Seagoe Parish Magazine.

APRIL, 1919.

EASTER, 1919.

Special Services will be held during Holy Week and Easter in the Parish Church. The week before Easter is a time of solemn remembrance of our Blessed Lord's Passion and Death. During the past four years, while the nation was enduring the agony of war, it was perhaps easier to follow in spirit the suffering which ended in Calvary. This year the thoughts associated with Holy Week must bring back to us the old lesson which we are too ready to forget that the path of grief and sacrifice is the only way to Victory and Peace. There will be present to our minds as we worship together in the Church during that sacred week the memory of those who are no longer with us and who, choosing the way of the Cross, laid down their lives that we might live. Easter Day, with its bright services, will impress upon us the true joy of Victory rightly won, the Triumph of Life over Death, of Eternity over Time.

Services during Holy Week.

Services will be held each evening during the week (except on Saturday) at 8 o'clock.

Monday, April 14th—"Gethsemane,"
Tuesday, "15th—"The Betrayal."
Wednesday, 16th—"The Last Supper."
Thursday, "17th—"The Purple Robe."

Good Friday.

11-30 a.m.—Morning Prayer, Litany and Sermon. 8 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.

Easter Day.

8 a.m.—Holy Communion.

11-30 a.m.-Morning Prayer and Holy Communion.

7 p.m.—Evening Prayer

The offerings at all services on Good Friday will be on behalf of the Jews' Society, and on Easter Day on behalf of the Parochial Sunday Schools.

Special Thanksgiving Service.

A Special Service of Thanksgiving will be held in the Parish Church on Sunday, April 6th, at 11-30 a.m. for the men who have recently returned from the front. It is right that those who have been spared to return to their homes in peace and safety should have an opportunity of publicly offering thanks to God for the mercy He has shown them. We hope all our returned soldiers will attend the service, and that many of their relatives will also be present. The men are asked to wear their badges and war ribbons. Some, if not all, of those who are present will wish to join in the chief Thanksgiving Service of the Church—the Service of Holy Communion. They will recall the time when on the eve of some advance or during recovery from wounds, or in some camp in a foreign land they knelt to receive the Bread of Life and their souls were thereby strengthened and refreshed, and now in the old church at home they will find the same opportunity of worship awaiting them.

Mission Week, 1919.

The following is a list of the names of the collectors who took part in the recent House to-House Collections for Missions, together with the amount collected by each. We are greatly obliged to all those who so kindly undertook the work of collecting.

Miss Annie Cox, Killicomaine		£0	12	6
Miss Hannah Caddell, Tarsan		0	9	5
Mrs. M. Porter, Lower Seagoe		0	13	0
Miss Lily McKerr, Upper Seagoe		0	6	10
N. Montgomery, Town		0	12	0
A. Johnston, Bridge Street				
Agnes Wilson, Lurgan Road		0	14	7
Susan Cartmill, Railway Street		0	7	11
Ena Allen, Joseph Street, &c.		0	8	11
Hettie Dickson, Drumnagoon		0	10	9
Cissie Price, Ballinacor		0	6	3
Maggie Simpson, Carne		0	7	9
Isa Best and Nellie Hamill, Bocom	bra	. 0	9	10
Ethel Ruddell, Lisniskey		0	4	3
Teresa Ramsey, Kernan		0	2	. 3
Mrs. Caddell, Kernan		0	6	0
Mr. J. G. Gracey, Drumgor, &c.		1	7	6
Miss Minnie England, Knock		0	4	0
Grace Best, Drumlisnagrilly		0	8	3
Kathleen Moore, Foundry Street		0	3	7
Eva Best, Ballyhannon		0	5	11
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Any collectors who have not yet sent in their returns are asked to do so without delay.

The "Welcome" Social.

The "Welcome" Social for our returned soldiers will be held (D,V.) on Thursday, May 1st, a week later than was announced in our last issue. We hope to inaugurate the Seagoe Roll of Honour, and have it on view that evening. Every man who has returned will receive an invitation. Further particulars will be made known in the near future,

Bible Class Social.

On Monday, March 3rd, a very pleasant social was held in Edenderry Parochial Hall, for the members of Edenderry Women's Bible Class. Miss Armstrong, who conducts the class in the Anchor Cafe every Sunday morning, had very kindly issued invitations to all the members of her class, with the result that there was a full attendance of the members. After a splendid tea, with a liberal supply of rich cakes, some musical items were given by members of the class, and then the Rector gave a short address on the subject of "Bible Study." Round games, thought reading, and other amusements followed, until the time came to break up. The Rector, on behalf of all present, thanked Miss Armstrong for her hospitality. Before separating all present joined in singing the hymn, "Sun of my Soul."

Seagoe School Concert.

