

Seagoe Parish Magazine.

NOVEMBER, 1932.

CLERGY :

Rev. Chancellor Archer, B.D., The Rectory,
Seagoe.

Rev. W. F. Hayes, B.A., Edendale, Carrick-
Blacker Road, Edenderry, Portadown.

CHURCHWARDENS :

Rector's—Mr. Robert Scott.

People's—Mr. Isaac Dickson.

Harvest Thanksgiving Services.

The annual Harvest Thanksgiving Services were held in the Parish Church on Thursday, October 20th, and on Sunday, October 23rd. The Church was beautifully decorated with an abundance of fruit and flowers and corn. In front of the pulpit was a large loaf of bread made in the form of a sheaf of wheat. It had been baked specially by Messrs. Baines, of Belfast, and was the kind gift of Mrs. Dewar, of Lurgan. Some apples of enormous size formed part of the decorations. Beautiful roses clustered in the carving of the chancel archway. The Church was crowded at all the services. The Rev. E. A. Lyles preached on Thursday on God's particular care for His people, illustrated by the fact that He cares for and knows the sparrow's fall. The offerings were for Foreign Missions. At the Sunday Service the Rev. F. H. Kinch, Rector of Loughgall, preached at Morning Prayer, and the Rev. Canon M'Garvey in the evening. At 3.30 a largely attended Service was held for the children attending Seagoe Afternoon Service, and the Rector gave the address. The music at the Services was rendered by a large choir who had been carefully trained by our organist, Mr. T. H. Wilson. The Anthem "I will magnify Thee" was splendidly sung. The solos were taken by Mr. David Murray (tenor) and by Mr. James Courtney (bass). After the Services the flowers and fruit were distributed to necessitous and sick parishioners.

District Harvest Services.

The usual round of Harvest Thanksgiving Services have been held in the outlying districts of the parish during the past month. Drumgor held its Services on Sunday, Oct. 9th, and the following Monday. The Hall had been nicely decorated with autumn flowers and fruits. The Rector preached, and the Hymns were heartily sung. At the Monday Service the Rev. W. F. Hayes officiated and the offerings were on behalf of Foreign Missions. The Services at Levaghery were held on Oct. 16th (Sunday) and

Oct. 17th. The large schoolroom was tastefully decorated. A feature of the decorations was a pair of most neatly constructed corn stacks, which had been made and given by Mr. Short, of Levaghery. On Monday the Rev. W. G. Kerr, of St. Mark's, gave an address. Miss Selina Bradshaw conducted the musical portion of the services very efficiently. A duet was sung with much feeling by Miss Kirby and Miss Cox. At the end of the month, on Oct. 30th (Sunday) and Oct. 31st Thanksgiving Services were held at Carne. The Hall looked very bright with its decorations of fruit and flowers. There was a large gathering, both on Sunday and Monday. The Rector preached at the Sunday Service and the Rev. W. F. Hayes on the Monday. Mr. T. H. Wilson, Organist of Seagoe, conducted the music on Sunday, and Mr. David Murray at the service on Monday. The Parish Church Choir helped in the singing at both services.

Edenderry Harvest Services.

The Harvest Services in the Parochial Hall will be held (D.V.) on Sunday, November 6, at 3.30, and on Monday, Nov. 7th, at 8 p.m. We will welcome very heartily to the Service the Rev. Robert Gracey, Curate of St. Donard's Church, Belfast, and former Lay Reader in Seagoe Parish. He will preach at the 3.30 Service on Sunday in the Parochial Hall. An anthem will be sung by the choir. The offerings at this Service will be on behalf of the Parochial Hall Fund. The Services will be continued on Monday evening at 8 p.m., and the offerings will be given to Foreign Missions.

Armistice Sunday.

Sunday, Nov. 6th, will be the Sunday before Armistice Day, Nov. 11th. There will be a parade of the Seagoe Church Lads' Brigade, who will lay a wreath at the Memorial Gates and Pillars at 11.15 a.m. Parishioners are asked to be present at this short service. Morning Prayer will begin in the Parish Church at 11.30 a.m. The Rev. R. Gracey will preach at this service and also at Evening Prayer. The offerings at the Morning Service will be given to Earl Haig's Fund for the ex-Service men.

A Shooting Competition.

A shooting competition is being arranged to be held in Edenderry Parochial Hall on Friday, Nov. 25th, at 8 p.m. Valuable prizes have been offered. The proceeds will go to cover a balance of over £2 still due on the recent Sunday School Excursion.

Bocombra.

The last of our Harvest Services will be held (p.v.) in Bocombra Orange Hall (kindly lent by Bocombra L.O.L.) on Sunday, Nov. 13th, at 3.30, and on Monday, Nov. 14th, at 8 p.m. The offerings on Sunday will be on behalf of Bocombra Sunday School and on the Monday to Foreign Missions.

