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At the Parish Church during Lent we have been very fortunate in having the Rector of Holy Trinity, Dorchester, to give a course of addresses on Thursday evenings. He has taken as the underlying theme of his talks the need of clearing our thoughts of God which with many people have become diffused by what is sometimes considered to be 'modern thought'. The application of Christian thought to modern conditions of life is, of course, a different matter and one of much importance. One of the most promising and encouraging features of our day is the fact that men capable of sound and scholarly judgment are well aware of the need of the application of Christian principles to these modern conditions.

There is certainly no reason for despondency or faint-heartedness, on the contrary there is definite evidence of an awakening interest in religious matters. In the great towns man is surrounded everywhere by the works of his hands and he is not reminded like his brother man in the country of his dependence on God. His individuality is restricted and he has little scope for initiation and responsibility, but even in these great centres of population there is evidence of a desire for something more and the influence of the Church is beginning to be felt. The Church may numerically be in the minority, but it is well to be reminded that three-quarters of the infants are baptised into the Church and that the number of Easter communicants approaches three million.

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**E**ASTER DAY falls on April 10th and we give here the Services both for Good Friday and Easter Day:

*Good Friday*—Parish Church.

11 a.m.—One Hour's Devotion.

7 p.m.—Evening Service.

S. Nicholas.

6 p.m.—Evening Service.

*Easter Day.*

Holy Communion—Parish Church—8 a.m.

Holy Communion—S. Nicholas—9.30 a.m.

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

Children's Service—Parish Church—2.30 p.m.

Evensong—S. Nicholas—3.15 p.m.

Evensong—Parish Church—6 p.m.

Gifts of flowers for Easter decoration may be brought at any time on Good Friday and placed in containers which will be found in the Vestry, or early on the Saturday morning. Helpers will, of course, be most welcome on the Saturday morning.

WE need hardly say that Easter is a day when all confirmed members of the Church should receive Holy Communion.

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A SOCIAL will be held on Friday, April 15th at the W.I. Hut, at Winterbourne Kingston, at which the draw will take place for the very beautiful china figure which has been given in aid of the S. Nicholas Restoration Fund. We hope that the Social will be really well attended.

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THE Vestry and Annual Parochial Church Meetings will be held in a few weeks time. It is very desirable that the Electoral Roll should be kept up to date. Forms may be obtained from Mr. Berry, and those who are not already entered should apply to him.

It is many years since the Roll has been revised at Winterbourne Kingston and we hope that all churchpeople will assist in this work. Forms may be obtained from Brigadier Lipscomb.

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### Register

Holy Matrimony—at S. Nicholas.

February 5th.—Edward Ronald Herbert and Marion Brenda Symes.

Burial—at Winterbourne Kingston.

February 24th.—Joseph Alner, aged 87 years.