On Thursday evening, April 10th, the pupils of Seagoe School will give a Concert in Edenderry Parochial Hall at 8 o'clock. A splendid programme has been arranged, and the children have been practising with great energy for it. The proceeds of the concert will go towards the School Expenses Fund. The school concerts are always a great attraction. We hope to see a large number of the parents of the children present.

C.M.S. Boxes, 1918-1919.

We publish a list of the sums contributed through the C.M.S. Boxes from many homes in the Parish.

Carne, 18s 6d.

Mrs Price, 2s; Mrs Caddell, 5s 1d; Mrs Murray, 2s 111d; Mrs Martin, 2s; Mrs Simpson, 1s; Mrs Andrew Costello, 1s; Mrs Lavery, 2s; Mrs Coulter, 1s 31d; Miss A. Robb, 1s 2d.

Drumgor, £1 6s 8d.

Mrs S. Best, 2s 1d; Miss M. Gracey, 1s 3d; Mrs Hopps, 3s 6d; Miss Lizzie Gracey, 10s 1d; Mrs W. Gracey, 1s; Mrs McMullan, 4s 7d; Miss Hannah Martin, 4s 2d,

Edenderry, £1 11s 8d.

Misses H. I. and D. Atkinson, 3s 4d; Mrs C. Magee, 1s 5d; Mr William Tedford, 1s 6d; Thomas and John Metcalf, 8s; Miss Agnes Johnston, 2s 2d; Mrs Kyle, 2s 6d; Mrs Ellis, 6d; Mrs Flannigan, 2s 3d; Mrs H. Stoops, 2s 6d; Miss G. Atkinson, 5s; Miss Atkinson, 2s 6d.

Seagoe, £1 9s 4d.

Mrs Ramsey, 2s 6d; Mrs E. Collins, 3s; James McDonald, 6d; Mr Rennix, 5s 11d: Mrs J. Best, 1s 10d; Mrs S. Porter, 1s 9d; Seagoe Morning Sunday School, 8s 3d; Seagoe Afternoon Sunday School, 5s 7d.

Hacknahay, £5 7s 9d.

Mrs Thomas Neill, 2s 7d; Mrs H. Neill, 8s; Mrs Quinn, 8s 9d; Miss C. McMurray, 2s; Miss R. Black, 6s 2d; Miss M. McCormick, 2s 4d; Miss M. England, 3s 81d; Mrs Bradshaw, 6s 10d; Miss S. Maginnis, 6s 91d; Miss Rodgers, 7d; Miss G. Best, 3s 101d: Miss A. Guy, 1s 10d; Mrs W. J. Calvert, 8s 11d : Mrs Neill, 1s; Mrs L. Wilson, 8d; Miss Devine, 10d; Miss Abraham, 3s 4½d; Miss Rebecca Calvert, £1 13s 10d; Mrs N. England, 4s 8d; Miss J. Currie, 2s 11d; Samuel Jennett, 3s 1d.

Total of Boxes—£10 18s 11d,

Seagoe War Memorial.

A large number of subscriptions have already been paid in, but some are still outstanding. Plans for the memorial have been prepared, and will in a short time be submitted to a meeting of the subscribers for their approval. Subscriptions may be sent to Mr. W. R. Atkinson, Eden Villa.

Congratulations.

We congratulate Mr. T. E. Maginnis very heartily on his distinguished success in winning the splendid Silver Challenge Cup, value 50 guineas, presented by Mr. Samuel Kelly, of Moyallon, for open competition at the Ploughing Contest at Mullahead, on February 6th. There were 22 competitors. The Match was open to all within a radius of five miles from Mullahead. Mr. Maginnis also won the first prize (£2) for the competition limited to farmers and farmers' sons. The judge, in awarding the cup to Mr. Maginnis, said he had never seen better all-round ploughing, Mr. Maginnis used the Hornsby Chill Plough, sold by Mr. George Locke (see advertisement), and the Plough was drawn by Mr. Maginnis's horses, "Charlie" and "Bob." The Kelly Cup is a beautiful specimen of the silversmith's work. It is of large size and is solid silver.

Nature Notes.

The Stars in April

Venus will be the most conspicuous object of the evening sky during April, and will be seen almost due west at 8-30 p m. in the early part of the month. Jupiter is still a very bright planet in the sky in the constellation gemini (twin bright stars.) Saturn, the belted planet is also high in the sky near the seckle of Leo. The bright star to the left of Orion (whose three stars forming the belt are very conspicuous in the south-western sky) is Sirius, the dog star, one of the brightest and yet one of the most distant stars in the sky.

Our Summer Migrants.

The swallows, corncakes, and cuckoos are now due, and we hope next month to print the names of those who are the first to hear and see them.

The Easter Vestry.

