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Teversal Rectory,
January 1952

Dear Friends,

First of all may I take this opportunity of wishing you all a very Happy New Year, though I am afraid this issue of the Magazine may be a little late in reaching you owing to the Christmas holidays and the congestion that always comes at the end of a year.

Space too is limited so I must try and include in my letter some of the things I usually speak of elsewhere—so first a word about the Magazine itself. The cost of production has gone up considerably, but we are still keeping the price at 2/6 per annum or 3d. if paid monthly. It would help our kind distributors if purchasers of it would pay the 2/6 at once—or a little more if they can afford it. At the moment it looks as though last year's accounts will hardly balance. Our circulation is 200 per month.

Then a word about the Calendars—it would help our Quota Fund if more of those who have them would use them. Only about a third send in stamps or cash in place of stamps. We are most grateful to these generous givers. Our annual Quota is about £61.

The Mothers' Union Party will take place on Monday January 7th and the Women's Institute's on Tuesday January 15th. Will all members combine to make them a success?

We were sorry that Mrs. Warner, owing to illness, could not distribute the Sunday School awards, but grateful to Mr. Warner for so kindly taking her place.

Yours sincerely,

W. R. POWELL.

MISSIONARY BOXES

The Annual opening of the above took place at the Rectory just before Christmas and we are grateful to all those kind donors who support so liberally this valuable work of extending Christ's kingdom overseas—more and more necessary in these days when there is so much subversive teaching reaching the ears of the masses and creating unrest and disorder. Please accept our deep appreciation of this generous help which we know will be shared by those in charge at C.M.S. headquarters in London. The amounts collected are shown below:—

Mrs. Burlinson £1/2/7½, Mrs. Bestwick 18/4½, Mrs. Bullock 8/6, Miss Clarke £1/1/9, Mrs. Cuckson 13/3, Mrs. Cook 12/0, Mrs. Colbourne £1/4/8½, Mrs. Freeman 16/2½, Mrs. Guest 18/2½, Master Derek Hollis 2/1½, Mrs. King 19/7, Mrs. Jacklin 12/2½, Miss Christine Penford 13/5½, Mrs. Powell

£1/4/7½, Mrs. Ray £3/0/6, Mrs. Seeley 13/3, Mrs. Tomlinson (South Bank) 12/11½, Mrs. Thompson (Windyridge) 17/8½, Mrs. Tideswell 16/6, Mothers' Union 10/9½. Total £17/19/3¾.

Donations: Mr. G. Warner 5/0, Rector £1/14/7¼.

To these amounts has to be added the contents of the Lent Savings Purses, £10/1/1, making a grand total of £30.

This is £1/10/0 less than last year, but we lost one or two subscribers and we would ask new friends if they would take boxes and help to keep the total up. Boxes may be had from Mrs. Cook, our Box Secretary, or from the Rector. Lent is also coming and the Lent Savings Boxes will soon be available—some may like to use this channel.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The following boys and girls received awards for regular attendance during 1951:—

Winifred Heathcote, Audrey Rickers, Phyllis Rockley, Sheila Haycox, Janet Rickers, Yvonne Bartley, Hilary Gee, Gillian Harpham, Pat Salisbury, Kathleen Holling, John Burlinson, Derek Hollis, Peter Fell, Ann Bircumshaw, Dianne Bartley, Kathryn Heathcote, Christine Penford, Isabella Tomlinson, Jean Thorpe, Graham Darby, Brian Haycox, Barrie Haycox, Keith Rickers, Alan Rickers, Howard Rockley, Donald Watkinson, Judith Dring, Stewart Dring, Rita Levy, Brenda Thorpe, Joyce Ward, Julie Wells, Joan Prothers, Eileen Holling, Margaret Bircumshaw, David Rowland, Robert Henshaw-Alcock, Michael Thompson, Theresa Thompson, Jill Pendlebury, Valerie Darby, Eric Thorpe, Dorothea Porter, Peter Stevenson, Annice Phillipson.

Stamp Book Awards:—Phyllis Rockley, Yvonne Bartley, Janet Rickers, Sheila Haycox, Brian Haycox, Christine Penford, Kathryn Heathcote, Joyce Ward, Keith Rickers, Alan Rickers, Rita Levy.

IN MEMORIAM

During December were laid to rest the mortal remains of two of our oldest parishioners—Mrs. Julia Seeley and Mrs. Eleanor Jane Grant, both of whom had attained the advanced age of 87 years. Mrs. Grant's association with Teversal was one of some 50 years and was linked with the Carnarvon family. She loved Teversal dearly and it is difficult to think of Teversal without her. To her relatives and to those of the late Mrs. Seeley we extend our deepest sympathy, and to their dear departed, God's peace.

Births, marriages and deaths unavoidably held over.

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Teversal Rectory,
February 1952

Dear Friends,

The season of Lent does not commence until the present month is nearly out—Ash Wednesday is on February 27th. It is not, however, too early to begin to think how we may make the most of this time which our Church has appointed as an opportunity for self-examination and spiritual renewal.

You and I know from our own experience how easy it is to drift. Our praying may become slack and our churchgoing less regular. Communicants may be seen less often at the Altar rails and little by little the higher life wanes and the animal life gains the ascendancy. God and the things of God are pushed into the background.

