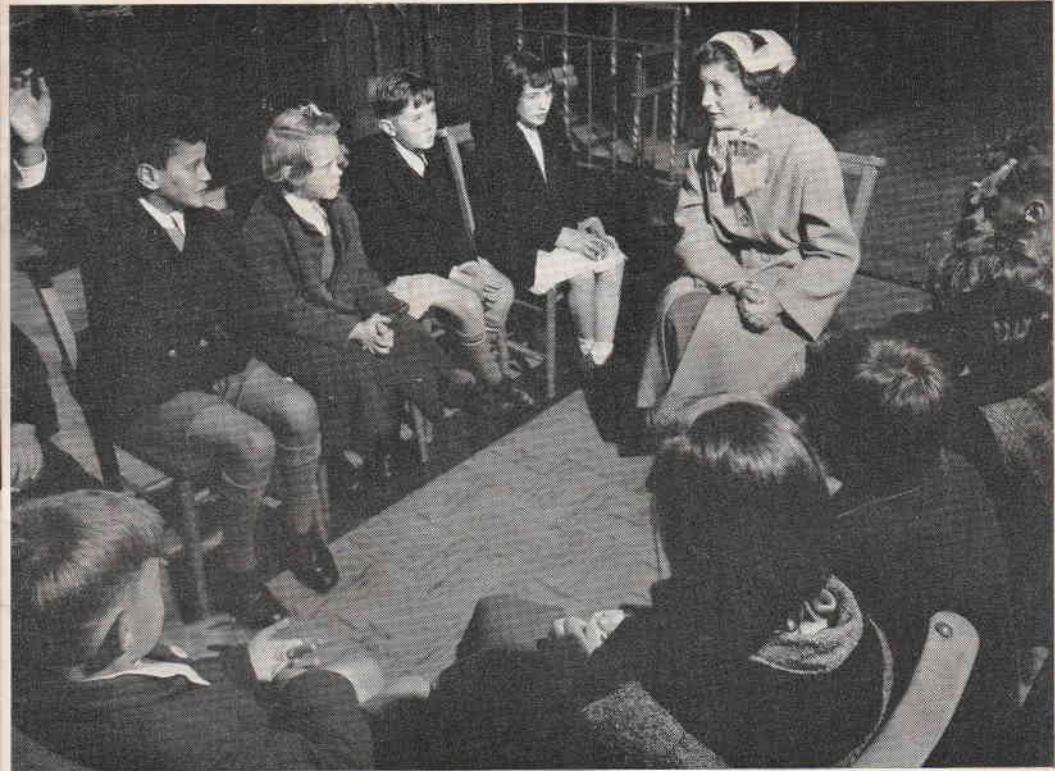


ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH

MARSTON NEWS

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There is great argument about training children in the Christian faith today. What is the best method?

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SERVICES :

SUNDAYS IN THE MONTH

	Holy Communion	Mattins	Evensong
1st.	8.0 a.m. and 11.0 a.m. Parish Communion.	10.30 a.m. (saiú)	6.30 p.m.
2nd.	8.0 a.m.	11.0 a.m.	6.30 p.m.
3rd.	8.0 a.m. and 9.30 a.m. Family Communion.	11.0 a.m.	6.30 p.m.
4th.	8.0 a.m.	11.0 a.m.	6.30 p.m.

Saints' Days : Holy Communion — 7.15 a.m.

Holy Baptism : Second and Fourth Sundays of the month at 3 p.m. unless otherwise announced. Notice must be given.

Holy Matrimony : Banns to be given in at the Vicarage.

CHURCH ORGANISATIONS AND MEETINGS :

Children's Instruction : Senior Catechism and Crossbearers : 10 a.m. in Church Hall.

Kindergarten and Junior : Sundays 11 a.m. in Church Hall.

Nursery : Sundays 11 a.m. in the Village Hall.

Mothers' Union : Every fourth Wednesday of the month at 7.45 p.m. in the Church Hall (see separate notice).

Brownies : Wednesday at 6.30 p.m. in Scout Headquarters.

Girl Guides : Tuesday at 7.0 p.m. in Scout Headquarters.

Cubs : Thursday at 6.15 p.m. in Scout Headquarters.

Scouts : Friday at 7.15 p.m. in Scout Headquarters.

St. Nicholas Art Group : Thursday at 7.0 p.m. in Church Hall.

CHURCH PARADE : Once a quarter at Evensong.

WEEKDAY SERVICES :

Mattins—7.15 a.m. (daily except Saturdays). 9 a.m. when there is a 7.15 a.m. Service of Holy Communion.

Evensong — 5.30 p.m. (daily except Saturdays). Summer Time 7.0 p.m.

Holy Communion — Wednesdays and Saints Days at 7.15 a.m.

Friday at 10.30 a.m. on every third Friday of month with Laying on of Hands for Sick.

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Notice Board in the Church Porch, in case of alteration of times .

EDITORIAL

"No Small Change"

This is the title of the Study Project in which we shall be taking part as a Parish this Lent. It will be led by lay people of the parish. It is a call for self-examination and renewal. We shall not be doing it on our own. Nearly 300 parishes in our Diocese, and some 8,000 in the Church of England will be undertaking it. Everyone in the parish who has a concern for the conversion of England, and for the coming together of Christians should bestir themselves to come to the Study Sessions.

Time is not on our side. There are opportunities presented to the Church now, at home and abroad, which, if they are not seized, will not be offered again. "Today if you will hear His voice, harden not your hearts."

VICAR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

Lent begins on Wednesday, March 3rd. You'll find details of the special services elsewhere in the magazine.

I most earnestly hope that you will make a special effort to join in our Lenten Study Project—"No Small Change"—which will begin on Wednesday, March 10th, and takes place on the four following Wednesdays, at 7.45 p.m. in the Church Hall. It will only be worthwhile if it is carried through by a full and representative group in the parish.

The titles are these :

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| Wed., March 10. | The Parish looks at its Purpose. |
| Wed., March 17. | The Parish looks at its Neighbours. |
| Wed., March 24. | The Parish looks at the World. |
| Wed., March 31. | The Parish looks at God's People. |
| Wed., April 7. | The Parish Plans for Action. |

Write the dates in your diary now, and DO come along !

Your sincere friend and Vicar,

Paul R. Remington

MOTHERING SUNDAY : SUNDAY, March 28th

Please will you note that there will be a special service at St. Nicholas for PARENTS and CHILDREN at 10 a.m., when we shall give thanks to God for our homes and families and for all that Mother Church means to us. THIS SERVICE WILL TAKE THE PLACE OF THE NORMAL CHILDREN'S INSTRUCTION at 11 a.m., both in the New Village Hall for the Nursery and the Church Hall for the K.G. and Juniors.

