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## EASTER TIDE.

This period of time between Easter and Ascension should be for all of us a time of great joy. We want to try to live again the thrill of the apostles and of the other followers of our Lord as they gradually realised that the appearances of our Lord after the Resurrection were but the outward and visible sign of His continued presence. The fact that they could not see Him at any one moment did not mean that He was not there for they never knew where or when He might appear. Such a period of excitement and happiness opens to us as we persevere in the life of prayer and communion: not always, but only rarely, do we feel the presence of God in Christ. But just because of these temporary feelings we believe and know that He is always with us even to the end of the world.

### NOTES.

The Rector would like to express his thanks to the Churchwardens and to all those who contributed for the gift of the Easter Offering.

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It is difficult in a place like Grasmere ever to make any estimates because visitors come and go: a late Easter may therefore have brought more visitors than usual but the fact remains that there were more communicants at Easter at every service than there were the year before, being a total increase of about 60.

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The Scouts suffered a disappointment: about a dozen were planning to go into camp in Easter week but the weather over the week-end proved disastrous so the camp had to be abandoned.

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So far the sung Eucharist at 9-15 a.m., which is held every other Sunday, has seemed to fill a real need: there have never been less than 20 communicants and very few of them were visitors. In the future the 9-15 service will come on the Sundays when there is no 11-30 Celebration, so people will have to look at the Magazine or on the notice board in the Church porch to see the times of the Celebrations. There is always a Celebration at 8 a.m.

This month: May 2nd, 16th and 30th at 11-30 a.m. May 9th and 23rd at 9-15 a.m.

Next month: June 6th at 9-15 a.m.

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There will be more said next month about Ascension Day: but it comes very early in the month—June 3rd—so here are the services:

Celebrations of the Holy Communion at 7, 8, and 10-30 a.m.

Mattins at 7-30 a.m. Children's Service at 9 a.m.

Evensong at 6-30 p.m.

For further parochial news see 3rd page of cover.

## THE PAROCHIAL MISSION.

The next Intercession Service for the Parochial Mission will be on Wednesday, 12th May, at 8 p.m.

If the Mission is to have all the success that we hope it must be supported by prayer, by much prayer and by the prayers of many people. It is not enough to wait for the actual moment. We are hoping for the Holy Spirit of God to act in this parish but He will only act as we co-operate: that has been God's way always. We must not leave the work of prayer to others: it is your job, your duty and your responsibility.

## IN MEMORIAM.

John Varney came to live in Grasmere at Rylands Cottage after the bombing of London had smashed his parish near the docks. He was a more or less broken man then though he occasionally took duty and was always willing to support the Church which he loved in any way. Those who got to know him well will miss deeply the musical voice, slow smile and far more the spirit that was so expressed. All will sympathise with Miss Williams, who had tended him so long and carefully.

Edward Herman Baldry whose ashes were buried on April 28th was the oldest Grasmere-born inhabitant. There will be many visitors to Grasmere who will miss him and the information that he was able to give about the locality and about the flowers and birds of Grasmere. He had been ill through old age for some months though when feeling better was still to be seen walking slowly along the road always ready for a yarn. He was one of our representatives on the Urban District Council and in many other ways one of our best-known inhabitants. He will be greatly missed and our sympathy goes out to all his family. May his soul rest in peace.

## BAPTISMS.

March 28. Michael Anthony Brett.

April 27. Nancy Gillian Lee.

„ 27. Otalia Mary Heaton Cooper.

## CHURCH COLLECTIONS.

March 28. £7 : 12 : 2          April 11. £10 : 13 : 2

April 4. £7 : 13 : 8          „ 18. £10 : 9 : 2

of these collections 18/- goes to the Additional Curates' Society.

April 23 (Good Friday). £3 : 16 : 8 Jerusalem and the East.

.. 25 (Easter Day). £70 : 12 : 9.

## RAINFALL.

Rainfall in March, 3.73 inches. Rain fell on 16 days.

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