An old writer has said, "If men were as much in earnest to get their souls saved as to prepare them for perdition, heaven would be highly peopled, and devils would be their own companions"—a reminder that we must give heed to the cultivation of the things which concern our spiritual welfare.

St. Paul in writing to the Christians at Rome reminds them that "The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." In other words, a sinner goes to hell because he or she deserves it; a righteous person goes to heaven because Christ has died for him or her, and has communicated that grace by which his or her sin is pardoned and soul made holy. The great thing to remember is that no sinner need go to hell—the gift of God is eternal life and it is free to all those who accept Christ as their personal Saviour—but it does entail sorrow for sin, confession of it, and amendment of life.

Yours sincerely,
W. R. POWELL.

CONFIRMATION

The Rector is anxious to have the names of all those who are desirous of presenting themselves for Confirmation as soon as possible. The Confirmation is fixed for Sunday July 6th at 6-30 p.m. This year we have been promised one at Teversal and it may be another five years before we have another in our church. The Rector hopes that this opportunity will be taken advantage of and will be pleased to have a chat with anyone who would like to talk over the matter. Up to the present seven names have been handed in.

CALENDAR STAMPS

We would like to acknowledge with thanks the

following amounts which have come in from stamps or cash in place of stamps. Further lists will be published as more come in. The results so far have been very encouraging:—

STAMPS—Mrs. J. W. Toon 5/-, Mrs. Davenport (Glenisla) £1/6/0, Mrs. Rockley 6/6, Mrs. Morley and Mrs. Lee £2/12/0, Mrs. Burton 14/3, Mrs. Cook 13/-, Mr. and Mrs. Cuckson 13/0, Mrs. North £1/6/0, Mr. and Mrs. Tideswell 13/-, Mrs. Bircumshaw 10/10, Mrs. Poyser 10/10.

CASH—Mrs. Smith 5/-, Mrs. Glasby 2/6, Mrs. Bullock 5/-, Mrs. Graham £1, Mr. and Mrs. Edlin £1, Miss Stokes 2/-, Mrs. Colbourne 4/-, Rector £1/6/0, Mrs. Ward (Norwood) 5/0.

SUNDRY ITEMS

—The next meeting of the Mothers' Union will be on February 4th and it is hoped that Mr. Crewe of Brunts will be the speaker. The party in January went off very successfully and proved most enjoyable.

—The Church of England Men's Society will meet on Tuesday February 12th and the Vicar of Blackwell (Rev. W. J. E. Williams) has promised to come. The meeting will be at 7-30 p.m. in the Manor Room. The following evening the Mansfield Federation will hold its Quarterly Meeting at Mansfield at the same hour.

—The Women's Institute party on January 15th was highly successful and some of the events caused much amusement. The organizers are to be congratulated on arranging such an entertaining programme.

—Lack of space prevented the inclusion of baptisms, marriages and burials in last month's issue. Since then three more burials have taken place and we offer our deep sympathy to those who have been bereaved.

BAPTISM

Dec. 9—Denise Drusilla Francisca Ball.

MARRIAGE

Dec. 8—Charles Colin Bullock to Joyce Chadwick.

BURIALS

Dec. 1—Julia Seeley.
5—Eleanor Jane Grant.
Jan. 5—George Henry Heathcote.
9—Joseph Painter.
17—Thomas Benjamin Bailey.

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Dear Friends,

The sudden passing of our beloved King in the early hours of February 6th came as a great shock to the nation. His death has removed from us a truly great and good man. He was deeply religious and in honouring God he was given the strength not only to overcome physical drawbacks but also to exhibit a courage and devotion to duty which made him an inspiration to his people. His short reign of fifteen years was marked by a series of crises in our national life which were enough to test the calibre of the bravest. King George VI faced them with supreme faith and saw us through them. This is all the more remarkable for it was never thought that he would be called upon to occupy the Throne. It was the abdication of his elder brother that thrust upon him the great responsibility almost at a moment's notice.

Looking back over these fifteen years we can indeed thank God that He raised up for us a noble man who won the respect, admiration, and love of men of all parties. The Dean of Windsor, who knew him well, speaks of him as "this splendid and most lovable King." God grant to him the peace of Paradise and to the dear ones he leaves behind Divine comfort and consolation. To his elder daughter, now called upon to take up the onerous duties of a queen we extend our warmest greetings. God save the Queen!

Yours sincerely,
W. R. POWELL.

MOTHERING SUNDAY

Mothering Sunday is one of the lovely days of the Church's year. The finding of violets in the lane or primroses in the wood and the hearing of the early song of the birds call us to welcome Spring and the beginning of so much life and love. No wonder then that families years and years ago met together to honour mother to whom they owe so much, and went to Church to thank God for the gift of life. Will you carry on this fine old custom, this Festival of Love, by coming to our Family Service on the fourth Sunday in Lent—March 23rd at 2-45 p.m.? We extend the invitation to fathers too, for without 'father' no family circle is complete.

C. of E. CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Miss B. M. Porter has received a letter from the Secretary of the above Society in which he says—"It was very good of you to send such a welcome gift for our children. It will help us to give them happiness, especially at this time. I am always particularly grateful when I receive gifts from young people, and I express my warmest thanks to you all for the interest taken in our large family."

