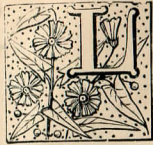


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LAST month I said in the Magazine that these notes must be somewhat more personal than has been the case in the past, and as the time for departure grows nearer we become more and more conscious of the many good and kind friends whom we are leaving.

The future as far as the Parish is concerned is still rather obscure as I have heard nothing so far about a future Vicar. These matters always do take a lot of time. I am able, however, to say that from the date of my departure the Rev. A. W. Wheeler has most kindly agreed to be more or less in charge both at the Parish Church and at S. Nicholas. Mr. Wheeler has retired. He was formerly Vicar of Frampton—a most friendly and cheerful person whom everyone will like so I do hope you will give him every possible support. There must be inevitably a reduction in the number of services but Mr. Wheeler will have the assistance of our Readers, Mr. Llewellyn and Mr. Stacey. Mr. Stacey has now left the neighbourhood and lives in Bournemouth but he writes to say—‘Thank you so much for asking me to help and please tell all concerned that I will do all I can.’

I am fortunate, too, in having had a promise from Canon Rosson, who was formerly Vicar of Blandford. He will take the services on Christmas Day at both churches. This arrangement had been made before I had had the promise from Mr. Wheeler to come more or less in charge.

One final note—if I am not able to take full duty during the remaining few weeks before leaving it will be just because I may not be able to do so.

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NEXT month we hope to be able to say something about the future of the Magazine, but we have every hope that it may continue in some form. It is one of the oldest Parish Magazines in the country and was first issued about 100 years ago. It has continued in various forms during those years and even during the war it continued its circulation.

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MAY we thank all those who contributed so generously to our Harvest Thanksgiving. The gifts were greatly appreciated at the Home for Old People at Wareham and also at Blandford.

Register

Holy Baptism.

September 18th. June Trudy Anne, daughter of Eric John and Sylvia Anne Storey.

September 18th. Tina Ann, daughter of Eric George and Patricia Ann Fancey.

September 18th. Peter and Elaine, children of Ronald and Mary Elford.

September 25th. Richard, son of Arthur and Patricia Sherwood.

Holy Matrimony.

October 8th. John Louis Damant and Gillian Frances Harvey.