THE VICAR'S LETTER.

My dear Friends,

As you will see our plans for Lent and Easter are fully laid out in a later page. I have arranged, inter alia, several special preachers for Lent and I do trust you will support them by your attendance when they come. Also I do hope you will make a note of the various extra Services arranged. - Lent is such an opportunity of deepening the spiritual life, and we should make full use of it.

Our Parish Social was a grand success with a very large number of people present. I am hoping we shall be able to hand over quite a substantial sum to the Church Lighting Fund as a result of it. In the meantime, many thanks to all helpers and givers. To the Church Council for their generous support and gifts - to Mrs. Andrews and Mr. Minterm for running the games etc., - and to the following who gave prizes for the raffle run by Mr. and Mrs. Talbot. Mr. and Mrs. Sharman - a Chicken; Mrs. McFall - Chocolates; Miss Llewelin - a cake; Mrs. Endacott also kindly gave a cake for a Dutch Auction.

Miss Llewelin has given us a most delightful gift of three beautiful flowering trees for the Churchyard in memory of her brother. I expect many of you have already noticed them on the South side of the Church in the angle made by the South aisle and the Chancel. They are a fitting memorial to a life of beauty and service, and we are all most grateful to Miss Llewelin for her kindness.

As I write this letter I have been with you just a year; and a very happy year it has been for us. We have been made to feel so welcome and have received such warmth and kindness that already we feel a real part of the village. Thank you all so much.

Your sincere friend and Vicar,

Paul Tranter.
SANCTUARY FLOWER GUILD

As Lent starts on Ash Wednesday, March 7th, there will be only one Sunday in March on which flowers can be displayed in the Sanctuary - namely, SUNDAY MARCH 4th. On this occasion the floral decorations will be undertaken by two members of the Choir - Terry Snook and Simon Tranter.

ASSOCIATION FOR DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING

Mission and welfare work among the adult deaf is a very real part of the world-wide missionary activity of the Church, and is essential if the deaf are to worship in an understanding way. The Salisbury Diocesan Association for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing is the mission for this diocese, and its chaplain, the Rev. Alan F. Mackenzie, will be preaching in the parish church on Sunday, the 18th March, at 6 p.m.

HISTORY OF BERE REGIS - 9

THE TURBERVILLE FAMILY (continued)

John Turberville who died in 1538 left the estate at Winterborne Whitchurch to his fifth son Henry, and George Turberville who died in 1547 left the Woolbridge estate to his third son John, thus starting these two branches.

Before 1547 the Lords of the manor of Bere were only entitled to half the rents and profits of it, the other half or moiety as it was called having gone to the successive Abbesses of Tarrant Abbey from 1269 until its dissolution in 1539. However, in 1547 Robert Turberville purchased the other half for £608.16.8d., so that from this date the Turberdevilles held the whole manor. It is singular to note that this point seems to mark the beginning of the decline of this family. They seem to have gone from strength to strength up to the middle of the sixteenth century with the new branches becoming established at Whitchurch and Wool. By reference to the table of male succession it will be seen that before this time succession was almost entirely by eldest son and heir, but that after it male heirs were either lacking or dying at an early age, and the Lordship of the manor was thus falling to cousins and other relatives from Wool.

Sir John Turberville was Sheriff of Dorset in 1652. Thomas Turberville who died in 1701 was patron of the incumbency of Milborne St. Andrew in 1680, and in 1686 he was Sheriff of Dorset. He was churchwarden at Bere Regis in 1692, and it appears from the old accounts that he overspent by some £19 during his term of office. It is only fair to add that much of this sum was taken up by church repair work and was made up the following year.

The last surviving member of this branch of the family, including the Whitchurch and Woolbridge branches, were Frances and Elizabeth, born in 1703, twin daughters of Thomas Turberville who died in 1704. Neither of them married and they were never known to live apart. They sold their estates and moved to London, probably on the death of their mother in 1739. They died within a day or two of one another aged 77 at Pursers Cross, Fulham, and were buried together on the same day in February, 1780 at Putney.

(to be continued) F.P. Pitfield.

REMEMBRANCE LILIES FOR EASTER

During March the list for these will be placed on the Visitors' table in the Church.

Will intending donors please write their names and the name of the person in whose memory the lily is to be given very clearly on the list, as soon as possible.

It is not possible at this stage to give the price of the lilies but they should be roughly the same as last year.

MOTHERS' UNION. BERE REGIS BRANCH.

Monthly Meeting, 7.30 p.m. Thursday, March 8th. Speaker: Mrs. Honeybin.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

The Bishop of Sherborne will hold a Confirmation Service at the Parish Church at 7 p.m., Tuesday, March 27th.

The Vicar very much hopes that a large congregation will be present to support our many candidates both by their presence and their prayers.
ARRANGEMENTS FOR LENT AND EASTER.

ASH WEDNESDAY, March 7th.
9.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
7.00 p.m. Evensong.

Every Thursday during Lent, with the exception of March 8th.
3.00 p.m. Lenten Service.

MOTHERING SUNDAY, LENT IV. April 1st.
2.30 p.m. Special Family Service.

SPECIAL PREACHERS DURING LENT

LENT I. March 11th. 11.00 a.m. Rev. E.W. Davies.
(Rector of Puddlehinton and the Rural Dean.)

LENT II. March 18th. 6.00 p.m. Rev. A.F. Mackenzie.
(Chaplain of Salisbury Diocesan Association for the Deaf)

LENT IV. April 1st. 11.00 a.m. Rev. B.R.G. Gilpin.
(Rector of Winterborne Zelston)
6.00 p.m. Rev. A.W. Wheeler.

