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# ENGLEFIELD, JANUARY, 1918.

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## CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

1st (Circumcision).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

6th (Epiphany).—8.15 a.m., Sung Eucharist; 11 a.m., Special Service; 6 p.m., Special Service.

13th (1st Sunday after Epiphany).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

20th (2nd Sunday after Epiphany).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

25th (Conversion of S. Paul).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

27th (Septuagesima Sunday).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

N.B.—Extra Services will be announced on the previous Sunday.

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## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS THIS MONTH.

1st (Circumcision).—Oxford Mission to Calcutta (8.15 a.m.)

6th (Epiphany).—Red Cross Society (all day).

20th (2nd Sunday after Epiphany).—Prisoners of War Fund (11 a.m. and 6 p.m.)

25th (Conversion of S. Paul).—Missions over the Seas (8.15 a.m.)

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## NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER.

The first Sunday in January has been appointed as the day for universal prayer and thanksgiving. A special form of Service will be in use, and collections will be made at all Services for the Red Cross Fund. It is hoped that every parishioner will make an effort to attend at least one of the Services, and that many will avail themselves of the Sung Eucharist at 8.15 a.m.

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The following are the prize-winners up to Advent of last year :—

*1st Class Girls.*—1 Ethel Allen, 2 Edith Nash, 3 Winnie Sparkes.

*2nd Class Girls.*—1 Chrissie Smith, 2 Ellen Rose, 3 Marjorie Horne.

*1st Class Boys.*—1 George Joyce, 2 Stanley Golding, 3 Harry Chandler.

*2nd Class Boys.*—1 Stuart Young, 2 Fenton Smith, 3 Albert Chandler.

*Infants.*—1 Gertie Smyth, 2 Fred Culley, 3 Alfred Joyce.

The *third* in each class will receive a Certificate of Merit.

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## GIRL GUIDES.

On Saturday, December 1st, the Englefield troop of Girl Guides, accompanied by Miss Winifred Benyon and Miss Nannette Skipwith, journeyed to Newbury for an inspection by Lady Baden Powell. In the morning the various Companies gave demonstrations of the different kinds of work in which Girl Guides are trained, while the afternoon was devoted to a display of musical drill, &c. The day seems to have been most successful and was much enjoyed, at any rate, by this troop, who arrived home about 6 p.m. thoroughly tired, but happy. Fifteen girls went from here, one of the troop being prevented from attending owing to illness.

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## GIFT SERVICE.

This annual Service was held on Sunday afternoon (16th December) under somewhat unfavourable circumstances, as the weather, which had been fine for some time, turned wild and wet. The consequence was that the congregation was small. The number of "gifts" brought or

sent was considerably less than in previous years, but this is to be accounted for by the high price of all materials at this time. The following were among those who contributed :—

Ethel Allen, boy's shirt. Midgie Allen, doll. Mr. W. Allen, child's stockings. Miss Barker, flannel petticoat and frock. Mrs. Benyon, frock length material, petticoat, 2 chemises, 2 pairs drawers. Miss Benyon, jersey. Miss W. Benyon, 2 jerseys. Miss Berriman, jersey. Mrs. Briant, large petticoat. Mrs. G. Buckland, 2 frocks. Mrs. Claydon, Mrs. Browne, Mrs. Milne, 5 caps, 2 frocks, boy's suit and coat. Miss R. Cobham, 2 petticoats, 2 pairs stays. Miss Collyer, woollen gloves. Eddie Cooley, shirt. Mrs. James Cox, 2 petticoats. Edwin Cox, 3 handkerchiefs and card. Leslie Cox, 3 handkerchiefs and card. Beatrice Culley, child's drawers. Frederick Culley, 2 handkerchiefs. Miss Deacon, boy's jersey. Miss Deacon, 2 pairs stockings. Mrs. Dobbie, child's frock and boy's suit. Miss Field, picture book. Doris Fisher, stockings and card. Miss H. Fisher, child's frock. Miss E. Fisher, baby's gloves and leggings. Stanley Golding, pair drawers, sailor blouse, box of biscuits. Mrs. A. Harris, 2 woollen vests. Kathleen Harris, baby's bonnet. Mrs. Holmes, 2 chemises. Miss L. Horne, 2 pairs knitted socks. Albert Huggins, child's chemise. Alfred Joyce, 2 handkerchiefs. Alice Joyce, baby's nightgown. George Joyce, scarf. Hilda and Frank Lamperd, 2 pairs drawers. Winnie Mitchell, frock. Eileen Morrell, vest. Percy Morrell, baby's vest. Albert Nash, 2 pairs stockings, 2 handkerchiefs. Edith Nash, chemise and 3 cards. George Nash, woollen gaiters, 2 cards. Jackie Nash, 1 pair woollen gloves. May Newman, 2 children's coats and frocks. Mrs. Partlo, 2 pairs socks, 2 balls. Phyllis Parsons, pair socks. Edward Pusey, 2 handkerchiefs. Gladys Pusey, petticoat, Leslie Pusey, flannelette petticoat. Mrs. Reid, 3 frocks. Mrs. Rogers, 5 children's chemises, 2 petticoats. Ernest Rose, handkerchief and card. Eva Rose, 2 handkerchiefs and card. Mollie Rose, handkerchief and card. Mrs. Skipwith, flannelette chemise, boy's flannel shirt, child's frock, child's pinafore, 2 baby's vests, tam o'shanter, 2 books. Nannette Skipwith, 2 skirts, 2 jerseys, flannel petticoat, 2 bonnets, pair mittens, 2 books. Philip Skipwith, 2 books, 2 jerseys, 3 vests. Osmund Skipwith, 2 books, 2 jerseys, 3 vests. Miss Dora Skipwith, 3 woollen hoods. Christine Smyth, pinafore and pair mittens. Gertrude Smyth, frock. Ida Stratton, 2 children's caps. Mrs. Taylor, chemise. Lilian Titcombe, pair woollen gloves. Mrs. Treadwell, 2 infants' nightgowns. Mrs. Vince, chemise, vest, 2 handkerchiefs. Miss Wadds, cloth coat, frock, woollen muffler, tin of biscuits. Mabel Wells, book, 2 child's chemises. Mrs. and Cecil Willcox, 2 flannel petticoats, coat, 3 cards. Henry Young, 1 chemise. Stuart Young, chemise and 3 cards.

These were all sent up to the very poor parish of Christchurch, Lisson Grove, and doubtless will be warmly welcomed.

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#### CONFIRMATION.

Those who wish to offer themselves for Confirmation, should give in their names to the Rector as soon as possible. The only Confirmations arranged for this Deanery are at Yattendon on 28th February and Burghfield on 19th March. As both these places are so far away, it may be more convenient to take candidates to Reading, which can be reached by train.

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#### PRISONERS OF WAR FUND.

Since we started our monthly collections for the Berkshire prisoners of war—in April last—we have been enabled to send up £19 4s. 8d., which amount is warmly welcomed by those responsible for administering the fund.

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#### INTERCESSION.

“ That the Holy Land may become a stronghold of Christianity.”

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N.B.—We were sorry to hear that Albert Seymour has been wounded for the *third* time.

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#### HYMNS DURING JANUARY.

Hymn List will be found in the Church Porch.

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#### MISSIONS.

The sum of £40 12s. 7d. has been collected in the Parish during the year for Missions over the Seas. Particulars will be published in our next issue.

# ENGLEFIELD, FEBRUARY, 1918.

## BURIAL.

"Grant him, O Lord, eternal rest."

January 23rd.—Ephraim George Buckland, aged 65 years.

## CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

2nd (Purification B.V.M.).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

3rd (Sexagesima).—8.15 a.m., Sung Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

10th (Quinquagesima).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

13th (Ash Wednesday).—8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins, Litany, and Communion Service; 7 p.m., Evensong and Address.

17th (1st Sunday in Lent).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

20th (Wednesday).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Special Service (with Address).

24th (S. Matthias).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

27th (Wednesday).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Special Service (with Address).

N.B.—Extra Services will be announced on the previous Sunday.

Mr. Kenney will be responsible for the Services on Quinquagesima.

20th, 22nd, 23rd are Ember Days.

## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS THIS MONTH.

1st Sunday in Lent.—Prisoners of War Fund (11 a.m. and 6 p.m.)

## PARISH NOTES.

CHRISTMAS DAY.—Owing to going early to press, we were unable to give any account of the Services in our last issue. The day began, as usual, with a cheerful peal as a prelude to the first Celebration at 7.30 a.m. This was followed by the second Celebration at 8.30 a.m. Mattins was fully Choral at 11 a.m., when the Rector preached, but Evensong was said. The Church was not decorated as in pre-war days, but looked very nice and "Christmassy." The collections were given to the Society which provides comforts for the wounded in Reading, and amounted to £12 12s. 10d. There was a Church parade in the morning of Girl Guides, as well as Boy Scouts.