The total amount sent was £16/16/3 and this was made up as follows—Sunday School collections £12/8/8 and donations from friends £4/7/6. In addition a parcel of books and clothing was sent. We are very grateful to all those who have given their support to the work of this Society which cares for about five thousand children and seeks to bring them up in the Church's faith.

CALENDAR STAMP SCHEME

The Rector would like to acknowledge with gratitude the following gifts of stamps and cash which have come in during the past month:

STAMPS—Mrs. Ward (Whiteboro) 10/-, Mrs. E. Wells 8/1½, Mr. S. Wells 3/2½, Mrs. Ball and Mrs. Wharton 1/10½, Mrs. J. Tomlinson (South Bank) £1/4/6, Mrs. W. Tomlinson (South Bank) £1/6/0, CASH—Anon £1/6/0, Mrs. Stapleton 5/0, Mrs. Mellor 15/0, Mrs. Caunt 10/0, Mrs. Shaw and Mrs. Parsons £2/12/0, Mrs. Ball and Mrs. Wharton 10/0, Mrs. Gamble 15/0, Mrs. Levy 2/6, Anon 10/0, Mrs. Todd £1. Total amount received up to February 20th—£25/19/1½.

SUNDRY ITEMS

—The next meeting of the Mothers' Union will be on March 3rd when Mr. John Creeve of Brunts School, Mansfield, will be the speaker. We hope there will be a good attendance.

—At the last meeting of the Church Council a pleasing little ceremony took place when Mr. Stanley Guest was presented with a Family Bible and a cheque in commemoration of his recent marriage.

—Another old parishioner has passed to his rest in the person of Mr. Joseph Edlin. Mr. Edlin had been in the parish for over forty years and we would like to extend to Mrs. Edlin our deep sympathy in her great loss.

—Lent purses are available to anyone who would like to devote their self-denial savings to the missionary work of the Church. Last year over £10 was raised in this way, of which nearly half came from the Sunday School children. Purses can be obtained by applying to the Rector or to Mr. Tideswell.

BURIAL

Feb. 21—Joseph Edlin.

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Dear Friends,

Some time ago I bought a small book on heraldry as I thought it might be useful to me in deciphering the meaning of some of the crests in our parish church. It is amazing how often the cross figures in these heraldic devices and the writer of another book on the same subject says, 'We treat first of the cross, because the cross is chiefest in honour.' How very true that is as we approach another Good Friday!

The cross of Jesus was I suppose nothing more than two rough pieces of wood nailed together—a tree of shame in His day—and yet it has become the symbol of our faith as Christians. The cross did not bring honour to Jesus—it was Jesus who brought honour to the cross and made it 'chiefest in honour'—and so men have wrought crosses of gold and silver and of precious stones and some have forgotten the original—and in-forgetting the original have forgotten the One who hung there for the redemption of mankind.

Good Friday comes once again to remind us of that fact—Jesus on the cross for you and for me! Hence it is no day for Christians to make merry on or to treat as a holiday—a holy day, yes, but not a holiday! Try and remember this on April 11th and come to one of the services so that you too may receive a blessing from the crucified and risen Christ.

GOOD FRIDAY and EASTER DAY

The services on Good Friday will be as follows—8 a.m. Ante-Communion only; 11 a.m. Mattins, Litany, and Address; 6-30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon. Collections will be given to the Church Mission to Jews. This Society does valuable evangelistic work amongst the Jewish community and has led many into the Christian Church. It is worthy of your support.

The Celebrations of Holy Communion on Easter Day (April 13th) will be at 7-15 a.m., 8 a.m., 11 a.m. and 6-30 p.m. Every communicant is reminded of the obligation the Prayer Book lays upon them to attend one or other of these services. It should indeed be a joy to come and no true Christian ought to require any urging to attend such a holy service on such a glorious day. The Rector will be pleased to conduct private services of Holy Communion for any sick or aged parishioners during Easter Week, if they will let him know during Holy Week.

CHURCH MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Church will take place on the Thursday in Easter Week (April

17th) at the Manor Room at 7 p.m. All those whose names are on the Electoral Roll of the Church are entitled to come and we hope there will be a good number present and not simply members of the Church Council only. The meeting will be preceded by the Vestry Meeting at which the Churchwardens for the ensuing year are appointed. To this first meeting any ratepayer is entitled to come.

SUNDRY ITEMS

—Calendar Stamp Scheme. We would gratefully acknowledge the following additional amounts which have come in:

STAMPS.

Mrs. W. Haycox 4/3¹/₂, Mrs. J. Winterbottom 11/-.
CASH. Mr. and Mrs. Watkinson (Hardwick) 10/-.
Mrs. Slack 2/6, Anon 2/6, Mrs. Burlinson 10/-.
Mrs. Jessop 5/-. Total received up to March 28th, £28/4/5. This is a record!

—The next meeting of the Mothers' Union will be at the Manor Room on April 7th at 6-30 p.m. when the Rector hopes to give an address appropriate to Holy Week and Easter. The visit of Mr. John Crewe on March 3rd was very much enjoyed.

—The Church of England Men's Society are hoping to welcome Mr. T. Stimpson to their meeting on Tuesday April 8th. At the last meeting Mr. Bailey of Blackwell gave a most interesting talk on Palestine and its sacred places. It is a pity more members were not there to hear him.

—It was nice to see quite a number of mothers at the Mothering Sunday service, and the scholars brought a very nice selection of presents to be blessed and given to their mothers. The collection for the Church of England Children's Society amounted to £1/16/0.

