E hope that these notes will be in time to send Christmas Greetings to all our readers. And may we appeal that this great festival may be observed in a truly Christmas spirit. It is of course a time for family reunion and goodwill wherever possible. But it is more—far more even than that. Think of our beautiful old Parish Church and come at Christmas time—let this be a great family reunion—whole families as far as possible. What shall we see? We shall see God’s House in all its beauty—the Christmas tree with its tiny lights—the Crib with the Holy Child—the Virgin Mary—the shepherds and all to remind us of the first Christmas at Bethlehem to which the humble shepherds came to offer their worship at the Manger in the stable.

Christmas is a time when we find pleasure in giving and receiving gifts. There is one gift which we can give which costs thought and preparation but which cannot be bought. In the words of our Communion service we say that ‘here we offer and present unto Thee ourselves, our souls and bodies to be a holy living sacrifice unto Thee.’

What can I give Him
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd
I would bring a lamb:
If I were a wise man
I would do my part:
Yet what can I give Him—
Give my heart.

S. NICHOLAS Fayre, which was held at Winterbourne Kingston, was a great success. As the result of much hard work and generously laden stalls the proceeds amounted to over £50. This, of course, goes to the Church Restoration Fund as there is still a certain amount to be done to the roof and boundary walls. Brigadier Lipscomb has very kindly given a new flag pole for the tower and we hope that this, with the new and appropriate flag, will be in place by Christmas.

The services on Christmas Day are:—
Parish Church, Holy Communion, 8 a.m.
S. Nicholas, Holy Communion 9.30 a.m.
Parish Church, Mattins and Holy Communion, 11 a.m.
On the Sunday after Christmas the services will be at the usual times and carols will be sung at Evensong.
Parish Church, 6 p.m.
S. Nicholas, 3.15 p.m.
Register

Holy Baptism.

November 16th, at S. Nicholas. Carolyn Ann, daughter of Edward Ronald and Marion Brenda Herbert.