

Seagoe Parish Magazine.

MARCH, 1941.

CLERGY:

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CHURCHWARDENS:

Rector's—GEORGE LEAKE.

People's—J. R. REID.

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

CALENDAR FOR MARCH.

March 2nd—1st Sunday in Lent.
March 5th—Ember Day.
March 7th—Ember Day.
March 8th—Ember Day.
March 9th—2nd Sunday in Lent.
March 13th—Monthly Meeting of Mothers' Union.
March 16th—3rd Sunday in Lent.
March 17th—St. Patrick's Day.
March 23rd—4th Sunday in Lent.
March 30th—5th Sunday in Lent.

EDITOR'S LETTER.

My dear Readers,

With this issue of the Magazine we are entering upon another year in its long and useful history. A few weeks ago I had to face the issue of abandoning its publication for the duration of the war or increasing its price from 2d to 2½d per copy. After long and careful consideration, I decided that to adopt the first-mentioned alternative would be a grievous loss to our parochial life, and so the only course open to me to keep the Magazine on a sound financial basis is to raise the price by a ½d per month. Since the outbreak of war many religious and secular papers have been forced to raise their price, while as well, they have had to reduce their ordinary reading matter to about half their original size owing to the scarcity and increased cost of paper and printing. In this, for the present at any rate, we are more fortunate, as we hope, that the actual size of our local notes and the Home Words inset will contain the same amount of reading matter as in pre-war days. Actually each copy of the Magazine costs at present 2½d per copy to print, but owing to the kindness and continued support of our advertisers it can still be sold at 2½d and remain solvent. I earnestly appeal to you to continue taking the Magazine regularly, for, unless the circulation is kept up, it will not be possible to issue it at all. I am confident that those who have been accustomed to subscribe will not allow the un-

avoidable rise in the price to prevent them supporting this vital and useful parochial adjunct.

Readers can help the Magazine by:—

- I. Paying the Distributor in Advance, or Regularly each month.
- II. Encouraging your friends to become regular Readers.
- III. When on your shopping rounds patronising those who advertise in its pages.

As has already been pointed out, but for the practical help of our friends, who buy advertising space, it would not be possible to run the Magazine at all. To them we extend our grateful thanks for their invaluable help.

Finally we are indebted to Major E. Mitchell and the members of the C.L.B., who are responsible for distributing the Magazine each month. Their help has done much to keep the circulation high in the past few years, and we rely on their co-operation to ensure this for the future.

I take this opportunity of thanking all our parishioners, who by taking this Magazine regularly, have enabled it to play its part in recording facts and happenings in this parish month by month, and from what I know of them, I have no doubt, that they will see to it, that Seagoe Magazine will continue to function without a break through these troubled times.—Yours sincerely,

J. W. APPELBE.

LENTEN SERVICES.

There will be a Special Intercession Service, with a short address, on each Wednesday in Lent in the Parish Church at 8 p.m.

THE MOTHERS' UNION.

The monthly meeting was held in Seagoe School on Thursday afternoon, February 13th, when Miss Nellie Montgomery gave a most helpful address to a representative attendance of members on the story of Naaman. As well as this, Miss N. K. Montgomery rendered Hymn 715 as a solo in her usual accomplished manner.

Now that the hours of daylight are increasing it will soon be possible to have the meetings in the evening instead of the afternoon.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, March 13th, at 3.30 p.m., in Seagoe School, when Mrs. Eakin has very kindly promised to speak on "Home Nursing."

C.M.S. LENTEN APPEAL.

On Sunday, March 23rd, the annual Lenten appeal will be made on behalf of the Church Missionary Society. The preacher at the morning service will be the Rev. S. P. Kerr, B.A., Rector of St. Mary's, Belfast. The preacher at the evening service will be the Rev.

Canon J. Bloomer, B.A., Rector of St. Mark's, Armagh. Self-denial offering envelopes will be available on this Sunday and they should be returned on the following Sunday.

In the world to-day there is greater need than ever for the extension of Christ's Kingdom in the lives of men and nations, and this is what the Church Missionary Society has been doing since its foundation. It strives to create fellowship in place of strife. C.M.S. history, past and present, is full of examples. Constructively to work for peace—that is one big contribution which its hospitals on the North-West Frontier of India continue to make. Of New Zealand's centenary (1940) Lord Bledisloe wrote: "Without the influence of Henry Williams with the Maori people and their chiefs it may be confidently stated that this great and loyal Dominion of the British Crown could not possibly be celebrating her one hundredth birthday, and might never have become part of the British Empire."

