THE PARISH CHURCH OF
BERE REGIS

WITH S. NICHOLAS
WINTERTHORNE
KINGSTON
Parish Church of St. John Baptist
BERE REGIS,
DORSET.

Vicar and Rural Dean: THE REV. R. C. HERRING.

Churchwardens:
Mr. R. SMITH, Heath View.
Mr. F. MARSH, Southbrook.
Mr. P. MINTERNE, Egdon Close, Deputy Warden.

Sidesmen:
MESSRS. P. PITFIELD, E. RAWBONE, G. DREW,
H. PITFIELD, C. BERRY, A. TOOP, J. PARSONS & M. BARNES.

Secretary and Treasurer P.C.C.: MR. C. BERRY, Sitterton, Bere Regis.

Parish Clerk: MR. J. BATTRICK.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Holy Communion ... 8 a.m. and 2nd Sunday after Matins.
Matins ... 11. a.m.
Children's Service ... 2.30 p.m.
Evensong ... 6 p.m.

St. Nicholas
WINTERBOURNE KINGSTON

Churchwardens:
MR. F. BURGESS, Muston Farm.
MR. SHEPPARD.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Holy Communion 2nd and 4th Sundays, 9.30 a.m.
Sunday School 2.30 p.m.
Evensong 7.15 p.m.
HE New Year will be well on its way before these lines are read but it is not too late to cast our minds back and review the past year and see what it had meant for us individually and we try to look ahead and ask ourselves what we mostly hope to find in the year before us. To the latter question there is mainly one answer. We see some of the difficulties and problems but hope inspires us that they can be faced and overcome and that when we come again to wish each other a happy New Year we may be able to say that the closing one has been of real happiness. But what do we mean by happiness? Some seem to believe that it depends on the things which happen to them—but actually it is only in a very small degree that this is really the case. One of the most remarkable facts about our human nature is its extraordinary recuperative power. We find ourselves able in a most astonishing way to recover from what seem to be overwhelming difficulties.

Unhappiness comes from wrong within ourselves. It is the kind of character which we have formed or are forming which decides happiness or otherwise in our lives.

If as we stand on the threshold of a new year we cannot indeed know what things may befall us during the course of it, we can at any rate know what kind of men and women we mean to aim at making ourselves.

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We have reason to be very grateful for much voluntary work which is carried out so faithfully each year in connection with the Parish Church. The following ladies undertake the dusting of the church each for one month—Mrs. Bedford, Mrs. A. Barnes, Mrs. N. Barnes, Mrs. Cleall, Mrs. W. Hoar, Mrs. F. Marsh, the Misses Lys, Mrs. P. Minterne, Mrs. Janes, Miss Percy, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Herring and Mrs. Wyatt; brasses, Mrs. Bert Hewitt. Magazine distributors are:—Mrs. Day, Miss Smith, Mrs. Toop, Mrs. Poore, Mrs. Bert Hewitt, Mrs. Woolfries, Miss Lyster, Mrs. E. Snook and Mrs. Barnes (Sitterton). And at Winterbourne Kingston—Mrs. House and Miss B. Symes. Miss Percy very kindly continues as custodian of the Visitors' Box.
THE annual Tea at Winterbourne Kingston for children attending Sunday School was held on January 5th and was thoroughly enjoyed by both young and old—the latter being members of the Mothers' Union who were also present. An excellent tea was followed by games and later in the evening the Vicar expressed his great thanks to Mrs. and Miss Sheppard for the ungrudging work which they devote year after year in maintaining the S. Nicholas Sunday School in such an efficient and devotional way. The Vicar also thanked those who by their contributions and help made the evening so thoroughly enjoyable.

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WE are very grateful to a former resident in Winterbourne Kingston for an anonymous donation of £3 to S. Nicholas Tower Restoration Fund.

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WE congratulate our Parish Church choir who under the leadership of Miss Smith collected nearly £17 singing carols during the week before Christmas. This has been sent to the C.M.S. home for blind children in India.

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Holy Baptism.

Trevor John, son of Desmond George William and Leonora June Lambert.

Keith, son of George Alfred and Gladys Muriel Quinton.

Holy Matrimony

Jan. 2nd. John Nommick and Dorothy Jean Gale.