PALM SUNDAY, April 15th. Distribution of Palm Crosses at all Services.
6.00 p.m. Bellringers Service.

HOLY WEEK
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday
7.00 p.m. Compline.

MAUNDY THURSDAY 7.00 p.m. Holy Communion.

GOOD FRIDAY
11.00 a.m. Devotional Service.
7.00 p.m. Evensong.

EASTER DAY
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
11.00 a.m. Mattins.
12 noon. Holy Communion.
2.30 p.m. Children’s Service.
6.00 p.m. Festal Evensong.

BERE REGIS AND DISTRICT BRITISH LEGION

WOMEN’S SECTION.

A Party was held to which members from other Branches in the Isle of Purbeck Group were invited.

A Play by the Briantspuddle W.I. Drama Members was much enjoyed by everyone. After refreshments, games were organised by Miss Storrs and Miss A. Storrs.

The Garden Fete will be held on July 18th at White Lovington by kind permission of the President, Miss Llewellyn.

Audrey Lys,
Assistant Hon. Secretary.

BERE REGIS CRICKET CLUB.

A Jumble Sale will be held at the W.I. Hut on Thursday, April 5th, at 3.00 p.m. to raise funds for the above. Cricket equipment – bats, pads, gloves etc. – is very expensive to buy these days, so I do ask everybody interested in this summer game to let the Club have all the Jumble possible for sale and as many as can to attend the Sale itself.

All Jumble may be taken to the W.I. Hut on the morning of the Sale but large amounts will be collected if you will let me know that you would like this done, or will notify Mr. Ray Howe.

B.L. Talbot.
Chairman.

SCHOOL NEWS

A Whist Drive, organised by Miss E. Rowland, was held on Wednesday, 24th January. The profit was £14 2.0d., which was placed towards School funds.

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BERE REGIS PARISH COUNCIL

The January Meeting of the Bere Regis Parish Council was opened with an address by Mr. Shury, (Area Civil Defence Officer) who had attended at the request of the Council in order to describe
how best the village can assist in Civil Defence matters. Mr. Shury was
closely questioned by Councillors and it was announced that it is hoped
to hold a public meeting in March. Further details will be given later.
and all members of the Parish are requested to give it full support.

The Council's efforts to obtain an improvement in the
condition of road surfaces in the Parish have met with considerable
success, but the recent application to the local bus companies for
better integration of Bournemouth and Salisbury services has not yet
produced any result. The matter is however still being pursued.

A rating precept of £200 was agreed upon for 1962/63 and it
was noted with satisfaction that this is £150 less than that for 1961/62.

Gilbert Griffin,
Clerk.

WINTERBOURNE KINGSTON CRICKET CLUB

Though winter's icy blasts still chill our bones the thoughts of
some of us turn to the halycon days of summer, with blue skies, hot
sunshine and "Cricket, lovely Cricket".
The Annual General Meeting was held on Monday, 12th
February, at the Reading Room. The Meeting was well attended with
members from the age of 14 years to 70 years, one family being
represented by three generations. It was also graced by the presence
of some of our lady members - we can't do without them - "bless 'em"

Officers were elected, the Committee was formed, and a
most heartening feature was the willingness of younger members to help
with the organisation and running of the Club, such enthusiasm
is to be commended.

Our thanks are again due to the ladies who provide the
excellent teas, and to the two gentlemen who do so much for the Club,
namely, the Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer.

As is usual at the end of each season our finances show a
debit balance. We hope that this position will be reversed after the
Jumble Sale to be held on the 23rd February.

We look forward to the summer as we have a most attractive
fixture list, including visits to Bournemouth. Poole, Studland, Lulw
worth, Portland and Carrickson. We have also arranged a game with
a touring side on Whit Monday.

May the sun shine brightly and may we always play our
matches, as we have ever endeavoured to do, in the true spirit in
which the wonderful game of Cricket should be played.

G.R.

WINTERBOURNE KINGSTON CONGREGATIONAL
CHURCH
MINISTER: REV. L.S. CARTER.

SUNDAY SERVICE - 6.00 p.m.
Communion Service last Sunday in the month.
Women's Guild second and fourth Wednesday
in the month at 2.30 p.m.

The Women's Guild Anniversary will be held on Wednesday
March 28th at 3 p.m. when the speaker will be Mrs. Lane of
Blandford, wife of the Methodist Minister.
The Church Sale will be held in the W.I. Hall on May
18th at 6.30 p.m.

F.L.

MOTHERS' UNION. WINTERBOURNE KINGSTON BRANCH.

Monthly Meeting, Wednesday, March 14th.
Speaker: Mrs. Gooch.

WINTERBOURNE KINGSTON CHURCH.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR LENT AND EASTER.

Every Friday during Lent  2.30 p.m.  The Litany.

MOTHERING SUNDAY, April 1st. LENT IV.
  3.15 p.m. Special Mothering
         Sunday Family Service.

PALM SUNDAY, April 15th.
  3.15 p.m. Evensong.
         Distribution of Palm Crosses.

EASTER DAY
  9.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
  7.15 p.m. Evensong.
WINTERBOURNE KINGSTON

CHURCH COMMITTEE

A Meeting of the above Committee will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, March 12th, in the Reading Room.
The Vicar hopes that all members of this Committee will be present.

BERE REGIS REGISTERS

The following entry was inadvertently omitted from the January issue of the Magazine, and for which we apologise.

BURIAL

December 5th. Frederick Hewitt. 86 years.

"SMALL ADS."

(2/6d for every three lines)

LADIES HAIRDRESSING by QUALIFIED STYLIST.
MRS. SOLDAN, "MERRYDOWN", SITTERTON, BERE REGIS 308.
RING BEFORE 9.30 a.m. FOR APPOINTMENT.