BERE REGIS & WINTERBORNE KINGSTON

JANUARY, 1920.

Bere Regis Church

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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.

PARISH MAGAZINE.
My Dear Friends.

First let me start by wishing you all a very happy New Year. I do not intend to write a long letter this month as for one thing our space is taken up with the names of our Church-workers. I have to thank them all for the help they have given me since I arrived in Bere Regis four months ago. I hope that next year the same list may be printed with additions. May I say that if any ladies would volunteer to help in dusting the Church I should be glad to receive their names. We should also be glad to receive new Subscribers to the Magazine. If any who do not receive the Magazine at present but would like to do so will give in their names to Miss N. Marsh she will see that they receive their copies.

I regret to say that Mr. Blaksley who was coming here as Curate, as I announced in the December number of the Magazine is unable to come. This means that for the present at any rate, we must carry on as best we can. I hope it will not make very much difference but it is bound to make some.

I am afraid that on the third Sunday in the month I shall not be able to have the usual morning service at Bere Regis. Otherwise, as far as I know the times of Services will be as usual. The times of the Services at Kingston will be announced later.

In conclusion let me leave you with this thought for the New Year. We are “Kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation,” (1 Peter 1-5).

Whatever may come to us the power of God is protecting us for a particular purpose, our salvation. To realise this, to be prepared to act upon it needs faith, for where faith does not exist God’s power is hampered.

Yours very sincerely,

R. C. V. HODGE.

N.B.—Bere Regis Church. No Service at 11 a.m. on Sunday, January 18th. Other Services as usual.

BERE REGIS PARISH MAGAZINE.

Vicar—Rev. R. C. V. Hodge, M.A.
Churchwardens—Mr. W. Bullen, Sitterton, Mr. H. Janes, 95, North Street
Church Clerk—Mr. J. Battrick, 96, North Street
Reader—Mr. W. Bedford, Manor House
Organist—Mr. J. Bugby, Barrow Hill

Organ Blower—C. Hewitt.
Church Cleaner—Mrs. Bartlett.

The following Ladies also assist in looking after the Church—Mrs. House, Mrs. Bullen, Mrs. Jesty, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. A. James, Mrs. Lys, Misses Percy, Misses George, Bedroom, Hatton, D. Hall, N. Lockyer, M. Minterne, G. Brewer.

Day School Teachers—Boys’ School—Mr. J. Bugby. Girls’ School—Mrs. Hallam, Mrs. Rowland, Bere Heath School—Mrs. Satchwill, Miss Randolph.

Sunday School Teachers—Boys’ School—Superintendent, Miss Hatton, Teachers, Miss Randolph, Miss Percy. Girls’ School—Superintendent, Mrs. Hodge, Acting Superintendent, Mrs. Hallam, Teachers, Misses George, Battrick.

Parish Magazine Collector—Miss N. Marsh, Distributors, Mr. Lys, Mrs. Bullen, Mrs. Johnson, Misses Jesty, Mrs. Parquibarson, Misses Bedfor, Nutbeam, Percy.

Central Diocesan Fund Collectors (1919)—Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Jesty, Mrs. R. Jesty, Mrs. Jeffrey, Mrs. Bullen, Misses Percy, Nutbeam, Randolph, George, Marsh, Jesty, Kellaway, Mr. Barnes.

BERE REGIS VILLAGE WAR MEMORIAL.

The War Memorial, a Cross of Purbeck Stone, standing some fourteen feet high, was unveiled by Captains Hon. G. E. Ermle-Erle-Drax on the afternoon of Sunday, December 22nd. It was a very impressive scene and the ceremony was witnessed by a large attendance. In unveiling the Memorial Captains Ermle-Erle-Drax laid stress on the need of remembering the position that England had won for herself in the war. He then spoke of those who had laid down their lives for their King and Country reminding us that we had no record of those who had left the village in former centuries to fight under famous leaders but that by means of the Memorial the names of those from Bere Regis, who had fallen in the war would be preserved. He concluded his address by an eloquent appeal that we should realise that those who had given their lives in discharge of their duty had not perished for ever but had entered into immortality.
Winterborne Kingston.

I trust that by the time you read these lines, you will all have had a happy Christmas, and I wish you all a bright New Year. During the past year, many have been called upon to bear heavy sorrows, troubles, and bereavements, but I trust that we shall all realize that “the sufferings of present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that shall be revealed in us” and “we know that all things work together for good to them that love God.” And as to the New Year which will soon be here, “reaching forth unto those things which are before, let us press toward the mark for the prize of our high calling of God in Christ Jesus.” If we make this, the daily rule of our lives, then we may say with the Psalmist “Though I walk through the Valley of the Shadow of Death, I will fear no evil.”

We are delighted and extremely gratified by the splendid gifts of silver that have been presented to us, and with the beautifully illuminated and framed address (signed by more than 100 Parishioners). Such a delightful exhibition of kindness and goodwill has touched our hearts most deeply, and these presents will always remind us of the very pleasant years spent by us in this place. We thank you all again most sincerely for your very great kindness to us, during our seven happy years at Kingston, and also for these valued presents that you have presented to us.

I know that our sincere sympathy will be given to Mrs. H. Hawkins and to all her family, in their acute anxiety concerning Mr. Hawkins who met with a terrible accident at Bovington, whilst engaged on Government work, in pulling down one of the buildings, which collapsed and fell upon him. It was indeed a very great marvel that he was not killed on the spot, but he was so badly injured that his life is still in jeopardy. We trust however, that owing to his fine constitution he may soon be on the mend, and that Mrs. Hawkins and Mrs. Ricketts will be relieved from their intense anxiety and their great trouble.

We have all felt, I am sure, deep sympathy for Mr. and Mrs. H. Waller and the death of their daughter, Kate, at the early age of 17, after a short illness. Her funeral took place on Tuesday, December 9th, and there was a large attendance of her relations and friends.

DENIS MOORE CANN.

BAPTISMS.

Dec. 14th—Jack Arnold.
Dec. 25th—Betty Elaine Snashall.

BURIAL.

Dec. 9th—Edith Kate Waller, 17 years.

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BERE REGIS NOTES—Continued.

BAPTISMS.

Dec. 7th—Francis Molly Gregory.
14th—Amelia Joan Semnek.

BURIAL.

Dec. 24th—Elizabeth Hewitt, aged 72 years.

WINTERBORNE KINGSTON SERVICES.

The times of the altered Services will be found on the first page of the cover. I am afraid some will find them inconvenient and will miss not having the Morning Service more than once a month. This makes me all the more grateful to the Church workers who have promised to do all that lies in their power to assist in carrying on the work of the Church. May I add, that in the event of anyone wishing to see me for any particular purpose, unless the weather is very bad I hope to be at the School every week, as soon as the School opens at 9 a.m. on Tuesday.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES.

In spite of the wet weather on Christmas Day there was a very good attendance at the different services. May I thank all those who sent holly and flowers for the decoration of the Church many of whom added to their kindness in assisting with the decorations. One thing I find extremely refreshing about Bere Regis people is the way they do the work without any fuss or trouble. I merely asked the Sunday before Christmas for decorations and decorators and everything was completed by the afternoon of Christmas Eve. I am only sorry we could not have the bells ready for Christmas. While mentioning the bells, I must express the gratitude of the Parish to Mr. Bedford for bringing them from the station and placing them in readiness at the Church Porch. Not only he but all who took part in this arduous work have earned our warmest thanks.