—Mrs. Powell would like to express her thanks to all those who have enquired after her and sent her messages and gifts during her stay in the Nottingham Eye Infirmary. She has appreciated very much these tokens of love and hopes in a few weeks to be once again back at her usual work.

BAPTISM

Mar. 23—Beryl Kathleen Greig.

CREMATION

Feb. 25—Arthur Wright.

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Teversal Rectory,
May 1952

Dear Friends,

Owing to pressure on space my letter this month must be very brief. I would, however, like to say how beautiful the church looked on Easter Sunday and how encouraging it was to have a record number of communicants (101) and such happy services. I am also very grateful to you for a record Easter offering of £16/11/0. Thank you very much for your support and appreciation.

I am glad to say that Mrs. Walton of Teversal Manor has consented to open our Summer Sale and Fête on July 5th, so please get busy and make it a great success.

Yours sincerely,
W. R. POWELL.

MISSIONS TO SEAMEN

The Rev. D. M. Maclaren, a former Rector of Teversal, hopes to preach on behalf of the above Society at Mattins and Evensong on Sunday May 18th and no doubt many of you will be pleased to renew old acquaintances. Mr. Maclaren succeeded the Rev. George Eaton in 1929 and was here till 1935, when he exchanged benefices with the Rev. W. R. Scott, who was Vicar of Penn Fields, Wolverhampton. As Mr. Maclaren will be telling you of the work of the Missions to Seamen there will be no need for me to stress the important work done by this Society for seafarers. We are giving our collections on May 18th to this Society and ask for your generous support. Mr. Maclaren is at present Chaplain to the Dreadnought and Seamen's Hospital, Greenwich, S.E.10.

ANNUAL MEETINGS

At the combined meeting of the Vestry and Church Electors held on April 17th Mr. G. Warner and Mr. W. S. Jacklin were re-elected Churchwardens for the ensuing year. Both Wardens were thanked for their services during 1951.

Messrs. A. Harpham and C. Ray were appointed to the Ruridecanal Conference by the Church Meeting which followed. The meeting then proceeded to elect the Church Council and the following were appointed—Mesdames Bailey, Cook, Graham, Guest, W. S. Jacklin, Keetley, Morley, Parsons, Penford, Powell, Tideswell, Todd, Ward, the Misses Hartshorne and B. Porter, Messrs. Bestwick, C. Burlinson, Cook, Guest, S. Guest, Harpham, Keetley, E. Morley, Parsons, Robinson, Seeley, Tideswell, N. D. Todd J.P. and W. Tomlinson.

The Sidesmen elected were as follows: Messrs. C. Burlinson, Cook, Feirn, Guest, S. Guest, K. Guest, Harpham, A. Harpham, Parsons, Ray, Seeley, Swift and N. D. Todd, J.P. Messrs. Bradfield, Chapman and Co. were re-appointed auditors and Mr. Guest very kindly undertook once again to act as the Honorary Secretary of the Vestry and Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

The following Council appointments were made:—Mr. G. Warner to be Vice-Chairman, Mr. W. S. Jacklin to be Honorary Treasurer, and Mr. Guest to be Honorary Secretary. Both Mr. Jacklin and Mr. Guest were warmly thanked for the very valuable work they had performed during the previous year.

The Rector read a short report on parochial activities during 1951 and Mr. W. S. Jacklin presented the accounts, which showed a balance in hand on the year's working of £188/18/11. The Meeting closed with the Blessing.

SUNDRY ITEMS

Parishioners may be interested to know that last year there were 21 baptisms, 7 weddings and only 5 burials. There was a long period of nearly nine months without a single interment. Easter communicants numbered exactly 100 and there were 708 acts of communion during the year. The number of children in the Sunday School was about 50, and 45 qualified for attendance prizes. Collections in Sunday School came to £12/8/8.

—Last year £30 was given to the Church Missionary Society, £11/12/6 to the Bishop of Jamaica's Hurricane Fund and £2/4/0 to the Church Mission to Jews. In addition to these missionary items £5/7/9 was sent to Dr. Barnardo's, £4/8/6 to Earl Haig's Fund, £2/5/6 to the Clergy Widows' Fund, £1/1/0 to St. Luke's Hostel, £1 to the Molyneux Charity and 10/- to the Friends of Southwell Cathedral. The Sunday School collections go towards the work of the C. of E. Children's Society. The Calendar Stamp Scheme brought in £23/12/6.

—Through the kindness of the Mothers' Union two beautiful tapestries have been framed and glazed. They now hang in the church. The smaller one must be nearly 200 years old as it is known to be the work of Anne, Lady Molyneux, wife of the 6th baronet. She died in 1786.

MARRIAGES

Mar. 1—Edward Lord to Matilda Wootton.

1—Jack Allsop to Eunice Houlding.

Apr. 12—Ronald Jackson to Nellie Dill.

14—Charles Merrill Howe to Beryl Hollingsworth.

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Dear Friends,

The time of our Annual Garden Fête and Sale of Work is rapidly drawing nearer and July 5th will soon be upon us. The coming month will therefore be a very busy one for all those kind friends who year after year combine to make this event both socially and financially such a wonderful success. It has always been a very happy gathering and this year it will once again be held in the Rectory garden—and we shall do our best to make everyone feel quite at home. As you already know Mrs. John Walton of Teversal Manor has already consented to open the proceedings, so this will make it a real Teversal affair. We are most grateful to Mrs. Walton for promising to perform this important item in the programme.

