

Seagoe Parish Magazine.

MAY, 1913.

A Beehive Bazaar will be held (D.V.) in the Town Hall, Portadown, on Thursday, 11th December, 1913, in aid of the Purchase Fund of Seagoe Rectory.

Confirmation.

THE announcement made in our last issue that the Lord Bishop would hold a Confirmation in Seagoe Parish Church, on Sunday evening, June 8th, at 7 p.m., has drawn the attention of the Parishioners to the importance of this solemn rite. On Sunday, April 13th, the subject was referred to at all the services held in the Parish, special emphasis being laid upon the references in the New Testament to Confirmation or the Laying-on-of-Hands. Those who are interested in the subject should refer to Acts viii., 14—17, and xix., 1—6 also Heb. vi., 1—2.

It is most important that all who intend to come forward for Confirmation should clearly understand what Baptism and Confirmation imply. Classes are being held throughout the Parish with that object in view at the following centres (see Handbill)—

Edenderry Parochial Hall—

Boys - Mondays at 8 p.m.
Girls - Thursdays at 8 p.m.

Seagoe School—

Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

Hacknahay School—

Mondays at 7-30 p.m.

Drumgor Church Hall—

Wednesdays at 8 p.m.

Carne Church Hall—

Thursdays at 8 p.m.

A Special Class for Adults and for any who cannot attend the other classes will be held in Seagoe School on Sundays at 4 p.m.

No one under the age of 14 will be presented for Confirmation.

N.B.—A punctual attendance at all Sessions of each Class will be required from each Candidate. The Classes began in the week commencing April 27th.

Seven Classes will be held in each centre and the following will be the subjects considered at each class.

1. What is Confirmation?
2. The Christian Covenant.
3. Repentance.
4. Faith.
5. Prayer.
6. Holy Baptism.
7. Holy Communion.

We commend to the prayers of the people those among us who are about to be Confirmed that they may enter upon this solemn season with earnest and believing hearts and with a full determination to live a Godly and a Christian life.

The Church Army Mission.

This Mission came to a close on Wednesday, April 23rd, when Captain Lancaster and Cadet Moors held their last service in Edenderry Parochial Hall. The Mission covered a period of 4 weeks, and was held in three different centres Drumgor, Carbet, and Edenderry. In each district there were large gatherings and the stirring addresses of the speakers were listened to with close attention. The Mission was characterised by reverence of spirit and demeanour. At all the meetings the people knelt in prayer, a custom which is too often neglected by Christian worshippers. We believe that in many a heart a new interest has been kindled in spiritual things and the Gospel, simply preached, has again proved its power to save.

The Van has now gone to the Parish of Drumballyrone, on the invitation of the Rev. I. Harte.

In connection with the Mission in Edenderry, open-air meetings were held in Florence Court and James Street. A Dinner hour open-air meeting was also held for the factory workers at Messrs. Robb's Factory on the green in front of the Factory Offices. Very many of the workers joined in the service and listened with interest to the addresses.

Seagoe Day School.

The new Dental Scheme in Seagoe School is working well and has already proved of great advantage to the Children. Mr. Liddell has already examined the teeth of 43 children and has painlessly extracted 46 teeth (mostly first teeth) which were useless through decay or impeding the growth of the second or permanent teeth. Each child on payment of the sixpenny fee is presented with a Dental Chart showing the exact state of the teeth. This chart is shown to the parent and before anything is done the parent's consent is obtained. It is most important that without delay all the children should pay their sixpence, and come under the scheme. Last month a parent paid 2/- for the extraction of two of her child's teeth, under the scheme she could have saved 1/6 on that occasion alone.

South American Missionary Society.

