

S. Bartholomew's Church, Quorn.

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My Dear Friends,—

The closing days of the old year are full of Christmas thoughts. We are remembering once again that God in the fulness of time—and in the fulness of His love—took a Little Child and set Him in our midst. We are recording once again with wonder that this was the way in which God willed to discover Himself to us, and us to ourselves. And the calendar gives us a full octave for our thoughts, in which they may come and stay.

And while the Christmas thoughts are still active, and before the echo of Christmas worship has ceased to sound, we step into a new year. It dawns almost before we are aware of it. But we are not unready for the new stage in our life's journey, for the closing thoughts of the old have shewn us the way. If we have learnt our Christmas lesson from the Holy Child we know that we are to be childlike in the future. We have often succeeded in the past in being childish. But that is a very different thing. Let us put away childish things, but remain, or become, childlike all the more as year succeeds to year.

Only thus will 1929 be prosperous. And thus may it be to us, I pray.

Your faithful friend and servant,
H. H. RUMSEY.

Some January Fixtures.

Tuesday, the 1st.—Distribution of Charities.

Gifts of clothing for the Miners to be brought to the church between 10-0 and 4-0.

Sunday, the 6th.—The Epiphany. The Choir will sing "A Christmas Cantata," by Dr. Pearce, at 3 o'clock.

Sunday, the 20th.—Sunday School prizegiving at 2-45. Address by the Rev. J. Adams.

Thursday, the 24th.—Meeting of Parochial Church Council, 7-15.

Monday, the 28th.—Missionary Demonstration at the De Montfort Hall, 3-0 and 8-0 p.m.

Tuesday, the 29th.—Annual Vestry for appointment of Churchwardens at 7-0. Annual Church Meeting (for all on the electoral roll) for the statement of Treasurers' accounts and election of Church Council, at 7-15. In the schools.

Dayspring.—A Mystery Play with this given by some members of the Girls'

Friendly Society under the direction of Miss Adams on Dec. 19th. After a prologue to direct our thoughts the play opens with the preparation of the Magi for their journey. The scene changes quickly to fields near Bethlehem, where children and shepherds appear, and the promised Messiah is the subject of their conversation, and Joseph and Mary pass on the last stage of their journey to Bethlehem. Then in the stable at the Manger crib the children and shepherds come to greet the Holy Child, and later in the house to which the holy family have moved the Magi offer their worship and their gifts. The children appear again as though quite at home in the holy presence, because as Joseph says to the surprised inquiries of the kings, they had been kind to Him at His birth.

There was some very natural hesitation at the outset in adopting this play owing we think to the difficulty of doing justice to its sacred character, but we are very glad indeed that the hesitation was overcome. It was indeed a difficult thing to do but the manner of its performance was very creditable both to the girls and to Miss Adams, and it focussed our thoughts most helpfully on those historic beginnings of our Faith which are recorded at Christmas time. Appropriate carols were sung by Mr. M. Rumsey's singers behind the scenes with beautiful effect, and Mr. E. B. Fewkes had put great pains into the preparation of suitable scenery. The vicar expressed the thanks and congratulations which were felt by all present. It was a very happy evening.

Altar Flowers.

Jan. 6 Miss Burrows.

" 13 Miss Moore.

" 20 Mrs. Oliver.

" 27 Miss Martin.

Feb. 3 Mrs. Ogden.

Mothers' Union.—December was a very busy month. There was a service of preparation for Christmas on Dec. 14, at which a helpful address was given by the Vicar of All Souls, Leicester. At this service the banner was dedicated by the Vicar. Very careful thought and many contributions have gone to the making of this banner and everybody is very pleased with it both as a work of art and as a symbol of all for which the Mothers' Union stands. It was made by Misses Newton and

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Porter, who spared no pains to make it what it is.—On the Tuesday before Christmas Mrs. Hassall spoke of the overseas work of the Mothers' Union with lantern slides. Many mothers, and a few of the fathers who were also invited, were present. The pictures were clear and instructive, and Mrs. Hassall spoke with her usual force and zeal. Refreshments followed.

Christmas Party.—Following as it does close on the Christmas communion this is always a very happy event. Our aim is to bring those who worship together into friendly intercourse with one another and to avoid so far as possible the formality which would mar it. It is worth noting how the distribution of fancy headgear at the beginning puts people at their ease with one another; any anxiety as to whether our hat suits our complexion is for the moment forgotten, and we probably hope that in any case we don't look any more odd than our neighbour. There was quite a crowded hall and a very delightful entertainment followed by dancing till 11.30. The Mothers' Union provided and served the refreshments for the third time and we give them our very best thanks for the most welcome contribution to the evening's success. Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Fewkes made all the preliminary preparations, sparing no pains as is their wont. The Vicar took the opportunity during the evening of appealing for support for the Miners' Relief Fund.

Children's Party.—Miss Latham with her staff of the Infant School gave a most delightful party to the infants on Dec. 21st, and at the time of writing preparations are going forward for the Sunday School party on Dec. 29.

An Organist of Former Days.—Many of us learnt with grief of the passing of Vincent Dearden, who as organist and choirmaster a quarter of a century back did much for our church music. United as he was by marriage with an old Quorn family his ties with Quorn have never been quite severed and the musical gifts of his wife and family have always been very freely at our disposal. To them we offer our deepest sympathy. God grant him increase of light and peace.

S. Mary in the Elms, Woodhouse

A very Happy New Year to all our Readers.

The Annual Vestry and Parochial Church Meeting will be held on Monday, Jan. 21st, in the Village Hall at 7 p.m. We hope that a larger number of those on the Electoral Roll will be present. The Churchwardens, sidesmen, and Parochial Church Council will be elected for the ensuing year.

On Friday, Jan. 25th, The Conversion of St. Paul, there will be Holy Communion at 8.30 a.m.