N.B. Our worship and Instruction on Sunday mornings at 11 a.m. will continue throughout the Easter holidays.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

This year's local meeting will take place at Marston Road Congregational Church on Friday, March 5th at 7.30 p.m. The Speaker will be Mrs. Irene Taylor, wife of the late Bishop of Sodor and Man. The Chair will be taken by Mrs. P. J. Cottingham. It is hoped that many ladies of the parish will be able to get to this gathering.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH ROLL

Once again we are making the Annual Revision of the Church Parochial Roll—not to be confused with the Register of Electors used for parliamentary and borough elections.

It is important that the Parochial Roll is a representative list of the worshipping members of the congregation, as those whose names are on it are entitled to attend and vote at the Annual Parochial Meeting of the Church.

Those whose names are on the Roll, but who live outside the parish, and have not attended Church during the past six months will automatically have their names removed from the register.

But there are others who worship with us regularly whose names are not entered. This can only be done by each making a personal application on the forms provided in Church. If you are in doubt, please sign one of these forms now. We do want you to be represented.

NEW LOCAL GROUPING OF THE OXFORD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

The O.C.C. has now re-grouped its local areas of joint-co-operation by the denominations. We now find ourselves joined not only with Marston Road Congregational Church, St. Michael's and All Angels, New Marston, but also with St. Clement's, Cowley Road Methodist and Cowley St. John. This is an exciting new group, covering as it does all ranges of church and denominationalism, and the clergy and ministers have decided to meet together once a month for prayer and Bible study together.

In our own neighbourhood a special service is being arranged for Ascension Day with a Procession of Witness, in which the congregations of Marston Road, St. Michael's, and St. Nicholas' will take part. The Procession will be preceded by a service at St. Michael's Church.

DEATH ON THE ROADS

It is an appalling tragedy that the red tape of bureaucracy, despite appeals of local authorities, cannot prevent more red blood being shed on the "Danger Mile" of the Northern by-pass. This innocent-looking but deadly stretch continues to claim its victims with its three-lane suicide path. It would be salutary for those who have it in their power to get things moving, to live for a while near the Marston Turn, where the sound of a collision (with a closing speed of over 100 m.p.h.) is a common-place. Surely, SOMETHING can be done, even as a temporary measure—a 'phone box, and first aid post near the Marston turn—skull and cross-bones sign with death rate figures at either end of the by-pass. Needless delays cost lives.

SIDE CHAPEL

The project to restore the chapel in the South aisle is held up. About £140 is needed if it is to be carried out. The money so far given is in memory of certain parishioners. It will be remembered that it was decided originally that the chapel would not be a liability on church expenses. If there are any who would like to contribute to this fund for any reason at all, they are asked to forward their gifts to Mr. B. G. Oliver, and to earmark them "Chapel Account."

NEW CHURCH HANDBOOK

A new edition of the Church History is now on sale in the Church, price 1/-. If you have not one of your own, be sure to get a copy. The cover will be a new one, made from an attractive photograph taken by Mr. V. P. Narracott, of the church wrought iron gates.

Training the Young in the Christian Faith

CANON CECIL RHODES

IT IS NOT SO MANY YEARS ago since most people in England took it for granted that children should be taught the Christian Faith. It was axiomatic. The Christian Faith was the road to the Good Life here and hereafter. It was the great truth about life and therefore the way towards true living and categorically essential. He was a profane person indeed who dared argue or deny it.

So University Colleges and Public Schools prided themselves on their splendid Chapels and daily services; Grammar Schools had their regular Morning Prayers; day schools usually were closely affiliated to the local Church and their scholars received regular religious instruction; Sunday schools boomed with their 100's and even 1,000's of scholars; mothers regarded it as their first and special privilege to teach their young how to pray and learn a little of the Bible.

This was the situation up to some forty years ago. Parents then could reasonably accept that their children were taught the Christian Faith.

The situation is now staggeringly different—if not quite the reverse. Schools pride themselves on their scientific laboratories and not on their Chapels—or their kitchens or gymnasias or playing fields; Church day schools are fewer; Sunday schools are in heavy decline; only the most conscientious mothers try and teach their children how to pray, the rest



To ride the high road . . . or?

leave their children to the tender mercies of the Telly.

The reasons are various: religious disillusionment and disintegration caused by two great wars; the exciting advance of scientific knowledge, and the many challenges it has presented to religious belief; the critical gaze at the Bible causing a loss of faith in its revelation.

The Church itself at large has lost its bearings under these blows. Forty years ago the Church in its teaching was more simple and clearly defined as to what the Christian Faith was about. There was far more lay participation in religious teaching—in massive Sunday schools with their large staffs of lay teachers; in Church day schools run by devoted Church men and women; and religion in the home was also a down-to-earth and practical thing; a more pastorally minded clergy made for a straightforward and simply defined Christianity—the Faith was of individual necessity, to be personally accepted, to be lived out by

seeking to follow and obey Christ—leading to self-dedication and a lively holiness. And the Church and its services and her clergy played their part in sustaining it.

What do ordinary people feel is the Christian Faith today—as seen in the Anglican Church? Too often, I fear, something very remote from the Gospel of Christ—a great financial corporation—the Church Commissioners; elaborate ritual which doesn't mean a thing to them; arguments about the Church and Bishops and baptism; feebleness about reunion when anyone with common sense let alone Christian sense knows the answer; and of course all too often under our diminished numbers dull and meaningless services and often a dispirited and remote clergy.

How do we really expect children and young people to take note or parents to have much confidence? There is the urgent need for us all to rediscover the essentials of the Gospel both for daily life and through Church Services and that it be clear and meaningful and helpful and effective for the lives of ordinary people.

There are stirrings. There are many lively and down-to-earth and pastorally minded and courageous clergy who are winning through, creating in their Churches lively centres where to worship is an inspiration and a blessing. There are many lay people who are seeing they have a real part to play. There are many Churches now with thriving Family Services, where the whole family is encouraged to come and the whole slant of the service geared to be understood by young and old. There are many excellent Church youth clubs, not merely social efforts, but through discussions and talks and debates, indeed by the whole spirit that is in them speaking the Christian Faith as a way of life.

We all need to work and pray that all Churches and their clergy and lay people may gain the impetus and hope and adventure and knowledge that it can be done.

