

Seagoe Parish Magazine.

MAY, 1939.

CLERGY:

REV. J. W. APPELBE, M.A., B.D., Seagoe Rectory.
REV. W. F. HAYES, B.A., L.Th., The Bungalow,
Lower Seagoe.

CHURCHWARDENS.

Rector's—S. McCORMICK.
People's—J. G. GRACEY, J.P.

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

CALENDAR FOR MAY.

May 1st—St. Philip and St. James.
May 7th—4th Sunday after Easter.
May 14th—5th Sunday after Easter.
May 18th—Ascension Day.
May 21st—Sunday after Ascension.
May 25th—Mothers' Union Sale and Tea at Rectory.
May 27th—Choral Festival at Waringstown.
May 28th—Whit Sunday.

THE GENERAL EASTER VESTRY.

The annual meeting took place in Seagoe School on Thursday, April 13th, at 8 p.m. The Rector presided, and in his opening remarks expressed regret that more of our parishioners who are entitled to do so did not attend this very important meeting. In reviewing the temporal side of parish life for the past year, he expressed his thankfulness to Almighty God for what had been attempted and accomplished. The financial report for the year ending December 31st, 1938 showed, for the first time for years, a balance on the right side. This happy state of affairs has been brought about by three things:—(1) The splendid response by our people to the appeal made at the Harvest Festival, a response which showed that they still value and love their Church; to this mainly we owe our sound financial position as shown in the report. (2) There has been a substantial increase in the W.F.O.; this is encouraging. (3) Mr. J. H. Twinem has undertaken the secretaryship of the W.F.O. system in an honorary capacity.

The outstanding event in the past year was the completion of the New Rectory. The site is exquisite, the house modern and comfortable. Seagoe Parish has now a Rectory of which any parish could be justly proud. That this venture has been enthusiastically supported is evident when we note that almost £500 has been subscribed by the parishioners up-to-date. The Select Vestry felt compelled to purchase the land of the late Miss Jane Collins, adjacent to the Parish Church so that in the future the present new burying-

ground can be extended. In years to come this land will be a priceless asset to the parish.

The Rector expressed his gratitude to the outgoing Select Vestry for their help, during the past year their efforts had been untiring for the welfare of the parish. Some changes had taken place; Mr. Moses Gilpin, for health reasons, had been obliged to resign his offices of W.F.O. Secretary and Hon. Secretary to the Select Vestry. An appreciation of Mr. Gilpin's efficient discharge of these functions was rightly placed on the minutes at the time of his resignation. During his tenure of these offices he displayed an exactness and promptness which admirably fitted him to act in this capacity. Since August, 1938, Mr. John H. Twinem had undertaken in an honorary capacity the W.F.O. Secretaryship. Mr. John H. Twinem is a man of whom any parish might indeed be proud, and this is only one of several instances in which he has shown in a practical manner that he has the welfare of the parish at heart. Mr. W. R. Sherman has undertaken the Hon. Secretaryship of the Select Vestry, a position he is filling in a most helpful way, and we hope he will fill that role for many years to come. Mr. Wm. White should be complimented as in his first year as Hon. Treasurer the accounts showed a balance on the right side, a happy omen for the future.

The Rector then expressed his thanks to his colleague, the Rev. W. F. Hayes, for his help; his valued co-operation had made his task a pleasant one during the years since he came to the parish, and he felt he was expressing the sentiment of the parishioners when he said that they too appreciated his ministry amongst them.

The outgoing Churchwardens, Messrs. Thos. Martin and H. A. Cathcart, had discharged the duties of their office in an exemplary manner; they were regular Communicants and had set a high standard for their successors in office. The Rector thanked Messrs. Martin and Cathcart for their valued help, and nominated as his Churchwarden for the ensuing year Mr. S. M'Cormick.

The following elections took place:—Mr. J. G. Gracey, J.P., was unanimously appointed People's Churchwarden.

Select Vestry:—Messrs. John H. Twinem, Robert M'Clements, D. F. Stoops, Geo. Leake, E. Mitchell, Thos. Martin, Wm. White, Moses Gilpin, Jas. Twinem, J. R. Reid, H. M. Gibson, Jas. Maginnis.

