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THE EASTER EUCHARIST.

It has been quite impossible for the Vicar to follow his usual custom of sending an individual invitation to the Holy Communion to each of those whom he has prepared for Confirmation. He therefore extends an invitation to them generally through the medium of the Magazine, in the hope that they, and indeed all those who have been confirmed, will put forth a special effort to make their Communion this Easter. The Easter Communion is the Christian's duty, and nothing can increase the obligation of what is at once a duty, but, the Easter Communion this year does possess an added significance. Never has there been a time within living memory when there was such cause for thankfulness for present mercies and for earnest prayer for future blessings, that is, for "prayer and supplication with thanksgiving."* And the New Testament word for "Thanksgiving" is "Eucharist."

* Phil. iv. 6.

OUR HEROES.

On Tuesday, March 23rd, a band consisting of members of the Southern Branch of the Worcestershire and Districts Change-Ringing Association rang a muffled peal of Stedman Triples (5040 changes) on our bells in 3hrs. 20min. Mr. J. Barnard rang the tenor. The peal, which was a very fine piece of ringing, was in memory of those who had fallen in the war, and point was given to the event by the circumstance that only on the previous day news reached Badsey of the death of Pte. W. Marshall. One of the earlier ones to enlist-almost one of the first-he had been in the trenches almost continuously since Christmas. He was wounded in the terrible fighting at Neuve Chappelle and died of his wounds a few days later at one of the Base Hospitals. May he rest in peace!

Pte. Horace Halford, of Bower's Hill, is also reported wounded, but we have no particulars.

GOOD FRIDAY AND EASTER DAY SERVICES.

BADSEY.

Good Friday :-

11, Mattins, Litany and Altar Prayers, 6.30, Evensong with Sermon.

Easter Day:-

7, 8, and mid-day, Holy Communion.

11, Mattins.

6.30, Evensong with Sermon.

WICKHAMFORD.

Good Friday :__

3, Evensong with Sermon.

Easter Day:___

9.30, Mattins.

10, Holy Communion.

Note: As there will be no Morning Service at Wickhamford on Good Priday, the Vicar hopes that all who would have attended such a service may find it convenient to attend the 11 o'clock service at Badsey.

NOTES AND NEWS.

There was a parade of the Evesham and District Volunteer Training Corps at Badsey Church on Sunday evening, March 21. About 70 members of the corps were present. The Rev. C. Guyot officiated and preached.

Mrs. Smith wishes to thank all for their kind expressions of sympathy in her sad bereavement.

The Vicar is deeply indebted to the Rural Dean and his assistant-clergy for valuable help during his illness.

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The officiating minister on Easter Day will be the Rev. M. P. Hellier, A.K.C., late of the Cathedral Church, Birmingham.

The Badsey Easter Vestry will be held in the Parish Room on Easter Tuesday, at 8 p.m., and that for Wickhamford in the Wickhamford Parish Room on Wednesday, April 7th, at 6 p.m.

All our choirmen who are serving with the Colours have had a "rise." L. Sparrow, W. Sparrow, and J. E. Knight have been made Lance-Corporals, whilst Sergt. Baylis, who is now Co. Sergt. Major, has been made a Warrant Officer.

The Vicar hopes to arrange a Memorial Service to the late Pte. W. Marshall, at an early date.

THE REGISTERS.

BADSEY .__BAPTISM.

Mar. 21.—Margaret Annie Moisey.

BADSEY .- BURIALS.

Mar. 2.—Violet May Jinks, aged 4 years.

" 12.—Elizabeth Hartwell, aged 44 years.

WICKHAMFORD. -BAPTISMS.

Mar. 7.—Iris Ellen Jelfs.

" 12.-Ronald George Hardiman.

WICKHAMFORD .- BURIAL.

Mar. 20.—Ronald George Hardiman, aged 2 months.

OFFERINGS FOR THE MONTH.

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