

Seagoe Parish Magazine.

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

CALENDAR FOR JULY.

July 2nd—4th Sunday after Trinity.

July 9th—5th Sunday after Trinity.

Orange Anniversary Service at 7 p.m.

July 16th—6th Sunday after Trinity.

July 23rd—7th Sunday after Trinity.

July 25th—St. James.

July 30th—8th Sunday after Trinity.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICE.

Children, with their teachers, from the nine Sunday Schools in the Parish, attended a special Service in the Parish Church on Sunday morning, June 18th, at 11.30 a.m. Considering the rather wet morning there was a splendid attendance, and the way that the pupils of each Sunday School recited a portion of the Church Catechism allotted to them added considerably to the effectiveness of the Service. The various portions were rendered word-perfect, which reflects great credit both to the children and teachers. Instead of the sermon, the Rector took the Church Catechism as his text. This was appropriate and helpful, for the Catechism contains teaching based on the Bible which applies to adults as well as to young people. The sixth of the Thirty-nine Articles in our Prayer Book declares "Holy Scripture containeth all things necessary to salvation; so that whatsoever is not read therein, nor may be proved thereby, is not to be required of any man, that it should be believed as an article of the Faith." But the Bible is a big book, and teaches many truths, and, if we were left to select for ourselves what we should teach from it, we should all be in danger of repeating constantly one or two favourite doctrines, and leaving large sections of truth hardly touched upon. In the Church Catechism we have a balanced presentation of the Christian life—what it is and how to attain to it, as it is portrayed in the Bible. Nothing that the Bible stresses is ignored, nothing is exaggerated that is inessential.

It is a pity that Church people do not from time to time read over and ponder the saving truth which our Church Catechism stresses, and that is one very

useful aspect of a special Children's Service, such as took place on June 18th; it is an opportunity for us all to remind ourselves of our Church's definite teaching about the Christian life, its privileges and obligations.

The following are some of the points that were emphasised:—

Religion is an intimate personal relationship between you and God; it begins with you; that is why the Catechism begins with the question:—"What is your name?"—You, Thomas James, you, Kathleen Elizabeth, as individuals, count in God's sight, the individual is God's starting point. When we received our Christian names at Baptism it meant that we were adopted into God's great family—the Christian Church. The children of Edenderry Sunday Schools in answering the second and third questions of the Catechism made us realize that religion is a two-sided affair—there is God's part and our part. What has God done for us?—He has made us "Members of Christ," "Children of God" and "Inheritors of the Kingdom of Heaven." What high and priceless privileges these blessings are—you and I can live a victorious life in union with Christ, we can regard God as our Father, we can claim the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Privileges always carry along with them responsibilities. Seeing that God in Christ has done so much for us, it is natural that He expects from us something in return. The answer to question three tells us what God expects of us:—To renounce what is wrong, to believe what is true, to do what is right, in other words the three great Bible truths of repentance, faith and obedience. The life that is guided by these truths will be unselfish, and not self-centred. The Bible throughout its pages stresses this. "I," as an individual, am precious in God's sight, but I am not the most important or the only person in the world. God Himself is supreme. He alone matters, He is the most important Being in the world and other persons are as important and as precious in God's sight as "I" am. How well all this is summed up in My duty to God, which was recited by the Seagoe Sunday School pupils—they reminded us that God demands from us the love, service and loyalty of our whole being. Then the pupils of Drumgor in the words of the Catechism brought before us the claims of my neighbour. Cain was wrong when he indignantly protested—"Am I my brother's keeper?" "No man liveth unto himself"—"my duty to my neighbour is to love him as myself, to do to all men as I would wish them to do to me." It is very easy to be kind to those who are kind to you, but the

real test of the Christian disciple is how he or she reacts to those who are unkind to us. Our Lord in no uncertain terms condemned the law of retaliation, substituting for it the far higher and more difficult rule of love. The fourth commandment, enshrining the eternal truth that God wants our worship, was recited by the children attending Bocombra, Hacknahay and Carne. Here in this, the oldest of the ten commandments, is laid down for us the necessity of keeping one day in seven free from all worldly pursuits and business entanglements so that we may have time to meet together in God's house, "to render thanks for the great benefits we have received at His hands, set forth His most worthy praise, to hear His most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul."