As you know, we are dependent on this Summer Sale to meet the many expenses which are attached to the upkeep of an ancient building as well as to supplement our ordinary church funds. Quite recently we have had to spend £75 on our heating apparatus and at the present moment some very necessary work is being done to the churchyard wall. This work could not be undertaken were it not that so many of you lend a helping hand, and the Church Council is most grateful to you for all you have done and are doing to maintain our beautiful parish church in as good a condition as possible.

Stallholders will be delighted to receive all kinds of gifts—anything that will sell, and I shall be very pleased to collect any articles for the White Elephant or any other stall. Donations too will be most acceptable. So please keep the first Saturday in July free and ask a blessing upon it. If you do this it is bound to be a success.

Yours sincerely,
W. R. POWELL.

CONFIRMATION

The Summer Sale is not the only important event in our church life in July. The following day our Bishop is coming to conduct a Confirmation. It is six years since we had one at Teversal and we shall be presenting seventeen candidates including a number of adults. There will probably be a number of candidates from Skegby and Stanton Hill so it looks as though our church will be very full that Sunday evening. The Bishop and Mrs.

Barry have been to the United States and Canada, but will be home again towards the end of the month so we must see he has a real Teversal welcome.

LENT SAVINGS PURSES

We would like to acknowledge on behalf of the Church Missionary Society the gifts made in those little boxes during the Season of Lent and to say "thank you very much" for them—and especially to the children and young people.

Yvonne and Diane Bartley 4/9½, Ann and Margaret Bircumshaw 5/7½, Graham Darby 2/1, Jeremy Elkington 4/6, Hilary Gee 3/9, Gillian Harpham 5/0, Sheila Haycox 3/8½, Robert Henshaw-Alcock 6/9½, Kathleen Holling 5/8½, Rita Levy 3/2½, Janet Rickers 2/8, Keith Rickers 6/4, Phyllis and Howard Rockley 7/11, Alan Rowe 2/2½, Isabelle Tomlinson 2/5, Jean Thorpe 3/3½, Joyce Ward 6/7, Julie Wells 2/3½, Donald Watkinson 12/0, Miss W. Heathcote 4/6, Miss Pauline Matthews £1/10/4, Miss M. Poyser 10/7, Miss I. Saunders £1/1/0, Miss L. Spalding 11/0, The Rector £2/0/0, Miss A. Bishop 14/3.

Grand Total—£11/2/6½.

SUNDRY ITEMS

—We would like to express Godspeed to Mr. and Mrs. Bartley and their two daughters Yvonne and Diane as they start on their long journey to Tasmania on June 4th. Mr. and Mrs. Bartley have interested themselves in much of our parish life and their two daughters have been regular members of our Sunday School. May God bless them in their new home and prosper their future in the beautiful island to which they are going.

—As a result of the Rev. D. M. Maclaren's visit the Missions to Seamen will benefit to the extent of £10/2/6. Many thanks to the kind friends who gave towards this valuable work. Mr. Maclaren very much enjoyed meeting many of his old friends.

—The Mothers' Union annual outing is fixed for Wednesday June 4th and is to Hunstanton. A break will be made at Sandringham for members to visit the beautiful church. On the same day the Mansfield Deanery Federation of the Church of England Men's Society has planned an outing to Tideswell and a number of our members hope to go.

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July 1952

Dear Friends,

By the time this copy of the Magazine is in your hands our Summer Sale and Fête will be at hand and I hope as many of you as possible will do your best to support this annual effort on behalf of our church funds. Last year we set out to raise money for the repair of the churchyard wall and I am glad to report that the work has been completed. Not only has the wall been repaired but the whole of it (inside and outside) has been re-pointed and it should not require any further attention for a very long time. This very necessary work could not have been put in hand but for your help at our last Summer Sale and Fête which proved such a success. This year we are holding it once again in the Rectory garden and given a fine afternoon I feel sure we shall have a very happy gathering—we always do, and that perhaps is more important than anything else.

There will be the usual Stalls and Sideshows, Teas, Children's Sports, etc., and this year the Youth Club will stage one of the short plays they recently gave at Sutton-in-Ashfield entitled "The Old Bull." There will be two performances—one before tea and one afterwards. I saw it at Sutton and thoroughly enjoyed it.

It is hardly necessary for me to remind you that this important event is on the first Saturday in July and Mrs. John Walton of Teversal Manor has very kindly consented to open proceedings at 3 p.m. So please keep July 5th free and give us all the support you can. We will do our best to entertain you and make your visit an enjoyable one.

Yours sincerely,
W. R. POWELL.

CONFIRMATION

As the seating capacity of our church is limited and as there will be considerable difficulty in finding room for all who would wish to attend the service on Sunday evening July 6th the following arrangements have had to be made. Two tickets will be issued to every candidate for their parents or godparents—candidates will not need a ticket. As there will be some forty-five candidates (18 from Teversal and 27 from Skegby and Stanton Hill) this will mean at least 135 seats. Ticket holders must be in the church by 6 p.m. — after that hour the church will be open to the public and those who come are asked to queue up so

that those who come first will have the greatest chance of getting in. Candidates must be in their seats by 6-15 p.m. at the latest. The normal Evening Service will be read at 3-45 p.m. following the Sunday School but there will be no sermon as time will be short and the Bishop will be speaking at the 6-30 p.m. service. I believe it is now customary for a collection to be taken at Confirmation services for a special fund towards the training of men for the Sacred Ministry.