The Mothers' Union had a very successful little Sale of Work on Dec. 5th, followed by an entertainment of a varied kind. Much of the programme was given by children and grown-

Thanks.—Mr. and Mrs. Dawes wish to express their thanks for the very kind help they have received from the friends who made a collection on their behalf.

Sidesmen on Duty during January.

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6.30 Messrs. Halford and Bancroft.

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January 27th:

8.0 Mr. Halford.

11.0 Messrs. Bonser and Bancroft.

6.0 Messrs. Nail and Martin.

Collections.

		£	s.	d.
Nov. 25	Sick and Poor	0	11	5
" 25	Church Expenses	2	19	11
Dec. 2	The C.M.S.	5	10	7
" 9	Sick and Poor	0	2	4
" 9	Church Expenses	3	10	1
" 16	Sick and Poor	0	3	4
" 16	Church Expenses	2	11	11
" 23	Sick and Poor	0	5	8
" 23	Church Expenses	4	2	7
" 25	Waifs and Strays	5	9	1
" 25	Sunday Schools	5	9	1

Baptisms during December.

Dec. 16	Dorothy Irene Sancta Cumberland.
" 23	John Michael Horspool.

Marriages.

Dec. 22	Frederick Jackson to Winifred May Stevenson.
" 22	Albert Burrows to Rose Ella Wheeler.
" 26	John Aaron Newton to Doris Miriam Warner.

Burials.

Dec. 10	Fredrick Charles Boon, aged 74 years.
" 22	Franklin Israel Williams, aged 34.
" 22	Audrey Deacon, aged 11 weeks.

ups from our own village, and we hope they will give us another very soon. The Sale and Entertainment realised about £23. It was decided to send £4 as a donation to the distressed Miners' Fund in Durham. Part of the proceeds went to the M.U. headquarters and the rest, we believe, is to be used for some church purpose.

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		£	s.	d.
Dec. 2	S.P.G.	9	7	7
" 9	Church Expenses	1	16	7
" 16	Church Expenses	1	11	4
" 21	Church Expenses	0	2	6
" 23	Church Expenses	2	9	1
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" 30		1	5	10
		24	16	6

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My Dear Friends,—

I wonder whether we could try to make our Lent both a retreat and an advance. The terms, as applied to our religious life, are not contradictory. Rather is each essential to the other. A retreat in the language of religion is an attempt to detach ourselves for a time from worldly things. An advance, in the same language, is a growing attachment to spiritual things. A retreat in this sense has no purpose but advance, and an advance is difficult without retreat.

May I commend to you this way of regarding Lent. Let us willingly give a little more time to prayer and self examination and use the special services provided by the Church for our help. And let us do so with an object, namely that we may make some progress, perhaps that we may even spring forward, along the way of the Christian life.

Your faithful friend and servant,
H. H. RUMSEY.

Notes for the month

Saturday, the 2nd.—The Purification. H.C. 7.0.
Tuesday, the 5th.—Mothers' Union Devotional Service, 3.0 p.m. Office of the Guild of the Servers of the Sanctuary, 7.45 p.m.
Wednesday, the 6th.—Missionary Intercession at H.C. 7.0 a.m. and E.P. 7.0 p.m.
Wednesday, the 13th.—Ash Wednesday, H.C. 7.0. Children's service 5.0. Evensong 7.30. Address by the Rev. F. Tolhurst.
Thursday, the 14th.—Service at the Parish Church, Loughborough at 8.0 p.m. at which the Bishop will speak on the spiritual needs of the Diocese. All are cordially invited.
Tuesday, the 19th.—League of Nations Union annual meeting in the Rawlings School 7.30, speaker, Mr. Alun Jones.
Friday, the 22nd.—Annual Meeting of the Quorn Nursing Association at the Institute at 3.0, to which the public are invited.
Wednesdays the 20th and 27th.—Special Lent service at 7.30 p.m. Address by the Rev. F. Tolhurst.
Thursday, the 28th.—Confirmation at Barrow Church, 8.0 p.m.

Lent.—There will be special evening services on Wednesdays at 7.30 in Lent beginning on

Ash Wednesday, February 13th. A course of addresses will be given by the Rev. F. Tolhurst vicar of St. Peter's Loughborough. There will be a children's service every Wednesday at 5.0. Please ask for a Lent savings box for S.P.G. on the Sunday before Lent.

Confirmation.—This will take place at Barrow on Thursday, February 28th at 8.0. Please remember our candidates in your prayers. There are fewer than usual, 9 girls and 3 boys.

Spiritual Needs of the Diocese, Bishop's Fund.—There will be a special service in Loughborough Parish Church on Thursday 14th at 8.0. The Bishop will speak on the spiritual needs of the Diocese, and he hopes to be able to do so to a large number of people in the district. We hope a lot of our people will make a point of attending the service.

Miners' Relief.—The clothes that were brought to Church on New Year's day filled four sacks. They were sent to the Lord Mayor of Cardiff. A sum of £4 18s. 6d. has also been sent to the Mansion House Fund.

G.F.S.—A course of home nursing lectures commenced on January 21st, 14 members are attending. Mr. Howrie gave a most entertaining talk on Dickens on January 16th. The committee ran their new year's dance on January 23rd entirely on their own and made a great success of it.

The candidates are to give an entertainment at an early date in the Village Hall. We are sure that everybody will enjoy the country dancing which they have been learning and the other items of the programme. Miss N. Penfold and Miss I. Chamberlain are taking great care of the candidates, for which we owe them our thanks.

Cantata.—Dr. Pearce's "Christmas Cantata" was probably heard on Sunday Jan. 6th for the last time. It was sung previously in 1911 and 1922 and is now out of print. Our choir was augmented by six ladies, two sopranos and four contraltos and one tenor to whom our thanks are due. The choir is to be complimented for singing, as they usually do on these occasions, with accuracy and attention to detail.

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The solos were taken by Mr. and Mrs. C. Joiner and Mr. M. Rumsey, and they together with Miss E. Flanders sang very effectively the difficult quartette "In Thy cradle we adore Thee." We hope we have not heard this for the last time.

