BERE REGIS & WINTERBORNE KINGSTON

APRIL, 1920.

BERE.

Sunday Services.

Every Sunday 8 a.m. Holy Communion.
11 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon (except 3rd Sunday).
6 p.m. Evensong and Sermon.

1st Sunday in Month
12 a.m. Holy Communion.

Daily Services at times announced in Church each Sunday.

Kingston.

Every Sunday
Evensong and Sermon ... 3 p.m.

Third Sunday
Mattins, Sermon and Holy Communion ... 11 a.m.

Saints' Days.

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PARISH MAGAZINE.
Bere Regis.

Bere Regis Vicarage,
Wareham,
March 19th, 1920.

My dear Friends,

May I start by wishing you all a very happy Easter. To my mind Easter is one of the most beautiful of the Church's festivals. Its message "Life through Self-sacrifice" is one that can never grow old. I hope that there will be many on Easter Day who like the women who went to the Sepulchre will seek their Lord early on the Sunday morning. Those women sought Him at the Tomb believing Him to be dead. We seek Him in the Service of the Breaking of the Bread knowing Him to be living. You know of course that there is a rule in the Prayer Book at the end of the Service of Holy Communion which says "And note that every Parishioner shall communicate at the least three times in the year of which Easter to be one." I hope that all communicants will be present at one of the celebrations on Easter Day unless prevented by sickness or some other urgent cause.

I am glad to say that Winterborne Kingston will be able to have its full complement of services on Easter Day as I have made arrangements for the Rev. Tarrant Turner to take the services there on that day. The services for Holy Week and Easter for Bere and Kingston will be found in another column.

The collection of the money for the Church Tower Restoration and Church Clock goes on apace. We all owe a debt of gratitude to the ladies who are undertaking the work. I cannot give any figures as yet but I believe they are making a good job of it. I am especially grateful for the help whether monetary or otherwise, that we are receiving from those who are not members of our congregation. I have congratulated myself many times since I came here that my lot seems to have fallen in a place where people have the knack of working together. It is not always easy but there is one golden rule "Do unto others as you would they should do unto you." Or in our Lord's own words "Love one another," some of you may remember those well-known lines:—

"There's so much good in the worst of us
"And so much bad in the best of us
"That it ill behoves any of us
"To find fault with the rest of us."

I do not say that we can always follow this advice literally though it closely follows our Lord's own saying "Judge not and ye shall not be judged, and condemn not and ye shall not be condemned." It is the spirit of humility that needs developing to-day, the feeling that we ourselves have need of forgiveness and so must be chary of finding fault with others.

I should like especially to congratulate Bere Heath on the successful way in which it is contributing towards the Church Restoration Fund. One of the members of our congregation had the brilliant inspiration of asking for gifts in kind rather than in money. Another friend has conveyed the goods to Wareham Market without charge and Mr. Cottie the auctioneer there, has sold them without charging any commission. By this means Bere Heath has established a fine record and the school children who have assisted in every way deserve a special word of commendation.

In conclusion I would like to add that I hope during the summer months those who are of age to be confirmed will seriously think over the question whether the time has not come to offer themselves for preparation. I do not want to try and force anyone to be confirmed who does not wish to be. But I should like to have the names of those who will come to the confirmation classes as soon as possible so as to make the necessary arrangements. And I would remind parents and god-parents that they promised at the baptism of their children that when the time came they would see that their children were brought to the Bishop to be confirmed by him.

Yours sincerely,

R. C. V. HODGE.

N.B.—No Service at 11 a.m. Bere Regis on Sunday, April 18th.

DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION


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BURIAL
March 17th—Jane Hooke, aged 79.

WOODEN CROSSES FROM WAR GRAVES.

GIFTS TO RELATIVES.

We take the following Extract from the "Times" Newspaper.

"The Imperial War Graves Commission announce that when the temporary wooden crosses that mark the graves of Officers and Men abroad are replaced by permanent memorials, it will not be possible to preserve beyond a certain time those that are not required by the relatives.

Next of kin who wish these wooden crosses to be sent to them are therefore requested to apply to

The Secretary,
Imperial War Graves Commission,
Winchester House,
St. James' Square,
London, S.W. 1.

before September 1st, stating the address to which the cross is to be sent and giving the usual particulars regarding the soldier on whose grave it is erected. It will be a convenience if the name of the cemetery is also given.

The wooden cross will be sent in due course, though not for some time, and the Secretary should be kept informed of any change of address."

BERE HEATH.

Contributions to the Church Tower Restoration Fund.

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HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES.

BERE REGIS—

Morning Prayer, Monday to Thursday at 10 a.m.

Evening Prayer, Monday and Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Preparation for Easter Communion, Thursday at 7 p.m.

Good Friday 11 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Easter Day 7 a.m., 8 a.m., 12 noon, Holy Communion.

11 a.m. Mattins and Sermon.

6-30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon.

WINTERBORNE KINGSTON—

Good Friday, Evensong and Sermon 6 p.m.

Easter Day, Holy Communion at 8 a.m.

and after Morning Prayer.

11 a.m. Morning Prayer.

6 p.m. Evensong and Sermon.

Flowers for the decoration of the Church will be gratefully received on the morning of Saturday, April 3rd, may I ask if the ladies of Bere Regis and Winterborne Kingston will give their services as decorators on that morning in their respective Churches.

We much regret to record the death of Mr. W. Archibald Forsyth, of Culeaze, aged 71. Mr. Forsyth has been a generous helper of Bere Regis Church in the past and also acted as one of the Managers of Bere Heath School until ill-health compelled his resignation. He was buried at Kensal Green Cemetery on March 24th. A Memorial Service has been arranged to be held in Bere Regis Church on Monday, March 29th.

C.M.S. EXHIBITION.

About 30 of the Sunday School Children with their Teachers spent a very enjoyable afternoon at the Church Missionary Exhibition at Dorchester on Tuesday, March 23rd. Mr. Vacher was kind enough to allow his omnibus to be hired at reduced rates which made the expedition feasible. We hope that it may be possible on some future occasion to develop the missionary interest in Bere Regis that has been aroused by the Exhibition.