

May 1958



WE are getting to a busy time of the year both in our own Parish and in the Diocese—the latter meaning various visits to Salisbury in connection with the 700th Anniversary of the Consecration of the Cathedral. On June 10th a number of mothers will go as members of the Mothers' Union, and on the

28th there is the Service of Commemoration at which the Queen Mother will be present. It has now been announced that the number of tickets of admission must be limited even further than was anticipated, and it seems likely that only two will be available for laity in this Parish.

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WE hope that these notes will be issued in time for Whitsunday, which never seems to be recognised fully as one of the Great Festivals of the Church—in fact the Birthday of the Christian Church. We read the account of the first Whitsunday—or Feast of Pentecost—in the 2nd Chapter of the Acts of the Holy Apostles. But we must not apply a too critical mind towards this record which incidentally was written by S. Luke. In figurative language it expresses the profound truth of the coming of a New Power into the lives of men and women and this Power of the Holy Spirit has guided and inspired men and women ever since. The opening words of the Collect for Whitsunday are profound and so needful—

‘God, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of Thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of Thy Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things’

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AMONG more secular events we call attention to the S. Nicholas Garden Party which is to be at the Old Parsonage, Winterbourne Kingston on Saturday, May 31st, and to a similar event in connection with the Parish Church on July 26th, in the Vicarage garden.

These are occasions when we meet together socially and help our two churches by spending liberally. Please note these dates.

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ON Sunday, June 29th, we keep our Patronal Festival and we shall say more about this in our next issue.

OUR Vestry and Parochial Church Meeting was held last month and at the Vestry Meeting our two Churchwardens, Messrs. Marsh and Smith, were re-appointed and Mr. Minterne as Deputy Warden. For this we are indeed grateful. The Parochial Church Council was re-elected with little change and Mr. Berry was able to present a very satisfactory statement of accounts which revealed an increase in church collections, and after meeting several heavy items of expenditure left a credit balance of £177.

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WE regret that the following names were omitted from the list of Confirmation candidates last month—John Barnes, Gwendoline Mary Endacott.

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Holy Baptism, April 27th.

Ian, son of Raymond Victor and Gladys Nora Bennett.
Jane Darlene, daughter of Raymond and Betty Seymour.

Burial, at S. Nicholas, May 3rd.

Lionel Perry, aged 91.

May 16th

George Edward House, aged 2 days.