There are many schools and many school masters and mistresses who by life and manner as well as by word witness to the splendour and worth of Christian believing and Christian living.

May we leave it there—that matters will gradually sort themselves out and the young again be effectively taught the Faith? Not for one moment. Even the most alive and effective Church and School was and is only a half answer, a half measure. Without quiet and effective teaching and training in the home, our best efforts will be of little worth.

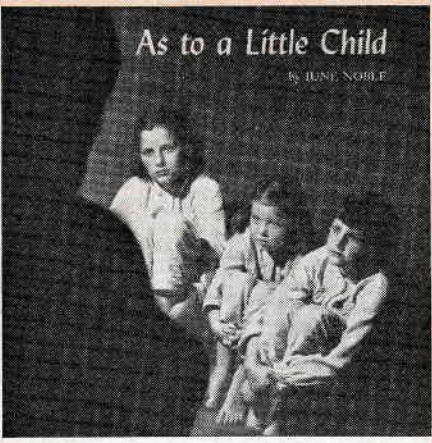
The thing has come full circle. Parents should delight and take care to train their own children. That is, let it be said, something far more than teaching Bible stories or how to say prayers—if it is to be finely effective. "Faith", goes the saying, "is better caught than taught." The need is for Christian homes, where a lively Christian faith flourishes. And that demands also your lively and positive membership in your Church. And that very membership of all your family may even be the beginning of bringing new Christian life into your own Church.

And you know, this is right. For years there was a shocking hypocrisy—parents trying to make their children Christian without attempting to be Christian themselves—sending children to Sunday school or Church and not being part of the Church as parents. That is some of the mess we still suffer from.

But we are back on the ground floor. If you want your children to be trained in the Christian Faith a good part you'll have to plan and do yourself. And it's probably the best and most satisfying thing you'll ever do in your life.

As to a Little Child

By JUNE NOBLE



One Sunday evening as I tucked my nine-year-old daughter into bed, she quietly confided: "Mummy, do you think that Jesus could *really* walk on the water?" Obviously from her lesson at Sunday School that morning Matthew 14:25 had remained with her throughout the day.

"Yes, Dear, I find this very easy to believe when I see some of the miracles that have happened to Mummy and Daddy in our own lives here with you."

"Tell me some of them, please, Mummy." So, with that invitation, I proceeded to recall some of the miraculous ways God has directed situations for us ever since my husband and I began to take our cares and problems to Him.

I mentioned incidents like the day my friend Janet was depressed and I wanted so urgently to help her . . . about Daddy, an architect, having a great deal of difficulty . . .

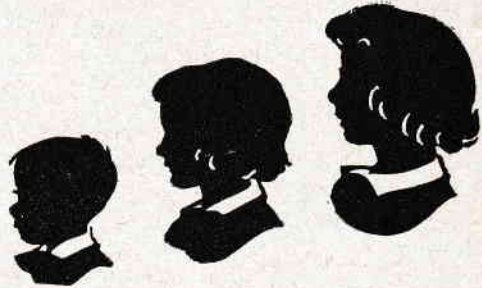
Two more pairs of feet pattered into the bedroom. "Tell us some stories too," said our two younger daughters. Never before had I been given such an opportunity to speak of the worth of prayer to my children; instances when I had prayed for them and prayed for others and of how God had answered in many different ways.

As I spoke, I wondered how I would have answered my daughters before I had found faith, when I was so consumed with self, bitterness, and depression that I could not feel any of "the joy and peace of believing."

—From *Faith at Work*

EMPHASIS ON FAMILY SERVICE

by CANON BRYAN GREEN
Rector of Birmingham



THERE IS A BRIGHT PATCH in the generally gloomy and dark picture of churchgoing today; particularly this is true in the case of the Anglican Church, though I have no reason to suppose that it is not equally true in other Churches. It is an increase in the number of children and parents going together as a family to Sunday worship.

During the Victorian era and at the beginning of this century it was quite

common for whole families to be seen together in church, or for the parents to go to one service and the children to Sunday school. Then the pattern began to change. A decline in Sunday school attendances set in and the adult church-going population began to decrease. Families going together were less frequently seen.

This trend has to some extent been arrested. A major reason for this has been the happy emphasis on the

Family Service or the Parish Communion. The time chosen is often 9.30 or 10.0 on Sunday morning.

This fits in with later rising habits and the Sunday dinner that follows.

Parents and children are encouraged to come together. At the Communion unconfirmed children are frequently invited to come up with their parents on receiving the Sacrament, and, kneeling by them, to be given a blessing by the priest. Thus the whole family takes part and is made to feel wanted as a unit rather than just as individuals.

In some Anglican Churches and in many Free Churches, a slightly different pattern is followed. At St. Martin's, for instance, families come together at 11 o'clock. The babies and the under-fives are left in the creche and playroom in the hall under proper supervision, while the older children sit with their parents in the main church. After a short period of worship together these children leave for their Junior Church.

Here they take part in leading the worship, and instead of a sermon, separate into graded classes for instruction. When the adult service ends families reunite in the hall for a social time and refreshments, if they wish, before going home.

The particular pattern is of no great importance; it is the principle that matters—the family comes together, at the same time, for worship. Quite apart from the practical convenience for home organisation this custom makes for regularity; it becomes a Sunday habit for everyone and children are not *sent* to church, but the family goes together.

It is particularly interesting to notice that quite often it is the children—or at least the children's need for Christian worship and instruction—that sets off the process.

I heard the other day of a young imp

of seven who was singing in the choir and after two or three months got to work on his mother. "When are you going to start coming? You are not going to be like Dad who doesn't bother." Mother obediently began to go and now is being prepared for full church membership. I suspect that Dad will be the next to be persuaded.

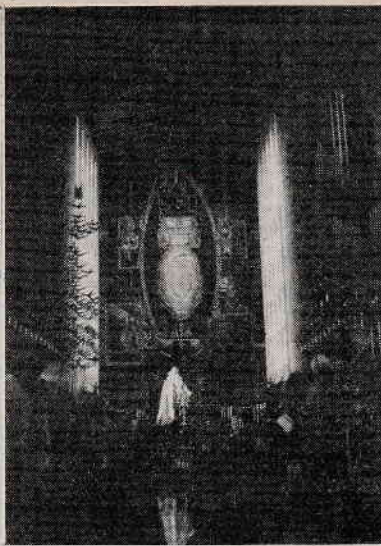
I can think, too, of a highly intelligent father who because of his scientific training had intellectual difficulties about Christianity. After years of non-churchgoing he and his wife and two children go regularly, week by week. It started with the realisation that the children ought to know something about Christian teaching and church worship—so the whole family began to go together.