DAY OF PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING.—By the King's appointment, January 6th (Epiphany) was devoted to prayer and thanksgiving throughout the Empire. Unfortunately the weather, especially in the evening, was far from kind, consequently the attendance was not so good as it might have been. The collections were for the Red Cross Fund, and amounted to £13 10s. 4½d. Special forms drawn up by the Archbishops were used at each of the Services. In the morning there was a Church parade of the 3rd Platoon of the Berks Volunteers; 28 men were present, in addition to four N.C.O's. and an officer in command.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN SAILORS' SOCIETY.—A collection throughout the village, under the auspices of the Rectory household, amounted to the satisfactory sum of £2 14s. 3d.

ENTERTAINMENTS.—On the invitation of the Rector and Mrs. Skipwith, the Long Gallery was packed on the afternoon of January 14th. The entertainment was provided by three gentlemen from London (one of whom unfortunately had to return by an early train, as he had another engagement in London that evening). The programme consisted of songs, stories and character sketches; the three performers, Messrs. Reginald Dawson, Nicholls and Stephen Moore, acquitting themselves to the manifest enjoyment of the large company present. Owing to limited accommodation, only those from the village, the numbered houses, and those who do duty at the hospital, were invited.

CHOIR BOYS.—The Choir boys were entertained to tea at the Rectory on the evening of January 17th. After a "war ration" tea, to which full justice was done, games were indulged in until 9 p.m. All appeared to enjoy themselves.

THE SCHOOL.—Numbers have been much reduced since the School re-opened owing to the prevalence of measles, &c.

## MISSIONS.

The total amount collected in the parish for Missions over the Seas during the past year was £40 16s. 2d. It was made up as follows:—

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Besides the old Society we collected the following sums:—S.P.C.K., £1 13s. 6d.; Universities' Mission to Central Africa, £1 17s.; Oxford Mission to Calcutta, £2 5s. 6d.; Cambridge Mission to Delhi, £2 4s. 10d. Making a total of £40 16s. 2d. We also collected £12 16s. 5d. for Home Missions. All who collected 4s. and upwards will receive in due course a report from S.P.G.

## DAME EDITH BENYON.

It was a great honour that the King conferred on the lady who now enjoys the above title. It means that she has been appointed a Dame of the Grand Cross of the British Empire, for her services in connection with the V.A.D. work at the Englefield Hospital, as well as in the County. It is, we need scarcely say, a well-deserved reward for her untiring services. Dame Edith looks upon it as an honour not only to herself, but to the village and the County of Berkshire. It may be useful here to mention that letters should be addressed to her "Dame Edith Benyon, G.B.E." on the envelope, and inside she will be addressed as "Dear Dame Edith." So her old title of "Mrs. Benyon" will be dropped for good and all.

HYMNS DURING FEBRUARY.

|                                          |     |           |     |     |                         |     |
|------------------------------------------|-----|-----------|-----|-----|-------------------------|-----|
| Sexagesima Sunday (February 3rd) ...     | ... | 8.15 a.m. | 317 | 320 | 318                     |     |
|                                          |     | 11 a.m.   | 182 | 193 | 184                     | 224 |
|                                          |     | 6 p.m.    | 270 | 282 | 168                     | 186 |
| Quinquagesima Sunday (February 10th) ... | ... | 11 a.m.   | 208 | 527 | 255                     | 265 |
|                                          |     | 6 p.m.    | 209 | 274 | 173                     | 24  |
| Ash Wednesday (February 13th) ...        | ... | 11 a.m.   | 263 | 89  | 86                      |     |
|                                          |     | 7 p.m.    | 90  | 84  | 94                      |     |
| 1st Sunday in Lent (February 17th) ...   | ... | 11 a.m.   | 249 | 528 | 91                      |     |
|                                          |     | 2.30 p.m. | 104 | 232 | (Children's Hymn Book). |     |
|                                          |     | 6 p.m.    | 92  | 353 | 95                      |     |
| S. Matthias (February 24th) ...          | ... | 11 a.m.   | 448 | 408 | 492                     |     |
| (2nd Sunday in Lent)                     |     | 6 p.m.    | 447 | 452 | 493                     |     |

INTERCESSION.

"To bless all efforts to enlarge the Missionary enterprise of the Church."

MR. GEORGE BUCKLAND.

As we are going to press, we hear of the very sudden death of the Head Keeper. He had been employed on the estate for upwards of fifty years, and will be much missed. Our sympathy goes out to Mrs. Buckland and her family in their bereavement.

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## BAPTISMS.

"One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism."

February 17th.—Dorothy Stella, daughter of Thomas Farmer and Catharine Mary Harris.

„ „ Edward Frank, son of Tom and Alice Sparkes.

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## CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

3rd (3rd Sunday in Lent).—8.15 a.m., Sung Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

6th (Wednesday).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Special Service (with Address).

10th (4th Sunday in Lent).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

13th (Wednesday).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Special Service (with Address).

17th (Passion Sunday).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

20th (Wednesday).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Special Service (with Address).

24th (Palm Sunday).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

25th (Monday before Easter).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Evensong (with Reading).

26th (Tuesday before Easter).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Evensong (with Reading).

27th (Wednesday before Easter).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Special Service (with Address).

28th (Maundy Thursday).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Preparation Service for Holy Communion.

29th (Good Friday).—11 a.m., Mattins, Litany, Ante-Communion, and Sermon; 7 p.m., Evensong (with Reading).

30th (Easter Even).—8.15 a.m., Mattins and Ante-Communion.

31st (Easter Day).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 12 p.m., Holy Communion; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

N.B.—The Rector hopes to have the assistance of Canon Petit on Easter Day.

Extra Services will be announced on the previous Sunday.

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## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS THIS MONTH.

17th (Passion Sunday).—Prisoners of War Fund (11 a.m. and 6 p.m.)

25th to 28th inclusive.—Missions over the Seas (8.15 a.m.)

31st (Easter Day).—Home Missions (all day).

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## THE SCHOOL.

Epidemics of chicken pox, measles and whooping cough have sadly interfered with the work. The School has been closed twice this winter, from (1) 19th November to 10th December (2) 30th January to 4th March. The Easter Holidays have been fixed from Wednesday, 27th March, to Wednesday, 3rd April.

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## WORKING PARTY.

Mrs. Haviland, the Superintendent of the Local Depôt for War Work, writes:—"Grateful thanks have been sent from headquarters for all the work we have contributed. Please tell your workers. One bale reached the 4th Berks."

## HYMNS FOR MARCH.

|                                 |     |     |           |     |     |                         |
|---------------------------------|-----|-----|-----------|-----|-----|-------------------------|
| 3rd Sunday in Lent (3rd March)  | ... | ... | 8.15 a.m. | 317 | 314 | 318                     |
|                                 |     |     | 11 a.m.   | 474 | 595 | 245                     |
|                                 |     |     | 6 p.m.    | 261 | 142 | 256                     |
| 4th Sunday in Lent (10th March) | ... | ... | 11 a.m.   | 247 | 373 | 233                     |
|                                 |     |     | 6 p.m.    | 249 | 190 | 578                     |
| Passion Sunday (17th March)     | ... | ... | 11 a.m.   | 107 | 514 | 280                     |
|                                 |     |     | 2.30 p.m. | 117 | 113 | (Children's Hymn Book). |
|                                 |     |     | 6 p.m.    | 512 | 633 | 289                     |
| Palm Sunday (24th March)        | ... | ... | 11 a.m.   | 99  | 263 | 523 246                 |
|                                 |     |     | 6 p.m.    | 98  | 301 | 416 110                 |
| Good Friday (29th March)        | ... | ... | 11 a.m.   | 114 | 332 | 108                     |
|                                 |     |     | 7 p.m.    | 109 | 120 | 122                     |
| Easter Day (31st March)         | ... | ... | 11 a.m.   | 134 | 131 | 499                     |
|                                 |     |     | 6 p.m.    | 125 | 135 | 500 136                 |

## INTERCESSION.

“To guide the issues of the religious awakening of China, and lead the people to the knowledge and love of Christ.”

### KING'S DAUGHTERS (Communicated).

O maids, and mothers of the race,  
And of the race that is to be,  
To you is given, in these dark days,  
A vast responsibility.  
Ye all are daughters of the King,  
Whatever your estate may be,—  
Or young or old, or rich or poor,  
Or wife or maid,—King's daughters ye!  
And the King calls—to every soul  
That follows in His courtly train,—  
“Now bear ye gallantly for Me,  
My service is the world's high gain!”  
So much of all the future holds  
Is in your hands for good or ill;  
You are God's finest instruments  
For working out His mighty will.