Parochial Nominators:—Messrs. Thos. Martin, John H. Twinem, Robt. M'Clements.

Supplemental Parochial Nominators:—Messrs. S. M'Cormick, Wm. White, Jas. Twinem.

Diocesan Synodsmen—Messrs. Jas. Twinem, John H. Twinem, S. McCormick, Thos. Martin.

Glebe Wardens:—Messrs. Robert McClements, Jas. Twinem.

The following sidesmen were appointed:—Messrs. Thos. E. Maginnis, Jas. Allen, W. A. Casey, R. Scott, J. Walker, N. Campbell, I. Dickson, G. Wilson, A. Kirke, C. S. A. Twinem, Thos. Gracey, Wm. Hutchinson, Thos. Stanfield, W. R. Sherman, Wm. Hewitt, J. Stephens, D. Allen, J. Gee, A. Pickering, H. Ellis, W. G. Best, J. H. Wilson, S. D. Walker, Thos. Hall, J. Rehill, Geo. Moore, Wm. H. Best, Wm. Neill, Geo. Nixon, Robt. M'Murray, Jos. Ward, J. M'Laughlin, Foster Shanks, David Sherman, Holmes White.

A vote of thanks to all the voluntary Church workers was proposed by Miss I. Atkinson, and seconded by Mr. S. McCormick and passed by acclamation. It was stressed that, but for the loyal service rendered by the great band of helpers, including the choir, Sunday School teachers, W.F.O. distributors, Rectory Fund Collectors, C.L.B., Mothers' Union, the work of the parish could not be carried on.

EASTER.

This precious festival has come and gone once again. The glorious weather was in keeping with the message of Easter—a message of victory, hope and light. Its message this year came with a deep significance in view of the tense atmosphere surrounding international relations. One of the dictators chose Good Friday to bombard the coastal towns of a small and almost defenceless nation; the other it is feared was contemplating similar acts of aggression. Forceful violence, broken pledges, war, persecution and cruelty are again being enthroned, righteousness, goodness, truth, peace, love are being crucified, just as He who was the personification of these was nailed to the Cross on the first Good Friday, but let us not miss the significance of this, Christ was crucified but not defeated, on Easter Day He rose triumphant over His enemies and over death; so too in these dark days Christians know that though goodness and love may be crucified by those whose evil creed is that might alone is right, yet in the end justice and right will prevail for they are grounded in the Eternal God. This is part of the Easter lesson, goodness must ultimately win.

The Services in Holy Week were well attended in spite of the inclement weather. On Easter Day the Church was simply decorated. Mrs. Casey presided at the organ, and special Easter music, including a suitable anthem, was rendered by the choir in a way that added greatly to the beauty of the services.

PAROCHIAL FINANCE.

We print below the W.F.O. Hon. Secretary's report for the first quarter of the year 1939:—

Jan. 1st	Envelopes, £4 1 7;	Collections, £1 10 6
Jan. 8th	.. £6 7 4;	.. £1 6 0
Jan. 15th	.. £4 17 0;	.. £1 0 0
Jan. 22nd	.. £7 2 6;	.. £1 3 9
Jan. 29th	.. £7 9 7;	.. £1 9 0

Average for January, £7 5s 6d per week.

Feb. 5th	Envelopes £7 11 5;	Collections £1 8 9
Feb. 12th	.. £6 16 6;	.. £1 7 7
Feb. 19th	.. £7 13 2;	.. £1 9 10
Feb. 26th	.. £6 7 2;	.. £1 13 0

Average Receipts per week for February, £8 12s 0d.

March 5th	Envelopes £8 4 4;	Collections £1 9 7
March 12th	.. £7 16 10;	.. £1 8 10
March 19th	.. £7 18 9;	.. £1 9 6
March 26th	.. £6 10 9;	.. £1 9 3

Average Receipts per week during March, £9 2s 0d.