The scheme or plan of the Church Catechism becomes evident, having told us what God has done for us and what we are expected to give Him in return, the question naturally arises, Who is sufficient for these things? How can I do my duty to God and my neighbour? The answer is by the means of grace, God has appointed certain definite ways by which we can get His help to do His will. There are four main channels by which we can receive God's grace:—Private Prayer, Public Worship, the Bible, and the Sacraments. The members of Levaghery Sunday School reminded us that the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was ordained by Christ "for the continual remembrance of the Sacrifice of the death of Christ and of the benefits we receive thereby." Bodily well-being depends upon our using the four physical means of health, fresh air, exercise, food, rest, we do not pick and choose just one or two of these, all are essential; so too in our spiritual lives if we are to be virile, healthy Christians all the means of grace must be used, private prayer, public worship, God's word as we have it in the Bible and the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

THE EXCURSION.

The Sunday School excursion to Bangor on Thursday, June 22nd, was a great success this year. The proverbial "Seagoe weather" was ours for the occasion, and this together with the amenities of Bangor afforded a most enjoyable day to the very large number who travelled. All returned safely, well sunburned.

There was a splendid attendance of children at the Parish Church, where a short service was held before marching to the railway station. The procession was headed by Seagoe C.L.B. Band, and the catering was satisfactorily carried through by Messrs. Davidson.

About one hundred parishioners of Ardmore parish availed themselves of the opportunity of travelling to Bangor with us. When the accounts are being settled we hope to be in the happy position of being able to report that we were able to balance them without a deficit on the wrong side. Again, we are deeply indebted to Messrs. R. McClements and Wm. Hutchinson for all their trouble in seeing to the various arrangements necessary to make the venture the unqualified success it was.

MOTHERS' UNION.

The monthly meeting took place in Seagoe School on Tuesday, June 13th, at 7.30 p.m. There was a large attendance of members and they listened with rapt attention to Mrs. Cannell, who gave an inspiring talk on Missionary work in China.

There will be no regular meeting in July or August.

MOTHERS' UNION EXCURSION.

The members of the Mothers' Union hope to go for their annual excursion to Newcastle on Thursday, 27th July. Those who intend to go should come to Seagoe School on Friday, July 21st, at 8.30 p.m., when they can procure their tickets.

C.L.B.

The Training Corps football team reached the final in the competition for the Silver Cup, open to all Companies. The final was played against Broomhedge in Shamrock Park, Portadown, on Thursday, June 15th, and after a strenuous match Seagoe T.C. was beaten.

In presenting the Cup and medals to the winners, Col. Waring congratulated both teams on reaching the final.

Seagoe had high hopes of winning the Cup, but their opponents were placed in the favourable position of having a much heavier team. The Seagoe lads played splendidly. It was no mean feat to reach the final in this competition.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

* During the month of July the Sunday Schools in the Parish will be closed; they will re-open again on August 13th. It is hoped that during this period the parents of our Sunday School children will encourage them to attend the Sunday Services in Church.

ORANGE ANNIVERSARY.

The annual Orange Anniversary Service will take place in Seagoe Parish Church on Sunday, July 9th, at 7 p.m.

The collection will be in aid of the Lord Enniskillen Memorial Orphan Fund, and the preacher will be Br. the Rev. Herbert Lindsay, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Parish, Belfast.

THE CHOIR.

The Choir went for their annual outing on Saturday, June 10th. It took the form of a 'bus run to Newcastle, via Warrenpoint and the coast road, and home by Banbridge. At Warrenpoint there was a break for lunch. The Rev. W. F. Hayes and Mr. T. Wilson, Organist, accompanied the Choir. We were delighted to see Mr. Wilson so well again after his recent indisposition.

