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Rector —

Wardens — MESSRS. JOHN W. SMITH and ALBERT SMITH.

Sidesmen: GEN. SIR JAMES O'DOWDA, SIR R. E. EWBANK,
MESSRS. F. W. ARCHER, H. SMITH, P. PHEL, G. L. BORWICK,
R. HAYES, JAS. WILSON, W. THOMPSON, W. E. SHARP,
L. HOTSON, E. WILSON, E. TYSON, A. E. CARRADUE,
JACK WILSON.

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VESTRY MEETING.

The combined Vestry and Electors' Meeting was held in the Rectory Room on Wednesday, April 4th, at 6-30 p.m., pursuant to notice, the Rev. Canon Bradley presiding.

Accounts, presented by Mr. J. W. Smith, showed a credit balance in the General Fund of £96:7:7 and in the Poor Fund £20:0:7.

Thanks were expressed to the two Churchwardens for their past services. Mr. J. W. Smith and Mr. Albert Smith were then unanimously elected Rector's Warden and People's Warden respectively. Mr. J. W. Smith said he had hoped to be relieved of the office on this occasion, as 20 years had now been completed, but he was prepared to continue until the new Rector was settled.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING.

This meeting followed immediately after the Vestry Meeting, with the Rev. Canon Bradley in the chair. The meeting stood in silence for the late Mr. T. A. Thexton (several years organist) and for the late Miss C. Simpson, member of the Parochial Church Council.

The Accounts showed a credit balance of £14:10:8. Thanks were expressed to Mr. L. Hotson for kindly auditing the accounts.

Mr. J. W. Smith was re-elected Hon. Secretary to the Parochial Church Meeting, an office he has held since the commencement in 1921.

Sir James O'Dowda was re-elected Diocesan Representative for a period of 3 years.

Mr. J. Abbott and Miss D. Squance were re-appointed Ruri-Decanal Representatives.

New Parochial Church Council. The complete list is as follows: Sir James O'Dowda, Mr. J. Abbott, Miss D. Squance, Mr. J. W. Smith, Mr. Albert Smith, Lady Chance, Mrs. Rawnsley, Miss Hills, Miss H. Read, Mrs. Marston, Mrs. B. M. Smith, Miss Helen Smith, Mr. P. Peel, Mr. E. J. Wilson, Mr. W. Sharp, Mr. T. H. Telford, Mr. R. Procter.

All the Sidesmen were re-elected.

The Rural Dean then spoke of the meeting of the prospect of a new Incumbent. He stressed the need to raise the stipend further.

The Girl Guides' Sale was a great success and brought in the good sum of £25:10:0.

RAINFALL.— Rainfall in March, 4.86 inches. Rain fell on 12 days. J.A.

For further parochial news see third page of cover.

SERVICES FOR MAY.

(Pending the arrival of a new Rector.)

- May 6. Holy Communion at 8 and 11-30 a.m.
 5th Sunday after Easter Choral Communion at 9-15 a.m.
 May 10 Ascension Day. Holy Communion at 8 and 10-30 a.m.
 „ 13. 6th Sunday after Easter
 Holy Communion at 8 and 9-15 a.m.
 „ 20. Whit-Sunday Holy Communion at 7, 8, and 11-30 a.m.
 Choral Communion at 9-15 a.m.
 Collections on Whit-Sunday for Quota.
 „ 27. Trinity Sunday Holy Communion at 8 a.m.
 Choral Communion at 9-15 a.m.

The 9-15 a.m. Celebration of Holy Communion will be discontinued, unless announced in Church.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS.

March 18.	£ 4	5	5	Church Expenses.
„ 25 (Palm Sunday).	4	8	11	„ „
„ 30 (Good Friday).	3	16	0	Jerusalem & East Mission.
April 1 (Easter Day).	23	10	11	for incoming Rector.
„ 8.	7	3	8	Church Expenses.
„ 15.	13	8	0	for incoming Rector.
	10	1	7	Church Expenses.

BAPTISMS.

- April 1. Carole Elizabeth Wilson. April 1. Mavis Wilson.
 „ 1. June Margaret Sams. „ 20. Richard Stewart
 „ 1. John Malcolm Crossley. Turner.

IN MEMORIAM.

In Miss Catherine Simpson, whose funeral took place on April 2nd, St. Oswald's Church has lost a devout and regular worshipper of many years standing. Miss Simpson had found many ways of usefulness in the Parish. For many years she took a leading part in the Sunday School. She was a member of the Parochial Church Council and for a time of the Ruri-Decanal Conference. For some years she trained the local choir that competed at the Westmorland Musical Festival, and up to the end of her life was the efficient secretary of the Parish Nursing Association. Her life was an example of quiet and faithful service. R.I.P.

Mrs. Sommerfelt who passed away at Lyme Regis will be greatly missed by the Women's Institute, and more especially by Mrs. Nichols with whom she had resided for the last four years.

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