



WITH the kindness of our Magazine distributors we hope that this issue will be in time to convey our Christmas wishes to all of our readers.

Of all the months of the year December stands out in our affections as the one in which Christmas Day with its general feeling of good will and kindness brings what the world needs so badly. The days may be short and cold and dark but the great Christian festival brings what we need so much. Please do not let us quote the modern and rather popular saying that 'we hate Christmas'. After all the first Christmas Day marked the turning point in the history of the world.

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ALL of us are so sorry that Canon Kempe has left us but the Bishop felt that he should be asked to take charge of S. Edmund's Church at Weymouth which is the first permanent church to be built in the Diocese since the war.

We are, however, very fortunate in having the help of Canon Peck and we shall value his help very much. It may be necessary to curtail the number of services at any rate during the next few months. It is perhaps not quite realised that there are never less than five services in the parish every Sunday and that on alternate Sundays there are six.

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TO the kind ladies who distribute the Magazine each month may we express our most grateful thanks for their labours both at Bere and at Kingston.

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NOW please forgive a personal note. For nearly four months I have been off duty. To those who have been so very kind and helpful I am exceedingly grateful and both Mrs. Herring and I realize how many good friends we have.

I feel sure that I can rely on your kindness and patience until the future is more clear.

At any rate may we all have a Happy Christmas.

ROLAND HERRING.

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ON Christmas Day itself there will be a celebration of Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m. at S. Nicholas.

ON the Sunday after Christmas, December 26th, the services at the Parish Church will be—

Mattins, 11 a.m.

Children's Service, 2.30.

No Evensong.

At S. Nicholas—Evensong and Carols, 3.15.

Sunday, January 2nd.

Parish Church:

8 a.m., Holy Communion.

11 a.m., Mattins.

2.30 p.m., Children's Service.

6 p.m., Evensong and Carols.

Sunday, January 9th.

11 a.m., Mattins and Holy Communion.

2.30 p.m., Children's Service.

6 p.m., Evensong.