The above figures speak for themselves. There has been a substantial increase since the commencement of the year but a further increase is still needed to ensure that our income will have met the expenditure at the close of the financial year on December 31st next. As £12 per week is needed the W.F.O. and Church Collections to keep the accounts balanced. We hope all our parishioners will bear this in mind and that they will send in their envelopes regularly.

NEW RECTORY BUILDING FUND.

We gratefully acknowledge the receipt of the following subscriptions:—

Mr. T. H. Wilson, Lower Seagoe ..	.. £1 0 0
Mr. George Wilson, Lower Seagoe ..	.. 1 0 0
Mrs. Ballentine, Lower Seagoe ..	.. 1 0 0
Mrs. N. Guy, Derryvore ..	.. 1 0 0
Mr. George Robinson, Lower Seagoe ..	.. 1 0 0
Mr. Robert Walker, Lower Seagoe ..	.. 1 0 0
Mrs. W. Neill, Lower Seagoe ..	.. 1 0 0
Mr. George Matchett, Derryvore ..	.. 0 10 0
Mrs. Jos. M'Loughlin, Lower Seagoe ..	.. 0 5 0
Miss K. Calvert, Breagh ..	.. 5 0 0
Rev. G. H. Daunt, Bridge St. ..	.. 1 0 0
Mr. A. Kirk, Ballinacorr ..	.. 1 0 0
Mr. David Cordy, Carne ..	.. 1 0 0
Mr. Wilson M'Kinney, Carne ..	.. 1 0 0
Mr. George Connelly Carne ..	.. 0 3 0
Mr. William Simpson, Carne ..	.. 0 2 0
Mr. Henry Sinnamon, Levaghery ..	.. 0 10 0
Mr. J. Williamson, Carrickblacker ..	.. 0 10 0
Mr. Thos. Nesbitt, Levaghery Gardens ..	.. 0 2 6
	£18 2 6
Amount already acknowledged	£483 0 4
	£501 2 10

BOCOMBRA CHURCH HALL.

Balance Sheet for year ending February, 1939.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hands	£2 14 10
Sunday School Collections	1 19 7
Service	0 12 7
Concert	5 2 0
Harvest Festival	1 14 6
Subscription—Mr. W. Prentice	0 10 0

£12 13 6

PAYMENTS.

Social Expenses, 1938	£0 5 3
Printing	0 6 0
Balance for Wreath	0 2 0
Messrs. Shillington	1 0 4
Wages and Stamps	3 0 7
Coal, oil, salt, etc.	0 19 3
Boiler	0 17 6
Social Expenses, 1939	0 6 5
Prizes	2 16 6
Balance in hand	2 19 8

£12 13 6

CORRECTIONS IN ANNUAL REPORT.

Eden Avenue. Railway Street.

104--11/7 should read Miss A. Walker 11s 7d.

105--13 3 " " Miss S. Walker 13s 3d.

106--13/- " " Miss H. Walker 13s 0d.

Killicomain.

Mrs. Caddell 13s 0d, should read Alfred W. Loney 13s 0d

CORRECTION:—

Please note that in last month's Magazine the following entry:—Miss D. Wilson, Levaghery, 10/-, should read Miss D. Montgomery, Levaghery, 10s 0d.

MR. THOS. H. WILSON.

As we go to Press Mr. T. H. Wilson, organist, is undergoing medical treatment in Belfast. He has our sympathy in his illness, and our prayer is that he may soon be restored to health again.

MR. JOS. HYNES.

His many friends in Seagoe wish Mr. Jos. Hynes every success in his new appointment in Armagh. This has necessitated his leaving Seagoe. He will be greatly missed in Edenderry Sunday School and in the C.L.B. He had recently undertaken the position of Superintendent of Edenderry Afternoon Sunday School.

EDENDERRY SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The Rector has appointed Mr. David Allen as Superintendent of Edenderry Afternoon Sunday School. Mr. Allen has been for years associated with the School

both as a pupil and as a teacher, and we feel under his care that the Sunday School will continue to flourish.

SIDESMEN.