Remember!—as you bear you now  
So Britain's future shall be great,  
—Or small. To your true hearts is given  
A sovereign duty to the state.  
Be brave, be wise, be strong, be true!  
Cleanse life of all its hidden shame!  
Nor tolerate one smallest thing  
That casts a smirch on Britain's fame!  
So—bear you nobly! Do your part!  
Leave it to God to spread the leaven.  
Each evil thing you check or slay  
Lifts all the world one step to heaven.  
And pray! For prayer doth much avail  
To lift the world to nobler things.  
Pray, work, and live as unto Him,  
The Lord of Lords, and King of Kings!

(John Oxenham).

Oh, dear King's Daughters—to you now comes daily the more and more difficult task of carrying on with a brave and cheerful face; to eke out slender supplies as never before; to find for the men and children sufficient well-cooked and tempting foods, that they shall do their part well. Do let us learn, in every possible way, to do better than we have done before, and never again be satisfied with the motto: “What has been done before is good enough for us to follow.” The “lads in the trenches” are being well fed—Thanks be!—it rests with us to take much extra trouble for our dear home folk, and it is worth while: “It is in the little things in life that we see Christ looking out of the souls of His saints.”

## DAYLIGHT SAVING BILL.

The day appointed for the change to Summer Time is March 24th (Palm Sunday): it would be advisable for people to put their clocks and watches on *one hour* between tea and bed time on *Saturday, 23rd*; this alteration will last till the 29th September. Thus we shall get an *additional* five weeks of summer time this year. This will be welcomed by the majority of people, especially owing to the increased cost of artificial light. We believe that even the cows (who were supposed to object to the alteration) have by now got used to it!

# ENGLEFIELD, APRIL, 1918.

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## CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

2nd (Tuesday in Easter Week).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

7th (1st Sunday after Easter).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

14th (2nd Sunday after Easter).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

21st (3rd Sunday after Easter).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

25th (S. Mark).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

28th (4th Sunday after Easter).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

N.B.—Extra Services will be announced on the previous Sunday.

There will be no Sung Eucharist this month.

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## SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS MONTH.

21st (3rd Sunday after Easter).—Prisoners of War Fund (11 a.m. and 6 p.m.)

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## EASTER VESTRY.

This will be held, as usual, on Easter Monday, in the Choir Vestry, at 10 a.m. At the close there will be a meeting for the election of Lay Members on the Ruri-Decanal Conference.

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## BERKS PRISONERS OF WAR FUND.

It is just twelve months since we started collections for the above on the 3rd Sunday of each month. Up to July we had only *one* collection a Sunday, in the evening; since then we have had *two* (11 a.m. and 6 p.m.). Our total for the year has reached the sum of £26 5s. 7d., a very satisfactory amount!

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## VISIT OF THEIR MAJESTIES THE KING AND QUEEN TO READING.

Tuesday, 12th March, was a red letter day in Reading, when the King and Queen visited it. The Squire (in his capacity of Lord Lieutenant) and Dame Edith Benyon were very much in evidence, and Miss Winifred Benyon accompanied them. The Volunteers formed a guard of honour at the Station, and were inspected by His Majesty. We also sent our troop of Boy Scouts to help keep order in the Market Place. The weather was perfect, and all seem to have enjoyed their day out, though for some it was pretty strenuous.

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## THOUGHTS ON THE WAR.—(Communicated).

In our hearts we agree with one who wrote from the trenches: "If I did not believe that the world is going to be better for this war, I should walk to the nearest German trench and get myself decently shot."

Peace, then, of itself will not make things better. People sometimes speak as if "all this wonderful sacrifice" were itself enough to set everything right, and usher in a better world. But there is this to bear in mind about sacrifice. Another man's sacrifice of himself for me does me no good unless I *enter into it*, and share the same spirit.

During the war men have remembered their duties and discarded their rights. After it, as things are shaping at present, they are likelier to remember their rights and discard their duties—

and that when the spirit of duty will be more needed than ever. And if that does happen, well, God help our nation! We shall need His help, *and we shall not get it*: for we shall have proved that we did not deserve to win.

I make a suggestion that may help us to keep "Our Dead and our Duty" linked together in our thoughts. It is that each one should include in his private calendar "some khaki-letter Saints' Days"—days on which those whom he knew and loved, or admired at a distance, laid down their lives for him and the rest of us; and, on these anniversaries, as the years brought them round, should stand before their photographs, thank God for their example, and renew his vow: "For his sake I consecrate myself." Most of us between relations and friends who have fallen, will find such days coming often enough to keep us reminded of their sacrifice, and so the reader for our own.

#### A PRAYER FOR THE SOLDIER SPIRIT.

"Teach us, good Lord, to serve Thee as Thou deservest; to give and not to count the cost; to fight and not to heed the wounds; to toil and not to seek for rest; to labour and not to ask for any reward, save that of knowing that we do Thy Will: through Jesus Christ our Lord."

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#### WORKMEN'S CLUB.

The Annual Meeting was held on Monday, 25th February, when there was a fair attendance of members. The Squire was in the chair. The accounts showed the excellent balance of £123 1s. 2d. The Squire urged the members to grow more potatoes for food, in view of the difficult time that is before us.

The Lifeboat box, as usual, was sent round the room, and on being opened, was found to contain £1 2s. 9d., for which a thankful acknowledgment has been received.

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#### HYMNS FOR MARCH.

|                                         |     |           |     |     |                         |     |
|-----------------------------------------|-----|-----------|-----|-----|-------------------------|-----|
| 1st Sunday after Easter (7th April) ... | ... | 11 a.m.   | 182 | 199 | 180                     | 137 |
|                                         |     | 6 p.m.    | 16  | 173 | 230                     | 28  |
| 2nd Sunday after Easter (14th April)    | ... | 11 a.m.   | 439 | 267 | 568                     | 258 |
|                                         |     | 6 p.m.    | 197 | 184 | 334                     | 129 |
| 3rd Sunday after Easter (21st April)    | ... | 11 a.m.   | 209 | 520 | 266                     | 363 |
|                                         |     | 2.30 p.m. | 124 | 276 | (Children's Hymn Book). |     |
|                                         |     | 6 p.m.    | 217 | 12  | 225                     | 541 |
| 4th Sunday after Easter (28th April)    | ... | 11 a.m.   | 515 | 264 | 290                     | 7   |
|                                         |     | 6 p.m.    | 516 | 447 | 511                     | 19  |

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#### INTERCESSION.

"To enable the Church to put forth its full power and grace in winning China to *the* Faith."

# ENGLEFIELD, MAY, 1918.

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## CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

1st (S. Philip and S. James).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

5th (5th Sunday after Easter).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

6th, 7th, 8th (Rogation Days).—7 p.m., Evensong with Reading (Choral on Wednesday).

9th (Ascension Day).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 7 p.m., Evensong with Reading.

12th (Sunday after Ascension).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

19th (Whitsun Day).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

21st (Whitsun Tuesday).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

26th (Trinity Sunday).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

N.B.—Extra Services will be announced on the previous Sunday.

There will be no Sung Eucharist this month.

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## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS THIS MONTH.

1st (S.S. Philip and James).—S.P.C.K. (8.15 a.m.)

9th (Ascension Day).—Universities' Mission to Central Africa (7.30 a.m.)

12th (Sunday after Ascension).—Prisoners of War Fund (11 a.m. and 6 p.m.)

19th (Whitsun Day).—Diocesan Fund (all day).

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## LENT, HOLY WEEK, AND EASTER.

Seldom have we been favoured with better weather than this Spring. The consequence was that the Services were exceptionally well attended, though, as usual, at the Wednesday Evening Service the male sex was not as largely represented as it might have been.

Easter Even foreshadowed a wet Easter; however, it was only a scare, for Easter Day was above the average in fineness.

The early Services were fairly well attended, but absence *from* home, and sickness *in* the home, kept some away. The bells were rung before all the Services, commencing at 7 a.m. Canon Petit assisted the Rector and preached a thoughtful and helpful sermon in the morning. The Canon is Secretary for A.C.S. (Home Missions), and the collections, which were devoted to that Society, amounted to £12 19s. 7d. The Church looked bright with the emblems of Spring—primroses (which the school children gathered on Good Friday afternoon) and daffodils. The decorations were carried out by Mr. and Miss Wadds, with the assistance of the Rectory party. At the 11 o'clock Service there was a parade of Girl Guides, under the direction of Miss Winifred Benyon; at the conclusion of the Service, Miss Benyon, who is the County Commissioner, took the salute. The Boy Scouts and Wolf Cubs also paraded to Church.

