# Seagoe Parish Magazine.

MAY, 1941.

#### CLERGY:

REV. J. W. APPELBE, M.A., B.D., Seagoe Rectory. REV. W. F. HAYES, B.A., L.Th., The Bungalow, Lower Seagoe.

CHURCHWARDENS.

Rector's-ERNEST MITCHELL.

People's-DAVID ALLEN.

THE CLERGY WILL DEEM IT A FAVOUR
IF IN CASES OF SICKNESS THEY ARE
NEORMED IMMEDIATELY.

#### CALENDAR FOR MAY.

May 1st-St. Philip and St. James.

May 4th—3rd Sunday after Easter.

May 11th-4th Sunday after Easter.

May 13th—Monthly Meeting of the Mothers' Union at 7.30 p.m.

May 18th—5th Sunday after Easter.

May 19th-Rogation Day.

May 20th

May 21st "

May 22nd—Ascension Day.

May 25th-Sunday after Ascension.

## ANNUAL EASTER VESTRY MEETING.

The annual meeting of registered vestrymen and vestry women took place in Seagoe School on Thursday, April 17th, at 8 p.m.

The Rector presided and opened the meeting with prayer, after the reading of Psalm 46 by the Rev. W. F. Hayes.

There was a representative attendance of members, though it should have been greater, considering the number of parishioners, who were entitled, and were invited to be present.

The Chairman, in a brief introductory statement, remarked:—"Never in such momentous days did the Easter Vestry take place. We have seen the grim and tragic results of brutal warfare at our very doors, hundreds of the homeless are seeking shelter in our midst. In view of such heart-rending events, one might be tempted to wonder about the meaning of our meeting to-night, and ask, if what we are doing here is relevant to the terrible situation. In the light of what is taking place in the world around us, does not our meeting seem paltry and petty? To say that,

would be a gross misunderstanding. What we are about to do is not petty or unrelated to the needs and sufferings of the hour. We are about to take counsel for the temporal welfare of Christ's Church in this parish and to take steps for the carrying on of the worship of God in an orderly and fitting manner.

In the grim struggle in which we and all freedom loving peoples are engaged, it is a commonplace and widely known truth, that the final issue depends upon the morale, the spiritual staying power and resources of our people at home, just as much as on the heroism, courage and endurance of the men and women in the fighting services. Never was the Church, and what it stands for, more needed than at the present time. Though the bells in our Church towers are temporarily silent, yet their towers and spires are pointing us upward to the only true and real source of strength and By acknowledging and responding to Almighty God in public worship, we can lay hold of Divine strength which will enable us to persevere, suffer and endure, until the forces of evil and tyranny are overthrown and a new day of peace and sanity dawns. I have said enough to show that our vestry meeting is not trivial, unimportant or unrelated to the stress and strain of daily life. The services in our Churches are the power-houses, where we can recharge our souls with Divine energy, thus enabling us to face the future with confidence, "knowing that all things work together for good to them that love God."

During the past year, as a parish, we have much to be thankful for. The attendance at the Sunday Services has been well maintained. The clear and concise foreword at the beginning of the annual financial report makes it unnecessary for me to dwell upon the greatly improved state of the finances. This is surely most encouraging when we note, that in spite of adverse war conditions, the General Parish account, the New Rectory Building Fund, and the Burial Ground Account are all in a healthy condition and show a marked improvement on the previous year.

The members of the outgoing Select Vestry, in my opinion, have discharged faithfully and successfully the trust which you placed in them a year ago, and I am personally grateful to them for their interest and help. As usual, the heaviest burden has been borne by Mr. John H. Twinem, as Hon. Secretary to the W.F.O. system, who, week by week, opens and enters up the envelopes with untiring zeal and accuracy. For him it is a labour of love, which entails a toil far heavier than is sometimes realised. To Mr. Twinem the parish owes a debt of gratitude which no words of mine would adequately express or convey. He has been ably supported by the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. W. White, and the Hon. Secretary to the Select Vestry, Mr. G. Leake.