Sunday Schools.—The annual prizegiving took place on Sunday January 20th. The service took the form of shortened Evensong, the children being well acquainted with Merbecke's responses and Attwoods' magnificent, and other parts of evensong which now form part of the monthly children's service. The Rev. J. Adams spoke to the children on building, i. on sure foundations, ii. with good material, iii. slowly. Mr. G. Horspool superintendent of the Senior School made his report, referring among other things to the welcome we give to Miss E. Short, and Mr. T. Pilkington on the morning staff, and to the fact that Messrs. L. Prevost and F. Thompson are regular teachers in the afternoon Boys' section. Prizes were given for 80 per cent marks as a minimum. There were 20 awarded to girls and 14 to boys a total of 34 as compared with 43 last year. Miss Bradley continues to act as superintendent of the Infants' School. The number of infants on the books is 49. The Vicar voiced the thanks to the teachers, very nearly all of whom were children in the school a little time back.

Full Marks.—Girls: Mabel Brown, Doris Everard, Maggie Stocks, Lily Stevenson, Elsie Sharpe, Lillian Dowman, Phyllis Brown, Mary Towell, Avis Thorley, Ivy Highton, Ruth Stocks, Grace Bancroft, Kathleen Thompson, Doris Thorley. Boys: Reggie Stevenson.

Missionary Demonstration.—Our party has just returned from the De Montfort Hall as the corrected proof goes back. It was a great meeting. Here are two sentences from Sir Arthur Hirtzel's speech. "The negro who grows my rice is not less my neighbour than

my cook who cooks it." "If Christianity right for any man anywhere, it is right for every man everywhere."

Baptisms.

Jan. 13 Ethel Elizabeth West.

Holy Matrimony.

Jan. 12 Harold Drage Barwell and Annie Elizabeth Pollard.

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New Year's Day and Choir effort for Miners' Relief.	4	19	6
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" 13 Church Expenses	3	12	8
" 20 Sick and Poor	0	5	1
" 20 Church Expenses	2	19	6
" 20 Sunday School Mission	1	7	11

Prestwold-cum-Hoton and Burton.

REV. J. B. J. BEVAN, VICAR.

Confirmation.—The task of preparing candidates for Confirmation—a task which I always undertake with a great deal of pleasure—reminds me that parents and godparents do not always realise their responsibility in the matter. The parents and godparents of every child that is brought to church to be baptised promise that they will send him to receive Christian instruction, and that they will bring him to be Confirmed. I am afraid that some parents think that their children can please themselves in these matters. Others, I fear, seem to dissuade their children from thinking of Confirmation at all. It cannot be too strongly emphasised that these three things go together—Baptism, Christian Instruction, and Confirma-

tion; and that all parents and godparents who bring babies to the font are in honour bound to fulfil the obligations then undertaken. They are in honour bound to see that the child receives proper Christian instruction, and afterwards receives Confirmation at the hands of the Bishop. Any parents and godparents who neglect to do this are not acting honourably, as Christian people should; and are depriving their little ones of God's richest blessing at a time when they most need it.

Lent.—The special services of Ash Wednesday, February 13th, and of all Sundays and weekdays in Lent, will be announced in our three churches in due course.

Attention is drawn to the special service in All Saints' Church, Loughborough, on Feb. 14th, at which the Bishop will speak.

Burial.

Jan 14 Harriet Buxton, aged 57 years.

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The advent of spring will be very cheering after the unusual cold of the last two weeks, and with it will come Easter to cheer our souls. May it be for us a time of renewal, a happy, hopeful time! And meanwhile the call of Lent is to repentance.

I hope I shall never make the mistake of thinking that churchgoing is everything. None the less it is sad to see so many empty places and very few caring anything for special Lent services. Especially is 8 a.m. on a Sunday morning the most anxious hour of the week for me. Where are you all? Time was when the weekday work began at an early hour and the Sunday morning rest was excused on that account. But only a few rise really early nowadays. Whatever else we may get on the wireless we shall never get the Holy Communion.

We have had our annual meetings, as recorded below, and for another year wardens, council, sidesmen and other representatives are elected. The fortunes of the ballot have deprived us of some old and well-liked friends and fellow-workers and have given us some new blood, which is most cordially welcomed. May we have a happy and useful year of work and be guided aright in all our deliberations!

Your faithful friend and servant,
H. H. RUMSEY.

Holy Week and Easter.

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. — H.C., 7-0; Litany, 10-30; Evening Prayer, 6-30.

Maundy Thursday.—H.C., 8-0; Litany, 10-30; Preparation for Easter Communion, 7-0.

Good Friday.—Ante-Communion, 7-0; Mixed service for children and adults, 9-30; Three hours devotion, 12-0-3-0; Evening Prayer followed by Lantern service, 7-0.

Easter Day.—Holy Communion, 6-30, 7-30, 9-30 (choral), 12-0; Morning Prayer, 11-0; Evensong and Procession, 6-30.

Offerings during Holy Week for Missions to the Jews, and on Good Friday for St. Mary's Home, Leicester.

Bishop's Pastoral Letter.—This letter dealing with the spiritual needs of the Diocese and the consequent opening of the Bishop's Fund

was read in church at Morning and Evening Prayer on Sunday, Feb. 3rd. We hope that before long the Parish will consider in what way its response to the appeal should be made. So that there may be no doubt as to the objects for which the £118,000 is to be raised, we set them forth here: (1) Church Extension (sites, buildings, restorations), £52,620. (2) Incomes of Clergy, £35,000. (3) Church Schools, £11,500. (4) Training for the Ministry, £3,000. (5) Missions Overseas, £6,000. (6) Completion of the Cathedral, £10,000.