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## WHITSUN DAY.

The Services will consist of Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m. and 8.30 a.m., Mattins and Sermon at 11 a.m., Children's Service at 2.30 p.m., Evensong and Sermon at 6 p.m.; the collections throughout the day being for the Diocesan Fund. At the Children's Service there will be a collection of Whitsun farthings—the idea being that the children of the Church may make a present to their Mother Church on her birthday. The collection is not limited to a single farthing, but any number may be offered.

## EASTER VESTRY.

This was held in the Choir Vestry on Easter Monday, the Rector being in the chair. The Squire again undertook the duties of Rector's Warden, and Mr. Palmer was re-elected Parish Warden. The Sidesmen were all re-appointed; they are Messrs. Wadds, Claydon, Parsons and Henry Horne.

After the Vestry a Special Meeting was held to elect representatives from the Parish on the Ruri-Decanal Conference. Messrs. C. F. Golding and W. Partlo were elected and, in case of need, the following were elected Supplemental Members: Messrs. J. H. Claydon and Henry Horne.

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## BERKS PRISONERS OF WAR FUND.

By the express wish of Mrs. Mount, who manages this fund, we have undertaken to provide *five* parcels a month for a prisoner of war in Germany. This means that our contribution must reach £2 3s. 4d. per month. The prisoner she has asked us to adopt is Lce.-Cpl. F. G. Harvey, of the 5th Royal Berks Regiment.

These parcels are so looked forward to and appreciated by those men, who depend almost entirely on the contents, that I hope we shall not disappoint Harvey.

*This* month the Collection will be on the *second* Sunday instead of the third.

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## HYMNS FOR THE MONTH.

|                                          |           |                                 |     |     |     |
|------------------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| 5th Sunday after Easter (5th May) ... .. | 11 a.m.   | 3 (2nd part)                    | 166 | 143 | 383 |
|                                          | 6 p.m.    | 391 527 536                     | 142 |     |     |
| Ascension Day (9th May) ... ..           | 11 a.m.   | 148 146 299                     |     |     |     |
|                                          | 7 p.m.    | 144 150 220                     |     |     |     |
| Sunday after Ascension (12th May) ... .. | 11 a.m.   | 210 514 291 224                 |     |     |     |
|                                          | 6 p.m.    | 270 297 547 231                 |     |     |     |
| Whitsun Day (19th May) ... ..            | 11 a.m.   | 208 155 154 156                 |     |     |     |
|                                          | 2.30 p.m. | 137 312 (Children's Hymn Book). |     |     |     |
|                                          | 6 p.m.    | 209 207 211 524                 |     |     |     |
| Trinity Sunday (26th May) ... ..         | 11 a.m.   | 34 474 161 160                  |     |     |     |
|                                          | 6 p.m.    | 22 163 281 215                  |     |     |     |

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## INTERCESSION.

"To help us to lay seriously to heart the lessons which the War is teaching us."

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## GIRL GUIDES.

We are asked to give notice that the Girl Guides will make a house-to-house collection of old tins once a week. The proceeds will go towards "Company" funds.

# ENGLEFIELD, JUNE, 1918.

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## CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

2nd (1st Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Sung Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

9th (2nd Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

11th (S. Barnabas).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

16th (3rd Sunday after Trinity).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

23rd (4th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

24th (Nativity of S. John Baptist).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

29th (S. Peter).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

30th (5th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

N.B.—Extra Services will be announced on the previous Sunday.

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## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS THIS MONTH.

16th (3rd Sunday after Trinity).—Prisoners of War Fund (11 a.m. and 6 p.m.)

29th (S. Peter).—S.P.G. (8.15 a.m.)

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## WHITSUN DAY.

Nothing could have been more glorious than the weather on the anniversary of the Church's birth. The Church had been prettily and effectively decorated by Mrs. and Miss Skipwith and Mr. and Miss Wadds, the wealth of azalea making a great effect. The Services were bright and hearty, and were very fairly well attended, both the troops of Girl Guides and Boy Scouts parading to the Morning Service. The bells were rung at 7 a.m. The Rector was assisted at the Services by Rev. W. H. Lloyd-Oswell, who preached in the morning. In the afternoon a Children's Service was held, at which there was a collection of Whitsun farthings, which were added to the collections through the day for the Oxford Diocesan Fund. The farthings came to 5s. 11½d., and the total collections to £9 15s. 1½d. As our quota is fixed this year at £11 10s., we must have a further collection to try and reach that amount.

N.B.—We have received an additional pound towards the deficit.

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## S.P.G. BOXES.

The Rector will be obliged if those who have boxes will return them, for the half-year count, to the Rectory by the 15th June. As the number of boxes distributed has diminished, he will be glad to supply new collectors with a box.

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## PRISONERS OF WAR FUND.

Mrs. Mount writes that his own county (Huntingdonshire) has asked to supply parcels to Lnce.-Cpl. Harvey: that is as it should be. She asks us, in place of Harvey, to undertake to supply a similar number of parcels to Pte. G. Bolton (8th Royal Berkshire Regiment), whose home is in Reading. Mrs. Mount mentions that she has had 185 new prisoners in the last two weeks, for whom she has to supply parcels!

Any money collected over and above the monthly £2 3s. 4d. will be kept in reserve to supply a deficiency, should such occur, and at the end of the year will be sent up to Headquarters.

## SCHOOL NEEDLEWORK.

This was kindly examined by Miss Benyon, Miss Field, and Mrs. Dobbie, to whom our thanks are due. Their decisions are as follows:—

Sewing.—Div. I., 1, Ella Chandler; 2, Hilda Horne and Edith Nash, equal. Div. II., 1, Christine Smyth; 2, Agnes Baker. Div. III., 1, Josephine Horne; 2, Gertrude Smyth and Breta Butler, equal.

Knitting.—Div. I., 1, Alice Joyce; 2, Ethel Allen; Div. II., 1, Marjorie Horne; 2, Winifred Sparkes. Div. III., 1, Edith Eldridge and Nora Smith, equal; 2, Phyllis Parsons.

Infants. Sewing.—1, Eileen Morrell; 2, Winifred Mitchell. Knitting.—1, Alice Absalom; 2, Dorothy Sparkes.

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## WHITSUN MONDAY.

The Upper Park seethed with Boy Scouts. Troops from Reading, Thatcham, Bucklebury, as well as our own, marched there about 11 a.m. to the number of about 300, and were inspected by the Lord Lieutenant, who addressed them in a few words of welcome. The day was ideal for the occasion.

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## THE WAR.

Owing to the new Act calling up men up to 50 years of age, our numbers are still further reduced. We have lately lost from our Church workers Tom Harris (choir) and William Lamperd (belfry). It makes it difficult to carry on things as we should like, but it is the same in all country parishes, and we who are left at home only need to put our shoulders to the wheel and do a bit extra.

We were sorry to hear that Alfred Lamperd has been wounded.

Congratulations to Mr. Harry Benyon on his promotion to the rank of Captain, and to Arthur Claydon on getting his commission.

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## HYMNS FOR THE MONTH.

|                                      |     |           |     |     |                         |     |
|--------------------------------------|-----|-----------|-----|-----|-------------------------|-----|
| 1st Sunday after Trinity (June 2nd)  | ... | 8.15 a.m. | 320 | 321 | 318                     |     |
|                                      |     | 11 a.m.   | 270 | 195 | 230                     | 221 |
|                                      |     | 6 p.m.    | 189 | 276 | 186                     | 391 |
| 2nd Sunday after Trinity (June 9th)  | ... | 11 a.m.   | 515 | 273 | 173                     | 375 |
|                                      |     | 6 p.m.    | 176 | 510 | 169                     | 31  |
| 3rd Sunday after Trinity (June 16th) | ... | 11 a.m.   | 197 | 595 | 291                     | 258 |
|                                      |     | 2.30 p.m. | 164 | 158 | (Children's Hymn Book). |     |
|                                      |     | 6 p.m.    | 540 | 535 | 376                     | 271 |
| 4th Sunday after Trinity (June 23rd) | ... | 11 a.m.   | 165 | 280 | 284                     | 229 |
|                                      |     | 6 p.m.    | 511 | 224 | 266                     | 511 |
| 5th Sunday after Trinity (June 30th) | ... | 11 a.m.   | 217 | 416 | 236                     | 520 |
|                                      |     | 6 p.m.    | 260 | 453 | 242                     | 27  |

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## INTERCESSION.

“To quicken in us a new spirit of sacrifice and service.”

