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Christmas

The Rector sends his best wishes for a very happy Christmas to all readers of the Magazine, and would draw attention to the following arrangements which are being made at Church.

The Church will be decorated on Christmas Eve (Saturday, 24th December) from 9-30 a.m., and gifts of suitable evergreens will be a help, especially if they can be brought early. Evensong will be said on Christmas Eve at 6 p.m. and the Crib dedicated; children are specially welcome at this service, which lasts about twenty minutes.

On Christmas Day, Sunday, 25th December, there will be Celebrations of the Holy Communion at 7 a.m., 8 a.m. and 11-30 a.m. Matins and Sermon as usual at 10-30 a.m., Evensong (said) at 6 p.m.

On St. Stephen's Day, St. John The Evangelist's Day, and The Innocents' Day (26th to 28th December) there will be Holy Communion at 10-30 a.m.

On Wednesday evening 28th December, there will be a Carol Service in Church at 6 p.m. It is being planned on the lines of that which was held last year—the traditional Carol Service of Nine Lessons and Carols—but this year it is hoped to make it a combined Church and School service, and the children of Grasmere School will take a full share. It is very much hoped that parents of school children, as well as Parishioners in general, will try to be present. The service has had to be put on a week-day, since, with Christmas Day falling on a Sunday, it was felt that there is no appropriate Sunday evening available.

There will be no Sunday School on Christmas Day, but the Sunday School will meet again on 1st January, and on 8th January there will be a Special Children's Epiphany-tide Service in Church at 2-30 p.m.

On the Festival of the Epiphany itself (Friday, 6th January) there will, as usual, be Celebrations of the Holy Communion both at 8 o'clock and at 10-30 a.m.

MOTHERS' UNION

The monthly meeting will be held in the Rectory Rooms at 2-30 p.m. on Wednesday, 14th December. The speaker will be Rear-Admiral Scott. Each member can invite a friend, and a Bring and Buy Sale will be held after the meeting.

SCHOOL CONCERT

The School Concert will be given in the New Hall on 15th December at 7 p.m. Items will be given by all sections of the School and it is hoped that as many parents and friends as possible will be able to come.

BAPTISMS

30th October.—Euphan Mary Preston.

20th November.—Joan Ann Martin.

MARRIAGE

15th November.—Gerald Slee and Esther Mary Crapper.

BURIAL

4th November.—James Roscoe Gibson, aged 42 years.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS

Oct. 30.	—£6 1s. 3d.	Church Expenses.
Nov. 6.	—17s. 11d.	Ex-Services Welfare Society.
„ 6.	—£6 0s. 5d.	Earl Haig Fund.
„ 6.	—£4 12s.	Church Expenses.
„ 13.	—£3 19s. 10d.	Church Expenses.
„ 20.	—£4 4s. 9d.	Church Expenses.
„ 27.	—£4 10s. 7d.	Church Expenses.

SCOUTS

The Senior Scout Patrol is now meeting regularly, as part of the troop meeting, at the Little Cafe where Mr. Glover is helping them study astronomy. It is hoped that this senior section will grow into a flourishing part of the troop as boys pass into it at the age of 15.

The Cubs and Akela are very grateful to Colonel Osmaston for his frequent help and continued interest in the Cubs.

Some of the Scouts are hoping to spend some week-ends this month at Great Tower camp site, looking after themselves and doing woodcraft.

The Troop's Christmas Party will be held in the School on Thursday, 22nd December, at 7 p.m. Parents and friends are invited.

CHRISTMAS PARTY.

It is proposed to hold the Children's Party on Saturday, January 7th in the Grasmere Hall, 3-30 to 6-0 p.m. All children under 14 in Grasmere will be welcome. **Admission by Ticket only.** Names of Children other than those attending Grasmere School, should be sent immediately to Mr Hildrew, School House. Donations towards expenses will be gratefully received and should be sent to Miss Campbell. It is hoped that those who have given their services in the past will again help. Offers of assistance should be made to Mrs Mowbray, Stockdale.

RAINFALL

Rain fell in Grasmere on 22 days during October. A total of 12.78 inches was recorded.

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