Annual Vestry and Parochial Church Meetings.—These were held on Tuesday, Jan. 29th. There were 44 members present. The Vicar for his warden nominated Mr. E. B. Fewkes, and Mr. C. Adams was elected people's warden. In each case thanks were expressed for past services. Mr. C. Adams presented on behalf of the outgoing council the statements of accounts for 1928, which appear overleaf. These were unanimously adopted by the meeting with thanks to the Treasurers. The Diocesan and Ruridecanal representatives were then elected, and for the 9 vacancies on the council 14 nominations were made and a ballot followed. The names of those elected appear above, as well as those of the 12 sidesmen subsequently elected. Under the heading of other business several interesting matters were commented upon, the only one upon which a resolution was made being that of the Church Room. The Treasurers' statement showed that the fund stood at £1,071 and the meeting unanimously agreed to ask the new council to re-examine the original estimate and to call a general meeting with a view to increasing the fund.

Parochial Church Council. — Notes of first meeting: Present, 13; Apologies, 2; total membership, 15. (1) Elections. Vice-Chairman, Mr. G. Horspool; Treasurers, the two Churchwardens; secretary, appointment deferred; Free-will Offering Secretary, Mr. J. Martin; Churchyard Sub-Committee, the standing committee together with Messrs. Brandford and Bream; Missionary Sub-Committee, to be elected at next meeting, the missionary guild meanwhile nominating 5. (2) Church Room. Resolutions (i). Mr. Fewkes be asked to ascertain likelihood of a revised estimate. (ii). A

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general meeting of all interested to be called to consider the raising of money on March 14th in the school at 7-30. (3) The Chairman reported that the late William Fox, of 39, Nursery-lane, Quorn, had bequeathed the sum of £5 to the Vicar and Churchwardens for the benefit of the Church. Resolved that the thanks of the Council be conveyed to the executors. (4) Resolved on the motion of Mr. Bream: "That the council wishes to make good what it considers an omission on the part of the annual meeting in recording its thanks to all churchworkers for 1928." Next meeting March 21, 7-15.

Mothers' Union.

Sunday, March 10th.—Mothering Sunday. It is hoped that parents and children will come together to the Holy Communion (8-0 or 9-30) and to Evensong at 6-30.

Tuesday, March 12th.—Meeting in the Village Hall, 5 o'clock; Report of past year's work; future arrangements; address by Mrs. Toller; Tea, 3d.

Friday, March 15th.—Rummage Sale in Village Hall, 6 o'clock, in aid of branch funds.

Bell Ringers' Guild.—(i). Mr. E. Pick was appointed steeple-keeper. We are grateful to him for undertaking a task of considerable responsibility. (ii). Messrs. G. Hand and Taylor were elected members of the guild. They will be admitted at the 9-30 Eucharist on March 10th. (iii). The low average of attendance for the last quarter was commented upon, only four members having made over 50 per cent.

The Church Room Fund.—As will be seen in the account of the Annual Meetings the wish was unanimously expressed that a push should be made to complete the fund. With this in view a general meeting of all interested will be held in the schools on Thursday, March 14th, at 7-30. All who desire to see the Church Room erected in the near future should without fail be present.

Thanks.—Mrs. G. Dexter, of 29, Freehold-street, desires to thank the many friends who made enquiries at the time of her husband's death.

Quorn Nursing Association.—As the members were assembling for the annual meeting on Feb. 22nd, news arrived of the death of the secretary, Mrs. William Wright. A tribute of respect was paid to her memory; the meeting adjourned till March 8th. It is difficult to picture the Nursing work in the village, and that of the Infant Welfare, without its late secretary. Mrs. Wright was an indefatigable worker for it; the village is very much indebted to her on that account, and it will not be easy to fill her place.

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April 7:

8-0 Mr. Fewkes.

11-0 Messrs. Hardy and Pilkington.

6-30 Messrs. H. Bonser and Halford.

MISSIONARY GUILD.

Account of Boxes, etc., for last half of 1928.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.
Intercession Collections	0	8	2
From Churchwardens' box			
in church	6	10	2
Children's Service	1	6	10
S.P.G. Boxes	3	16	11
Cowley Boxes	4	1	3
C.M.S.	1	5	7
Dr. Crane's Lecture	1	6	7
	£17	15	6

EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
Miss Smith for K.M. (Schools)	1	0	0
Mr. Wischall for lantern	0	10	6
Fr. Rumsey from Boys'			
Bible Class	0	8	2
Infants per M. Bradley	0	13	1
Julia	1	15	0
Miss Robinson from K.M. Boys	0	9	9
S.P.G. Headquarters	2	4	0
Penhalonga	4	8	2
Cowley Wantage and All S.S.	3	0	0
Yezel Hospital	1	5	7
	£15	14	3
Balance in hand	2	1	3
	£17	15	6

Baptisms.

Feb. 3 Hazel Mary Smith.
" 24 Pamela Rose Clarke.

Burials.

Jan. 23 Mary Gamble, aged 86 years.
Feb. 2 Ernest Edgar Pell, aged 29 years.
" 4 George Dexter, aged 84 years.
" 7 Fanny Heap, aged 79 years.
" 16 Harriet Elizabeth Dimsdale, aged 74 years.
" 19 Herbert Woodruffe, aged 74 years.
" 25 Agnes Wright, aged 73 years.
" 25 James Hutton, aged 73 years.

Collections.	£	s.	d.
Jan. 27 Church Expenses	2	11	9
" 27 Sick and Poor	0	5	6
Feb. 3 Church Expenses	2	15	7
" 3 Sick and Poor	0	7	3
" 10 Church Expenses	3	6	0
" 10 Sick and Poor	0	5	0
Ash Wednesday	0	14	5
" 17 Church Expenses	2	11	9
" 17 Sick and Poor	0	7	1
" 20 Loughborough Hospital Extension	0	7	2

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My Dear Friends—

The days of Holy Week are passing as I write, and never surely were they marked by such sun and stillness. I imagine it to be good flying weather. It is also good for another kind of soaring, into heavenly places, the kind of soaring which led men to choose the symbol of an eagle for the contemplative disciple John, and an eagle's wings for the scriptures to rest upon. This year's remembrance therefore of the suffering and death of Jesus and of His rising to life again will, perhaps, not bring the usual contrast of sombre and gay, but a tranquillity throughout, a happy and thankful frame of mind both toward God and man. It is all one continuous story of God's love. By the merits and death of Christ we and all His whole Church (which I suppose includes Paradise) receive remission of our sins and all other benefits of His Passion, and by His rising to life again He has restored unto us everlasting life. A tranquil trust and confidence are the fruit of our thoughts, whether it be Good Friday or Easter day. And where these are, there are at least the beginnings of a well ordered Christian life.