Mr. Wilson acknowledges with thanks the receipt of the following subscriptions towards the Choir Fund:—

Mr. Kelly	£1 0 0
Mr. J. G. Sinton	1 0 0
Mr. Wm. Robinson	1 0 0
Mr. Thos. Wilson	1 0 0
Mr. Friend	1 0 0
Miss Isobel Atkinson	0 10 0
Mr. D. W. Thornton	0 10 0
Mr. W. E. Greaves	0 10 0
Mr. Hugh Ross	0 10 0
Mr. David Collen	0 10 0
Mr. John Johnston, M.P.	0 10 0
Mr. Shillington	0 10 0
Mr. John Davison	0 10 0
Mr. G. H. Daunt	0 10 0
Mr. Dunlop	0 10 0
Mr. James Edgar	0 10 0
Mr. Geo. Johnston	0 10 0
Mr. Pettigrew	0 10 0
Mr. Seale	0 10 0
Mr. J. Whiteman	0 10 0
Mr. Wm. Walker	0 10 0
Mr. Victor Walker	0 10 0
Mr. Hadden	0 10 0
Mr. Rennix	0 10 0
Mr. Friend	0 10 0
Mr. James Blane	0 10 0
Mr. Messrs. Clements & Wilson, Ltd	0 7 6
Mr. Samuel Walker	0 6 0
Mr. Vance	0 5 0
Miss Matchett	0 5 0
Miss Margaret Reid	0 5 0
Mr. Thom Reid	0 5 0
Miss Macoun	0 5 0
Mr. Carragher	0 5 0
Mr. Robt. Chapman	0 5 0
Mr. S. Corbett	0 5 0
Mr. Tom Hall	0 5 0
Mr. T. Cordner	0 5 0
Mr. John Montgomery	0 5 0
Mr. Harry Campbell	0 5 0
Mr. Tom Courtney	0 5 0
Mr. William Hewitt	0 5 0
	£19 13 6
Mr. N.I.R. Transport—'Bus	£6 6 2
Mr. Dinners	4 12 6
Mr. Fruit	0 7 0
Mr. Tips	0 10 6
Mr. Postage and Stationery	1 2 4
Mr. Magazines and Postage	0 5 0
	£13 3 6
Mr. Balance	20 10 0
	£33 13 6
Mr. Balance from 1938	£14 0 0
Mr. Subscriptions, 1939	19 13 6
	£33 13 6
Mr. Balance on hands	20 10 0

C.L.B. CAMP.

The Junior Training Corps Camp will be held at Ballymacconnell, Bangor, from July 22nd to 29th. The camp site is one of the finest in Bangor. Those parishioners who spent the day in Bangor with the Parish excursion last Thursday can realise what a fine place Ballyholme would be for a boys' camp.

The camp grounds are about a quarter mile from the shore.

The daily routine of camp life starts at 7.30 a.m., when Reveille is sounded by the bugler; the boys rise and get washed and dressed for breakfast at 8 a.m. There is no need to sound the cook-house call twice; appetites are always keen. Every boy lines up with his plate and mug and files past the cook-house, where he receives his breakfast. This generally consists of bacon and egg, fried sausage and bacon, or some similar dish, with bread and butter and tea. After breakfast, each lad washes his own dishes, and returns to his tent, where he shakes his blankets and bedding and prepares for camp inspection. Blankets are neatly folded and placed out in front of each tent; kits are set out adso. The lads from each tent fall in behind their kits for inspection by the Camp C.O. Each lad takes a keen interest in these daily inspections, and it is very creditable to see the lads making such a smart display of bedding and kits with the idea of placing his own tent as the smartest on parade. After line inspection the whole camp parades for morning service, conducted by the Chaplain. These services are very bright and a very interesting feature to visitors. The service commences with a hymn, followed by a short address, then another hymn and prayer.

The next event is bathing parade at 11 a.m.; this is voluntary, but it is seldom any boy misses this. The lads fall in with towel and costume, and headed by the band, march to Ballyholme beach. When they arrive there and everyone is ready for the water there is a general rush and a good deal of shouting and splashing. All officers are in the water and keep on the outside; no lad is allowed to go beyond where the officers are.

The bugler sounds the fall in, and every lad must leave the water and get dressed. When all are ready they have 10 minutes' smart warming up exercises, and then start for camp, feeling refreshed and smart. Arriving in camp, towels and costumes are laid out to dry, and dishes are collected for dinner at 1 o'clock.