The following sums have been received in the Parish for the above Society. The total forwarded (including Offeratories) was £11 12s. 8d.:—Lizzie Curry, 1s. 11d.; Louisa Fox, 10d.; Maud Graham, 6s. 7½d.; Mrs. M. Livingston, 8½d.; Joan Megarry, 3s. 1d.; Sarah Montgomery, 2s. 2d.; Jane Porter, 4d.; Martha Smart, 1s. 5½d. Cards—Rhoda Guy, 3s. 8d.; Sarah Martin, 2s. 6d.; Mrs. M'Cann, 3s. 1d.; Maud Dickson, 16s. 2½d.; Isobel Atkinson, £4 2s.

Church Attendance Cards.

We would remind our Sunday School Children that the Prizes for this year will be given on the results of the Church Attendance Cards. **A First Prize will be given for 200 Points and over, a Second Prize for 160 Points and over.**

Sunday School and Church Attendance Cards for quarter ending 31st March, 1913;—

Edenderry Sunday School.

1ST RANK 60-65—Sarah Walker, 65; Emma Best, 64; Mary J. Best, 64; Maggie Rainey, 64; Agnes Johnston, 63; Sarah Martin, 63; Wm. H. Best, 61; Arthur Allen, 60.

2ND RANK 55-60—Mary Best, 59; Jane Dawson, 59; David Rainey, 55;

3RD RANK 50-55—Willie Best, 54; Sarah Coulter, Edward Crawford, 52; Sam Magee, 52; William Forde, 52; Annie Cox, 52; May Hynes, 52; Annie Walker, 52; Sarah M'Crory, 52; Mollie Cox, 52; Minnie Allen, 50; Aggie Wilson, 50.

4TH RANK 45-50—Sarah Malcomson, 48; Hannah Johnston, 47; Marjorey Matchette, 47; Wm. Coulter, 45.

Seagoe Sunday School.

1ST RANK 60-65—May Best, 65; Annie Reid, 65; Mary J. Atkinson, 65; Wm. R. Holland, 65; Isabella Best, 65; Dynes Turkington, 62; Herbert Livingstone, 60.

2ND RANK 55-60—James M'Murray, 59; Fanny Dickson, 58; Tissie Quaile, 57; Annie Costello, 55.

3RD RANK 50-55—Christina Cordy, 53; Maggie Simpson, 53; Lily M'Kerr, 53; Bella M'Kerr, 53; Minnie Hara, 52; Henry Porter, 52; Caroline Magge, 51; Teresa Ramsey, 50; Sophia Webb, 50.

4TH RANK 45-50—Minnie Watson, 48; Rachel Turkington, 48; Lizzie Porter, 48; Rebecca Turkington, 48.

Sunday Evening Mission Service.

In future a short Mission Service will be held (p.v.) each Sunday Evening in Edenderry Parochial Hall at 8-30 p.m. The first Service was held on Sunday, April 27th. Hymn books will be supplied to all who attend. The Church Parochial Liturgies and Hymnals will be used. This Service is specially intended for residents in Edenderry. The services will be short and bright.

PARISH REGISTER FOR APRIL. Baptisms.

"He took them up in His arms, put His hands upon them, and blessed them."

Baptized on April 5th, 1913.

Killops—Mary Kathleen, daughter of Joseph and Florence Isabella Killops, Edenderry.

Abraham Margaret, daughter of Frederick and Elizabeth Abraham, Kilvergan.

Gracey—Margaret, daughter of Joseph Henry and Sarah Gracey, Glasgow

Gracey—Violet Ethel, daughter of Joseph Henry and Sarah Gracey, Glasgow.

Duke—Richard Henry, son of Thomas John and Frances Duke, Edenderry.

Reay—Thomas Henry, son of James and Jane Reay, Balteagh.

Reay—John, son of James and Susan Reay, Balteagh.

Hewitt—Thomas Albert, son of Thomas John and Sarah Jane Hewitt, Killycomaine.

CONDITIONAL BAPTISM.

Gracey—April 5th, Abraham, son of Samuel and Mary Gracey, Edenderry.

Marriages.

"Being of one accord, of one mind."

