

# THE CHIPPING NORTON Deanery Magazine.



For the Parishes of



CHIPPING NORTON.  
CHARLBURY & SHORTHAMPTON.  
CHASTLETON.  
CHADLINGTON.  
CHURCHILL & SARSDEN.  
CORNWELL.

ENSTONE.  
FIFIELD & IDBURY.  
HEYTHROP.  
HOOK NORTON.  
FINSTOCK.  
GREAT ROLLRIGHT.

LITTLE ROLLRIGHT.  
SALFORD.  
MILTON & LYNEHAM.  
RAMSDEN.  
SHIPTON & LANGLEY.  
SPELSBURY.

& DAYLESFORD.

JANUARY.

CALENDAR.

1918.

1	Tu	<i>Circumcision of our Lord.</i>
2	W	
3	Th	
4	F	
5	S	
6	Su	<i>The Epiphany.</i>
7	M	
8	Tu	St. Lucian, P.M.
9	W	
10	Th	
11	F	
12	S	
13	Su	<i>1st Sunday after Epiphany.</i> S. Hilary, B.C.
14	M	
15	T	
16	W	
17	Th	
18	F	S. Prisca, V.M.
19	S	
20	Su	<i>2nd Sunday after Epiphany.</i> S. Fabian, B.M.
21	M	S. Agnes, V.M.
22	Tu	S. Vincent D.M.
23	W	
24	Th	
25	F	<i>Conversion S. Paul.</i>
26	S	
27	Su	<i>Septuagesima.</i>
28	M	
29	Tu	
30	W	King Charles, M
31	Th	

5th, Last Quarter, 0h. 13m. a.m.  
12th, New Moon, 7h. 55m. a.m.

19th, First Quarter, 0h. 20m. a.m.  
27th, Full Moon, 5h. 29m. a.m.

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## Deanery Notes.

### CHARLBURY.

**Baptisms.**—November 25th, Wilfred Edwin, son of Edwin and Elizabeth Mary Huckin; Alfred Henry, son of Herbert Dring and Elizabeth Miriam Maudie Boddington.

**Marriage.**—December 20th, Rowland Foster, of the Army Service Corps, and Ida Giles, of Charlbury.

**Foreign Missions.**—The offertory on Advent Sunday amounted to £5 17s. 8d. In addition to this Miss Jeans forwarded to S.P.G. £2 5s. from the Women's branch. On December 20th, our Missionary Guild is having a Sale of Work, and a Lantern Lecture by Rev. H. F. Donaldson-Selby on the Church in South Africa. In the statement published of all parishes and their contributions to Foreign Missions in 1916, our amount is £27 4s. 2d. Let us hope that we shall steadily improve. The Rural Deanery as a whole advanced £50 on the year before, viz., £307 instead of £257.

**Charlbury Council School.**—The head teacher of infants, Mrs. Hood, is leaving, after 12 years' excellent work, on promotion. She has lately been an energetic teacher in our Sunday School. Miss Giles (or, as we should now say, Mrs. Foster) takes her place after 12 years' faithful work.

Mrs. Cary-Elwes is to take charge of a detachment of the Girl Guides, who are to meet in the Vicarage Room.

On December 4th the Clergy of the Rural Deanery met at Charlbury Vicarage, 16 being present. We sent an address and a present to Rev. W. Collingwood Carter, with our best wishes.

The service at Shipton on December 14th, when the Bishop instituted Canon Oldfield, was a memorable occasion. The Bishop spoke most kindly of both the former and the new vicar, and of the significance of the service.

The Confirmation on March 20th at 3 p.m. in Charlbury Parish Church will be taken by the Right Reverend Bishop Corfe, who is taking the Confirmations in Oxfordshire this spring—our own Bishop taking those in Berkshire.

We have to thank the Rev. A. Cary-Elwes for a course of addresses on the three Wednesdays in Advent.

**The War.**—On November 16th, Private W. J. Souch was killed in action. Mr. and Mrs. W. Souch, of Chilson, have now lost both their sons, as Corporal A. H. Souch fell in action on April 28th, 1917. Our deepest sympathy is with them. On November 27th Arthur Adams, of the Grenadier Guards, was killed in action. He was one of a Confirmation class of six boys at Chilson in 1909, three of whom have died in the war. He was a fine straightforward man. Wm. Humphries, son of our police sergeant at Charlbury, has had a marvellous escape: after being wounded by a shell and buried for four nights and five days. He is slowly recovering.

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### CHADLINGTON.

**Burials.**—November 21st, Ellen Timms, aged 78.—December 4th, Charlotte Louisa Holloway, aged 16.

We offer our congratulations to Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. Schofield on the birth of a daughter.

Jessie Empson is to be congratulated on her success in getting a second class in the Diocesan Examination in Religious Knowledge First Stage, held in December.

**S.P.G.**—A cheque for £4 10s. has been sent to this Society's General Fund from offertories at celebrations of the Holy Communion on Saints' Days and Thursdays.

**Soldiers' Comforts Fund.**—The Working Party has done good work. They have collected £4 10s. 9d. at their parties, and £3 13s. has been received in donations, and £19 9s. 8d. has been received from the Treasurer. Eighty-six shirts and 82 pairs of socks have been made, and also five woollen scarves and 80 treasure bags.

Thirty-four parcels have been sent to our gallant fellows overseas; also letter and P.O. for 1/6 to obtain a smoke. Nothing that we can do here at home is too much in return for the heroic service and sacrifice they have made for us.

1918.—We would wish all in Chadlington a prosperous New Year. May a rightful and just peace soon dawn over this world of strife!

**Confirmation.**—Will any who wish to be confirmed let their clergyman know as soon as possible? Any boys or girls over fourteen are quite at liberty to attend the classes.

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#### MILTON-with-Lyneham and Bruern.

**Baptism.**—On November 30th, Ernest Arthur infant son of Charles Claude and Mary Saran Ricketts, of Bruern Grange Cottages.

We are glad to learn that the effort made to secure Christmas presents for our soldier boys has been most successful. Of course, this was a foregone conclusion, because we all love to think that by this means we can do something to make our boys realise that, though absent from us, they are never forgotten.

On Sunday last we had the smallest congregations that ever gathered in Milton Church I should think. The weather was certainly most wintery, and we can quite realise that it would be a sufficient excuse for keeping at home. The Vicar had to tramp to Lyneham in the afternoon, and the roads were quite unfit, especially for women to walk on. We hope it will be a long time before we experience such a day.

We are glad to be able to say that our Heating Apparatus in the Church is now complete, and we hope it will prove successful. To provide fuel in these times is no small task, but we must have a fair amount of heat if we expect our people to come to church.

We regret to announce that Mrs. Bridges, of The Terrace, has just heard of the death of her son, Private George Thomas Bridges, Oxford and Bucks Light Infantry. He died on May 2nd, 1916, whilst a prisoner in the hands of the Turks. He was taken prisoner at Kut, and died at a place called Sham-a-narm. Mrs. Bridges has made frequent enquiries for him since the time that she knew he was taken prisoner, but could gain no information respecting him till this week, although 18 months have elapsed since his death. Had he been alive on the 2nd of December, 1918, he would have been a soldier for eleven years.

Another record of death whilst in action has just been received by Mrs. Rathbone, that of the death of her son, Corpl. Harold Rathbone, 18076. The officer commanding his Company has written a most kindly and sympathetic letter to his

mother. He states that Corpl. Rathbone was killed in action on November 25th. He speaks of him as an excellent soldier, and one who will be very much missed.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the parents and friends of these brave soldier boys.

On account of the scarcity of paper, we have been told by the publishers of the *Deanery* that the cost of the Magazine in future will be 1/6 per year, but since this notification has been sent out other arrangements have been made for the month of January, and till then we can take no further steps. We should be glad to learn, however, the names of those who would wish to continue the Magazine if the price goes up to 1/6 from the printers, and another 3d. must be added to this to cover expenses of carriage, bad debts, &c., for our parish.

We should like to see all the news from the various parishes in the *Deanery*, as failing this some have already signified their intention of discontinuing the Magazine.

The Schools broke up for the Christmas holidays on Thursday, December 20th. A Concert given by the school children is to be held on the evening of Thursday in aid of the Christmas Presents to Soldiers Fund, and we hear that a bumper house is already assured from the tickets sold.

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#### SPELSBURY.

The Autumn Gathering of the Deanery Guild of Church Bellringers, held at Chipping Norton, was attended by the Vicar and two members of our belfry. The gathering was a representative one, and considering the war, was well attended. It is pleasing to be able to record of our own belfry that in spite of reduced numbers owing to military service, can still muster six, one for each bell; thanks to the help of former members returning to take the place of absent ones. Their handling of the bells tell us how well they learnt the art in years gone by.

If we may judge from the number of Pledge Cards taken we may deem that Spelsbury is determined to do its part in connection with Sir Arthur Yapp's appeal for food economy.

Economy is a matter of first importance if we are to carry on the war to a successful issue.

Another successful year's working of our Coal Club has been brought to a close by the distribution of nine cwt. of coal to each of the fifty members. We have again to thank those kind

gentlemen who have hauled these coals for us free of cost. For the information of new-comers to the parish who may wish to join the club, allow me to state that the New Club year commences with the first Monday in January. Payments of 1/- are made on that day and on each first Monday in the ensuing month at the Vicarage between the hours of eleven and twelve.

Church Collections, November 23rd to December 16th—

	£	s.	d.
Sick and Needy .....	0	4	7
Church Expenses ...	1	12	0

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### CHASTLETON.

Money was collected to send a Christmas gift to all those from Chastleton serving in the Army and Navy. Remembrance and the stimulus to endurance and courage could not be better conveyed than through the sentiments that cluster around Christmas.

**School News.**—The Christmas Holidays commenced on December 21st. School resumes Monday, December 31st. The school children gave 7/6 to the "Overseas Club." The children collected and sent away one sack of horse chestnuts for munitions.

The Offertories on December 9th were given to the Bishop of Oxford's Fund.

The Christmas Day Services were well attended and the number of communicants was up to the average. The Church was very prettily and tastefully decorated.

**The War.**—We much regret to state that W. Lockett has been seriously wounded at the Front. He is suffering from a wound in the chest. The latest report he is going on well.

E. Pike has been wounded in the foot and now in hospital in London. We hope they will soon be well and strong. We feel much sympathy for their friends.

The members of the Coal and Clothing Club have this year contributed £18. Thanks to the generosity of the donors £9 15s. has been added, this (with the bank interest) will provide a bonus of 3s. to each member of the Clothing Club, and will supply 14 cwt. of coal to each member of the Coal Club. Several of the farmers have again promised to cart the coal free. Our best thanks to them and the donors.

### RAMSDEN.

We congratulate Miss Flossie M. Townsend, the pupil teacher on our school staff, on gaining a first class in the final stage at the recent Diocesan Scripture Examination.

**Entertainments and Concerts** have been arranged to raise money for a Comforts Fund for Soldiers on foreign service. A Whist Drive and a dance have already been well patronised, the former arranged by Miss Harriss and the school staff, the latter by Messrs. Howse, Ford, and Buckingham.

**Confirmation.**—Instruction Classes in preparation for this holy rite are being held. The Confirmation will be held at Northleigh on Monday, March 11th, at 3 o'clock.

**Christmas Gifts.**—By the kindness of Mrs. Lister valuable gifts of coal and tea have been made to several people in the village.

**The Church Choir.**—For some months past we have been able to have all four parts sustained, and thus our praises have been much better moulded together. We are thankful for all the interest that is being taken to make our congregational singing fuller and more real.

**Church Attendance.**—With many other parishes we deeply mourn the fact that our churches are not filled with eager worshippers. The life of man on earth is intended for the sole purpose of enabling him to get to know God and to learn the Life of God in his own daily work and living. One would think that public worship should be found to be one of the best means of sustaining and strengthening this atmosphere of thought. But, alas, it is not so. God help us!

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### CHIPPING NORTON.

**The Day of National Prayer.**—January 6th (Sunday) is appointed for a day of National Prayer. Let us make every effort to keep it.

**Sunday School Prize Giving.**—This event is fixed for Thursday, January 17th, at 6 o'clock, in the Town Hall. We hope all the parents and friends of the children may make an effort to attend and encourage the children by their presence.

**Over Norton Sunday School.**—The Prizegiving for this School will be held in the Mission Room at Over Norton on Wednesday, January 9th, at 5.30 p.m.

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FEBRUARY.

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1	F	
2	S	<i>The Purification of the B.V.M.</i>
3	Su	<i>Sexagesima.</i> S. Blasius, B.M.
4	M	
5	Tu	S. Agatha, V.M.
6	W	
7	Tu	
8	F	
9	S	
10	Su	<i>Quinquagesima.</i>
11	M	
12	T	Shrove Tuesday.
13	W	<i>Ash Wednesday.</i>
14	Th	S. Valentine, B.M.
15	F	
16	S	
17	Su	<i>1st Sunday in Lent.</i>
18	M	
19	Tu	Ember Day.
20	W	
21	Th	Ember Day.
22	F	Ember Day.
23	S	Ember Day.
24	Su	<i>2nd Sunday in Lent.</i>
25	M	S. Matthias, A.M.
26	Tu	
27	W	
28	Th	

4th, 1st Quarter. 0h. 17m. a.m.  
11th, New Moon. 5h. 24m. a.m.

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Vicar—**Rev. H. H. Arkell, M.A., Surrogate.**  
 Assistant Priest—**Rev. E. Ll. Weight.**  
 Churchwardens—**Mr. Austin Webb,**  
**Mr. A. J. Bolwell,**  
 for Chipping Norton.  
**Major Daly,** for Over Norton.  
 Sexton and Clerk—**H. H. Langton (pro tem).**

**Baptism.**—January 6th, James Edwin, son of James Henry and Laura Maria Jarvis.

**Marriage.**—January 10th, Charles Ernest Timms and Minnie Lowe.—January 23rd, Percy Bunney and Catherine Veronica Stayt.

**Burials.**—January 3rd, Jane Gardner, aged 78 years.—January 9th, Elizabeth Lowe, aged 70 years.

**Girl Guides.**—On Thursday, January 3rd, the Church Company of Girl Guides, gave two very excellent concerts in the Town Hall. Both were very well patronized, and great praise is due to Miss Griffin and Miss Lockyer, who were ably assisted by Miss Mott and Miss Minchin. Miss M. Burden ably performed the duties of accompanist. All the items were well and excellently rendered. The Vicar, at the end of each performance, thanked the Lieutenants and Patrol Leaders for the able way they had trained the Guides. A sum of £28 was realized by the concerts, and included donations received by the Captain, Miss Lockwood, to the amount of £4 2s. 6d.

**Sunday School Treat.**—The Sunday School scholars were given a very excellent treat in the Town Hall on Friday, January 18th, and the following is a list of those who received prizes for regular attendance:—

**BOYS.**—Sydney Jones, George Rice, George Peates, William Shutt, Lance Hodgkins, Kenneth Giles, Jack Candy, Francis Lord.

**GIRLS.**—Violet Withers, Rose Withers, Margaret Hodgkins, Emma Peates, Minnie Peates, Florence Goodman, Margery Giles, Vera Goodman, Olive Withers.

**INFANTS.**—Elsie Goodman, Lily Gibbs, Thomas Nobbs, George Townley, Job Townley,

Margery Willetts, Laurence Busby, Harold Lord, Frank Hughes.

The Vicar distributed the prizes and thanked the teachers for their valuable assistance in the work of the Sunday School.

### LENT.

Lent comes early this year, Ash Wednesday falling on February 13th. A well kept Lent would help more than anything else to the strengthening of the foundation of England's spiritual life—and it is to the spiritual that in the end we must depend if England is to be of real service to the world in this the world's greatest crisis. Let us then each do what we can by some definite plan of discipline and of increased prayer and devotion to use this coming Lent for the deepening of our own spiritual life. By doing this we help ourselves and others more than we know. Let us be ready for a good start on Ash Wednesday. We shall have our special Lenten Service on Thursdays at 7 p.m., beginning Thursday, February 21st. The preacher on the first three Thursdays will be Rev. J. Donaldson-Selby, curate-in-charge of Chadlington.

Ash Wednesday, February 13th.—Holy Communion at 8, Matins 11.15, Evensong and Communion service 7.30.

Mission Room in Common.—Special Service on Tuesdays at 7; beginning on Tuesday, Feb. 19.

**The Late Mr. Albert Brassey.**—We have to record with very deep regret the death of Mr. Albert Brassey, which took place suddenly on Monday, January 7th. The news caused widespread sorrow, and his death is indeed a loss to the whole parish and far beyond it.

A Memorial Service was held in the Parish Church at 2 p.m. on January 10th (the actual time of the funeral at Heythrop) and was attended by a large and representative congregation—many personal friends being present from a distance.

A full account of the service has been published in the local papers, together with the Vicar's address, and we will only say here that it was a most impressive service from start to finish, the same hymns being used as at the funeral. We offer our deepest sympathy to the family in their great sorrow and loss—a sorrow and loss which we can assure them is shared by all classes in the parish.

**Foreign Missions.**—We are glad to be able to record another increase in the amount sent up for Foreign Missions of nearly £3 on last year. The total is £23 11s. 7d. made up in the following

way:— Missionary Boxes, £7 17s.; Offertories and Meeting in Town Hall (less 14/6 expenses), £10 19s. 1d.; Working Party, £4 10s.; Offertory at Over Norton, £1. It was divided as follows: S.P.G., £17 11s. 7d.; U.M.C.A., £2 10s.; C.M.S. £3; Bombay Diocesan Association, 10s.; Expenses of Town Hall Meeting, 14s. 6d.—viz., 7s. 6d. Town Hall and 7/- speakers' travelling expenses. The following is the list of Missionary Boxes in the order in which they were received: Miss Pryer 10/7, Sister Lily Cork 2/6, Mrs. George £1 9s. 9½d., Mrs. Nichols 6/-, Mrs. Arkell 8/4, Miss Salmon 10/7, Mrs. Webb 6/2, Mrs. Tilling 1/1½, Mrs. Burbidge 9/-, Mrs. Felthouse 2/7½, Mrs. Wooliams 3/10½, Miss Florence Moss 4/4½, Mrs. Pearson 7/8, Mrs. Bolwell 4/3, Miss Bird 2/9½, Mrs. Barlow 2/8, Mrs. Toy 13/6½, Mrs. Charlton 8/2, Miss Stephan 2/11½, Mrs. A. Woodward 1/11, G.F.S. Box, 6/11½, Mrs. Townsend 2/5½, Mrs. Padbury 1/5, Mr. C. E. Drew 4/4½, Miss J. Smith 2/7½.

All will join us in deep sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Clarke of Over Norton, in the death of their youngest son, from wounds received in action on December 29.

C.E.M.S.—Our congratulations to Mr. M. K. Pearson on his paper on the new Education Bill. Our next meeting is on February 6, at 8.30.

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### CHADLINGTON.

**Holy Baptism.**—November 22nd, Betty Kathleen, daughter of William Edward and Louise Harvey.—January 3rd, William Arthur, son of Ernest Arthur and Clarice Maria Harvey.—January 10th, Katherine Patricia, daughter of Frederick William and Winifred Maud Schofield.

**Christmas Day.**—The Church had been tastefully decorated with flowers, holly, and a number of nice plants had been kindly lent. The Celebrations were at 7, 7.45, and midday, and were well attended. There were sixty-four communicants. The choir ably rendered a very suitable Carol, "Breath o'er a world of strife."

**Infants' School.**—On December 28th Mrs. Abraham very kindly provided war-time tea and a magnificent Christmas tree for the little ones. The look of pleasure and expectation on the children's faces when the tree in all its brightness of nice presents was displayed to their view baffles description. Mrs. Abraham, Mrs. Fred Abraham, Miss Hopwood, Miss J. Simpson, and Mrs. Stud were indefatigable in giving away the presents. The hearty cheers testified to the

thorough appreciation of Mrs. Abraham's generosity.

**Soldiers' Christmas Parcels.**—A number of very appreciative letters have been received from our gallant fellows. One and all thank the good people of Chadlington for their kind thoughts and useful presents.

**Confirmation.**—The Confirmation will be held on March 20th at Charlbury. The classes are at 6.15 on Thursdays for boys, and 6 p.m. on Fridays for girls.

**Belgian Refugees.**—It is very satisfactory to find that Chadlington's efforts were greatly valued. Mr. Wever very kindly sent 10s. to the Sick and Poor Fund and 10s. to the Soldiers' Comforts.

**Day of National Prayer.**—There were good congregations on January 6th and a very fair number of Communicants. The offertory was given to the Red Cross Society, a most worthy cause, and amounted to £6 13s. 2d.

**Presentation.**—Lieut.-Colonel Schofield has kindly presented on the day of the baptism of his daughter a very handsome Bible in place of the old one which had become somewhat dilapidated.

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### CHARLBURY.

**Marriage.**—January 10th, Ernest Lambell Moxey and Elizabeth Bedman, both of Charlbury

**Burials.**—December 31st, Marguerite Berna Bella Christian, aged 30 years; January 2nd, Emily Lay, aged 33 years; January 12th, Thomas Parsons, aged 68 years.

The relatives of Mrs. Lay desire to express their best thanks to their neighbours for all the kindness shown during her illness.

On Christmas Day all the services were well attended, and the offertories amounted to £10 3s. 7d. of which £5, given at the early Communion, was sent to the Church Army Huts at the front.

On January 6th, the day of intercession for the war, there were 98 Communicants, and the offertories for the Red Cross amounted to £13 4s. 1d. Throughout the day the Church was attended by good numbers of our people, and the whole day was found to be comforting and inspiring.

**Foreign Missions.**—The result of the Children's Missionary Guild Sale of Work ("King's Messengers") on December 20th, was that we forwarded £8 10s. to S.P.G. Altogether in Advent, 1917, we sent £17 11s. 2d. for Foreign Missions.

Considering the numerous contributions in the last few weeks, our people have given very well indeed.

The Confirmation at Charlbury Church on Mar. 20th, at 3 p.m., is intended as a convenient centre for neighbouring parishes.

Miss Dora Lee kindly came from Leafield on January 3rd, and gave us a lecture with lantern slides on the war.

The Rev. A. Cary-Elwes has volunteered to go as a Chaplain to the Forces. So has the Rector of Chastleton.

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### CHASTLETON.

Sunday, January 6th, was a special day of National Prayer and Thanksgiving. The offertories were given to the joint committee of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem and the British Red Cross Society, to be applied by them to the relief of the sick and wounded men on the various battle-fronts. The sum of £8 19s. was collected in church and this, together with £1 1s. which came in later, enabled us to send £10.

#### Society for the Propagation of the Gospel.—

During the past year several families and the Day School kindly took boxes from the above society. The boxes were opened on the second Sunday in January and produced £2 1s. 10d. The Day School box contained 13s. 2d.

The Secretary (Mrs. Willett) will be glad to supply boxes.

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### CORNWELL.

**Baptism.**—Sunday, January 6, the Epiphany, Charles John Bartlett.

**Christmas and New Year.**—Our Christmas and New Year services were well attended. The offertories on Christmas Day amounted to £3 9s., and were presented, as in former years, as an offering to our kind and efficient organist, Mrs. George Bowles.

The Feast of the Epiphany was observed, in obedience to the King's desire, as a day of special prayer and thanksgiving in connection with the war. We had an excellent congregation both morning and evening. In the morning the King's Proclamation was read in place of a sermon. There were a good number of communicants. The offertories were for the Red Cross Fund, and amounted to £4 12s. 8d., which sum has been forwarded to the Treasurer, Lord Lansdowne.

We were much pleased both with the services and collections.

Those subscribers to the "Deanery Magazine" who have not already paid their subscription for the past year are requested kindly to do so without delay.

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### DAYLESFORD.

Christmas passed off quietly, as is fitting in these anxious times, but it has a happiness of its own which nothing external can dispel, however dark and depressing. The congregations were good, and the Church wore its accustomed dress of evergreens which seems to become it more than any other adornment. The collections on that day were for the blinded soldiers, and a sum of £6 10s. was sent to Sir Arthur Pearson as the result of the day's effort. We miss the carols which used to form such a fitting and acceptable feature of the day in happier times, but with a choir so depleted by the inexorable demands of the war it is no longer possible to attempt them. The remaining members of the choir, though few, nobly sustain their part at all times, and are to be commended for their earnest efforts under difficult conditions.

The first Sunday of the New Year—the Feast of the Epiphany—was observed as the day of National Intercession and Thanksgiving in connection with the war, and the special forms of service appointed by authority were duly used at all services. The congregations, though somewhat larger than usual, might easily have been larger still, considering the importance and solemnity of the occasion. The collections were for the Red Cross Society, and the satisfactory amount of £10 was forwarded to London as our contribution to this noble and all-important work.

We are glad also to be able to report that a larger sum than for many years past, viz., £10 4s. 6d. has been forwarded to the headquarters of the S.P.G. as the contribution from the parish for the year 1917. The boxes again played an important part in this satisfactory result, realising a total of £4 13s., which, with amount collected in Church, £5 11s. 6d., makes up the total mentioned above. Our best thanks are given to all holders of boxes for their successful efforts in the past, and our best wishes for their continued success in the future. We are pleased to say that all the boxes have been re-issued, and that two fresh holders have kindly come forward to take the places of two who have left the parish.

A tea and small Christmas tree were provided



**DAYLESFORD, Continued.**

for the children on the day after Christmas Day at the Rectory. It was but a small affair as compared with the Christmas trees of former years, but we hope and believe that it caused enjoyment and pleasure to those for whom it was designed.

We are given to understand that there is a prospect of a shortage of candles, which, since we are compelled to light the Church with candles, may very possibly cause us serious inconvenience. Unfortunately the Church is naturally so dark that even if we adopted afternoon instead of evening services, candles would still be required. We must hope for the best, and meanwhile be as economical as possible.

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**ENSTONE.**

This parish has its share in the loss sustained by the death of Mr. Albert Brasscy.

He set us all an excellent example, especially in the simple straightforward discharge of the duty of the moment. His real kindness of heart and unassuming manner added distinction to his never-failing liberality. This is an age of decorations in which he had no share. However, all will regard his going hence as promotion for good works in the service of God and man. The honour of the blessing for the "man that considereth the poor and needy" is undoubtedly his.

We also regret the death, in hospital from pneumonia, of Lieut.-Col. H. W. Dillon, son of the late Lieut.-Col. H. Dillon, of Enstone House, and nephew of the Rev. Frank Dillon, formerly Vicar of Enstone. This gallant and distinguished officer was with the Oxfordshire Regiment in the retreat from Mons, and had seen considerable service since that historic event.

The Spelsbury Concert Party most kindly gave a very successful entertainment at Enstone on January 10, on behalf of the St. Dunstan's Institute for the Blind. Mr. Edward Bolton is to be congratulated on sending £6 9s., the whole of the money realised by the sale of tickets. The Vicar had accepted Mr. Bolton's kind invitation to preside but excused himself on account of the funeral that day at Heythrop. We are all much obliged to the Vicar of Spelsbury, Mrs. Tanner, the members of Mr. Bolton's family, the children and others who gave their help in such a good cause. Enstone happily does not share in this charity, and we hope will not have need.

**FIFIELD and IDBURY.**

On Christmas Day the Holy Communion was celebrated at Fifield at 8 a.m., and at Idbury at 7 a.m. Matins was said at Idbury at 11 a.m., and Evensong at Fifield at 2.30 p.m. At Fifield there were a satisfactory number of communicants.

On the Epiphany there was a Carol Service at 6 p.m. at Fifield, which was well attended. The sum of 15s. 11d. was collected for the National Institute for the Blind, and was handed to Miss Phillips to forward; £2 12s. was collected for the Oxford Diocesan Fund on December 16th, and 17s. 3d. for the Red Cross Society on January 6th, when Intercession in connection with the war were added to the services for the Festival of the Epiphany.

The total amount sent to the Oxford Diocesan Fund, including the Church collection and private donations was £4 2s.

We heartily congratulate Mr. Matthews on his marriage, and are happy to welcome Mrs. Matthews, who is by no means a stranger to Fifield. On Monday, January 14th, they were welcomed on their arrival at Shipton Station by the V.T.C. in uniform, and by the ringing of the bells of Shipton Church. When they reached Fifield the Church bells were rung, and a salute was played by the Scout buglers.

**Marriage.**—**MATTHEWS — FLOOD-JACKSON.**— January 9th, at St. Andrew's Church, Andreas, Isle of Man, by the Venerable Archdeacon of Man, assisted by the Rev. Norman Rutter, M.A., Frederick William Powell Matthews, of Fifield, to Lucy Emblin (Ruby), elder daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Flood-Jackson, of Andreas, Isle of Man.

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**FINSTOCK AND FAWLER.**

During Lent there will be a special service on the Thursday evenings at 7 o'clock, commencing on February 21st, at which the Vicar hopes to have special preachers.

At a Vestry Meeting held at the Schools on Thursday, December 27th, 1917—after due notice of the same having been posted on the Church door on the previous Sunday—Mr. Alderton proposed and Mr. Douthwaite seconded that "application for a Faculty for placing in the Church two 'Romesse' stoves and erecting an inner porch at the west end, should be made." The proposition was carried unanimously. The Vicar is glad to say that the Faculty will be granted in due course. Roughly speaking £50 will be required

to complete the work, towards which there is now £23 10s. in hand.

February 13th is Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. Once again the Church enters into the solemn season of Lent, that period of six weeks in which all loyal and faithful Church people look more closely and earnestly into their spiritual life, and with the help of God's grace review and renew and quicken their rules of Church worship and Communion and infuse a more living reality into the inner life of the soul—the life hid with Christ in God—but a life which manifests itself in countless ways, and makes religion play a real and active part in the ordinary, every day life of the Christian, influencing his thoughts, words and deeds, and so moulding his character after the divine pattern of his Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Again, Lent is the season of preparation for the Easter Communion, and the Vicar sincerely hopes that every effort will be taken to make use of, not only the ordinary Sunday services, but also the special evening service on the Thursday of each week at 7 o'clock. Let us all try to make this Lent a more real season of repentance and hope than any previous Lent, putting our whole hearts into the efforts we make. "Stir up, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the WILLS of Thy faithful people; that they plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works may of Thee be plenteously rewarded." Let that be our Prayer, our motto and our hope for the Lent of 1918.

The services on Christmas Day were, on the whole and considering how cold the Church was, well attended. The Carols after Evensong on that day, as well as on the following Sunday, were very nicely sung. Our grateful thanks are due to Mrs. Dawkins for so kindly sending flowers for the decorations, and also to Mr. and Mrs. Welton and Mrs. Harris for so beautifully decorating the font and pulpit.

On the first Sunday of the year—the Feast of the Epiphany—in accordance with the Royal Proclamation, special services of prayer and thanksgiving were held in the morning and evening. There was a good attendance at each service. The collections, which amounted to £1 10s., were sent to the Red Cross Society.

A concert was held in the schools on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, January 3rd and 4th, to raise the funds for sending a small New Year's gift to the soldiers from Finstock serving at home and abroad. Sufficient funds were taken to send a Postal Order of 1/6 to each soldier at home, and 100 cigarettes to each soldier abroad. Our grateful thanks are due to all who took part in the

various items of the programme, and especially to Mrs. Mason and Miss Spratley for all the hard work of practising and rehearsing, and for the excellent arrangements in the schools. A special word of thanks is due, also, to Mr. Alderton, who most kindly erected the stage, and to Jack Mason who scoured the country successfully selling tickets. In all £6 14s. was taken.

The Vicar wishes to thank most sincerely Mr. Alderton, Mr. Douthwaite, and Mr. Bolton for so kindly undertaking to cart the coal for the members of the Coal Club. He is truly grateful for their generous assistance.

**Burial.**—December 28th, 1917, Phyllis Hollyfield, aged 37 years.

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### GREAT ROLLRIGHT.

The Christmas Day Services were conducted by the Rev. Fawcett. In spite of the very cold weather over 40 were present at the Eucharist. The Church was tastefully decorated by a few ladies of the parish. The collections for the day which amounted to £2 2s. were given to King George's Fund for Sailors and Soldiers.

The first Sunday in the New Year (the Epiphany) was observed as a day of special thanksgiving and prayer in the Parish Church. The special form of service included appropriate Lessons, Psalms, Litany, and hymns was used. The collections at the services were given to the Red Cross Society, and amounted to £3 6s.

**The Church Missionary Society.**—Our secretaries, Mrs. Hall and Mrs. F. Dormer, report that the sum collected for the Society in our village during the past year was £6 3s. Many thanks to box-holders for your help.

Mrs. Dormer made a house to house collection during November for Dr. Barnardo's Homes, and through the generosity of the villagers received the magnificent sum of £5.

An appeal was sent out at Christmas by Mr. Dormer asking for help to Sir Arthur Pearson's Fund for the children of our blinded soldiers and sailors. Everyone seemed ready to give, and £4 4s. 6d. was obtained.

On the 9th of January Mrs. Gardner, the widow of the late Rev. D. M. Gardner, rector of Great Rollright 1893-1897, died at Sheen, Surrey, after a short illness. On the 14th the remains were conveyed to Great Rollright, and laid during the night in the Parish Church. The funeral took place on Tuesday, January 15th, at 2 p.m. Many people of the parish assembled at the Church as

a last token of respect to one who is remembered with affection, and to show their sympathy to her only daughter, Mrs. Walton, wife of Colonel Walton. The service was conducted by the Rev. Freeman, rector of Hook Norton. There were many beautiful flowers, among them being a cross or arm lilies and orchids from friends in Great Rollright.

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### HOOK NORTON.

**Holy Baptism.**—December 23rd, Winifred Janet Emily, daughter of Thomas Henry Wise and Annie Lamley.—January 6th, William Frederick, son of George William and Emma Harris.—January 6th, William George, son of Daniel and Ellen White.

**Burial.**—January 5th, John Whitmore French, aged 82 years.

Communicants from December 23rd to January 20th, 150.

Collections during the same period:—

	£	s.	d.
Sunday School Clothing Club .....	2	15	10
Poor Fund .....	0	11	1
Restoration Fund .....	0	9	3½
Red Cross and Order of St. John of Jerusalem .....	3	18	5½
Church Expenses .....	1	5	6½
Offertory Fund .....	0	7	10½
Lighting Fund .....	0	10	11

We have to thank Miss Rushton and the ladies who helped her for the very beautiful way in which they decorated the Church for Christmas-tide.

We were very pleased to see the Hook Norton Volunteers in Church as a body on the first Sunday of the year, which by desire of the King, was observed as a Day of Prayer in connection with the war. The collections were for the Joint Committee of the Red Cross Society and the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, and amounted to £3 18s. 5½d. Although the services were better attended than on ordinary occasions there were a large number of people conspicuously absent who ought to have been present. A great number of people seem to have no sense of duty, or any intention of performing it either to God or their country, or to our soldiers and sailors, except by proxy. They are not very helpful members of the community in such times as these; it is very sad when people are so indifferent and unhelpful.

Lent this year begins on Ash Wednesday, February 13th. The whole Church goes as it were into "retreat" in Lent. We consider our ways before God beneath the shadow of the Cross of Jesus Christ.

He died that we might be forgiven,  
He died to make us good,  
That we might go at last to Heaven,  
Saved by His Precious Blood.

And so Lent is naturally the great season of Repentance. All through Lent Jesus Christ is calling to us from the Cross to repent, that the shedding of His most Precious Blood may not be in vain for us. Looking back upon past Lents there must be many who can feel with gratitude how often and how unmistakably the promise of God, "Draw nigh to Me, and I will draw nigh to you" has been fulfilled. Let us then enter upon this Lent in the spirit of a desire to draw nigh unto God, and we may be certain that He will draw nigh unto us. It has a wonderful power over us, the appeal which our Lord Jesus Christ makes to us from the Cross, when we open our hearts to try to take it in, for the Sacrifice of the Cross means so much to us. In our Hymn Book there is a very lovely hymn, No. 200, which might well be made a subject of daily meditation during Lent. It puts the doctrine of the Cross before us in such very beautiful and simple language. The following three verses are especially beautiful:—

The Cross! it takes our guilt away;  
It holds the fainting spirit up;  
It cheers with hope the gloomy day,  
And sweetens every bitter cup.  
It makes the coward spirit brave,  
And nerves the feeble arm for fight;  
It takes its terror from the grave,  
And gilds the bed of death with light.  
The balm of life, the cure of woe,  
The measure and the pledge of love,  
The sinner's refuge here below,  
The Angels' theme in Heav'n above.

We have to thank Mrs. Littleboy for kindly presenting the copies of the special forms of prayer issued for use on the Day of Intercession.

It is with great regret and sympathy that we record the death from wounds in France of Frederick Clarke, the nephew of our Churchwarden, Mr. Pettipher Bennett, and for some time resident with him at Oatley Hill Farm.

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### LITTLE ROLLRIGHT.

On Christmas Day Holy Communion was celebrated at 11.30 a.m., and the decorations were quite effective in spite of the difficulties which Mr. Williams had to contend with.

The Rector will be glad to receive the names of any one who wishes to be prepared for the coming Confirmation.

**SARSDEN-cum-CHURCHILL.**

**Baptism.**—At All Saints' Church, Churchill, on January 6th, Dorothy (born October 6th, 1917), daughter of Jesse Thomas and Lillian Mills; sponsors, the parents and Ada Empson.

The Quarterly Meeting of the Churchill Parochial Church Council was held at Haughton House on Monday, January 7th. The Churchyard Committee reported that the grass had been cut, and the paths had been put in order. Mr. and Mrs. Giles Edmonds were thanked for their gift of a Brass Ewer for the Font. After enquiries from the Police Authorities it is still necessary for the Church clock to be kept from striking at night. It will still be necessary for the churchwardens to be obliged to spend £5 a year to keep this regulation.

Mr. and Mrs. Jordan kindly gave the Day and Sunday School children a tea and Christmas tree, with a present for each child, which was much appreciated by the young folk.

The Confirmation Classes are being held on Thursdays at 3.15 p.m. for girls, and on Saturdays at 6.30 p.m., for young men and boys, at the Rectory.