In Palestine in an atmosphere of conflict and tension between Jews and Arabs, Christian schools and colleges are exercising a ministry of reconciliation. The head mistress of the Jerusalem Girl's College writes: "Our college has for eighteen years sought to unite Christians, Jews and Moslems in one community. . . Real friendships are formed, which transcend barriers of race and religion and last when school days are over." In the war between Japan and China there is evident a spirit of fellowship between the Christians in both of these countries which the cruel war between them has been unable to break. Even though China has been invaded and her people have been made to suffer terribly in many ways, yet among Chinese Christians there is no evidence of bitterness, and this characteristic is strikingly exemplified in China's leader, General Chiang Kai-Shek, who is a devout Christian. These are only a few typical examples of the unifying transforming power of the Gospel of Christ in meeting human need; no single aspect of human need is beyond the bounds of His knowing, His caring, His power, but He counts on our co-operation to make this "good news" available for a desperately needy world.

SIDESMEN.

MARCH:

Morning Prayer—The Churchwardens, Messrs. R. McClements, G. Price, W. White, E. Mitchell.

Evening Prayer—Messrs. G. Wilson, A. Kirke, Thos. Gracey, H. Ellis, Wm. Neill.

APRIL:

Morning Prayer—The Churchwardens, Messrs. J. H. Twinem, T. Martin, J. Stephens, J. G. Gracey, J.P.

Evening Prayer—Messrs. J. Walker, N. Campbell, T. Stanfield, D. Allen, G. Nixon, J. M'Loughlin.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

BOCOMBRA:

The annual prize-giving social was held in Bocombra Church Hall on Thursday, February 6th. The Rev.

W. F. Hayes presided. After tea, the usual games were played and a most enjoyable evening was spent and enjoyed by all.

The Rector presided at a similar function in Carne on the same evening. After tea, various vocal items were rendered by the children, followed by games until it was time to go home. Here two presentations were made, one, a canteen of cutlery to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Currie, a former teacher, now serving with the R.A.F., to mark the Sunday School's appreciation of his services as a teacher, and as a token of good wishes on his marriage. Miss Hannah Russell handed over the gift on behalf of the Sunday School. Mr. George Wilson, who was unavoidably absent, was given a beautiful writing set, to show the esteem in which he was held while Superintendent, a position in which he rendered loyal and devoted service.

The Superintendents and teachers of both these Sunday Schools are rendering a splendid service for Christ and His Church and we are grateful to them for their help.

NEW RECTORY BUILDING FUND.

The Hon. Treasurer for the above gratefully acknowledges the receipt of the following subscriptions:

Mr. James Boyce, Bocombra ..	£2 0 0
Mr. David M'Kane, Ballymacrandle ..	0 5 0
Mr. James Turkington, Kernan ..	0 10 0
Mr. Geo. Connolly, Carne ..	0 3 0
Mr. Wm. Simpson, Carne ..	0 2 0
Mr. T. H. Gordon, Ballinacorr ..	0 2 6

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DISTRICT SERVICES FOR MARCH.

Drumgor—Sunday, March 8th, 3 p.m.

Hacknahay—Sunday, March 30th, 3.30 p.m.

EDENDERRY MEN'S BIBLE CLASS.

We gratefully acknowledge the receipt of £1 from the above towards the Christmas Parcel Fund of Seagoe Parish.

OBITUARY.

We regret the passing from our sight of Mary Coulter, late of Carne. She belonged to an old and respected Seagoe family. A few years ago, owing to failing health, she went to reside with her sister in a neighbouring parish. Margaret Hayes belonged to Edenderry. She has been called away in the prime of life and leaves a large family to mourn her loss. She had been living in Lurgan for some time.

About a week ago Mrs. Hunter, of 12, Florence Court, received word from the Admiralty, that her husband, Wm. James Hunter, had been drowned while on active service. He was a stoker on a mine-sweeping trawler, and was home on leave after Christmas; it appears he met his death not as the result of enemy action, but accidentally. His remains were interred in England with full Naval Honours. To his widow and all who are bereaved we extend our sympathy, and pray that our Heavenly Father will sustain and comfort them in their sorrow.

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CARNE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Statement of Income and Expenditure, 1940.

Balance on hands, May, 1940	£2 15 3
Sunday School Collections	1 17 10
Harvest Service Collections (for renovation fund)	13 18 10
Harvest Service Collections (for Missions)	2 0 6
Subscriptions received (per Miss H. Russell)	6 10 0
Subscriptions received (per A. M'L. for renovation fund)	9 12 6
Other Subscriptions	0 19 0
Proceeds from Beetle Drive	6 4 6
	£43 18 5

EXPENDITURE.

Sunday School Excursion expenses	£1 1 0
Paint, timber, spouting, etc.	9 9 0
Purchase of pulpit	0 5 0
Velveteen, etc., for pulpit	0 2 10
Purchase of organ	5 0 0
Tuning and repairing	2 0 0
Printing account	1 0 0
Harvest offering for Mission	2 0 6
Caretaker	1 0 0
Coal and oil	0 9 0
Balance on hands, January, 1941	21 11 1
	£43 18 5

A. M'LOUGHLIN, Superintendent.

The above statement shows that considerable and necessary improvements and repairs have recently been carried out in Carne; much still remains to be done, especially in the way of suitable seating accommodation. Owing to the war the latter has been postponed for the time being, hence the apparently large balance on hand.—(J.W.A.)