McCune and Lyness—April 16th, William John McCune, Mullalelish, Parish of Richhill, to Rebecca Lyness, Carne.

Robinson and Hanlon—April 29th, William Robinson, Ballymacrandle, to Ellen Hanlon, Drumgor.

Burials.

"He is risen."

Holland—April 2nd, Evelyn Kathleen Holland, Edenderry, aged 27 years.

Offeratories for April.

Sundays—Mornings	...	£1 4 7
Evenings	...	2 3 2
Week days	...	0 7 4
		£6 15 1

Seed-Time Services.

Sunday, April 27th, being Rogation Sunday (Rogation means "asking") and the day specially associated with prayer on behalf of the seed sown in the fields, all the services were arranged to emphasise that object of united prayer. The addresses, hymns, and prayers were specially directed to draw the hearts of the people to the throne of grace so that a Divine Blessing might descend on the tender blades now just appearing above the soil. We thank God at Harvest time for the gift of the Harvest and our thanks will then be more real and heartfelt if now we commend to His gracious care the seed we have sown in the fields.

ITEMS.

The date and place of the Annual Sunday School Excursion will be announced in our next issue.

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Mr. J. Macoun, late of Tamnifiglasson, and for many years resident in Belfast, has recently been ill, but is now much better. Mr. Macoun was a leading Parishioner in Seagoe in the days of Archdeacon Saurin.

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The Children of Seagoe Day School bring pretty bunches of wild flowers every day to brighten the School.

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The members of the Hacknahay G.F.S. have sent 8s. 6d. to the American Missionary Society per Miss Calvert.

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Since our Lay Reader's arrival, the Men's Bible Class in Edenderry has received a large accession of new members.

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Please remember the Mission Service every Sunday at 8-30 in Edenderry Parochial Hall.

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Mr. Joyce of Cincinnati, U.S.A., is on a visit with Mr. W. Atkinson at Eden Villa.

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May the 11th will be Whitsunday. Services will be held in the Parish Church at 8 a.m., 11-30, and 7 p.m. The Collections at the Offertory will be in aid of our Parish Day Schools (Seagoe and Hacknahay).

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Arthur Green has arrived safely at Three Rivers, Mass., U.S.A. He had a good voyage out. We hear there is no Episcopal Church at Three Rivers. It is time that the young Seagoe Churchmen there took the matter in hands and petitioned the Bishop of Massachusetts for a Church.

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A List of C.M.S Box Collectors is printed in this month's issue. We want many more collectors. Carne and Drumgor did very well this year, so our Treasurer says.

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We offer our sincere sympathy to Mr. Holland on the sad death of his wife. The Funeral was largely attended, and the Rev. G. Bloomer took part in the service.

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We congratulate the Rev. J. MacKenzie on his Ordination to the Diaconate in the American Church. Mr. Mackenzie is a native of Edenderry, and for a considerable time helped us in the Parish by conducting services on Sunday evenings in outlying districts.

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Those who are interested in the stars should look for the Constellation Cassiopeia in the Northern heavens this month. It is in shape like a wide "W" and is easily recognized.

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Are you working for the Beehive Bazaar?

Just as we go to press we have heard of the death of Mrs. Graham, of Stewart Avenue. We sympathise very sincerely with Miss Graham and the other members of the family in the sad loss they have sustained.

Nature Notes.

The Swallow, Cuckoo, and Corncrake, have now all returned to our northern clime. The Corncrake was first heard on Saturday, April 12th, by Mr. James Sheppard and Mr. Jas. Bradshaw at Levaghery. The Cuckoo after a silence of six months made her pleasant notes heard for the first time this year on Sunday, April 20th. Mr. S. Abraham, of Breagh, was the first to hear her.

The advent of these vocal migrants makes us feel that summer is nigh, but many other sights and sounds remind us of the same fact. Flower, hedge, tree, and field, all tell the same tale.