G. E. Tuson attended on January 16th at the Admiralty for his interview in view of his entry into the Navy. There are 300 boys sitting in the examination in March for 100 places.

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**SPELSBURY.**

**Burials.**—January 14th, Ann Elizabeth Titchener, aged 89 years; January 17th, Henry Mountiford Dillon, aged 37 years.

The Christmas Festival, though, owing to the war, not accompanied by many old-time customs, did not detract from the joy and peace of our Church services, indeed there is ground to believe that their absence and the reason for their absence gave our services a deeper note—please God this may be so. At all events the services were well attended and thirty persons made their Communion during the Christmas Octave. The 8 a.m. Choral Eucharist on Christmas Day was especially happy and we thank the bell-ringers for calling us to it by a bright peal from the bells.

The Feast of the Epiphany, with its special thanksgivings and intercessions for the nation was well attended, and we trust that all who shared in it have dedicated themselves afresh to the great task before us and that our prayers for a just and lasting peace may find speedy realisation.

On December 27th and 28th entertainments were given in the schoolroom, consisting of music, followed by Mrs. Jarley's Wax Works. The long programme was much appreciated on both evenings by crowded audiences. We are especially indebted to Mrs. F. Bolton for the musical part of the entertainment and to those performers who came from a distance. The proceeds, supplemented by some subscriptions, amounted to £12, which has been forwarded to St. Dunstan's Home for Blind Sailors and Soldiers.

It was with deep regret that we heard of the death through pneumonia on January 13th, at Queen Alexandra Military Hospital, Westminster, of Lieut.-Colonel Henry Mountiford Dillon, D.S.O., Oxford and Bucks L.I. He was known to us as a very gallant gentleman and we appreciated him as a friend.

He was laid to rest in Spelsbury Churchyard on January 17th with military honours, the large concourse of parishioners and friends testifying to the esteem in which he was held. The funeral service was followed by a muffled peal from the bells.—R.I.P.

Extract from *The Times* newspaper:—

Lieut.-Colonel Henry Mountiford Dillon, D.S.O., Oxford and Bucks L.I., died on January 13 at the Alexandra Hospital, Millbank, of pneumonia. He was with his regiment all through the retreat from Mons and at the battles of the Marne and the Aisne and the first battle of Ypres, where his gallant conduct in charging the Prussian Guard won for him the D.S.O. He was in many subsequent actions, in one of which he was severely wounded. Colonel Dillon, who was born in 1881, was the second son of the late Lieut.-Col. H. P. C. Dillon, R.E., and a cousin of Viscount Dillon. He entered the Regular Army in 1900, obtaining his commission in the Oxford and Bucks L.I. During the South African War, 1900, he served in the Mediterranean and was awarded the medal, and between 1905 and 1913 he was employed with the West African Frontier Force, and saw active service in Nigeria in 1906, receiving the medal with clasp.

Church collections, December 23rd, 1917, to January 19th, 1918:—

	£	s.	d.
Sick and Needy .....	0	5	6
British Red Cross .....	1	8	5
Waifs and Strays .....	1	6	0
Church Bell Ringers .....	0	13	10
Church Expenses .....	0	19	0

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SPELSBURY.

& DAYLESFORD.

MARCH.

C A L E N D A R .

1918.

1	F	S. David, Abp.
2	S	S. Chad, B.
3	S	3rd Sunday in Lent.
4	M	
5	Tu	
6	W	
7	Th	S. Perpetua, M.
8	F	
9	S	
10	S	4th Sunday in Lent.
11	M	
12	T	S. Gregory, B.C.
13	W	
14	Th	
15	F	
16	S	
17	S	5th Sunday in Lent.
18	M	S. Edward, K M.
19	Tu	
20	W	
21	Th	S. Benedict, Ab.
22	F	
23	S	
24	S	Sunday next before Easter.
25	M	Monday before Easter. Annum. B. V. M. (transferred to April 8th).
26	Tu	Tuesday before Easter.
27	W	Wednesday before Easter.
28	Th	Thursday before Easter.
29	F	Good Friday.
30	S	Easter Even.
31	S	Easter Day.

6th, Last Quarter, 2h. 22m. a.m.  
12th, New Moon, 5h. 40m. a.m.

19th, First Quarter, 0h. 50m. a.m.  
27th, Full Moon, 0h. 44m. p.m.

Notes for the next Magazine should be sent not later than March 20th, to the EDITOR, CORNWELL RECTORY, CHIPPING NORTON.

¶ All business communications to be addressed to the Publishers, W. C. HAYES, LTD., CHIPPING NORTON.

### Deanery Notes.

#### PRICE OF THE DEANERY MAGAZINE.

Owing to scarcity of paper and the difficulty of printing at the present time, if the Magazine is continued at the price of 1d. a number, it would be at a loss to the Publishers. After much careful consideration the following arrangement has been made, which we hope will prove acceptable to our readers. The Magazine will contain the full eight pages of local matter. The price for the present will be either 1½d. per copy or 1d. provided a payment of 1/3 per month is made by the Parish to cover additional expenditure.

R.P.B.

Deanery Sunday School Association.—We hope to manage one meeting this year at Chipping Norton. So far, July 13th is fixed upon, and, if possible, the Rev. H. C. R. Cunynghame, Vicar of St. John's, Dundee, will explain the plan of the Scotch Episcopal Church, by which all its Sunday Schools can be examined on the same day, and prizes awarded to really praiseworthy scholars in the various schools.

#### OXFORD DIOCESAN FUND.

##### RURAL DEANERY OF CHIPPING NORTON.

It has been found that, owing to war needs, there should be an advance of 15 per cent. on the apportionment of all Parishes in the Diocese for 1918. This has been agreed to by all the representatives. The following is the table of amounts as agreed on for our Parishes, with this new 3d. in the £ added. At a meeting of 16 of the clergy held in December, we agreed to do our best to meet this amount; and our representatives did not wish to be called together for a further meeting; inasmuch as the original basis is agreed, and this addition is universal throughout the diocese:—

	£	s.	d.
Ascot .....	4	0	6
Charlbury (£11 10s.) with Chadlington (£5 15s.) .....	17	5	0
Chastleton .....	3	9	0
Chipping Norton with Over Norton ..	18	8	0
Cornwell .....	1	11	6
Enstone .....	5	15	0
Fifield with Idbury .....	3	9	0
Finstock with Fawler .....	3	9	0
Heythrop .....	5	15	0
Hook Norton .....	6	18	0
Kingham .....	6	18	0
Leafield .....	5	15	0
Milton with Lynchem .....	8	1	0
Ramsden .....	3	9	0
Great Rollright .....	3	0	0
Little Rollright and Salford .....	1	11	0
Sarsden with Churchhill .....	6	1	0
Slipton .....	11	10	0
Spelsbury .....	2	8	0
Swerford .....	2	8	0
Little Tew .....	3	9	0
Total ...	£124	10	0

JULIUS D. PAYNE, Rural Dean.

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#### CHIPPING NORTON.

Vicar—Rev. H. H. Arkell, M.A., Surrogate.

Assistant Priest—Rev. F. L. Weight.

Churchwardens—Mr. Austin Webb,

Mr. A. J. Bolwell,

for Chipping Norton.

Major Daly, for Over Norton.

Sexton and Clerk—H. H. Langton (pro tem).

#### CHIPPING NORTON CHURCH COMPANY OF GIRL GUIDES.

##### Balance Sheet.

CONCERT, JANUARY 3rd, 1918.

	£	s.	d.
PROCEEDS.			
Contributions .....	3	15	0
Tickets and door .....	20	5	1
	£24	0	1
EXPENSES.			
Tax on tickets .....	3	2	4
Town Hall .....	1	0	0
Hayes, Limited .....	0	19	5
Lewis & Son for scenery, &c. ....	4	0	6
Incidentals .....	0	19	10
Balance .....	13	18	0
	£24	0	1

WHIST DRIVE AND DANCE, FEBRUARY 7th, 1918.

PROCEEDS.		£	s.	d.
Contributions .....		1	7	0
Sale of Tickets .....		2	14	6
Taken at door .....		8	2	4½
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		£12	3	10½
EXPENSES.		£	s.	d.
Total Expenses .....		5	2	6
Balance .....		7	1	4½
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		£12	3	10½

The above is a correct account of the Receipts of concert and whist drive. With money already in hand the debt on the C.N.C. Co. of Girl Guides has now been cleared.—G. A. GRIFFIN, M. LOOKYER, Lieuts., C.N.C. Co. Girl Guides.

**Holy Week.**—This month brings us Holy Week, beginning on Sunday, March 24th (Palm Sunday). Holy Week—the most important week of all the year, of any year, even of this year which promises to be the most important and critical year in the world's history. Just because these days are so critical it is the solemn duty of all who can to mark each day of Holy Week by a visit to God's House, and thus make that preparation, thus make that stillness in our souls, which alone will enable us on Good Friday to catch the message from the Cross. The Death and Passion of the Eternal Son of God is an eternal fact, and just because it is eternal it can reach us to-day, and Christians by the power of the Eternal Spirit can bring it into their midst with all its cleansing, healing, and redeeming power. Surely our poor, sad, war-stricken world needs its cleansing, healing, redeeming power as never before. Let us by the way we keep Holy Week be one of those who have a share in bringing it to our country this year of all others. Oh! that our country, by a deep penitence, could get right beneath the Cross this coming Good Friday, and by the merits and death of our Lord and through faith in His blood "obtain remission of our sins as a nation and all other benefits of His passion."

At any rate let each of us do our best and (as our Bishop says) "feel the penitence our country ought to feel—and first of all for our own sins."

A glance at the list of services for Holy Week shows there is opportunity for all. The very busiest of us can surely come to the early morning ten minutes' service at 5.30 a.m. We are meant to come in our working clothes. There is a one minute sermon with one thought for the day. This surely will help us to make a "pause"

in our ordinary thoughts if we cannot pause in our work. Good Friday—free from work—will be a Holy Day not a holi-day; our own, to give to Him who on this day gave Himself for us. Thus, and thus only, through the Cross of Good Friday can we pass in spirit to that rush of hope and joy each Easter Day brings to every soul, who in Holy Week has "watched" with Christ. This year of all others we need the bright hopes of Easter for the "life of the world to come."

**Lent List of Services.**

Parish Church, Thursdays at 7, beginning Feb. 21.

Thursday, Feb. 21st, 28th, and March 7th.—Preacher, Rev. H. F. Donaldson-Selby; subject, "Faith as exemplified in 11th chapter of Hebrews."

Thursday, March 14th.—Preacher, Rev. W. E. Blathwayt, Rector of Dyrham.

Thursday, March 21st.—Preacher, Rev. E. J. F. Johnson, Rector of Sarsden.

Parish Church, Sunday evenings.—Preacher, the Vicar; subject, "The Christ."

Feb. 17th.—"What think ye of Christ?"

Feb. 24th.—"As Son of Mary."

March 3rd.—"As Son of David."

March 10th.—"As Son of Man."

March 17th.—"As Son of God."

Over Norton Mission Room, Sunday evenings.—Preacher, Rev. E. L. Weight.

Feb. 17th.—"All sorts and conditions of men."

Feb. 24th.—"Such as do stand."

March 3rd.—"The Weak-Hearted."

March 10th.—"The Fallen."

March 17th.—"Finally."

Mission Room on Common, Tuesdays at 7.

Tuesdays and Thursdays (after Matins).—"A Chaplet of Prayer."

**Holy Week Services.**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday.—Ten minutes' service on the way to work, 5.30 a.m. (see special card); Holy Communion, 8; Matins, 10.30; Children's Service, 5.30; Evensong and short address, 7.30.

Good Friday.—Litany, 8; Matins and Ante-Communion, with Sermon, 10.30; Three Hours' Service, 12—3; Evensong with Sermon, 6; Lantern Service in Town Hall, 8. (The Venerable the Archdeacon of Oxford will give the address at the Three Hours' Service).

Easter Eve.—Matins and Ante-Communion, 10.30; Evensong, 6.

Easter Day.—Holy Communion, 6, 7, and 8; Matins and Holy Communion, 11; Children's Service, 2.45; Evensong, 6. The Prayer Book says—"every Parishioner shall communicate at least three times in the year, of which Easter to be one."

Over Norton.—Good Friday, Evensong, 6; Easter Day, Evensong, 6.

Third Sunday in month.—Holy Communion (choral), 9 a.m.

This arrangement, judging from the attendance on Sunday, Feb. 17th, may turn out of real help to many. There were nearly 80 Communicants, which is a great advance on the average number at 8 a.m. on this Sunday. At any rate let us thank God and take courage. The whole object of any alteration in the time of Holy Communion is to make this the Lord's Own Service—the chief Service of the Lord's own day; this is in accordance with Scripture (Acts xx, 7) and the early Christians, the Christians who had seen and known Christ in His earthly life.

C.E.M.S.—At the meeting on February 6th, the Vicar read a paper on the "Origin and history of Church Bells." The next meeting is fixed for Wednesday, March 6th.

Church Heating Apparatus.—The new heating apparatus has now been completed. On removing the old one it was discovered how necessary it was this work should be taken in hand—indeed it was found that for some long time past it could not have been doing its work. We may now therefore expect a very great improvement in the temperature all over the Church, and we can reasonably hope it may not be necessary to go on to Scheme II., which is the addition of hot water pipes to the present arrangement. But we have now to pay the bill, and shall be grateful for subscriptions as soon as possible. The following have kindly subscribed already:—Miss Pryer £5, Mrs. Reader £1 ls., per Miss Griffin and Teachers from entertainments £5, Social gathering £1 11s. 10d.

All will join us in hearty welcome to Major Daly on his safe return home from America.

The Over Norton Sunday School Treat (twice unavoidably postponed) is fixed for Wednesday, March 13th.

Baptisms.—February 3rd, Harry Austin, son of Henry Austin and Harriet Elizabeth Scarsbrook.—February 8th, Dorothy Frances, daughter of Percy Edward and Sarah Harrison.—

February 10th, Michael Dudley, son of Leslie Reginald and Eileen Unice King (private).

Burials.—January 31st, Ernest Jackson, aged 81 years.—February 16th, Mary Ann Robins Mayo, aged 67 years.

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### CHADLINGTON.

Marriage.—February 11th, Francis Campbell Collett, H.A.C., and Eveline Winnie Roberts.

Funeral.—February 1st, Diana Willis, aged 78.

Jumble Sale.—A Jumble Sale in aid of parochial organisations was held on January 31st. A fair collection of things had been kindly sent by parishioners. These were quickly disposed of in an hour. The proceeds amounted to £11 2s., which have been divided among the Sunday School, the Mothers' Meeting, the Reading Room, the Girls' Friendly Society, and the Band of Hope. Mrs. Donaldson-Selby, Mrs. Collett, Mrs. Southam, Mrs. Sturch, Mrs. Sherton, Mrs. Herbert, and Mrs. Stevens proved most efficient saleswomen, and we would thank them for their successful labours.

Girls' Friendly Society.—On Wednesday, January 23rd, a Social Evening was held. Wartime refreshments were provided by kind friends in the parish, to which ample justice was done. A number of members and candidates (22) were present. A very pleasant evening was spent. Recitations were given by some girls, and some great fun was enjoyed over putting a tail on a pig by blindfolded candidates. We hope to hold a small Sale of Work in the summer.

Lent.—There will be services at 7 p.m. every Wednesday during the season of Lent. In spite of a dark stormy night the service on Ash Wednesday evening was well attended, and our choir turned up in strong force. Surely all of us have need of more prayer and self-denial.

Comforts Working Party.—The meetings were resumed on February 5th, and we feel sure that much useful work will be done in order to send our gallant fighting men a parcel for Easter.

Confirmation.—The Confirmation will be held in Charlbury Church on Wednesday, March 20th. The earnest prayers of the congregation are asked both for the candidates and for him who is preparing them.



**CHARLBURY.**

**Baptism.**—February 10th, William, son of Charles and Anne Wearing.

**Burial.**—January 23rd, Rosa Sturdy, aged 69.

**The Confirmation** on Wednesday, March 20th, at Charlbury, will be at 2.30 p.m. instead of 3 p.m., so as to allow the candidates from Milton to catch the 4.14 train. We shall have a good number of candidates.

We are all very sorry to hear of the illness of the Vicar of Ascot-under-Wychwood, who has the regard and affection of his parishioners and his neighbours. Meanwhile his duty is being taken by the Rev. A. Cary-Elwes.

**Lent, 1918.**—The Vicar of Finstock is preaching a course of sermons at Charlbury on Wednesday evenings, February 20th, and 27th, March 6th and 13th. The Vicar of Spelsbury preached to us on Sunday evening, February 24th.

**C.E.M.S.**—Our Men's Society met on February 11th. We are reading together the 1st Epistle of St. John. Mr. T. F. Higgins gave a careful outline of the 3rd Chapter, several interesting points being discussed.

**Church Lads' Brigade.**—The Company drills regularly each week, with an average attendance of 20, under the training of Mr. T. F. Higgins. The Company has been going steadily for over 15 years, under several good officers in succession.

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**CHASTLETON.**

In the absence of the Rector, the Rev. R. P. Burnett, Rector of Cornwell, has kindly consented to take a service on Thursday evening, at 6.30 each week throughout Lent. It is to be hoped the congregation will make every effort to attend as many of these services as possible.

A very pretty wedding took place on Tuesday, February 12th, between Snapper Walter Lockett, of the Canadian Forces in France, third son of Mr. and Mrs. Lockett, Chastleton Hill, and Miss Dorothy Clarke, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarke, Chastleton.

The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. R. P. Burnett.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a white silk dress with wreath and veil, and a spray of orange blossom worn by Mrs. Walter Carson on her marriage. She carried a bouquet of white narcissi and carnations. She was attended by four small bridesmaids, Miss Marjorie and Phyllis Clarke, sisters of the bride;

Miss Phyllis Lines, cousin of the bride; and Miss Betty Massey, a friend. The bridegroom was attended by his brother, Pte. William Lockett, of the Coldstream Guards (wounded at Cambria), who acted as best man.

On the entrance of the bride, the hymn "The voice that breathed o'er Eden" was sung by the choir, and at the close of the service the "Wedding March" was rendered by the organist (Mr. Walter Newman). A merry peal was rung on the church bells while the register was being signed. There were a large number of relatives and friends among the congregation, including Mrs. and Miss V. Richardson, and Miss Jane Walford, Chastleton House.

The happy couple later left for London, where the honeymoon was spent, the bell ringers making joyous peals on the hand-bells. Mr. and Mrs. Richardson kindly lent a motor car to take them to Moreton Station.

The presents were numerous and useful. Sapper Lockett is one of five brothers serving in the great war; one brother, Ernest, was killed in France last year.

A wedding was solemnised on Tuesday, Feb. 5th, the bridegroom being Mr. Charles Henry Unwin, of Glympton, near Woodstock, and the bride Mrs. Massey. The Rev. R. P. Burnett conducted the service.

Chastleton School Children have collected 15s. for "Sir A. Pearson's Fund" for the blind.

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**CORNWELL.**

**Lent.**—We trust all the people who can possibly do so will make a point of attending our Lenten and Holy Week Services. During the latter there will be service twice daily, at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., with a short address at the Evening Service.

On Easter Day there will be two celebrations of the Holy Communion, at 8 a.m. and after the morning service, and note that every parishioner shall communicate at the least three times in the year, of which Easter to be one."

Let us all "Watch and pray," so that we may receive much blessing this Easter, and remember the old promise "Those who seek Me early shall find Me."

The offertories on Easter Day will be for Church expenses, as in past years, and we shall have special need of such this year, so "let none appear before the Lord empty."

**The Church Organ.**—Our organ, which is getting very old, has been out of repair for some

time. We have arranged for it to be put in order and overhauled, and trust it may yet last for some years to come. A very kind friend has most kindly promised to meet the expense, for which we are very grateful.

The Rector, who has been helping at Chastleton lately, has recently had three weddings there; he is also taking a week-day Lenten Service there on Thursday evenings during the absence of the Rector of Chastleton on munition work. He is glad to be able to help.

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### DAYLESFORD.

A meeting on "National War Aims" was held in the Parish Hall on Tuesday evening, January 29th. The chair was taken by C. E. B. Young, Esq., and the meeting, which was very well attended, was addressed by Mr. Paton, from the Central Committee in London. His remarks, which were well received, were supplemented by an excellent speech from the Chairman, who quite carried his audience away by his lucid and eloquent exposition of the Nation's War Aims, and must have convinced all his hearers of their justice and reasonableness. A successful meeting was brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem.

Lent is once more with us, and by the time these words are read, will be well advanced. May it be used well and profitably by one and all. The usual Wednesday evening service is being held, and we hope that the attendance throughout may be as good as it was on the evening of Ash Wednesday.

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### FINSTOCK and FAWLER.

**Holy Week.**—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday: 7 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Matins; 7 p.m., Evensong and Reading.

**Good Friday.**—8 a.m., Ante-Communion; 10.30 a.m., Matins and Litany; 7 p.m., Evensong and Address.

**Easter Sunday.**—7 a.m. and 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Matins, Holy Communion and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

**Easter Monday.**—8 a.m., Holy Communion.

**Easter Tuesday.**—8 a.m., Holy Communion.

The Vicar hopes that as many of the parishioners as possible will endeavour to attend the services during Holy Week, especially on Good

Friday, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is"; and also, in accordance with the Rubric in the Prayer Book, that every confirmed parishioner will receive the Holy Communion on Easter Sunday.

There was a short organ recital after Evensong on Sunday, February 3rd, at which Mr. Allen most kindly came from Charlbury and sang two songs. We are most grateful to him for his kindness. A collection on behalf of the Heating Apparatus Fund was made after the recital, and realised 8s.

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### FIFIELD and IDBURY.

On February 11th an excellent entertainment was given in Idbury Schoolroom by the Scouts and their friends. With a full programme, which began with a pianoforte solo by Miss M. Parsloe, who also sang two songs. Mrs. Isaac and Miss Phillips sang a duet, and songs were given by Miss C. Davis and Mr. Green, with a violin solo by Mrs. Green, a recitation "Home for the Holidays" by Mr. P. Green and a dialogue "Mrs. Snortum asks for sugar" by Mrs. Green and Miss C. Davis. The schoolgirls contributed two pretty action songs, "The Flower Girls," by K. Arthurs, C. Field, A. Bond, and R. Bradley, and "Goodnight Mr. Moon," by L. Townsend, N. Green, B. Oakley, I. Davis, L. Paxford, P. Green, E. Bradley, and R. Haynes; also "National Dances," by R. Bradley, A. Bond, P. Green, and C. Field, representing England, Wales, Scotland, and Ireland. Last, but not least, was the part taken by the Scouts themselves. This consisted of a song, "Keep the home fires burning"; a recitation, "Look Out," by E. Field; a song, "Good-bye-ee," by F. Davis; a most amusing dialogue, very well acted by R. Davis and F. Davis; and "The Mangel Wurzel," by Scouts F. Davis, R. Davis, H. Davis, E. Field, A. Evans, and A. Bond, dressed as "Pierrots," who gave a variety of songs and amusing jokes. After the concert a very pleasant evening was concluded with dancing, and many thanks are due to Miss Philips, Scoutmaster, for organising it.

Sergeant H. Rogers, 2nd Hampshire Regiment, son-in-law of Mr. Bishop, of New Cottage, Fifield, was awarded the Military Medal on January 12. He has served for nine years in Africa, Mauritius and India, and was one of the 27th Division who landed at the Dardanelles on 25th April, 1915, and was also in the Battle of Vimy Ridge. He has been twice wounded. He

is now in hospital, sick. We wish him a speedy recovery.

**Marriage.**—On January 5th, 1917, at St. John's Church, Paramatta, Dora, eldest daughter of James A. Penson, of Wentworthville, N.S.W. (formerly of Idbury) to Roy Henry, only son of Fred Harpur, Neutral Bay, Sydney, N.S.W.

**Died of Wounds in Palestine.**—On 4th November, 1917, Maurice Penson, son of James A. Penson, and Mary, his wife.

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**HOOK NORTON.**

Number of communicants from January 25th to February 24th—87.

Collections during the same period:—

	£	s.	d.
Poor Fund .....	1	5	4½
Restoration Fund .....	1	5	0½
Church Expenses .....	1	4	1½
Offertory Fund.....	0	16	8
Lighting Fund .....	0	13	6
Sunday School .....	0	8	3
Choir Fund .....	0	12	1½
Red Cross Hospital at Banbury	0	12	9
Mine Sweepers' Fund .....	0	14	8½

During Lent this year we are having a series of Lantern Services in the south aisle of the Church, with the permission of the Bishop, on Fridays at 7 p.m., with collections on the successive Friday evenings for various objects in connection with the war, as follows:—

- (1) The Red Cross Hospital at Banbury.
- (2) The Mine Sweepers' Fund.
- (3) S. Dunstan's Homes for Blinded Soldiers.
- (4) The Church Army Recreation Huts.
- (5) Lord Roberts's Workshops for Disabled Soldiers.
- (6) Prisoners of War.
- (7) The Shipwrecked Mariners' Society.

Our very best thanks are due to Mr. Harry Tamock for operating the lantern so kindly and efficiently.

The Confirmation is to take place on Friday, March 22nd, at 3 p.m., and the prayers of the Church are asked on behalf of the candidates.

Good Friday falls on March 29th. The Choir is practising selections from Staine's beautiful music called the "Crucifixion," which will be sung at the evening service. We trust that the day will be reverently observed by all those who have our Lord's Passion in devout remembrance.

We would remind our readers of the rubric in the Prayer Book regarding Holy Communion at Easter, which is as follows:—"And note, that every Parishioner shall communicate AT THE LEAST three times in the year, of which Easter to be one." There will accordingly be three celebrations of the Holy Communion on Easter Day, viz., at 7 a.m., 8 a.m., and after Morning Prayer, which ought to make it possible for all communicants to come.

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**SARSDEN-CUM-CHURCHILL.**

**Obituary.**—November 18th, 1917, at the 24th Stationary Hospital, Egypt, of gunshot wounds in mouth and knee, Trooper Maurice James Penson, of the 12th Australian Light Horse Regiment, third son of James A. Penson (late of Idbury and Churchill) aged 20 years and 10 months.

**Burials.**—December 28th, 1917, Thomas Duester, aged 82 years.—February 7th, 1918, Sarah Ann Peachey, aged 54 years.—February 19th, 1918, Jane Pantin (late of Churchill) aged 68 years.

**Girl Guides.**—A special service was held in Churchill Church on Saturday, February 2nd, when the Rector gave a short address to 36 girl guides. Staff-Captain Davies, from Stratford-on-Avon attended by Captain Jordan, and Lieut. Edmonds, accompanied the troop. An inspection was afterwards made in the Reading Room for: (a) Tidiness of dress; (b) the Guide Law; (c) Knots; (d) the Union Jack. The prize was awarded to Annie Betteridge. Tea and rations were eaten by the visitors and girls.

**Queen Mary's Needlework Guild.**—Mrs. Johnson has received the following acknowledgment for the receipt of another consignment of operation socks, amounting altogether to 72 pairs, also for many "swabs" worked by the school children, from the Hon. Lady Lawley, hon. secretary:—

Friary Court,  
St. James' Palace,  
8th February, 1918.

Dear Madam,—

I am commanded by the Queen to convey to you the expression of her best thanks for your contribution to her Guild.

Yours Faithfully,  
ANNIE LAWLEY,

Mrs. JOHNSON—

Hon. Sec.

for the women of the village,  
and the schoolchildren.

**Alteration of Postal Address.**—Much delay is still caused in the receipt of letters, both local and outside, by correspondents addressing letters to this parish through Chipping Norton. Would our kind friends please note that letters come quicker to us, by KINGHAM, OXFORD.

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### SHIPTON-UNDER-WYCHWOOD.

**Burials.**—January 19th, Anne Savidge, aged 93.—January 29th, Elizabeth Mallis, aged 69.

In Easter week a Parochial Church Meeting will be held to elect the Lay Representative on the Ruri-decannal Conference for the ensuing three years, and to form a Parochial Church Council. All persons, of either sex, who are above 21 years of age, are resident in the parish, have been baptized and confirmed and are admissible to Holy Communion, and do not belong to any other religious body, and have signed the qualifying declaration, are entitled to attend and vote; also any such persons although not residing in the parish if they are regular attendants at the Church services and have applied to be entered on the electoral roll of the parish.

The Vicar, Churchwardens, and Lay Representatives will be ex-officio members of the Council. For the remaining members (the number to be decided at the meeting) it would be well that the bellringers, male and female, and the choir should have their representatives on the Council. All members of the Council must be Communicants. The duties of the Council will be:—

- (1) Generally to assist the Vicar in the initiation and development in the parish of all departments of parochial church work, and in the extension of the Church at home and abroad.
- (2) To arrange in conjunction with the Vicar and Churchwardens the parochial church budget; to select the objects for which special collections shall be made during the year; and to further the parochial contributions for Home and Foreign Missions.
- (3) To make in every year a general report to the Parochial Church Meeting.

In order that the roll of electors may be made up the Vicar will be grateful for volunteers who will take round the Forms of Declaration to all who are qualified to get them signed.

### SPELSBURY.

**Burial.**—February 18th, Caroline Knight, aged 78 years.

**Church Collections, January 21st to February 19th.**—Sick and Needy, 4/8; Church Expenses, £1 19s. 5d.

The following will be the special preachers at Evensong on Sundays in March:—

4th Sunday in Lent—Rev. T. P. Field.

5th Sunday in Lent—Rev. H. F. Donaldson-Selby

6th Sunday in Lent—Rev. W. J. Palmer.

For many years a commendable effort has been made to keep our churchyard in such order as befits God's Acre. The time will soon be with us to turn to work again. The number of subscribers to the Churchyard Fund are few, surely there are many who would like to help. Could not every householder give at least 1/- a year, and many a greater sum, without hardship to themselves? The Vicar will gladly receive subscriptions however small. The mowing machines belonging to the Churchyard have done their work and new ones are needed. This means expense. Labour is difficult to obtain and costly too. But much can be done by voluntary effort. Voluntary help however needs organisation and direction. Your Vicar proposes that any persons (men, women or elder children) willing to assist should meet him in the Churchyard on Wednesday evenings at 6 o'clock, commencing on April 3rd. Would those possessing shears or clippers kindly bring them with them.

# THE CHIPPING NORTON Deanery Magazine.

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APRIL.

CALENDAR.

1918.

1	M	<i>Monday in Easter Week.</i>
2	Tu	<i>Tuesday in Easter Week.</i>
3	W	S. Richard, B.
4	Th	S. Ambrose, B.
5	F	
6	S	
7	S	<i>1st Sunday after Easter.</i>
8	M	<i>Annu. B.V.M. (transferred from March 25th).</i>
9	T	
10	W	
11	Th	
12	F	
13	S	
14	S	<i>2nd Sunday after Easter.</i>
15	M	
16	Tu	
17	W	
18	Th	
19	F	S. Alphege, Abp.
20	S	
21	S	<i>3rd Sunday after Easter</i>
22	M	
23	Tu	S. George, M.
24	W	
25	Th	S. Mark, E.M.
26	F	
27	S	
28	S	<i>4th Sunday after Easter</i>
29	M	
30	Tu	

4th, Last Quarter, 1h. 53m. a.m.  
 11th, New Moon, 4h. 54m. a.m.

18th, First Quarter, 11h. 0m. a.m.  
 26th, Full Moon, 7h. 57m. p.m.

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Notes for the next Magazine should be sent not later than April 20th, to the EDITOR, CORNWELL, RECTORY, CHIPPING NORTON.

## Deanery Notes.

### CHIPPING NORTON.

Vicar—**Rev. H. H. Arkell, M.A., Surrogate.**

Assistant Priest—**Rev. E. LI. Weight.**

Churchwardens—**Mr. Austin Webb.**

**Mr. A. J. Bolwell,**  
for Chipping Norton.

**Major Daly,** for Over Norton.

Sexton and Clerk—**H. H. Langton** (pro tem).

**Baptisms.**—March 3rd, Francis Charles, son of William and Amelia Ellen Sheffield.—March 3rd, Rosalie Iris Matilda, daughter of Bernard Hubert and Rose Aries.—March 11th, Elsie Betty, daughter of Thomas Moody and Janet Matilda Cragg.

**Marriages.**—March 19th, Sidney Thornton and Alice Moss.—March 21st, William Joseph Burford and Emma Louisa Painting.—March 23rd, Frederick Stratford and Annie Sanders.

**Burials.**—Feb. 21st, Rhoda Ann Harrison, aged 64 years.—March 4th, Hannah Rugster, aged 76 years.—March 12th, Fred Tilling, aged 47 years.

**Confirmation.**—Our Confirmation Day fell on March 21st, the first official day of spring, and spring it was indeed! The sunshine streaming around and into our beautiful church will surely never be forgotten by all those confirmed, nor will they quickly forget the beautiful and simple address given by Bishop Corf, taken from the Psalm for the day—Psalm 105 verse 4, "Seek the Lord and His strength, seek His face evermore." In all there were 107 candidates, divided as follows: Chipping Norton 68, Enstone 21, Great Tew 6, Kingham Homes 6, Salford 5, Westcote 1.

Below will be found a complete alphabetical list of the candidates from our parish. Let us not forget to give them a place in our prayers and encourage them by our sympathy.

Arthur Ackerman, Fred Allen, Clarence Allen, Wilfred Barnes, Frank Barnes, Arthur Baker, Cyril Ackerman, Cyril Cross, Harold Cyphus, James

Crowther, Reginald Cox, Joseph Cripps, Percy Coombs, Reginald Fox, Henry Goodman, Reginald Fowler, Harry Hughes, Alec Hillier, Frederick Jeffs, Burnett Killerby, Charles Kitchener, Wilfred Meades, Richard Mills, Charles Moulder, Arthur Morris, Philip Painting, Percy Pratt, Hubert Robinson, Charles Robinson, Hubert Sewell, Albert Sims, James Stickley, Albert Turner, Francis Webb, George Webb, John Withers, Albert Walker, George Oliver Withers.

Florence Eleanor Bridges, Dora Rose Carey, Mary Claridge, Denise Violet Daly, Annie Hands, Rosetta Hands, Nellie Louisa Herbert, Ada Louisa Hinson, Gladys Hughes, Esther Ella Hodgkins, Emma Hyde, Gertrude Nora Keen, Phyllis Mary Knight, Hilda Elizabeth Mason, Susan Elizabeth Nichols, Emma Peates, Melinda Louisa Peates, Mabel Pratt, Emeline Ann Randle, Agnes Bessie Sewell, Unice Minnie Sewell, Gertrude Alice Shepherd, Annie Elizabeth Sims, Daisy Sims, Olive Sims, Nellie Louise Sturman, Janet Eileen Webb, Iris Rose White, Alice May Yateman.

**Easter Vestry.**—The Easter Vestry is fixed for Wednesday, April 3rd, at 7.30 p.m., in the Church Room.

**Parochial Church Meeting.**—This meeting will be held at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, April 3rd, immediately after the Vestry Meeting. Lay representatives to the Ruri-Decanal Conference will be elected, and other Church matters transacted.

**Church Heating Apparatus.**—Over £100 has already been subscribed or promised, and we are very grateful to all who have helped. A complete list will be published later on. We shall still be thankful for the smallest contributions.

Our deep sympathy with Mrs. Tollett who has now heard definitely of the death of her son in France.

We much regret to have to record the death of Fred Tilling. Although he had been ailing for some time his death came as a surprise. He was for some years a member of our choir, and all will join us in sympathy with his relatives.

**Girl Guides.**—We are sorry to announce Miss Lockwood's resignation of the captaincy of our Company, as she does not feel strong enough to carry on the work. We take this opportunity of thanking her for her hard work on behalf of the girls and all she has done for the Company, and we are assured of her kind interest in its future welfare.

The Vicar has appointed Miss Griffin as Captain, and the Company is most fortunate in having anyone so able and experienced to guide the Company. Miss Griffin has lost no time in getting to work and the following have most kindly consented to help her as her lieutenants—Miss Burbidge, Miss Cooper, Miss Minchin, Miss Morrison, Miss Padbury. We are still retaining the most valuable help of Mrs. Sanders, and with Miss Lockyer as the energetic captain of the Brownies we can look forward to a successful season.

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### CHARLBURY.

**Burials.**—February 20th, Elizabeth Stimson, aged 85 years.—March 2nd, John Pantin, aged 79 years.—March 5th, Frederick James Bowell, aged 5 years.

John Pantin had been constant in attendance at Church for many years, and we shall miss him.

We hope to give an account of the Confirmation in the next Magazine. We have had a large number of candidates most regular at classes for nine weeks of preparation.

**Holy Week, 1918.**—The Vicar of Spelsbury has kindly promised to give the address at the "Three Hours' Service" on Good Friday.

**Charlbury Girl Guides.**—Mrs. Cary-Elwes has formed good detachment. The members were formally admitted by Mrs. Hall, of Cornwell, on Thursday, March 14th, and the detachment attended Church on Sunday morning, March 17th.

The Rector of Great Rollright, the Rev. P. Morgan Watkins, M.A., is to be inducted by the Archdeacon at a service in the Church at 6.15 p.m. on Wednesday, April 3rd.

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### CORNWELL.

**Holy Week and Easter.**—We are approaching this Holy Season, and trust it may be a time of peace and comfort. We hope all who can will make a point of attending the services which will be twice daily, at 11 and 6, with a short address at the latter. May Easter joy be ours, and may we all be early to meet the Risen Christ that blessed morn.

**Three Meetings.**—There will be three meetings this Easter, of which the dates and hours will be duly announced, viz., the Annual "Easter Vestry," the Annual "Parish Meeting," and the Niennial Meeting to elect our parish lay representatives at the Ruri-decanal Conference. All Church people, male and females, of the age of 21 years and upwards, who are Communicants, have a vote at the last. Mr. George Pawdey and Mr. W. H. Stowe are the present representatives.

**Church Organ.**—Mr. Ludwig, of Banbury, was busy all day on Monday, 18th of March, attending to the organ, which he found very out of order. He has patched it up for the present, and is preparing an estimate for putting it in a really good condition, but we fear it is likely to prove a heavy one. When it is received we shall have to consider what can be done in the matter.