The Church Room has rather suddenly sprung into the foreground of our hopes. What with the yield of investments on the one hand and the reduced estimate of cost on the other, there is every reason why we should now push on at once to a conclusion, and every prospect of the building beginning to rise in the near future. There is money enough to cover the building, so with all the caution in the world the building should no longer be delayed. The rest of the money needed for furnishing, fencing etc., should be raised at the Fête. Please remember the date of this viz., Saturday, June 29th. For all other points see the Church Room paragraph below. Certainly there are two thriving organisations, the G.F.S. and the Mothers' Union, that are thirsting for a Church Room as the chief home of their activities.

I should be glad if you would all take note of our forthcoming day of prayer and gifts for Missions Overseas of which mention is made below. Our energies in this direction must never flag if we are convinced that our Lord

has entrusted us with the bearing of the gospel message to every place on the earth. As we say our Easter Day collect let us think of this effort of a special day as one of the good desires which God has put into our hearts and which by His continual help we may bring to good effect.

One word I would like to say about an old friend, Mary Elizabeth Parker, who has recently passed over after a short attack of pleurisy at the age of 76. In my own home she was a kind of fairy godmother and everyone of us benefited frequently by her wonderfully thoughtful kindnesses. In the parish she had been a very familiar and welcome personality in years now distant, and recently she had been increasingly amongst us. The promoters of every good cause were always safe in appealing to her, and she loved the Church and its worship. At her funeral service I was moved to give thanks for the delight which our sister always took in giving pleasure to others. That, I believe, was her chief characteristic. In fact it was almost a passion with her. We offer our deep sympathy to her husband. May she have ever increasing light and peace.

Your faithful friend and servant,
H. H. RUMSEY.

Church Council.—Notes of meeting March 21st, 7-15. Present, 9; apologies, 6; total membership, 15. Secretary, Miss Firr was elected. Missionary Committee, the following were elected, Miss M. Bradley, Miss E. Flanders, Mrs. Hickling, Miss J. Hollings, Miss E. Smith (the foregoing were nominated by the Missionary Guild), Mrs. E. B. Fewkes, Miss Firr, Mr. M. Rumsey. Day of Prayer and Gifts. Resolved "To hold a Day of Prayer and Gifts for Missions overseas on Ascension Day on similar lines to those of the previous three years. The Missionary Committee to organise it." Next meeting, May 2nd.

Church Room General Meeting.—This was held as arranged on March 14th. There were 24 present. Mr. Fewkes, as requested, presented a revised estimate for the cost of the building, his figure being £1,085 (not allowing for furniture or fencing). The treasurer reported

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the sum in the bank as £1139 (the investments having recently been redeemed at a profit of £40). It was resolved to offer compensation to the two allotment holders with a view to getting immediate possession of the land. It was resolved also to hold a Garden Fête and sale of work on Saturday, June 29th, with the object of raising the rest of the money required. Miss Furr's kind offer of Charnwood House grounds was accepted. A Committee was appointed with Mr. J. Martin secretary, and Messrs. C. Hardy and T. Pilkington assistant secretaries.

Church Room Committee.—This met on March 26th. It was reported that immediate possession of the land had been obtained, compensation having been accepted by the tenants. A Building Committee was appointed consisting of the Vicar and Churchwardens and Messrs W. Brandford, W. H. Bream and F. Halford. The programme of the Fête and Sale on June 29th was considered and the joint secretaries have plenty of instructions to work upon. The Mothers' Union and G.F.S. offered stalls, as well as other individuals and other preparations were made of which a full account will be given in the next magazine.

Mothers' Union.—One hundred mothers assembled in the Village Hall on March 12th. Mrs. Toller gave a useful survey of the past year's work followed by a very helpful address. Tuesday, April 9th, will be observed as the Feast of the Annunciation. The Mothers' Corporate Communion will be at 9-15 on this day, and the devotional service at 3-0. Mr. Murray Rumsey has written a tune to one of the Mothers' favourite hymns, "Lord of Life." The Rummage Sale on March 15th realised £14 14s. for the funds.

Day of Prayer and Gifts for Missions Overseas Ascension Day, March 9th.—Once again the Church Council have resolved upon this effort, now for the fourth year in succession. The Missionary Committee of the Council is making the necessary arrangements. Please look forward to a day of prayer without ceasing in which your voice will be in the chorus, and please look out for an envelope which will be delivered to you soon after Easter. The envelope is intended to hold the offering which you will bring on Ascension Day to Church. If you are in doubt as to what to give here is a suggestion, for what it is worth. From Easter to Ascension is 40 days, your offering then might be some multiple of 40, anything in fact from 40 halfpennies to 40 pounds. "Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an offering far too small."

G.F.S.—One of the happiest and busiest sessions has just come to a close. The home nursing class has run its course of ten lectures. There has been a steady attendance and the teaching has been both useful and interesting. The country dancing class has been carried on by Miss E. Flanders and a team is at present practising for the Diocesan Competition. A good many girls have become interested in leather work under Miss Adams, and in addition to all these interests, a larger parcel than usual has been sent to Mrs. Farnham. The

regular meetings come to an end with the fervent hope that in six months time the Church Room will be ready to offer a more convenient and congenial G.F.S. home.