This is a trend to be encouraged; but it calls not only for suitable premises, such as a hall adjacent to the church, but also demands that those who teach the children should be properly trained and have suitable equipment for their work. I have seen a remarkable advance in the techniques of teaching religion to children and in the variety of equipment available. No one with any perception would ever wish to speak lightly of the devoted and dedicated work of the old-fashioned Sunday school teachers, but one must admit that they were ill-equipped.

Today this has been largely changed. Techniques and knowledge have been improved enormously. And more encouraging still is that with the improvement in skills and material there is still much of the same devotion and dedication to the task of teaching the children the Christian Faith.

PROMOTED

A little girl was carefully instructed to address the bishop as "My Lord". Later, on being asked by him how old she was, replied, "My God, I'm six."



John Stuart Anderson

CENTURIES AGO SERMONS were in disfavour. King Alfred relates how immediately the Mass was concluded, the congregation would disappear to avoid the preachments.

Adhelm, poet and troubadour, devised a method. He sat on the bridge at Bradford-on-Avon, sang a few ballads, and then began reciting scripture. Throngs came to hear this "man most learned in all respects", as the venerable Bede described him.

Others followed suit, sang carols and songs about the gospel, the saints, the Christian festivals. Over the years the Christian theme diminished, replaced by love songs and chivalry—and later the method disappeared and died.

In more recent years various great actors have read the scriptures on special occasions, public and private, giving it a vitality and meaning rarely heard in public services in our churches.

Now John Stuart Anderson has

made a profession of this very thing, a solo dramatic presentation with special costume, music, lighting. For the past few years in cathedrals, notably Coventry, and churches, colleges and theatres (including the Shakespeare Festival Theatre) he has preached his scripture lines. This past winter he has carried through his third American tour.

Many of his audiences ask to see his "script" and are often incredulous that he has merely brought to life the actual words of the Bible. You may care to make a special occasion at your church. His agent is John Church, Manfred House, Grange Road, Lewes, Sussex.

THOSE AWKWARD TITLES

We saw recently a document which described all inadvertently a clergyman as a "Clerk in Holy Waters", and another one which referred to the "Chaplin" of a particular institution. The last-named gentleman said that when he saw it, he felt a proper Charlie. —*Parson & Parish.*

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NEWS - VIEWS

Children Untrained

1. Mother of boy charged with stealing in juvenile court: "I can't understand him, I've always given him everything he has ever asked for!"

2. An industrial chaplain asked 14 Grammar School girls what happened on Good Friday. Not one of them knew.

3. Girl of 15 in discussion group; Vicar: "Do you believe in God?" Girl: "Dunno." Vicar: "Have you ever thought about it?" Girl giggles; Vicar: "Have you?" Girl: "No."

Vicar: "What do you think about?" Girl: "Nothing." Vicar: "What school do you go to?" Girl gives name of good Grammar School. Vicar: "You have to think there, don't you?" Silence.

Relevant?

Jesus: "Whosoever shall cause one of these little ones to stumble it were better for him that a great millstone were hanged around his neck and he were cast into the sea."

A DIFFERENCE

by Diane Blanchflower

I am a member of the largest club in the world, which has no life-members—the teenage club.

A teenager is a person who exists principally for the present . . . who knows times of intense emotional stress, of great contentment, of deep depression and fierce excitement; hearts are broken and healed in short space . . . violent enthusiasms are soon quenched.

We have our own opinions on most subjects, from classical music to religion, but most of these stem from our upbringing and the example of friends and family.

For myself I attend church regularly because I want to and was introduced to it at a very early age . . . I was Confirmed in a tiny country village church, packed with



well-wishers, warmed by the sunlight, filled with a serene atmosphere—it was almost possible to feel the Communion between God and Man.

I feel I am going along a road—a very uneven and undulating thoroughfare. But I am thankful for the knowledge that in all the trials and tribulations there is one prop which is eternal and more constant than this month's Top Ten—the Church.

Builders

Is it not strange that princes and kings,
And clowns who caper in sawdust rings,
And ordinary folk like you and me
Are builders of eternity?

To each is given a bag of tools,
An hour glass and a book of rules,
And each must build, ere his time has
flown,
A stumbling block or a stepping-stone.

A Miracle

The average child of today is staggering under the impact of multiple influences—television, the Press, the gang to which he belongs, pornographic literature—and of course of parent and teacher. The miracle is that, by and large the average child comes out of it so well . . . and I have been daily pained by the evident desire of every child, in this confusing world, to be re-assured that he is loved and needed.
— Miss G. E. Williams, *Smethwick Branch President, N.U.T.*

Holiday Clubs

A new development in Children's Work with obvious possibilities. Children for three or four days during a holiday are busily engaged together in a variety of activities. But the whole purpose is the strengthening of their faith, and of their membership in the Church. Captain Ogden (in photo) of Church Army is an expert in this new effort. And there are several pamphlets on the subject.



Thank You

The retiring Lord Mayor of London, Sir James Harman, stopped to say "thank you" to members of the Szerelmey Company, the cleaners of St. Paul's Cathedral—a project launched and supported during Sir James's term of office. Photograph shows Sir James shaking hands with workmen and members of the Company. It is believed that this was the first time ever that the Lord Mayor's procession has been halted *en route* for a presentation ceremony.



The Archbishop of Canterbury

Dr. and Mrs. Ramsey leave early this month for Australia to fulfil many engagements. Our prayers and good wishes go with him. Shortly after his return will be the May meeting of the Convocations.

"I need not emphasise the immense importance of the decisions that the convocations will be taking," Dr. Ramsey has said.

"Whatever is done it will be of great importance for the movement of Christian unity in this country. There is a strong growing conviction within all the Churches that the establishment of inter-communion does not suffice but that the bringing about of a United Church is the goal and that that goal is not far distant.

"If it was not possible to secure unity between Anglicans and Methodists, it was not possible to achieve Christian unity anywhere."

The Archbishop of York

Britain's moves towards Church reunion were described as "very slow" by the Archbishop of York, Dr. F. D. Coggan, in a sermon in St. Paul's Cathedral recently.

"Some of the younger Churches are striding ahead of us.

"Nigeria, for example, is about to consummate a union of the Anglican, Methodist, and Presbyterian Churches, and it looks as if Ghana will not be long in following Nigeria's example."

Coventry

The Bishop of Coventry, Dr. Cuthbert Bardsley, is holding a meeting of leaders of the different Churches in Warwickshire to find out if they can "more effectively think out a joint strategy."