# ENGLEFIELD, JULY, 1918.

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## BURIAL.

"Grant him, O Lord, eternal rest."

May 31st.—Alfred Charles Fullilove, aged 47 years.

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## CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

7th (6th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Sung Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

14th (7th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

21st (8th Sunday after Trinity).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

25th (S. James).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Communicants' Guild.

28th (9th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

N.B.—Extra Services will be announced on the previous Sunday.

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## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS THIS MONTH.

14th (7th Sunday after Trinity).—National Society (all day).

21st (8th Sunday after Trinity).—Prisoners of War Fund (11 a.m. and 6 p.m.)

25th (S. James).—Board of Missions (8.15 a.m.)

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## S. P. G.

The following boxes have been returned for the half-year count:—Mrs. Claydon, 8s. 3d.; Miss Deacon, 3s. 1d.; Mrs. C. Fisher, 4s. 1½d.; Mrs. J. Martin, 7s. 9½d.; Mrs. Osmond, 6s. 1d.; Mrs. Page, 16s. 5d.; Rectory, £1 5s. 2¾d.; Mrs. Smyth, 5s. 3d.; Mrs. Wadds, 2s. 3d.; making a total for the half-year of £3 18s. 5¾d. This will be sent up to headquarters at the end of the year. We are still hoping that more boxes may be applied for—one penny put in regularly each week means 4s. 4d. at the end of the year!

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## COMMUNICANTS' GUILD.

Attention is drawn to the Service on S. James' Day (25th July), at 7 p.m.

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## THE SCHOOL.

The summer holidays have been fixed by the Managers from Friday, August 2nd to Monday, September 9th. It is with much regret that we have to announce that we are losing the services of Miss Dance as assistant teacher. She has got an appointment at Bexhill-on-Sea, which she takes up on July 1st. Miss Dance has been on the staff since February, 1908, during which time she has given of her best to the interests of the School. We are particularly grateful to her for the care she has bestowed on the needlework—a most important feature of the School curriculum. She has our best wishes for her future. We hope we may get a satisfactory substitute in her place; but teachers are scarce in these days.

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## INSPECTION OF GIRL GUIDES (Communicated).

On Wednesday, June 19th, Countess Gurowska, Divisional Commissioner for South Berks, came and inspected the 1st Englefield Company Girl Guides at Englefield House, the Company headquarters. The Company, consisting of 16 Guides and five Brownies, under the command of their Captain, Miss W. Benyon, and Lieut. Miss Skipwith, was drawn up on the lawn. The

Patrol Leaders Ella Chandler and Hilda Horne, took the roll call, after which the Patrols were formally inspected. The Company then gave a display of Morse signalling including the alphabet and Company motto, "Ever Ready." Some of the Guides and Brownies did some arm exercises, the rest of the Guides Indian Club Drill. The Company was then formed up in horse-shoe formation, and the colours carried by Patrol Leader Ella Chandler, Second Alice Joyce, and Guide Clara Seymour. Countess Gurowska enrolled Nellie Absalom as a Brownie, and presented Mabel Horne and Mollie Rose with 1st class Brownie badges. Ten Guides and two Brownies were awarded their one year service star. Patrol Leader Ella Chandler and Guide Kathleen Harris were presented with knives, for one year's unbroken attendance. The Guides were then put through some Company drill and marched past in fours, the Countess taking the salute. At the conclusion the Countess spoke a few words to the girls and congratulated them on their smart appearance. The Company was then dismissed, and the proceedings ended with games.

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#### BOY SCOUTS (Communicated).

Our Troop of Boy Scouts has now seen two years of existence, and numbers 21 Scouts and eight Wolf Cubs. In answer to the appeal to grow more vegetables, an allotment at Chalkpit was taken over and 25 bushels of potatoes, as well as a quantity of other vegetables were grown, from which £3 5s. 4½d. profit was made. During the past year 8-cwts. 3-qrs. 2-lbs. of waste paper was collected and sent to the mills, for which the Prince of Wales' National Relief Fund received £9 3s., out of which £2 5s. 9d. was refunded to the Troop for the collecting and sorting. A ton of horse chestnuts was also collected for the Ministry of Munitions. A small band is now being formed.

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#### THE WAR.

The Englefield Auxiliary Hospital re-opened on June 3rd, after being closed for cleaning purposes for a few weeks. At the time of writing, it is full up.

Two of our probationers in the belfry have joined up—Frank Smyth and Victor Briant. We hear rumours of more of the "middle-aged" contingent having to go.

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#### HYMNS FOR THE MONTH.

|                                          |           |     |     |                         |     |
|------------------------------------------|-----------|-----|-----|-------------------------|-----|
| 6th Sunday after Trinity (July 7th) ...  | 8.15 a.m. | 317 | 323 | 318                     |     |
|                                          | 11 a.m.   | 35  | 191 | 178                     | 228 |
|                                          | 6 p.m.    | 447 | 260 | 213                     | 17  |
| 7th Sunday after Trinity (July 14th) ... | 11 a.m.   | 540 | 190 | 185                     | 184 |
|                                          | 6 p.m.    | 391 | 262 | 177                     | 528 |
| 8th Sunday after Trinity (July 21st) ... | 11 a.m.   | 10  | 238 | 514                     | 167 |
|                                          | 2.30 p.m. | 203 | 271 | (Children's Hymn Book). |     |
|                                          | 6 p.m.    | 22  | 566 | 527                     | 550 |
| 9th Sunday after Trinity (July 28th) ... | 11 a.m.   | 5   | 299 | 595                     | 186 |
|                                          | 6 p.m.    | 515 | 269 | 142                     | 240 |

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#### INTERCESSION.

Petition for the month:—"To endue the Church with new courage, zeal and consecration for the spiritual warfare which lies before us."

# ENGLEFIELD, AUGUST, 1918.

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## BURIAL.

"Grant him, O Lord, eternal rest."

July 24th.—James Cox, aged 66 years.

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## CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

4th (10th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., Special Services.

11th (11th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

18th (12th Sunday after Trinity).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

25th (13th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

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## SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS MONTH.

18th (12th Sunday after Trinity).—Prisoners of War Fund (11 a.m. and 6 p.m.)

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## FOURTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WAR.

By desire of H.M. the King, and with the approval of the Archbishops, August 4th (the 1st Sunday in August) will be observed as a Day of Intercession. A special form of Service will be used.

These will be placed on a table inside the south door, and should be replaced there after the Morning Services: after the Evening Service a copy may be taken away by any of the congregation.

The forms are, we are given to understand, threefold: (1) The order of Holy Communion, with special Collect, Epistle and Gospel; (2) special prayers for use at Morning and Evening Service; (3) a bidding to prayer and thanksgiving, which includes a special Litany.

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## THE RECTOR.

The Rector expects to be away from home during part of August and September. During his absence the Sunday Services will be conducted by Mr. Kenney. There will be no Week-day Services.

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## PRISONERS OF WAR FUND.

The collections on the third Sunday of the month are still being given to this Fund. So far the amounts collected have been sufficient to send the £2 3s. 4d. necessary for despatching the five parcels each month to the prisoner whose interests we are looking after—G. Bolton. If anyone would like to write to him his address is Private G. Bolton (21522), 8th Royal Berkshire Regiment, Gefangenen lager, Wittenburg, Komp 1, Bar 2, Mat 24540, Germany.

Parcels to prisoners of war can only be sent through the agency of the Central Prisoners of War Committee.

If anyone has a relation a prisoner of war, how delighted they must be to think that some person or parish is looking after his interests. Yet there are many people who never give 1d. to the fund we are responsible for!

## THE SCHOOL.

As announced in our last issue, the holidays commence on Friday, 2nd August, and end on Monday, 9th September.

Miss P. Sygrave has been appointed Assistant Mistress, in the place of Miss Dance. Miss Sygrave took up her duties on the 16th July.

Before leaving for her new school, Miss Dance was presented by her former and present pupils with an attaché case and a Thermos flask.

During the holidays there will be no Sunday School, but the Children's Service on the 3rd Sunday of the month will be held as usual.

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## THE WAR.

It is with much regret that we have to announce that his parents have heard from the War Office that Sidney Willcox is "missing." Our sympathy goes out to them in their anxiety. For some time a similar message was received about Arthur Dance, but news has come through that he is a prisoner of war in Germany. We are glad to hear that he is to receive the Military Medal when he returns to this country.

The Hospital was closed on the 26th, until further notice.

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## JAMES COX.