**Weddings.**—Our hearty congratulations to the Rev. W. A. Partridge, who is to be married on the 2nd of April, and to his intended bride, Miss Violet Lockhart. May every blessing rest in them, and may they be spared to each other for many long years to come.

There is to be a wedding at Cornwell on Easter Day (if the bridegroom can get leave) between Evelyn Cooper and a sailor now on active service on H.M.S. "Forward," Able Seaman Charles Shepherd. To them also we wish every happiness.

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### DAYLESFORD.

There has been nothing of special interest to record since the appearance of the last number of the "Deanery" Magazine.

Now that the Bill for the establishment of a Bishopric of Coventry has passed through Parliament, it will not be very long before the present Diocese of Worcester is divided, and a Bishop of Coventry appointed. It seems likely that, when this takes place, some rectification of existing frontiers will have to be made, and there is a probability that the Parish of Daylesford will be taken out of the Diocese of Worcester altogether and put into the Diocese of Oxford, to which it would seem more naturally to belong. While some of us might regret this severance of old ties on personal and sentimental grounds, we must at the same time allow that on grounds of convenience, especially as regards meetings and conferences on Church matters, it would have its

advantages. But nothing is at present decided, and we shall no doubt hear more as regards the scheme before any decision is come to.

The Wednesday Evening Lenten Services have been fairly well attended, but there is, we regret to see, a falling off in the number of those who attend the Intercession Services in connection with the war. Surely, as the war continues, the need for our prayers on behalf of those who are giving and doing so very much for us becomes greater and more urgent rather than less, and we do not well to relax our efforts and let down our hands.

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### FINSTOCK AND FAWLER.

**Baptisms.**—March 3rd, Dorothy Violet, daughter of R. J. and T. L. Barnard.—March 3rd, Kathleen Ida, daughter of F. T. and T. Hitchcox.—March 17th, George Charles William, son of G. and L. J. Boulter.

A **Rummage Sale** will be held in the Schools on Wednesday, the 10th inst., the proceeds to be given to the Charlbury and Finstock District Nursing Association. The doors will be open at 3 p.m. to subscribers only, who will be admitted by ticket. At 3.30 p.m. the sale will be open to all. Entrance fee 3d.

We hope to have an Organ Recital on one of the week days of Whit Week, at which a collection will be made on behalf of the Church Heating Fund.

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### HOOK NORTON.

Number of Communicants from February 25th to March 17th, 41.

Collections during the same period:—

	£	s.	d.
St. Dunstan's Home for Blinded Soldiers .....	1	7	3½
Church Expenses .....	0	17	0½
Church Army Recreation Huts ...	0	12	6
Offertory Fund .....	0	16	10
Lighting Fund .....	0	10	0½
Lord Roberts's Workshops for Disabled Soldiers .....	0	16	11½
Nursing Association .....	1	1	5

The Magazine news has to be sent to the printers by the 20th of the month for the future, in order that it may be published by the 1st of the ensuing month. Nothing of any special parochial interest has happened since our last issue. The Confirmation, Holy Week, Good Friday and Easter are all in the future, so we cannot say anything about them until our next issue, beyond what has been said already. It will be noted that owing to the scarcity of paper and the difficulty of printing at the present time, we have to choose whether we are to pay 1½d. instead of 1d. for the Magazine, or as a Parish provide a monthly payment of 1/3 to cover additional expenditure. The Rector has chosen the latter alternative, so that subscribers will get the Magazine at the old price, and he has undertaken, pending any future arrangements which may be suggested or made, to be responsible for this payment.

We regret to announce the death of Miss Mary Jane Phipps, for many years a regular attendant at Church, and at one time a Sunday school teacher. Miss Brookes, who lived for many years with Mrs. Luckett at the Villa, has also lately passed away, and her kindly presence will be missed by very many. In James Hayward, also the parish will miss a man of great uprightness and strength of character. We would desire to offer our sincere sympathy to the relatives of all these old friends.

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### SALFORD.

**Baptism.**—March 3rd, Myrtle Phylis Loraine daughter of William and Ellen Wallington.

Should there be some, who from unavoidable circumstances were unable to make their Easter Day Communion, it is hoped they will make a point of carrying out the Master's living command as early as possible. On the second Sunday of the month we have altered the time of Holy Communion from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.

The Rector frequently hears from Private A. Cross, and is very glad to find he is well and enjoying the beautiful scenery of Italy.

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### SARSDEN-CUM-CHURCHILL.

**Marriage.**—January 26th, 1918, at Old St. Paul's, Woodstock, Ontario, by the Rev. R. Shaw, George Norman Griffin (late of Churchill), to Annie Houlston.



The following were confirmed at Charlbury Church on March 20th by Bishop Corfe:—James B. Anson, George Belcher, James H. Byles, Horace J. Cullum, J. T. Henry Clemons, Reginald W. Clemons, Albert T. Dore, Arthur Handley, Raymond T. Hicks, Frank F. Howard, J. Algernon C. Millin, Henry J. Timms, Henry G. Watkins, Frederick C. Wearing, Harry Webb, Harold Wilks (also at Allen House School, Hook Heath, Woking, on the 16th of March, George E. Tuson); Annie E. Betteridge, Elsie R. Pearce, Ruby M. Ridley.

As a precaution against the infection of measles which have appeared in the neighbourhood, our schools were closed for three weeks. We trust that by this means we may escape.

By the time that the Magazine is in print, we shall have passed Easter with its many services, also the Vestry Meeting, and the general meeting of parishioners to hear the report of the work done during the year by the Church Parochial Committee. The Rector much regrets the loss of Mr. Giles Edmonds as his churchwarden. He has appointed Mr. Frederick Martin, of Rhynchill, to take his place. Other vacancies on the Parochial Council will have been filled up. According to the Bishop's wish the names of the qualified electors have been placed in the Church porch. The total number at Churchill is 141, of whom 66 are men and 75 are women. At Sarsden the total number is 44, of whom 16 are men and 28 are women. As the Parish of Sarsden is small it was decided that two meetings only should be held in the year, as at present there is but very little business to transact.

The number of boys and girls and infants on the books of our day schools is as follows:—

Day School.	1863.	1877.	1917.
Boys .....	53	39	52
Girls .....	—	83	50
Infants ...	(1881)	36	39

The meetings of the Mothers' Union and Mothers' Meetings have been well attended throughout the winter months. The last meeting was held on March 20th.

The Bishop will hold his visitation on May 30th at 12 noon at Banbury.

Miss Aline Johnson has been appointed the resident V.A.D. Nurse at the Syon Red Cross Hospital, which is a part of Syon House, one of the seats of the Duke of Northumberland, and

beautifully situated on the Banks of the Thames, near to Kew Gardens.

The following have paid for the Magazine (1917) Mrs. Day, Mrs. Edgington, Mrs. Hovord (1916-17) Mr. Liner (1917-18) Mrs. Shadbolt (1916-17) Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. C. Ridley, Mrs. Lambert, Mrs. Insall. (1918) Mr. Clarke, Mrs. Findley, Mrs. Millin, Nurse Empson, Mrs. Wiggall, Mrs. Cave, Mr. H. Williams, Mrs. Blake, Mrs. Valentine, the Earl of Ducie, Mrs. Mace, Mr. Brecknell.

### CHURCHILL AND SARSDEN BELGIAN REFUGEES ACCOUNT.

#### BALANCE SHEET.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.
Subscriptions .....	69	3	9
Art Union Draws .....	31	18	8
Donations .....	2	8	7
Work done by Belgians .....	15	1	11
Bank Interest .....	0	11	10
Sundries .....	1	7	1
Furniture Sold .....	4	1	10
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	£124	13	8

#### EXPENDITURE.

	£	s.	d.
Furnishing, Clothes, and Coal ...	45	4	3½
Weekly Allowances .....	64	10	0
Mons, Vallée—travelling .....	2	10	9
Bonus on work done .....	4	19	6
Nursing Association .....	1	3	2
Sundries—Couseheir .....	1	11	11½
Balance sent to Mons .....	4	14	0
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	£124	13	8

Audited and found correct,

(Signed) JAS. M. BLAIR.

W. HENRY ANSON.

30th January, 1918.

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### SHIPTON-UNDER-WYCHWOOD.

Baptism.—March 17th, Frank Thomas Yeatman.

Burial.—March 15th, John Townsend, aged 80 years.

Confirmations.—March 20th, at Charlbury, Ethel Amy Peaver, Rose Raymond, Gladys Irene Dodge, Lily Pikesley, and Ellen Windle.

**SPELSBURY.**

Spelsbury subscribers to the Deanery Magazine no doubt read the remarks of the Editor in the March issue, regarding the future price of the Magazine. The plan your Vicar has adopted for Spelsbury is to continue the charge of 1d. to subscribers as in the past and to guarantee the 1/3 per month to the publisher. He, however, trusts that readers will contribute an extra 3d. per year to meet this charge. Sixty subscribers (that is our number) giving 3d. each will provide 15/-, just the amount required. We shall agree, I think, that the having the whole local matter once more is well worth this extra cost.

**Lenten Preachers.**—We owe a deep debt of gratitude to the Revs. J. D. Payne, R.D., T. P.

Field, H. F. Donaldson-Selby, who have so kindly preached to us on Sunday evenings in Lent. We are also looking forward to a similar kindness on Palm Sunday from the Vicar of Enstone.

The Rev. J. D. Payne, R.D., has also very kindly undertaken to conduct a Meditation on Good Friday from 2—3 p.m.

We are very grateful to Mr. T. Davis, of Charlbury, for coming over and assisting us at our Choir Practices, and for playing the organ at many of our services.

Church Collections, February 20th to March 20th:—

Church Expenses ...	£2 4s. 2d.
Sick and Needy ...	4s. 2d.

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SPELSBURY.

& DAYLESFORD

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C A L E N D A R .

1918.

1	W	<i>S. Philip, A.M. and S. James, A.M.</i>
2	Th	
3	F	Invention of the Cross.
4	S	
5	S	<i>5th Sunday after Easter.</i>
6	M	Rogation Day. S. John E. before the Latin Gate.
7	T	Rogation Day.
8	W	Rogation Day.
9	Th	<i>Ascension Day.</i>
10	F	
11	S	
12	S	<i>Sunday after Ascension Day.</i>
13	M	
14	Tu	
15	W	
16	Th	
17	F	
18	S	
19	S	<i>Whitsun Day.</i>
20	M	<i>Monday in Whitsun Week.</i>
21	Tu	<i>Tuesday in Whitsun Week.</i>
22	W	Ember Day.
23	Th	
24	F	Ember Day.
25	S	Ember Day.
26	S	<i>Trinity Sunday.</i> S. Augustine, Abp
27	M	Ven. Bede, P.
28	Tu	
29	W	The Restoration.
30	Th	[Corpus Christi.]
31	F	

3rd, Last Quarter. 10h. 26m. p.m.  
10th, New Moon. 1a. 1m. p.m.

17th, First Quarter. 8h. 14m. p.m.  
25th, Full Moon. 10h. 32a. p.m.

## Deanery Notes.

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Notes for the next Magazine should be sent not later than May 20th, to the Editor, CORNWELL RECTORY, CHIPPING NORTON.

### CHIPPING NORTON.

Vicar—**Rev. H. H. Arkell, M.A., Surrogate.**

Assistant Priest—**Rev. E. L. Weight.**

Churchwardens—**Mr. Austin Webb.**

**Mr. A. J. Bolwell,**  
for Chipping Norton.

**Major Daly,** for Over Norton.

Sexton and Clerk—**H. H. Langton (pro tem).**

**Holy Week and Easter.**—We can thankfully record another real advance in a well kept Holy Week this year. The Summer Time coming in on Palm Sunday saw those of us who attended the 5.30 a.m. services really getting up at 4 a.m., but in spite of this the average attendance at these services was between 40 and 50 each morning. The evening services were also well attended throughout, and we are very grateful to the Archdeacon of Oxford for giving the address on the Thursday evening and for taking the Three Hours service on Good Friday. The Town Hall was again this year well filled for the Lantern Service at 8 p.m. The Archdeacon's addresses were most helpful and deeply appreciated, and during the last half of the Three Hours' Service a large congregation was present. Who of us will ever forget Holy Week this year—the ordinary awful solemnity of this sacred week was intensified by the knowledge that these days and hours would always be looked back upon by future generations as Holy Ground in the history of our country, in the world's history. Holy Ground because our fellow countrymen and brave allies were laying down their lives by thousands for the freedom of the world for which Christ died. And in the Power of the Sacred Passion our hearts, with thousands of other English hearts, watched and prayed for England's brave sons.

Easter Day, with its glorious Resurrection, Hope and its certainty of the triumph of right over wrong brought comfort to many a heart, and a very large number of communicants attended one or other of the celebrations. In addition to those announced last month we had another celebration at 9.30 a.m., and in all there were this Easter 444 who took part in this highest act of Christian worship on the greatest festival of all the year.

The Church was very tastefully decorated, and

the following kindly, assisted Mrs. Arkell:—Altar: Mrs. G. Mace. Font: Mrs. K. Pettipher, Mrs. H. Pettipher. Pulpit: Mrs. Webb, the Misses Webb. Choir Stalls: Miss Cooper, Miss Lockyer. Creation Windows: Mrs. Donnelly, Miss Burbidge. Windows: Mrs. Arkell, Mrs. Felthouse, Miss S. Arkell, Miss L. Daly, Master Arkell. The following kindly sent flowers as well as those who decorated: Mrs. Chamberlayne, Mrs. Daly, Mrs. A. E. Mace, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Nichols, Mrs. Percy Saunders, Miss Pryer, and Miss Gladys Grafton.

**Women's Bible Class.**—A Women's Bible Class has been started, and Mrs. Arkell is kindly taking it. It is open to all women in the parish. The Class meets on alternate Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in the Church Room. It is hoped that at the end of the year a social will be held for the members, when small mementoes will be given to those who have made the best attendances.

**Easter Vestry.**—The annual Vestry Meeting was held in the Church Room on Wednesday, April 3rd at 7.30, the Vicar presiding. The following were also present: Messrs. A. J. Bolwell, T. H. Burbidge, A. G. Felthouse, A. F. Gear, J. George, J. Hartwell, G. Harrison, J. R. Hill, F. King, H. Langton, S. Lewis, W. I. Mann, F. Pink, A. Webb, C. Wilkins, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Arkell, Mrs. Burbidge, Sister Lily Cork, Mrs. Cox, Miss Cox, Mrs. Calcutt, Mrs. Heath, Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Howes, Mrs. Hitchcox, Mrs. King, Mrs. Pearson, Mrs. Pink, Miss Pryer, Mrs. Tollet, Mrs. Webb, Mrs. Wilkins, Mrs. Woodward.

The final presentation of the churchwarden's accounts, &c., was postponed until Friday, May 3rd to allow the result of the Free Will Offering Scheme being known. Mr. A. Webb and Mr. A. J. Bolwell were unanimously re-appointed churchwardens for Chipping Norton, and Major Daly was unanimously re-appointed for Over Norton.

The following were unanimously re-elected sidesmen: Messrs. M. K. Pearson, F. W. King, A. F. Gear, A. G. Felthouse, W. I. Mann, W. Hamblet.

The Vicar made special reference to the loss the sidesmen had sustained in the death of Mr. Morrison, and an expression of sympathy with the family was silently carried.

Mr. Langton was re-appointed to the duties of Clerk and Sexton under the same conditions.

The Vestry adjourned until May 3rd at 8 p.m.

**Annual Parochial Church Meeting.**—This meeting was held in the Church Rooms on April 3rd

at 8 p.m. immediately after the Vestry Meeting. A representative gathering assembled, including all those present at the Vestry Meeting. The Vicar presided. The following were elected Parochial Lay Representatives to the Ruridecanal Conference: Messrs. T. H. Burbidge, A. J. Felthouse, J. George, A. F. Gear, J. R. Hill, J. Hartwell, George Harrison, A. Jones, F. W. King, H. Killerby, W. I. Mann, A. C. Neale, M. K. Pearson, T. H. Pettiphor, F. Pink, A. E. Saunders, T. H. Stamborough, W. Toy, C. Wilkins, and C. H. West.

A short discussion followed on the subject of forming a Parochial Church Council, and it was decided to adjourn the discussion of this matter until the next meeting in the hope the war might then be over.

**Rogation Sunday (May 5th).**—Weather permitting we hope to hold an open-air service at 3 p.m. on the Common. A special form of service will be used, asking God's blessing on the crops. The importance of Rogationtide this year, with its special prayers for God's blessings on the fruits of the earth, cannot be over-estimated.

**Ascension Day (May 9th).**—The following will be the services: Holy Communion, 5 a.m., 6.30 a.m., and 8 a.m.; Mattins, 11.15 a.m.; Evensong 7 p.m.

**Whit-Sunday (May 19th).**—Holy Communion, 6 a.m., 7 a.m. and 8 a.m. Choral; 9.30 a.m. and 11 a.m.; Evensong, 6 p.m.

**Church of England Waifs and Strays Society.**—Mrs. Wilkins is again to be congratulated on the result of the Lent Collection in the Self-denial Boxes, which amounted to £10 9s. 6d. Miss Pryer was also of great assistance in kindly helping Mrs. Wilkins. We publish an alphabetical list of those taking boxes:—

Miss and Master Arkell, Mrs. Barlow, Mrs. Bartlett, Mrs. Bolwell, Boys' School (Church), Mrs. Charlton, Mrs. Coombs, Miss Cox, Miss Cooper, Mrs. Dunford, Miss Daly, Mrs. Felthouse, Mrs. Gear, Mrs. George, Miss Green, Miss Greenshields, Girls' School (Church), Miss Hayes, Mrs. Hamblett, Mr. Hill, Mrs. T. Harwood, Mrs. Hudson, Mrs. Hartwell, Mrs. Hart, Mrs. Hugot, Mrs. Hope, Infants' School (Church), International Stores, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Joslyn, Mrs. Joslyn (junior), Miss Jacques, Mrs. Jeffries, Miss Lewis, Mrs. Langton, Miss F. Lewis, Mrs. G. Mace, Mrs. Moor, Miss Medley, Mrs. Mole, Miss Matthews, Mrs. McLoughlin, Mrs. A. E. Mace, St. Margaret's School, the Mayoress, Mrs. Pettiphor, Mr. Packer (senr.), Mrs. Pink, Mrs. Padbury,

Miss and Master Packer, Miss Pryer, Miss Peuree, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Rowell, Mrs. Saunders, Miss Sturman, Miss Shrimpton, Miss Taylor, Miss and Master Toy, Mr. C. Wilkins, Mrs. H. C. Wilkins, Mrs. Webb.

**Missionary Association.**—Our Association met on April 4, nearly all the members being present. This being the first meeting in the quarter, we had a special speaker in the person of Rev. Hankin-Turvin, whose most interesting and graphic address on his work in West Africa was much appreciated. Why do not more join the Association?

**Confirmation.**—Through an oversight, the name of Frances Ruth Wallington was left out in the list of those confirmed on March 21st.

**Easter Offering.**—The Easter offering amounted to £18 10s. 6d. and the Vicar most sincerely thanks all those who contributed to it.

**Rummage Sale.**—The Annual Rummage Sale on behalf of the Church Room will be held on Saturday, June 1st, at 3 p.m. in the Church Room.

In our deep sympathy unto Mr. and Mrs. Fisher in the death of their daughter, all will join us.

Ernest Frank Baylis, Arthur Thomas Withers, and Charles Edward Randle have all bravely laid down their lives for their country. Our deep sympathy to their families in their great bereavement.

**Baptisms.**—April 7th, Albert John, son of James and Annie Eliza Hawtin; Kathleen May, daughter of Laurence and Lillian Guest; Robert, son of James and Edith Mary Barnes. April 14, Alfred John, son of Patrick Francis and Florence Mabel Hussey.

**Marriages.**—March 30th, James Henry Herbert and Evelyn Ella Grantham. April 2nd, Alfred George Taylor and Annie Ellen Keen. April 20th, Charles Attwood and Sarah Ann Hyde.

**Burials.**—March 23rd, Douglas Burford, aged 15 months. March 27th, Jane Peates, aged 42 years. March 28th, Clara Amy Fisher, aged 17 years. April 15th, Annie Pratt, aged 71 years.

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#### CHADLINGTON.

**Holy Baptism.**—February 24th, John Ralph, son of John and Barbara Fletcher. March 20th, Francis Jesse, son of Francis Alfred and Caroline Kitching. April 4th, Marie Belinda, daughter of Frederick and Mabel Jarvis.

**Marriage.**—March 22nd, William Cyril Labrum and Grace Harvey.

**Burials.**—March 17th, Fanny Webb, aged 76 years. April 15th, Emma Rider, aged 75 years.

**Girls' Friendly Society.**—A sale is to be held early in May. Mrs. Donaldson-Selby will be grateful for any gifts, however small, for the stalls.

**Confirmation.**—The Confirmation was held at Charlbury Church by Bishop Corfe on Wednesday, March 20th. We were favoured with a lovely Spring day. The candidates from Chadlington were George Thomas Williams, Albert Thornton, William Henry Plumb, Tom Hubert Cooper, Francis Joseph Kitching, Beatrice Louisa Williams, Alice Evelyn Williams, Dorothy Martha Trinder, and Ethel Auger. We trust that these will become regular and earnest communicants.

**Soldiers' Comforts Fund.**—This fund continues to flourish, and excellent work has been done by the Sewing Party which has met regularly once a week. Thirty-six nice parcels containing shirts, socks, soap, handkerchiefs, and cigarettes were despatched to our soldiers abroad on March 20th.

**Good Friday.**—Litany was said at 8 a.m. The Three Hours' Service was fairly well attended, the greatest number being present between two and three p.m.

**Easter Day.**—There were Celebrations at 7, 7.45 and mid-day. In all there were 96 communicants, a slight increase on last year. The church had been very tastefully decorated by willing helpers. The offertory amounted to £4 10s. for Church Expenses.

**Easter Vestry.**—The Easter Vestry was held on Thursday in Easter week. The accounts were presented by Mr. J. Collett and showed a satisfactory balance in hand. The outgoing churchwardens were re-elected with votes of thanks for their past services.

**Concert.**—A very good concert, promoted by Mrs. R. Southam, was given by the Charlbury Allies Concert Party in aid of the Red Cross Fund and the Chadlington Comforts' Fund on April 8th. There was a good house and a very good programme. The result was good with a balance of £7 13s. 6d. We are much indebted to the kind Charlbury party and to Mr. and Mrs. Southam and other kind friends for all that they did for these good causes.

**Casualties.**—Frederick James Batts has given his life for his country in the cause of freedom and

peace. Our deep sympathy is with his mother and the rest of the family. He had been in our choir and bore an excellent character. We are also sorry to hear that Joe Kitchen has been dangerously wounded in the recent fighting. He is not yet 19. Our sympathy goes out to his father and mother in their anxiety and sorrow.

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### CHASTLETON.

**Easter.**—The services on Good Friday were the same as on a Sunday. There was an abundance of flowers on Easter Day and we heartily thank all those who helped to decorate. There was Holy Communion at 8.30 and also after the morning service, the number of communicants being very satisfactory. The Easter offerings were given to St. Luke's Hospital, Fitzroy Square, London, W.

**Vestry Meeting.**—On Tuesday, April 2nd, the annual Vestry Meeting was held, at which the Churchwarden's Accounts were presented and passed; they showed a small balance in hand. Our best thanks are due to the wardens for fulfilling their duties so well. The Rector appointed C. T. Richardson, Esq. as his warden, the parish and Church having sustained a great loss by the death of Mr. Whitmore Jones (late Rector's warden). The Vestry heartily re-appointed Mr. Willet as people's warden. The following were elected sidesmen:—Mr. Jarvis and Mr. Gingell.

**Burial.**—Mary Williams, aged 66 years, who passed away on March 14th.

**Marriage.**—A wedding in which great interest was shown was solemnized on Wednesday, April 3rd, in glorious sunshine that made the happiest of omens. The bride was Miss Mary Tibbles and the bridegroom Mr. Thomas Bartlett. The Rector conducted the service which was choral, the school children assisting the choir with the hymns "Lead us, Heavenly Father, lead us" and "How welcome was the call." The bride made a charming appearance in a most becoming dress with hat to match; she carried some beautiful flowers and wore a spray of orange blossoms worn by Mrs. Carson at her wedding. She was given away by Mrs. Gingell. Numerous friends were present and photographs were taken as the wedding party left the church. The honeymoon was spent at Bournemouth. The happy couple were the recipients of many useful and ornamental presents, and everyone will wish them all happiness in their new life.

**Condolence.**—Deep sympathy will be felt for the Rev. R. P. Burnett, rector of Cornwell, who has recently lost his brother after a short illness.

### CHARLBURY.

**Baptisms.**—March 31st (Easter Day), Jack Joseph, son of Frank and Agnes Ellen Wiggins; Rosa Harriet, daughter of Frederick Charles and Gertrude Sturdy.

**Burials.**—March 28th, Daisy Emily Mason, aged 16 years. March 30th, William Mace, aged 77 years. April 11th, William Mann, aged 70 years. April 18th, Maria Johnson, aged 60 years.

**The Confirmation** on March 20th was a memorable day. Altogether there were 118 candidates—50 were from our own parish. With Bishop Corfe there were eight robed clergy; with their candidates from Finstock, Spelsbury, Ship ton, Sarsden, Enstone, Milton and Stonesfield.

**On Easter Day** we had a large number of communicants, and generally a comforting and inspiring Festival.

**At the Easter Vestry**, the accounts for the year showed offertories for Church Expenses and Parochial Objects £122 12s. 1d. Other Offertories of all kinds, including Diocesan Fund, Radcliffe Infirmary, Church Army Huts, Red Cross at the Front, £106 18s. 0d.; total, £229 10s. 1d. At the Parochial Church Meeting, at which 16 were present, nine Lay Representatives were appointed. At the Vestry our Churchwardens and Sidesmen received our best thanks, and were re-appointed.

On April 10th the Vicar attended the gathering of Archdeacons and Rural Deans, at which the Bishop gave us subjects for the Ruri-decanal Chapter and for the Conference. The probable dates are Wednesday, May 22nd for the Chapter of Clergy at Charlbury, at 2.30 p.m. The Ruri-decanal Conference of Clergy and Laity will be at Chipping Norton on Thursday, June 13th at 2.30 p.m. if generally convenient.

The Bishop's Visitation of Clergy and Churchwardens is at Oxford on Monday, May 27th.

The subjects before all these Conferences are of vital interest to Church and nation; and really useful work is being done by Committees who are dealing with these needs.

**Church Lads' Brigade.**—Our Company, numbering 22, had a most enjoyable day at Ditchley on Easter Monday; and we owe our best thanks to Viscount and Viscountess Dillon.

**The War.**—So far we have learned that among the missing are Arthur Timms, and Alfred Bridle, of Cornbury Park; among the wounded, Charles Claydon and Harry Shaylor; and in hospital, Alfred Thornett, whose condition is serious.

The Rev. G. S. Payne, Rector of Delamere, has joined as a Chaplain to the Forces for the period of the war for active service.

### CORNWELL.

**Easter.**—Easter passed peacefully and quietly this year at Cornwell. The Church was beautifully decorated, and the services well attended. The offertories on Easter Day amounted to £2 5s., and were, as in past years, devoted to the expenses of the Church.

The Sunday after Easter the Rector was unavoidably absent, the first time for many years, and the Morning Service was most kindly taken by the Rev. A. W. Callis, Rector of Salford.

**Three Meetings.**—The three meetings of which notice had been given, had to be postponed till Saturday evening, 20th of April, owing to the Rector's absence. They were duly held that evening and were well attended.

**The Vestry Meeting** was held at 6 p.m., the Rector presiding. Colonel Hall and Mr. George Bowles were re-appointed Churchwardens, the latter for the 41st time. The Churchwardens' Accounts were presented and passed, and it was unanimously decided to raise a Special Fund for the repair of the Church Organ, which for some time past has been seriously out of order. Colonel Hall most kindly undertook to pay half the required sum, which is estimated at about £13 or £14, provided the other half was subscribed by the Parish.

**At the Annual Parish Meeting**, which followed, Colonel Hall and Mr. George Fawdry were unanimously re-elected.

**Overseers for the Ensuing Year.**—At the third meeting for the election of two representatives at the Ruri-decanal Conference, Messrs. George Fawdry and W. H. Stowe were unanimously re-elected for the next three years.

**Death of Captain E. L. Burnett.**—The Rector has suffered a very sad loss by the unexpected death of his beloved brother, Captain Burnett, of Clevedon, Somerset. Captain Burnett had been out of health for some months, but nothing serious was anticipated.

The actual cause of his death was "acute bronchitis," and he passed peacefully away at 11 o'clock on Thursday morning, the 4th of April. He was laid to rest the following Tuesday in the beautiful Churchyard at Clevedon, so well-known by Tennyson's lines in "The Memoriam," which exactly describe the present event:

"We laid him by the pleasant shore  
And in the hearing of the waves.  
There twice a day the Severn fills  
And the salt sea water rushes by  
And hushes half the babbling Wye  
And makes a silence in the hills."

Captain Burnett was well known and beloved in Cornwall, where he had spent some months each year for seventeen years past. He was formerly in the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, served some years in India, was engaged in the Afghan War, took part in the taking of Ali-Musjid and Lord Roberts' famous march to Khandaha.—R.I.P.

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#### DAYLESFORD.

Easter came to us this year in the midst of great anxiety with regard to the situation at the front, but the festival was well observed, and brought its message of comfort and hope, more than ever needed in these days. The services were well attended on the whole, though the number of communicants was smaller than for many years past, which is largely to be accounted for by the fact of our decreased population owing to the war. The decorations, though not so elaborate as in some former years, were not unworthy of the occasion, and were tastefully carried out by Mrs. Clark, Miss Ring, Miss M. Webley, and Mr. White, who are deserving of all thanks and praise for their successful efforts.

The Easter Vestry Meeting was held on Thursday, April 4th, when Mr. E. A. Edginton was elected Churchwarden in succession to Mr. Charles Sargent, who had so worthily filled that office for more than twenty years, but who has now left the parish. We are confident that Mr. Edginton will prove himself a worthy successor to Mr. Sargent in this important office. The Church Accounts for the past year were presented and passed. There was a balance of nearly £4 with which to commence the year, which, however, was more apparent than real since there were one or two outstanding liabilities which would more than absorb this amount. Mr. Young, however, with his usual generosity, has relieved us of all anxiety in the matter, and with a very handsome donation to the Church Expenses Fund, has left us with a substantial balance in hand after the payment of all claims. We desire to express our most grateful thanks to him for his generous kindness. At a Parish Meeting held at the conclusion of the Vestry Meeting, Mr. Edginton was appointed overseer for the parish for the ensuing year.

**Baptism.**—On Sunday, March 31st (Easter Day), Olive Kathleen, daughter of Ralph and Edith Bayliss.

#### ENSTONE.

**Baptised.**—February 24th, Thomas Edward, son of Edwin and Jane Watts.—March 3rd, Daphne Florence, daughter of Frederick and Florence Emily Woodford.—March 10th, Winifred Gladys, daughter of Edgar Victor and Annie Hunt.—March 17th, Molly, daughter of Frederick George and May Staples.—April 7th, John, son of George and Emily Sheffield.

**Marriage.**—March 30th, Ellis Harry Thornett and May Annie Cross.

**Burials.**—March 30th, John George Chamberlain, aged 69 years.—April 14th, John Henry Harrison, aged 52 years.

Thanks to the Vicar of Spelsbury for taking the service and preaching here on Palm Sunday evening.

Please remember that the first Sunday in May will be Rogation Sunday, and the three following days Rogation Days.

In the April Magazine one is glad to read of what the "gospel of giving" meant to the Swineherd of Stow-in-Lindsey (not Stow-on-the-Wold). The glorious minister that his generosity helped to build has been described, by no mean authority, as the most precious architectural possession of the British Isles. Quite recently it was admired by our King and Queen who, in the midst of a busy day, found time therein to join the intercessions led by the successor of St. Hugh.

It was quite a pleasure to meet Bishop Corfe again at Charlbury and Chipping Norton, and present 29 candidates for confirmation, including 17 lads. One other candidate was presented on the Vicar's behalf at Kidlington. Not one of our many hamlets was without a candidate. In conversation after one of the Confirmations, the good bishop told me how that in Corea they had to translate "years of discretion" by two Chinese words that signify "the opening of the bud" "the dawning of the intelligence."

We have cause to remember this Easter Day in many ways with great thankfulness, and not least the evident desire to encourage the newly confirmed. The services were as usual, and well attended; and this fourth year of warfare made the message of Easter more welcome than ever. The usual willing helpers kindly attended to the decorations, that included beautiful plants sent by Lady Dillon.

Unfortunately Easter Day was Mr. Mayo's last Sunday at the organ. We are grateful to him for his work, since Mr. Thornett had to leave his schoolmaster's work in June, 1916, for the army.



The churchwardens and sidesmen were re-appointed at the Easter Vestry held on Saturday evening in Easter week. The accounts were presented and found correct, with a balance on the right side. The Easter offering was again at the Vicar's request retained by the churchwardens towards defraying the heavy cost of lighting and heating the church. The quantity and quality of the offering, in response to his appeal, gave much pleasure to the Vicar on his 21st Easter Day in Eastone Church.

The Parochial Church Meeting was held at the conclusion of the business of the Easter Vestry when the churchwardens and sidesmen, together with Mr. Fred Hawtin, were appointed to represent Eastone at the Ruri-decanal Conference.

For some time weddings here have been rare events. The above-named bridegroom, a discharged soldier, was most honourably badged for service and wounds.

It is a great grief to record the death of John Harrison, owing to pneumonia. He was unlike anyone else, and will be much missed. He was scarcely able to remember the time when he did not sing in our choir. He was fond of music and singing and possessed a fine voice; always true. Choirmen and boys sang at his burial to show their sympathy and regard.

Another cause of great grief and sorrow is the death of Alfred Hawtin from wounds received in the service of his country. He was in the Oxfordshire Yeomanry, and eagerly responded to the call on August 5th, 1914. One of his officers has written as follows:—

5/4/18.

In the Field.

B. E. F.

My great friend, Sergeant A. Hawtin, was rather badly wounded on the 2/4/18 while leading his squadron over the top in a counter-attack. He performed his duty that day like he always was a real born soldier. I shall miss him more than any fellow that I have ever had to do with, as he was in my troop for about 2½ years, and was my right-hand man.

Another kind officer, wounded in the same business, called on Alfred's parents on April 19th and added his testimony to the bravery and ability of the soldier. Alfred was doing more than sergeant's work, and had he lived his services would undoubtedly have been rewarded with distinction.

Alfred is the second son of our respected Parish Clerk to give his life for his country. Like all his family, he had served our Church from boyhood

in choir and belfry, and in anything that he could lend a hand or voice.

The events of the preceding week and sympathy with the mourners added considerably to the congregations in church on Sunday, April 14th, specially in the evening. Days of anxiety and sorrow would be well nigh unbearable but for the consolation and strength that our Lord gives in and through His Church.

A muffled peal was rung after Evensong on April 14th.

The above-recorded baptisms were according to Prayer Book order—the first at Matins, the others at Evensong. No-one objected or found the order inconvenient. We have always pointed out that any or every Sunday may be a "Christening Sunday."

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### GREAT ROLLRIGHT.

**The Day School** was re-opened on Easter Tuesday after being closed six weeks for measles. We understand the attendance is now improving. The senior boys have been very busy lately in the School gardens.

**Induction of New Rector.**—The Rev. P. Morgan Watkins, M.A., of Brasenose College, Oxford, was inducted on April 3rd, at 6.15 p.m., by the Archdeacon of Oxford, assisted by the Rural Dean. There was a large congregation to witness the ceremony, including the Principal of Brasenose, who presented the new Rector, and the Vicars of Hook Norton and Swerford. For the last seven months the Rector has been taking the place of one of the clergy at the Parish Church of Alton, Hants., who was in Egypt as Chaplain to the Forces.

**Easter Services.**—The Easter Services at the Parish Church were well attended, and there were a large number of communicants at the early service. The decorations were kindly undertaken by the ladies of the parish.

**Vestry Meeting.**—The Easter Vestry Meeting was held on Monday, April 8th, at 6 p.m., in the Schoolroom. The Churchwardens presented the accounts, showing a balance of £11 14s. 11½d. in hand. Mr. J. Hughes was re-appointed as Rector's warden—an office which he has now held for 32 years. Mr. W. Harvey was elected as people's warden. A vote of thanks to Mr. Hughes for presiding at the organ during the past year was proposed and carried.

### SARSDEN-CUM-CHURCHILL.

**Sunday School.**—After unavoidable delay the Earl of Ducie's prizes were distributed to the Sunday School on Sunday 14th April. The Rector spoke a few kindly words to the children.

Four of the school girls—Doris Widdows, Dela Beck, Edith Anson, and Freda Ferriman—have written letters to Private James Canning, a prisoner of war in Turkey.

After more than thirteen years of loyal and faithful service in Churchill Choir, Andrew W. Anson has left to join the Army, and is now in the Civil Service Rifles in training at Wimbledon Camp.

The ordinary income of the C.M.S. received last year amounted to £404.646. This is a record. Totals of C.M.S. Boxes collected between July, 1915, to March, 1918, in Sarsden-cum-Churchill:—No. 1, 12s. 6d.; 2, 8s. 1d.; 3, 17s. 1d.; 4, 15s. 5d.; 5, 13s. 9d.; 6, 14s. 2d.; 7, 13s. 2d.; 8, £1 3s. 5d.; 9, 7s. 11d.; 10, £1 2s. 6d.; 11, 18s. 8d.; 13, £8 10s. 11d.; 14, 14s. 2d.; 15, 5s. 7d.; 16, £2 13s. 0d.; 17, £1 0s. 6d.; 18, 18s.; 19, 12s. 1d.; 20, £1 15s. 10d.; 21, £1 5s. 4d.; 22, 13s. 10d.; 23, 10s.; 24, £2 2s. 4d.; 25, 17s. 1d.; 26, 11s. 2d.; 27, 13s. 7d.; total, £31 14s. 1d.