Seagoe Parish Almanac.

The Parish Almanac for 1933 is very bright and pretty. The central picture is "Land of our Birth, our Faith, our Pride." The other pictures are "The Glory of the Garden," and "A Child's Grace." The Almanac will be on sale during December, price Twopence, and may be had at Mr. Vance's, 21 Bridge St., Portadown, or from any of the Sunday School Superintendents.

Seagoe P.E. School.

Mr. Arthur Harvey, the Inspector of the Ministry of Education, examined Seagoe P.E. School on Tuesday, Nov. 1st. Mr. Harvey is a graduate of Oxford University and a native of Cornwall. He gave the children a very thorough examination. Before leaving he wrote in the School Record Book—"A good school with a splendid tone." This is high praise and we congratulate Mr. Scott and his assistants, Miss Reid and Miss Matchett, very heartily on the success of the School.

Seagoe Mothers' Union.

The next meeting of the Mothers' Union will be held (p.v.) on Tuesday, November 8th, in Seagoe School at 7.30 p.m. Tea will be provided for the members, and Miss Taylor will give a Health Lecture to the members. The October meeting of the Mothers' Union was largely attended. The Rector entertained the members to tea in Seagoe School. Work done by members of the Mothers' Union was on view and every article found a ready purchaser. The proceeds will go towards the Christmas Presents Fund for the poor of the Parish. Some beautiful pieces of needlework were on view. We hear that several sewing parties are about to be started in the Parish.

Death of Mr. Morrison.

We deeply regret to record the death in New York from a motor accident of Mr. James Morrison, whose family was very well known in Seagoe Parish in past years. His father, Mr. James D. Morrison, was killed in a shooting accident in Seagoe some 45 years ago. He was a member of Seagoe Select Vestry. About 20 years ago Mr. James Morrison, his son, left Ireland and settled with his mother and sister (Mrs. Ellis) at Yonkers, New York, U.S.A. Mr. Mor-

risson took a very leading part in the civic and social life of Yonkers and his death was much regretted. He was manager of the Ludlow Estate and was one of the most powerful advocates of the extension of the Hudson River Boulevard. He was also prominent in banking circles and was the owner of one of the largest garages in Yonkers. He was only 50 at his death. He was struck by the mudguard of a lorry when crossing the street and died some what suddenly just 12 hours later. The funeral service was held on October 3rd in St. John's Episcopal Church, Getty Square, and was conducted by the Rev. Oliver S. Newell. City Treasurer George Griot said of him—"With James Morrison personal ambition was non-existent. The idea of service ruled supreme. Mr. Morrison visited Seagoe about two years ago and was always greatly interested in his birth place. He was born in the house at Seagoe now occupied by Mr. T. H. Wilson. We express to Mrs. Morrison, his mother, on behalf of the people of Seagoe our sincere sympathy with her and with his sister, Mrs. Ellis, in their sad bereavement. Mrs. Morrison, who is a sister of Mr. Wilson Irwin, formerly of Carne, has never ceased to take a deep interest in Seagoe Parish and has been a regular subscriber to the Parish Magazine.

The Jumble Sale.

A successful Jumble Sale was held in the Parochial Hall on Friday, Oct. 14th, at 7.30 p.m. It was organised to pay off a debt of over £22 incurred in connection with the recent Sunday School Excursion to Bangor. The total receipts from all sources amounted to £21 3s 6d and the expenses to £1 13s 6d, leaving a nett balance of £19 10s. We thank very heartily all those who helped by gifts and subscriptions to make the sale a success. Among the sums received was a subscription of £2 from the Mothers' Union, for which we heartily thank them.

Seagoe G.F.S.

Seagoe G.F.S. will resume its weekly meetings on Monday, Nov. 21st, at 8 p.m. in Seagoe School. A punctual attendance of members is requested.

The Annual Report.

The Annual Report will be published in a few days and will be circulated among the Parishioners. It is very complete. If any error is detected please communicate with the Hon. Treas., Mr. Hugh Stoops, Killicomaine Road. If any one does not receive a copy of the Report please obtain one from the Hon. Sec., Mr. Moses Gilpin, Drumnagoun.

New Church Hall for Bocombra.

Thanks to the energy and generosity of Mr. James Twinem, of Lylo, we seem to have at last reached the possibility of a new Church Hall at Bocombra. For two years we have been holding a Sunday School in the Bocombra Orange Hall, which has been very kindly lent to us by the Lodge, but Bocombra and the surrounding townlands need a Hall of their own for general Church purposes. Up to 1904 a Sunday School was held in a building at Lylo rented by Dean Dawson, but circumstances compelled it to be closed in that year. The site of the proposed Hall is on the land of Mrs. Mecaren, who has acted with great generosity and kindness in the matter. The Vestry at their last meeting decided to buy the land out. Mr. Twinem has designed the plan of a suitable building and has headed the subscription list with a generous contribution of £50. The site is very fine and generally situated on the main road. We publish below a list of those who have kindly promised subscriptions towards the Hall. We hope everybody will help.