LEVAGHERY SUNDAY SCHOOL.

General Account for year ended 31st. December, 1940.

RECEIPTS.

Balance	£4 9 11
Collections	6 6 2
Allowance on Returned Tickets	0 3 2
Subscriptions	0 17 4½
Harvest Service Collection	2 9 4½
Foreign Missions Collection	£0 19 2
Collection for S.A.M.S.:—	
March 31st	0 3 3
June 23rd	0 3 1
September 29th	0 3 2
December 29th	0 3 3
	1 11 11
	£15 17 11

1941—Jan. 1. To Balance C/D £5 1 8½

EXPENSES.

By Coal Account	£1 3 8
" Oil Account	0 6 2
" Stationery	0 1 5
" Roll Books	0 1 7½
" Annual Social—Catering Account	1 9 6
" " Prizes	1 4 9
" " W. H. Best Account	0 2 6
" Messrs. J. G. M'Cann Account	1 5 0
" Excursion Tickets	4 9 6
" Balance	5 13 9½

£15 17 11

THOS. STANFIELD, Supt.

C.L.B. NOTES.

C.L.B. activities are still going on. The annual reunion for Officers and N.C.O.'s was held on Friday, 14th February, 1941, in the Deacon Memorial Hall, St. Michael's Parish, Belfast. In spite of the war it was one of the best reunion socials yet held, and the attendance one of the best. Seagoie had a party of eleven officers and lady friends. The party included our assistant Chaplain, Rev. W. F. Hayes.

The main item of interest in our own Company is table tennis, great interest is being shown in this at present. Recently we had a match with Drumcree club and paid a return visit to them a short time ago. Although we lost both matches we are far from being down-hearted, and we are eagerly looking forward to a match with Thomas St. Boys' Brigade to be played next week.

News still comes from Old Boys of our Company now serving in the forces. It is good to know they still remember their old Company, and to them all we would send our best wishes.

A recent letter from Alfred Dickson, serving with the R.A.F. somewhere in England, tells how he met another Seagoie Band member, Jack Beatson.

It is good to know that the Seagoie Boys are still coming together. Two inseparable chums of our Band, Alfie Dickson and Dick Major, joined the R.A.F. together and are now serving at the same station. Alfie says although they are not billeted together they meet every night. The amusing part of this letter was the description of the billet. Hot and cold water in the bedroom. Well, we all wish you luck, Alfie, to enjoy the comforts.

Another example of the gathering of the clan comes

from another direction. George Simpson was recently moved to another station, and on arrival found his Sergeant to be Sergt. Foster Shanks.

Foster says in his letter, he was delighted to see George, and in his own words: It reflects great credit on his C.L.B. training to find him a good, smart and clean soldier. The letter continues—I was more than pleased to hear him say that the week was badly started if he did not manage to get to Church on Sunday. The C.L.B. and our upbringing in dear old Seagoe has certainly given us a good foundation in life. In a recent letter from George Simpson, he also wishes to be remembered to all the C.L.B. boys. George says he has found his C.L.B. training of great benefit to him since he joined up. We are glad to know this, but what is more important is that the principles of the C.L.B. are well founded with all of them. And that they put first things first and can stand firm on their motto "Fight the Good Fight." George has met quite a number of C.L.B. lads from other Companies since he joined up.

And now a message to all our former members now with the forces, wherever you maybe. You will all, no doubt, remember the recitation at one of our concerts:—"Play up. Play up and Play the Game." We at home are still carrying on the C.L.B. work and looking forward to a grand reunion some day.—(E.M.)

BAPTISMS.

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

February 16th—Mary Elizabeth, daughter of William and Gertrude White, Seagoe.

BURIALS.

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

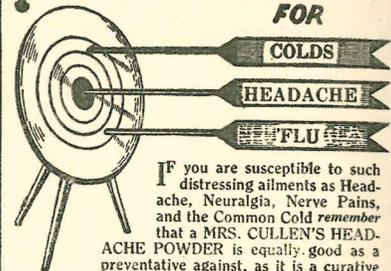
January 2½th—Mary Coulter, Drumnasoo, Portadown, aged 75 years.

February 8th—Margaret Hayes, Brown's Court, Lurgan, aged 28 years.

February 11th—John Lindsay, 30, Jervis St., Portadown, aged 22 years.

February 20th—Susan Austin, 70, Hyndford Street, Belfast, aged 50 years.

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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.

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, Bocoimbra.

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.

MARRIAGES must be performed between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Licences are issued by Rev. W. J. Gransden, 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.