The many Church services connected with the remembrance of our Lord's sufferings and death and Resurrection were duly observed, and the attendance on Good Friday and Easter Day were considered by visitors to be above the average. The Vestry Meeting was held on Easter Monday in the evening, when the church accounts were audited and passed. The Rector having thanked the Churchwardens and Sidesmen and all the members of the Church Parochial Council for the good work that had been carried out during the past year, referred to the regrettable illness of Mr. Giles Edmonds, who has felt that he cannot continue the office of Rector's warden. Under these circumstances the Rector appointed Mr. Frederick Thomas Martin, of Rhynchill, as his warden, and Mr. Hugh Jordan was elected Parish Warden in place of Mr. W. H. Peachey, who wished to resign. Messrs. Treweeke, Ferriman, and Peachey were appointed sidesmen.

At the general meeting of qualified electors, Mr. F. T. Martin was appointed parish representative.

The Sarsden Vestry was held on Easter Tuesday, when Mr Blair was re-elected Churchwarden and parish representative. The Parochial Church Council was held, and the committee were appointed as last year.

The Churchill Charity money was distributed on Easter Monday by Mr. W. Matthews and the Rector; and the Sarsden Poor's money by Mr. Blair.

**Education.**—Local Success.—We are glad to congratulate Miss Margorie H. Treweeke; first for having passed in December last the Oxford Junior Local Examination (2nd Class Honours, in place of merit 3rd in England). Also, for having gained in March, an Intermediate County Scholarship, tenable for two years from next September, and which may be extended should the scholar continue to shew progress in her studies.

Annie Harris, writing from "Sweet Briar" Cottage, Dr. Barnado's Homes, to her late foster-mother, Mrs. Cooper, says:—"You will be surprised to hear that the Prayer Book I had for my last prize (given by Lord Ducie for the Sunday School) has saved my brother's life. I gave it to him when he came to see me. He took it to France with him in his pocket. A bullet went through it, but did not touch him."

**Queen Mary's Needlework Guild**—Lady Dawson (hon. secretary) writes as follows:—"Dear Mrs. Johnson,—All your lovely things have arrived safely, and I am commanded by the Queen to tell you and all those who have so kindly worked these most useful things, how grateful Her Majesty is, and how much she appreciates your help. Do tell all your workers that we have sent them off at once, and they are all just the things we want. Our special requirements now are socks and operation stockings, but all the things sent are most useful.—Yours very truly, AIMEE DAWSON."

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### SALFORD.

**Burial.**—April 2nd, Caroline Rose, aged 82 years

The following were confirmed at Chipping Norton, March 21st, by Bishop Corfe.—John Bowen Edwards Herbrand Russell, Rose Gertrude Irvine, Agnes Mabel Baylis, and Lilian May Souch. May they earnestly seek for and obtain the blessings to be derived from this Holy rite, and be regular in carrying out the Lord's command. "This do in remembrance of Me."

The Annual Vestry Meeting was held at the Rectory, April 5th, the Rector presiding. Mr. G. E. Taylor was thanked for his passed services, and unanimously re-elected.

With the kind subscriptions of friends both outside as well as in the parish, the Church accounts showed a satisfactory balance of a few shillings, details will be published later.

# THE CHIPPING NORTON Deanery Magazine.



For the Parishes of



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CHARLBURY & SHORTHAMPTON.  
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CHADLINGTON.  
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HOOK NORTON.  
FINSTOCK.  
GREAT ROLLRIGHT.

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SHIPTON & LANGLRY.  
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&amp; DAYLESFORD.

JUNE.

CALENDAR.

1918.

1	S	S. Nicomede, P.M.
2	Su	1st Sunday after Trinity.
3	M	
4	T	
5	W	S. Boniface, B.M.
6	Th	
7	F	
8	S	
9	Su	2nd Sunday after Trinity.
10	M	
11	Tu	S. Barnabus, A.M.
12	W	
13	Th	
14	F	
15	S	
16	Su	3rd Sunday after Trinity.
17	M	S. Alban, M.
18	Tu	
19	W	
20	Th	Translation of S. Edward, K.M.
21	F	
22	S	
23	Su	4th Sunday after Trinity. Nativity of S. John Baptist.
24	M	
25	Tu	
26	W	
27	Th	
28	F	
29	S	S. Peter, A.M.
30	Su	5th Sunday after Trinity.

2nd, Last Quarter. 4h. 20m. a.m.  
8th, New Moon, 10h. 3m. p.m.

16th, First Quarter. 1h. 12m. p.m.  
24th, Full Moon, 10h. 38m. a.m.

## Deanery Notes.

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### CHIPPING NORTON.

Vicar—**Rev. H. H. Arkell, M.A., Surrogate.**

Assistant Priest—**Rev. E. L. Weight.**

Churchwardens—**Mr. Austin Webb,**

**Mr. A. J. Bolwell,**  
for Chipping Norton.

**Major Daly,** for Over Norton.

Sexton and Clerk—**H. H. Langton** (pro tem).

**Easter Vestry.**—The adjourned Easter Vestry was held on May 3rd, the Vicar presiding. The following were also present, Rev. E. L. Weight, Messrs. A. J. Bolwell, A. F. Gear, J. Hartwell, M. K. Pearson, A. Webb, C. Wilkins, and A. G. Woodward. Mr. Webb in presenting the Churchwardens' accounts, stated that there was a deficit of £21 19s. 10d., though it must be remembered there were still one or two outstanding subscriptions. It was, however, satisfactory to notice there was a decided increase in the offertories—nearly £5 on the offertories for Church Expenses, and between £8 and £9 increase on the Special Offertories. The Churchwardens had received £84 from the Freewill Offering Fund, as against £35 for last year. The Churchwardens' house-to-house Easter collections amounted to £41, as against £62 8s. 10d. of last year, and the difference here is chiefly to be attributed to the loss of subscribers, and in one or two cases reduction of subscriptions, and the one or two outstanding subscriptions mentioned above. After due examination, on the proposal of Mr. Hartwell, seconded by Mr. Gear, the Churchwardens' Accounts, together with the Charity Accounts were unanimously passed.

On the proposal of Mr. A. Webb, seconded by Mr. Gear, Mr. A. G. Woodward was unanimously elected a sidesman.

Sincere regrets at Mr. A. J. Woolliams leaving the parish were unanimously expressed, and it was proposed by Mr. Webb, seconded by Mr. Woodward that these should be recorded in the minutes. The Vicar spoke of Mr. Woolliams' keen interest in the Church and all Church matters—his help would be much missed.

Mr. Webb drew attention to the splendid way the subscriptions had been forthcoming to the Heating Apparatus Fund.

**Parochial Church Fête.**—It is now generally known that July 4th is the date fixed for this important event, and at a meeting on May 13th, it was arranged to have the following stalls:—General Stall, Refreshment and Provision Stall, Do Without Stall. The Church Girl Guides are also running a stall of their own, and the Girls' Friendly Society will have a stall under the same conditions as last year. It is hoped to provide tea with due regard to war conditions. The Baby Show (so popular last year), will be repeated. We also hope to have a "Treasure Hunt" (if it can be arranged), and with dancing and other amusements a very pleasant time will be obtainable.

A Grand Concert and Entertainment will be held the following evening in the Oddfellows' Hall.

We shall be grateful for any gifts sent, either in kind or money.

**Sidesmen.**—Through an oversight the names of Messrs. A. C. Neale and C. Wilkins were omitted from the list of those unanimously re-elected sidesmen at the Easter Vestry Meeting on April 3rd.

**Rogation Service.**—The open-air Rogationtide Service was duly held as announced last month on Rogation Sunday, May 5th. The clergy and choir assembled at the church at 2.30 and robed, and with some members of the congregation, walked in procession to a spot selected on the common, a Litany hymn being sung on the way. The special form of service used was "The Ely open-air service for Rogationtide," recommended by the Bishop.

It was a pity the weather was so unsettled, as it prevented many from joining those who came from all parts of the parish to take part in this most striking service.

**Church Girl Guides.**—We congratulate the Officers, Guides and Brownies of our Church Company on their visit to Oxford on April 24th, in connection with Princess Mary's visit to inspect the Women Land Workers. Our Company, with other Oxfordshire Companies formed a guard of honour for the Princess.

To quote the "Oxfordshire Weekly News": "It is gratifying to know that the Company were complimented upon their smart appearance by the Commissioner, and were included among the Companies chosen to march past the Princess."

**Ascension Day and Whit-Sunday.**—We were glad to notice over 60 Communicants on Ascension Day, and over 300 on Whit-Sunday.

**S.P.C.K.**—On Sunday evening, June 2nd, the sermon will be preached by the Rev. Summers, and the offertory given to this splendid society. There will be a meeting on behalf of this society on the following Monday evening in the Church Room at 7.30, when Mr. Summers will give an address.

**Open-air Service.**—On Sunday evening, June 9th, immediately after the evening service, there will be an open-air service at Rock Hill. It will begin about 7.30. A new war shrine will be dedicated.

**Killed in Action.**—Another brave man from our parish has laid down his life for his country in the person of Lance-Corporal W. Knight, who was killed instantaneously in France. Our deep sympathy to his wife, his father, and the family.

**Baptisms.**—May 5th, Minnie Edith, daughter of Albert William and Edith Rebecca Dore; May 12th, Hilda Mary, daughter of Frank and Annie Waugh; Kathleen Rose, daughter of Sidney and Alice Thornton.

**Marriage.**—May 18th, Harry Benjamin Hurst and Lily Beatrice Brain.

**Burials.**—April 25th, Sarah Smith, aged 70 years; April 29th, Hilda Marion Wilkins, aged 29 years; May 1st, William Patrick, aged 83 years; May 4th, George Slatter, aged 73 years.

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### CHARLBURY.

**Baptisms.**—April 19th, Molly, daughter of Albert Henry and Florence Fanny Petter.—May 12th, Henry John, son of George Harold and Elsie Rose Hall.

**Burial.**—May 9th, Lizzie Watts, aged 55 years.

**Ascension Day.**—This festival was well observed. At Holy Communion at 6.30 a.m., and also at 8, a good number were present; as also at the Evening Service, when our Church Lads' Brigade assembled. The offertory for the Church Army Huts at the Front was £5.

**Ruri-decanal Conference.**—The Ruri-decanal Conference of Clergy and Laity will be at Chipping Norton on Thursday, June 13th, at 2.30 p.m.

**Day Schools.**—On May 16th the Day Schools gave us an excellent Pageant of Empire on the Playing Close; and we had a collection for the Prisoners of War Fund.

**The War.**—Alfred Thornett died in hospital on April 19th.

Albert Dix was killed in action on April 29th.

Henry Dix is reported missing.

The relatives of all these have our best sympathy.

Arthur Timms and Alfred Bridle are prisoners of war.

Lieut. H. G. Elkington has received the Military Cross. Our best congratulations to him; and also to Lieut. Harvey, of Chadlington, M.C.

**Appointment.**—The Bishop of Oxford has appointed the Rev. E. A. McConnell, M.A., to the Rectory of Fifield with Idbury. We now have four clergy belonging to St. John's College, Oxford, in the Deanery, to balance the four of St. John's, Cambridge.

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### CHASTLETON.

**The Rummage Sale** at Chastleton House produced £30 0s. 2d., and the distribution was as follows:—Heythrop Nursing Fund, £12 10s.; Moreton Cottage Hospital, £5; Red Cross County Fund, £10; Church Extension Association, £3 10s.; total, £31.

Last year (1917) we had £6 placed in the bank. It was distributed later in the year as follows:—Church Extension Fund, £4; Nursing Fund, £1; leaving a balance of £1, which has been added to this year's rummage sale, making it £31.

**Chastleton Day School.**—In the Oxford Prize Scheme Needlework, the children gained three first prizes, two second prizes, four third prizes, and one commendation.

**The War.**—David Skeleher has been badly gassed, and Joseph Whittington and Sidney Luckett have each been wounded in the legs. We are glad to hear that they are progressing favourably. Bob Skelton has joined the R.W. Regt.

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### CORNWELL.

**The Church Organ.**—The sum of £7 has been most kindly subscribed towards the repair of our church organ, and as our kind churchwarden, Colonel Hall, has promised a like sum, we have now sufficient to put the work in hand, which we hope shortly to do. The Rector heartily thanks his parishioners for their kind and ready response to his appeal, and also for their kind

subscriptions to our Church Funds, which amounted to £8, being £1 14s. more than last year.

**S.P.C.K.**—We are expecting our kind friend the Rev. E. C. Summers to pay us his usual visit at the beginning of June. He will address the children at the afternoon service on Sunday, the 2nd of June, at 3 p.m. We also hope to have a meeting at the Rectory on Tuesday, the 4th, at 3 p.m. We trust all who can do so will make a point of attending.—Holders of boxes, who have not already done so, are requested to send them in by that date.

We have pleasure in inserting the following lines in memory of one of our two Cornwell heroes, Frederick Hill, who died on active service just three years ago:—

**In ever-loving memory of our dear son, Fred.**

Another year has passed, our hearts still sore,  
As time rolls on we miss him more;  
Only those who have lost can tell  
The loss of one we loved so well.  
A light is from our household gone,  
A voice we loved is stilled;  
A place is vacant in our home  
Which never can be filled.

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**ENSTONE.**

**Baptised.**—April 25th, Annie Margaret, daughter of Albert Edward and Annie Margaret Agnes Best Stevens.—April 28th, Elsie Brenda Capes, daughter of Frederick William and Annie Maria Reynolds.

**Buried.**—May 20th, Charles Somerton, aged 72 years.

A misprint in last month's notes should be corrected. Mr. Tom Hawtin was elected to the Buri-decanal Conference. Fred was his brother who gave his life for his country.

Rogationtide prayers were offered before the Evening Prayer in Church on the Monday in Rogation week at Broadstone and Church Enstone allotments, on Tuesday at Lidstone and Neat Enstone, and on Wednesday at Ditchley and Cleveley. At every place the Vicar had the thanks of those who gladly met him for the purpose and

except on the Tuesday, when he was alone in the rain. However, we had to hear sometime after that on the Tuesday a certain good wife said to her lord and master "Surely the Vicar won't be such a yawnup as to come up here in all this rain," to which she had the reply "I'll lay a penny he's there."

Major Villiers has sent a Mons ribbon to Mrs. Hawtin, as her "gallant son (Sergt. A. Hawtin) was entitled to it." The letters received by his parents are a great comfort and will be treasured.

"27, Grosvenor Square, W.1.

22/4/18.

Dear Mrs. Hawtin,

Major Villiers has been to see me to-day and told me of your son's death, and I am writing at once to let you know how very deeply we sympathise with you in your terrible loss. I did not know your son till recently, being in the Oxford Squadron myself, but he was with me in the trenches 3 weeks before the offensive began and then I realised what an excellent sergeant he was. We were expecting the attack then and he was the greatest help to me. He was very cheerful, wonderfully cool, and such a hard worker, and the effect of his example to the men under those circumstances is quite impossible to describe in writing. I remember telling Major Villiers afterwards what a tremendous help he had been to me. I hope these few lines will help you to realise how we all deplore his loss, and how we appreciate the good work he has done for the regiment. Again assuring you of our deepest sympathy, I remain, yours truly,

H. A. FANE, Captain."

A letter from another officer described him as a splendid fellow and an excellent sergeant. "No troop officer could have a better sergeant to go to battle with, whether it was trenches or open warfare. He was absolutely fearless and yet very level-headed. The men in the troop had great confidence in him."

And yet another commanding in March in trenches, often declared Alf. to be the best sergeant up there.

Arthur Smith, of Radford Mill, we regret to say, has been killed in France. His parents and brothers have the sympathy of us all. The first of our men and lads to fall in the war was Arthur Akers from Radford Mill.

"Afflictions bring us the nearest way to God"—so said the saintly Bishop Wilson, who died in 1755.

**FINSTOCK AND FAWLER.**

**Jumble Sale.**—A very successful jumble sale was held in the Schools on Saturday afternoon, April 20th, in aid of the Charlbury and Finstock District Nursing Association. The sum of £31 ls. 8d. was realised and handed over to the funds.

**Rally of Land Workers.**—On Wednesday, April 24th, a rally of land workers from all parts of the county was held at Oxford. Three land workers attended from Finstock—Mrs. Rainbow, Miss Renee Knight, and Miss Alice Knowles. The weather was bright and warm, and a most enjoyable day was spent. H.R.H. Princess Mary distributed armlets, stripes, &c. to many of the workers. Those present from Finstock each received an armlet from Her Royal Highness.

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**GREAT ROLLRIGHT.**

**May Day.**—The Children's May Day Festival was omitted this year, but on Thursday, May 2nd, the scholars of the school, accompanied by their teachers, paraded the village. Patriotic songs were sung, and Mr. W. Tompkins kindly lent his horse and trolley, which was very prettily decorated with flowers and flags by friends. Miss Celina and Miss Pearson dressed as Red Cross Nurses, had collecting boxes, and by their persistent efforts secured £5 for the Red Cross Society. Many thanks to all who took part.

**Children's Service.**—A Children's Service is now held in Church every Sunday afternoon at 2.30. These services are very well attended, and any parents that like to come are always welcome. Miss Rosie Pearson very kindly gives her services at the organ. The children contributed 4/8 on Whit-Sunday, as their Whitsun Farthing offering to the Diocesan Fund.

Miss Hall, of Great Rollright Manor, presented a beautiful bouquet of orchids to Princess Mary at the rally of women land workers at Oxford early in May.

The new Rector, Rev. Morgan Watkins, hopes to be able to take up his residence at the Rectory early in June.

The parish sent £6 3s. to the C.M.S. and £2 3s. 6d. to the S.P.G. for the last twelve-month. The following contributors had S.P.G. boxes:—Miss A. Batts, 2/8; Miss Edith Berry, 5/7½; Mrs. W. Cooper, 4/7½; Mr. W. Harvey, 3/2; Mrs. Hughes, 9/10; Miss A. Hope, 1/3; Miss F. Hope, 1/11; Mrs. Gregory, 5/-; Great Rollright School, 4/2; Rectory Household, 5/2½; total, £2 3s. 6d.

**HOOK NORTON.**

**Holy Baptism.**—May 12th, William, son of Edward Emery and Ada Mary Luckett.

**Number of Communicants** from April 21st to May 20th, 1909.

**Collections during same period:**—

	£	s.	d.
Offertory Fund .....	0	10	7½
Sunday School .....	0	5	11½
Choir Fund .....	0	10	1½
Poor Fund .....	0	12	9½
Restoration Fund .....	0	12	0½
Church Expenses .....	1	11	1½
Society for promoting Christian Knowledge .....	1	0	10
Lighting Fund .....	0	12	8
Oxford Diocesan Fund .....	2	7	9

**Churchyard Fund.**—We have received the following subscriptions towards the Churchyard Fund, for which we beg to thank the donors:—Mrs. T. Harris, 10s.; Miss Colegrave, 2s. 6d.; Mrs. Colegrave, 5s.; Mr. Bull, 5s.; Mr. G. T. Clarke, 2s. 6d.; the Rector, 10s. Any assistance, either in money or labour, towards keeping the Churchyard in a seemly condition—that is, in a manner befitting the honour of God and betokening affectionate remembrance of the departed—will be gladly welcomed.

**The Mothers' Union.**—A meeting in connection with the Mothers' Union took place on the lawn at the Rectory on Tuesday, May 14th, and it is to be hoped that in course of time we may have a strong branch of the Union here. The meeting was addressed by Mrs. Woodward, who came from the headquarters of the Union in London, and who gave us a most helpful and interesting account of the work and objects of the society. The objects of the Union are (1) to uphold the Sanctity of Marriage, (2) to awaken in mothers of all classes a sense of their great responsibility in the training of their boys and girls, and (3) to organise in every place a Band of Mothers who will unite in Prayer, and seek by their own example to lead their families in Purity and Holiness of life. Membership is open to married women who are mothers, and also married women without children. Unmarried women who are interested in the objects and work of the Mothers' Union may also join as Associates. Only communicants can be full members. All wishing to join must of course have been baptized, and in the case of actual mothers must bring their children to Holy Baptism, if they have not already done so. All join in the first instance as probationers for three months.

**Ascension Day.**—We had a very beautiful service at Evensong on Ascension Day, with a lovely anthem, "Lift up thine eyes," from Mendelssohn's Elijah, and there were celebrations of the Holy Communion at 7 a.m. and 10.30 a.m. The collections were for the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, and amounted to £1 0s. 10d.

**Whitsuntide.**—At Whitsuntide we were favoured with most glorious weather, and the services were bright and hearty, and again we had a beautiful anthem, "If ye love Me, keep My commandments, and I will give you another Comforter." The Church was very prettily decorated for both festivals, and many comments were passed on the beauty of the decorations, especially on those at Whitsuntide. Beautiful music and beautiful flowers both help us to "lift up our hearts unto the Lord."

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#### SARSDEN-CUM-CHURCHILL.

**Baptisms.**—At Churchill, on May 12th, Eric George, (born March 12th, 1918), son of George Henry and Alice Clara Clifton; sponsors, Walter Edward James Clifton, Frances Esther Clifton, and the father.—At Sarsden, on May 12th, Norah Elizabeth (born February 19th, 1918), daughter of Harry and Ada Sherbourne; sponsors, Nellie Duester, Mary Millin, and the father.—At Churchill, on Whit-Sunday, May 19th, 1918, Thomas George (born March 12th, 1918), son of Robert and Sylvia Etty Kinch; sponsors, the parents, and Wilfred Roy Ridley.

**Marriage.**—At Churchill, on April 16, William Ivins to Emily Maud Cox.

**Roll of Honour.**—Percy Augustus Weatherall, 5th Oxon and Bucks Light Infantry (reported missing May 3rd, 1917) reported killed February 28th, 1918.

**C.M.S.**—Miss Roberts, who has worked for the last 20 years in Palestine, hopes to spend Sunday and Monday (June 9th and 10th) at Sarsden; when she will give addresses at Churchill on Sunday evening, on the Church Bank after service (weather permitting), and also at the Rectory on Monday afternoon at 3.30 p.m., to which all who hold Missionary Boxes, or are interested in the work, are cordially invited to attend.

Some of the members of the Churchill congregation co-operated with the Scout Master of the Boy Scouts of Chipping Norton in providing a happy hunting ground for a rally, when a demon-

stration of practical Christianity was given by occupying 100 boys from 10 o'clock in the morning of Whit-Monday till late in the afternoon, in the wholesome recreation of the American national game of "base ball." The weather was brilliantly fine, and all passed off very successfully. The boys had not a dull moment all day. The Churchill Girl Guides, under Mrs. Jordan (the captain), worked very well in preparing and serving the tea and in other ways.

**Red Cross Society.**—Our parish joined heartily in this movement. The excellent concert provided by the Charlbury "Allies" was much appreciated and well attended. The itinerating barrel organ, and the shop in Chipping Norton, also the Union Art Draw, were all organised by our people, to say nothing of the generous gifts that were contributed for the benefit of the wounded soldiers, which came from Sarsden and Churchill, all went to show how deeply interested we were in this national cause.

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#### SHIPTON-UNDER-WYCHWOOD.

**Baptism.**—May 5th, Mark Norgrove.

**Baptisms** may be taken in the Parish Church, on due notice being given, at the morning service on the second, fourth or fifth Sundays in the month, or at the Evening Service on any Sunday; also at the Mission Church any Sunday afternoon.

The late Vicar has sent the following circular letter in acknowledgment of the testimonial given him by the parish on his retirement:—

Wychwood House,  
Barfield,  
Ryde, I.W.

Please accept my hearty thanks for the very handsome testimonial I have received from Shipton Parish, as also for the kind words in the accompanying address.

It was a great sorrow to me to resign my office of Vicar of Shipton, and to leave the Church in which I have worshipped during the last and first quarters of my life, and the many well-tried friends; and by this removal to cease to cease the hundred years connection of Barter and Carter with your Deanery. However, no longer feeling equal to the charge, I have returned to the Diocese of my Ordination, and the home of my father's family.

But distance will not prevent a continual remembrance, and my prayer will ever be for the spiritual and temporal welfare of Shipton.



The value to me of your gift is much enhanced by the long list of names inscribed thereon, which list will be always preserved with the present itself as an heirloom.

With all kind desires for you from my family and myself,

I am,  
Yours sincerely,  
W. COLLINGWOOD CARTER.

A detailed account of the dance given in the Beaconfield Hall on May 1st by "The Sparks" from the Wireless Station has already appeared in the *Oxford Times*. It is unnecessary, therefore, to say more here than that the proceeds which amounted to £5 6s. 1d. were given to the Red Cross Funds.

The Church Council, on the recommendation of the Churchyard Committee, desire that public notice should be given:—

- (1) That nothing can be legally put into the Churchyard without first obtaining the Vicar's permission.
- (2) That stonemasons must be instructed to submit for the Vicar's approval all designs and inscriptions for gravestones, and pay the appointed fee.
- (3) That bulbs and other flowers may be planted on the graves.
- (4) That no shrubs or trees may be planted.
- (5) That no artificial flowers or glass globes which cause so much disfigurement can be allowed.

**Church Collections.**—Diocesan Missionary Candidates, £1 3s. 1d; Burford Cottage Hospital, Parish Church, £3 14s. 11d.; Mission Room, 5s. 4d.; Whitsun Farthings, 5s.

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### SPELSBURY.

Our thanks are due to Miss Tanner for working a beautiful green bourse and pull for the altar. These will be in use for the first time on the first Sunday after Trinity. With the exception of red book-markers for the lectern we have now a complete set of the Liturgical colours.

On Rogation Sunday an open-air service was held in the allotments at Taston to seek God's blessing upon the crops, "that it may please God to give and preserve to our use the kindly gifts of the earth so as in due time we may enjoy them."

Church collections, April 7th to May 19th:—

	£	s.	d.
Church Expenses .....	2	19	11
Sick and Needy .....	1	6	7
Prisoners of War Fund .....	1	6	9

**Roll of Honour.**—We much regret to learn that Sergeant Charles Jolly has been wounded, and that Private Robert Trinder is a prisoner of war.

# THE CHIPPING NORTON Deanery Magazine.



For the Parishes of



CHIPPING NORTON.  
CHARLBURY & SHORTHAMPTON.  
CHASTELETON.  
CHADLINGTON.  
CHURCHILL & SAKSDEN.  
CORNWELL.

ENSTONK  
PIFIELD & IDBURY.  
HEYTHROP.  
HOOK NORTON.  
FINSTOCK.  
GREAT ROLLRIGHT.  
& DAYLESFORD.

LITTLE ROLLRIGHT.  
SALFORD.  
MILTON & LYNEHAM.  
RAMSDEN.  
SHIPTON & LANGLIY.  
SPELSBURY.

JULY.

CALENDAR.

1918.

1	M	
2	T	Visitation of the B.V. Mary.
3	W	
4	Th	Translation of S. Martin, B.C.
5	F	
6	S	
7	S	<i>6th Sunday after Trinity.</i>
8	M	
9	Tu	
10	W	
11	Th	
12	F	
13	S	
14	S	<i>7th Sunday after Trinity.</i>
15	M	Translation of S. Swithun, B.
16	Tu	
17	W	
18	Th	
19	F	
20	S	S. Margaret, V.M.
21	S	<i>8th Sunday after Trinity.</i>
22	M	S. Mary Magdalene.
23	Tu	
24	W	
25	Th	S. James, A.M.
26	F	S. Anne.
27	S	
28	S	<i>9th Sunday after Trinity.</i>
29	M	
30	Tu	
31	W	

1st, Last Quarter, 8h. 43m. a.m.  
8th, New Moon, 8h. 22m. a.m.

16th, First Quarter, 6h. 25m. a.m.  
23rd, Full Moon, 8h. 35m. p.m.

30th, Last Quarter, 1h. 14m. p.m.

### Deanery Notes.

¶ All business communications to be addressed to the Publishers, W. C. HAYES, LTD., CHIPPING NORTON.

Notes for the next Magazine should be sent not later than July 20th. to the EDITOR, CORNWELL RECTORY, CHIPPING NORTON.

#### Publishers Note.

The Publishers regret to announce that owing to the shortage of paper, the publishers of the "Dawn of Day" have had to reduce the number of copies for this Deanery by 20 per cent. This means that 80 per cent. only of the Magazine will be complete and the remaining 20 per cent. will consist of Parochial News only. Readers who are able to do so are asked to share their complete copy with another and thus help to overcome this difficulty which is a measure forced upon us by the war.

#### Ruri-decanal Conference.

The meeting of the above Conference was held at Chipping Norton on Thursday, 13th of June. The proceedings commenced with an Intercession Service in the Parish Church at 2.30, which was taken by the Vicar, the Rev. H. H. Arkell, and was well attended. The Conference took place in the Parish Church Room at 2.45, the Rural Dean, the Rev. J. D. Payne, Vicar of Charlbury, presiding. It proved a particularly interesting one, and was well attended, forty-six members being present, of whom seventeen were clerical and twenty-nine lay members.

The Chairman opened the proceedings with an interesting address, in which he explained the various subjects to be discussed.

The Honorary Secretary (the Rector of Cornwell) submitted a statement of the accounts, and at the same time expressed the pleasure the members felt at welcoming the new Rural Dean, whom they all felt confident was emphatically "the right man in the right place."

The next proceeding was the election of eight Lay Representatives to the Diocesan Conference for the ensuing three years. A vote was taken, and the following declared duly elected:—

Messrs. A. E. ALLEN, Charlbury.  
A. J. BOLWELL, Chipping Norton.  
F. H. DEE, Shipton.  
J. HARRIS, Hook Norton.  
J. W. B. KINVIC, Ascott.  
F. W. B. MATTHEWS, Fifield.  
H. E. H. WAY, Milton.  
A. WEBB, Chipping Norton.

The following were also elected to represent the Deanery on the Diocesan Board of Missions:

Rev. E. J. F. JOHNSON, Rector of Sarsden.  
Miss DORA LEE, Leafield Vicarage.

The special subject for the consideration of the Conference, viz., "Public Worship on the Lord's Day," was then opened by the Rev. E. C. Freeman, Rector of Hook Norton, who explained the Report of the Diocesan Mission Council, of which he was a member. The other appointed speakers, T. H. Burbidge, Esq., and H. E. H. Way, Esq., followed, each giving a thoughtful and interesting address on the subjects.

A general discussion followed, in which twelve members, six clergy, and six laymen took part.

The whole proceedings were most pleasing and satisfactory, and after the meeting nearly all the members adjourned to "The White Hart" hotel, where an excellent tea (quite surprising considering the present scarcity of provisions) was provided by the landlord. A pleasant, and, we hope, a profitable meeting was thus brought to a close.

It served a good augury for the new Rural Dean, to whom we wish every success and a long and successful term of office.

R.P.B.

#### Sunday School Association.

The day of Meeting has been changed to July 27th, at Chipping Norton Church Room.

2.15.—Paper on "Sunday School Success, in the Episcopal Church of Scotland," by Rev. H. C. R. Cunmyngname, of Dundee.

4.—Service in Church. Preacher: Rev. H. H. Arkell, M.A.

5.—Tea, 9d. each. Parties should bring sugar and buns if required, and send number of party to the Rev. H. H. Arkell by July 20th.

(for) T. W. LEE,  
Hon. Sec.

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#### SARSDEN-CUM-CHURCHILL.

The last week in May brought sorrow to all of us in general, and to three families in particular. On May 22nd Major Fred Butcher, R.F.A., a brother of Mrs. Powell, of Churchill Grounds, was killed by a stray shell in France. He was a born soldier, having at the early age of 18 been all through the Boer War; and four years ago he fought through the East African campaign, after which he was given a commission in the R.F.A. The London "Times" of Saturday, June 1st, published an interesting account of his career.

—On May 27th Miss Oakley, a niece of the Earl of Ducie, died quite unexpectedly at Tortworth Court, where she will be remembered for her great kindness and liberality to the villagers there and in that district.—On May 29th we lost our good and most useful friend, Giles Edmonds. As time goes on we shall come to realise our great loss as a parish. We respectfully desire to express our sympathy with the members of the three families in question.

**Church Missionary Society.**—Miss Fanny Roberts, who for more than 20 years has been in charge of the Orphanage at Nazareth, stayed over the week-end at the Rectory from June 8th—11th. On Sunday she addressed the school children, and after the evening service she spoke for more than half-an-hour to a large number of people outside the church. She had much that was interesting at the present time to tell us, including a graphic description of the Kaiser's entry into Jerusalem. She was an eye-witness of the incident. On Monday afternoon she met a gathering of friends at the Rectory, and again gave an address. She was a splendid specimen of an active old lady. She made no secret that she was 69 years of age, who had been asked to go out again to Palestine in September to look after the destitute children, and she is willing to go, should no other younger women volunteer to do so.

The transcripts of the Sarsden Parish Registers from 1575-1812, including the marriages 1720-54, stated to be missing in the Census of 1831, have been placed for safe keeping in the (Bodlian) Library of the University of Oxford, where they have been received with gratitude by the curators.

We have to thank Miss Croxton for organizing a collection of the Red Cross Boxes in May. The contents of these were as follows:—Miss Lindars 12s., Miss Elsie Cullum 11s., Miss Della Bick £1 0s. 9d., Miss Freda Ferriman 12s. 9d., Miss Doris Widdows 15s. 2d.; total, £3 11s. 9d.

The Girl Guides, with their Captain, Mrs. Jordan, spent a happy afternoon at the Rectory on June 18th. They came with the intention for picking fruit for jam making, but as the rain was continuous, after tea games were indulged in, and the time pleasantly passed away.

**Queen Mary's Needlework Guild.**—Lady Dawson writes on June 17th:—"So many thanks for all the lovely operation stockings and socks, which I received this morning. The Queen so much appreciates this work and help, and do tell all those who have made them how useful they are."

**School News.**—The children who competed in the Oxford Scheme of Needlework did very well this year. The prize list is as follows:—First prize, Olive Millin; second prizes, Dela Bick, Olive Bushrod, Winifred Fricke, Frances Watkins, Alice Biles; third prizes, John Watts, William Cox, Bertie Clemons, Wallace Watts; commended, Winifred Griffin, Edith Millin. The results reflect great credit on Miss Morris and Miss Matthews, who were responsible for the teaching. All the boys won prizes.

A letter to the Rector from Mrs. Penson, in Australia, gives an account of the death of Maurice Penson, who was shot in the mouth at Beersheba, the bullet passing under his tongue and into the back cells of the brain, causing meningitis. He lingered a few days in the hospital at Cairo, and died very peacefully. He was buried in the Cairo cemetery. From the same letter news comes of Mrs. Carter's grandson, John Markham Carter, who was wounded at Gaza. He is now in New South Wales again and making a good recovery. He has been awarded the Military Cross.

**War Savings Association.**—A committee meeting was held on Monday evening, April 22nd, when there were present: Rev. E. J. F. Johnson, chairman; Miss Treweeke, secretary; Miss Blair, Miss Dorothy Treweeke, committee. The Secretary's report on the year's work (from March 30th, 1917—March 30th, 1918) was read by the Chairman. The number of members up to the end of the year was 119. The total sum of money taken by instalment subscriptions during the year was £135 17s., with which certificates were purchased, also £32 11s. received for certificates purchased outright. During the year 46 syndicate certificates were issued. As these are issued they are replaced by other certificates, so that there always remain 69 certificates. At the end of March there were 23 left, dated April 12th, 1917, and the others of various dates; therefore any person paying into the Association, and who is entitled to a syndicate certificate, has the advantage of obtaining one dating back from 1917. The Secretary was very sorry to report the resignation of the Treasurer, Mr. Giles Edmonds, owing to ill health. She expressed her thanks for his valuable help and assistance during the past year. He took a very keen interest in the working of the Association, and was always ready to lend a helping hand. His kindness and assistance was much appreciated. The Rev. E. J. F. Johnson was appointed Treasurer in his place.

## RAMSDEN.

We have had a sad loss to the village by the death of Miss Elsie Tipple, at a comparatively early age. She had come to settle in the village with her sister at Hill Croft, and had begun to take a great interest in our village life. The children of the village and the soldiers at the front especially had shared in her kindness. After several months illness at Ramsden she went to London for expert medical advice, but succumbed to her illness, after much suffering, which she bore with patience. The funeral took place at Ramsden.

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## CHADLINGTON.

**Funeral.**—June 9th, Thomas Howse, aged 84 years.

**Whitsuntide.**—The Church had been tastefully decorated and looked very nice. There were celebrations of the Holy Communion at 7, 7.45, and mid-day. There were fifty communicants. The offertory, which was given to the Resident Curate, amounted to £8 16s. 11d.

**The Schools.**—The epidemic of measles took its toll of the children of the village, and the schools were closed for a lengthy period. We hope that they will now remain open till the summer holidays.

**Oxfordshire Red Cross Day.**—June 1st was the day fixed for this. The village had been canvassed the previous night by ladies from Charlbury, so the collection on the Saturday only came to £1 7s., but we must remember that Red Cross Days have been very frequent of late.

**Soldiers Comforts Fund.**—The Working Party held its last meeting on June 18th till October. They have done excellent work. Thirty-five parcels were sent off to our gallant lads on Wednesday the 19th, consisting of shirt, socks, soap, and a postal order for 1/- to buy tobacco.

**Girls' Friendly Society.**—A sale of work will be held on June 29th in aid of the funds.

**Clerical and Lay Ruri-decanal Conference.**—Mr J. Collett, Mr. Stevens and the Rev. H. F. Donaldson-Selby represented us at Chipping Norton on June 13th.

**The Churchyard.**—Mr. Spence Bliss very kindly sent men and had the grass cut. We would thank him for his kindness.

## CHARLBURY.

**Baptisms.**—May 19th (Whit-Sunday) George Thomas David, son of George and Mary Ann Parsons, at Shorthampton Church; Robert, son of John Henry and Ellen Elizabeth Tidmarsh, May 26th, Iris May, daughter of James and Alice Pitts, of Rangers Lodge.