G.F.S. Candidates.—Please everyone make a note of our entertainment on Tuesday, April 16, 7-0 in the Village Hall. Come and see our country dancing. Come and hear our songs and recitations. Come and enjoy our Fairy Play, "Two Magic Balls." And so doing, help our funds.

Altar Flowers.

Mar. 31 & Apr. 7 Mrs. Nurse & Miss Butler.
Apr. 9 & 14 Mrs. Toller.
" 21 Miss Burrows.
" 28 Misses Flanders.
May 7 Miss Hall.

Swanwick.—The Vicar will be at a Central Missionary School at Swanwick from Monday evening, April 15th to Thursday, April 18th.

Intercession.—On the Wednesdays until Ascension Day at 7-0 a.m. (H.C.) and 7-0 p.m. (E.P.) for Missions Overseas.

Sidesmen on duty during April.

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11-0 Messrs. Hardy and Pilkington.
6-30 Messrs. H. Bonser and Halford.
April 14th:
8-0 Mr. Hardy.
9-30 Messrs. Fox and Fewkes.
11-0 Messrs. Horspool and Timson.
6-30 Messrs. M. Bonser and Nail.
April 21st:
8-0 Mr. Timson.
11-0 Messrs. Martin and Bancroft.
6-30 Messrs. Halford and Joiner.
April 28th:
8-0 Mr. Nail.
11-0 Messrs. Pilkington and Hardy.
6-30 Messrs. Fox and Bancroft.
May 5th:
8-0 Mr. Joiner.
11-0 Messrs. Timson and Martin.
6-30 Messrs. Halford and H. Bonser.

Baptisms.

Mar. 17 Muriel Edna Jones.
" 17 Phyllis Paget.

Burials.

Mar. 6 Catherine Davis, aged 86 years.
" 9 Mary Elizabeth Parker, aged 76 years.
" 9 Samuel Disney, aged 76 years.
" 21 Mabel Elliott, aged 18 months.

Collections.

	£	s.	d.
Feb. 24 Sick and Poor	0	6	11
" 24 Church Expenses	2	11	8
Mar. 3 Sick and Poor	0	8	9
" 3 Church Expenses	2	9	8
" 10 Sick and Poor	0	17	4
" 10 Church Expenses	4	15	7
" 17 Sick and Poor	0	9	0
" 17 Church Expenses	2	12	10
" 24 Sick and Poor	0	9	7
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" L'boro' Hospital Extension ...	1	8	5

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My Dear Friends

I should be glad if you would help me to collect a list of the names of all members of your families, in fact all Quorn people, who are living in other lands. It would be appropriate to make some special remembrance of them in church on Empire Day or the Sunday following, and in other ways it might help us to form some useful links with our people overseas. If you would kindly write down names and addresses of any such and hand them to me I should be grateful.

Will you please put in a prominent place the envelope (red type) you have received? It serves as a notice of the Day of Prayer and Gifts, also as something in which an offering may be put and brought to church. Last year 107 of these envelopes were returned. It would be fine if the number could be doubled this year. I hope that the children will again bring eggs. These should be brought at their service at 5 o'clock.

It is commonly known by now that Mr. C. T. Parker has offered to instal electric light in the church in memory of Mrs. Parker of whose departure we spoke last month. We are all of course beyond measure pleased and grateful that there is to be added to our church a memorial so appropriate, so welcome and so useful. In the meantime, careful consideration is being given to different lighting schemes and in due course we shall make an opportunity to express our thanks for the gift.

Very shortly, the Church Room Committee will be summoned to make one or two final decisions as to plans and building. And please everyone remember the Fete on June 29th. Full particulars will be given next month. We shall want a big sum if we are to start clear.

Thank you all once again for your very kind Easter offering.

Your faithful friend and servant,

H. H. RUMSEY.

Days to be observed.

Rogation Days, May 6th, 7th and 8th. Days of prayer especially for the fruits of the earth.

Ascension Day, May 9th.—The day of our Lord's ascension into Heaven, observed in this parish as a day of prayer and gifts for Missions overseas. Prayer will be offered continuously from the first celebration at 7 a.m. till the close of Evensong. Please spend some part of the day in church and bring your envelope with an offering. The services will be: H.C., 7-0 and 8-0 am.; Mattins, 10-0; Litany, 12-0; Mothers' Union 3-0; Children, 5-0; Choral Evensong 7-30.

Whit Sunday, May 19th.—The church's day of thanksgiving for the Holy Spirit. Holy Communion at 7-30, 9-30 (choral), and 12-0, other services as usual. Preparation for Whitsuntide Communion on Thursday, May 16th, at 7-30.

G.F.S.—Diocesan Competition. Our members are to be congratulated. The country dancing team were awarded the 2nd place with 83 per cent. marks. The dramatic team got a good percentage of marks, viz: 73, but were not amongst the winners. A sewing team consisting of Misses M. Benskin, E. Towell, N. Waite, were placed 2nd. In the individual cooking competition, Miss Joyce Hollings was 2nd and Miss May Flanders 3rd. In the associates' competition Miss Adams was 1st for glove-making and 2nd for knitting. It was splendid to send entries for so many subjects and the results are most encouraging. Well done G.F.S.!

The candidates provided an excellent entertainment in the Village Hall on the 16th. There was a good attendance and the country dancing and fairy play and other items were greatly enjoyed. The takings amounted to about £5.

Mothers' Union.—We hope to take our part in the Ascension Day prayer and offerings on May 9th. From 2 o'clock to 4 o'clock will be our allotted time for prayer. The devotional service usually held at 3 o'clock on the first Tuesday will be held on Ascension Day instead. Wednesday, May 29th is the day fixed for the Diocesan Service in the Cathedral at 3 o'clock. The Bishop of Lincoln will preach. Buses from the cross at 1-30. We hope to go to Lincoln by charabanc on Tuesday, July 9th, for our annual outing. Please give names in not later than May 14th.