There has passed from our midst one who had spent all his life in the parish. James Cox was born in a cottage, long since pulled down, on Common Hill: one of a large family, several of whom are still living in the parish. Hale and hearty, till the shadow of the hand of death loomed over him a few months back, he kept on with his work in the gardens as long as he possibly could. He will be much missed in the village; he was one of those good-living Christians who are always the same, be the weather fair or foul. Our sympathy goes out to Mrs. Cox and her family in their loss. The funeral took place on the Vigil of St. James (surely an appropriate day!) amid every token of respect. Before and after the Service Mrs. Skipwith played appropriate music on the organ.

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## HYMNS FOR THE MONTH.

|                                         |     |           |     |     |                         |     |
|-----------------------------------------|-----|-----------|-----|-----|-------------------------|-----|
| 10th Sunday after Trinity (August 4th)  | ... | 11 a.m.   | 165 | 595 | 375                     | 166 |
|                                         |     | 6 p.m.    | 373 | 376 | 368                     | 370 |
| 11th Sunday after Trinity (August 11th) | ... | 11 a.m.   | 447 | 247 | 244                     | 167 |
|                                         |     | 6 p.m.    | 540 | 516 | 225                     | 31  |
| 12th Sunday after Trinity (August 18th) | ... | 11 a.m.   | 33  | 514 | 183                     | 179 |
|                                         |     | 2.30 p.m. | 271 | 61  | (Children's Hymn Book). |     |
|                                         |     | 6 p.m.    | 182 | 249 | 245                     | 20  |
| 13th Sunday after Trinity (August 25th) | ... | 11 a.m.   | 37  | 373 | 184                     | 258 |
|                                         |     | 6 p.m.    | 38  | 290 | 633                     | 28  |

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## INTERCESSION.

Petition for month :—"To help us all to find and follow that path of life in which we can best serve God."

# ENGLEFIELD, SEPTEMBER, 1918.

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## CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

1st (14th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

8th (15th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

15th (16th Sunday after Trinity).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

21st (S. Matthew).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

22nd (17th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

29th (S. Michael and All Angels).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

N.B.—Extra Services will be announced on the previous Sunday.

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## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS THIS MONTH.

15th (16th Sunday after Trinity).—Prisoners of War Fund (11 a.m. and 6 p.m.)

29th (S. Michael and All Angels).—Royal Berks Hospital (all day).

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## HARVEST FESTIVAL.

We hope to hold our Harvest Thanksgiving Services on Sunday, 29th (S. Michael and All Angels). The collections throughout the day will, as usual, be given to the Royal Berks Hospital. The Rev. A. J. P. Shepherd, Rector of Sulhampstead, has promised to preach in the evening. Offerings of fruit and flowers will be welcomed.

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## REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY.

August 4th, the fourth anniversary of the declaration of war, was observed throughout the Empire, and from all accounts was well observed. Many people who are not in the habit of attending any place of worship are said to have made a special effort to join in a united act of intercession on behalf of the success of the Allies in the great European War. The extra effort in this parish was not noticeable. The early Eucharist was well attended, but there did not seem to be a larger congregation than usual at the other Services; the evening Service was unfortunately interfered with by the fact that the Fire Brigade were called out, which doubtless made it impossible for some who would have come to attend.

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## MISSIONARY GATHERING.

It is hoped to hold a Missionary Gathering for the Rural Deanery of Bradfield on Saturday, October 5th. The programme will include an afternoon meeting in the Schoolroom at 3 p.m., at which Archdeacon Dray, of Wyoming, U.S.A., will speak, as well as a layman. There will also be a Service of Intercession in the Church after the meeting. Further particulars will be published in the October number of the Magazine.

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## BOY SCOUTS.

The Scouts, under the charge of Cecil Golding, went into camp in the field adjoining headquarters, on Saturday, August 10th. Eighteen of them slept under canvas, and the "Cubs" brought their food during the day. A good deal of time was spent in blackberrying, the proceeds of which were put to the "Big Drum Fund." The evenings were spent in preparing for the display. Each Sunday they paraded to Church.

We are asked to say that the War Office is anxious for all fruit stones and nut shells to be collected. They are used for the making of gas masks. If parishioners will save the stones and shells, they will be called for by the Scouts.

## V. A. D.

An order has come from headquarters as to the wearing of badges. It runs as follows:—

### AMENDMENTS TO FORM D (7).

1. Substitute the word "right" for "left" in paragraphs 7, 11, 33, 37, 38, 41, 56, 79, 80, 127, 128, 129, 181, 222.
2. Page 4. Add as paragraphs:
  - 7a. The badges of the Society may be worn on the right side.
  - 7b. When wearing the Society's uniform, no badges other than those awarded by the Society may be worn.
3. Whenever metal titles and numerals occur, also read "Red embroidered titles and numerals are allowed during the war."

The gist of all this is that badges are now to be worn on the right breast.

We are glad to see that Miss Benyon's unremitting services at the Hospital have been recognized by the Red Cross Society.

### HOME FRUIT DRYING (Communicated).

This method costs practically nothing, all that is required for it being wire trays, or ordinary wire sieves, to ensure the free circulation of air round the fruit. Where a range has two ovens one can be used for the ordinary cooking and the other regulated to an even heat of about 120 degrees so that the fruit can be left in it day and night till it is ready. In the case of a cottage stove the oven can only be used when all other cooking is finished; the fruit should therefore be put in in the evening so as to use the otherwise wasted night warmth of the oven. The stands should be taken out in the morning and kept in the warm kitchen till the oven is again free, and this process repeated till the fruit is thoroughly dried. Remember always that the fruit must be only *dry*, not *cooked*. All fruits should be perfectly sound, ripe, not bruised, and with no trace of moisture, and when placed on the trays should not touch each other.

PLUMS, thoroughly ripe, must be dried whole. Remove the stalks, wipe with a cloth, unless freshly picked, when they are best left with the bloom on. Time to dry, about 72 hours.

APPLES, peeled and cored and thoroughly ripe. Use only such kinds as will not keep. Time, about 60 hours.

PEARS, just ripe, peeled, cored, and cut in halves. Time, about 72 hours.

PEACHES and APRICOTS, ripe, cut in halves, and stoned. Time, about 48 hours.

When properly done the fruits should look like the dried fruits one used to buy. When sufficiently dry leave them in the kitchen for 24 hours to re-absorb a certain amount of moisture from the air. They may then be stored in tins or paper bags.

### GIRL GUIDES.

We are informed that a Concert will be given by the Girl Guides in the Long Gallery on Wednesday, September 4th, at 5.30 p.m. Admission will be free, but there will be a collection for Company funds.

### HYMNS FOR THE MONTH.

|                                               |           |     |     |                         |     |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------|-----|-----|-------------------------|-----|
| 14th Sunday after Trinity (September 1st) ... | 11 a.m.   | 210 | 217 | 273                     | 247 |
|                                               | 6 p.m.    | 209 | 260 | 248                     | 23  |
| 15th Sunday after Trinity (September 8th)...  | 11 a.m.   | 197 | 265 | 520                     | 512 |
|                                               | 6 p.m.    | 540 | 290 | 280                     | 276 |
| 16th Sunday after Trinity (September 15th)    | 11 a.m.   | 4   | 178 | 193                     | 245 |
|                                               | 2.30 p.m. | 44  | 276 | (Children's Hymn Book). |     |
|                                               | 6 p.m.    | 180 | 355 | 195                     | 216 |
| 17th Sunday after Trinity (September 22nd)    | 11 a.m.   | 37  | 224 | 595                     | 258 |
|                                               | 6 p.m.    | 274 | 376 | 257                     | 215 |
| S. Michael and All Angels (September 29th)    | 11 a.m.   | 382 | 388 | 223                     | 383 |
|                                               | 6 p.m.    | 381 | 384 | 550                     | 386 |

### INTERCESSION.

Petition for the month:—"To help us to learn and to value the high privilege of giving."

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## BURIAL.

"Grant her, O Lord, eternal rest."

September 11th.—Charlotte Martin, aged 77 years.

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## CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

6th (19th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Sung Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

13th (20th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

18th (S. Luke).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

20th (21st Sunday after Trinity).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

27th (22nd Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

28th (S. Simon and S. Jude).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

N.B.—Extra Services will be announced on the previous Sunday.

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## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS THIS MONTH.

18th (S. Luke).—Medical Missions (8.15 a.m.)

20th (21st Sunday after Trinity).—Prisoners of War Fund (11 a.m. and 6 p.m.)

28th (S. Simon and S. Jude).—Delhi Mission (8.15 a.m.)

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## MISSIONARY FESTIVAL.

Owing to unforeseen circumstances, the Festival arranged for October 5th has been postponed until next summer.

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## BATHING.