**Burials.**—May 22nd, Daisy Emily Harris, of Oxford, aged 29 years; June 1st (at Shorthampton Church) George Albert Cox, aged 54 years.

On May 22nd a Chapter of the Clergy of the Rural Deanery was held at Charlbury, 18 being present; when we considered a variety of questions at the wish of the Bishop.

On Whit-Sunday there was a Church Parade of our Church Lads' Brigade, Boy Scouts, and Girl Guides—numbering 60. On Trinity Sunday the Volunteers came to church. We are very glad to see all these taking part in Divine Service. On June 16th there was a Hospital Club Service.

On June 13th we went, a party of ten, from Charlbury to the Rural Deanery Conference at Chipping Norton, and enjoyed several interesting and lively speeches.

**The War.**—We have to lament the death of Horace Drinkwater, who was killed in action at the end of April. His brother Frank was killed in action in April, 1917. Our truest sympathy is with his two sisters in their loss. Capt. Frederick Arthur Brooke, R.A.M.C., was killed in action on May 27th. His son, Lieutenant Cecil Brooke, was killed in action in April, 1917. His wife and children have been constantly at the services in church during the war, and we all feel greatly for them in their deep sorrow.

**Prisoners of War.**—We now have five to keep in mind: Carlton Strickland, Arthur Timms, Alfred Bridle, William Kibble, and Harry Dix. Fortunately they are now allowed to write home much more frequently.

On May 27th, the Vicar, with Messrs. J. A. Bowl and A. E. Allen, churchwardens, attended the Bishop's Visitation at the Cathedral, and heard his address on the place of Religion in Education, with reference to the new Bill.

We wish to congratulate Mrs. Bevil Smithe, formerly of Lee Place, on being made a Companion of the Order of the British Empire; and also the Hon. Mrs. Lyell, of Cornbury Park, on her membership of the Order. Mrs. Lyell has been most kind in helping us to trace the "missing" from Charlbury during the war.

### CORNWELL.

**S.P.C.K.**—The Rev. E. C. Summers, Secretary of the above Society, paid his annual visit to Cornwell Rectory this month, arriving on Saturday, the 1st, and leaving on Tuesday, the 4th. It proved a specially interesting and successful one, and Mr. Summers was much pleased with the results. Of this we are very glad, as it is likely to be his last visit for some time to come, he having volunteered for work at the front as chaplain.

On Sunday, June 2nd he preached at Salford in the morning, addressed the children at the Children's Service at Cornwell in the afternoon, and preached at Chipping Norton in the evening.

On Monday evening a most successful and well attended meeting was held at Chipping Norton, the Vicar, the Rev. H. H. Arkell, presiding.

On Tuesday afternoon an open-air meeting was held at Cornwell Rectory, which was also well attended, about 40 being present, including six clergy. Mr. Summers' addresses were particularly interesting and referred especially to the work being done by the Society at the front.

The contributions were particularly good, those from our own parish being as under:—

	£	s.	d.
Collected at meeting .....	1	9	6
Boxes (E. Hill 8/14, M. Fawdry 12/5½, W. Painter 2/6½) .....	1	3	14
Sale of books .....	0	4	6

Total ..... £2 17 14

We heartily thank all our friends for their kind support.

**Church Schools.**—During the coming month the Rector will be busy inspecting the Church Schools in the neighbourhood, which is always a pleasure, though the getting about now is rather difficult, so many trains being taken off. He hopes the Cornwell children will distinguish themselves at the Churchill inspection, as they generally do. Last year Iris Cooper obtained "the Bishop's Prize."

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### DAYLESFORD.

The School was examined in Religious Knowledge on Monday, June 17th, by the Rev. H. J. Kelsall, Rector of Evenlode, who expressed himself in terms of very high praise and commendation of the work done by the children, both written and oral, and gave the School the best possible

report. He congratulated Mrs. Clark upon the result of her pains-taking labours, and testified to his general pleasure and satisfaction by begging that a whole holiday might be granted to the children as a reward for their good work. He selected for special mention the following children: Ivy and Norah Stickleby, and Charlie Dix, in the Upper Division, and Albert Thornton and Alfred Stickleby in the Lower. This is the first inspection in Religious Knowledge which has been held during the last four or five years, and the first since Mrs. Clarke became school mistress. The result cannot be otherwise than highly gratifying and encouraging to her, and affords ample proof of her conscientious and thorough work.

The sudden death of Alfred Bridge, which occurred on Saturday, May 4th, shocked and grieved all in this parish. He had been for along time in a precarious state of health, but he was able to do his usual work, and had, indeed, been working up to a late hour on the evening of his death. He was taken suddenly ill on his way home from a neighbouring village where he had gone for some shopping, and was with difficulty conveyed to his own home where he passed away very shortly after his arrival. He had lived in Daylesford for over 50 years and had won the respect and affection of all who knew him. He will be much missed, both from his place in the Church, where he was a most constant and regular worshipper, and also from his place on the estate where he had worked so well and faithfully all his life. Much sympathy is felt for his widow. The funeral took place on Wednesday, May 8th, a very beautiful spring day, when all nature was proclaiming the glad tidings of a resurrection from the dead, and the loveliness of earth seemed an earnest of the still more surpassing loveliness of heaven.

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### ENSTONE.

**Marriage.**—June 1st, Herbert Aulman and Rose Mary Hathaway.

**Burial.**—June 4th, Thomas Fowler, aged 77 years.

On Monday, May 27th, the Vicar and Churchwardens attended the Visitation of the Lord Bishop of Oxford at Christ Church. The Bishop's Charge ought to be read by all who care for the education of the rising generation. Purely secular education will not suffice in a Christian country; nor can we be satisfied with the limitations and imperfections of a religious teaching that is named "undenominational."

Saturday, June 1st, was Oxfordshire's Red Cross Day. Mrs. Palmer has received the Treasurer's receipt and warm thanks for the sum of £9 13s. 2d. collected at Ditchley and in Enstone Parish. Various kinds of artificial flowers, as well as flags, were on sale for eager buyers at every dwelling. The enthusiastic sellers worked hard. Strangers and those passing along the main road through Neat Enstone were very kind. The contents of the boxes were as follows:—

- Broadstone (Mrs. Coles) 11/7.
- Lidstone and Old Chalford (Mrs. Reeves) 7/3.
- Litchfield Arms and Chalford Oaks (Miss Peachey) 19/3½.
- Gagingwell, Cleyvely, and Woodford (Mrs. Blackwell) 10/0½.
- Radford (Mrs. Simmonds) 16/4.
- Church Enstone (Miss Hawtin and Miss Drinkwater) £1 6s. 3d.
- Neat Enstone (Mrs. Bowles and Mrs. Dorrell) £3 2s. 5d.
- Ditchley (Miss Dillon) £2.

One heard remarks about the Old Testament lessons on the 2nd Sunday after Trinity, both on the Sunday and at the conference on the Thursday following. Well! let one remind perplexed laymen that the Blessed Lord has caused *all* Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. The difficulties which we raise about the Bible arise very often more from our own ideas of what the Bible is, than what it claims itself to be. It is one of the means whereby God still brings to His people comfort, patience, and hope. We shall not read and study the Book of Judges in vain, if we can only lay to heart its lesson "Be true to your highest convictions."

We congratulate our Sidesman, Mr. Hathaway, on giving his daughter away. One always likes to see the bride given away by her father. And to the clergyman, it is worth while sticking to one parish if only to see those whom he has known as little children grow up to be happily married and set up a home of their own. "Except the Lord build the house: their labour is but lost that build it."

Those who knew the late Mr. Thomas Fowler, regret his passing, and sympathise with his relatives.

This year, August 4th falls on a Sunday, thereby affording opportunities to all who will embrace them of the devout and religious observance that such an anniversary demands.

The longest day comes round again and tells one of the value of time and the blessings it brings. Time leaves us better or worse, accord-

ing to the use we make of its golden opportunities. "The day is thine, and the night is thine: thou hast prepared the light and the sun. Thou hast made summer and winter."

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### FIFIELD, with IDBURY.

On Wednesday, May 22nd, the new Rector, Edward A. M'Connell, was inducted to this benefice by the Venerable Archdeacon of Oxford.

The service began at 6 o'clock, and a good number of people attended the church and received the Archdeacon. Mr. Sturch, the Churchwarden of Idbury was assisted by Mr. Houlton, in the absence of the Churchwarden of Fifield, Mr. F. W. P. Matthews, who was away from home on military duty. The Archdeacon preached a sermon on watchfulness, and after the service addressed the local patrol of scouts and girl guides, who were drawn up outside the church door.

**Holy Baptism.**—(Idbury), June 9th, George Thomas Hanks.

The service on Corpus Christi Day at Idbury church was held as usual at 9 a.m.

The Rector of Westcote sang the service, and the Rector gave an address. The school children sang their part very well, but we are sorry that the Head Teacher was not well enough to lead them on this day.

We are grateful to Mrs. Kettlewell for the invitation to her beautiful garden on June 1st, to contribute to the funds of the Red Cross hospitals. It was a beautiful day, and many people from other villages came to take part in the competitions and to purchase country produce and other useful things which had been collected.

The judges who were selected to decide about the prizes for the finest babies had a difficult task, but they did their duties very well.

The school children and others gave a very beautiful patriotic performance called "The Roll of the Drum," in which we saw representatives of the allied nations and dominions in their native attire. Miss Phillips conducted and trained the children very well, and the children seemed to be delighted to help in this good work. £17 10s. was realized for the Red Cross Funds.

Canon V. S. S. Coles, of Christ Church, Oxford, who is Diocesan Chaplain, will visit this parish on June 21st, and the 22nd June will be a day of prayer at Fifield Church. He will preach at the services on June 23rd, 4th Trinity, and celebrate the Holy Communion on S. John Baptist Day (June 24th) at 5 a.m.

The Canon has been at Fifield before, and has been twice to help forward the new Rector's work in his last parish. We believe and pray that his work here will again be blessed with success.

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### FINSTOCK AND FAWLER.

The Vicar gave an organ recital on Thursday, May 23rd, and was kindly assisted by Mrs. Schofield, who played her violin, and by Mrs. A. Cary Elwes and Miss Field, who sang. It was unfortunate that the weather was bad, as the rain kept many away who would otherwise have come. Nevertheless there was a very fair number present, and the collection amounted to £2 16s. The collection was on behalf of the Heating Apparatus Fund. Up to the time of writing these notes we have collected £27 10s. 6d. As far as it is possible to give any estimate, in these uncertain days, the estimated cost of purchasing and placing stoves in the Church and erecting a small inner porch is between £50 and £60. So we have still to collect as much again and a little more. Our best thanks are due to Mrs. Schofield, Mrs. A. Cary Elwes and Miss Field for their kind and valuable assistance. Through the courtesy of the Vicar and Churchwardens of Charlbury, the Vicar hopes to give an organ recital in Charlbury Church later on in the summer—also on behalf of our Heating Apparatus Fund.

On Saturday, June 1st, collections were made throughout the county on behalf of the British Red Cross Society. The following is a list of those who collected in Finstock, with the amount obtained in each box:—Misses Winnie Green 6/9½, Kathleen Dore 4/10, May Alderton 4/9½, Dorothy Kite 4/6, Mary Knight 2/7, Daisy Harris 3/9½, Jean Mason 10/5, Ida Welton 2/-, Doris Douthwaite (Fawler) 4/3½; total £2 4s.

**Baptism.**—Annie Emma, daughter of E. and C. E. H. Hadland.

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### GREAT ROLLRIGHT.

The services on Whit-Sunday were well attended. There were 22 communicants at 8.30, and 13 at mid-day. The sum of 4/8 was collected at the children's service for the Whitsun Farthing Fund to help on church work in the diocese. The total from 111 parishes was £65 19s. 10d.

The collections for Church Expenses during the past month have been as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
Whit-Sunday .....	1	1	4½
Trinity Sunday .....	0	12	5½
June 2nd .....	0	15	8½
June 9th .....	1	1	0
June 16th .....	1	5	5

There was a celebration at 7.30 on S. Barnabas' Day, with seven communicants.

We much regret the very sudden death of Miss F. E. Barlow, who has visited for several years in the parish. She was buried on June 4th, aged 68 years.

The Diocesan Examination for the school is fixed for July 16th, when the Rev. R. P. Barnett will examine the children in religious knowledge.

Rollright contributed £2 8s. 9d. to the Oxford Red Cross on June 1st, largely thanks to the efforts of Miss Salmon and Miss Rosie Pearson.

The children's collection towards eggs for the wounded soldiers realised £1 8s. 1d.

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### HOOK NORTON.

**Holy Baptism.**—June 16th, Christopher George, son of James George and Mary Gertrude Annie Brain.

Communicants from May 21st to June 16th, 63.

Collections during the same period:—

	£	s.	d.
Poor Fund .....	0	10	0½
Restoration Fund .....	0	12	6½
Church Expenses .....	1	7	6
Offertory Fund .....	0	15	11½
Sunday School Fund .....	0	10	6½
Choir Fund .....	0	10	10½

We have received the following subscriptions to the Churchyard Fund since our last issue, and beg to thank the donors for them:—

	s.	d.
Mrs. Henry Harris .....	2	6
Mrs. Bury .....	2	6
Miss Rushton .....	10	0
Mrs. Golding .....	5	0
Miss Golding .....	5	0
Mr. Bowl .....	2	6

The collection in the village on the Oxfordshire Red Cross Day amounted to £6 1s. 11d. Appended is a list of those who so readily took boxes, with details of their success:—



	£	s.	d.
Miss Bowler .....	1	6	0
Miss D. Borsberry ...	1	1	1½
Miss Mearns .....	0	13	7
Miss Allen .....	0	13	4
Mr. E. Lainchbury	0	13	2
Miss Andrews .....	0	13	1½
Miss Stratford.....	0	11	5½
Miss V. Veal .....	0	10	1½

The Red Cross Society would be very grateful for books and magazines for the use of wounded soldiers in hospital. Such may be left at the Church at any time, and should be placed in the pew near the font.

The Board of Agriculture strongly recommends the spraying of potatoes as a protection against blight. Accordingly a spraying machine and material have been purchased by the Hook Norton Horticultural Society for the use of the inhabitants of the village. All applications for the same should be made to Mr. J. W. Sweatman, secretary; and it is hoped that full use may be made of the machine, and advantage taken of the opportunity offered. In a pamphlet published by the Board of Agriculture it is recommended that spraying should commence in Oxfordshire from July 8th to 15th. The machine is kept at the Rectory.

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#### SHIPTON-UNDER-WYCHWOOD.

**Roll of Honour.**—Albert Longshaw, Grenadier Guards, May 19th.

**Reade Scholarships.**—The examination for these scholarships was held on Saturday, May 11th; examiner, Mr. W. H. Anson, Churchill. The subjects, with full marks were:—Arithmetic 96, composition and general knowledge 80, history and geography 80; total 256. The marks respectively obtained by the candidates were—Bertram Powell, Shipton, 64, 30, 36; total 130. Reggie Cox, Milton, 16, 18, 50; total 84. Desmond Collett, Milton, 16, 12, 20; total 48. A scholarship was therefore awarded to each of the first two, while Collett was allowed to come up for examination again after the summer holidays.

**Egg Collection.**—On June 3rd and 4th the children of our school collected the sum of £2 7s. 6d. for our wounded soldiers.

**National Society.**—The collections in the Parish Church on Sunday, June 2nd, amounted to £2 12s. 10d., and at the Mission Room 4s. 5d.,

making a total of £2 17s. 3d. The preacher was Rev. W. W. Kenny.

**Parochial Charities.**—The Vicar would be glad to know if there is a general desire for the publication of the names of all those who receive these charities, so that every one may know how they are dispensed.

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#### SPELSBURY.

**S.P.G.**—The Spelsbury Branch of "King's Messengers" held their sale of work and gave a missionary play entitled "Shut Out" on May 23rd and 25th. The weather proved none too propitious, but through the kindness of Mr. F. Borley we were able to find shelter in his large barn to carry out the programme successfully.

The children performed their play in a very pleasing and creditable manner, and the stall of needlework showed how industrious they must have been.

Evensong followed at 7 o'clock, when the Rev. J. P. Malleon, Vicar of Great Tew, preached an inspiring sermon on missionary work.

The result of the day's proceedings was that we were able to forward to the S.P.G. a sum of £14 15s. 3d.; of this £14 3s. 8d. was directly due to the children's effort, and 11/7 came from the offertory at Evensong.

The walls and ceiling of the Church are in very obvious need of cleaning, colouring, and some repairing. As this will cost more money than is at the disposal of the churchwardens under their fund for Church Expenses, it is proposed to hold a Garden Fête at the Vicarage on the afternoon of Monday, August 5th, (Bank Holiday).

There will be stalls of needlework, plants, jumble, etc., for sale and many other attractions. Tea with milk will be supplied at 1d. a cup, but no eatables—(why should not visitors bring their own viands and make a picnic of it?) Your support both by way of contributions and attendance will be greatly valued.

Church collections May 20th to June 19th:—S.P.G., 11/7; Sick and Needy, 5/-; Church Expenses, £2 1s. 2d.

**Red Cross Flag Day, June 1st.**—The amount collected by our young people amounted to £1 5s.

**Roll of Honour.**—Since our last issue Mr. T. Dean and Mr. E. W. Conduct have been called to join the Colours—our thoughts and prayers go with them.

# THE CHIPPING NORTON Deanery Magazine.



For the Parishes of



CHIPPING NORTON.  
CHARLBURY & SHORTHAMPTON.  
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HOOK NORTON.  
FINSTOCK.  
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RAMSDEN.  
SHIPTON & LANGLEY.  
SPELSBURY.

&amp; DAYLESFORD.

AUGUST.

CALENDAR.

1918.

1	Th	Lammas Day.
2	F	
3	S	
4	S	<i>10th Sunday after Trinity.</i>
5	M	
6	Tu	Transfiguration of our Lord.
7	W	Name of Jesus.
8	Th	
9	F	
10	S	S. Lawrence, D.M.
11	S	<i>11th Sunday after Trinity.</i>
12	M	
13	Tu	
14	W	
15	Th	Falling asleep of B.V. Mary.
16	F	
17	S	
18	S	<i>12th Sunday after Trinity.</i>
19	M	
20	Tu	
21	W	
22	Th	
23	F	
24	S	S. Bartholomew, A.M.
25	S	<i>13th Sunday after Trinity.</i>
26	M	
27	Tu	
28	W	S. Augustine, B.C.D.
29	Th	Behheading of S. John Baptist.
30	F	
31	S	

6th. New Moon, 8h. 30m. p.m.  
14th, First Quarter, 11h. 16m. a.m.

22nd, Full Moon, 5h. 22m. a.m.  
29th, Last Quarter, 7h. 27m. p.m.

### Deanery Notes.

¶ All business communications to be addressed to the Publishers, W. C. HAYES, LTD., CHIPPING NORTON.

Notes for the next Magazine should be sent not later than August 20th, to the EDITOR, CORNWELL RECTORY, CHIPPING NORTON.

#### The Late Vicar of Ascott-under-Wychwood.

The Deanery has sustained a heavy loss by the death of the Rev. Charles Walford, M.A., for twenty-five years Vicar of Ascott. Mr. Walford, who graduated from St. John's College, Oxford, came into the Diocese thirty years ago, being formerly Curate of Handborough and Steeple Aston.

He has always been most highly respected and loved, not the least by his brother clergy, who always found a warm welcome at Ascott Vicarage.

He passed away, after a long and painful illness, most patiently borne, on Tuesday, the 18th of June, and was buried on the following Saturday, June 22nd, close to the Church where he so long and faithfully ministered.

The funeral was a very solemn and impressive service, and was attended by his widow, two daughters, a large number of friends, well-nigh the entire parish, and by nearly all the clergy in the Deanery. The opening Sentences of the Burial Service were read by the Rev. A. Cary-Elwes, who had been taking the duty at Ascott during Mr. Walford's illness. The Psalm was sung, and the lesson read by the Rector of Cornwell. The concluding portion of the service at the grave was taken by the Rural Dean, the Rev. J. D. Payne.

Mr. Walford himself arranged the service, and chose those whom he wished to take the various parts some time before his death.

The deepest sympathy is called forth for Mrs. Walford and her two daughters. May God comfort them in their sad trial, and may He send one to take our dear brother's place at Ascott who may prove a worthy successor to one so universally beloved.—"R.I.P."

R.P.B.

### CHIPPING NORTON.

Vicar—Rev. H. H. Arkell, M.A., Surrogate.

Assistant Priest—Rev. E. LI. Weight.

Churchwardens—Mr. Austin Webb,

Mr. A. J. Bolwell,  
for Chipping Norton.

Major Daly, for Over Norton.

Sexton and Clerk—H. H. Langton (pro tem).

**Parish Room Rummage Sale.**—Mrs. G. Mace held her annual Rummage Sale for the up-keep of the Parish Room on June 1st, and we congratulate Mrs. Mace on the excellent result. In all £6 18s. was taken, and the expenses amounting to 6/6 leaves a balance of £6 11s. 6d., which has been paid in to the Parish Room Fund.

**Parish Church.**—All will be very glad to hear that the preacher at the Parish Church on Sunday, September 1st, both morning and evening, will be the Lord Bishop of Gloucester. We feel sure all members of the congregation will make every effort to attend.

**School Treat.**—The Sunday School Treat, fixed for Thursday, August 1st, is postponed to September 26th on account of illness and unsettled weather.

**Fourth Anniversary of the War.**—The fourth anniversary of the war (August 4th) falls this year on a Sunday. It is to be kept as a great day of prayer throughout the country, and as "A Day of Remembrance." Special forms of service are to be issued by authority, and will be used at the Parish Church at all the services on that day. Let us one and all attend our Parish Church both morning and evening.

All will join us in our deep sympathy with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Morris in the death of their son, Private George Morris, who died of wounds in Italy on June 16th, aged 23 years.

**Parochial Church Fête.**—We can sincerely congratulate all concerned on the great success of our Fête. The weather was all that could be desired, and our energetic band of churchworkers made the most of their opportunity. The Vicar gave Mr. Littledale a hearty welcome to his old parish, and Mr. Littledale, in declaring the fête open, expressed his great pleasure at being amongst so many old friends again, and heartily congratulated the Vicar and his splendid band of workers on what was bound to be a most successful effort on behalf of church work in Chipping Norton. We publish below a list of the stalls, &c., and the stallholders, and take this opportunity of thanking one and all for their invaluable help. A new feature this year was an Operetta entitled "The Enchanted Glen," undertaken by the Church Girl Guides and Brownies, and the admirable way the children carried out their parts must have well repaid Miss Griffin, Miss Lockyer, and their officers for all the trouble they had taken. The Girl Guides and Brownies also took great pains in providing a stall of their own, which they run entirely by themselves. The Entertainment at the Oddfellows' Hall on the following night came off as announced. The tableaux under the able

management of Miss Lockyer and Mrs. Felthouse, were very effectively given and much appreciated, and the farcical episode entitled "The Mere Man," was excellent.

The amount taken on the Thursday was £106 6s. 1d., which with the £6 18s. 7d. from the Odd-fellows' Hall entertainment, makes the good total of £113 4s. 8d.

	£	s.	d.
FANCY AND WORK STALL—			
Mrs. Arkell, Mrs. Grace, Miss Pryer, Miss Mayo .....	19	17	1
REFRESHMENT AND PROVISION STALL—			
Mrs. Bolwell, Mrs. Felthouse, Mrs. George, Mrs. Joslin, Mrs. A. E. Mace, Miss Cooper, Miss Edwards .....	24	19	3
RUMMAGE STALL—			
Mrs. Webb, Mrs. Jeffries, Miss Salmon .....	9	3	6
BABY SHOW—			
Mrs. Burbidge, Mrs. Woodward	1	12	1
DANCE—			
Mr. Hinson, Mr. Webb, Mr West	6	16	6
SKITTLES—			
Mr. Wilkins .....	2	9	1
SHOOTING—			
Mr. Hill .....	0	10	8
PICTURE SHOWS—			
TEAS—			
Mrs. Rowell .....	7	5	0
G.F.S.—			
Mrs. Pettipher, Mrs. Barlow, Miss Warner .....	2	0	0
GATE—			
Mr. Webb, Mr. Bolwell, Mr. Mann, Mr. King, Mr. Gear .....	18	7	6
GIRL GUIDES CONCERT AND STALL—			
Miss Griffin, Miss Lockyer, Officers, and Guides .....	13	2	5
	£106	6	1

To my "G.F.S." Members.

The Cottages, Chipping Norton,  
17th July, 1918.

MY DEAR MEMBERS—

I am taking this opportunity to let you know the work, &c., going on in your Home Branch during the past two years.

I want first of all to thank you for so loyally supporting our Annual Sale for our invalid member, and thus carrying out the motto of our Society.

In 1917 we sent one to the Malvern Home of Rest, and gave 25/- to the War Emergency Fund, and £2 13s. 8d. to our Church. This year at our Sale, on the 4th, at the Parochial Fête, we have been able to send 30/- to an invalid, 30/- to the

War Emergency Fund, and £2 to our Church. The money taken in both years by the member as "Fortune-teller" we spent on wool, &c., for soldier's comforts. Last year we sent 25 articles to Queen Mary's Guild, which were thus acknowledged:—"Friary Court, St. James' Palace. Dear Madam. I am commanded by the Queen to convey to you and your members the expression of her best thanks for your contribution to her Guild. (Signed) ANNIE LANLEY, hon. secretary." There was no Branch Festival, so we had a little "war-time" outing (each taking her own tea) to Rollright, where we spent a delightful afternoon in the gardens of the Rectory and Mrs. Hall's ground, the latter supplying us with beautiful fruit, which was fully appreciated. Mrs. Dormer and her members gave us a hearty welcome, and acted as guides to village and church. The following "Faithful Members' Cards" were presented:—Dorothy Shepard, 9 years; Elsie Margetts, 8 years; Elsie Herbert, 8 years; Doris Titcomb, Lily Dore, Ada Betteridge, Beatrice Crane, 6 years each; Emily Titcomb, premium card and 10/-; and bonus on savings to Annie Knibbs. I do wish we could present a great many more of the latter. You all understand, I hope, that War Savings Certificates count as Post Office Savings Bank. Several home members have made operation stockings, socks, etc., for the Red Cross, and other war work. My annual collection from hon. associates and other ladies in the town amounting the last two years to £2 2s. 6d., has been sent to the branch secretary for the Society's funds. Wishing you all courage and enthusiasm to work for your Society, and live up to its rules,

Believe me, dear members,

Your friend and associate,

RODINA PETTIPHER.

Marriages.—June 27th, Ernest Wm. Gregory and Dorothy Amy Howes.—July 3rd, Peter Edward Tickner and Agnes Rose Huckin.—July 15th, Joseph Blakey Hinde and Agnes Giles.

Burial.—July 2nd, Sidney Browning Lewis, aged 45 years.



### CHADLINGTON.

Holy Baptism.—July 14th, Arthur John Ernest, son of Charles Bryan and Winifred Mary Edginton.

Sale of Work.—A small but successful Sale of Work in aid of the G.F.S. was held on Saturday, June 29th. The mothers of the candidates mustered in good force, and the proceeds realised £6 3s. 7d. Some excellent work had been done by the Infant School and the girls.

**G.F.S. and Choir Treat.**—Mr. R. Southam very kindly lent us a field on July 13th, and the children had a good afternoon. Tea, games and races were held, and a vigorous tug-of-war ended in the defeat of the choirboys by a somewhat heavier team from the G.F.S. We would thank Mr. and Mrs. Southam, Mr. Stevens, Mrs. Steed, Jessie Empson, Gladys Kitelen, and Dorothy Triuder for their kindness and great help.

The Rev. H. F. Donaldson-Selby has accepted a chaplaincy at Wormwood Scrub Prison. We hope that all will go well with the Parish of Chadlington.

**Soldiers' Comforts Fund.**—The Treasurer, before his departure, handed over to the President, Mr. J. G. Abraham, the sum of £4 17s. 7d., being balance in hand of this Fund, nearly double the sum handed over to him a year ago.

The Rev. H. F. Donaldson-Selby has left to take up a Government Chaplaincy. I hope that we shall have a resident curate at Chadlington almost at once. Meantime the Vicar of Spelsbury has most kindly volunteered to help us in every way.

JULIUS D. PAYNE.



### CHARLBURY.

**Baptism.**—(Private), July 1st, Alice Hall (since died).

**Marriage.**—July 6th, Frederick Mason, of 6th Inniskilling Dragoons, serving at the front, and Rebecca Elizabeth Ford, of Charlbury.

Best wishes to our District Nurse, who has done such good work here.

The following subscriptions have been received for the Oxon. Clergy Widows and Orphans Fund:

#### CHIPPING NORTON DEANERY.

	£	s.	d.
Rev. A. Cary-Elwes, Charlbury.....	0	10	0
Mrs. Dawkins, Witcote.....	2	0	0
Viscount Dillon, Ditchley.....	1	1	0
Mrs. Hinde, Shipton.....	1	0	0
Major Huntingdon, Shipton.....	2	0	0
Rev. E. J. F. Johnson, R. of Sarsden...	1	1	0
Rev. T. W. Lee, V. of Leafeld.....	1	1	0
Rev. Canon Oldfield, V. of Shipton.....	0	10	0
Rev. J. D. Payne, V. of Charlbury...	0	10	0
Rev. A. Shildrick, V. of Milton.....	0	10	0
Rev. P. M. Watkins, R. of Gt. Rollright	0	5	0
Mr. Vernon Watney, Cornbury Park...	3	3	0

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JULIUS D. PAYNE (Steward).

### CHASTLETON.

We have to add the following name to our Roll of Honour:—William Arthur Leonard Marshall.

**Chastleton School.**—On June 1st the prize-winners in the "Oxford Prize Scheme Needlework" went to Oxford to receive their rewards. The train fares were kindly paid by Mrs. Whitmore Jones, and a contribution towards expenses was made by Mrs. Willett, while Mr. Jarvis and Mr. Gingell conveyed the children to the station. Altogether a very pleasant and interesting day was spent. The prize-winners were as follows:—Winnie Minnis, Norah Tidmarsh, Ethel Wittington, Marjorie Clarke, Cynthia Corbett, Elsie Tyler.

The School breaks up on August 1st, and re-opens on September 9th. The collection for the Overseas Club by the children amounted to 12/6.



### CORNWELL.

**The Church Organ.**—Our final arrangements have been made with Mr. H. W. B. Ludwig, of Banbury, for putting our organ in thorough repair. The work, which will take about a fortnight, will be put in hand during the present month, and we are assured "will last our time." The cost, which will be about £14, will be met by the subscriptions recently collected (£7) and a corresponding sum most kindly promised by our ever-kind friend and churchwarden, Colonel A. N. Hall. We hope next month to announce the completion of this work and a satisfactory re-organisation of the old but sweet instrument. Our organist, Mrs. George Bowles, has managed wonderfully, and we hope she will now be relieved of a good deal of trouble and may find her work lighter.

The Rector has been busy lately inspecting the various schools in the neighbourhood. It has been difficult work getting about, and a heavy cold has added to his difficulties. It has, however, been a real pleasure, and he is always glad to visit his brother clergy, the schoolmasters and mistresses, and not least the dear children, who one and all give him a hearty welcome. This makes the twelfth year of his inspection work. Next year the Diocesan Inspector will probably visit this neighbourhood himself.

**FIFIELD.**

**Marriages.**—Thomas Oakley and Florence Ashfield.—June 17th, Lewis George Palmer and Nellie Slater.

We wish to congratulate Colonel E. A. Kettlewell, who has returned home on leave from Flanders, after gaining the D.S.O. on active service. Mr. F. Matthews, the churchwarden, has left the parish for service in the Volunteer Force, in which he is an officer.

Canon N. S. S. Coles, the Diocesan Chaplain, conducted three days of prayer in Fifield Church, and celebrated the Holy Communion on St. John Baptists Day at 5 a.m. We shall remember his visit and his helpful words.

A good response to the call for helpers to plant and earth up the potatoes for the Royal Navy on the portion of ground set apart for that purpose, and further help will be wanted later on.

A collection for prisoners of war was made in these villages on Sunday, July 21st, and we were asked to remember especially the captives in Germany from the Oxford and Bucks Light Infantry.

The Holy Communion will be celebrated at 8 a.m. in Idbury Church on the third Sunday of the month, and on the great Festivals.



**FINSTOCK AND FAWLER.**

**Baptism.**—June 30th, Edward William, son of E. and E. M. Franklin.

**Marriage.**— William George Cobb and Eva Annie Paintin.

On Sunday, June 23rd, the collections at all the services were for the Church Missionary Society. The Rev. W. Bryan-Brown, the diocesan organising secretary of the Society, spoke to the children in the afternoon and preached an interesting sermon in the evening. The collections amounted to £1 11 4d.

On Sunday, July 7th, the collections were on behalf of the Witney Y.M.C.A. "Hut Week" and amounted to £1 3s. 7d.

The Rev. R. P. Burnett, Rector of Cornwell, inspected the Schools in religious knowledge on Thursday, July 18th, and seemed pleased with the answers given by the children. We hope to give his report in a future number of the Magazine.



**GREAT ROLLRIGHT.**

**Baptism.**—July 14th, Irene Ellen, daughter of Thomas Jesse and Hilda Sarah Canning, of Heath Farm.

**Collections for Church Expenses:—**

	£	s.	d.
June 23rd .....	0	13	2
June 30th .....	0	18	10½
July 7th .....	0	18	2
July 14th .....	0	9	6
Nativity of S. John the Baptist Rector's Fund	0	2	3

Communicants from June 23rd to July 14th, 60.

The Diocesan Inspector, Rev. R. P. Burnett, inspected the school in religious knowledge on July 18th.

Mr. A. Bartlett, H.M. Inspector of Schools, paid us a surprise visit on July 18th.

The Children's Working Party for the soldiers held its last meeting on Tuesday, July 23rd. The children have worked well since October, and have made 28 pairs of hospital slippers, 103 face washers, and four cushions, which have all been sent to the hospital at the Town Hall, Oxford. They have also made 36 anti-vermin vests, which have been sent to Mrs. Gerrans, Oxford, to be shipped and forwarded to men at the front. Mrs. Jeffery hopes to begin the meetings again in the first week in October if comforts are still required for the soldiers.



**HOOK NORTON.**

**Holy Baptism**—June 30th, Gertrude, daughter of Reuben and Mary Neal; David, son of William and Bessie French; Dorothy May, daughter of Frederick Thomas and Gertrude Smith.

**Received into the Church.**—Ernest Frederick Rose (privately baptized, February 21st, 1916).

**Burial.**—June 27th, Arthur Taylor, aged 28 years.

**Number of Communicants** from June 21st to July 14th, 72.

**Collections during same period:—**

	£	s.	d.
Offertory Fund .....	1	3	9
Lighting .....	0	12	2
Poor Fund .....	0	16	0½
Restoration Fund .....	1	7	0½

We beg to thank the following for their kind subscriptions to the Churchyard Fund, received since our last issue:— Mrs. A. A. Clarke, 2/6; Mrs. Osborne, 2/6; Mrs. Pearse, 1/-.

We desire to offer our sincerest sympathy to Mrs. Arthur Taylor (*née* Wheeler), in the very sad bereavement she has sustained after so short a married life, through the death of her husband,

from wounds received in France. He died in the military hospital in Bath. It is nice to hear of all the kindness and attention shown by the Chaplain, the doctors and nurses. It is very hard to be separated from those we love, but He who allows it will bring all together again, in His good time.



### SALFORD.

**Holy Baptism.**—June 16th, Harry Edward, son of Alfred Thomas and Agnes Maud Keys.

**Burial.**—May 20th, Charles Woodward, aged 71.

For several weeks, during the Rector's absence, the Rev. H. Mould, Senior Chaplain to H.M.'s Government in India, has been taking charge of the parish, and his ministrations have been much appreciated.

On Red Cross Day Mrs. C. E. Taylor, Mrs. and Miss Mould and Miss G. Woodward, kindly undertook the collecting, and the amount in the boxes was £1 6s. 7d., which, together with the offertory in church amounted to £2 6s. 2d.

We are glad to learn that Private H. Souch, who was severely wounded, is making good progress towards recovery. Private I. Able, who was in Italy, we regret to learn, is missing, and we sincerely sympathise with his wife in her anxiety. The news which she recently received shows that we may hope that he is a prisoner in the hands of the Austrians.

Mrs. Dodimead is to be congratulated on doing so well with the School War Savings. At the end of June there were 32 members on the books, 39 certificates bought, 1,229 coupons sold, and total instalments £32 0s. 2½d. We hope the children will feel encouraged and do their best for their country and themselves. It was pleasing to find that 41 eggs and 11½ were collected for the blind soldiers on May 27th, and over £2 was raised by them for the Red Cross on Empire Day.



### SARSDEN-CUM-CHURCHILL.

**Baptisms.**—May 12th, at Sarsden Church, Norah Elizabeth (born 19th February), daughter of Harry and Ada Sherbourne. Sponsors:—Father, Mary Millin and Ellen Duester.

We regret to announce that Captain Buxton (Mrs. Rose's brother), Oxon and Bucks Light Infantry, was killed in action in Italy whilst bravely carrying despatches through the Austrian

machine gun fire to the reserve troops, during the Austrian Push at the end of May.

Charles Byles has also lost a brother who has died of wounds received in France.

We are glad to welcome the returning soldier and sailor when they come to visit their relations in the old home. On Wednesday, July 17th, Mr. Colbourne, of Stratford-on-Avon, got leave after two vain attempts to come back from the "front" in France, to marry in Churchill Church, Miss Mary Henson, a sister of Mrs. Jordan of the "Grange," and kinswoman to one whose name is very well-known in the world of Ecclesiastical Controversy—The Bishop of Hereford. The chancel was nicely decorated, and the choir boys sang the hymns with Mr. Anson at the organ. A merry peal of bells rang out to brighten up the occasion. We all appreciated hearing once more our beautiful bells well rung. The ringers have not lost their practical knowledge of the art of handling the bells, and we hope that some day they will be spared to ring peals to commemorate the end of the war.

