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THE PAROCHIAL MISSION.

Wednesday, July 8th, will be the next day on which we shall have special intercession for the Parochial Mission at 7-30 p.m. Frankly, though many people have come to pray for God's blessing, it has been interesting and instructive to notice how many have not come.

We cannot expect a great outpouring of the Holy Spirit of God in Grasmere unless we are really expectant and ready to co-operate and that, in fact, means we are filled with the spirit of prayer.

In the future every Sunday there will be said the Mission Prayer at the Holy Communion Services. The first letters are now in the hands of the printer and will soon be coming into your hands: each one that comes to you will be just a little more important than the one before: read them, study them, act on them.

And pray — and do not forget July 28th at 7-30 p.m.

HYMN BOOKS.

It will be seen that the Church has been furnished throughout with new copies of "Hymns Ancient and Modern." Our thanks are due to one person who gave us thirty copies: the rest have come out of different funds and out of the Churchwardens' Fund. Many are paid for out of various small and large sums of money that have been given to the Rector at different times as thank-offerings: sometimes these were acts of gratitude for recovery from illness, sometimes for the peace and quiet of Grasmere in the times of intense bombing, sometimes for spiritual benefits gained in our Church.

The hymn books include the second supplement in which there are some very fine hymns and tunes. We shall soon have, occasionally, congregational practices to learn the new tunes: sometimes we shall be surprised to find how well we know them, for we hear them so often on the wireless though sometimes not to the words in our books. Sometimes of course they will be quite new to us but it is hoped that we shall not trouble ourselves to learn any tune that is not really good. There will be several, no doubt, that Brother Charles will want us to learn for the Parochial Mission.

RUSHBEARING.

The Rushbearing will take place on Saturday, August 7th: further details will be given next month. It is hoped that the new Dean of Carlisle will be the preacher.

RAINFALL.—Rainfall in May, 7.45 inches. Rain fell on 15 days.
G. M. Simpson.

For further parochial news see 3rd page of cover.

GREAT DAYS IN JULY.

Thursday, July 22nd. St. Mary Magdelene. In the Revised Prayer Book of 1928 this Saint was given greater prominence, for which we may be thankful. Since she was one of the first witnesses to the Resurrection of our Lord she is truly of great importance.

Sunday, July 25th. St. James. The first of the Apostles to be martyred. He was killed with the sword at the orders of King Herod. He was the brother of John and the two were called the Sons of Thunder.

These two Saints can be of great encouragement to us: for Mary Magdelene is customarily supposed to have been a prostitute: therefore there is no need for any of us to think that we are not ourselves meant to become Saints: even the very worst of us can become so by the grace of God.

And St. James is suggested by his nickname to have been afflicted with a very quick and furious temper. Yet he remained constant and faithful and was martyred and his brother became the apostle of love. Under God's influence we can completely change our character and history is full of those who have done so.

THE HOLY COMMUNION.

Celebrations of the Holy Communion during this month will be as follows:—

Every Sunday at 8-0 a.m.

On July 4th, 18th and August 1st, at 11-30 a.m.

On July 11th and 25th, at 9-15 a.m.

C. M. S.

The collections in Church at all services on Sunday, July 18th. will go to the Church Missionary Society. The Rev. W. Peaston, Organising Secretary, will preach in the evening. On the following day, Monday, 19th, there will be a meeting at which Mr. Peaston will speak, at 5-15 p.m., in The Wray.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS.

May 30. £13:4:5 for the Red Cross.

June 3. Ascension Day. 19/1 for the U.M.C.A.

„ 6. £11:7:6.

„ 13. £18:12:2 for the Diocesan Quota.

„ 20. £11:5:2.

MARRIAGE.

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