During the past year the outgoing Churchwardens have maintained the high standard in the carrying out of their duties, with which we have come to associate the holders of this office in Seagoe Parish. To them I am extremely grateful, and now I have much pleasure in announcing that Mr. Ernest Mitchell has consented to act as Rector's Churchwarden for the coming year.

The following appointments were then made:— People's Churchwarden—Mr. David Allen.

Select Vestry—Messrs. William White; John H. Twinem; George Leake; Robert M'Clements; John R. Reid; Samuel M'Cormick; Douglas Stoops; James Maginnis; Thomas Martin; John Stephens; Henry A. Cathcart; William Hutchinson.

 $\label{eq:Glebe_Wardens} \mbox{$-$ Messrs. } \mbox{$R$. } \mbox{$M$'Clements; } \mbox{$S$.} \\ \mbox{$M$'Cormick,} \mbox{}$ 

Sidesmen—Messrs. H. M. Gibson; Jas. Twinem; J. G. Gracey, J.P.; T. E. Maginnis; J. Allen; W. A. Casey; R. Scott; J. Walker; N. Campbell; Geo. Wilson; A. Kirk; C. S. A. Twinem; Thos. Stanfield; W. R. Sherman; Wm. Hewitt; J. Gee; A. Pickering; H. Ellis; W. G. Best; J. H. Wilson; S. D. Walker; Thos. Hall; Geo. Moore; W. H. Best; Wm. Neill; G. Nixon; R. M'Murray; Jos. Ward; J. M'Loughlin; D. Sherman; Holmes White; Thos. Maginnis; Gilbert Price; John Dobbin; Thos. Ryans; Harry Maxwell; Cecil Kirkpatrick; Harold Watters; Wm. Donaldson; Louis Bell; Alfred M'Loughlin; Thos. Gracey; Harold Watson.

The Chairman referred to the sad bereavement suffered by Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Gracey in the death of their son, Mr. Thos. V. Gracey, who was a sidesman and Rectory Fund collector, and a vote of sympathy was passed by all the members present standing.

A vote of thanks was passed by acclamation to Messrs. Rocke, Hall & Co., Hon. Auditors, and all the lay workers for their services, including the Choir, Sunday School Teachers, W.F.O. Distributors; Rectory Building Fund Collectors; and C.L.B. Officers.

The meeting ended with the Blessing.

#### HOLY WEEK AND EASTE/R.

The week-night Services in Holy Week were well attended considering the inclement weather. It was encouraging to see the following parochial organisations attending these services in a corporate capacity, on Monday Seagoe C.E., on Tuesday the C.L.B., and on Wednesday the Mothers' Union.

On Easter Day appropriate music was rendered and once again we congratulate Mr. Hamilton and the Choir on the high standard attained. The special Easter Anthem was "Jesus Lives," the solo portion of which was taken very effectively by Miss Montgomery at the morning and evening services. At the morning service the solo "I know that my Redeemer liveth," from Handel's Messiah, was sung by Mrs. Anderson, of Lurgan, in a manner worthy of the occasion.

#### MOTHERS' UNION.

The monthly meeting took the form of a social evening on Tuesday, April 15th, in Seagoe School, at 7.30 p.m., when there was a good attendance. After tea, the singing of a hymn and prayer, all present joined in various games, after which Mr. Louis Bell told some of his amusing stories, and Mr. Stewart M'Kinley rendered some well-known songs. We are grateful to Mr. Bell and Mr. M'Kinley, their contributions added greatly to the enjoyment of the evening.

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, May 13th, at 7.30 p.m., in Seagoe School, when it is hoped there will be a special speaker.

#### NEW RECTORY BUILDING FUND.

The Hon. Treasurer for the above gratefully acknowledges the receipt of the following subscriptions:

Mr. Joseph Stevenson, Drumgor . . £2 0 0

Mrs. David M'Kane, Ballymacrandle . . 0 10 0

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## ANNUAL C.M.S. SERMONS.