Mrs. Tuson has for the last nine months been trained as a Masseuse at Dr. Justina Wilson's Swedish Institute, 108, Cromwell Road, London. She has recently passed the "Incorporated Society of Trained Masseuse" examination, which is divided into two parts—Anatomy and Pathology. She is now busily engaged at St. Mary's Royal Free Hospital, London.

The National Salvage Council is anxious that villages should begin to collect their waste, i.e. old tins, and metal of all kinds, rags, paper, leather, rubber, bones, etc. One wonders whether something here could not be done in this way. The son of the late Bishop of Wakefield—Mr. F. D. How, of Kencot Manor, is moving in the matter. One wonders why the son of a clergyman should interest himself with dust heaps, except that all should be ready to try and reclaim any prodigal who has been thrown on the rubbish heap of the world.

Whatever happens in the War, we have to look forward to a shortage of fuel and light during the coming winter months. It would be well to get the permission of Captain Mercer, and make a collection of wood, which is being burnt day by day in the Sarsden Woods, and get it home, so that it might help out with the coal.

Miss Mabel Griffin has started a Missionary Working Party, which meets at the Rectory once a week. She has our best wishes for its success.

In searching the Churchill Parish Registers with Mr. W. Eric St. John Brooks (a correspondent of the "Times" Newspaper, London,

and son of the late Dr. Henry St. John Brooks, M.D. Sc., D., formerly University Anatomist in the University of Dublin), the Rector takes this opportunity of giving the following information of the "Great" William Smith, in whom Churchill people are interested. William, son of John and Ann Smith, was baptized in Churchill Church on April 9th, 1769. (In the dictionary of National Biography the date of his birth is given as 23rd March, 1769, son of John Smith and Ann Smith—the mother's maiden name being Smith also). The parents were married in Churchill, the entry being John Smith of this Parish, and Ann Smith of this parish by banns, 23rd May, 1768. Edward Smith and William Mullington, witnesses.

Mr Brooks has reason to believe that "Christian," daughter of Robert Brooks, and great grand daughter of William Brooks, his ancestor, seems to have been connected with this family of Smith. We are glad to welcome Mr. Brooks in being also connected with Churchill. The earliest record of his family found in the Churchill registers is the baptism of Robert Brooks, son of William Brooks, on 27th February, 1669. The old inhabitants know the names of fields in Churchill: "Brook's Meadow" and Brook's Heath."

We hope we may have the pleasure of seeing Mr. Brooks again with us.

At a managers meeting held on July 16th, Mr. Frederick Thomas Martin was elected to be a Foundation Manager of Churchill Schools, in place of Mr. Giles Edmonds, deceased.

### SHIPTON-UNDER-WYCHWOOD.

**Holy Baptism.**—June 3rd, Emily Diana Huntington.—July 7th, Ruby Ellen Collins, Ada Davison, Alice Emily Perris.

**War Memorials.**—Several enquiries have been made about these. The Bishop desires that they should be deferred until the close of the war, and then that all applications for permission to erect memorials should be considered with a view to one general harmonious scheme. He has set up a Diocesan Committee which should be consulted before a decision is made. The Secretary of the Committee is the Rev. W. C. Emeris, Vicar of Burford.

**Gloria Patri.**—There seems to be an impression that when the Psalms are read, both parts of the

Gloria are to be said by the people. This has arisen from the practice of singing it in "full," but the intention of the prayer book appears to be quite clear that it should be said as a Versicle and Response. See the Rubric after the Venite, and also the end of the Psalm in the Communion Service.

**Church Council.**—The third meeting of the Church Council was held on Tuesday, July 16th. It was announced that Miss Evans had kindly offered to form a band of workers who would, under her guidance, undertake to keep the Churchyard in order, planting suitable shrubs and flowers and keeping the grass cut. This was very gratefully accepted, and the Churchyard Committee was accordingly discharged. Our thanks are also due to Mr. Strong for a plan of the new burial ground, drawn to scale.

Mrs. Parsons, Miss Williams, and Miss Coombes were appointed a committee to consider ways and means for reviving the Girls' Guild.

It was decided to make no change in the present arrangement of the hours of services.

For the distribution of envelopes in connection with the Diocesan Fund, and such leaflets as it is desired that everyone should receive, it was decided to invite the present Magazine distributors to obtain assistance in their several districts so that one may be left at the house of every Church family in the Parish.

There occurs in the history of every parish a time when something is found necessary to be done which requires the raising of a considerable sum of money. The benefit of this is enjoyed by several generations, but the burden of it usually falls on one. The Council have taken the first step to meet this difficulty in one direction by fixing a fee of £1 for the burial of non-parishioners, the amount to be deposited in a Churchyard Enlargement Fund in the names of the Vicar and Churchwardens. This is looking ahead some 30 years or more, but it is a very wise step to take. Some similar step is needed with regard to the Church fabric.

Miss Evans will need some subscriptions for the initial expenses of the work she has undertaken, but for the current expenses of that work the Vicar has agreed to hand over all fees paid for ordinary burials, and for the erection of tombstones, less income tax.

A plan was agreed upon for the disposal of the books of the old Lending Library.



**SPELSBURY.**

The hours of our Sunday services during such a period as I may be assisting the Vicar of Charlbury at Chadlington, will be as follows:—

1st and 3rd Sundays in the month.—Mattins and Holy Communion, 11 a.m.; Children's Service, 3 p.m.; Evensong, 5 p.m.

2nd, 4th, and 5th Sundays in the month.—Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; Children's Service, 3 p.m.; Evensong, 6.30 p.m.

The old hours will be returned to as soon as Chadlington has a Priest in Charge once more, which for Chadlington's sake, as well as our own, we trust may be soon.

Our Churchyard has received some needful at-

tention and shows the reverent care befitting God's acre. We do not remember (certainly not during the last four years) having seen the mounds in the new part so well tended, and we congratulate the girls whose task this has been.

While your Vicar has received with gratitude some response to his appeal in a former issue of this Magazine for support to the Churchyard Fund there are still very many who have not done so and he would remind such that at the present moment the fund at his disposal is exhausted

Church collections, June 20th to July 19th:—

	£	s	d
Sick and Needy .....	0	8	7
Church Expenses .....	1	11	7

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# THE CHIPPING NORTON Deanery Magazine.



For the Parishes of



CHIPPING NORTON.  
CHARLBURY & SHORTHAMPTON.  
CHASTLETON.  
CHADLINGTON.  
CHURCHILL & SARSDEN.  
CORNWELL.

ENSTONE.  
PIEFIELD & IDBURY.  
HEYTHROP.  
HOOK NORTON.  
PINSTOCK.  
GREAT ROLLRIGHT.

LITTLE ROLLRIGHT.  
SALFORD.  
MILTON & LYNEHAM.  
RAMSDEN.  
SHIPTON & LANGLEY.  
SPELSBURY.

& DAYLESFORD.

SEPTEMBER.

CALENDAR.

1918.

1	S		14th Sunday after Trinity. St. Giles, Ab. C.
2	M		
3	Tu		
4	W		
5	Th		
6	F		
7	S		S. Evartius, B.
8	S		15th Sunday after Trinity. Nativity of the B.V.M.
9	M		
10	Tu		
11	W		
12	Th		
13	F		
14	S		Holy Cross Day.
15	S		16th Sunday after Trinity.
16	M		
17	Tu		S. Lambert, B.M.
18	W		Ember Day.
19	Th		
20	F		Ember Day.
21	S		S. Matthew, A.E.M. Ember Day.
22	S		17th Sunday after Trinity.
23	M		
24	Tu		
25	W		
26	Th		S. Cyprian, Abp.M.
27	F		
28	S		
29	S		S. Michael and All Angels.
30	M		S. Jerome, P.C.D.

5th, New Moon, 10h. 14m. p.m.  
13th, First Quarter, 3h. 2m. p.m.

20th, Full Moon, 1h. 1m. p.m.  
27th, Last Quarter, 4h. 39m. a.m.

### Deanery Notes.

All business communications to be addressed to the Publishers, W. C. HAYES, LTD., CHIPPING NORTON. Notes for the next Magazine should be sent not later than September 20th, to the EDITOR, CORNWELL RECTORY, CHIPPING NORTON.

### RURAL DEANERY NOTICE.

**Oxford Diocesan Fund.**—It is hoped that every Parish in the Deanery has fixed the Sunday for offertories for the Fund for 1918, if the contribution has not been already sent. Last year our Parishes did very well. The appeal for 1918, and leaflets clearly explaining needs, may be obtained from the office of the Diocesan Fund, 8, New Inn Hall Street, Oxford. If any parish fails to arrange for its quota, this entails a great deal of letter writing for various officials, including the Archdeacon. The amounts asked from each parish this year will be found in the March number of our Deanery Magazine. The fund is now doing splendid work. J. D. P.

The Bishop has appointed as Vicar of Ascot-under-Wychwood the Rev. C. E. Shackleton, M.A., who has been in this Diocese for the past ten years at Farley Hill, Swallowfield, Reading.

There are at the present time a considerable number of men over military age, who are employed in keeping in order lawns and pleasure grounds. It is important that such work should be reduced to a minimum in order to allow the men to assist in agriculture up to the end of the harvest. The Ministry of National Service is of opinion that the work in which they are engaged is not at the present time of national importance, and that they would be, as they possess some agricultural knowledge, better employed in helping the harvest. It is hoped that employers having regard to the food position and the crisis through which the country is passing, will do all in their power to release such men for the harvest.

### Sunday School Association—Chipping Norton Deanery.

The meeting of this Association (at the present time only a yearly event), took place on July 27th, at Chipping Norton.

The Parishes represented were: Charlbury, Chipping Norton, Churchill, Hook Norton, Leafield, Salford, Spelsbury.

A good gathering of clergy and teachers assembled at the Parish Room, and an interesting address was given by the Rev. H. C. R. Cunyng-hame, incumbent of St. John's, Dundee, explaining the system of Sunday School Examination in

religious knowledge employed in the Episcopal Church of Scotland. The address gave rise to a good deal of discussion, and many questions were asked about the working of the system, and the advisability of the use of prizes and certificates in connection with the teaching of religion. Mr. Cunyng-hame emphasised the fact that entrance for the examination on the part of children was entirely voluntary.

After the meeting service was held in the Church, and a very helpful sermon preached by the Rev. H. H. Arkell on the words "That our sons may grow up as the young plants, and that our daughters may be as the polished corners of the Temple," Ps. 144, 12.

Tea was afterwards served at the White Hart, and an allusion was made to the 39 years' connection of the Rev. T. W. Lee with the Association.

The clergy present included the Revs. T. W. Lee, J. D. Payne, H. H. Arkell, E. C. Freeman, J. E. Johnson, T. C. Tanner, A. W. Callis, and E. L. Wright.

Ascott was not represented this year as usual, owing probably to the lamented death of the Rev. C. Walford.



### CHIPPING NORTON.

Vicar—Rev. H. H. Arkell, M.A., Surrogate.

Assistant Priest—Rev. E. LI. Weight.

Churchwardens—Mr. Austin Webb.

Mr. A. J. Bolwell.

for Chipping Norton.

Major Daly, for Over Norton.

Sexton and Clerk—H. H. Langton (pro tem.)

**Church Army Hut Flag Day.**—If it can be arranged we are hoping to have a flag day in Chipping Norton for the above splendid object on Saturday, September 7th. All will, we feel sure, sympathise with this effort. Up to the beginning of last May the Church Army had lost about 100 Recreation Huts by enemy action, besides tents, clubs, &c., established in buildings and similar centres. The value of these huts to our soldiers cannot be over estimated.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig writes:—"I much regret to learn that the Church Army lost so many of its recreation centres for men, which had to be abandoned during the recent fighting. One cannot pay too high tributes for the comfort and inspiration which the Church Army Huts and other means of ministrations have been to our heroic troops."

Our District Visitors are specially helping in this matter, but we shall need other help besides, and shall be grateful if all those willing to help

in the Flag Day would attend after the District Visitors' meeting in the Church Room on Tuesday, Sept. 3rd at 3.30 p.m.

**Sunday School Treat.**—We hope to have our Sunday School Treat on Thursday, September 19th, instead of September 26th, as announced last month.

**Harvest Thanksgiving Services.**—These services are fixed for Thursday, October 10th, at 7 p.m. and the following Sunday, 6 o'clock. The preacher on the Thursday evening will be Rev. G. A. Littledale.

**Baptisms.**—August 15th, Raymond Victor Dawe, son of Ernest Llewellyn and Belle Weight.

**Marriages.**—July 27th, Arthur Percival Hall and Elizabeth Mary Simkins; August 3rd, Oliver David Eli Titcombe and Florence May Woodward.

**Burials.**—July 24th, Richard Frank Harris, aged 19 years; August 7th, William Reason, aged 77 years; August 15th, Ada Turner aged 29 years.

**Day of Remembrance.**—We are glad this day, August 4th, was so well observed in this parish. There were very good attendances at the three Celebrations of Holy Communion and the other services of the day. The names of the fallen in battle from the parish were read out at each celebration—a remembrance of them in the highest sense. There was a Special United Service in the Town Hall in the afternoon, attended by the Mayor and Corporation in State, and this was very well attended, too.

Our very deep sympathy goes out to Mr. and Mrs. Hughes, of Diston's Lane, in the loss they have sustained by their son Albert "killed in action," and to Mr. and Mrs. Owen in the loss of their son also "killed in action." The supreme sacrifice made by these young lives is the call to us to be worthy of the same. May they not have died in vain.

We cannot let these notes go to press without a word of gratitude that Chris. Webb, another old C.L.B. lad, reported missing, is now a prisoner of war in Germany and well. God speed the time of his release and all other prisoners of war.

**C.L.B. Outing.**—On August 24th the C.L.B. went for a week-end camp to Great Rollright. By the kindness of Mr. Joseph Hughes the lads were provided with shelter. The event proved a very happy time for the lads.

### CHADDLINGTON.

The Rev. E. L. Wood has come to take over the charge of Chadlington, and both he and Mrs. Wood are now installed in the Curate's house. It is their earnest hope that the congregation will rally round them in the winter's work, and that the duty and privilege of public worship, especially at Holy Communion, may not be neglected.

Daily Matins have been started once more, at 8.15 a.m., except on Thursday, when the Holy Communion is administered at 8 a.m.

**August 4th.**—The Rev. E. L. Wood's first Sunday was on August 4th (the 4th anniversary of the war). The services were well attended, and the collections resulted in a cheque for £6 being sent to the Local Secretary of the Prisoners of War Fund. This was a most gratifying result. The Special Forms of Service were used for Holy Communion at 11, and the Prayers were used at Evensong. The Special Litany was used on the following Sunday, and will be generally utilised at the War Intercession Service on Thursdays at 8 p.m.

**Marriage.**—August 5th, Ernest Cherry and Emily Williams.



### CHARLBURY.

**Baptism.**—August 11th, Edith May, daughter of Charles Albert and Margaret Esther Prutley.

**Burials.**—July 13th, Esther Parsons, aged 68 years; July 15th, Alice Hall, aged 13 days; July 20th, Sarah Harris, aged 37 years; August 10th, William Harris, of Wolverton, aged 51 years.

The sudden death from pneumonia of Mrs. Harris, leaving a young family of 7 boys and an infant daughter, aroused much sympathy and help from her neighbours, and we have been asked to thank in the "Deanery Magazine" all those who have helped.

Sunday, August 4th, the Day of Remembrance for the war, was very well observed. Our offertory for the Prisoners of War Fund was £33 8s. 2d. Throughout the day a large number of people came to Church. There were 115 Communicants. We now have 8 names of Prisoners of War to remember, the last being Cecil Hollifield, now in Austria.

There has been an excellent response in the collection of gold and silver articles throughout Charlbury, Cornbury, Rangers Lodge, Shortampton, and Chilson for the Prisoners of War Fund. We had a number of ladies collecting from house to house, and Lady Margaret Watney

kindly arranged everything, and sent the whole collection to Miss Ashhurst.

On Thursday, August 15th, our Sunday School children and teachers assembled on the Vicarage lawn, where we had tea, and afterwards made our way to the cricket field, kindly lent by Mr. Edgington. Cricket and various sports were arranged by Mr. Allen and Mr. Bowl. We have to thank our kind friends Mr. Kibble and Mr. Warren for lending and erecting swings. Altogether we had a particularly enjoyable day.

We are glad to welcome at Chadlington Rev. E. L. Wood, M.A., and his wife, who have come into residence. He was a member of Worcester College, Oxford (which has given us three curates in succession), and for the past four years has been curate of St. Matthew's, Bootle, Liverpool.

We shall not forget the kind help of the Vicar of Spelsbury during the vacancy at Chadlington.

### CHASTLETON.

**Baptisms.**—July 28th, Norman Albert George Bartlett.—Betty Elizabeth Bunce.

**School News.**—The School received a most satisfactory report from the Diocesan Inspector, the Rev. R. P. Burnett. He says:—"This school maintains its old reputation, and the results of the inspection were quite satisfactory. In the upper group the knowledge of Scripture was decidedly good; several children were very good. Catechism and Prayer Book, both good; repetition, good."

The Bishop's prize is awarded to Marjorie Clarke, and a certificate to Norah Tidmarsh. Phyllis Clarke also deserves special mention. The writing was generally very fair, though the spelling requires attention.

Infants: In Scripture two answered well. Catechism and repetition, both good. Frank Minns and Phyllis Lines both deserve special mention. The Prayers were reverent, and the hymns very nicely sung.

**Offertories.**—On August 4th the offertories were sent to the Oxford County Prisoners of War Fund. They amounted to £4 3s.

### CORNWELL.

Rector—Rev. R. P. Burnett, M.A., St. John's College, Cambridge: Senior Chaplain H.M. Indian Government, retired.

Churchwardens—Colonel A. N. Hall, J.P.,  
Mr. George Bowles.

"**Remembrance Day.**"—Sunday, August 4th, was the fourth anniversary of the war, and was duly observed in Cornwell. Our three services at 11, 3, and 6 were all well attended. The Church was filled to overflowing in the evening. The special form of prayer and thanksgiving was used, and the Rector preached three sermons from the texts, Rev. iv., 10; St. Math., xviii, 10; and Judges vii., 8. The offertories were for the Red Cross Society, and amounted to £3 4s. 4½d.

**The Church Organ.**—Mr. Ludwig, of Banbury, spent two days at Cornwell and has taken the organ to pieces. A considerable part will have to be sent to Banbury for repairs, and will take some time to be put in order. It was found that much damage had been done by rats or mice, and the work will be more than was anticipated. In a few weeks, however, we hope to have it all in order again, and Mr. Ludwig assures us it will be good for another fifty years!

**Harvest Thanksgiving.**—Our splendid harvest, the best for 50 years, calls for our special thanks at such a time as the present. We hope to have our services on Friday evening, the 27th of September, and the following Sunday, St. Michael and All Angels' Day. At the former, the Rev. Canon Oldfield, D.D., Vicar of Shipton-under-Wychwood, has kindly promised to preach. The offertories, as usual, will be for the Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford.

### DAYLESFORD.

The fourth anniversary of the declaration of war was duly observed here, and the special prayers issued for the occasion were used at all services. The congregations were certainly larger than usual, for which we are thankful, and *there* seemed to be a spirit of earnestness abroad. May we not believe that the favourable turn in the course of events in France is a direct outcome of, and answer to, the nation's prayers offered up at that time! The collections were for the British Prisoners of War Fund, and realised a sum of £3 2s. which has been forwarded to London.

It is holiday-time for the school now, and both teacher and children are enjoying a needed spell of rest and recreation, from which they will doubtless return with renewed vigour and zest for work at the close of the six weeks. - We trust that the holidays will be all the more enjoyed by reason of the excellent report recently received from the Diocesan Inspector of the result of his examination of the school in religious knowledge.

We much regret the removal from our midst of an old and much respected inhabitant of the village in the person of Mrs. Alfred Bridge, who has left the parish after a residence of more than forty years to reside in London. She carries with her the regrets and hearty good wishes of many old friends.

The annual sermon on behalf of the British and Foreign Bible Society will be preached on the morning of Sunday, September 22nd, by the Rev. J. Alston, one of the Society's District Secretaries, and a collection will be made in aid of the funds of the Society.

The work of gathering in the harvest is now in full swing, and the harvest promises to be one of the best for many years past. This should add fervour to our Thanksgiving when it is held.



### FIFIELD-WITH-IDBURY.

**Baptism.**—August 11th, Muriel Joan Bull, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bull, of Fifield.

**Prisoners of War.**—Collections were made at both services at Fifield and Idbury on Sunday, July 21st, for prisoners of war of the Oxford and Bucks Light Infantry.

On Sunday, 4th August, we remembered the day when war was declared.

In Fifield Church the Rev. A. Schildrick, Vicar of Milton-under-Wychwood, officiated and preached the sermon in the morning. In the evening the Rev. J. A. Thomas, Rector of Westcote, exchanged duty with the Rector, and took the service at Idbury.

**School Repairs.**—Some repairs are needed in the school, and the correspondent has received subscriptions towards the expense from Colonel Petre, F. W. Matthews, Esq., C. B. Chambers, Esq., E. W. Bishop, Esq., Messrs. Sturch, Isaacs, and the Rector.

**Military Cross.**—For "gallantry in artillery co-operation" Second-Lieut. H. L. McConnell, Indian Army and R.F.C., has been awarded the Military Cross.



### FINSTOCK AND FAWLER.

The Harvest Festival will be held—D.V.—on Thursday, October 3rd and the following Sunday, October 6th. On the Thursday there will be Holy Communion at 7 a.m. and Evensong and Sermon at 7 p.m. On the Sunday there will be Celebration of the Holy Communion at 7 and 8 a.m. and during Matins. The harvest this year should call

forth our most humble and hearty thanks. The Vicar trusts that the parishioners generally will show their gratitude to Almighty God by making more determined efforts to attend, at least, one of the services during the Festival, particularly, if possible, one of the Celebrations of the Holy Communion—the Harvest Eucharist—which, as the name implies, is the great act of Corporate Thanksgiving, instituted by our Lord Himself, and therefore the one most acceptable to our Father in Heaven.

Special Forms of Service were used on August 4th, the fourth anniversary of the Declaration of War. The collections throughout the day amounted to £1 14s. and were on behalf of the British Red Cross Society.



### ENSTONE.

**Baptism.**—August 4th, Martha Janot, daughter of David Thomas and Alice May Carpenter.

**Marriage.**—July 13th (the Rector of Hoythrop, officiating), Fred Essex & Beatrice Emily Healey.

"The Day of Remembrance."—August 4th was well kept by very good congregations in Enstone Church. The services provided met the needs of all present. The devout attention of the evening congregation was specially noticeable. The list contained 180 names of those serving their country, of whom 18 have made the supreme sacrifice. No wonder that our people were glad that they availed themselves of the opportunity of being in God's House on that day.

The gloriously fine weather and the satisfactory progress of the harvest work are causes of much cheerful thankfulness day by day to the Giver of all good. One cannot yet give notice of the Harvest Thanksgiving Services, which, we trust, are being looked forward to. The Radcliffe Infirmary will need the very best thankoffering that can be made as a proof of gratitude for a bounteous harvest in this 5th year of war. In 1917, the average cost of each in-patient at the Radcliffe was £8 2s. 11d.

Young gentlemen from Charterhouse are working in our harvest fields and giving a good account of themselves. Farmers are finding themselves fortunate in having engaged their patriotic services.

On July 28th, the Rev. Waldo Burnett very kindly came over from Ditchley to assist the Vicar morning and evening.

There were no services on July 14th, the Vicar's

first Sunday off since the war began. He had gone away for a few days on the previous Monday, and, instead of returning for duty, was kept prisoner in bed by order of the physician. On the following Sunday, it was but little he could do for the very kindly sympathetic congregations at 11 and 6.30. For the future when he must travel by rail, it will be, if possible, in a smoking compartment as some precaution against germs and infection.

### HOOK NORTON.

**Holy Baptism.**—July 28th, Greville Stewart Parker, son of Ernest Charles and Agnes Mary Gibson Freeman.

**Burial.**—August 12th, Jæssie Gertrude Robins, aged 89 years.

Number of communicants from July 21st to August 18th, 121.

Collections during the same period:—

	£	s.	d.
Offertory Fund .....	1	3	5½
Sunday School (2) .....	1	19	3
Choir Fund (2) .....	1	5	0
National Society .....	2	7	8
Church Expenses .....	3	0	1
Lighting Fund .....	0	12	0½

We beg to acknowledge with thanks the following subscriptions to the Churchyard Fund, received since our last issue:—Mr. John W. Harris, 10/-; Mrs. James Harris, 2/6.

**Nursing Association.**—Mrs. Thomas Harris, of Magdalen Lodge, having resigned the secretaryship of the Hook Norton Branch of the Nursing Association, in consequence of advancing years, was on Tuesday, July 30th, the recipient of a testimonial presented on behalf of the Association in this and neighbouring villages in recognition of her long and faithful work for more than twenty years. The collection was undertaken by Mrs. Littleboy, who also acted as secretary, assisted by Mrs. Thos. Smith and Miss Williams. The testimonial took the form of a case of Treasury notes, amounting to the sum of £34. The actual presentation was made by Mrs. Thomas Smith, the oldest subscriber in the village, and the Rector in asking Mrs. Smith to undertake this task said that the testimonial was the expression of a desire to make some recognition to Mrs. Harris on her retirement, of the very valuable work of the Association in the neighbourhood, carried on year in and year out by the nurses among the sick, under the guidance of

Mrs. Harris. The nurses were a great blessing to the countryside, and many a home had only too good cause to be thankful for their presence in our midst. He hoped Mrs. Harris would understand their deep sense of the value of the work she had helped to inaugurate and sustain. She had been an illustration of how people without being endowed with great physical strength might yet do much to lighten the burdens of their fellow creatures in the world. Not the least among the benefits bestowed on the Association by Mrs. Harris was the fact that on her retirement she had secured such capable and experienced successors as her nieces—the Misses Dickins—to carry on her work. Mrs. Smith then, in a few well-chosen words asked Mrs. Harris to accept the testimonial as a small token of the widespread appreciation of her work and of the affection and respect in which they all held her. Mrs. Harris, speaking with great feeling said, she was too overcome with surprise at such unexpected and unlooked for kindness to be able to say much at the moment. She hoped the committee would pardon her for that, and that they would carry to the subscribers her most grateful thanks for their kind gift, and tell them how deeply touched she was by such a handsome token of their appreciation of the work she had tried to do for the Association.

The Sunday School Children's Summer Treat took place on Friday, August 16th. There was a service in the church at 3.30 p.m., followed by tea in the schoolroom, after which the children repaired to the Park Farm, on the kind invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Rowles, where they enjoyed themselves in various amusements until late in the evening. Our best thanks are due to Mrs. James and John Harris, who superintended the difficult matter of catering, and were assisted by the Misses Rowles, Clarkson, Dickins, Bowler, Allen, Veal, Buggins, Weston, and others. We have to thank also the following for subscriptions:—Mr. Inwards, 2/6 and sugar; Mrs. Colegrave, 2/6; Mrs. E. Colegrave, 2/6; Mrs. Jas. Harris, 2/6; the Misses Dickins, 5/-; Miss Rushton, 5/-; the Rector, 5/-; Mrs. Lomax, 6d.; Mrs. Buggins, 6d.; Mrs. W. Smith, 6d.; Mrs. Hyde, 6d.; Mrs. Rowles, milk; and Mrs. Inwards, jam.

We were pleased to see the Hook Norton Volunteers in Church on August 4th, on the occasion of the Day of Special Prayer in connection with the war, appointed by the King.

We regret to announce that Walter Townley and Ralph Busby are reported wounded, the latter we grieve to say having lost a leg. We

cannot say how deeply we sympathise with these and other wounded men.

The Rector and Mrs. Freeman wish to thank the ringers for the kind surprise they gave them by ringing on the occasion of the baptism of their son. They hope that in due time he will be a ringer himself.

Mr. C. E. Keyser, of Aldermaston Court, near Reading, visited the church on Friday, August 10th, and took careful notes of all architectural points, with the intention of preparing a lecture to be delivered before the British Archæological Society in London. Mr. Keyser, who is the president of the Society, was accompanied by two photographers—Mr. Taunt, of Oxford, and Mr. Adams, of Reading—who took a large number of views, and he has promised to give us a lecture, illustrated with lantern slides, in the winter. This will undoubtedly be most interesting, and we have little doubt that it will be well attended.

### GREAT ROLLRIGHT.

Collections for Church Expenses:—July 21st, 13/-; July 28th, 13/3½; August 11th, 19/1½. The collections for the Prisoners of War on August 4th came to £1 18s. 7½d.

Number of communicants for the month, 44.

### SARSDEN-CUM-CHURCHILL.

**Baptism.**—(Born December 24th, 1917); at Churchill Church, on July 21st, Mary Elededy, daughter of William Charles and Minnie Elizabeth Hoverd. Sponsors: Mary Barnes, Annie S. Parker, and the father.

**Marriage.**—At Sarsden Church, on August 10th, James Cauty and Sarah Duester.

**Instruction Class.**—Miss Boyes, who holds a diploma of the British Dairy Farmers Association, held an Instruction Class, by the kind invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Treweeke, at the "Mount," Churchill, lasting for ten days during the early part of August, to which nine pupils attended. During the ten days about 40 cheeses were made, of three kinds, "Caerphilly," "Small Holders," and "Coulommier." The classes were a great success.

**Mothers' Union.**—The Mothers' Union members met at the Rectory on Friday, August 10th, when Miss Badger gave a helpful and inspiring address, which was much appreciated by all who were present. The Food Controller at Chipping Norton made it possible to give the members a war tea afterwards.

**Demonstration.**—Mrs. M. Scott, 20, Charlbury Road, Oxford, gave a demonstration on fruit and vegetable preserving (in bottles, jars, and cans) and on fruit pulping without sugar at the "Mount" on August 20th, authorised by the Food Production Department. Mrs. Johnson thanked Mrs. Treweeke for the kindness which she showed in having the meeting at her house. Twenty-eight attended the lecture, and afterwards tea was given, and Mrs. Scott cycled off to Swinbrook for her next meeting at 6 p.m.

**The National Salvage Council.**—An open-air meeting was held at Churchill to explain the reason why it is very necessary to save that which formerly was thrown away on the dust heaps. A resolution was passed to form a working committee to organize the saving of the waste of Sarsden and Churchill. The Boy Scouts have since been busy in collecting old tins, bottles, paper, and other materials. The following were elected on the committee: Messrs. Blair, Martin, Jordan, Anson, A. Sherborne, Miss Dorothy Treweeke, the Rector, and one other.

**Scripture Examination.**—The Rev. R. P. Burnett examined our schools in religious subjects on August 15th. We hope to give his report in next month's issue.

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### SHIPTON-UNDER-WYCHWOOD.

**Harvest Festival.**—This will be held on Wednesday, September 25th. The preacher will be the Rev. R. Gibbs, M.A., Vicar of Clifton Hampden.

**Reade Scholarships.**—A supplementary examination for one scholarship was held on Saturday, August 17th; examiner, Mr. W. H. Anson, Churchill. Full marks: Arithmetic, 80; composition and general knowledge, 72; English history and geography, 120. Marks obtained:—

Donald Moss (Shipton),	50, 35, 62.....total,	147
Walter Smith (Shipton),	40, 12, 12.....total	64
Desmond Collett (Milton),	0, 1, 12.....total,	23

**Diocesan Inspection.**—The schools were inspected on Tuesday, July 30th. Extracts from the reports:—

**SHIPTON SCHOOL.**—Standards IV-VII, Knowledge of Scripture, decidedly good, some being excellent; Prayer Book, very good; Repetition, good. Standards II. and III., Scripture, generally good; there was a good deal of difference between some of the scholars. Prayer Book, good and had been carefully taught and explained. Repetition, good. Ruth Baker, Gwen Baylis, Gilbert Baker, and George Case



did particularly well. Standard I. and Infants, Scripture, very good; Catechism and Repetition, both good. Leslie Longshaw, Amy Savin, George Curtis and Dorothy Coombes deserve special mention. Babies, in Scripture the answering was bright and intelligent; Catechism and Repetition, both good. Leslie Yeatman, Billy Slatter and Denis Lawrence all deserve special praise.

**ST. MICHAEL'S HOME.**—It is always a pleasure to visit the above "Home," and the results of the inspection are always very satisfactory. This year they were quite up to the mark. The answers both in Prayer Book and Holy Scripture very good. The answering was very intelligent, and showed the subjects had been carefully taught and explained. The Repetition was good. Ivy Wall was the best, and is given a certificate, as she has already had the Bishop's Prize. The latter is given to Mary Hall, who was a good second. A certificate is also given to Ada Davison, who was the third best. Elizabeth Rastall, Lillian Pikesley, Bertha Taylor, Rose Raymond and Jane Allen also distinguished themselves.

**Bible Study.**—The Vicar will be willing during the winter months to conduct a class for Bible study by adults of some education if there is any desire for it.

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### SPELSBURY.

**Sunday, August 4th,** the fourth anniversary of the war was observed as a solemn day of prayer and thanksgiving throughout the Empire. Our own services were well attended, and the collections amounting to £3 were given to patriotic funds.

**Garden Fête.**—On Monday, August 5th a garden fête was held at the Vicarage to raise funds for church purposes. Thanks to the kindness and generosity of friends, too numerous to name individually, there were well supplied stalls of needlework, flowers, fruit, vegetables, provisions, and jumble and many other attractions in the form of competitions, including bowling for a pig. The Stonefield Brass Band was in attendance, and enlivened the proceedings with well chosen selections of music. The many energetic helpers and generous donors had a well-merited reward in the successful result of the effort, and we have every reason to believe that the visitors, numbering perhaps over a thousand, spent an enjoyable afternoon and evening. Appended is the balance-sheet:—

CREDIT.		£	s.	d.
By Donations .....		3	15	0
„ Stalls .....		36	7	6½
„ Hoop-la .....		3	0	0
„ Bowling for pig .....		6	15	7½
„ Donkey rides .....		0	17	8
„ Competitions, &c. ....		9	4	4½
		£60	0	2½
DEBIT.		£	s.	d.
By Band .....		5	0	0
„ Materials for needlework and purchase of toys...		3	10	0
„ Washing .....		0	2	0
To Balance in hand .....		51	3	2½
		£60	0	2½

**Church Repairs.**—The work of cleaning down the walls of the Church and repairing leaks in the roof is now in progress, and it is intended to colour the walls with "Duresco" as soon as war restrictions permit the purchase of the necessary materials. These notes cannot be brought to a close without the expression of the very hearty thanks we owe to the many kind donors, helpers, and supporters of our effort.

Church collections July 21st to August 18th:—

	£	s.	d.
Church Expenses .....	2	6	7
Sick and Needy .....	0	9	7
Church Army Huts .....	1	0	0
Prisoners of War Fund .....	1	0	0
Lord Roberts' Memorial Workshops .....	1	0	0

The arrangement announced in our last issue whereby our Vicar was assisting the Vicar of Charlbury by taking services at Chadlington, has now ended, and we are able to return to the old hours of service in our church.

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SPELSBURY.

OCTOBER.

CALENDAR.

1918.

1	Tu	S. Remigius, B.
2	W	
3	Th	
4	F	
5	S	
6	S	19th Sunday after Trinity. S. Faith, V.M.
7	M	
8	Tu	
9	W	S. Denys, B.M.
10	Th	
11	F	
12	S	
13	S	20th Sunday after Trinity. Translation of S. Edward, K.C.
14	M	
15	Tu	
16	W	
17	Th	S. Etheldreda, V
18	F	S. Luke, E.
19	S	
20	S	21st Sunday after Trinity.
21	M	
22	Tu	
23	W	
24	Th	
25	F	S. Crispin, M.
26	S	
27	S	22nd Sunday after Trinity.
28	M	S. Simon, A.M. and S. Jude, A.M
29	Tu	
30	W	
31	Th	

5th, New Moon, 3h. 5m. a.m.  
13th, First Quarter, 5h. 0m. a.m.

19th, Full Moon, 9h. 35m. p.m.  
26th, Last Quarter, 5h. 35m. p.m.

Notes for the next Magazine should be sent not later than November 20th, to the Editor, Cornwell Rectory, Chipping Norton.

All business communications to be addressed to the Publishers, W. C. Hayes, Ltd., Chipping Norton

### Deanery Notes.

#### Urgent and Important.

#### QUEEN MARY'S ARMY AUXILIARY CORPS

[This appeal is made to carry out War Office Instructions.]

The Military Authorities have asked us to insert the following:—

"The War Office require at once a large additional number of Women Workers to join Queen Mary's Army Auxiliary Corps. Each woman who joins sets free a soldier either in the British or United States armies, and so strengthens the Allied fighting line.

"Women are wanted for the Q.M.A.A.C., as clerks, cooks, waitresses, and for other domestic work, both at home and in France, and girls who join, in addition to being provided with free food, accommodation, washing, uniform, medical attendance, &c., are able to save or spend from 10/- to 31/- per week. Where necessary, girls are trained free. They are well looked after, and lead an interesting life, and should return to their civil vocations better fitted to make their way in the world from their experience.



### CHIPPING NORTON.

**The Boys' Club, Band of Hope, & King's Messengers.**—We hope to begin our winter's work in these organisations on Monday, October 14th, and we hope for a happy season. The parents of the children can give us in our work very real and true help by encouraging their children to be regular in their attendance.

**Sunday School Treat.**—The postponed treat was held on Thursday, September 19th. The children, with their teachers, met at the Parish Church at 2.15 for a short service. They then proceeded to the Common until tea-time. Tea was served in the Parish Room under the management of Mrs. Hill and Miss Insall, assisted by other willing helpers. After tea games and races were organised by the teachers. We are sorry the day was so cold; but it was something to have it fine. At the conclusion of the tea three hearty cheers were given by the children to Mr. Toy, who most kindly provided the tea.

**Marriages.**—August 31st, William Brown and Lottie Knibbs.—September 12th, Albert Edwin Pearce and Edith Emily Keen.—September 18th, George William Ruff and Ivy Gibbs.

