th—the Sunday after All Souls Day and before Armistice Day—has been appointed as the Day for a Memorial Service to all those who fell in the Great War. Arrangements are being made for ex-service men to parade and attend Church at 11-0 for the special service authorized by the Archbishops. There are a great many men living in the Parish who served with the Forces during the war, and we hope they may turn out in full strength. But, as well as them, there can scarcely be anyone among us who has not someone to remember on that day, and we could not do better than join together to remember them before God, and to ask His blessing for them now, and His help for ourselves in the work we still have to do.

Yours sincerely,

T. H. PERRY

Sunday Services for November.

5th. *Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity.*

8-0 Holy Communion.

11-0 Special Memorial Service. Ps.: 123; 124; 125.

6-30 Evensong and Sermon. Ps.: 128; 129; 130; 131.

12th. *Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity.*

8-0 Holy Communion.

11-0 Matins and Sermon. Ps.: 118.

3-0 Children's Service.

3-45 Holy Baptism.

6-30 Evensong. Ps.: 132; 133; 134.

19th. *Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity.*

8-0 Holy Communion (The Hut).

10-30 Matins. Ps.: 110; 135.

11-0 Holy Communion (Choral).

6-30 Evensong. Ps.: 137 (omit vv. 7-9); 138; 139 (omit vv. 19-22).

26th. *Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity.*

8-0 Holy Communion.

11-0 Matins and Sermon. Ps.: 145; 146.

6-30 Evensong. Ps.: 147; 148; 149; 150.

Holy Days.

1st. Wednesday. *All Saints' Day.*

8-0 Holy Communion.

10-30 Holy Communion. Mothers' Union Service.

30th. Thursday. *S. Andrew.*

8-0 Holy Communion.

Sidesmen.

The following are on duty this month:—

Nov. 5.—Mr. A. Enser; Mr. W. Enser.

„ 12.—Mr. R. Cooper; Mr. J. H. Clarke.

„ 19.—Mr. B. Green; Mr. Goodall.

„ 26.—Mr. A. Enser; Mr. W. Enser.

Mothers' Union.

There will be an Admission Service and a Celebration of Holy Communion on All Saints' Day (Nov. 1st), at 10-30 a.m.

Next month there will be a meeting in the Institute, on Monday, Dec. 4th, at 3-15 p.m.

Church Council Meeting.

A meeting of the Parochial Church Council was held on Wednesday, Sept. 27th. The Vicar presided, and Messrs. Sleath, Tabberer, Clarke, Craner, Goodall, Plevins, Mrs. Sleath, Mrs. Tabberer, Miss A. Enser, Mrs. Niblett, Miss Ratliff, Miss J. Ratliff, Miss Rotherham, Mrs. Sparrow and Miss Hands were present.

The Vicar read a letter from the Coventry C.L.B. asking for a representative from this parish to be appointed, and it was decided to ask Mr. Loasby to act.

Mr. G. J. Dalton wrote announcing that he has succeeded the Rev. Johnson Barker as Secretary of the Diocesan Board of Finance, and offering to attend a Council Meeting and give any information required, and it was decided to ask him to come.

Mrs. Twist's gift of £100 was referred to.

Mr. Plevins stated that the balance in hand was £95 17s. 5d., and it was decided that a desk be placed in the Chancel suitably inscribed in memory of Mr. G. F. Twist, and Sanctuary curtains and carpets for the side aisles be purchased as far as the funds will allow.

Mention was made of the damp shewing on the church walls, and the attention of the Churchyard Committee was called to the danger of the Church from the elms near it.

Miss Rotherham said that a Psalm Board similar to the Hymn Board would be a useful improvement in the Church.

The Bishop's Memorial Fund, The Coventry Crusade, and the Free-Will Offering Fund were spoken of, and Miss Rotherham gave a brief report of the last meeting of the Coventry, Buri-decanal Conference.

C. J. HANDS,
Hon. Sec.

Communicants' Guild.

The Annual Meeting was held in the Council Schools, on Oct. 2nd.

Miss Rotherham presided, and a good number of members were present.

The statement of accounts showed a balance in hand of £3 6s. 2½d. This was considered satisfactory.

The voting for the Committee resulted in the following being elected:—President, Miss Rotherham; Vice-President, Mrs. Niblett; Committee, Mrs. Sleath, Miss Flowers, Miss Cowpe, Miss Dalton, Miss H. Martin, Miss K. Sparrow, Mr. Glover, Mr. L. Sharlot, Mr. G. Enser and Mr. Martin.

