

Seagoe Parish Magazine.

SEPTEMBER, 1938

CLERGY :

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Lower Seagoe.

CHURCHWARDENS.

Rector's—THOMAS MARTIN.

People's—H. A. CATHCART.

THE CLERGY WILL ESTEEM IT A FAVOUR IF
IN CASES OF SICKNESS THEY ARE INFORMED
IMMEDIATELY.

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER.

Sept. 4th—12th Sunday after Trinity.
Sept. 11th—13th Sunday after Trinity.
Sept. 13th—Mothers' Union Meeting, at 7.30 p.m.
Sept. 18th—14th Sunday after Trinity.
Sept. 16th—19th—C.E. Convention.
Sept. 21st—St. Matthew. Ember Day.
Sept. 25th—15th Sunday after Trinity.

Harvest Festival in Hacknahay at 3.30 p.m.

Sept. 26th—Harvest Festival in Hacknahay at 8 p.m.
Sept. 29th—St. Michael and All Angels.

HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICES.

The following provisional dates have been selected
for the annual Harvest Festival Services in the Parish.
Fuller details will be given in our next issue:—
Hacknahay—Sunday, Sept. 25th, at 3.30 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 26th, at 8 p.m.

Edenderry Parochial Hall—Sunday, Oct. 2nd, at 3.30.

Monday, Oct. 3rd, at 8 p.m.

Drumgor—Sunday, October 9th., at 3.30 p.m.

Monday, October 10th, at 8 p.m.

Levaghery—Sunday, October 9th, at 3.30 p.m.

Monday, October 10th, at 8 p.m.

Parish Church—Sunday, Oct. 16th, at 11.30 a.m.
and 7 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 17th, at 8 p.m.

Bocombra—Sunday, Oct. 23rd, at 3.30 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 24th, at 8 p.m.

Carne—Sunday, Oct. 23rd, at 3.30 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 24th, at 8 p.m.

IRISH NATIONAL CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR CONVENTION.

The annual Irish C.E. Convention will be held in
Portadown during September 16th to 19th. The
speakers include Rev. G. H. Lunn, M.A., Bournemouth,
Rev. James Hall, B.A., Glasgow, and Rev. F. W. C.
Wallace, M.A., Magheramason, Derry, Irish C.E. Pre-
sident. There will be a Junior Demonstration on

Saturday, 17th, and Sectional Conferences on Mon-
day, 19th. On Convention Sunday Rev. G. H. Lunn,
M.A., will preach in Seagoe Church at Morning
Prayer, and in the evening the preacher will be Rev.
R. Bird, M.A., rector of St. Kevin's, Dublin. On the
same afternoon a United Young People's Service will
be held in First Presbyterian Church at 3 p.m. Child-
ren attending Sunday Schools are requested to as-
semble at their respective schools at 2.30 p.m., and
march to the Church, under the charge of their
teachers and Superintendents.

THE RECENT CENSUS.

(The following interesting note appeared in an Eng-
lish Church paper a few weeks ago):—

"The figures for the census of Belfast, taken last
year, have been published, and, with an increase of
population of 23,000, the city is approaching the half-
million mark. Some interesting changes in religious
grouping are revealed. The Church shows a sub-
stantial increase, and for the first time its members
outnumber the Presbyterians, who have remained
practically stationary. The Roman Catholics, how-
ever, claim the greatest advance in numbers, and it
is noteworthy that the percentage of Roman
Catholics is greatest in the youngest age-group. In
other words, their increase is mainly due to a higher
birth-rate. Politicians may perhaps be at least as
perturbed by these figures as the ecclesiastics, for, as
the "Irish Times" remarks: 'Against the steady pres-
sure of growing number nothing can prevail, and the
development of an Irish polity of the future may rest
with the youngest age-group in Belfast.'"

THE BLACKER MEMORIAL TABLET.

The appearance of the tablet erected last year in
the Parish Church by Mrs. G. Blacker in memory of
the late Col. Blacker, has been greatly enhanced by
the addition of a polished oak mounting.

CONGRATULATIONS.

We congratulate Mr. James Gracey, Balteagh, on
obtaining his B.A. degree in Queen's University, Bel-
fast, at the recent degree examination.

LEVAGHERY SCHOOL.

On Sunday, August 7th, there was a service in Le-
vaghery School at which the new seats were dedi-
cated for use in the Sunday School. The Rev. G.
Mann, M.A., Rector of Knocknamuckley, preached.
The Superintendent and teachers are to be congratu-
lated on the result of their efforts to provide suitable
seating accommodation in the hall. The new seats
were made locally and add greatly to the appearance
of the schoolroom as well as being comfortable to use.

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CHOIR EXCURSION.

The members of the Choir had a most enjoyable day in Warrenpoint on Saturday, 20th August. Mr. Wilson, as usual, made all the arrangements for the outing, and the choir members are indebted to him for his interest and trouble on their behalf.

MOTHERS' UNION.

