



THE Festival of Easter will soon be here and our thoughts naturally turn to what it means for us. The main thought surely is that the keynote of the Christian Faith is the conviction that Jesus Christ still lives; which does not mean that He lives merely as a memory in men's minds, but that He remains an actual living force affecting the lives of individual men and women and still shaping the course of history.

When Christianity began two thousand years ago it did so in a world in which there was no lack of religious or of moral teachers. The power of the Christian Faith soon made itself felt. The other ancient beliefs contained much of the morality taught by the best minds of the period but lacked the power to set men free from what is less admirable. They were powerless to create and maintain conscience or produce that character and conviction which were found then in slaves who had become Christians. Jesus Christ clearly had the power of developing character of a new kind in those who came to know Him—a power which transformed men and women in ways which there was no denying, and carried them on to new heights where negative virtues no longer satisfied. Other religions and philosophies knew nothing of those positive virtues which S. Paul calls 'the fruits of the Spirit',—love, joy, peace, long suffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness. They are found today in those who accept the unwavering faith in the Christ Who rose on the first Easter Day and still lives in the minds and hearts of Christian men and women today.

Services on Good Friday and Easter Day will be as follows:—

GOOD FRIDAY

- 11 a.m. One Hour's Devotion.
- 7 p.m. Evening Service.
- At S. Nicholas—Service at 6 p.m.

EASTER DAY

- 8.0 Holy Communion.
- 9.30 Holy Communion at S. Nicholas.
- 11.0 Mattins and Holy Communion.
- 2.30 Children's Service.
- 6.0 Evensong.
- 7.15 Evensong at S. Nicholas.

We need hardly remind readers that attendance at Holy Communion on Easter Day by all who have been Confirmed, however long ago, is a primary Christian duty.

WE should be very grateful for flowers and helpers for Easter decoration, especially if they could come to the Church early on the Saturday morning.

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Register

Burial.

February 13th.—William Charles Barnes, aged 66.

February 24th.—Amelia Pride Hookey, aged 85.

Holy Matrimony, at S. Nicholas.

March 1st—Wallace Robert Wade and Freda Elizabeth Iris Hathaway.