This "top level group for ecumenical discussion" will implement some of the suggestions put forward at the recent Coventry Bognor Synod.

The Bishop is also setting up a small committee to investigate the whole administration in the Coventry diocese "to see where it is strong and where it is weak, and how and where it can be strengthened." The committee will consist mostly of laity.

Baptisms

Perhaps it is not surprising that within the Church of England the number of infant baptisms is declining at a rate, which the Bishop of Newcastle suggests if the full facts were known would disturb "the complacency of some of our Church Councils". For on one hand there are many clergy now openly refusing baptism unless parents conform to their special demands—as though baptism accepted in a particular way is the absolute heart of the Christian Gospel, while other clergy are resigning or threatening to resign because they cannot swallow one or two words in the present baptism service. And these unfortunates get far too much Press publicity. And the Church itself seems quite incapable of getting on with a sensible revising of the service, which everyone admits is necessary.

Cartoon

A Church of England Newspaper cartoon about the odd few clergy who are resigning from the Church. But in my view it is no laughing matter, but a tragic failure on their part, and on the leadership within the Church.



"It could become a case of Apostolic secession."

IF YOU HAVE TIME TO SPARE in Paris seek out the main parish church in the Quartier Latin, Saint Severin; Roman Catholic, of course. Set tightly amid narrow streets, there is nothing remarkable about its exterior, except that a smallish, modern chalet-type building set in a small garden across the street looks an unusual church hall, but once inside one is immediately aware of a church that is different.

The whole of the interior has been cleared of all barriers to free movement and visibility: no rails or parapets, no stalls, no pews; and even the apse chapels have been cleared completely of their altars and furniture, and are no longer separated from the ambulatory by a stone screen.

From all parts of the church, chairs are arranged to face the single focal point, a simple cross standing on a plain modern table at the head of the nave: and with no kneelers, the seating capacity of the church is greatly increased. The congregation only sit or stand during service; kneeling is felt to be more appropriate to private rather than to public worship.

My Anglican family went to one of the nine Masses held one Sunday. All parts of the church were crowded with a congregation of many hundreds, yet the Mass lasted only three-quarters of an hour. A lay reader

read the Epistle, a priest, the Gospel, (both readings preceded by a short introduction) and then another priest gave a five-minute address based

By PETER HAZELL

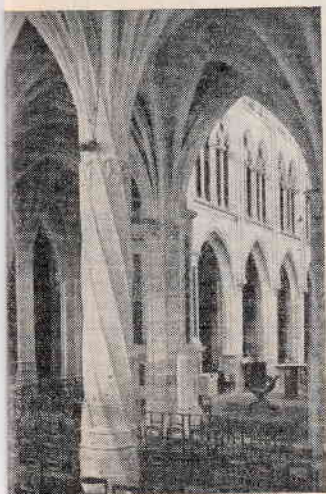


on the readings: all were in French, and all were followed by a pause for meditation of a minute or two, while the organ played softly, not souply.

A striking feature of the service was the way in which the individual parts of it were unhurried, yet the whole moved fast. Priests came at intervals from a vestry in the transept, not processing, but walking through the congregation in an ordinary, matter of fact manner, and wafers were distributed to communicants who came, standing, to one of five points surrounding the altar. No wine. The service strikingly combined reverence with efficiency.

My further knowledge of the church derives from its excellent monthly parish magazine, *Quartier Latin*: 24 quarto pages, printed in red and black, and with frequent photographs: there is, of course, also a very full literature stand in the church.

This magazine, besides the usual editorial, register of baptisms, marriages and deaths, activities of the youth club and old people's club, etc., has certain regular monthly features, most of which have a distinctly practical bias. A list is published of the doctors and chemists on duty out of normal hours: flats for



exchange, from bigger to smaller, or from one part of Paris to another, are advertised: details are published of possible holidays for old people, of children's libraries, of outings, of films and theatres and books. A feature entitled "The Actions of our Representatives" reports decisions or measures taken in local councils affecting housing, pensions, street noise, lighting, immigrants, etc.

An Inquiry each month reports excerpts from interviews with very varied people on a topic of interest: "I Hate Sundays" was introduced by a striking cover photograph of an attractive, sulky young woman standing bored and defiant with her back to a tree, and reminded one of good reasons for hating Sundays—husband in bed, all the children at home.

"Holidays, Dream or Reality?" highlighted the plight of the Paris concierge who usually cannot get

away unless she can provide her own replacement: the onus ought to be on the landlord to make arrangements.

Another monthly feature gives people's reactions, For or Against, for instance, the single form that has been introduced for a wedding or a burial, instead of the eight different forms from which one formerly chose according to one's purse.

The "chalet" is in constant use, for a parish breakfast at 10-30 on Sundays after Mass (note the late hour chosen for this: and that the French breakfast of coffee and rolls makes it simple to organise), a Parish supper at 8 p.m. on Wednesdays, old people's tea on Tuesdays, children's Catechism on Thursdays, adult school for North Africans on Monday and Thursday evenings (learning to read, the highway code, help with letters, filling in forms, lodging, etc.).

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What questions ought a Christian to have and answer to help towards more effective Christian living? A lay group proposed these. Maybe useful to us this Lent? Lent runs throughout this month.

Is there anyone whom I dislike?
Is there anyone whom I distrust?
Is there anyone whom I disown?
Is there anyone whom I disregard?
Is there anyone whom I discuss?

If so, why? And what am I to do about it?

Is there some person I would rather not meet and why?

Do I need to be on a deeper "sharing basis" with anyone?

Do I feel any sense of jealous pride, irritation, and desire for place within the group?

Do I choose my companions by affinity (my likes and dislikes) or by guidance?

What sort of happenings raise conflict in me, and why?

When, in my life, am I negative, or on the defensive?

Is God pleased with my thought life?

How close do I play to temptation?

What do I do with my failures and mistakes?

Do I make my decisions on direction of His Spirit?

Am I using my mind, my talents, my possessions as God wants me to?

How much control have I over my tongue?

Am I being constantly used to change people?

Would my message and presentation have won myself? Is it winning my family?

How much place do fear and apprehension hold in my life?