The monthly meeting of the Mothers' Union will take place on Tuesday, September 13th, at 7.30 p.m., in Seagoe School. The speaker will be Mrs. Robb, of Caledon Rectory.

THE CHURCH LADS' BRIGADE.

The Seagoe Company of the above will resume for the winter session in Edenderry Parochial Hall on Tuesday, September 6th, at 7.30 p.m. The past year was most successful, thanks to Capt. E. Mitchell and his efficient staff of officers, and we hope that for the forthcoming year the parents in our parish will help by encouraging their boys to become members of this fine organisation.

EDENDERRY WEEKLY SERVICE.

This Service will begin on Wednesday, 5th October, at 8 p.m. It is hoped that our parishioners in Edenderry will make an effort to attend these mid-week services during the winter. Aged people who cannot get to the Sunday Services are especially invited.

NEW RECTORY BUILDING FUND.

We acknowledge with grateful thanks the following subscriptions for the above:—

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Mr. D. Cairns & family, Killycomaine 1 0 0
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Mr. T. Gracey, Killycomaine 0 5 0
Mr. A. McKeown, Killycomaine 0 2 0
Mr. T. H. Russell, Knockmena 0 15 0

Already Acknowledged	£372 19 3
	£3 12 0

Total	£376 11 3
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CORRECTION.—N.B.—5/- credited to Mr. Kirk in last month's magazine should read Mr. Connelly, Carne, 3/-. Mr. Simpson, Carne, 2/-.

SEAGOE PARISH CHURCH CHOIR FUND, 1935.

We print below list of subscribers to the above and hereby gratefully acknowledge same:—

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BAPTISMS.

"Suffer little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of God."

- August 7th—Margaret Eleanor, daughter of Joseph and Mary Jane Holland, Lisniskey.
- August 7th—Alfred Andrew, son of John and Esther Hamilton Ramsey, Kernan.
- August 7th—Sarah Elizabeth, daughter of Dynes and Elizabeth Turkington, Killycomaine.
- August 7th—Elizabeth, daughter of Robert Henry and Isabel Wilson, 4, Garland Avenue, Lurgan.
- August 7th—Marlene Frances, daughter of Israel and Charlotte Donaldson, 21, Queen St., Portadown.

MARRIAGES.

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

- August 4th—George Henry Gordon, 113, Parkmount, Portadown, and Myrtle Roney, 4, Goban St., Portadown.
- August 15th—Robert Woolsey, 146, Bridge St., Portadown, and Dorothy Elizabeth Florence West, 51, William St., Portadown.
- August 18th—Robert Ernest Pepper, Ballymoney, Banbridge, and Anna M'Loughlin, Drumnagoon.

BURIALS.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth, yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours."

- August 7th—Mary Morrison, Levaghery Gardens, in Drumcree, aged 52 years.
- August 9th—James Craig, Bachelor's Walk, in Banbridge, aged 78 years.

OBITUARY.

We regret to chronicle the passing from our midst of two parishioners. Mrs. Morrison, Levaghery Gardens, had only recently come to reside in the Parish. Mr. Jas. Craig had been in failing health for some time.

The many friends of the Bradshaw family, of Breagh, were grieved to hear of the sudden death of James Bradshaw, who was in business in Lisburn. Only last month we referred to the death of Mrs. Bradshaw.

Mr. Wightman, another friend of Seagoe, has been bereaved by the passing of his son John, who had been in poor health for some time.

To the bereaved we offer our sincere sympathy, and pray that they may have the comfort of Christ in their sorrow.

THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR SOCIETY.

In view of the forthcoming C.E. Convention which is to be held in Portadown next month the following article on the history and aims of C.E. is interesting:—

"The first Christian Endeavour Society was founded by the Rev. Francis Clark, Minister of Williston Congregational Church, in the City of Portland, Maine, U.S.A., on February 2nd, 1881; the first British Society was founded at Crewe in August, 1887, also in connection with a Congregational Church. The Society has now spread into every country in which Protestant Christians are found, and is believed to contain five million members, belonging to very many different branches of the Christian Church. It is, however, especially active in the United States of America, the United Kingdom, the British Colonies, India, China, Japan, Germany and Brazil.

"The purpose of Mr. Clark in founding the Society is described in its official handbook as being 'an earnest desire to harvest the fruits of a notable work of grace amongst his young people,' in other words to make permanent the enthusiasm and zeal of religion which had been aroused amongst the younger members of his congregation by an evangelical mission. The Society ought therefore to be regarded with special favour by those who decry such missions on the ground that the results produced by them are not always as permanent as might be desired.

"While, however, the primary purpose of the Society is to maintain a high level of spiritual life and religious fervour amongst its own members, it is also intended that each Christian Endeavour Society shall help in the religious work of the congregation with which he is connected, both by discharging itself such duties as he Rector of the Parish or the minister of the congregation may entrust to it, and also especially by training the younger members of the congregation as church workers, and by keeping before their minds the duty of personal service to our Lord and His Church as a necessary part of a Truly Christian life.