The cause of the Church Missionary Society was eloquently brought before us on Sunday, March 23rd. The preacher in the morning was Mr. J. Finlay, who deputised at very short notice for the Rev. S. P. Kerr, who had promised to come but was prevented by illness. Mr. Finlay has spent many years in India, and his message was strengthened by his practical experience in the mission field. At Evening Prayer, the Rev. Canon Jas. Bloomer, Rector of St. Mark's, Armagh, preached. As a result £6 15s was received on the following Sunday in the Lenten Self-denial Envelopes for the C.M.S. Owing to unavoidable circumstances this missionary appeal coincided with the Day of National Prayer, but after all it was a happy, though unpremeditated coincidence, for in the last resort the missionary problem and the problem of the war are essentially two aspects of one more fundamental truth, viz.—the world's need of God, or to put the same thing in other words, man's need of redemption and the vision of God and man himself which Christ alone can give.

### DISTRICT SERVICES.

Drumgor—Sunday, May 11th, at 3 p.m. Hacknahay—Sunday, May 25th, at 3.30 p.m.

### ASCENSION DAY.

There will be Holy Communion on Ascension Day, Thursday, May 22nd, at 11.30 a.m.

## SIDESMEN FOR MAY.

Morning Frayer—The Churchwardens, Messrs. Thos. Ryans, Harold Watson, Wm. White. Harold Watters.

Evening Prayer—Messrs. H. A. Cathcart, Thos. Gracey, Louis Bell, John M'Loughlin, S. D. Walker, G. Wilson.

N.B.—The names of the sidesmen for the month are printed in the Magazine, so that those concerned get due notice of their turn to act in this capacity. It is intended that each person, whose name appears in the list of sidesmen, will get the opportunity of doing so for a month in the forthcoming year. It will be done in a systematic way, but of course some months may elapse before a particular name appears. Sidesmen can assist greatly in the effective working of this plan, if they note carefully when their turn comes round.

## OBITUARY.

The whole community, and a very wide circle of friends were deeply grieved to learn of the distressing motoring accident, which caused the death of Thomas Victor Gracey. He was just in the prime of manhood, and his place in the community and in the home will be hard to fill. Alexander Guy belonged to an old Seagoe family; he had been in hospital for some time. In offering our sincere sympathy to the be-

reaved we pray that the glad message of Easter, "Christ is risen. "Death is swallowed up in victory," may bring hope and comfort in their time of sorrow.

## SEAGOE C.M.S. BOX COLLECTION, 1941-42.

Hacknahay Boxes:—		20	-	-
Miss M. Bradshaw	ક			
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Miss S. Maginnes	• •	0		$5\frac{1}{2}$
Miss R. England	,• •	0		$0^{1}_{2}$
Mrs. Stevenson	• •	0	4	0
Miss S. Wilson		0	4	1
Miss G. Magee		0	-	10
Miss D. Montgomery		0	-	6
Mrs. W. H. Currie		0	5	-
Mr. Norman Creggan		-	4	6
Mrs. George M'Neill		0		6
Miss Calvert		0	16	0
Other Boxes:—				
Mrs. E. Collins, Kernan		0		6
Mrs. G. Price, Carne		0	- 7	$10\frac{1}{2}$
Miss E. Gracey, Drumgor Lonan		0	7	-
Miss L. Dickson, Bangor		0	1/100	6
Mrs. H. H. Gibson, "Rathlin"		0	100	111/2
Mrs. Dawson, Edward St		0	4	
Miss Flannigan, Bridge St		0	1	
Mrs. Metcalf, Bachelor's Walk		0	-	
Miss Atkinson, Eden Villa		0	2	6
Miss G. E. Atkinson		0	10	0
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Miscellaneous Church Collections		_	19	
Lenten Self-denial offerings		6	15	0
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## QUARTERLY RETURN.