The Easter Vestry for Seagoe Parish will be held (D.V.) on Thursday in Easter week, April 24th, at 8 o'clock. A full attendance of the Registered Vestrymen of the Parish is requested. The statement of Accounts for the past year will be presented, and the new Select Vestry for 1919-20 will be elected.

Seagoe Day School.

Barometer and Thermometer Readings by the Pupils for March.

Barometer—(1) Highest Reading 29.9 ins., March 17. (2) Lowest Reading 28.7 ins., ,, 10.

(1) John Walker, (2) Hugh Costello.

Thermometer—Noon Readings (outside). March 10th.

(1) Highest Reading 62° (2) Lowest Reading 40° March 3rd.
(1) Edna Watson, (2) Willie White,

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Baptisms.

McKeown—Privately Baptized on 3rd March, 1919, Norman, son of John and Isabella McKeown, of Carne.

Marriage.

Campbell and Webb—15th March, 1919, William James Campbell, of Balteagh, to Jane Anna Webb, of Lylo.

Burials.

Kyle—5th March, Elizabeth Kyle, of Edenderry, aged 51.

Best—6th March, Sophia Best, of Edenderry, Aged 49.

Nesbitt—9th March, Alan Nesbitt, of Kernan, aged 64.

Reid—15th March, Thomas Robert Reid, of Lower Seagoe, aged 53.

Carville—18th March, Amelia Anna Carville, of Killicomaine, aged 8.

Rea—26th March, Mary Rea, of Tamnifiglasson, aged 76.

Stoops—26th March, Robert Stoops, of Belfast, aged 29.

Walker—March 29th, Mary Eliza Walker, of Lower Seagoe, aged 87.

Hardy—April 2nd, Margaret Anne Hardy, of Edenderry, aged 52.

Death of Mrs Kyle.

The death of Mrs. Kyle of Bridge Street, after a brief illness, has been a cause of much sorrow to many in the Parish, and especially in the districts of Edenderry and Levaghery, where she was especially well known. She was a universal favourite. Her bright smile and genial manner made for her hosts of friends, and her kindly sincerity made us all realise how true and deep was her friendship took a great interest in Levaghery Sunday School, and had acted for many years as Superintendent, and just before her last illness she had been arranging for the social meeting of which we give an account in this issue. She took a special interest in the Magazine and had kindly acted as local agent for its sale in Edenderry. We will all miss her greatly. Her death came so suddenly and unexpectedly, it is hard to realise that she is no longer with us. Her funeral was largely attended. The Rector and the Rev. H. G. Singleton officiated in the Church and at the graveside. A handsome wreath of natural flowers was sent from the teachers and pupils of Levaghery Sunday School as a token of their affection and esteem. We express our sincere sympathy with her relatives in the loss they have sustained by her death.

Death of Mr. Thomas R. Reid.

The Parish has during the past month sustained another serious loss in the death of Mr. Thomas Robert Reid, of Lower Seagoe. He had been in weak health since last October, but until quite recently strong hopes were entertained for his ultimate recovery. But it has been ruled otherwise, and a life that seemed to have a bright promise of future years has been cut off. Mr. Reid was deeply interested in the welfare of Seagoe Parish and Church. Following in the steps of his father, whose life was marked by a devoted attachment to the Parish, he gave readily of his time and substance to any object associated with it. He had filled the office of People's Churchwarden and had also been a member of the Select Vestry. His remains were laid to rest in Seagoe graveyard, the Rector officiating. We offer to his bereaved relatives the expression of our deep regret at the death of one so much respected and esteemed in Seagoe Parish.

Death of Mrs. Walker.

Much regret has been occasioned by the death on March 25th, of Mrs. Walker, of Seagoe Villa, at a very advanced age. She had lived in Seagoe for over sixty years, and her proximity to the church, and the Rectory, and the fact that for many years the Curates of the Parish resided at her house, had brought her into very close touch with Parochial life. loved Seagoe, and was always ready to do all in her power for the Church and Parish. known Archdeacon and Mrs. Saurin very intimately, and at one time, during the making of repairs to the Rectory, they had stayed under her roof. Always kind and genial, she carried about with her an oldworld dignity which is rare in these modern days. Until quite recently she had been in wonderful health considering her great age. The end came after a few days of weakness. She was interred in the family burying-ground in Seagoe. The Rector and the Rev. H. G. Singleton officiated at the funeral. We sympathise with Miss Walker and her relatives in their bereavement.

ITEMS.

Sickness has been very prevalent in the parish during the past months. It seems to be a kind of modified Influenza. The long list of burials in this issue is a proof of its severity.

A large number of our workers are at present unemployed, but are receiving the out-of-work pay, but they all say they would rather be working.

Summer time has led to much plot work. Spades are everywhere in use. Don't dig too hard all at once.