The bath has been well patronised this summer. Mr. Claydon informs us that 1,323 baths have been taken, and five boys (B. Styles, A. Nash, E. Cox, E. Cooley, and G. Chandler) have learned to swim.

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## GIRL GUIDES (Communicated).

A very successful entertainment was given by the 1st Englefield Company Girl Guides on Wednesday, September 4th, at the Long Gallery, Englefield. The programme was carried out entirely by the Guides, with the exception of one play. The two most popular items were the Indian club drill by eleven of the Guides, and the Irish jig danced by Guide Muriel Harris. The "Mad Tea Party" from "Alice in Wonderland" was very well acted, and would have been more appreciated if some of the audience had not talked so much. The Brownies were loudly applauded both in their song and dance. The programme, which included six tableaux taken from nursery rhymes and fairy tales, ended with the Guide Song and National Anthem sung by the whole Company.

The proceeds, which were for Company funds, amounted to £12 0s. 1d.

The Guides' bathing season, under Mr. Claydon's supervision, commenced on May 27th and ended September 13th. A good number of the girls were most regular in attendance. On August 29th six Guides were taken to the canal where Second Alice Joyce, and Guides Winnie Sparks and Nannie Baker swam the 50 yards required in the 1st Class Guide test. Guides Edie Nash, Kathie Harris, and Patrol Leader Hilda Horne swam 25 yards. The following Guides and Brownies learned to swim this year:—(Guides) Muriel Harris, Chrissie Smyth, (Brownies) Mabel Horne and Mollie Rose.

## BOY SCOUTS (Communicated).

The Scouts gave a display in the field adjoining headquarters on Saturday, August 24th, their object being to raise funds to purchase a big drum. There was an excellent attendance, and the amount realised was £3 17s. 6d., which, with £2 given by the Scouts, purchased the drum. The programme included signalling, ambulance, band, physical exercises, and leap-frog displays, also sports and open-air plays. Miss Benyon, Miss Winifred Benyon, and Sister Field kindly acted as judges for the ambulance, and Messrs. C. G. Carter and A. B. Wadds for the sports. Scoutmaster D. Partlo, who was fortunately able to be present, afterwards complimented the boys on their success and on the way they had carried on during his absence. Since the display the Scouts have received £1 8s. 7d. from the National Relief Fund as refund on 6-cwts. of waste paper, and over £2 from the sale of blackberries, with which money they have purchased three more bugles.

## MRS. JAMES MARTIN.

After some twelve years of infirmity, Charlotte Martin passed peacefully into God's safe keeping on the morning of the 7th of September. She will be much missed by those who were in the habit of visiting her. Our sympathy is with her husband, whose devotion to her was the brightest spot in her life.

In the absence of the Rector from home, the funeral was conducted by the Rural Dean (Rev. H. C. Wilder).

## ANNUAL REPORT ON WORK FOR WAR OFFICE REQUISITIONS.

Through the most praiseworthy perseverance of the small band of regular workers, who still carry on so unselfishly for the urgent needs of our men, fighting and wounded, we are able to record a goodly number of necessities sent up during the past twelve months from this small parish. We are now starting again for this winter's needs, and while we hope that our faithful helpers will continue to give their time and talents, and to do so willingly, yet it must be mentioned that, in view of the great increase in price of all materials it will not be possible to supply, free of charge, any materials for those outside our own parish—any willing to help should apply to their own centre. We must also add that it would greatly help the work if all those who have implements or materials supplied would use the very utmost economy in the use of them—for instance, reels of cotton which used to cost 2½d. are now 7½d.—and all knitting needles should be punctually returned at the end of the knitting season. There are many who give gladly of their own materials, but it is hoped that the few who do not realise the expense and inconvenience caused by loss and wastage will take kindly note, as it is meant. Here is the list of things we have sent to the War Office Depot:—Mittens, 248 pairs; mufflers, 132; socks, 92 pairs; anti-vermin vests, 51; limb cushions, 49; ironholders, 46; bedjackets, 34; helmets, 25; sunshields, 21; operation stockings, 17 pairs; sandbags, 14; dusters, 13; bedsocks, 12 pairs; face swabs (knitted), 9; flannel shirts, 4; treasure bags (Lady Smith Dorrien), 100; vests (Red Cross), 18; pants (Red Cross), 18. Total number, 903.

(Signed) V. M. SKIPWITH.

## HYMNS FOR THE MONTH.

|                                              |           |     |     |                         |     |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------|-----|-----|-------------------------|-----|
| 19th Sunday after Trinity (October 6th) ...  | 8.15 a.m. | 317 | 559 | 318                     |     |
|                                              | 11 a.m.   | 209 | 207 | 229                     | 228 |
|                                              | 6 p.m.    | 211 | 244 | 230                     | 24  |
| 20th Sunday after Trinity (October 13th) ... | 11 a.m.   | 1   | 376 | 520                     | 240 |
|                                              | 6 p.m.    | 197 | 595 | 634                     | 546 |
| 21st Sunday after Trinity (October 20th) ... | 11 a.m.   | 527 | 248 | 514                     | 230 |
|                                              | 2.30 p.m. | 172 | 271 | (Children's Hymn Book). |     |
|                                              | 6 p.m.    | 270 | 279 | 528                     | 28  |
| 22nd Sunday after Trinity (October 27th) ... | 11 a.m.   | 185 | 267 | 184                     | 191 |
|                                              | 6 p.m.    | 29  | 199 | 290                     | 477 |

## INTERCESSION.

"That God may grant His counsel and guidance in deepening the spirit of prayer and intercession."

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## MARRIAGE.

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

October 18th.—Alfred Nash to Louisa Aubrey.

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## CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

1st (All Saints' Day).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

3rd (23rd Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Sung Eucharist ; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon ; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

10th (24th Sunday after Trinity).—8.15 a.m., Litany ; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion ; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon ; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

17th (25th Sunday after Trinity).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion ; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon ; 2.30 p.m., Children's Service ; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

24th (Sunday next before Advent).—8.15 a.m., Litany ; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion ; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon ; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

29th (Vigil of S. Andrew).—7 p.m., Service of Intercession for Missions over the Seas.

30th (S. Andrew).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

N.B.—Extra Services will be announced on the previous Sunday.

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## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS THIS MONTH.

17th (25th Sunday after Trinity).—Prisoners of War Fund (11 a.m. and 6 p.m.)

30th (S. Andrew).—Missions over the Seas (8.15 a.m.).

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## HARVEST FESTIVAL.

It was extremely unfortunate that the weather, that promised to be fine on the Saturday, should have altered its mind on the Sunday. Though the rain held off till about 10 a.m., enabling a large number of the faithful to attend the chief Service of the day—the Holy Eucharist—it came down in buckets after that. Consequently the attendances, especially in the evening, were far from what we expect on the day of thanksgiving for the harvest.

Strange to say, in spite of the weather, the collections were higher than we have ever had to record before—the sum of £63 3s. 4d. being the total, which was sent to the Royal Berkshire Hospital.

The Church, though not decorated so lavishly as usual, looked very nice, and the wealth of vegetables testified to the effect of the good season. There was a fine show of grapes sent from the gardens at Englefield House. Mrs. Skipwith, Miss Wadds and Mr. Wadds were responsible for the decorations. At the Evening Service Rev. A. J. P. Shepherd, of Sulhamstead, preached, his text being "The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof" (Psalm xxiv., 1).

The following were amongst those who sent either vegetables, fruit, flowers, or bread :—  
E. G. Allen, R. Allen, W. Allen, J. Abery, A. Baker, Mrs. Bates, J. Bailey, J. Bevan, W. G. Belcher, S. Briant, F. Chandler, W. Chandler, J. Claydon, C. Cox, Mrs. James Cox, E. Cooley, E. Cottrell, G. Culley, T. Cox, G. Elliott, Englefield House, Englefield Rectory, C. Fisher, C. Golding, E. Griffin, A. Harris, T. Harris, J. Hayes, C. Hilton, O. Hopley, H. Horne, Mrs. W. Horne, F. Holmes, T. Huggins, S. Joyce, W. Lamperd, H. Martin, J. Martin, A. Mitchell, G. Mundy, W. Morrell, G. Nash, W. Nash, W. Palmer, H. Page, G. Parsons, Mrs. Pocock, C. Rose, T. Simmons, W. Smyth, H. Styles, T. Sparkes, W. Titcombe, W. Treadwell, F. Webb, J. Wells, S. Willcox, W. Vince, Mrs. Yarlett, C. Young.

The fruit, vegetables, &c., were sent on the Monday to the Care and Comforts Depot in Reading.

## WAR NEWS.

The wonderful news from the battle fronts which has reached us during the last two months has cheered us beyond measure. We can look forward now to the conclusion of peace, though we must not expect it at once.