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The Jews.—Miss Keith, who has been for many years attached to the Emmanuel Mission to Jews in Warsaw, spoke to a little company of about 30 in church after the intercessions on Wednesday, April 24th. She pleaded very earnestly, and with an intimate knowledge of her subject, for kindness to take the place of the attitude of bitterness with which Christians are wont to regard Jews. Those Jews who come to accept Christ always make good missionaries, and the key to the problem of the conversion of the world to Christianity will be ours when the Jews are Christians. Miss Keith set us all thinking, possibly new thoughts.

The influence of kindness—An illustration.
“A Missionary in Central Europe, working amongst Jews, in the course of his missionary life, himself baptised over 1,500 Hebrews. He made a practice of asking each Jewish convert what was the first thing which attracted him to Christ. He kept a record of the answers, and in all but two cases the reply was the same—some act of disinterested kindness or friendliness on the part of a Christian.” Quoted from the 6th World Call report. P.17.

Altar Flowers.

May 7 Miss Hall.
“ 9 The Children.
“ 12 The Children.
“ 19 Miss Bradley.
“ 24 Miss Butler.
June 2 Miss Nevitt.

Baptisms.

Mar. 31 Doreen Sutton.
Apr. 2 Gerard Oliver Holmes.
“ 14 Cecil Edward Mee.
“ 21 Thomas Robert Sutton.

Burials.

Apr. 6 Thomas Preston, aged 66 years.

Sidesmen on duty during May.

May 5th:
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6-30 Messrs. Halford and H. Bonser.
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11-0 Messrs. M. Bonser and Horspool.
6-30 Messrs. Bancroft and Joiner.
May 19th:
7-30 Messrs. Pilkington and Bancroft.
9-30 Messrs. H. and M. Bonser.
11-0 Messrs. Martin and Timson.
6-30 Messrs. Halford and Nail.
May 26th:
8-0 Mr. Hardy.
11-0 Messrs. H. Bonser and Horspool.
6-30 Messrs. M. Bonser and Joiner.
June 2nd:
8-0 Mr. Fewkes.
11-0 Messrs. Pilkington and Hardy.
6-30 Messrs. Fox and Bancroft.

Marriages.

Thomas Sewell to Emma Kidger.

Collections.

		£	s.	d.
Mar. 31	Easter Offering	28	7	7
Apr. 7	Sick and Poor	0	12	10
“ 7	Church Expenses	3	4	2
“ 14	Sick and Poor	0	4	3
“ 14	Church Expenses	4	6	0
“ 21	Church Expenses	2	19	11
“ 21	Sick and Poor	0	8	4

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Apr. 7	Church Expenses	2	2	9
“ 9	St. Mary's Home	0	13	4
“ 14	Church Expenses	2	4	7
“ 21	Church Expenses	2	7	7
“ 28	Church Expenses	1	14	5
		£9	2	8

S. Mary in the Elms, Woodhouse.

On Thursday, May 9th, Ascension Day, there will be Holy Communion at 7 a.m. and 10-30 a.m., Evensong and Sermon 7 p.m. The offertory will be given to the S.P.C.K.

On Sunday, May 12th, Mattins will be at 11-15 a.m. instead of 11 a.m.

Whitsun Day. May 19th.—Holy Communion 7 a.m., 8-15 a.m. (choral) and 12-15. Collections throughout the day will be given to the Additional Curates Society.

A meeting of the Parochial Church Council was held on Friday, April 26th, nine members being present. It was decided to provide new cassocks and surplices as required and to place another Hymn Board in the Church. The question of the best method of bringing the Bishop's Fund for church extension before members of the Church in this parish was considered. It was decided to send out leaflets explaining the needs and asking each individual what they will contribute yearly. The raising of the £118,000 being spread over 6 years. The question of lighting the church with electric light was considered and it was decided to ask for estimates from three firms. A special meeting of the Council will be held to consider the matter.

The Cricket Club opened the season on April 27th, with a match against Hoton which resulted in a win for Woodhouse.

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I write on Empire Day. We have remembered at the altar our people overseas and have prayed that our Empire may be an instrument for the performance of God's will. The list of Quorn people living in other lands hangs at present in the porch. It is probably very incomplete and I should be glad of any help in amending it, now and from time to time.

I have added below full details of the garden fête and sale on June 29th in aid of the Church Room Funds, and a statement of procedure in Committee. We have enough money in the bank to pay for the building, but there remain the pipeless heating apparatus, furnishing, fencing, etc. for which money has yet to be raised. We hope that the proceeds of the Fête will cover all these, but, of course, they are big items. Please remember that should it unfortunately be wet, this affair will not be a wash-out for the Village Hall and marquee will provide ample shelter. So buy your programmes of admission please, without any consideration for the weather.

I am sorry that in my reference to the very welcome gift of electric light installation in memory of Mrs. Parker, I spoke of Mr. C. T. Parker alone as the donor. I should have coupled with his name that of Mr. C. Hole. Preliminary arrangements are now complete and there is every hope that this month will see the installation carried out.

I hope to have something to say next month about (i.) a definite move in support of the Bishop's Fund, (ii.) the children's festival, (iii.) a concert for our Day School Fund.

The truth is the summer is as busy as any time of the year, especially when you are a gardener on top of everything else.

Your faithful friend and servant,

H. H. RUMSEY.

Garden Fête and Sale of Work in Charnwood House garden and adjoining grounds (by kind permission of Messrs. T. Firr and F. Draper) and the Village Hall. Saturday, June 29th, 2-30 to 10. To be opened by Colonel Toller, D.S.O. Mountsorrel Town Band. Teas and Suppers provided in marquee by Mrs. E. B. Fewkes and Mrs. Hickling.

STALLS:—Mothers' Union: Mrs. Unitt, Mrs. Toller and members; G.F.S.: Miss Adams and members; Sweets: Mrs. Bumpus; Flowers, Fruit and Vegetables: Miss Bradley; Home Produce: Misses G. Felthouse, M. Rumsey, M. Suffolk; Books: Mr. M. Rumsey.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT: Filey Handicap, entries to Mr. Pilkington, 46 Barrow Road. 4/6 per couple.