**Burials.**—September 2nd, Edward Hill, aged 75 years.—September 11th, Julia Saunders, aged 80 years.

**Bishop of Gloucester's Visit.**—The large congregations on Sunday, September 1st, showed the great appreciation of the Bishop of Gloucester's visit. In the evening our large church was nearly full. The Bishop preached in the morning from Galatians v. 15, and in the evening from 2 Timothy, I. 10. A short report has appeared in the local Press of the sermons, and for many a long day we shall carry in our hearts the Bishop's words of counsel and comfort. We venture to hope the Bishop will come to us again some day, and may that "some day" be soon!

**Church Army Hut Flag Day.**—Our Flag Day for this splendid object was a great success, and we take this opportunity of thanking all those who took part in selling the flags. We publish below Prebendary Carlile's letter of thanks to the Vicar, together with a list of the helpers and the amounts in each box in the order sent in:—

	£	s.	d.
Mrs. Corry .....	0	15	7
Miss Salmon .....	1	1	6
Mrs. Burbidge .....	1	8	9
Miss O'Kelly .....	0	15	0
Miss Joslin and Miss Pryer ...	1	17	0
Miss Bird .....	0	7	6½
Mrs. Brookbanks .....	0	17	1½
Mrs. Woodward .....	0	14	10½
Mrs. Arkell and Miss Arkell...	0	13	10
Mrs. Weight .....	0	1	0
Mrs. Bolwell .....	0	5	7
Mrs. Hartwell and Miss			
Shrimpton .....	1	8	5
Mrs. Wilkins .....	0	14	3½
Mrs. Pettipher .....	1	2	2½
Mrs. G. Mace .....	1	11	0
Mrs. H. Pettipher .....	1	16	4½
Mrs. Arkell .....	0	8	8½
Miss Stephan .....	0	14	6
Miss Lockwood .....	1	9	7½
Mrs. Rowell .....	4	9	6
Mrs. Pearson .....	1	8	5½
Miss Edwards .....	0	6	10½
Mrs. Webb .....	0	17	11½
Mrs. Lewis .....	0	3	2
Miss Denise Daly .....	2	19	8½
Mrs. Felthouse .....	0	11	6½
Mrs. Barlow .....	1	0	2

The total amount in all the boxes is (it will be seen) £30 0s. 3d. This does not include the collection in church, which amounted to £7 4s. 9d.

September 20th, 1918.

DEAR MR. ARKELL,—

It is with a very special sense of gratitude that I write to most heartily thank you for helping us so splendidly by your Plug Day effort. I fully realise the immense amount of work it has meant to gather round you such a band of sellers as to enable you to collect so excellent a sum as £30 0s. 3d., and I feel sure you must be as highly gratified with this result as we are.

I would, of course, dearly love to personally thank all who have co-operated with you, in many cases with the utmost self sacrifice; but this is impossible, and I should therefore be most grateful if you would kindly convey to them, as opportunity occurs, my deepest appreciation of their most encouraging help to replace the 100 lost huts. We all realise the tremendous boon the huts are to the troops.

Again very warmly thanking you,  
Gratefully Yours.

W. CARLILE,

Founder and Hon. Chief Secretary.

The Rev. H. H. Arkell,  
The Vicarage,  
Chipping Norton.

**Women's Bible Class.**—This Class, which meets every Wednesday in the Church Room, will re-open its meetings on Wednesday, Oct. 16th, at 7 o'clock. There are already about 40 members, and we hope that many more will join this winter.

**Harvest Thanksgiving Services.**—As announced last month, these services are fixed for Thursday, October 10th, and the following Sunday, October 13th. The preacher on the Thursday, at 7 p.m., will be the Rev. G. A. Littledale, and on the Sunday morning the Rev. P. Morgan-Watkins, Rector of Great Rollright. The offertory on Thursday will be for Foreign Missions, and on Sunday for Ratcliffe Infirmary.

**Foreign Missionary Festival.**—The day fixed for our Foreign Missionary Festival is Thursday, November 28th. There will be (as last year) a meeting in the Town Hall at 3 p.m. with a special speaker and a service in the Parish Church at 7 p.m., when we are glad to announce the preacher will be the Dean of Gloucester. The other parishes in our Deanery are joining in this Missionary Day. Let us all determine to repeat the success of last year!

## CHADLINGTON.

**Holy Baptism.**—Marjorie Vera, daughter of Alfred Edward and Edith Ellen Burden.—Margaret Ellen, daughter of Charles Roney and Ellen Holloway.—Stuart Daniel, son of Rose Clarke (Waif and Stray).

**Band of Hope.**—The annual treat was held, by kind permission of Mr. and Mrs. Bliss, in a field adjoining the Manor House. The children enjoyed their games and races, and tea was provided upon the lawn. After tea Mrs. Wood distributed prizes for recitations, and medals for bringing in new members. It is hoped that children will try to earn these medals again this coming season, by bringing in two new members. The financial result of a happy afternoon was a credit balance of £1 9s. 2d. We desire to thank Mr. and Mrs. Sturch and all those friends who gave both in money and in kind, for so excellent an achievement.

**Church Clock.**—The Church clock decided to "down tools" and went on a 6-day "strike," thus showing how up-to-date even an old institution may become. By peaceful methods it was at length persuaded to resume work, and now strikes regularly.

**Harvest Festival.**—By the time this Magazine is out amongst its readers our harvest services will be over. We are expecting a visit from the Rev. T. P. Field at the Thursday evening's service, September 26th, and we are sure that a hearty welcome will be afforded to him by the members of his late congregation.



## CHARLBURY.

**Baptisms.**—September 1st, Constance Ethel Lucie and Stanley Charles, children of Albert Stanley and Ethel Elizabeth Lynham, of St. Marylebone, London.

**Burial.**—August 22nd, Anne Baylis, aged 78 years.

**Mothers' Union.**—On August 23rd, after a Service of Intercession in the Church, an address was given in the Vicarage Room by Miss Dora Lee. The members were entertained at Ivy House to tea in the garden by Mrs. Bois and Mrs. Carey Elwes, and cakes were given by Lady Margaret Watney, Mrs. McNeight, Mrs. John Smith, Mrs. Pritchard, and the Vicar. The urns were lent by Mr. Warren. Altogether the members thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon.

The Girl Guides have sent £1 11s. 6d. to the Red Cross, being the proceeds of paper collected by them.

**Sunday School Funds.**—On Sunday, September 1st, the offertory for our Sunday School Funds amounted to £5.

**The Harvest Festival** at Charlbury was held on Thursday, October 3rd, the preacher being the Rev. Canon Oldfield, D.D., Vicar of Shipton-under-Wychwood. The offertories were for the Radcliffe Infirmary. On the following Sunday the offertories throughout the day were for the Oxford Diocesan Fund. At Shorthampton Church the Harvest Festival was held on Sunday, October 6th.

We have to thank Mrs. Barrett, of Shorthampton Farm, who paid for the cutting of the grass at Shorthampton Churchyard.

**Chilson School: Inspection in Religious Knowledge.**—We have received an excellent report from Rev. A. Carey Elwes. The Bishop's prize goes to V. Allen, and the certificates to Reggie Barrett and B. Rimmell.

Rev. G. S. Payne, C.F., Rector of Delamere, has sailed with his battalion to join the North Russian Expeditionary Force. Commodore C. R. Payne, R.N., is stationed on the southern side of Russia.



### CHASTLETON.

**Military Weddings.**—On August 22nd, at 10.30 a.m., at St. Mary's Church, Chastleton, by the Rev. R. P. Burnett, George Reginald Davies to Agnes May Skeleher. A quiet wedding, bride and bridegroom leaving by midday train for Cheshire.

On August 27th, at 1.30, Driver A. C. Corbett to Matilda Gingell. A reception was afterwards held at "Harcomb Farm," where between 40 and 50 guests were entertained. Bride and bridegroom left by the 5 p.m. train for Leamington.

**The Harvest Thanksgiving Service** will be held on Friday, October 4th.



### CORNWELL.

**Harvest Thanksgiving.**—The harvest thanksgiving services were held on Friday, September 27th and the following Sunday (St. Michael and All Angels' Day). They were as follows:—Friday, Holy Communion 8 a.m.; special service and sermon, 6.30 p.m., the preacher being the Rev. Canon Oldfield, D.D., Vicar of Shipton-

under-Wychwood. On Sunday (St. Michael's Day), Matins, Sermon and Holy Communion, at 11 a.m.; evensong and Sermon at 6 p.m. The offertories at all the services were given to the Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford.

**The Church Organ.**—The work of repairing the church organ is now completed, and Mr. Ludwig assures us it is good for another fifty years. The work has been considerably larger than was expected, and probably the cost will come to nearly £20. We hope, however, to raise it without any difficulty, and will give particulars in our next number.

**Deanery Clerical Meeting.**—The monthly meeting of the Chipping Norton Clerical Society was held at Cornwell Rectory on Tuesday, September 17th; nine members attending. The new Scripture Subject, St. John's Gospel, was opened by the Rector of Cornwell, and the Rev. W. J. Palmer, Vicar of Enstone, contributed an interesting paper of "The Evangelistic Work of the Church." Fortunately, the day proved fine.



### DAYLESFORD.

**Worcester Diocesan Conference.**—At the Worcester Diocesan Conference, held at Birmingham, on Tuesday, September 9th, the Bishop, who presided, announced to the Conference that he had decided, after careful consideration, that if the offer were made to him, as there was every reason to suppose it would be, he would go to Coventry as the first Bishop of the restored See. The announcement was received with profound regret by the Worcestershire clergy, who will thus lose a Bishop, who, during his thirteen years tenancy of the See of Worcester, has won the esteem and confidence and affection of one and all, and has proved himself in all respects a true "Father in God." As regards the question of boundaries in connection with the division of the diocese rendered necessary by the foundation—or rather, the restoration—of the See of Coventry, the matter is still under consideration, but it would seem that there is a possibility—perhaps a probability—that Daylesford will still remain a part of the Diocese of Worcester, instead of being handed over, as had been suggested, to the Diocese of Oxford.

**The School.**—After the summer holidays, the school re-opened with a full attendance. We must now concentrate our attention on the yearly examination at Christmas, and make the best use of the time at our disposal so as to be ready for our Squire's annual visit.

**Harvest Thanksgiving Service.**—It has not yet been possible to fix a date for the harvest thanksgiving service, since the unsettled weather in September has delayed harvest operations, but little by little the fields are being cleared, and it is hoped that the end will now soon be reached, and we shall be able to say our annual "grace" with grateful hearts "for what we have received."



### ENSTONE.

**Marriage.**—September 21st, Thomas Huckin to Clara Healey. The bridegroom and his brother (Alfred) were both wearing the Mons ribbon. They belong to the Oxfordshire Yeomanry, and left our village to serve their country within 24 hours after the declaration of war.

**Home on Leave.**—Frank Huckin, Bertie Huckin and Edgar Hunt, 1914 men, have recently been home on leave. Jack Hawtin looked well after his experiences with the artillery in the March affair and since. Fred Clover, home in August, was wearing the ribbon of the Military Medal. Arthur Wearing, who was reported missing, is among those who have given their lives for their country—he was an army reserve man before the war.

**Harvest Holiday.**—The school children were set free for the harvest holidays on August 8th, and should have returned to school on September 23rd. However, an outbreak of measles has extended their leave. The schools have not been closed through sickness since 1906. It is hoped the children affected will soon recover; and as for others, it is an ill wind that blows no one any good. There will be more hands available for picking up potatoes—that be too near the ground to suit many people.

**Harvest Thanksgiving Services.**—It is earnestly hoped that the harvest will be completed so that we may hold our thanksgiving services on Friday, October 11th, and on Sunday, October 13th.

**Sunday Evening Service.**—On September 22nd and until further notice the Sunday evening service will be at 6 o'clock.

**Visits to Orchards.**—Some evil-disposed person or persons behaved meanly to our respected parish clerk by robbing his orchard during divine service. Others have told one, and they are to be believed, that anxiety for their apples has kept them away from church.

**Obituary.**—The death of Charles Parker at the Infirmary, after an operation for appendicitis, is a sad blow to his wife and two little girls, who have the sincere sympathy of us all in their bereavement.

**Interesting Series of Articles.**—The inset of the Magazine for September has the conclusion of an interesting and helpful series of articles commenced in January, on "How to make the most of Sunday." We hope they have been carefully read, and will be read over again. The welfare of the home and the nation is bound up with the "Reconstruction of Sunday."

**New Arrangement.**—On Sunday, August 4th, no pause was made after the Prayer for the Church Militant, at the late celebration of the Holy Communion, for worshippers to leave the church. That unauthorised pause, we hope, is now a thing of the past. One acquiesced in the custom one found here because it ensured the hearing of the Commandments and the Gospel, and the recitation of the glorious Nicene Creed, by those who did not want the whole service. This advantage, however, will be none the less secured in another way on other Sundays. The new arrangement is happily preferred.

**Birthday Privilege.**—On Sunday, September 1st, the Vicar attained the age of 47 years; and had the privilege of administering the Holy Communion to his guests, his father and mother, who are glad to have given him (their eldest son) to the ministry of the Church. As "years glide away and are lost to me, lost to me," there is an increased desire to serve better in the years that may be left.

Any country parson, even the merest child in learning as compared with Richard Hooker, might well remember that the quiet and obscurity of a country parsonage afford an opportunity to be cheerfully and diligently made use of. Richard Hooker was only 47 when he died, and had resigned, at 38, the mastership of the Temple for a country parish. His work on "Ecclesiastical Polity"—one of the monuments of the English language—has to be read by all candidates for ordination. If our sermons were marked more by Hooker's homeliness we should render greater help to our hearers.



### FIFIELD AND IDBURY.

**Killed in Action.**—We desire to offer our sympathy to Mrs. Pratt, of Idbury, who has heard

that her husband, F. Pratt, of the Welsh Regiment, was killed by machine-gun fire. His captain has written to express the sorrow that he and the men of his company feel at the loss of their comrade.

**Lecture.**—Mr. Rycroft, of Westcote, who is secretary of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in the deanery of Stowe, will give a lecture at Fifield on October 2nd at 7 p.m. The lecturer will tell of the missionary work he has seen in South Africa, and the lecture will be illustrated by slides.

**Thanksgiving Services.**—The harvest thanksgiving services were held on September 15th at Idbury and September 22nd at Fifield. The offerings were given to the Radcliffe and Burford Hospitals, and to the Oxford Eye Hospital. The preacher at Fifield at 6 p.m. was the Rector of Westcote. At Idbury the collection for hospitals amounted to £1 10s., and the fruit and vegetables sent to Burford Cottage Hospital.

### FINSTOCK AND FAWLER.

**School Inspection.**—On Thursday, July 18th, the Rev. R. P. Burnett inspected the schools in religious knowledge. We give his report below:

"I am glad to be able to make another satisfactory report of the above school. I was much pleased with the results of my inspection.

**Mixed School.**—The prayers and singing were very nice, and the former were especially suited to the present time.

**Upper Group.**—Standards iv.—vi.—Scripture: Generally good, and had been carefully taught. Prayer Book: Good, and had been evidently well explained. Repetition: In place of the usual repetition we had some singing, which was very nice.

In the writing out there was a good deal of difference, but it was generally neat and fairly correct.

Ivy Hutt was on the whole the best, and is given the Bishop's prize; certificates to Harry Oliver, Harry Welton, and Norman Townsend. James Knowles, May Alderton and Ruth Pratley also deserve special praise.

**Middle Group.**—Standard iii.—Knowledge of Scripture: Generally good; some very good. Catechism: Very fair. Repetition: Sang with the others very nicely.

A certificate is given to Winnie Welton, who was decidedly the best. Ivy Rose, Mabel Griffin, Kathleen Pratley and Charles Oliver did

specially well. Writing out: Neat and generally correct.

**Lower Group.**—Standards i and ii.—Scripture: Generally good; some very good, especially in the New Testament. Prayer Book: Good. Repetition: Sang nicely. Annie Townsend, Clarice Baylis, Martin Griffin, and Freda Baylis deserve special mention.

**Infants.**—The little ones sang very sweetly. In Scripture some very good, and showed great intelligence; had evidently been carefully taught. Repetition: Very good. The following deserve special praise: Thomas Welton, Donald Claridge, Kenneth Harris, Wallace Townsend, and James Lutener."

**Sunday School Treat.**—On Thursday, August 29th, the Sunday School Treat was held. Tea was provided on the Vicarage lawn, after which the children went to Mr. F. Harris's meadow, where they played games. An enjoyable evening was concluded with various races. Our best thanks are due to Mr. Harris for so kindly allowing us the use of his meadow, and also to Mr. and Mrs. Alderton for their generous gift of milk, as well as to several other friends whose kind donations practically covered all the expenses. The weather was all that could be desired.

### GREAT ROLLRIGHT.

Collections for Church Expenses:—

	£	s.	d.
August 18th .....	1	7	8½
August 25th .....	0	17	0½
September 1st .....	0	19	5½
September 15th .....	1	7	0

The collection for the Diocesan Fund on September 8th came to £1 12s. 6½d.; but the amount that the parish is expected to contribute is £2 12s.; so it is hoped that this will be made up later on.

Number of Communicants for the month, 46.

The Rev. F. M. Crapper, formerly headmaster of Faversham Grammar School, took the services for two Sundays in August, while the Rector took charge of the parish of Alton in Hampshire.

**Women's Institute.**—On September 3rd Mrs. Lamer came to describe to us the working of women's institutes, and it was decided to have one in Rollright. Mrs. Hare was elected president, Mrs. Jeffery and Mrs. Morgan Watkins vice-presidents, Mrs. Penson-Harris treasurer, and Mrs. Dormer secretary. The first meeting is to be held on September 24th.

**Vegetable Show.**—The Village Vegetable Show was held in a barn belonging to Major Hall, on September 12th. There were only 23 competitors, but the vegetables shown were very fine, especially Mr. Franklin's exhibit from the Manor garden. Prize-winners: Collection of six kinds of vegetables: 1st, E. Davis; 2nd, T. Sole; 3rd, H. Nurden. Allotments: 1st, G. Hudson; 2nd, E. Davis; 3rd, H. Nurden. Gardens: 1st, H. Nurden; 2nd, F. Walker; 3rd, W. Turner. Women's Gardens: 1st Miss Hope; 2nd, Mrs. Cogball. Wild Flowers: 1st, K. Nurden; 2nd, E. Lewis; 3rd, M. Lewis. Dinners: 1st, Mrs. Wright.



### SPELSBURY.

**Holy Baptism.**—August 25th, Elsie Rose, daughter of John Albert and Emily Jane Nixon.

**Burial.**—August 24th, Mark Bartholemew Chaundy, aged 58 years.

**Church Collections.**—August 20th to September 20th—Sick and Needy, 4/2; Church Expenses, £2 16s. 7d.

**Harvest Thanksgiving,** Thursday, October 10. Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; Evensong, 7 p.m.

The offertory on this day, as well as on the Sunday following, will be given as is our wont to the Radcliffe Infirmary, but it is proposed this year to give one guinea to the Oxford Eye Hospital. Gifts of corn, fruit, and vegetables will be thankfully received in the church porch on the previous Wednesday morning. The preacher for the Thursday evening service will be announced later.

The need of a hand wheel bier is a want that is felt from time to time in Spelsbury, and there is reason to believe that subscriptions would readily be forthcoming to purchase one. Parishioners may expect to hear more of this matter in the near future.

The Meetings of the Mother's Union will be held on the last Wednesday in the month at 2.30.



### SARSDEN-CUM-CHURCHILL.

**Baptism.**—September 13th, Richard Charles (born 23rd August, 1917), son of Ernest Walter and Fanny Martin, of Luton, Beds. Sponsors: The father, Charles and Louisa Duester.

**Marriage.**—William Henry Peachey to Edith May Smith.

**Diocesan Inspection.**—Report of the Diocesan Inspection of the Schools, examined on the 15th of August, 1918. "I was, as ever, greatly pleased with the results of my inspection of Churchill School, which was highly satisfactory.

**MIXED SCHOOL.**—The singing of the Psalm and the opening service was particularly nice and reverent.

**UPPER GROUP.**—Standards v.—vi.—vii.—The knowledge of Scripture was very good, also the Prayer Book: both had been evidently carefully taught and explained.

Repetition: Good.

Writing Out: Very fair.

The Bishop's prize is adjudged to Frank Lambourne, who answered most intelligently. Certificates to Bertha Hope, Gladys Woodcock, Emily Bushnell, and Winifred Fricker.

**MIDDLE GROUP (Standards III. and IV.)**—Scripture: Generally good, though there was considerable difference in the answering.

Catechism: Good.

Repetition: Ditto.

The following deserve special mention—Daisy Mills, Gwenny Davey, Alice Bushrod, Leslie Nugent, Clarence Arnold, and Frederick Anson.

Writing Out: Neat and fairly correct.

**LOWER GROUP (Standards I. and II.)**—

Scripture: Good, one or two especially so.

Catechism: Very fair.

Repetition: Good.

Writing Out: Neat and fairly correct, spelling sometimes rather erratic.

A certificate is given to Winifred Fricker, who did remarkably well; Winifred Griffin and Leslie Piper also deserve special mention.

**INFANTS' SCHOOL.**—

A most pleasing Inspection. The little people sang very nicely, and the prayers were reverent. The answering in Scripture was very good and most intelligent, one remarkably so. Repetition and Catechism both good. Eileen Meades was the best and her answers were wonderful. Mary Watkins and Peter Swanson were also excellent.

**BABES.**—

Answered brightly and well in Scripture; Repetition, good; said the Creed very correctly. Bertie Viner, Victor Shadbolt and Katie Hobbs deserve special credit.

We regret to announce that Charles Brown (the grandson of Charles Brown, the gamekeeper of Sarsgrove) was killed in action in France on August 9th; also that William Stubbs, late of



Sarsden Gardens, died of wounds in France on September 19th. The sympathy of the village goes out to his wife who is staying with her mother, Mrs. Collier.

A most enjoyable and successful fete was held at the Mount, Churchill, on September 12th. A full report has appeared in the local press, but we have to acknowledge with grateful thanks the generosity of many friends, the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Treweeke in throwing open the Mount garden and grounds, and the many willing helpers who contributed to make the fete a suc-

cess. Special thanks are due to Mr. Treweeke and Mr. Edward Smith, of Milton Heath, who each gave a pig for the bowling and skittles, and to Mr. A. R. Bosley for his generous donation of £1 for the tug of war prize. Mr. Vine also gave valuable help in arranging the provision stall and attending the hoop-la. Mrs. Jordan, as the hard-working secretary, deserves warm congratulation for the success of her untiring efforts.

School resumed on September 16th after harvest holiday of four weeks, and there was a good attendance.

# THE CHIPPING NORTON Deanery Magazine.

For the Parishes of

CHIPPING NORTON.  
CHARLBURY & SHORTHAMPTON  
CHASTLETON  
CHADLINGTON.  
CHURCHILL & SAUSDEN.  
CORNWELL.

ENSTONE  
FIFIELD & IDBURY.  
HEYTHROP.  
HOOK NORTON  
FINSTOCK.  
GREAT ROLLRIGHT.

LITTLE ROLLRIGHT.  
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& DAYLESFORD

NOVEMBER.

CALENDAR.

1918.

1	F	<i>All Saints' Day.</i>
2	S	All Souls.
3	S	<i>23rd Sunday after Trinity.</i>
4	M	
5	Tu	
6	W	S. Leonard, C.
7	Th	
8	F	
9	S	
10	S	<i>24th Sunday after Trinity.</i>
11	M	S. Martin, B.C.
12	Tu	
13	W	S. Britius, B.
14	Th	
15	F	S. Machutus, B.
16	S	
17	S	<i>25th Sunday after Trinity.</i> S. Hugh, B.
18	M	
19	Tu	
20	W	S. Edmund, K.M.
21	Th	
22	F	S. Cecilia, V.M.
23	S	S. Clement, B.M.
24	S	<i>Sunday next before Advent.</i>
25	M	S. Catherine, V.M.
26	Tu	
27	W	
28	Th	
29	F	
30	S	S. Andrew, A.M.

3rd, New Moon, 9h. 2m. p.m.

18th, Full Moon, 7h. 33m. a.m.

11th, First Quarter, 4h. 46m. p.m.

25th, Last Quarter, 10h. 25m. a.m.

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### CHIPPING NORTON.

VICAR—Rev. H. H. Arkell, M.A., Surrogate.

ASSISTANT PRIEST—Rev. E. L. Weight.

CHURCHWARDENS—Mr. Austin Webb,

Mr. A. J. Bolwell,

for Chipping Norton.

Major Daly, for Over Norton.

SEXTON AND CLERK—H. H. Langton (pro tem.).

**Marriage.**—October 21st, James William Wain and Ether Claridge Giles.

**Burials.**—September 30th, Lucy Empson, aged 79 years.—October 1st, Reuben Henry Nicholls, aged 46 years.—October 19th, Thurza Truelock, aged 83 years.—October 21st, Hannah Widdows, aged 83 years.

**Harvest Thanksgiving Services.**—Our Harvest Thanksgiving Services took place as announced, and were very well attended throughout. We were all very glad to see Mr. Littledale, and are grateful to him for his most useful and earnest sermon on "Perseverance." He received a very hearty welcome from his old parishioners. Mr. Morgan Watkins gave us a very helpful and interesting sermon on the Sunday morning. The Children's Service in the afternoon was a most happy one. We were so glad to see so many parents and others with the children. A large number of gifts of vegetables, flowers, and eggs, &c., were presented by the little ones and taken afterwards to the Radcliffe Infirmary.

In the evening there was a crowded congregation. The Church was most tastefully decorated by Mrs. Askell, Miss Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Corry, Miss Corry, Mrs. Donelly, Mrs. Lockwood, Miss Lockyer, Mrs. G. Mace, Mrs. Pettipher, Mrs. H. Pettipher, and Mrs. Webb.

At Over Norton thanksgiving services were held on the following Sunday, the Mission Room being very prettily decorated, and every seat was taken.

The collections were: Chipping Norton (Thursday), £2 13s. 11d.; Sunday, £8 19s. 4d. (less expenses for bill printing); Over Norton, £4 12s.

**Foreign Missionary Festival—November 28th.**—Thursday, November 28th, is the day fixed for our Missionary Festival. It will be remembered how well and happily this day was observed last year. We feel sure all will unite in making this

day another great success. The other parishes in our Deanery are coming to help us.

The following are the fixtures for the day:—

Holy Communion, 6.30 and 8 a.m.; Matins with Special Intercession 10.30 a.m.

Great Meeting in Town Hall, 3 p.m.

Speaker: Rev. F. S. K. Gregson (late Archdeacon of Durban, Natal, and Miss Kirby.

Evensong in Parish Church, 7 p.m.

Prencher: The Very Rev. the Dean of Gloucester.

There will be a small Sale of Work in the

Council Chamber from 2 to 6 p.m. (closed of course during the meeting),

and we hope that many people will pay a visit to it before or after the

Missionary Meeting at 3 p.m. Tea will be obtainable at this Sale of Work

at a reasonable price, and we hope many will take tea there after the

meeting is over.

**C.E.M.S.**—The first meeting this Autumn will be held in the Church Room on Wednesday, November 13th, at 8 p.m. We hope all members will make a special effort to attend.

**Roll of Honour.**—The following have bravely laid down their lives to defend us: Andrew King, Frank Shepherd, W. Aris, Albert Edward Hyde, and Mowbray Meades. All will join us in deepest sympathy for their relations.

### CHADLINGTON.

**Advent.**—The Rev. E. L. Wood hopes to preach a special course of sermons on the Sunday evenings in Advent. This solemn season is always a call to Church people to renew their allegiance to their Returning Master.

**Thanks.**—The returning of thanks is always a pleasure. We take this opportunity of thanking Mr. Spencer Bliss for carting the church's supply of coke free of charge some little time ago. We also are very grateful to Colonel and Mrs. Schofield, who have just presented the church with alms bags for use during the season of Trinity.

**Prize.**—The Bishop's Prize at the Oxford Diocesan Inspection of Schools was awarded to Willie Yeatman, and a Certificate was awarded to Nellie Thornton, and to Nora Simmons.

**Harvest Festival.**—The Harvest Festival was held on Thursday, September 26th, and continued on the following Sunday. The church was taste-

fully decorated, and we must thank those who gave gifts of corn, fruit, flowers, and vegetables, and also the decorators. Unfortunately, the Sunday was the wettest day imaginable, and the congregations suffered accordingly. The Rev. T. P. Field preached on the Thursday night, and the Rev. E. L. Wood both times on Sunday. There were celebrations at 7, 8, and noon, and 35 persons made their communion.

**Soldiers Comforts' Fund.**—The Working Party continue their indefatigable labours, and in September sent 37 parcels off to our boys at the front. They are now busy working for the Christmas parcels.



### CHARLBURY.

**VICAR**—Rev. J. D. Payne, M.A., Rural Dean; Surrogate for Marriage Licenses.

**CHURCHWARDENS**—Mr. J. A. Bowl and Mr. A. E. Allen.

**Marriages.**—September 24th, Oscar Leo Lockwood, B.E.F., France, and Georgina Collins, of Sittingbourne.—October 17th, John Frederick Thomas Lay, of Charlbury, and Daisy Alice Evelyn Murrell, of Enstone.

**Burial.**—At Shorthampton Church. October 13th, William Cox, of Chilson, aged 86 years.

**Harvest Festival.**—Our Harvest Festival Services were very well attended. On Thursday, October 3rd, when Canon Oldfield preached, the offertory for the Radcliffe Infirmary was £7 10s. 11d. On Sunday, October 6th, our offertory for the Diocesan Fund was £12 1s.—At Shorthampton Church the offertory for the Radcliffe Infirmary was £2.

**Obituary.**—William Cox was much respected at Chilson: and a large number from the village attended the funeral, and remained for the afternoon service.

**Diocesan Conference.**—On October 2nd the Diocesan Conference was attended by all the clerical representatives of our Rural Deanery and several of the lay representatives.

**Foreign Missionary Festival.**—We hope that every parish in the Deanery will do their best to help on the Missionary effort at Chipping Norton on November 28th.

### CHASTLETON.

**Harvest Thanksgiving.**—Our Harvest Thanksgiving Services were held on Thursday, October 3rd, and continued on the following Sunday. They were well attended, and the Rev. R. P. Burnett, Rector of Cornwell, who so kindly took the service on Thursday, preached a most helpful and appropriate sermon. The church was beautifully decorated, and many thanks are due to the kind friends who so generously sent gifts of flowers, fruit, and vegetables. These were afterwards sent to a poor London parish, where the people are most anxious that Chastleton should know how glad they are of them.

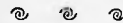


### CORNWELL.

**Harvest Thanksgiving.**—Our Harvest Thanksgiving Services were held on Friday, the 27th of September, and the following Sunday, St. Michael and All Angels' Day. The weather was unfortunately wet, but we had excellent congregations on both occasions, and a good number of communicants. The sermon on Friday evening was preached by the Rev. Canon Oldfield, Vicar of Shipton-under-Wychwood, and those on Sunday by the Rector. We never saw our little church more tastefully and beautifully decorated, and our warm thanks are due to those who so kindly undertook the work, especially the Misses Fawdry, Mrs. G. Thornton, and Mr. Albert Bowles. The offertories were, as usual, for the Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, and were a record contribution, amounting to £5 13s., which, considering the present shortage of money, was eminently satisfactory. The Hospital Authorities were much pleased at the amount received.—D.G.

**Oxford Diocesan Fund.**—We hope to have our offertories for the above fund during the present month. The amount for which our parish is assessed for the present year is £1 11s. 6d., being slightly larger than in former years. We hope to be able to meet it.

**Organ Reparation Fund.**—The accounts of the Organ Reparation Fund will be given in our next number.



### ENSTONE.

**Baptised.**—October 20th, Ronald Ralph, son of Arthur Henry and Rebecca Beck.

**Married.**—October 15th (by licence), Frederick Hart and Mary Anne Bishop.

**Buried.**—October 15th, Alfred Busby, of Lidstone, aged 83 years.—October 23th, George Simmonds, of Cleveley, aged 62 years.

**Sickness.**—The continued sickness amongst the children now makes it impossible to re-open school before November at the earliest. The children are "fed up" with holidays. There are several cases of serious illness amongst the adults; two of whom—Mrs. Glover and Mrs. Huekin (formerly Healey)—have undergone operations at the Radcliffe Infirmary and, fortunately, are making progress. Mrs. Taplin was seized with a stroke, and, though somewhat better, is still unable to leave her bed. Mr. Charles Collett has been knocked down by a motor car in Enstone. Mr. George Coles on reaching home from work one evening simply collapsed. Norman Stewart has been lying very ill with pneumonia at Ditchley Gardens. Others, though far less seriously, are suffering. Special prayers for the recovery of all our sick folk were made on October 20th, and we continue to pray for their recovery, for which all concerned will be eager to thank God in due time.

**Harvest Thanksgiving.**—Thanksgiving for the harvest was made on October 11th and 13th—the weather being favourable. The Rev. T. W. Ketchlee, Rector of St. Aldates', Oxford, very kindly preached on the Friday evening. The Vicar was privileged to know him as a fellow undergraduate nearly 30 years ago. His discourse was just what one expected from a devout Christian and true gentleman. The services were well attended. On Sunday evening the congregation was one to be specially remembered. No one could fail to be moved and encouraged in having a message to give to such a worshipping and thankful throng. The collections for the Radcliffe Infirmary in church amounted to £9 5s. 10d.—all in silver and coppers. During the week two absent friends met our churchwarden and gave him 25/-. Further offerings, from three other homes, of 11/6 were given. The total amount is £11 2s. 4d.—without begging!

Why not similar congregations every Sunday, and similar offerings for Church Expenses, Diocesan Fund, and Missions? However, we rejoice that the Radcliffe Infirmary makes such an appeal to the hearts of the people—often, and suddenly, its aid has to be sought. The offerings of garden produce were sent to the Infirmary. Organist and choir made great effort, and successfully, to make the services worthy of the occasion. Thanks are also due to the church decorators and all who gave willing help.

**Robbery.**—We regret that a widow lady's home in Neat Enstone has been the scene of robbery that seems to be one of the things past finding out. The police can't fathom it. The sagacity of the natives concludes that the guilty ones must be within our borders. We should like the matter cleared up, even for the credit to the place. Besides, it is no joke to be robbed of a quantity of good liquor. The expressive name of "tonic" is evidence of its value. It is all very well to talk about John Jolly's ghost; but we want the lady who has taken up her residence in Jolly's old home to feel safe and comfortable, and have no need to lock up anything. Robbery does not make it easy for any one to be interested in a village where acts of dishonesty are heard of too frequently. The Government people have now posted a notice forbidding the removing of wood belonging to them—and one must suppose that they have had cause to do so. Anyhow, Neat Enstone will now be known as the village where the "tonic" disappeared "neat and wholesale."

### FINSTOCK AND FAWLER.

**Harvest Festival.**—The Harvest Festival was held on Thursday, October 3rd, and the following Sunday. The preacher on the Thursday was the Rev. T. Kane, Rector of Stonesfield; and on Sunday evening the Rev. A. Cary Elwes preached. There were good congregations, and the collections amounted to £5 16s. £4 15s. has been sent to the Radcliffe Infirmary, and £1 1s. to the Eye Hospital, Oxford. The numerous gifts of fruit and vegetables were sent to the Radcliffe Infirmary. Our best thanks are due to all who sent gifts; and also to those who helped in the decorations, especially to Mrs. Harris and Mr. and Mrs. Welton, who once again beautifully decorated the pulpit and font.

On the Sunday afternoon a well-attended harvest service was held in the Mission Room at Fawler, at which the collection—included in the total mentioned above—amounted to 12/6. The room was beautifully decorated. Our thanks are due to Mrs. Dowlhwaite and Mrs. Ashmore, and all who helped in the decorations and gave gifts. After the service it was decided to continue a monthly service at 3 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month. It is hoped that all will make an effort to be present at those services, as it would be a great pity to have to discontinue them owing to lack of interest and support.

## FIFIELD AND IDBURY.

**Baptism.**—October 6th, Francis Lionel Oakley.

**Burial.**—October 10th, Emily Maria Scriven.

**Obituary.**—The death of Miss E. M. Scriven took place at the Radcliffe Infirmary, after an operation, at the age of 35. She had been at work away from home. Much sympathy is felt for her family in the village, and a special service was held in the church at Fifield on the morning of the funeral.

**Killed in Action.**—We have heard of the death in action of James Bond, of Foscot, whose parents have other sons in the army.

**Idbury Charities.**—It is likely that the Charity this year will be given in money instead of coal, because the coal merchants cannot undertake to supply coal.

**Lantern Lectures.**—Lantern Lectures in the Reading Room have been well attended and seem to be popular. Fifteen shillings have been sent to S.P.G. Missions, collected at the Lecture by Mr. Rycroft, of Westcot. The Rector has lectured on "Canada," and "War in the Holy Land. On October 25th Colonel E. A. Kettlewell lectured on "The War in France and Belgium."

The Rector hopes to bring his lantern to Idbury and Foscot sometimes. If parents will come with the younger children and keep an eye on them it will be some help to the lecturer.



## GREAT ROLLRIGHT.

Collections for Church Expenses:—

September 22nd .....	18/8½
October 6th .....	17/2

The collections for the Radcliffe Infirmary at the Harvest Festival amounted to £5 10s., viz.:

September 25th .....	£4 5 2
September 29th .....	£1 4 10

Collection for North Oxon. Nursing Association:

October 13th .....	£2 7 6
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**Harvest Festival.**—This was held on Wednesday evening, September 25th, the preacher being the Rev. H. H. Arkell, Vicar of Chipping Norton, who preached an excellent sermon on the lessons that may be drawn from a cornfield. The church was beautifully decorated, and the offerings of fruit and vegetables were remarkably fine, a sack of apples and two sacks of potatoes and two of mixed vegetables being afterwards sent to the Radcliffe Infirmary at Oxford.

The Evening Service has been altered to 3 o'clock in the afternoon in consequence of the lighting difficulty and the shortage of coal; and the Children's Service will in future be at 2 o'clock. The preacher on Sunday afternoon, October 13th, was the Rev. E. W. Weight, curate of Chipping Norton.