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#### SOUTH AMERICAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY. 1940-41

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Miss Atkinson				5	10	0
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Mrs. Best		• • • • • • • • •		0	4	6
Miss Calvert				0	8	4
Mr. & Mrs. Cathcart	.,			0	9	$3\frac{1}{2}$
Mrs. H. Forsythe				0	7	$0\frac{1}{2}$
Mr. E. Gibson				0	2	$7\frac{1}{2}$
Miss Agnes Guy				0	6	3
Mr. G. Leake				0	10	0
Mrs. Marks				0	6	10
Miss M'Combie				0	10	$0\frac{1}{2}$
Mrs. M'Dougall				0	3	1
Miss S. Montgomery				0	8	$0\frac{1}{2}$
Miss D. Montgomery	1	No return.				
Mrs. Nixon				0	4	$11\frac{1}{2}$
Miss Reid				0	10	0
Mrs. H. Sloan				0	5	$2\frac{1}{2}$
Mrs. J. Walker				0	7	$10\frac{1}{2}$
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Total from S	Seagoe		£	27	7	3

#### BAPTISM.

"Suffer little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of God."

April 6th—Thomas James, son of James and the late Margaret Hayes, 20, Sarah St., Portadown.

#### MARRIAGE.

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

March 19th—Alexander Lutton, 78, Montague Street Portadown, and Ann Isabella Roney, 4, Goban Street, Portadown.

(This notice, through a printer's error, appeared under a wrong heading in our last issue.)

BURIALS.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth, yea. saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours."

March 31st-Thomas Victor Gracey, Brookhill, Balteagh, aged 27 years. (Interred in Shankill) April 14th—Alexander Guy, "Waldene," Seagoe Upper aged 71 years.



## SERVICES—THE PARISH CHURCH.

Prayer; 3rd Sunday at 8 a.m., and on the Chief SUNDAY SCHOOLS—10.15 a.m. Edenderry Parochial Festivals.

HOLY BAPTISM-1st Sunday of each Month at 4 p.m., and during any Service in the Parish Church, Drungo notice to be given; Two Sponsors at least are required. The father and mother must be present.

Parochia Drungo and Parish Church, Drungo and Parish Churchings are held at each Baptism. Mothers are CHURCH LADS' BRIGADE in the Parochial Hall expected to bring a thankoffering. (See Book of

11.30 a.m.

EVENING PRAYER-Sundays, 7 p.m. DISTRICT SERVICES.

Hacknahay-Last Sunday of Month at 3.30 p.m. Drumgor-Second Sunday of Month at 3 p.m. Edenderry—Wednesdays at 8 p.m., Oct—Easter.

CLASSES, &c.

HOLY COMMUNION—1st Sunday after Morning BIBLE CLASS FOR MEN in Edenderry on Sundays

Hall and Seagoe School. 3 p.m. Seagoe, Edenderry Parochial Hall, Levaghery, Hacknahay, Carne, Drumgor, Bocombra.

UNION-2nd Tuesday of each month at 7.30 p.m.

on Tuesdays.

MORNING PRAYER—Sundays and Chief Festivals, GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY in Seagoe School on

Mondays at 8 p.m. as announced.

G.F.S. CANDIDATES—Oct.—Easter, Edenderry Parochial Hall, Saturdays at 3 p.m.

ENDEAVOUR SOCIETY-SEAGOE CHRISTIAN

Mondays, Orange Hall, at 8 p.m. SEAGOE P.E. SCHOOL—9.15 a.m. Principal—Mr. R. Scott.

MARRIAGES must be performed between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Licences are issued by Rev. W. J. Gransden, the Rectory, Lurgan. Due notice (48 hours) must be given to the Rector of intended weddings. FEES—By License—Labourers 5/-, Tradesmen 10/-, Merchants and Farmers £1, Professional £1. By Banns 5/-, FUNERALS will be attended by the Clergy if proper notice be given. SICK CASES should be notified to the Clergy without delay. FEES FOR CERTIFICATES—BAPTISM 3/7, Children (Factory) 1/- and 2/- (non residents); MARRIAGE 3/7. An extra Search Fee is chargeable in certain cases. It will be a help to the Clergy if they are notified of the arrival of new Church families in the Parish.

A copy of the Magazine will be sent by post to any subscriber for 3/- per annum.