SUNDRY ITEMS

—The Mothers' Union excursion to Hunstanton proved a great success and the weather could not have been better. The visit to the beautiful little church at Sandringham was all too short and many of the members would have liked more time at this lovely spot which was so much loved by His Majesty King George VI.

—The Mansfield Federation of the Church of England Men's Society also had a delightful trip to Tideswell on the same evening as the Mothers' Union outing and the Rector was extremely disappointed at missing it owing to an unfortunate attack of fibrositis.

—Readers may be pleased to hear some news of Mr. and Mrs. Bartley. Their last letter came from Aden at the southern end of the Red Sea. They say that the Red Sea has been living up to its reputation as the heat has been terrific—the temperature of the cabins 100^o, and passengers have been allowed to sleep on deck. Mr. Bartley says they are being fed like fighting cocks—three meat meals a day! Their next port of call is Colombo and they arrive at Fremantle (Western Australia) on July 6th. Their final destination is Hobart, the capital of Tasmania.

—We would like to acknowledge with deep gratitude a Lent Savings Box containing the splendid sum of £2/17/9½.

BAPTISMS

June 1—Kelvin Hemmings.
1—Christine Mary Ashmore.
22—Christine Wendy Shore.

WEDDING

June 18—Anthony Walton to Joyce Hollingsworth.

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Teversal Rectory,
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Dear Friends,

The Summer Sale and Fête is now a thing of the past and once again we were favoured with glorious weather—it was neither too hot nor too cold and Mrs. Walton, who opened the proceedings, made a charming little speech on the loveliness of Teversal and on the beauty of its ancient church. Everything Mrs. Walton said was most appropriate and we are most grateful to her for performing the opening ceremony.

We are also very thankful to all those many kind friends who combined to make this year's effort so successful. A great deal of work is done behind the scenes before this annual event can take place and much time and labour and skill and generosity lie behind the running of such a venture. May we not regard all this as an offering to God placed upon His altar for His blessing? To Him then let us address our final word of thanks, for it is He who puts it into the heart of people to give liberally and willingly. To Him be the praise and honour!

At the moment of going to press I can give you a fairly accurate estimate of the financial results of the Sale and Fête. Gross receipts are just over £180 and expenses come to about £33. When sundry small amounts have come in I can safely say we shall clear about £150. This is very encouraging and I hope to publish a full statement in our September issue.

Yours sincerely,
W. R. POWELL.

THE CONFIRMATION

All who came to this service must have been struck by the simplicity and beauty of it. Six and a half years had passed since such a service had taken place in Teversal Church—then there were some thirty candidates, this time there were 48, and of those 18 were our own, 26 came from Skegby and Stanton Hill and 4 from Oxton. The Bishop, who had had a tiring day in connexion with the Annual Memorial Services to the fallen Sherwood Foresters, came on from Crich and spoke to the Confirmees on the Great Divide—the mountain range which commences with the Rockies and runs down through the Middle West of the United States. The rain, he said, which fell on the Western slopes went to form the rivers which flowed into the Pacific Ocean, while that which fell on the eastern side went to form the rivers which flowed into the Atlantic. The world,

he continued, was now standing on such a spot and had to choose between Christ and chaos. Those just confirmed had made their choice and he prayed that God would keep them faithful to their vow.

The following are the names of the Teversal candidates: Wilfred John Burlinson, John Clay, Gillian Mary Harpham, Sheila Haycox, Winifred Mary Heathcote, Kathleen Maude Holling, Freda Lee, Joan Ockelford, Daphne Rose Pitcher, Mary Ann Poyser, Audrey Alice Rickers, Janet Ann Rickers, Phyllis Patricia Rockley, Winifred Mary Salisbury, Betty Annie Stapleton, Gertrude May Stapleton, Valerie Norma Thompson, Joyce Ellen Ward.

SUNDRY ITEMS

—The Vicar and Rural Dean of Mansfield, the Rev. N. D. Hodd, M.A. has kindly promised to preach at our Harvest Festival Service on the third Sunday in October at 6-30 p.m.

—There will be a meeting for the Civil Defence workers and for all interested in this important subject at the Manor Room on Wednesday Aug. 20th at 6-30 p.m.

—It is hoped to take the Sunday School children to Edwinstowe on Friday August 8th, to have tea there, and to visit one or two spots associated with Robin Hood. This has been made possible through gifts from the Mothers' Union and Church of England Men's Society, to whom we would express our warmest thanks.

—The Women's Institute monthly meeting took the form of an evening excursion to Dovedale with dinner at the Peveril of the Peak Hotel. It was most successful and a thoroughly enjoyable evening was spent.

—The Youth Club made Rhyl the venue of their annual outing and with the exception of some mist and rain near the Cat and Fiddle were blest with fine weather. A very happy day was spent and the party arrived home about 11 p.m.

—There will not be a meeting of the Mothers' Union in August as the August meeting was brought forward to July 28th. September 1st will be the date of the next meeting.