Mr. James Twinem, Lylo Villa	...	£50	0	0
Mr. Charles Montgomery, High St., Portadown	...	5	5	0
Miss Rebecca Calvert, Breagh	...	5	0	0
Chancellor Archer	...	5	0	0
Mrs. Wolsey R. Atkinson, Eden Villa	...	5	0	0
Mr. John Matchett, Ballyhannon House	...	5	0	0
Mr. James Sands, Killycomain Road	...	5	0	0
Mr. Robert Scott, Seagoe P.E. School	...	3	0	0
Major D. G. Shillington	...	3	0	0
Mr. Isaac Dickson, Crossmacaughley	...	3	0	0
Mr. John H. Twinem, Lylo	...	2	0	0
Mr. John J. Armstrong, Jeweller, West St., Portadown	...	2	0	0
Rev. W. F. Hayes	...	2	0	0
Miss Marguerite S. Twinem, Lylo Villa	...	2	0	0
Miss Sarah M'Dowell, Killycomain	...	2	0	0
Mr. Robt. M'Clements, Bridge St.	...	2	0	0
Mr. Hugh Stoops, Killycomain Rd.	...	2	0	0
Mr. W. Sherman, Carrickblacker Rd.	...	2	0	0
Mr. Samuel Hall, Upper Seagoe	...	2	0	0
Messrs. Collen Bros., Ltd. Portadown News"	...	2	0	0
Friend in Belfast	...	1	0	0
Messrs. Thos. Hyde & Son, Ltd.	...	1	0	0
Mr. Joseph Wilson, Lisniskey	...	1	0	0
Mrs. Richard Hoy, Lisniskey	...	1	0	0
Mr. James Vance, Edenderry	...	1	0	0
Mr. Thos. E. Maginnis, Breagh	...	1	0	0
Mr. Samuel Walker, Levaghery	...	1	0	0
Mr. W. J. White, West St., Portadown	...	1	0	0

Mr. Jas. A. Wightman, Carleton St., Portadown	...	£1	0	0
Mr. Thos. Kerr, Thomas St., Portadown	...	1	0	0
Miss Nora K. Montgomery, Edward St., Portadown	...	1	0	0
Mr. J. H. England, Bridge St.	...	1	0	0
Rev. G. H. Daunt, Grange Rectory	...	1	0	0
Mr. T. H. Wilson, Seagoe Cottage	...	1	0	0
Mr. H. J. Gracey, Bluestone P.E.S.	...	1	0	0
Mr. John Lavery, Kilvergan	...	1	0	0
Mr. James Edgar, Market St., Portadown	...	1	0	0
Mr. Moses Gilpin, Drumnagoon	...	1	0	0
Mr. Nicholas England, Ballyhannon	...	1	0	0
Miss Rodgers, Ballyhannon	...	1	0	0
Mr. Gilbert Price, Ballinacor	...	1	0	0
Mr. J. Redmond, Baltylum	...	0	10	0
Mr. Pettigrew, Gas Manager	...	0	10	0
Mr. Jack Walker, Carrickblacker Rd.	...	0	10	0
Mr. Thos. Shanks, do	...	0	10	0
Mr. A. N. Darling, do	...	0	10	0
Mr. Robert Hoy, Lisniskey	...	0	10	0
Mr. Jos. H. Ward, Upper Seagoe	...	0	10	0
Mrs. Jane Mecaren, Bocombra	...	0	10	0
Mr. J. W. Mayes, Levaghery	...	0	10	0
Mrs. A. M'Dowell, Levaghery	...	0	10	0
		£136	5	0

Regret.

We regret to record the death last month, after a long illness, of Mr. Thomas Cochrane, of the compositing staff of the "Portadown News." Mr. Cochrane had served in the Army for many years, both in the East Lancashire Regiment and in the 9th R. Irish Fusiliers. Part of his military service was in India. Mr. Cochrane was always very ready to help in the preparation of Seagoe Parish Magazine and was a skilled compositor. He was also most kind and genial in manner and will be much missed by his many friends. We express our sympathy with his relatives in their bereavement.

The Diocesan Council.

The Diocesan Synod for Down and Connor and Downmore will be held in Clarence Place Hall, Belfast, on Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 8th and 9th. It will begin with a celebration of Holy Communion in St. Anne's Cathedral at 10 a.m. Seagoe Parish sends four representatives to the Synod—Messrs. James Twinem, Thomas Martin, John G. Gracey, J.P., and Robert M'Clements. Much important business is transacted at the Synod.