Residents in Seagoe Parish should note specially the Natural History of the marshy district along the River Bann. In old walls along the river you will find a Wagtail's nest, in the low branches of a tree overlooking the river the Moorhen makes her nest like a rush-basket, and you can count eight eggs in it. The Coot is first cousin of the Moorehen, but is distinguished by a white patch on its forehead. The Insects too which glide about on the surface of the Bann are very interesting, one is called the Water Boatman and lies on his back using his legs as oars to paddle him along, another is called the Whirligig Beetle, he glides about in circles. He has two eyes and each eye is divided into two parts with one of which he can see all that goes on above the water, and with the other all that happens beneath the surface. When he looks beneath the surface he can often see that cunning water-wolf, the Pike. Mr. Pike is always hungry and eats up the little Frogs, insects, baby Moorhens, and even young Ducks when they venture out on the river. The air now is full of Mayflies. They live only for one day, sometimes only from sunset to sunrise. In their first stage of existence they live in the water, and then when they get their wings they rise up from the water and make the air their home.

Church Missionary Society.

We publish this month a list of the Box Collections for C.M.S. and other Collections, 1912-1913.

Edenderry—Mrs. Hadden 6s 1½d; Donald Stevenson 3s; Mrs. Stoops 2s 2d; Mrs. Collins 14s; Agnes Johnston 1s 1½d; Miss Armstrong for Medical Missions £10; Mdle. Zaugg for Medical Missions £1; Miss S. Halliday 6s 9d; Miss S. Halliday's Sunday School Class, 6 months collection for Medical Missions 15s; Miss M. Cummings 1s 2d; Mrs. C. Magee 7½d; Thomas Metcalfe 9½d; William Tedford 1s; Miss I. Atkinson 3s; Miss Lizzie Simpson 2s; Mrs. Ellis 2s 5d; Mrs. Coulter 2s 2d; Mrs. W. Flannigan, 1s 3d; Mrs. Thomas Dawson 2s 9½d; Sums under 6d, 7d.

Seagoe—Miss McKeown 10½d; Mrs. J. Walker

1s 1d; Mrs. S. Porter 11d; Miss M. Porter 1s 5d; Mrs. Ramsey 2s 6d; Mrs. E. Collins 2s 6d; Mrs. Dickson 7½d; Sums under 6d, 11d.

Hacknahay—Mrs. Bradshaw 3s; Miss Rachel Black 3s 8d; Miss Minnie England 2s 8½d; Mrs. Wilson 1s 4d; Miss McCormick 1s 5d; Miss Templeton 10s 2d; Miss Sophia Wilson 1s 4d; Miss Neil 3s 1d; Mrs. Livingstone 1s; Mrs. Quinn 3s 4d; Mrs. Maginnis 6s 6d; Miss Abraham 4s 8½d; Mrs. Thos. Neill 1s 1d; Miss S. A. Guy 1s; Miss Rodgers 1s; Mr. John McDowell 1s 9d; Mr. W. J. Calvert £1 5s 7d; Mrs. N. England 4s 10d.

Carne—Mrs. Martin 2s 3d; Mrs. John Gordon 5½d; Mrs. Charles Twinem 1s 3d; Mrs. Caddell 2s 4½d; Miss Judith Gilpin 6d; Miss A. Robb 7½d; Miss E. Guy 1s 6d; Mrs. S. Coulter 2s 4d; Mrs. Murray 2s 6d; Mrs. James Simpson 3s 5d; Miss M. Holmes 2s 6d; Mrs. Graham 6½d.