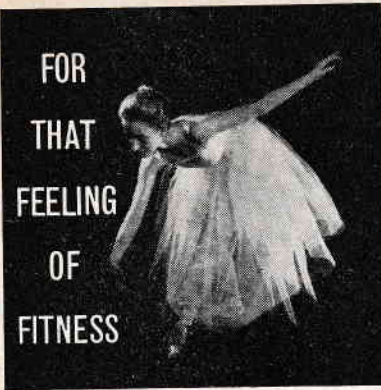
ANNUNCIATION — MARCH 25th

*THOU SHALT BEAR A SON,
and shalt call his name Jesus.
He shall be great, and shall be called
The Son of the Highest . . . And of his
Kingdom there shall be no end. And
Mary said, How shall this be?*

*The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee
. . . and that holy thing which shall be
born of thee shall be called the Son of
God.*

*And Mary said, Behold the handmaid
of the Lord; be it according to thy
word.*





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HOW MANY PRIME MINISTERS have there been in England over the last 21 years? Two, three? There have been, I believe, seven—Churchill, Attlee, Churchill, Eden, Macmillan, Home, Wilson. Their average “life”—three years.

Alberta, Canada’s Prairie Province, over the same period has had just one Prime Minister—Ernest Manning, second son of emigrant parents from Suffolk.

But that’s not the real reason why I write about him this month. As you may guess, I mention him because he is a very outspoken Christian, and more, because he became a Christian as a boy, and because it made so much difference to his life that at 19 he became a Bible teacher, and though shortly after he became deeply involved as a politician—a Cabinet Minister at 26—second youngest in British Parliamentary history, he has never pulled back from seeking to speak and preach for our Lord. And for the past twelve years on every Sunday without a break he has spoken a Bible message over the radio to an audience of some one and a half million people. While he insists that religion cannot be kept out of politics, in his Bible broadcasting he seeks to keep politics out of religion.

“I endeavour to analyse the present trends,” he said in a Press interview, “and to present the Bible’s answers to the problems and conditions which now face us.” He was asked recently whether politics ever compromised his stand? He replied—

“Not at all. I would quit my work in government before I would do that. By and large I have found complete respect for my testimony for Christ. I have not been ostracised in public life for taking a definite stand.

“In fact, I believe that people respect a man more if he is definite in his spiritual convictions.”

At the same time he acknowledges that politicians cannot “legislate righteousness” into either governments or people.



“We need to remind ourselves that the natural man is evil by nature, and we should not be surprised when unregenerate men do evil things. Spiritual regeneration is the only thing that can change the nature of man.”

Mr. Manning heads the Social Credit Party, which has been well backed in Alberta ever since it had a bold policy for tackling the depression of the 1930s.

Asked how he would challenge Christians today to fulfil their responsibilities as citizens, Mr. Manning said: “A Christian should be the best citizen there is. You cannot divorce true Bible Christianity from good citizenship.”

And what does Premier Manning think about the role of youth in the modern world?

“Youth needs to be challenged to do things”, he says. “Too much of our work among young people is mere talk that calls for no positive action.

“Youth is interested in action, and is willing and ready to act if challenged to do so. This applies in both spiritual and material things.”

A fine and great man who readily admits that faith in Jesus Christ has just made all the difference, and that he can never be too grateful that he came to that faith when he was young and, no doubt in good measure because of the influence of his home and parents.

*Yours Affectionately
Lyn Sale,*

Woman's Page

By MARY ANDERE

ONCE MORE WE ARE struggling with Lent. In "This Tremendous Lover" Fr. Boylan gives four simple means whereby we draw nearer to God. Since Jesus said it is the pure in heart who "see God," it is not strange that these rules are all connected with "purity".

"Purity of Conscience: which results from avoidance of sin, and from our general conformity with God's Will . . .

"Purity of Heart: achieved by keeping our heart for God, avoiding or suppressing inordinate attachments which are not of His Will . . .

"Purity of Mind: a control over our

thoughts and memories, and by a frequent but general effort at recollection . . .

"Purity of Action: watching motives and intentions that animate our actions, and endeavouring to direct all our work towards God, so that we act for His glory and Will . . ."

Simple, really, aren't they, when set out like that . . . ?

" . . . avoidance of sin"—In 99 out of 100 cases it just isn't true to say we "didn't know" we were doing wrong . . . ! There is always the "moment of choice," the "moment of truth," when the light of God flashes into the soul, spotlighting the situation. We may choose to *disregard* it and go our own way, but it is seldom in ignorance, but in wilfulness.

" . . . inordinate attachments . . ."

Ranging from a person to an animal, from hobbies or arts to wild political enthusiasms or even missionary zeal run amok—anything distracting us from our simple love of God. They can be good and holy things, but if given undue place we need deny ourselves. For God must be first in our love. Thereafter, we may love all things, all people, *in Him*. And we shall draw them to Him, and not to ourselves, because our love has been purified, our self-love lost in love for Him.

" . . . recollection . . ." Difficult? Yet who ever heard of a lover finding it difficult to think about his beloved? Recollection is the constantly renewed look of love, or thought of love, towards Him "Who my soul loveth," as the Psalmist says. Maybe our love of God is thin. Do we need to spend more time with Him, instead of frittering

ASPIRATION



Bound on the wheel of life, we creatures here,
Our eyes not trained to look afar, and grown
Too dim, with too much peering in the close
Confinement of our narrow lives, to see
The beauty and the power of God; Our hearts
Too cold to fully understand His pity
And His love; yet in each one is something
There of Him—some likeness to Him, hidden
By the dross, that He alone can see.
The love that man can feel for man, that lifts
Him up above his own small narrow groove,
Transcends and brightens all his life, and shows
Some semblance of the vast great love of God:
The anxious yearnings for we know not what;
Those dim half-realised longings that do surge
And swell and lift within man's breast; that make
Him long to do, and work, and be, even to
The utmost span man can achieve in man.
So should we strive, and so shall come a time
When we shall realise to the full all that
We hope for and aspire to; at the last
Attain perfection, and be one with God.

MYEE WALSTER

it away on amusing magazines, or social entertainments, or television or radio?

" . . . the motives behind our actions . . ." Perhaps the hardest of all. If we were not going to gain any advantage, any praise, or any benefit from it, would we bother to do it then? If we still would, then we may well be acting from a real love of God or others.

My small son used to say of Lent: "God has *lent* us these days so we can have another bash at things." Most of us could well have "another bash."

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"THE LIFE OF THE SPIRIT . . ."