"The Christian Endeavour Societies of each district are grouped in 'Local Unions,' and co-operate for some common objects, and these 'Unions' are again grouped in 'Federations,' Irish, Scottish and Welsh, while all the Societies are again grouped in the British Union, which again is a member of the World Federation. Again there is an 'association' of the Christian Endeavour Societies in Ulster which are connected with the Church of Ireland and similar associations connected with some of the other Churches, but all these unions and federations and associations only exist to promote social intercourse between different societies, and to enable the societies to act together for common objects; each society, so

far as its own internal affairs are concerned, is entirely independent, and is free on every occasion to act in accordance with the judgment of its own members without regard to any external authority except that of the congregation to which it belongs.

"Each Christian Endeavour Society is accustomed to have a weekly 'prayer meeting,' in which there is usually a discussion based upon a passage or Scripture or occasionally an address on some subject of religious interest, such as, for instance, some aspect of the Temperance question, or the life of some famous missionary. The ideal of the Society is that every member of the Society should take part in every meeting, either by leading in prayer or by reading a text bearing upon the subject of discussion or in some other way. This ideal is not always attained, but at the 'consecration' meetings, which are held once a month, every member who is present reads a text which he or she has selected beforehand, as containing a thought likely to be profitable for the Society, and every member who is unable to be present is expected to send such a text to be read when his or her name is called.

Besides its weekly meetings, each Christian Endeavour Society carries on much of its work through committees. Three of these committees are considered essential to the efficiency of every Society. The 'Look-

out' committee, which is responsible for seeing that the members attend regularly, at least at the 'consecration' meetings, and for seeking out new members and introducing them to the Society. The prayer meeting committee, which makes the arrangements beforehand for each prayer meeting, appointing the chairman, the leader of the discussion, etc., and the 'Social' committee, which has charge of all arrangements for social meetings. There are also generally other committees for other purposes, carrying in different places. For instance, there is a 'Sunshine' committee, which endeavours to brighten the lives of the sick and the poor; the 'Praise' committee, which has charge of the musical programme at each 'prayer meeting,' and the 'Cottage meeting' committee, which at the discretion of the Rector, may have charge of the monthly cottage meetings, held at various centres throughout the Parish, a branch of church work entrusted to the Society by the Rector. In addition to these activities the Society also supports the 'Floating Endeavour' movement by sending needle cases, floral cards, etc., to be distributed amongst sailors at Christmas time.

"In addition to the work of each separate Society the local 'unions' and the denominational 'associations' from time to time hold 'rallies,' that is, joint meetings of the various constituent societies for mutual encouragement and spiritual help.

SERVICES—The PARISH CHURCH

HOLY COMMUNION—1st Sunday after Morning Prayer; 3rd Sunday at 8 a.m., and on the Chief Festivals.

HOLY BAPTISM—1st Sunday of each Month at 4 p.m., and during any Service in the Parish Church, notice to be given; Two Sponsors at least are required. The father and mother must be present. Churchings are held at each Baptism. Mothers are expected to bring a thankoffering. (See Book of Common Prayer.)

MORNING PRAYER—Sundays and Chief Festivals, 11.30 a.m.

EVENING PRAYER—Sundays, 7 p.m.

DISTRICT SERVICES.

Hacknahay—Last Sunday of Month at 3.30 p.m.

Drumgor—Second Sunday of Month at 3 p.m.

Edenderry—Services as announced.

MARRIAGES must be performed between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Licenses are issued by Ven. Archdeacon Hannon Rector, Lurgan. Due notice (48 hours) must be given to the Rector of intended weddings. **FEES**—By License—Labourers 5/., Tradesmen 10/., Merchants and Farmers 15/., Professional £1. By Banns 5/.. **FUNERALS** will be attended by the Clergy if proper notice be given. **SICK CASES** should be notified to the Clergy without delay. **FEES FOR CERTIFICATES**—BAPTISM 3/7, Children (Factory) 1/- and 2/ (non residents); MARRIAGE 3/7. An extra Search Fee is chargeable in certain cases. It will be a help to the Clergy if they are notified of the arrival of new Church families in the Parish.

A copy of the Magazine will be sent by post to any subscriber for 3/ per annum.

CLASSES, &c.

BIBLE CLASS FOR MEN in Edenderry on Sundays at 10.15 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS 10.30 a.m. Edenderry Parochial Hall and Seagoe School. 3 p.m. Seagoe, Edenderry Parochial Hall, Levaghery, Hacknahay, Carne, Drumgor, Bocombra.

MOTHERS' UNION—2nd Tuesday of each month at 7.30 p.m.

CHURCH LADS' BRIGADE in the Parochial Hall on Tuesdays and Fridays.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY in Seagoe School on alternate Mondays at 8 p.m.

SEAGOE P.E. SCHOOL, 9.15 a.m. Principal—Mr. R. Scott.