In order to enable all the sidesmen, who have been elected to that office at the general Easter Vestry, to get an opportunity of acting as collectors in the Parish Church, it has been arranged that each month a certain number of them should be responsible for doing so. The following are the names suggested for May:—

Morning Prayer—The Churchwardens, Messrs. W. R. Sherman, J. McLaughlin, J. Ward, H. Ellis.

Evening Prayer—Messrs. D. Allen, Wm. Neill, Geo. Nixon, Holmes White, Robt. McMurphy, Thos. Stanfield.

MOTHERS' UNION.

The ordinary monthly meeting was not held last month owing to the usual date falling in Easter Week. Instead the members were invited to attend the Holy Week service on the Tuesday of that week, which a goodly number did.

The next meeting will take place in Seagoe School on Tuesday, May 8th, at 7.30 p.m., when it is hoped that an address will be given by Miss Wightman.

On Thursday afternoon, May 25th, from 3—6 p.m. the members are holding a small sale in the Rectory. Subscription, including tea, 2/-, is for the building fund. Invitation cards can be obtained from any member or from the Hon. Sec., Mrs. Metcalfe.

BAPTISMS.

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

April 2nd—Hazel, daughter of Joseph William and Emma Elizabeth Magee, Kernan.

MARRIAGES.

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

April 8th—Albert Best, 82 Victoria St., Lurgan, and Anna Maria Watson, Levaghery Gardens, Portadown.

April 11th—John James Woods, 48 Fountain St., Bessbrook, and Jane Currie, Drumnacavaney.

April 12th—William John Costello, Tamnificarbett, and Marjorie Anna Russell, Aghacommon.

BURIALS.

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

March 26th—Daviil Wilson Kyle, Clanrole, aged 71 years.

March 28th—Elizabeth Haddock, West St., Portadown, aged 84 years.

April 17th—Eliza Jane Hickland, Carne, aged 66 years.

OBITUARY.

We regret the passing from among us of two parishioners, David Kyle and Eliza Jane Hickland. Both passed away very suddenly. To the bereaved we offer our sincere sympathy and pray that the Easter hope may be theirs at this time, and that our Heavenly Father may comfort and sustain them in their bereavement.

C.L.B.

The annual Festival Service of the Church Lads' Brigade will be held in St. Anne's Cathedral, Belfast, on Thursday, April 27th, at 8 p.m., when the preacher will be the Lord Primate, the Most Rev. J. A. F. Gregg, D.D., Archbishop of Armagh.

Special buses are leaving the Parochial Hall, Edenderry, at 6.30 p.m. on that evening.

SUNDAY SCHOOL EXCURSION.

The above will take place this year on Thursday, June 22nd, to Bangor. Our energetic Excursion Hon.

Secretary, Mr. Wm. Hutchinson, has arrangements well advanced. Full details re train times, etc., will be published in the June issue of this Magazine.

ASCENSION DAY AND WHITSUNTIDE.

Ascension Day falls on Thursday, May 18th. There will be Holy Communion in the Parish Church at 10 a.m.

Whit Sunday, May 28th—Holy Communion after Morning Prayer at 11.30 a.m.

W.F.O. ENVELOPES.

Subscribers to the Weekly Freewill Offering should mark the amount enclosed in the Envelope each Sunday. When this is done the W.F.O. Hon. Secretary is considerably helped in his work.

THE CHORAL FESTIVAL.

Seagoe Choir will be taking part in the annual Choral Festival on Saturday, May 27th, in Warings-town Parish Church. Combined practice at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m.

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—Wednesdays at 8 p.m., Oct—Easter.

MARRIAGES must be performed between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Licences are issued by Ven. Archdeacon Hannon, the Rectory, Lurgan. Due notice (48 hours) must be given to the Rector of intended weddings. **FEES**—By License—Labourers 5/-. Tradesmen 10/-. Merchants and Farmers £1. 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—10.15 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.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY in Seagoe School on Mondays at 8 p.m., as announced.

G.F.S. CANDIDATES—Oct.—Easter, Edenderry Parochial Hall, Saturdays at 3 p.m.

SEAGOE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR SOCIETY—Mondays, Orange Hall, at 8 p.m.

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