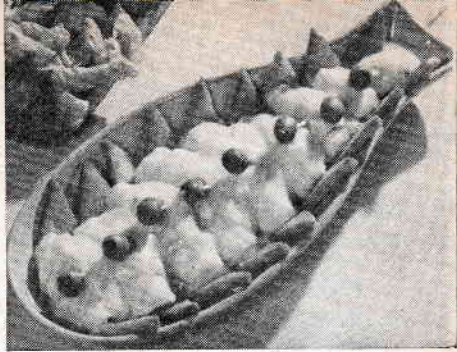
"The spiritual life is not lived upon a heavenly hearth-rug, within safe distance from the Fire of Love. It demands, indeed, very often things so hard that, seen from the hearth-rug, they seem to be superhuman; immensely generous compassion, forbearance, forgiveness, gentleness, radiant purity, and self-forgetting zeal. It means a complete conquest of life's perennial tendency to lag behind the best possible; willing acceptance of hardship and pain." Evelyn Underhill.

IN THE HOME

Your Lenten menu. Plaice Rolls

9 plaice fillets; 1 small onion, peeled and sliced; 1 clove garlic, peeled and chopped (optional); $\frac{1}{2}$ pint water; 2 oz. butter or margarine; 3 level tablespoons flour; 4 level teaspoons Colman's mustard; $\frac{1}{2}$ pint milk; 1 level teaspoon sugar; 1 tablespoon vinegar; seasoning to taste.

Skin fish and trim. Roll up fillets, starting from tail end. Secure each with a cocktail stick. Put into shallow pan and add garlic, onion, and water. Poach gently for 5-7 minutes. Remove carefully to serving dish and keep warm. Strain fish liquor and reserve it. Melt fat in pan, stir in flour and cook gently, without browning, for 3 minutes. Stir in mustard, then gradually blend in fish liquor and milk. Heat, stirring, till sauce comes to boil and thickens, then add sugar, vinegar and seasoning to taste. Simmer for 5 minutes. Pour over the fish and garnish with stuffed olives and triangles of fried bread or toast.



Delicious Plaice Rolls

—Pie with variety of fillings, with or without meat:

4 oz. shortcrust pastry; $\frac{1}{2}$ pint milk; 1 level tablespoon fine semolina; 2 lightly whisked eggs; $\frac{1}{2}$ level teaspoon salt and a dash of pepper; 2 oz. grated Cheddar cheese; 1 medium onion, finely chopped; $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{3}{4}$ lb. sliced button mushrooms; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. butter; $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. tomatoes, skinned and sliced.

Line an 8" greased flan ring with the pastry. Set aside in a cool place whilst preparing the filling.

Bring milk to near boiling point and sprinkle in the semolina. Cook, stirring all the time, for three minutes. Whisk mixture into the eggs and allow to cool, stirring to prevent a skin forming. Season with salt and pepper and add grated cheese. Soften the onion by gently frying in a saucepan with the butter for two or three minutes. Add the sliced mushrooms, cover with lid and continue to simmer for further five minutes. Arrange the onion, mushroom and other filling, over the bottom of the uncooked flan case. Keep a few slices of mushroom for decoration. Pour the egg mixture into the case. Arrange the tomato and mushroom slices over the top of the flan. Bake in centre of a moderate oven at 380° or Gas Mark 5 for 30 minutes, or until mixture has set. Serve hot or cold.

Chopped ham, chicken, cold meat, fish or any other vegetables can be added in accordance to taste and season.

—"Margareta Sill"—Dish from Sweden

4 large herrings; $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. butter; salt and pepper; 2-3 teaspoons ready mixed mustard; 3 teaspoons tomato puree; 4 tablespoons single cream.

Clean, wash and fillet the herrings. Cut the fillets into two and divide the butter equally into 8 pieces. Place a piece of butter on each fillet and roll up with skin side outside. Pack upright into a casserole and season with a little salt and pepper. Mix mustard, tomato puree and cream to a smooth sauce and pour over the fish. Bake in a moderate oven 355 deg. F., or Gas Mark 4 for 30 minutes. Sufficient for four people.

EDITOR'S TABLE

MINISTRY OF WOMEN: *This issue of Church News received the benefit of a Leader in the Birmingham Post and subsequent correspondence in that paper. It produced many letters also to the Editor. Here are some extracts.*

Dear Canon Rhodes, London

Warm appreciation of the current issue of *Church News*, centred on the subject of the ministry of women. For though the atmosphere is changing, yet there is a great ignorance. An issue such as you have just produced helps to dispel it.

Of your own article may I say that one of the two women who were appointed to go around the country is far from "defeated"! Nor has she "retired" yet.

Yours sincerely,

Norah Coggan, *Candidate's Secretary, Council for Women's Ministry in the Church.*

Dear Canon Rhodes, Stroud

I should like to tell you how much we, as a Society, appreciate your support of our cause.

There is much prejudice to be overcome.

Yours sincerely,

Joan-Elliot, *Secretary, Society for the Ministry of Women in the Church.*

Dear Canon Rhodes, Salisbury

Your inset has given those of us who are concerned with Women's Work in the Church a great deal of pleasure as it approaches the subject so realistically and with a true relationship to facts.

Yours sincerely,

E. Holmes, *Secretary, Salisbury Diocesan Council of Women's Work.*

Dear Canon Rhodes, Banstead

I fear you are right that women have rejected the Church as offering them a job suitable to their capabilities. I know personally three girls who, owing to ordination being barred to them, have now entered the medical and teaching professions. They no more considered becoming Deaconesses than a young man would commence a career limiting him to being only a Deacon.

With your remedy I disagree. Women forced their way violently (and sometimes physically so) into the careers of doctor

and politician. Those very women who do feel called to the Ministry are not the belligerent and tough type—if they were they would be unsuitable to be ordained. One woman, Clementina Gordon, did have the courage to beard practically every bishop of the C. of E. in an effort to receive ordination—and very rough handling she received! She is now a Congregational Minister.

Yours sincerely,

Stella Hayward (Mrs.)

Dear Canon Rhodes,

You state there is no theological reason against the Ordination of Women. This appears to be opposed to the plain teaching of Scripture and I am disturbed that you make no mention of St. Paul's teaching in 1 Cor. 14, 34 and 1 Timothy 2, 11-14—"Let your women keep silence in the Churches; for it is not permitted unto them to speak." Etc. etc.

Yours faithfully,

B. S. Smith.

(There is a vast difference between a literal acceptance of Scripture, and a theological acceptance—what and how one believes about God, His working and purpose.—Ed.)

Children's Books

★ **The Junior Bible Encyclopaedia** by Geoffrey Palmer (Burke 12s. 6d.) This I found tremendously fascinating and informative not only for juniors but also for seniors. It can do nothing but good, informing the mind and stimulating a study of the Bible. And it is splendidly illustrated and excellently produced. A very good 12s. 6d. worth.