Concert arranged by Miss Firr. Country Dancing and Fairy Play by G.F.S. Numerous side-shows and reckoning competitions.

"Daily Mail" Push Ball Knock-out Tournament. Dancing in the evening.

Admission by programme 6d., school children 3d., to be obtained from the secretaries, J. Martin, 3, Barrow Road; T. Pilkington, 46, Barrow Road; C. Hardy, 21, Barrow Road; and members of the committee.

Parochial Church Council.—Notes of meeting, May 2nd. **CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL**, proposed by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. T. Pilkington and carried unanimously "that a festival be held on the same lines as last year provided that the Sunday School Teachers be willing to do their part in helping to carry it through." Provisional date, July 14th. **BISHOP'S FUND**, proposed by Mr. G. Horspool and seconded by Mr. M. Rumsey and carried unanimously "that the council welcome the Bishop's Fund and take measures at an early opportunity to carry it forward." Proposed date, Sunday, July 21, and the following Thursday. **ELECTRIC LIGHT.** The Vicar announced that Mr. C. T. Parker had offered to instal electric lighting in the church in memory of Mr. Parker. Proposed by Mr. C. Joiner, seconded by Mr. W. H. Bream "that the council's appreciation and thanks be forwarded to Mr. Parker," carried unanimously. **CHURCH CLEANING**, proposed by Mr. E. B. Fewkes, seconded by Mr. C. Joiner and carried unanimously "that the re-decoration of the church be carried out at the same time as the installation of the electric light." **ELECTORAL ROLL.** Districts were revised and allotted to three new members viz., Mansfield Street and Freehold Street, Mrs. Penfold; High Street, Mr. Hardy; Loughborough Road, Mr. Pilkington. Next meeting, June 6th.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, QUORN.—Continued.

Church Room.—A meeting of the Committee was held on May 1st. The building committee submitted revised plans as requested, showing enlarged cloak rooms and heating chamber with central furnace for pipeless heating on the East side. After a division of opinion on the question of w.c. accommodation in the cloak rooms resulting in a majority of votes in favour of the adequacy of one in each cloak room, the plans as revised were unanimously adopted. The building committee's estimate was £1105 for the building, and a provisional sum of £70 for heating. The chairman asked the meeting to express their views as to the choice of contractor, and it was unanimously resolved on the proposition of Mr. Joiner, seconded by Mr. Bancroft, that Mr. E. B. Fewkes be asked to carry out the work.

Sunday School.—We had a meeting of teachers on May 13. We agreed to the proposal of the Church Council to have another children's festival similar to that of last year. We talked over the summer treat and decided to follow last year's experiment. We heard the statement of accounts read by Mr. Horspool and printed below.

Our collectors will soon be paying their annual visits to their districts, and we ask you to be so good as to support once again our Sunday Schools. These subscriptions are not asked specially for the summer treat, but as will be seen in the balance sheet, they are part, and the greater part, of our annual income for all Sunday School expenses.

Cantata.—The choir will sing a cantata entitled, "The Redeemer," by Mee Pattison on Sunday afternoon, June 23rd, at 3.0 p.m. The words will be provided for the congregation.

Sunday Schools Balance Sheet for year ending 31st. March, 1929.

RECEIPTS.	£ s. d.
Subscriptions	15 16 2
Collections in Church	10 9 3
Christmas Gift to Children's Hospital	1 11 0
Deficit	0 17 5
	£28 13 10

EXPENDITURE.	£ s. d.
Deficit	3 6 6
Rent of Schools	2 5 0
Caretaker	2 15 0
Insurance of children	0 4 6
Registers	0 6 6
"Church Teacher" (as lesson books)	3 0 9
Prizes	5 14 3
Summer Treats	8 8 4
Christmas Gift to Children's Hospital	1 11 0
Circulars	1 2 0
	£28 13 10

Free will offerings to May 19th £8 1 10
Altar Flowers.

June 2 Mrs. Nevitt.
.. 9 Mrs. W. H. Fewkes.
.. 16 Miss Hickling.
.. 23 Mrs. Beardsley.
.. 30 Mrs. Jones.
July 7 Mrs. Draper.

Baptisms.

Apr. 28 Mary Thornton.
.. 28 Norman Kearn.
May 12 Ivy Gertrude Cooke.
.. 19 George Arnold Henry Taylor.

Burials.

May 11 Betty Owen Vann, aged 6 years.
.. 15 Constance Mary Thornton, aged 35.

Collections.

	£ s. d.
May 5 Sick and Poor	0 12 10
.. 5 Church Expenses	3 14 11
.. 12 Sick and Poor	0 6 6
.. 12 Church Expenses	3 8 11
.. 19 C.M.S.	7 1 3

King's Messengers.—We congratulate Ernest Bancroft on passing the examination, 1st Class, with 87 per cent. marks.

Sidesmen on Duty during June.

June 2nd :
8-0 Mr. Fewkes.
11-0 Messrs. Pilkington and Hardy.
6-30 Messrs. Fox and Bancroft.
June 9th :
8-0 Mr. H. Bonser.
9-30 Messrs. Fox and Halford.
11-0 Messrs. Martin and Timson.
6-30 Messrs. M. Bonser and Joiner.
June 16th :
8-0 Mr. Nail.
11-0 Messrs. Horspool and Bancroft.
6-30 Messrs. Halford and H. Bonser.
June 23rd.
8-0 Mr. Timson.
11-0 Messrs. Joiner and H. Bonser.
6-30 Messrs. Fox and Martin.
June 30th :
8-0 Mr. Fox.
11-0 Messrs. Pilkington and Hardy.
6-30 Messrs. Nail and M. Bonser.

A. WHITAKER,

M.P.S., F.B.O.A.

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