Drumgor—Mrs. McMullan 5s 1d; Mrs. Quaile 1s 8½d; Mrs. Dickson 4s 9d; Mrs. Stevenson 2s; Mrs. R. Gracey 11s 3d; Miss L. Gilpin 10s 7d; Mrs. Turner 2s 2½d; Mrs. Hopps 2s; Mrs. W. Gracey 2s; Mrs. S. Best 5s 5½d; Mr. John Lavery 1s 8d; total of above collections £22 6s 5d; Boxes received late for 1911-12, 5s 2d; Proceeds from Sale of Literature 18s 7½d; Edenderry Sunday School Collections for Missions during 1912, £1 1s 9d; Collection at Meeting for Fuh-Kien Mission, 26th April, 1912, £1 12s 7d; total of above £3 18s 1½d; grand total £26 4s 6½d; Box from Mrs. George Simpson, Carne, received late 1s 0½d.

Hymns for May.

"Praise is comely."

MORNING.

4th	11th	18th	24th	31st
S. aft A.	W'sund'y	T.Sund'y	1st aft T.	2nd aft T.
205	216	225	335	327
204	215	224	341	275
367	363	583	376	378
560	605	538	425	379

EVENING.

207	221	226	381	234
208	535	461	392	276
210	236	583	136	375
330	462	463	377	22
332	492	228	19	24

The Hymns have been chosen to suit the Special Seasons of Ascensiontide, Whitsuntide, and Trinity. Many of them are also suitable for the Candidates for Confirmation. The list for Whitsunday contains two Hymns having reference to our Schools, as on that day the collections are on behalf of the Day Schools.

Old Seagoe Notes.

Townlands of Seagoe Parish in 1661.—In a volume entitled "Inquisitiones Hiberniae" (Ulster, Armagh, vol. ii., section 12) a copy of which may be consulted in the Library of Trinity College, Dublin, the names of some Seagoe Townlands are to be found but they are scarcely recognizable in their old form. We give them as they appear in the list adding in brackets their present form—Agnaha (Hacknahay) Knocknameally (Knocknamuckley); Ballynonaghy (Ballydonaghey); Dromonlisnagrellah (Drumlisnagrilly); Ballyhanaghan (Ballyhannon); Killvickvöllinall (Killicomaine?); Lenaghery (Levaghery); Carricke (Crrrickblacker). The names occur in a list of the property of Mr. Anthony Cope, an ancestor of the Copes of Drumilly. The spelling of the names differs so much from the usual form of the names, that it seems as if the English enumerators unable to understand the accent of the district jotted down what they thought was the nearest approach to the form of the name as pronounced.

Schomberg's Tower, Drumnacaney.—In the Townland of Drumnacaney there is an interesting old Tower which will well repay inspection. In the Ordinance Survey maps it is designated "Schomberg's Tower," and there is a tradition that Schomberg encamped near it on his march to the Boyne. Apparently it was originally a Windmill as it is circular in shape, and is situated on the top of a hill. Perhaps it was used in connection with the old Corn Mill now known as Blacker's Mill.

Old Seagoe Games—"Come follow me to London."—This game is very popular especially about Hacknahay end of the Parish. The rhymes are sung to a very catching tune. A ring is formed and the person in the centre chooses followers and runs in and out of the ring. The game originated in a curious May-day custom of running in and out of all the houses in a village. The persons standing round in the ring represent the houses in the village and the spaces between each person are supposed to represent the windows of the houses. Even to the present day in a town in Cornwall, Helston by name, on May-day all the inhabitants run in and out of each others houses, and the whole town is on holiday. It is called Helston "Furry."

Repair of Sexton's House, 1799.—The following note occurs in the Registers under date September 3rd, 1799.—At a meeting of Seagoe Vestry we inspected the accounts of the Rev. George Blacker for the disbursement of the last September cess of this Parish which appears to us to have been fairly laid out on the Sexton's House, Schoolhouse, and Churchyard Wall, together with twenty-seven guineas received by him from Mr. Wolsey Atkinson, Churchwarden for 1796, and there now remains in Mr. Blacker's hands £0 9s 10d, which we authorize him to expend on the Church at his Discretion.

A note at foot says—The above sum of 9s 10½ I laid out on a new Sash Window for the Schoolhouse. G. Blacker, Nov. 10, 1799.