After dinner the boys are free to go to town or play cricket or football in the grounds. Any lad going to town must go properly dressed. They are free to enjoy themselves as they wish.

Places where slot machines are in use are definitely out of bounds. These gaming houses are a snare for lads, where they would lose their money, with nothing in return. Every effort is made to encourage the lads to spend wisely and well, and he is on his honour to uphold the reputation of the Church Lads Brigade.

There is also the camp bank, run by one of the officers. Lads arriving at camp pay in their money, and can draw out as much as he wants each day. In this way the money is divided over the week and not spent rashly.

Tea is served at 5 p.m., and generally consists of tea, bread and butter, with bananas, tomatoes, cake, jam or fish; there is no scarcity of food and each lad can get as much bread and butter as he wants.

After tea, everyone is free again until supper time at 9.30 p.m. Supper is cocoa and bread and butter or

biscuits. After supper comes Evening Prayers at 9.55. Last Post is sounded at 10 p.m., when every lad must be in bed. Lights out at 10.30 p.m., and all quiet. The end of a perfect day.—(E.M.)

QUARTERLY REPORT OF W.F.O.

April	2	W.F.O.	£8 9 1	Collections	£1 16 3
"	9	"	6 14 0	"	5 14 4
(Easter)					
"	16	"	7 16 1	"	1 6 0
"	23	"	8 16 0	"	1 11 7
"	30	"	7 3 10	"	1 10 9
Average per week—£10 3s 7d.					
May	7	W.F.O.	£8 5 11	Collections	£1 15 6
"	14	"	6 12 9	"	1 10 7
"	21	"	8 10 11	"	1 14 8
"	28	"	5 16 3	"	1 11 5
Average per week—£8 19s 6d.					
June	4	W.F.O.	£6 16 11	Collections	£1 9 6
"	11	"	6 15 3	"	1 13 11
"	18	"	7 3 9	"	2 12 0
"	25	"	7 6 2	"	1 8 11
Average per week—£8 16s 7d.					

**SOUTH AMERICAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY—
YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1939.**

Mothers' Union for support of Indian Baby	£3 0 0
Drumgor, Hacknahay and Seagoe Afternoon	
S. Schools for support of Indian Girl	3 0 0
Harvest Festival Collections	4 16 1
Seagoe G.F.S. Work Party	0 17 0
Box Collections (£2 6s 5d).	
Miss Calvert	0 9 7
Miss A. Guy	0 5 0
Mrs. Lewie	0 2 6
Mrs. M'Dougall	0 2 0
Miss S. Montgomery	0 5 11½
Miss D. Montgomery	0 5 11
Mrs. H. Sloan	0 2 7½
Miss Reid	0 10 0
Mrs. J. Walker	0 2 10
Card—Miss Atkinson	5 10 0
Total	£19 9 6

SIDESMEN FOR JULY.

The following sidesmen are expected to be responsible for taking up the collection in Church during July:—

Morning Prayer—The Churchwardens, Thos. & E. Maginnis, Wm. Hutchinson, J. Gee, D. Allen.
Evening Prayer:—Messrs. J. Walker, N. Campbell, A. Kirke, Robt. M'Murray, Wm. Neill, Holmes White.

BAPTISMS.

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

4th June—Gerald Major, son of Thomas James and Anne Eliza Gordon, 4 Foundry Street, Portadown.

4th June—Doreen, daughter of Thomas James and Ethel Walsh, Tannifiglasson.

18th June—John Thomas Farquar, son of Henry and Margretta Patterson, 21, Seafeld, Lurgan Rd.

MARRIAGES.

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

June 1st—William Robert Hamill, Killicomaine, Portadown, and Sarah Jane M'Ilhenney, Mulroy, Carrigart, Co. Donegal.

BURIALS.

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

June 9th—Elizabeth Craig, Bachelor's Walk, Portadown, aged 77 years.

June 9th—Elizabeth Milligan, 7, Queen St., Portadown, aged 40 years.

OBITUARY.

We regret the passing from our midst of Mrs. Craig, of Bachelor's Walk. She had been in failing health for some months. Mrs. Craig was industrious and greatly respected by all who knew her.

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.