Our returned soldiers are gradually getting into work again.

Several parishioners have got Passports for the States and Canada, and are now on the Atlantic.

The Annual Report will be issued before Easter. It will contain the Parochial Accounts for nine months, from March 31st, 1918, to December 31st, 1918. In future, by a decision of the Select Vestry, the accounts will be closed at December 31st, of each year, instead of at Easter as formerly.

Meetings of Sunday School Teachers have been held in the Parochial Hall on Tuesdays during the past month. They have been found useful by those who attend. We invite the teachers of the parish to come to them for mutual help in the important and responsible work of Sunday School Teaching.

The church grounds look neater than we have seen them for some time past. We hope all those who have grave plots there will see that they are kept in good order.

We ask for gifts of flowers for our Easter decorations to be sent to the church on Saturday morning, April 19th (Easter Eve), at 10-30.

Some of our young Seagoe lads who had not been sent to the front during the war owing to their youth are now serving in the new army on the Rhine. It is a great experience for them.

The Rev. Alfred Murray, of Ballynary, is taking duty in a Church Army Hut in Boulogne, France.

The Rector has had a letter from the Rev. James Stuart Neill. B.D., Rector of South Manchester, U.S.A., whose father was a native of Ulster. He says "the many splendid church people you have sent us from Ireland are a credit to the Parish of Seagoe."

Private James Finlay of the U.S. Army, and of South Manchester, U.S.A., died in the service of his country last October. He was born in Edenderry in 1881.

OLD SEAGOE NOTES.

A Rector of Seagoe who became an Archbishop.—Three successive Rectors of Seagoe in the 17th century were eventually promoted to Bishoprics—they were Thomas Bayley. Bishop of Killala, who was Rector of Seagoe in 1663, Patrick Sheridan, M.A., Bishop of Cloyne, Rector of Seagoe in 1664, and Francis Marsh, D.D., Archbishop of Dublin, who was Rector of Seagoe in 1664. Thus in the space of two years, 1668—1664, there were three occupants of

the Rectory who afterwards were promoted to Francis March, D.D., who became Bishoprics. Archbishop of Dublin, was made Dean of Armagh in 1664, Bishop of Limerick, Ardfert and Aghadoe in 1667, Bishop of Kilmore and Ardagh in 1672, and Archbishop of Dublin in 1681. He was a native of Gloucestershire. It is remarkable that he was succeeded in the Archbishopric of Dublin by another and more famous Divine of the same name, Narcissus Marsh; and the two Archbishops are often confused together. Francis Marsh was Archbishop of Dublin from 1681 to 1693. He was the son-in-law of Jeremy Taylor, the distinguished Bishop of Down and Connor and Dromore, to whom he owed, possibly, the gift of the Rectory of Seagoe. It is from him that the present family of Marshs in Ireland are descended. He was educated at Cambridge University. His son, Jeremiah Marsh, became Dean of Kilmore, and was called Jeremiah after his grandfather, Jeremy Taylor. His name occurs as the purchaser of portions of the confiscated Estates of King James. II in the Report of the Record Commissioners for the year 1825.

Ecclesiastical Map of Ireland, 1792. — A resident in Portadown possesses a copy of a very fine Map of Ireland, made in the year 1792, by the Rev. D. Beaufort, a clergyman of the Church of Ireland, and a distinguished member of the Royal Irish Academy. It is dedicated to King George III, and was the first strictly accurate and scientific Map of Ireland. The copy we have seen is in good condition. The Parish of Seagoe is clearly marked, and its boundaries, conterminous with the County Down at that time. An interesting fact recorded by the map is that Seagoe is exactly in the same latitude as Danzig, the town in Northern Germany which is being so much talked about just now.

Railway Street Forty Years Ago, 1879.—The following were the Church of Ireland residents in Railway Street forty years ago, with the number of their house—1 Wm. Harland, 3 Henry Wright, 4 Wm. Costigan, 6 James Cousins, 7 Wm Gould, 10 Wm. James Watters, 12 Joseph Stevenson, 13 Wm. Lyons, 14 James Brownlee, 15 James McMahon, 16 James McKeown, 21 Wm Ferguson, 24 William Sprint, 29 John Clark.

In Watson's Lane—3 Wm. Brown, 5 Letitia Hutton, 6 George Dynes, 7 John Blair.

Archdeacon Saurin at Loughbrickland, 1823
—It is not generally known that Archdeacon Saurin was Rector of Aghaderg (Loughbrickland) for three years, 1823 to 1826, before coming to Seagoe. He was succeeded there by a kinsman of his, the Rev. Edward Richards. Archdeacon Saurin was collated Vicar of Seagoe on December 18th, 1826, and was Inducted into the living by the Rev. John Beatty on February 18th, 1827.