It was decided to have Socials during the Winter months, commencing on Oct. 25th. Members to invite friends on alternate months. The Social on Nov. 29th will be arranged by Mrs. Niblett, and will be for Members only. The Guild have promised to make up any amount required for the new Altar linen the Vicar hopes to get.

Will Members please note the Preparation Services will be at 7-45 p.m. on the Wednesday before the second Sunday in the month during the Winter. Next Service on Nov. 8th, at 7-45 p.m. Social on Nov. 29th, at 7-30 p.m., arranged by Mrs. Niblett.

The Hut.

A Committee Meeting was held on Friday, Sept. 22nd. The accounts were presented by Mr. Swinnerton. They showed that after outstanding bills were paid there would be a balance left of about £9. This was considered very satisfactory, and the accounts were passed. The caretaker was re-appointed. It was decided to hold fortnightly whist drives, beginning on Oct. 14th. The first one was very well attended. It was also decided to get an estimate for the addition of cloak-rooms.

Since last month we have received a very handsome gift from the Vicar of Radford (Rev. E. Kenworthy Browne), consisting of a pulpit, oak lectern and chair and reading desk. These were originally made for, and used in, a chapel built for the Machine Gun Corps stationed at Grantham and moved later to Seaford, in Sussex. They are a great addition to our Hut, and are beautiful as well as useful. The Committee decided that as a mark of our gratitude we should send a donation to the Repair Fund of Radford Church—a cheque for £5 5s. has been sent.

The Thursday evening Services at 7-30 have begun again and have been well attended. The next Celebration of Holy Communion will be on Nov. 19th, at 8-0.

S. Faith's Home.

We are asked to make it known that the Girls' Night Shelter, 104, Little Park Street, has been moved temporarily to S. Faith's Home, S. Nicholas Street. A Pound Day is to be held on Thursday, November 23rd, when contributions in money or kind will be most thankfully received.

Women's Institute.

The monthly meeting was held on September 21st, and was attended by sixty-eight members—the best attendance in the Institute since the Annual Meeting. Mrs. Plevins presided, and Mrs. Ring, of

Birmingham, gave an interesting address on the Care of Children; a hearty vote of thanks being given her.

Names were given in for the Choir, which is being formed, under the guidance of Miss Ratliff and Mrs. Sleath. One new member was admitted. Miss Hands was appointed delegate to the Conference at Warwick, on Oct. 31st

Mr. Mason, Coventry, entertained with piano solos, and Miss Cowpe kindly played for an hour's dancing, which finished up the evening.

On Thursday, Sept. 28th, a Whist Drive and Dance was held, towards the subscription to the County Funds.

Fifty players took part in the whist, whilst others came later for the dance.

Mr. Lowe acted as M.C., and Mrs. Morris presented the prizes as follows:—Ladies, 1st, Miss A. Townsend; 2, Miss Hands; Mystery, Mrs. Flowers. Gentlemen:—1st and 2nd, a tie, Mr. T. Smith and Mr. Mason; Mystery, Mr. Taylor. The donors of prizes were Mrs. Tabberer, Miss Stringer, Miss Hands and another W.I. Member. Dancing was kept up until 1 a.m. The profits amounted to £5 15s. 5d.

A Poultry Lecture by Capt. Pierson-Webber will be given on Wednesday, Nov. 1st and the monthly meeting on Thursday 23rd. Name of speaker and subject will be announced later.

Mrs. Roberts (Coundon) has very kindly given a gramophone to our Institute, and this has been repaired and made to look like new by Mr. Hitchens, of Coventry, to both of whom we tender sincere thanks.

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Memorial Service.

It has been proposed that November 5th be kept as a Day of Memorial for those who fell in the War. Arrangements have been made by a Committee with Lord Howe as Chairman, and a Form of Service has been drawn up which has the approval of the two Archbishops.

There will be a Celebration of the Holy Communion on that day at 8-0, and a Special Memorial Service at 11-0, which will we hope be attended by all ex-service men and their friends; at 6-30 there will be evensong as usual.

Holy Baptism.

One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism.

- Oct. 8—Beryl, daughter of Henry Joseph and Mary Elizabeth Sarney, Keresley.
" 8—Derek Arthur, son of Frank William and Emily Lucas, 85, Albion Street, Kenilworth.

Marriages.

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

- Oct. 4—Henry John Miller, bachelor, of New Bilton, to Frances Maud King, spinster, of this parish.
" 14—William Homer Northall, bachelor, of Fillongley, to Evelyn May Gibson, spinster, of this parish.

Burial.

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

- Sept. 23—Hephzibah Clark, Keresley, aged 69.