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My dear People,

The decision arrived at by the Parish Meeting on Sept. 23rd, seemed the best in the circumstances. But since then events have moved quickly. I hope that many may be able to come to the Meeting in the Hut on Oct. 6th, at 8 p.m., to discuss a new and generous suggestion made by Mr. Jackson. The Harvest Festival is on October 12th. The collections on that day will be given as arranged by the Parochial Council to the Diocesan Fund. We are not making any separate and special appeal for the Diocesan Fund this year, so we hope that the collections will be particularly good. The previous collections on Rogation Sunday was disappointing, perhaps because many people were away. We are asked to give in the course of the year £100 to the Diocesan Fund and so far we have only sent a few pounds. Mrs. Waters has completed her generous gifts to the Sanctuary by furnishing it with a border carpet and rug. I am sure the Parish will appreciate all that she has done for the Church.

The Sunday School is very glad indeed to see Mr. Greenhalgh back as a teacher. When he went to Manchester it was a great loss to children and teachers—now it is equally a joy to have him back.

Yours affectionately,
T. H. PERRY.

Calendar for October.

- Oct. 5—*Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity.*
7-0 Holy Communion.
11-0 Matins. Ps. 86, 87.
11-30 Holy Communion.
6-30 Evensong. Ps. 90, 91.
- " 8—*Wednesday.* 7-45 p.m.—Guild Preparation Service.
- " 12—*Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity.*
HARVEST FESTIVAL.
8-0 Holy Communion.
11-0 Matins. Ps. 71.
3-0 Children's Service.
3-45 Holy Baptism.
6-30 Evensong. Preacher: Rev. R. M. Kelly.
- " 18—*S. Luke. E.*
8-0 Holy Communion.
- " 19—*Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity.*
8-0 Holy Communion (The Hut).
10-30 Matins.
11-0 Holy Communion (choral).
6-30 Evensong. Ps. 107.
- " 26—*Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.*
8-0 Holy Communion.
11-0 Matins. Ps. 111, 112, 113.
6-30 Evensong. Ps. 120, 121, 122, 123.
- " 28—*Tuesday. S.S. Simon and Jude.*
8 a.m. Holy Communion.

Sidesmen on Duty.

- Oct. 5—Mr. W. Enser; Mr. W. Glover.
" 12—Mr. R. Green; Mr. J. H. Clarke.
" 19—Mr. Goodall; Mr. G. Enser.
" 26—Mr. W. Enser; Mr. W. Wall.

Offeratories.

Aug. 10—	£1 19 0	Church Expenses.
" 17—	£1 9 5	" "
" 24—	£1 11 4	" "
" 31—	£1 10 3	" "
Sept. 11—	£1 11 2	" "
" 14—	£5 6 10	Sunday School Fund
Free-will Offerings for July—£2 1s. 0d.		

Parish Library.

The Library in the Parish Room (behind the School) is now open on Wednesday nights from 7—8 p.m., for the exchange of books. There is a large stock of several hundred books belonging to the Parish Library and new books which are sent from Warwick under the circulating scheme of the Carnegie Trust. Any parishioners may have books from the Library and no charge is made.

Mothers' Union.

Owing to the Harvest Tea in the Hut on October 6th, the Mothers' Union Meeting will be on Monday, October 13th, in the Women's Institute at 3 p.m. An address will be given by a special speaker.
C.P.

The Hut.

The Meeting on September 23rd, to discuss the question of a Church for Lower Keresley was very interesting and useful. It seemed to be the general opinion that it would be premature to launch out into the expense of the building yet—but that the needs of the future should be kept in mind and that for the present we must work and form a good congregation and collect resources. It was pointed out that we should need at once £50 a year more for a lay worker.

Everyone is asked to help to see that that money is forthcoming. The Weekly Envelope Scheme might be very much more productive than it is. The amount received in August and the first week of September was £1 3s. 6d.—that is an advance on previous amounts—but it represents contributions from only a dozen people.

If everyone using the Hut were to do what they could in this way it would mean all the difference to our position.

It was suggested that the Hut might be moved to a new site nearer the Colliery Houses where eventually a Church might be built. Mr. Jackson offered to find out if it were feasible to move it and if it could be enlarged and made more convenient. It was arranged to have another Meeting to consider his report and decide whether it should be moved or not. We hope that everyone concerned will come and make their opinions about this known.

It has been arranged to hold a HARVEST FESTIVAL this year on October 5th.

To be followed on Monday, October 6th, by a HARVEST TEA—the tea will be in the Hut at 6 p.m.—admission: children, 6d.; adults, 9d.

