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UNDAY, Nov. 28th is the first Sunday in Advent and the beginning of the Church's New Year. We hope that on this Sunday the new Register of children who attend the afternoon service will be started and issue of stamps and albums. May we urge that children who do not at present attend any Sunday School will take this opportunity for making a start. At S. Nicholas new children may be sure of a welcome from Mrs. and Miss Sheppard where the Sunday School meets at 2.30.

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WE hear that both the Parish Church and S. Nicholas were very tastefully decorated for the Harvest Thanksgiving services and an acknowledgment has been received from the hospitals and other places to which the produce was sent.

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A REPRESENTATIVE meeting of S. Nicholas congregation was held recently under the chairmanship of Brigadier Lipscomb when steps were considered for the work needed to be done to the Church Tower and also the possibility of some form of heating the Church. It was decided also to revise the Church Roll.

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THE Vicar regrets that it may be some weeks before he is able to resume duty but he hopes to do so by Christmas. In the meantime Canon Kempe will kindly continue to carry on. We append the list of services and ask for kind attention in reading them.

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LAST month we published the first part of a recent statement by the Archbishop of York and now we give the second and final part which is well worthy of attention.

OUGHT AND MUST

'Thirdly, the Church of England combines authority with freedom. It speaks plainly and uncompromisingly on the central doctrines of the Christian faith and on the life necessary for the disciple of Christ. But it values spiritual freedom. It keeps its rules to a minimum. It prefers to say, "You ought" rather than "You must". It makes its appeal to reason and conscience. It encourages its members to discuss and criticize in their search after a deeper understanding of the truth. Within limits, it allows a wide freedom in the manner in which its public worship is conducted. For the sake of truth, and in the spirit of charity, it is the most comprehensive of all Catholic Churches.

WITNESS IN HISTORY

'Fourthly, the Church of England has made, through the centuries, a unique contribution to the religious and moral life of the whole nation. Through its clergy, and in its parish churches, it has preached the word and ministered the sacraments to successive generations of Englishmen. Its faithful laity, by their lives, have borne continued witness to God and his claims on man. It has brought to millions knowledge of the love of God, and has given to them strength, help, guidance and comfort in their journey through the problems, joys and sorrows of life.'

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IT will be a great help if present readers of the Magazine will assure the distributors of their intention to continue during next year in order that we may know how many copies to be ordered. It would also be a great help to know of new readers of which we hope there may be many.

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AMENDED SERVICE ARRANGEMENTS

Nov. 28. Advent Sunday.

Parish Church—11 a.m., Mattins and Holy Communion.

2.30 p.m., Children's Service. 6 p.m., Evensong.

S. Nicholas, 9.30 a.m., Holy Communion

Sunday, Dec. 5th.

Parish Church—8 a.m. Holy Communion, 11 a.m. Mattins,
6 p.m. Evensong.

S. Nicholas, Evensong 3.15 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 12th.

Parish Church—11 a.m. Mattins and Holy Communion,
2.30 p.m. Children's Service, 6 p.m. Evensong.

S. Nicholas, 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion.

Sunday, Dec. 19th.

Parish Church—8 a.m. Holy Communion, 11 a.m. Mattins,
6 p.m. Evensong.

S. Nicholas, 3.15 Evensong.

CHRISTMAS DAY, Saturday, Dec. 25th.

Parish Church—8 a.m. Holy Communion, 11 a.m. Mattins and
Holy Communion.

S. Nicholas, 9.30 a.m., Holy Communion.

Sunday, Dec. 26th.

Parish Church—11 a.m. Mattins, 2.30 p.m. Children's Service,
6 p.m., Carol Service.

Will children please continue to attend Mattins at the Parish
Church.

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Register

HOLY BAPTISM, Oct. 27th.

June, daughter of William George and Joyce Sophia Bright.