E make no excuse for referring once again to the Festival of Britain which was opened by His Majesty the King on Ascension Day. The fact that the opening was preceded by a great and majestic service in S. Paul’s Cathedral indicates clearly that the commercial and recreative side of the Festival is by no means the most important. The Archbishop of Canterbury in his address said that there was great meaning and a great message in the fact that the opening took place on Ascension Day. Ascension Day linked in glory and in grace the temporal world and the eternal world from whence came our help.

The only heresy which officially bore the name of an Englishman was the heresy that man could work out his own salvation by his own endeavours and without the aid of God. To that heresy the British people had always been prone. But at their best, in their best leaders, in their best works, and in their best moments they had always rejected it, and had rejoiced to confess their dependence on God.

The Archbishop said that the greatest creation of our nation had been a way of life, a tradition of how men, women and children might live together in the freedom of mutual respect and trust, free to be themselves, free to be generous to others with a grand sense of proportion and of patience and a grand power of laughing at themselves.

WILL all readers please note that on Sunday, June 3rd, the services in the Parish Church will be associated with the Festival of Britain. At Evensong the preacher will be the Reverend Canon Archer, Rural Dean of Poole. The Mayor and Corporation of Wareham will attend in state and we very much hope that our Parish Council will also make an official attendance. Needless to say our Parochial Church Council will attend as well as a great number of parishioners.

WE shall observe our Patronal Festival this year on Sunday, June 24th.

THE date of the Parish Church Fete is July 12th in the Vicarage garden.
We regret that Mr. Gillott feels unable to accept office as sidesman to which he was recently elected.

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Register

Holy Baptisms

April Christine Ann, daughter of Edwin Charles and Ruby Kathleen House.

May 6th. Irene Susan, daughter of Trevor Maurice Douglas and Julia Elizabeth Applin.

May 6th. Graham Richard, son of Frederick and Ruby Rose Legg.

Holy Matrimony

April 28th. Richard Darby and Adelaide Mary Miller.

Burial

March 18th. Margaret Ellen Rawbone, aged 47.

At S. Nicholas.

May 11th. Jannette Marsh, aged 84.