Weekly Freewill Envelopes.

A very neat type of W.F. envelopes will be distributed among the Sustentation Fund subscribers for the New Year. They are made up

in compact booklets of 52. Useful advice is printed on each envelope and also a suitable text. The Edenderry envelopes will be, as usual, of a different colour from those of the rest of the Parish.

**Parish Register for October.
Baptisms.**

The following were Baptized in Seagoe Parish Church on October 1st, 1932:—

Glassey—Victor, son of William John and Rosina Glassey, of Edenderry.

Sponsors—Anna Clarke, Rosina Glassey.

Low—Mary, daughter of Alexander and Hannah Jane Low, of Edenderry.

Sponsors—Elizabeth Thornbury, Hannah Jane Low.

Gordon—Doreen, daughter of Thomas John and Anne Eliza Gordon, of Edenderry.

Sponsors—Thomas John Gordon, Anne Eliza Gordon.

Thornbury—John, son of William and Elizabeth Thornbury, of Kernan.

Sponsors—Elizabeth Thornbury, Hannah Jane Low.

Private Baptism.

Freeburn—Oct. 18th, 1932, Sarah, daughter of Edmond and Violet Freeburn, of Edenderry.

ITEMS.

A Service of Song "The Message of the Angels," is being practised by members of Seagoe Sunday School and will be performed in the near future.

Two exciting competitions in School games were held in the School playground at Seagoe last month. The Yo-yo championship was won by Eileen Jackson, Willie M'Loughlin being second. The winners of the Scotch Hop competition were, among the girls, Jean Finney, and among the boys Jim Simpson.

The total amount available for the repairs of the Church and School from the recent Bazaar is £325. Each object receives £162 10s 0d.

Steps are being taken to enclose and lay out the plot of ground beside the Churchyard which has recently been purchased.

Please remember the Shooting Competition in the Parochial Hall on Friday, Nov. 25th, at 8 p.m. Some valuable prizes will be shot for.

A Service will (p.v.) be held in Mr. Dickson's house (kindly lent) in Tamnifglasson on Thursday, November 10th, at 8 p.m. Residents in the neighbourhood are invited to attend.

Annual Subscribers

Special envelopes will shortly be distributed to the Annual Subscribers in which to place

their subscriptions. Perhaps some of those who now give an annual subscription would be inclined to join the W.F.O. scheme and get a set of envelopes for the New Year.

The Select Vestry has arranged to get temporary repairs done to the Church Tower. The stonework, which has stood the storms of more than a century, is showing signs of wear.

Old Seagoe Notes.

SEAGOE 250 YEARS AGO.

[The following interesting facts relating to the Parish of Seagoe have been copied by the Recorder from a Book published by the Society of Friends entitled "The Great Cry of Oppression," written by William Stockdale in 1783. It covers events between the years 1671 and 1681 and includes happenings, chiefly distrains for tithes for every county in Ireland. Another work of a similar kind by Fuller and Holmes covers the period from 1655 to the end of George Ist reign. The books are kept in the Friends' Meeting House in Eustace St., Dublin.]

1672—Francis Robinson had taken from him for Tithe by Daniel O'Cantelan, Tithemonger under John Jones, Priest of the Parish of Seagoe 19 loads of hey, 23 stooks of wheat, 2 stooks of rye, 20 stooks of oats and 5 stooks of barley worth £2 12s 0d.

Michael Skeife had taken from him for Tithe by George Blacker, 8 stooks of wheat worth 8 shillings.

1673—Joshua Cowley is Priest of Shankill Parish.

1675—George Walker is Priest of Kilmore Parish. [This was the father of the famous Governor of Derry.]

The servants of George Blacker took 8 stooks of wheat worth 8 shillings. George Hodgens had his apple trees broken by Blacker's servants, and they took what apples they pleased.

1676—Michael Skeife being sued at the Mannor Court by George Blacker for 8/6 tithe, the said Blacker's servants took from him a milcow worth £2 10s 0d. 9 wheel-car loads of hey were also taken and 7 kish of turfe.

1678—Michael Skeife had taken out of his barn for Tithe by the servants of George Blacker with a Replevin from Thomas Workman Seneschal of the Mannor of Corbrackagh 8 stooks of wheat and out of his field 7 stone of oats and 8 stone of barley, all worth 15s.

1678—William Brooks was Priest of the Parish of Drumcree.

1679—Thomas Smith was Tithemonger of Seagoe.

1681—Roger Webb had taken from him by Daniel O'Cantelan a Pewter Candlestick worth 9 pence.