Number of Communicants for the month—61.



## HOOK NORTON.

**Holy Baptism.**—October 6th, George, son of Charles and Lucy Emma Cross; October 20th, Clarence Richard, son of Richard and Minnie Harris.

**Burials.**—October 12th, John Aitken, aged 87 years; October 21st, Joshua Heritage, aged 64 years; October 22nd, Ronald Victor Miles, aged 3 years.

Communicants from September 22nd to October 20th—98.

Collections during same period:—

	£	s.	d.
Offertory Fund .....	0	13	8½
Lighting Fund .....	0	14	0½
Poor Fund .....	0	14	6
Church Expenses .....	0	19	10
Restoration Fund .....	0	6	10½
Horton Infirmary .....	7	11	7½
Church Missionary Society ...	2	6	9

The School was examined in religious knowledge on July 24th. We append the Inspector's Report, with congratulations to the teachers on its satisfactory nature.

**INFANTS (Babies).**—An excellent class, all answering brightly and well. Specially commended: Betty Spencer, Annie Townley, Hilda Stowe, George Slatter.

**INFANTS Class I. and II.**—Excellent, the children evidently taking great interest in their work. I have not singled out any for special mention, as all did so well.

**STANDARDS (Class I.)**—All the work in this class was well known by most of the children. The following deserve special mention: Annie French, Alice Baylis, Bessie Haynes, Kathleen Upton, Kathleen Eubra, Ernest Olds, Reginald Gasson.

**MIDDLE GROUP.**—The answering in this group was good, but not level. Commended: Ivy Baker, Clement Verney, Wilfred Baylis, Delia Sweatmen, Annie Buggins, Ellen Green.

- “Upper Group.—The answering in this group was very level and good throughout. The following deserve special mention: Helen Beale, Fred Beale, Montague French, Annie Gardner, Cecil Haynes, Malcolm Cox, Donald Nash, Winifred Weston, Ilfra Busby, Clara Lainebury, and Fred Wyton.
- “The Bishop’s Prize is awarded to Helen Beale, Certificates to Fred Beale, Montague French, Annie Gardner, Cecil Haynes, Malcolm Cox.
- “The Written Work on the whole was very fair, but might be improved.”

**The Harvest Festival** this year took place on October 11th, and, in spite of the war, was one of the best and most successful ever held. The Church was beautifully decorated, and there were plentiful offerings of fruit and flowers and vegetables. The special preacher was the Rev. E. G. Norris, Vicar of Swalecliffe, who preached a very helpful and appropriate sermon on Psalm cvii. 43: “Whoso is wise will ponder these things, and they shall understand the loving kindness of the Lord.” The collections were, as usual, for the Horton Infirmary, and amounted to £7 11s. 7½d., an increase of 19s. 7d. on the previous year. The anthem was “Fear not, O band, be glad and rejoice,” and was very well sung, though the ranks of the choir are sadly thinned, owing to the war. The services were conducted over the following Sunday. The ringers rang both on the Friday and the following Sunday afternoon.

**Foreign Missions.**—The Rev. Arthur Elwin, from China, preached throughout the day on Sunday, October 20th, on behalf of Foreign Missions, and the following Monday gave us a most interesting address on his work in China, in the Church, at 7 p.m.

**Obituary.**—Another well known figure has passed away from our midst, in the person of Mr. Aitken, the father of our respected schoolmistress, Mrs. Clarkson. He had been ill for a long time, and suffered much discomfort with great patience and cheerfulness. Mr. Aitken will long be remembered for his kindly and courteous manner. We offer our sincere sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Clarkson in their sad loss.

**Correction.**—By a misprint in our last issue Mrs. Thomas Harris was stated to have been buried on September 10th. It should, of course, have been printed September 20th.

**Military Cross.**—The following announcement appeared in “The Times” on October 2nd, under the heading of “Gallant Officers. The Military Cross. Bravery in brief.—Second Lieut. N. F.

Spatcher, Notts. and Derby Regt.—When his company had been heavily shelled for some hours and had suffered severe casualties, and he was the only officer left, by his own example of coolness and courage he maintained the steadiness of the men, and when ordered to counter attack he personally reconnoitered the ground under heavy shell fire and led on the company that he was now commanding. He showed very fine qualities of leadership and saved the situation at a critical period by his fine example of gallantry.” We offer our heartiest congratulations to Lieutenant Spatcher, who has been at the front from the earliest days of the war.



### SARSDEN-CUM-CHURCHILL.

**Marriage.**—At Churchhill on October 16th, Henry Horace Savage, R.E., M.M., of the parish of Goring-on-Thames, to Ethel Maud Findley. Corporal Savage won the Military Medal at the battle of Ypres, July 31st, 1916, for service in the field. The happy pair left for Reading in the afternoon.

**Burial.**—On the 23rd of October, William Alfred Treweeke, aged 62. By the time this notice will have appeared in print in the Deanery Magazine, the parish will have settled down once more, after this sad event. The sympathy of everyone went out to Mrs. Treweeke and her family in the great loss which they have sustained. The local papers reported at length the public offices which Mr. Treweeke filled so efficiently, and his kindness and justice was much appreciated by those with whom he had to do. His interest in the Red Cross Society produced in him a strong helper. Whatever he took up in life he went into the matter thoroughly. He belonged to that large body of Englishmen, who, whilst they value and respect the National Church, look for straightforward practices in the services of the Church.

**Condolence.**—The deep sympathy of the parish has gone out to Mrs. Mowbray Meads, in the untimely death of her husband, who died of pneumonia whilst a prisoner of war at Lille last July. The revelations in the papers as to the cruel treatment of these prisoners by our enemy, are now well known.

**Harvest Festival.**—The Rev. J. O. H. Carter, Rector of Slymbridge, Gloucestershire, preached at Churchhill on September 25th. It will be remembered that his son in the R.F.C. landed at

Churchill a year ago, in a war plane, on his way to Ireland. He made many friends in the village, where he stayed till the next day. Unfortunately he was killed three days afterwards. The Rev. C. Hankin Turvin, the Chaplain of Kingham Homes, preached on the following Sunday evening. The collection, which was for the Radcliffe Infirmary, amounted to £7.

**The Mothers Meetings** will be held at the Reading Rooms on Wednesdays at 2.30 p.m., beginning on October 20th.

**C.M.S.**—The following sums were sent to the Rev. H. G. Grey, the treasurer for the Archdeaconry of Oxford for the Quarter ending September 30th:—Sarsden-cum-Churchill, Sale of Work at Village Fete, £3 7s. 8d.; boxes, £7 11s. 9d.; total, £10 19s. 5d.

Miss Mabel Griffin hopes some day to represent our parish in the foreign mission field. She fortunately possesses the enthusiasm of youth, and has collected round her a band of 23 workers, who meet together once a week at the Rectory to make useful garments for sale. She deserves the support of those who take an interest in the Church Missionary Society.

The Rev. A. W. R. Turner, the Organising Secretary of Dr. Barnardo's Homes, took the duty on October 6th, when the rector was away from home. The offertories amounted to £4 1s. 6d.



### SHIPTON-UNDER-WYCHWOOD.

**Burial.**—October 2nd, Elizabeth Sophia Franklin, aged 73 years.

**Special Collections.**—RADCLIFFE INFIRMARY: Parish Church, £4 13s. 5d.; Mission Room, 10s.; total, £5 3s. 5d.; S.P.G. MEDICAL MISSIONS (St. Luke's Day), £5 3s. 1d.

**Blinded Soldiers.**—There will be carol singing round the parish on Christmas Day in aid of St. Dunstan's Hostel.

**Clothing Club.**—This will cease to be connected with the Sunday School after the close of the current year, and will in future be thrown open to the whole parish. Further particulars will be issued later.

**"Pray for the peace of Jerusalem."**—O Almighty God, Who for the blindness of Thy chosen people and for the sins of Thy Church, hast suffered the Promised Land in which Thy

Son vouchsafed to be born to lie under the dominion and rule of the unbeliever: we give Thee humble and hearty thanks that Thou hast been pleased to choose us, though unworthy, to be Thine instruments for its redemption, and we beseech Thee to direct with the wisdom of Thy Holy Spirit the rulers of the Allied Nations for the right guidance of the destinies of this Holy Land, that it may become once more the centre of Divine peace for all mankind, to Thy honour and glory: Through Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace, our only Lord and Saviour. Amen.

**Godparents.**—As sponsors, they make the required promises in the name of the child; as Sureties, they represent the Church in her responsibility for the religious training of her young members. Canon 29 forbids parents to be admitted as godparents because they are already bound by their Christian parenthood to bring up their children as Christians (just as they are bound by their natural parenthood to feed and clothe them, and bring them up as good citizens). The Church, through her Sureties, is responsible for SEEING that this is done. Convocation now proposes to alter the Canon, and admit parents as godparents. If that is finally carried, the parents will be sponsors only, representing the child. Their promises at the font will in no way add to the responsibilities which God has already laid on them by nature. The remaining godparent will be the Surety, representing the Church; so that in many cases there will be only one godparent in the old sense of the word, to whom the Exhortation in the Baptismal Service can be addressed.

**TO PARENTS:** It is your duty to TEACH this infant.  
**TO SURETIES:** It is your duty "to SEE that this infant be taught."

**Church Council.**—The next meeting will be on Tuesday, January 14th.



### SPELSBURY.

**Harvest Thanksgiving.**—With grateful hearts we gathered together on October 10th and kept our harvest thanksgiving for God's bounty in giving us according to His sure promise the "fruits of the earth in their season." Our church put on festive attire in tasteful decoration as befitted the occasion, and praise and thanksgiving went up in sweet harmony to Him Who giveth all in hymns and anthem. We are very grateful to the Rev. E. L. Wood for his helpful sermon from the text S. Luke ix. 62. The offertory was



for the Radcliffe Infirmary and the Oxford Eye Hospital, and amounted to £4 0s. 1d. The thanksgiving was continued on the following Sunday, when the offertory was £2 14s. 1d. Four bags of fruits and vegetables have been forwarded to the Radcliffe Infirmary and their receipt acknowledged with cordial thanks. We must not omit to record our appreciation of Mr. Davis, who came out to Spelsbury from Charlbury in all weathers to play the organ on choir practice nights and on the festival itself; this appreciation we must also extend to the members of the choir for attending the practices so regularly after their long hours of harvest labour. The ladies who so beautifully decorated the church and those who so kindly provided fruit, vegetables, and flowers for the purpose must not be passed over without a word of thanks, for they also contributed to the outward expression of praise and thanksgiving, and inasmuch as neither music or decoration

were made without cost we may believe that our worship was of that inward kind which makes the outward acceptable to God.

**The Coal Club.**—The rationing of fuel has compelled fresh arrangements respecting the distribution of our Coal Club this year. It will be necessary for each member to obtain their coal from the coal merchant with whom he is registered. To meet this requirement an order form will be given to each member and this form when returned by the coal merchant to your Vicar will be met with payment.

**Church Collections, September 19th to October 19th:—**

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Sick and Needy .....	0	6 3
Hospitals .....	6	14 2
Church Expenses .....	2	15 8

# THE CHIPPING NORTON Deanery Magazine.

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CHIPPING NORTON. CHARLBURY & SHORTHAMPTON. CHASTLETON. CHADLINGTON. CHURCHILL & RAMSDEN. CORNWELL.	KNSTONK. FIFIELD & IDBURY. HEYTHROP. HOOK NORTON. PINSTOCK. GREAT ROLLRIGHT. & DAYLESFORD.	LITTLE ROLLRIGHT. SALFORD. MILTON & LYNHAM. RAMSDEN. SHIPTON & LANGLEY. SPELSBURY.
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DECEMBER.

CALENDAR.

1918.

1	S	Advent Sunday.
2	M	
3	Tu	
4	W	
5	Th	
6	F	S. Nicolas, B.
7	S	
8	S	2nd Sunday in Advent. Concep. B.V.M.
9	M	
10	Tu	
11	W	
12	Th	
13	F	S. Lucy, V.M.
14	S	
15	S	3rd Sunday in Advent.
16	M	O Sapientia.
17	Tu	
18	W	Ember Day,
19	Th	
20	F	Ember Day.
21	S	S. Thomas, A.M. Ember Day.
22	S	4th Sunday in Advent.
23	M	
24	Tu	
25	W	Christmas Day.
26	Th	S. Stephen, M.
27	F	St. John, A.E.
28	S	Innocents' Day,
29	S	1st Sunday after Christmas.
30	M	
31	T	S. Silvester B.

3rd, New Moon, 3h. 10m. p.m.  
 11th, First Quarter, 2h. 13m. a.m.

7th, Full Moon, 7h. 18m. p.m.  
 25th, Last Quarter, 6h. 34m. a.m.

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### CHIPPING NORTON.

Vicar—Rev. H. H. Arkell, M.A., Surrogate.  
Assistant Priest—Rev. E. Ll. Weight.  
Churchwardens—Mr. Austin Webb.  
Mr. A. J. Bolwell,

for Chipping Norton.

Major Daly, for Over Norton.

Sexton and Clerk—H. H. Langton (pro tem).

**Victory Thanksgiving Services.**—News of the signing of the armistice reached us about 11 o'clock on November 11th (St. Martin's Day), and the whole town was quickly ablaze with flags and decorations in all directions, and large crowds gathered in the Market Place. Expressions of joy, thankfulness, and relief were to be heard on all sides, and soon our ringers gave us joyous peals.

In accordance with the Vicar's provisional notice, a thanksgiving service was held in the Parish Church at 7.30 p.m., and a very large congregation assembled. All are agreed that it will be impossible ever to forget this service, or to describe our feelings as we, in our beautiful old Parish Church, humbly offered up our praise and thanksgiving to God, the Only Giver of Victory.

The day, as we looked back upon it, with "the greatest piece of news England has ever had," seemed a dream too good to be true, but the quiet and peace of God's House, with its atmosphere of reality made us begin to realise something of what this never to be forgotten day had brought us, and something of what we owed to God. While it was, indeed, a day to have lived for, we realised it was a day that millions had died for, and here on the night of this wonderful day, in God's House, we felt very near to them who are with God. The service which the Vicar had drawn up took the following order, which should be recorded:—Processional Hymn 116, National Anthem, Psalms 47, 98, 126, Lesson I. Chron. xxix, 10-13 (inclusive), Magnificat, Lesson, Rev. xv, Hymn 165, Prayers from "Forms of Prayer to be used at sea after victory or deliverance from an enemy," Special Collecta, Te Deum, Address by the Vicar from Psalm 126, Hymn 172, Blessing, Recessional Hymn 379.

Under the direction of a special form authorised by the Archbishops and supplied to each incum-

bent, the thanksgiving services were continued on the following Sunday at the Parish Church, Over Norton Mission Room, and the Workhouse Chapel. The Sunday offertories were given to start a fund for the erection in the Parish Church of a memorial to those who have fallen in the war.

**Advent and Christmas.**—A special Advent Service will be held in the Parish Church on Thursdays at 7 p.m., beginning on December 5th. The preacher on Thursday, December 12th, will be Rev. T. W. Ketchlee, Rector of St. Aldate's, Oxford. There will also be a short service on Tuesdays in Advent in the Mission Room on the Common, beginning on December 3rd, at 7 p.m.

**Christmas Day.** The following are the services in the Parish Church:—Holy Communion, 6, 7, and 8 a.m.; Matins and Holy Communion at 11; Evensong and Carols at 6.

**Watch-Night Service** on Tuesday, December 31st, 11.15 p.m.

**Foreign Missions.**—On Sunday, December 22nd, the offertories will be given to Foreign Missions as in former years. All holders of missionary boxes are asked to bring or send them to the Church Room on Monday, December 16th, either at 12 noon or 6.15 p.m. Boxes can then be opened and given back.

**Confirmation.**—The Confirmation in our Church is fixed for Thursday, March 18th. The Vicar will be glad to receive the names of intending candidates as soon as possible.

**Church of England Central Fund.**—A meeting to explain the objects of this fund is fixed for January 30th (Thursday) in the Town Hall, at 7.30 p.m.

**Baptisms.**—October 29th, John William Henry, son of William James and Maud Petley; Ronald Charles Thomas, son of William and Susan Ann Emily Hanks.

**Mariages.**—November 9th, Charles Henry Williams and May Knight; November 12th, James Belcher and Florence Horwood; November 14th, Ernest Victor Rew and Ada Jacques.

**Burials.**—October 24th, Mary Elizabeth Tustain, aged 56 years; November 8th, James Bird, aged 79 years; George Longman Mallett, aged 72 years.

In the death of Mr. James Bird there has passed from us a regular attendant at our Sunday morning congregation. The Vicar, on Sunday, Nov. 10th, made special reference to the way in which Mr. Bird's presence on Sunday mornings (in spite of advancing years) would be missed by us all.

**CHADLINGTON.**

The signing of the armistice was received in Chadlington with great joy; the bells were pealed on Monday afternoon, 11th November, and on the Thursday following a Special Service of Thanksgiving was held, following the lines of that held in St. Paul's Cathedral, and the Church was full. The Thanksgiving Services were continued on Sunday, the 17th, and the congregations were good. We only wish that those who came to Church for the Peace Thanksgiving would attend regularly at other times as well.

**Diocesan Fund.**—A special appeal made on November 10th for this fund resulted in a collection totalling £8, which was sent to the Treasurer at Oxford. Chadlington Church people have reason to be proud of such a contribution to the fund.

**Communicants.**—The number of Communicants in August was 85, in September 99, and in October 67. The Curate-in-charge heartily invites all Communicants to one or other of the three celebrations on Christmas Day, 7, 8, and 11 a.m., asking them to remember that the Holy Communion is one of the ordained means of grace, and is enjoined upon us by Christ and by His Church. Regular attendance is nothing less than our bounden duty and service.

**Welcome Home Fund.**—A new fund has been started by a collection in Church on Peace Thanksgiving Day. The fund is to collect a really worthy "Welcome Home," and we hope enough to give our boys when they come home, that other denominations will join with us so that the whole village may be united in festivity. The collection at the Thanksgiving Service of November, when it was first announced, was £1 6s. 4d.

**Baptisms.**—November 17th, Eric George Norris Kirkland; Edward John Didecock.

**CHARLBURY.**

**Burials.**—October 26th, Robert Parrott, aged 95 years; November 12th, George King, aged 76 years; Thomas Widdows, aged 68 years; November 18th, Harry Parsons, aged 11 months.

Mr. King was one of our most regular worshippers in church. Every Sunday morning and evening he and his wife have been present for many years; and since the war, on Wednesday evenings. As a member of our Church of England Men's Society, he attended almost every meeting for nine years. His very sudden death came as a great shock to his many friends.

The victory news on November 11th reached Charlbury about 11.30 a.m., and by mid-day our ringers gave us a good peal on the church bells. A large congregation assembled that evening in church. On the following Sunday we had another large congregation.

We have to thank the Rev. A. Carey Elwes for his help on several occasions lately.

It is intended to restore the South Choir Chapel in Charlbury Parish Church as a war memorial chapel to the memory of the 30 names who have given their life during the war. We have in hand £100 towards the re-leading of the roof, and the promise of a memorial window. After consulting the Diocesan Committee on war memorials, we shall publish plans of what is proposed, and make a public appeal to all our Charlbury people who wish to join. At present we have a few small sums from relatives, and have opened an account in the bank.

On November 7th, at Ascot, eight clergy were present, together with Bishop of Buckingham, at the institution of the Rev. C. E. Shackleton. We had an impressive service, and were hospitably entertained by the new Vicar and his wife.

**CHASTLETON.**

The offertory on Sunday, November 10th, was for the fund to provide a Christmas gift from the parish to all on our Roll of Honour.

On Sunday, November 24th, the offertories were for the Moreton Cottage Hospital and the Bishop of Oxford's Diocesan Fund.

owing to the shortage of needlework sent in this year the Committee of the Heythrop Needlework Guild have decided that no garments can be sent to villages for distribution, everything will be sent direct to hospitals and institutions. Mrs. Richardson thanks all the Chastleton members for their kind contributions.

**CORNWELL.**

**Peace.**—We must all devoutly thank our God, "the Prince of Peace," for His infinite mercy in sending us, after more than four years of waiting, fighting, and, above all, *praying*, "the Gift of Peace." While we thank Him with glad and joyful hearts, let us never forget the many solemn lessons the war has taught us, and seek to live nearer to our God, and serve Him better for the time to come. We shall welcome back our brave

soldiers with great joy and gratitude for their noble work, while we shall ever remember the devotion of those who have laid down their lives for their King and country. We hope some day, when matters are settled, to place a memorial in our Church to the memory of Arthur Bowles, killed in battle, and Frederick Hill, died in hospital.

On Sunday, 17th November, special services of thanksgiving were held, the Rector preaching in the morning from Isaiah xxv, 9, and in the evening Isaiah lxxv, 24, the appointed lessons for the day. There were good attendances, and the offertories were devoted to "The Oxford Diocesan Fund" (£1 11s. 6d.)

**Coal and Clothing Club.**—The contributions to the above were paid out on Saturday, the 16th of November, as under:—Deposits, £16 10s.; bonus, £5 12s.; total, £22 8s.

**Christmas.**—Christmas seems yet some way off, in spite of the wintry weather, but we must not forget to wish all our people a very happy one. We have, indeed, very much to be thankful for this year, and shall never welcome the news of the birth of "the Prince of Peace" with such joy and thankfulness. May we have a happy Christmas and a very bright and happy New Year.

The services on Christmas Day will be as under:—

8 a.m., Holy Communion.

11 a.m., Matins, Sermon, and Holy Communion.

3 p.m., Evensong and Carols.

The offertories, as usual, will be given as a Christmas offering to the kind organist, Mrs. George Bowles.



### DITCHLEY.

On Sunday, October 27th, a thanksgiving service for the harvest was held in the Private Chapel. His Lordship's Chaplain officiated, and the Vicar of Spelsbury very kindly gave an appropriate address. A collection of £3 2s. 6d. has been sent to the Radcliffe Infirmary.



### ENSTONE.

On November 2nd three ringers were able to attend the Guild meeting for the Deanery held at Hook Norton. It was the wish of the members that their next meeting should be at Enstone; and this we may now look forward to in May next. The officers of the Guild were re-elected.

A warm welcome was given to us all by the Rector of Hook Norton, who was invited to address the members at their service in church.

On November 11th the schools were re-opened after a prolonged vacation. There is yet an amount of sickness that causes the average attendance to be much below its usually high mark.

On November 11th, the news that the armistice was signed brought relief that words fail to express. It will take time, but we can now look forward to the arrangements of the terms of a peace that will last, and the return of our heroes who have survived.

A full team of ringers set to work early on the Monday evening to improve upon the willing efforts of the amateurs of the afternoon; and a short service of thanksgiving was held, to which several people came gladly, though the notice was short.

The service on Sunday evening, November 3rd, took the form of a memorial for the departed, specially for those who have given their lives for their country. A muffled peal was rung afterwards.

We regret to record the death of four more of our soldiers. John Dorsett and William Pinfold have been killed; William Simons and William Chamberlain died from pneumonia on foreign service.

In due time a memorial, no doubt, will be raised in the parish worthy of the large number who have served in army or navy in this war. A house to house collection should be made; and the result should be, or at any rate include, a memorial erected in our Parish Church. A village institute or social centre is well worth attempting, and would meet with the approval of the men who return.

On November 13th, both Mrs. Clover and Mrs. Huckin returned home from the Infirmary, having already made some progress towards complete recovery.

An additional offering for the Radcliffe Infirmary of half-a-crown has been sent in from one of our children who had been an in-patient.



### FIFIELD AND IDBURY.

**Burial.**—At Idbury, November 14th, Charlotte Smith, aged 73, from the Infirmary at Chipping Norton.

**Day of Thanksgiving.**—At Idbury the flag was raised on the church tower, and the bells were

rung at 10 a.m. The school children came to church and joined in the short service of thanksgiving, afterwards having a holiday.

At Fifield a service was held at 7 p.m., and many people came to join in the prayers and thanksgiving. The Holy Communion was celebrated on the following morning at 8 a.m. with special thanksgivings.

At Idbury Church on November 17th the service of Holy Communion at 10.30 was celebrated with the special service of thanksgiving appointed. The memorial of two brave soldiers—James Bond, of the Buffs, and Arthur James, of the O.B.L.I.—was offered.

In the evening at 6 p.m. a large congregation at Fifield joined in the service appointed for the day, which ended in the National Anthem.



#### FINSTOCK AND FAWLER.

**Baptism.**—November 10th, Isabel, daughter of W. S. and A. E. Claridge.

**Burials.**—November 13th, James Abner Dore, aged 58 years.—November 15th, John Webb, aged 77 years.

The Services on Christmas Day will be:—8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Matins, Holy Communion and Sermon; 3 p.m., Evensong and Carols.

It is hoped that as many as possible will avail themselves of these opportunities of worship, praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God, and join with the whole of Christendom in the Angels' Hymn, "Glory to God in the Highest; and on earth peace, good-will towards men"; a message which, this year particularly, is full of interest meaning and reality.

November 11th, 1918, will be a date always to be remembered, on which, at 5 a.m., Germany signed the Armistice; and six hours later, at 11 a.m., the "Cease Fire" sounded, and for the first time, since 4th August, 1914, fighting ceased. Thus, at last, came to an end the most terrible and costly war in the history of the world. And now we all devoutly hope and pray that in due course of time a just, righteous, and lasting peace will be established. Our one bell on the Monday joined in the general chorus and lifted up its little voice, proclaiming its joyful message. On the next day, Tuesday, at 7.30 p.m. a good number of parishioners assembled in the church to give thanks to Almighty God for the blessing of the cessation of hostilities; and on the following

Sunday evening we had the special form of thanksgiving, issued by the authority of the Archbishops. It is indeed a relief to feel that our gallant soldiers, though they may have to remain at the front for some time to come, are at least free from the constant danger of death or wounds. And it is also a relief to realise that the prisoners of war are released, and will return home with all possible despatch.

Mrs. James Dore and family will receive the deepest sympathy of the parish in the sudden death of Mr. Dore of heart failure on his way home from work on November 16th.

The sad news was received that Philip Paintin, of Fawler, died in hospital, in France, of bronchial pneumonia consequent upon influenza. He had only quite recently been home on leave, and had returned to France apparently in the best of health. The news came as a great shock to Mr. and Mrs. Paintin and family, and we desire to assure them of our sincerest sympathy. He had been for many years a member of the choir.



#### GREAT ROLLRIGHT.

**Collections for the Month.**—October 20th, Church Expenses, 18/7½; October 27th, C.M.S., £2 9s.; Nov. 1st, All Saints Rector's Fund, 3s. 1d.; Nov. 3rd, Church Expenses, 13s. 9d.; Nov. 10th, Church Expenses, 14s. 8d.; Nov. 17th, Oxford Diocesan Fund, 15s. 9d.

We rang the church bells for the armistice, and had a special service of thanksgiving, with a full church on Wednesday evening, November 13th.

The parish is full of influenza and influenza colds, and the school has been closed for a fortnight.

Mr. Richard Berry, whose death occurred at Headington on November 15th, will be much missed by a large circle of friends. He was churchwarden of Great Rollright for many years, and farmed the Church Farm, as his father had done before him. He represented the parish on the Chipping Norton Board of Guardians, of which he was vice-chairman for a number of years. The parish will always be grateful to him for the large share that he took in persuading the Great Western Railway to make the siding at the Halt. Much sympathy is felt for his daughters, one of whom still lives in Rollright. His family have lived in the parish for more than 300 years.

The Rev. A. Elwin, for 30 years a missionary at Hanchow, gave us a most interesting address

the other day at the Manor on missionary work in China, which he illustrated by a number of curios. He greatly pleased the children by coming to talk to them in School on the following morning.

**Holy Baptism.**—November 17th, Daisy, daughter of Frederick Joseph and Beatrice Tanner.

**Burial.**—November 9th, Emma Walker, aged 59 years; November 13th, Betty Jones, aged 6 years.

Mr. F. Dormer's house to house collection for Dr. Barnardo's Homes realised the large sum of £7. He has received the following letter of thanks from the Society:—

18 to 26, Stepney Causeway,  
London, E.1.,

14th Nov., 1918.

Dear Mr. Dormer,

We are in receipt of your welcome remittance of £7 for which you will find herewith our official receipt. We are most grateful to you for the help which you have given to our work by arranging the collection, and assure you that we very highly appreciate the assistance which you have rendered.

Our Honorary Director desires that a message of his grateful appreciation should be conveyed to you, and through you to all the workers who assisted in the effort.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

G. W. GOODFELLOW.

Frank Dormer, Esq.,  
School House,  
Great Rollright,



### HOOK NORTON.

**Burials.**—November 1st, Hilda Harris, aged 20 years.—November 6th, Kate Ethel Gibbs, aged 23 years.—November 9th, Sarah Eleanor Gilkes, aged 47 years; Daisy May Borsberry, aged 20 years.—November 16th, Ronald Richard Taylor, aged 5 years; Hannah Amelia Pinfold, aged 37 years; Hetty Louisa Pinfold, aged 5 years.—November 19th, Annie Gilkes, aged 24 years.

Communicants from October 27th to November 17th, 66.

Collections during the same period:—Church Expenses, 14/10; Poor Fund, 8/2½; Restoration Fund, 9/10½; Offertory Fund, 10/8½; Lighting Fund, 7/7½; Red Cross Society, £3 12s. 7½d.

A meeting of the Deanery Branch of the Diocesan Guild of Church Bellingers was held here on Saturday, November 2nd. There was a service in the Church at 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and a business meeting for the election of officers and the passing of the accounts. The Rev. W. J. Palmer, Vicar of Enstone, was elected President of the Branch, and it will interest Hook Norton people to know that Mr. Herbert Dickins, who has for many years taken a keen interest in the Guild, and attended the Deanery meetings with wonderful regularity, was elected Secretary and Treasurer. The meeting of the Guild in a parish should stir up general interest in the ringing of our bells and in our ringers. We all look for the bells at the great festivals of the Church, such as Christmas, Easter, and Ascensiontide, and our great public occasions, and also on others of a more private nature, but generally speaking people are inclined to take the services of the ringers for granted, with little thought of and gratitude for the services they render to the community with so much readiness and unselfishness. The ringing of church bells is a great feature of English national life, and we should often be lost without them, as the expression is. The ringers here and elsewhere have had a very hard and trying time during the war through so many of their number having been called to the colours, and it does them great credit to have persevered as they have done.

The news of the signing of the terms of the armistice reached us officially about midday on Monday, November 11th. The Union Jack was immediately hoisted mast-high on the church tower, and the bells were rung in the evening. A large number of private people also displayed flags, which they had kept in readiness in the cheerful faith that the happy day would come in God's good time. Prayers of thanksgiving were said at Evensong on the Monday, and the next day, on which we had intended to hold our usual weekly Intercession Service on behalf of our sailors and soldiers, we had a preliminary service of thanksgiving instead, which was attended by a goodly number of people. The fuller expression of our thankfulness was reserved for the ensuing Sunday, when the forms of service authorized by the Archbishops were used. Unfortunately, the village is suffering from a great deal of influenza, which kept many of our people away; nevertheless, we had bright and hearty services. The collections were given to the Red Cross and amounted to £3 12s. 7½d.

The long obituary at the head of our news this month will give some idea of the deadly ravages

of influenza in the village, but, sad to say, not a full account of its severity, for there have been several Nonconformist burials in the cemetery as well. In all cases it saw a rapid, and in some a very rapid, course. It is indeed a terrible scourge. It will be observed by anyone taking note of the dates of the burials that on one day there were two buried, and on another day three. In one case a mother and her child were buried together. We believe that the experience through which we are passing is unique in the history of Hook Norton, certainly as far as living memory is concerned. We offer our sincerest sympathy to the relatives of those who have been called away so suddenly. God grant that this terrible epidemic may teach us who survive to see "how frail and uncertain our own condition is, and so to number our days that we may seriously apply our hearts to that holy and heavenly wisdom whilst we live here, which may in the end bring us to life everlasting through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour."

#### LITTLE ROLLRIGHT.

**Marriage.**—November 2nd, James Thomas Thornett to Violet Ellen Florey, at Salford.

On Temperance Sunday, November 10th, the offertory was forwarded to the C.E.T.S.

Harvest Thanksgiving Services were held on October 10th. The decorations were, as usual, tastefully carried out. The service was conducted by the Rev. F. F. Komlosy, C.F., and the offertory amounted to £1, and was in aid of the Radcliffe Infirmary.

On Sunday, November 17th, the picturesque little tower proclaimed the coming of "Peace upon Earth" to be followed, we earnestly trust, by "good will towards men." The service of thanksgiving was held in the afternoon.

#### RAMSDEN.

Influenza has been very busy with our people, and we have had two deaths—Mrs Job Townsend, and a young lad, Fred Smith. The latter was a lad of great promise and a favourite with everyone. His illness lasted but a few days, and his sudden call away alarmed us all. Mrs. Townsend's illness was several days longer, but was equally sudden in its result. She will be greatly missed. As a regular communicant and a regular worshipper her presence was, of course, an en-

couragement and help to us all. She had lived in the village all her married life, and had carried on business privately as a dressmaker. She leaves a husband and four married children, besides grandchildren, to mourn her loss.

**Baptism.**—Gwenda Lily Squibb.—November 17th, George Panting.

#### SALFORD.

**Baptism.**—October 27th, Leonard James, son of William Felix and Matilda Taylor.

**Marriage.**—November 2nd, James Thomas Thornett, of the White House, Little Rollright, to Violet Ellen Florey, of the Bank, Salford. The Rector of both parishes performed the ceremony.

**Harvest Thanksgiving Services** were held on October 6th, and were well attended. The church was prettily decorated, the prominent colours being yellow and white, and the sermons were preached by the Rev. F. F. Komlosy, C.F. The offertories amounted to £2 3s. 1d., and were forwarded to the Radcliffe Infirmary.

November 10th was marked as Temperance Sunday, and the offertory was forwarded to the C.E.T.S.

August 4th, the anniversary of the declaration of war, the offertory of £1 3s. was given to the Red Cross.

On Monday, November 11th, amid the deepest feelings of thankfulness and joy, the Union Jack was hoisted on the church tower, and the bells helped to proclaim the signing of the armistice, the herald of peace, so long hoped for and prayed for, yet not to be expected. "If the Lord had not been on our side." Let it be our hearts' endeavour to prepare the best of welcomes for our sailors and soldiers on their return, and may they find their homes holier, happier, and better after all the great sacrifices they have made for us and our country.

#### SARSDEN-CUM-CHURCHILL.

**Marriage.**—November 30th, at the Church of Holy Cross, Fulham, John Feehan, of Fulham, to Ethel Matthews, of Churchill.

**Burials.**—October 30th, Elizabeth Shadbolt, aged 38 years.—November 7th, George Farthing, aged 76 years.—November 15th, Florence



Pudwell, aged 32 years.—November 21st, Sylvia Ward, aged 41 years.

Our parish has been visited with a widespread attack of influenza during this month. Thanks to our village nurse, aided by other kind souls who have gone in and out and helped in various ways, we are fortunate enough up to the time of going to press, in holding our own. Whilst there are one or two serious cases, the majority have or are recovering their health.

Everyone was thankful when, on November the 11th the armistice was signed, a goodly number of parishioners met in the Parish Church to thank God for hearing and answering our prayers, and causing a cessation of hostilities to take place. The following Sunday the special services were carried out according to the Primate's instructions.

Miss Ethel Matthews was presented with a travelling clock on November 21st at the school, which was subscribed for by the members of the school staff, and many friends, including past and present pupils. Having been a teacher for upwards of 23 years, the Managers also granted an honorarium of £3 for her faithful services in the school.

As soon as the Peace Celebrations have taken place a public meeting will be held to consider the matter of a War Memorial for those who have laid down their lives for King and country. It has been suggested that a suitable monument be placed on one of the church walls, and also that a framed memorial card be placed in the homes they come from.

Miss Mabel Griffin made a house to house collection on behalf of the children of George Shadbolt, whose wife died under an operation, whilst he was with his regiment in the front line in France. Her Missionary Sewing Class and the members of the Mothers' Union were amongst those who contributed upwards of £8. George Shadbolt wishes to express his grateful thanks to the donors and for the sympathy of his many friends. He was allowed to come home, but did not arrive until after the funeral.

## SPELSBURY.

**Roll of Honour.**—We deeply regret having to record that Private Harry Harris, of the Machine Gun Corps, has fallen in France while gallantly doing his duty. Private Harris joined up as a volunteer early in the war, and went through much hard service and suffered a severe wound. Upon recovery he returned again to the front, and now has paid the supreme sacrifice. He was a skilful bellringer, and we thought of him as we listened to the victory peals on November 11th and 17th. Our sympathy goes out to his sorrowing wife and children.—R.I.P.

**Victory.**—The news that Germany had signed the armistice was joyfully received in Spelsbury about noon on Monday, November 11th, and with little delay the victory peal sounded out from our belfry. At 7 p.m. a service of thanksgiving in the Parish Church was well attended. On Sunday November 17th, the special form of praise and thanksgiving drawn up by the Archbishop of Canterbury and York was used, and therein we expressed our hearty gratitude for victory, ascribing the whole glory thereof to God. Our earnest prayer must now be that the armistice may be followed by a just and lasting peace.

Church Collections, October 20th to November 20th.—Church Expenses, £1 15s. 9d.; Sick and Needy, 5s. 2d.; St. Dunstan's Home for the Blind, £1 4s. 4d.

A capital concert was given in the Schoolroom on November 8th, by which a sum of £5 12s. 6d. was raised to provide Christmas parcels for the Spelsbury sailors and soldiers who are serving their King and country. The long and varied programme was listened to with great enjoyment by the audience, who filled the Schoolroom, and we must express our appreciation of Mr. Herbert Howse, who organised the concert, and of the many kind performers who came from Charlbury and elsewhere to entertain us so pleasantly. Nor must we omit to thank Mrs. Conduct, who so kindly (as so often before) allowed us the use of her piano, or those other helpers who prepared the room for the occasion.