

# S. Oswald's Parish Magazine.

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Easter has again come and gone; and it leaves behind happy memories. The weather was glorious; the visitors more numerous than ever, probably, before; and that portion of our people which depends on visitors so much for material support will have been much gratified.—The services were well attended. Good Friday found many worshippers at the three services; and the Meditations on the Seven Words of our Lord from the Cross, given by the Rev. A. McEwen, were devoutly followed and were very touching, as were also the music and words of the metrical Litany on the same used on this occasion (No. 625 in H. A. and M.).—At the early Celebration on Easter Day there were 86 communicants; at the later one 66; in all 152. It was cheering to see so many young men, strangers, present, who during a holiday have strong temptations to set Church duties aside; but we should be still more cheered to see others of our own people recognizing their "bounden duty and service" on this day. The Church was bright with offerings of plants and flowers, in spite of the backward season.

The Easter Vestry was held on Tuesday the 16th. The out-going Churchwardens were re-elected; and so were the Sidesmen, with the addition of F. W. Simpson, Esq. It may be well here to put the names of the Sidesmen on record. They are now ten in number, viz., Messrs. John Hodgson, James Fleming, John Wilson, Jos. Cowperthwaite, Edward Wilson, Robert Hayes, John Robinson, S. A. Garside, W. Ascroft, and F. W. Simpson.

It was agreed that this year the Report and Accounts of the Rector and Churchwardens should be published at once in the *Parish Magazine*, without waiting for the School Accounts; and they will be found on the following page.

We would again remind our readers of the Confirmation to be held here on Wednesday, the 15th inst. The hour is not yet fixed, but due notice will be given in Church. Over 30 candidates, it is hoped, will be presented; and the Rector asks for the prayers of the parishioners for those who are now under preparation for the holy rite. He would gladly hear also of any adults who have omitted to be confirmed, and would put such in the way of preparing themselves. A few candidates will be presented by the Vicar of Langdale. It is well, we think, to draw the attention of sponsors to the rubric at the end of the Church Catechism: "*And every one shall have a Godfather, or a Godmother, as a witness of their Confirmation.*"

MOTHERS' TEA.—On the 18th ult., those who had been attending the Mothers' Meetings during the winter were kindly invited by Mrs. Graham to tea at Huntingstile; and they were afterwards entertained by music and singing, which they much enjoyed.

As some persons are doubtful about the times of Celebration of the Holy Communion, we think it better to give notice beforehand of these for the month:—

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| May 1. (S. Philip & S. James), at 8 a.m. | May 19. (Sunday), at 8.                                  |
| „ 5. (Sunday), at 8 a.m.                 | „ 23. (Ascension of our Lord), at 8 & 11 (after Matins). |
| „ 12. (Sunday), at 11-45.                | „ 26. (Sunday), at 11-45.                                |

## Baptism.

April 21. Bertha Hilda, daughter of William and Elizabeth Nuttall.

## Death.

April 9. Isaac Usher, Thorney How, aged 83 years.

RAINFALL AT GRASMERE: Total for April, 5.36 inches.—T. A. GREEN.