WEDDINGS

July 19—Leonard Frost to Margaret Harpham.
26—William Douglas Gardiner Todd to Patricia Jane Preston.

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Dear Friends,

This year the month of September has forcibly reminded us that Autumn has come and even snow has appeared in North Wales and elsewhere. It is not however too late to have an echo of some warmer weather as St. Luke's Day is not till October 18th and very often we get a fine spell which has come to be termed "St. Luke's little summer." I am sure we shall be glad to welcome such a respite and it may charm away some of those coughs and colds which have already made their appearance amongst us.

We are holding our Harvest Festival on the third Sunday in October so as to avoid a clash with those held at Skegby and Stanton Hill. The Vicar of Mansfield, the Revd. H. Norman Hodd, has very kindly consented to preach at the evening service. There will be two celebrations of the Holy Communion—at 8 a.m. and the morning service, and I hope that many of our communicants will make a real effort to come to one or the other and partake of the Bread of Life. No more suitable occasion could be imagined for such an act than a harvest festival. There will be the usual service in the afternoon at 2-45, when children are asked to bring and present their own harvest gifts, and we hope many parents will come, too. The collections throughout the day will be for the work of the Sunday School, except that one guinea will be set aside for the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution, which cares for aged and necessitous farmers and their dependants. We shall be glad of your generous help as our Sunday School expenses come to some £20 per annum.

It will be a dark night as the 'parish lantern' won't be visible—the moon is at the new the previous day. It may also be the day when we revert to Greenwich Mean Time, so see your torches are primed. It may be possible to have the church floodlit; if so it will help to scatter the darkness and enhance the beauty of our lovely House of God.

Yours sincerely,
W. R. POWELL.

MEMORIALS IN CHURCHYARDS

The Rector has received some drastic orders about the memorials to be erected in churchyards and would advise those concerned to come and see him before they go to the stonemasons. The Chancellor of the Diocese has directed that no memorial made of marble or other foreign stone,

or of painted or polished stone, or of artificial stone shall be placed in any churchyard unless it has been authorised by the Chancellor personally. The most suitable memorials, he says, are those made of British material by British workmen and of simple design. No artificial flowers, glass shades, stone vases, loose stone slabs or marble chippings are to be placed in any churchyard without the leave of the incumbent and their use is to be discouraged. There are other regulations but these are the most drastic. A copy of them is posted up in the porch. The object of them is to preserve as far as possible the order and beauty of a churchyard.

SUNDRY ITEMS

—We would like to thank all those who contributed towards our Church collection for the Lynton and Lynmouth Disaster Fund—£11/2/0. We would also like to thank those who supported the Mothers' Union effort which brought in another £8/7/0. These amounts will make a very welcome addition to a cause which has by its tragedy touched the hearts of so many of our countrymen.

—Some very interesting lectures and demonstrations on Civil Defence have been given at the Manor Room during the past month by Mrs. Furse of Ruddington. The classes have been organised by the W.V.S. and have been for women. The attendance has been very encouraging and it is a fine thing to feel that so many of our women are willing to *give* their services for this important work. It seems dreadful to think that such services are necessary in these enlightened days, but past experience has made it clear they are. There is nothing like being prepared and had we been prepared on former occasions a great saving of life could have been effected. The Civil Defence services need many more volunteers if they are to be really effective, so give them your support.

BAPTISM

Aug. 24—Beverley Robins

WEDDINGS

Sept. 6—John George Sevens to Dorothy Vernon
20—Harry Mills to Jean Newton
22—John Charles Croft to Joan Rebecca Thompson

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Dear Friends,

I am writing this a few days after our Harvest Festival and with a very grateful heart to all those of you who helped to make the occasion such an outstanding one. The Church has rarely looked so beautiful and a special word of thanks is due to all those who so artistically arranged the flowers and harvest gifts and turned the Church into a veritable paradise—a paradise in which the singing of birds was replaced by the lovely music of organ, choir and congregation—not to omit the sweet sound of the bells.

I would like to pay a tribute to the children of the Sunday School who brought some delightfully arranged baskets of produce to the afternoon service, and to say how pleased I was to see some parents and grown-ups present. We had too a most generous offering of over £3/10/0, which must be a record for an afternoon's service.

In the evening, despite the rain, we had a full church and the Vicar of Mansfield gave us a fine and very practical address on the following words of Isaiah—"For as the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth; so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before the nations."

We are very grateful to the Urban District Council for loaning us their floodlighting equipment and to the friends who helped us with a collection of over £21.

Yours sincerely,
W. R. POWELL.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

This year Remembrance Sunday falls on Nov. 9th and we shall have another opportunity of commemorating those who gave their lives for us and of doing something for those who came through those terrible conflicts, many of them scarred or maimed for life. The British Legion is the body entrusted with the administration of Earl Haig's Poppy Day Fund and of collections made on its behalf on Remembrance Sunday. The British Legion exists to promote comradeship, to remember the Fallen, to care for the disabled, the widow and the orphan, to speak up on pensions and employment, and to continue service in peace as in war. It is the largest ex-Service organisation in the Empire and over 50,000 voluntary workers sit on its local Service Committees. We can therefore trust it with our money, so give generously for your Poppy and

also in the offerings in your place of worship on this Sunday. Our morning Service on November 9th will commence at 10-55 a.m. which will enable us to observe the Two Minutes Silence at 11 a.m. The collections throughout the day will be devoted to Earl Haig's Poppy Day Fund.