★ **I will adventure** by Elizabeth Janet Gray (Oliver and Boyd 13s. 6d.), a novel for young people which brings alive Shakespeare's England and will help the young get an interest in England's greatest playwright.

★ **Backward Christian Soldiers** (Hutchinson 16s.). The estimate is given that Anglican and Free Church Sunday schools have diminished at the alarming rate of 1,000 pupils a week over the past 60 years. Then nearly all children went, now less than 3 million attend. Cause given—inadequacy to cope and therefore boredom of children. Of these that now go, only one in seven stay on to join the Church.

★ **Commended Pamphlets: Children's Holiday Campaigns and Running the Group**, 9d. each from Church Book Room Press, 9 Wine Office Court, Fleet Street, London E.C.4. Children's holiday courses are promising to become a useful extra in parish life. The pamphlet gives useful information. *Running the Group*—is about what it says—but both forget the one great essential—the lively, attractive, dedicated person to lead—without which how little can be done.

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THE CHURCH HALL

The Church Hall is in great need of a complete redecoration. The back room ceiling ought to be lowered, and a new floor laid. There is also dry rot in the skirting panelling.

It has been suggested we tackle these jobs with voluntary labour under expert supervision. The money saved will enable us to make a worthwhile gift for an overseas project.

Any men in the parish who are prepared to offer some regular help in this work are asked to contact our Works Manager without delay, Mr. J. Casterton, "Jasmine," 77 Oxford Road, Old Marston (Tel. 41519).

CONFIRMATION 1965

The Bishop will confirm seven adult candidates at the Cathedral on Saturday, April 10th at 3 p.m. Any members of the congregation who can attend will be welcome.

A series of Confirmation Talks for Young People will begin in the Autumn, and those who hope to attend should be 14 years old by the end of the year. As candidates will be expected to be regular church attenders, if they are not already so, the best time to begin is NOW. Any adults wishing to be confirmed are asked to contact the Vicar so that special arrangements for their instruction may be made.

"NOT SO MUCH A PROGRAMME"

If anyone watching this programme on Friday the 12th February thought they recognised some local faces were not mistaken, as Mr. and Mrs. Yates and family were among the invited studio audience.

FROM FARMER TO PARSON

From Wycliffe Hall we have received help each term from a number of ordinands who have come from various list of occupations, i.e. Labour Officer, Accountant, Schoolmaster and Farmer.

Mr. Michael Bishop who is at present helping us farmed on the edge of Dartmoor, but sold up his farm to help to pay expenses incurred in training for ordination. He hopes to be ordained in Trinity and to serve his curacy at Cheltenham, with the Rev. Hugh Evan Hopkins. We welcome him, Mrs. Bishop and Timothy into our midst.

Mr. Samuel Williams, who also helps us, was formerly a master at the Latin School, Buckingham. He will serve his first title at Chipping Norton.

CHANGE OF DATES :

1. There will be a Baptism Service on Easter Day, the 18th of April at 3 p.m., although this is not our usual day. Parents who wish to have their children baptized on this day should let the Vicar know in good time.

2. In April only, the Family Communion which is usually held on the 3rd Sunday will be held on the second Sunday, i.e. Palm Sunday, April 11th at 9.30 a.m. This will be the First Communion for the newly confirmed.

"WATCH YOUR GASMETER!"

We sympathise with the eleven homes in Mortimer Drive which had their gasmeters robbed, and have had to make good the money stolen.

Lead has also been stolen from the roof of Woodeaton Church.

It is all the more important that characters acting suspiciously should be reported to the County Police.

The Dean of Bocking, 5 feet 3 inches tall, dealt summarily with an intruder in the deanery garden, by throwing him over his head, and dislocating his shoulder. His 6 foot assailant who leapt at him was unaware that the Dean was a former Judo expert!

HOLY BAPTISM

- Feb. 14. Michael Keith Elkins, 31 St. Nicholas Park.
 Donna Michell Kitching, 10 Lewell Avenue.
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Jan. 6.	Epiphany				11
Jan. 10.	Epiphany I	31	3	0	21
Jan. 17.	Epiphany II	33	6	4	82
Jan. 24.	Epiphany III	27	14	4	26
Jan. 31.	Epiphany IV	33	19	6	26
	Weekday Communicants	— 47.						

IN MEMORIAM

- Jan. 29. Mildred Rowles.
 Feb. 8. Peter John Gittings, 16 years.

PARISH CALENDAR — MARCH

- Mar. 3. Ash Wednesday. 1st day of Lent.
 7.15 a.m. Holy Communion.
 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
 7.45 p.m. Service in Church, with Film of Melanesian Mission introduced by Canon R. P. Garrity.
6. Saturday. Scouts Jumble Sale.
 7. LENT I. Services for the First Sunday in month with Parish Communion at 11 a.m.
10. Wednesday. Holy Communion, 7.15 a.m.
 2.45 p.m. M.U. Quiet Half Hour.
 7.45 p.m. Lent Study Group — "No Small Change."
 to be held in Church Hall.
 (1) "THE PARISH LOOKS AT ITS PURPOSE"
14. LENT II. Services for the Second Sunday in the month with Holy Baptism at 3 p.m.
 Preacher at Mattins: Rev. S. Birtwell, Vicar of St. Giles, Oxford.
17. Wednesday. Holy Communion, 7.15 a.m.
 7.45 p.m. Lent Study Group — "No Small Change."
 to be held in Church Hall.
 (2) "THE PARISH LOOKS AT ITS NEIGHBOURS"
18. Thursday. Young Wives' visit to Ideal Home Exhibition at Olympia.
 19. Friday. 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion with the Laying on of Hands for Sick.
21. LENT III. Services for the Third Sunday in the month with Family Communion at 9.30 a.m.
24. Wednesday. Holy Communion, 7.15 a.m.
 7.45 p.m. Lent Study Group — "No Small Change."
 to be held in Church Hall.
 (3) "THE PARISH LOOKS AT THE WORLD"
25. Thursday. Festival of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
 Lady Day.
 7.15 a.m. Holy Communion.
 7.45 p.m. Lady Day Service. (Transferred from 24th).
28. LENT IV. **Mothering Sunday**
 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
 10.0 a.m. **Mothering Sunday Service for Parents and Children.**
 11.0 a.m. Mattins.
No instruction for children on this day at 11 a.m.
 3.00 p.m. Holy Baptism.
 6.30 p.m. Evensong.

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Mr. F. Maund, 4 Ashlong Road.
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