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St Oswald's Parish Magazine.

October, 1939.

To pray is the most important thing that any of us can do at the present time. Further on there is printed an extract from an article by the Archbishop of York. But great emphasis needs to be laid on the idea of numbers of people striving through prayer to co-operate with God. We have little right to pray for victory perhaps, but we have every right and duty to pray that the issues of this war may be over-ruled to the advancement of God's Kingdom.

Extra services in our Church are being provided and it has been arranged for the Church to be darkened at night so that we may continue the Evening Services. We must learn the mind of God for our generation in order that after the war we do not again make havoc of the world. Prayer is the means of learning the will of God and therefore it is earnestly to be hoped that all of us who possibly can will come to pray together for the doing of His Will and the coming of His Kingdom. A full list of the Church Services is printed in this issue.

Sunday School has re-opened. Infants are in the Rectory Room; Seniors and juniors in the Church. Both meet at 2-30 p.m. There is plenty of room and we shall all be delighted to see new scholars — whether Grasmere children or from Newcastle or anywhere else.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING.

It is very unfortunate that the date of the Harvest Thanksgiving has to be so late. It had been arranged for October 1st but owing to the National Day of Prayer we were forced to postpone it. There has been an arrangement made with the Methodists by which we should not allow our dates to coincide: therefore in order to avoid clashing our Harvest will be on Sunday, October 15th. I know that this is very late and I feel very apologetic but hope that the difficulty in which we were placed will be understood and that we shall very heartily give thanks to God for His many mercies.

CHURCH SERVICES.

For the present the Church Services are as follows:—

SUNDAY—The Holy Communion 8-0 am. and 11-0 a.m. on the 1st and 3rd Sundays in each month.

Matins at 10-30 a.m.

Children's Sunday School 2-30 p.m.
(Infants in Rectory Room.)

Evensong 6 p.m.

WEEK-DAY SERVICES — Matins daily at 7-30 a.m. except Monday at 9-30 a.m.

Evensong daily at 6 p.m. with special intercession on Wednesdays.

The Holy Communion on Tuesday and Friday at 8 a.m.

The following is written by the Archbishop of York in the York Diocesan Leaflet printed in *The Times* on September 21st:—

The outbreak of war is in every way a challenge to our consciences. How far have we as a nation, and each of us in his own conduct and thought, been guilty of that sin which the war shows up in its horrible wickedness? We see the fault in others easily enough; how much of it is in us? The question should be in our minds as we think of God's call to us at this time. For we wish to conduct the war as crusaders for justice and freedom. Are we fit for such an enterprise?

The question is of vast importance because on the answer hangs the possibility of justice and freedom in actual fact. War brings terrible temptations to bitterness and hatred. If we yield to these, even our victory would fail to secure justice and freedom.

Therefore we must take our part in the conflict in a spirit of penitence and deep dedication. We shall be resolute and confident, not because we are righteous, but because our cause is just. And we must be very careful in our prayers to be real Christians, praying not that our

desires and hopes may be fulfilled, but that God's will may be done. We believe, indeed, that His will is for the triumph of the cause which we serve; but our prayer must be for the doing of His will whatever that may be.

MICHAELMAS AND
ALL SAINTS' TIDE.

Both these great feasts of the Church will have passed before you read the next issue of the Magazine. Michaelmas (September 29th) was a time of great joy to us at Castleford as it was the feast of the dedication of our Church. Here in Grasmere the day will not have those special claims but it should always remind us of the great necessity of worship. That is one of the greatest lacks in our modern life: so much of the spirit of wonder has vanished: "he that wonders shall live" and the idea of St. Michael and All Angels brings to us if we will let it all the wonder of another world.

Then there is on November 1st All Saints' Day with All Souls' Bay immediately following. May I quote from a letter of von Hügel written on the eve of All Saints' Day:—"Look up, look up with me to-morrow! oh, what a glorious touching Company! It is the Feast of every heroic soul, every heroic act inspired by God since man began on earth." If we consider All Saints' Day in that light we shall all wish to mark and celebrate the day. The next day is that on which we especially pray for all those departed souls whom we ourselves have known and loved, and therefore to most of us is a very sacred day which we should never forget.

IN MEMORIAM.

FANNY BALDRY.

Miss F. Baldry, who died at a nursing home at Dumfries, had spent her life in Grasmere. She was born in the old school house by the lychgate, her father being the first to teach in the new school. She was born in 1855 and was as a baby held in the arms of Wordsworth's widow. She was a regular communicant, and also used to teach the infants of the Sunday School. May her soul rest in peace.

FRANCES W. SPOONER.

A short service was held on Sat., 23rd September, when the ashes of Mrs. Spooner were laid to rest near the grave of her husband in Grasmere cemetery. From the time, about forty years ago, when her sister Mrs. Ware and the late Bishop of Barrow became the owners of How Foot. Mrs. Spooner has been a constant visitor to Grasmere and a greatly valued friend of many people here. She was a daughter of Harvey Goodwin, Bishop of Carlisle, and a devoted lover of the north country. For many years she and her husband, the late Warden of New College, Oxford, spent much time here. He often helped in the Church, by preaching or taking a part in the service; and she was invariably to be seen in her place there. The memory will be cherished of the late figure, the delicate and refined beauty of her countenance — indicative of the rare spirit within; of her wit and humour; and her definite opinions founded on common sense, high principles and steadfast faith. For those whose life has touched hers, her influence and example have made the world a better place. *Requiescat in Pace.*

MOTHERS' UNION.

There will be a meeting of the Mothers' Union in the Rectory Room at 2-30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 18th.

RAINFALL.

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