FAREWELL

It is more or less known to most of you that Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Todd will shortly be leaving the parish for their new home at Ruddington. Mr. and Mrs. Todd have been parishioners of Teversal for many years and have interested themselves in many sides of our parish life, both secular and in connection with the Church. Mr. Todd held the post of Rector's Warden for some fifteen years and both Mr. and Mrs. Todd have long been associated with our Church Council and have been most regular in their attendance at its meetings. We would like to express to them on your behalf our appreciation and gratitude for their many services and to say that Teversal Grange will seem a strange place when they have gone. We would at the same time desire to wish them every happiness in their new home and the hope that they will long be spared to enjoy many years of less strenuous labours.

SUNDRY ITEMS

—The next meeting of the Mothers' Union will be on Monday November 3rd and will be preceded by an Admission Service in the Church when several new members will be enrolled. We hope as many members as possible will be present and the service will be at 6-30 p.m. The joint service on September 29th was a very happy one and the Vicar of Sutton-in-Ashfield (Rev. W. E. A. Pugh) gave a very helpful address.

—During the past month we have had to say "farewell" to Mr. and Mrs. Cuckson of the Manor Cottage. Mr. and Mrs. Cuckson have gone to relatives near Oxford and we hope they will be very happy there. Both Mr. and Mrs. Cuckson have supported the work of the Church in a quiet and unobtrusive way.

BAPTISMS

Oct. 12—Jane Lesley Dickens.
12—Harry Clarence Head.
19—Margaret Edwards.

MARRIAGE

Oct. 26—Sidney Ernest Gibson to Margaret Colley.

DECEMBER 1952

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Dear Friends,

In my monthly letter a year ago I said the year 1952 might well be a critical one in world politics and I think you will admit the prophecy has been fulfilled. We have certainly not been plunged into a third World War, but the struggle in Korea still goes on and so does the trouble in Malaya and Indo-China. To these have to be added the events in Persia, Egypt, South Africa, and Kenya. These places may seem remote to us living in Teversal, but the world is now so closely bound up that we cannot afford to dismiss these happenings as of no concern to us. There is at least one thing we can do and that is to pray for the guidance of God to be given to all those in authority that a peaceful and just settlement may be found for all these troubles.

The past year has been marked by three major events: the passing of our beloved King, the accession of our Queen, and the election of a new President of the United States of America. The sudden death of King George VI came as a great shock to us all and we lost a leader who was greatly beloved and widely respected. The late King was certainly one of the best monarchs that has ever ruled our nation, and now that heavy burden has fallen on to the shoulders of his elder daughter. Queen Elizabeth II has already shown her worth and has already endeared herself to countless thousands. The coming year will see her Coronation and may the New Year prove both a happier one for her and for the world at large.

Yours sincerely,
W. R. POWELL.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Christmas Day falls this year on Thursday and we are once again hoping to hold our Christmas Eve Service at 11-30 p.m. on the Wednesday. It will take the form of a Holy Communion service so that communicants may receive their Christmas Communion in the early minutes of Christmas Day. We shall be pleased if non-communicants will also come to this service and join in the worship and hymns. The offering at this service and at the Christmas Day services will be given to Dr. Barnardo's Homes, a society which cares for some seven thousand unfortunate children. The services on Christmas Day will be—8 a.m. Holy Communion, 11 a.m. Mattins and Holy Communion, and there will be no evening service. May we take this opportunity of wishing our readers a very happy Christmas.

CALENDAR STAMPS

We shall be pleased to receive these or donations in place of them as soon as convenient to the good folk who help us in this way to meet part of our Parochial Quota year by year. The Quota is over £60 and last year's stamps and donations provided nearly half—£28/14/6. We are most grateful for this valuable help and we would commend this method of assisting the Church to those who find it difficult to attend regularly. Let the Calendars act as your sidesmen and put on them week by week what you would put into the bag if you were present in Church. It is astonishing how much can be secured in this way.

PARISH MAGAZINE

We are now losing money over this as the cost per annum has risen to £36/14/0 and even if everyone paid three shillings a year our income would only be £35/10/0. A good many Parish Magazines have had to go up to fourpence, but we are anxious to avoid this and if all our yearly subscribers would pay us 3/- instead of the present 2/6 it would be a great help. Do remember that unlike your newspapers you have no charge to pay for delivery. It is brought to your door by our distributors who do this work free and to whom we are most grateful for their valuable help.

SUNDRY ITEMS

—Will all those who have Missionary Boxes kindly send them to Mrs. Cook or to the Rectory as soon as possible—or they may be brought to the Church. The money has to reach C.M.S. House about the end of the month in order to be included in next year's accounts. Last year we received in them nearly £18.

—The Mothers' Union are holding a Christmas Bring and Buy Sale on Saturday December 6th at the Manor Room. It will commence at 3 p.m. and teas will be served. Will friends do their best to support this effort and so ensure it's success?

—We are very sorry to hear of Miss Hartshorne's illness and hope and pray that she may soon be restored to health.

BAPTISMS

Nov. 2—Cherry Elizabeth Wilson.
2—Howard Dale Fryer.

BURIAL

Nov. 18—Alice Taylor.