We were sorry to hear that amongst the wounded have been Bertie Freemantle, Albert Seymour (for the fourth time), and George Parsons. We understand they are all doing well.

The Rector has had six postcards from our prisoner of war, Pte. G. Bolton, saying he had received the parcels sent to him, for which he is extremely grateful.

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## THE SCHOOL.

It is with much regret that we have received Miss Janes' resignation. After being on the staff for eleven years, she has decided to take up another vocation. We regret her departure particularly because she has given universal satisfaction in the care and teaching of the infants. In her place we welcome Miss Mabel Reid, who is no stranger to the School, as she served a term as Monitress from 1908 to 1912.

Alice Joyce has been appointed Monitress in place of Mabel Wells, who has left the village.

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## GIFT SERVICE.

We hope to have our annual Service about Christmas-time. Warm garments will be much valued by the poor people to whom they are sent. We would like to send one at least from each house in the village. The date of the Service will be announced next month.

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## BOOT CLUB.

The distribution of vouchers will be made at the end of the month. It would be fair to the advertisers in the Magazine if the purchases were made from them.

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## VIGIL OF S. ANDREW.

This is the day set apart by the Church for Intercessions on behalf of the Church over the Seas. There will be a Choral Service at 7 p.m., to which all interested in Missions are invited.

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## HYMNS FOR THE MONTH.

|                                              |           |     |     |                         |     |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------|-----|-----|-------------------------|-----|
| 23rd Sunday after Trinity (November 3rd) ... | 8.15 a.m. | 317 | 319 | 318                     |     |
|                                              | 11 a.m.   | 165 | 236 | 520                     | 233 |
|                                              | 6 p.m.    | 492 | 439 | 437                     | 428 |
| 24th Sunday after Trinity (November 10th)    | 11 a.m.   | 4   | 194 | 224                     | 538 |
|                                              | 6 p.m.    | 270 | 255 | 184                     | 20  |
| 25th Sunday after Trinity (November 17th)... | 11 a.m.   | 217 | 261 | 193                     | 362 |
|                                              | 2.30 p.m. | 157 | 173 | (Children's Hymn Book). |     |
|                                              | 6 p.m.    | 515 | 273 | 546                     | 28  |
| Sunday next before Advent (November 24th)    | 11 a.m.   | 220 | 514 | 595                     | 289 |
|                                              | 6 p.m.    | 516 | 376 | 528                     | 54  |

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## INTERCESSION.

"That the Day of Intercession for Missions over the Seas (29th November) may be better observed throughout the country."

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The Collect, Epistle and Gospel for the 25th Sunday after Trinity will be those appointed for the 6th Sunday after Epiphany. On the Sunday next before Advent those for the 25th Sunday after Trinity will be used.

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## CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

1st (1st Sunday in Advent).—8.15 a.m., Sung Eucharist; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

8th (2nd Sunday in Advent).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

15th (3rd Sunday in Advent).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 2.30 p.m., Gift Service; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

21st (S. Thomas).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

22nd (4th Sunday in Advent).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

25th (Christmas Day).—7.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong (plain).

27th (S. John, Evang.).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

28th (Innocents' Day).—8.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

29th (1st Sunday after Christmas).—8.15 a.m., Litany; 8.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon; 6 p.m., Evensong and Carols.

18th, 20th, 21st.—Ember Days.

N.B.—Extra Services will be announced on the previous Sunday.

## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS THIS MONTH.

8th (2nd Sunday in Advent).—S.P.G.

25th (Christmas Day).—Cares and Comforts for Wounded Soldiers.

## GIFT SERVICE.

This is fixed for the *third* Sunday in the month (15th December), at 2.30 p.m. Gifts should be wrapped in paper, with the name of the donor on the *outside*. We hope that there will be a good supply of warm garments brought. They will be sent to a very poor parish in London.

## S. P. G.

We have fixed the *second* Sunday in the month (8th December) for our annual collections. This year we are to be without a special preacher, but hope that this will not affect our contributions. The Rector will be glad to have the boxes sent in by the middle of the month.

## CHRISTMAS DAY.

The Services will be as last year, viz., two Celebrations at 7.30 a.m. and 8.30 a.m. Mattins and Sermon at 11 a.m., and Evensong (without music) at 6 p.m. The collections will be sent to the Cares and Comforts' Fund for Wounded Soldiers.

## BOOT CLUB.

It will be noticed that the cards, for the sake of economy, are different this year, the rules being omitted, but they will be just the same as usual, and can be seen either in the porch or in the School.

## THE SCHOOL.

Once more the School has been closed: this time owing to the epidemic of influenza. The Christmas holidays have been fixed by the Managers from Friday, 20th December, to Tuesday, 31st.

## THE END OF THE WAR.

The news, which reached us on Monday morning, 11th November, that the armistice had been accepted and signed, was received here as elsewhere with deep thanksgiving. As soon as possible a peal was rung from the Church belfry, while the Scouts voiced the feelings of all, in their parades through the village, headed by the band and accompanied with flags.

Special Services were held on Sunday, 17th November, which were fairly well attended, but it was disappointing that at the Thanksgiving Service—the Holy Eucharist—only a comparatively small number attended to return thanks to Almighty God for His great mercies.

It is particularly sad that, while the village has come through the ordeal with less loss than the majority, we have to announce the death, almost on the eve of victory, of four connected with us. Lieut. Henry Wallace Trelawny, only grandson of the Squire and Dame Edith Benyon, paid the penalty on October 23rd. Our deep sympathy goes out to his parents and relations in their hour of sorrow. We are permitted to publish some extracts from the Chaplain's letter. He writes; " . . . he was so thorough a gentleman, and by his close and sympathetic consideration for his men's welfare, he enjoyed, as few officers enjoy, the unstinted admiration, devotion and esteem of all those under his command and whom he served so faithfully. He was always bright and cheery, and ready to do a good turn, and by just what he was he held up before his brother officers and the rank and file of his regiment a very high standard of moral and spiritual excellency. . . . As often as possible he was to be found at the Altar where he received the gifts of God. . . . By his brother officers he was highly esteemed, and I know was regarded by the Commanding Officer here as a very promising young officer."

(ii.) Another, whom we shall not see again in this vale of tears, is Alfred Freemantle, who was better known as "Bertie Martin," the adopted son of Mr. and the late Mrs. James Martin. He was badly wounded, but showed signs of recovery and hoped to be sent once more to England, but it was not to be. The Chaplain wrote a very nice letter about him, and said that shortly before he passed away he received the Blessed Sacrament in the Hospital.

(iii.) We announced in a previous number that Sidney Willcox was reported "missing." We hoped against hope that this meant he was a prisoner; but alas! his parents received official news that he had been killed on May 25th. This makes the second son they have lost in the war. Our very sincere sympathy goes out to them in their overwhelming sorrow. Sidney was a great favourite, always cheerful and willing—for some time he was in the Choir, and was a "Server," and never missed an opportunity of presenting himself at the Altar when he could, not only here, but in France.

(iv.) The other sad announcement is the death of Tom Nash from pneumonia, following influenza. He was only married early in September, and after a short honeymoon returned to the Front. This is also the second son that Mr. and Mrs. George Nash have lost in the war. They have our deep sympathy in their grief.

The following lines have been sent us by Dame Edith Benyon. They may prove a consolation to those who have been bereft of sons in the war:—

"Mourn not for him, nor lay your heart within that lonely grave.  
Think you those narrow bounds could hold that spirit pure and brave?  
Earth's uniform, discarded now, beneath the sod is laid.  
He had his marching orders, as a soldier he obeyed—  
A soldier does not ask or choose the place or way to serve—  
And from the path that Duty points no soldier's step may swerve;  
So when from that red field of strife Death's bugle called him far,  
He turned his face towards the Steps where Heaven's outposts are.  
But not alone he passed beyond earth's furthest pickets set,  
As he had led his men in life, in death he led them yet;  
Until at last at Heaven's gate, where all as equals stand,  
Unto his Captain, and to their's—he rendered up command.  
For still for him high service waits, though earth's last fight is fought;  
God did not give that martial soul to end at last in nought.  
That steadfast soldier heart was not for this brief life alone,  
'Tis as a soldier he will stand before the Great White Throne."

#### "OUR DAY."

The collections throughout the village for the Red Cross Society, on October 19th, amounted to £15 15s. 6d. We have not got the separate amounts of the boxes, so cannot publish them in this number.

#### INTERCESSION.

"That the victory, for which we have been longing, may find us a nation not only full of thankfulness, but resolved to live a nobler life."

N.B.—Hymn List will be found in the Porch.