Miss Amy Hixson has resigned her position as Caretaker owing to new work she has undertaken, and Mr. and Mrs. Davis have been appointed in her place.

Altar Flowers for October 5—Miss Hands.
 " 12—Mrs. C. Gibson.
 " 19—Mrs. Swinnerton.
 " 26—Mrs. Gazey.

Gifts of flowers, fruit and corn for the Harvest Festival decorations will be very welcome at the Hut on Saturday morning, October 4th.

Parish Meeting.

It was decided at the Meeting on September 23rd, to hold another Meeting to discuss a report as to whether it is possible to move the Hut.

Since then a much better suggestion has been made by Mr. Jackson. A PARISH MEETING will be held on OCTOBER 6th, at 8 p.m., to discuss this.

Everyone who is interested is asked to come as there will be an important decision to make.

Men's Club.

The Men's Club is open every night in the Parish Rooms from 7.0—10 p.m. The Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 7th, at 8 p.m. Gifts of illustrated papers will be very welcome, they should be sent to the Vicarage.

Harvest Festival.

The Harvest Festival will be kept at the Parish Church on October 12th. The preacher in the evening will be the Rev. R. M. Kelly, of the Cathedral. The collections will be given to the Diocesan Fund.

Gifts of fruit and flowers and vegetables will be gladly received at the Church on Saturday morning.

The Harvest Festival at The Hut will be on October 5th. We hope that in spite of a bad season there may be many offerings at each.

School Gardens.

It needed a good deal of imagination eighteen months ago to picture the plot of ground by the School as a garden. But keenness and energy have worked wonders. The boys and teachers are much to be congratulated on the results they have obtained in a thoroughly bad season. The ground now is both neat and productive. The boys more than held their own in the two local shows as the result given below will show :—

Allesley and Coundon Flower Show.

- I.—For the best School Garden Plot in the district.
 1st—F. Payne and B. Dalton.
- II.—For a set of three flower paintings.
 1st—F. Payne.

Women's Institute Show.

- I.—For the best School Garden Plot.
 1st—F. Payne and B. Dalton.
 2nd—F. Osborne and J. Horobin.
 3rd—C. Flowers and B. Mills.
- II.—For a collection of 6 Vegetables.
 1st—T. Smith and J. Docker.
 2nd—F. Clarke and G. Turner.
 3rd—J. Pape and J. Smith.

Communicants' Guild.

The Service of Preparation on September 10th, was very well attended. The next Service will be on October 8th, at the altered time of 7-45 p.m. This will be followed by a General Meeting of Members, to which we hope all members will come, in the Council Schools. As well as the ordinary business of electing officers, committee, etc., it is proposed to discuss the question of performing a "Mystery Play," at Epiphany.

The October Social will be on Wednesday, October 29th. This will be an Open Social.

S. Faith's Shelter.

"The Annual Pound Day in aid of S. Faith's Shelter will be held on Monday, October 6th, S. Faith's Day. At 50, Holyhead Rd., the house will be open for inspection and all friends interested will be welcome.

LILLIAN A. POOLE,
 Broadwater,
 Coventry.

The Women's Institute.

Our fourth Annual Flower Show was held on Aug. 30th, and was a great success. Mrs. Plevins had been indefatigable in her efforts and thoroughly deserved the vote of thanks which Mr. Simpson proposed for her.

The number of entries exceeded last year and in the opinion of Mr. Stephens, the stuff shown was better. This year the schoolboys competed, and we hope more will do so next year, also that there will be more competition for the Allotments, and Cottage Garden prizes.

The Show was opened by Mr. Hugh Rotherham, the attendance was fairly good. In the evening a Whist Drive was held. Unfortunately Capt. and Mrs. Miller were away from home, but a splendid collection of plants, fruit, etc., was staged by their gardener.

The demonstration on Upholstery announced for the September meeting has been altered; owing to the death of our Group Secretary a mistake arose, and we joined with the others in having Mrs. Gregory on Dress Renovation.

The October lecturer also is altered, the lady failing us this time. We are having a speaker on "Home-life in Russia to-day." At the meeting on October 23rd, at 7 p.m., classes in Upholstery are being held on Nov. 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th. Details of these may be obtained from Miss Ratliff or members of the Handicraft Committee.

C. J. HANDS, Hon. Sec.

Holy Baptism.

Aug. 10—Cynthia Aline, daughter of Sidney and Beatrice Mary Baldock, Coundon.

Burials.

Aug. 13—Samuel Taylor, aged 59, Coundon.