

# BERE REGIS & WINTERBORNE KINGSTON

FEBRUARY, 1918.



*Signed Heath*  
Bere Regis Church

## BERE. Sunday Services. KINGSTON.

Holy Communion ... .. 8.0  
 Also on the Great Festivals at 7.0 & 11.0  
 Choral—on the First Sunday of the  
 month at 11.0  
 Mattins (except the First Sunday in  
 the month) at 11.0.  
 Children's Service or Sunday School 2.30  
 Evensong ... .. 6.0

Holy Communion | 1st Sun. at Midday.  
 | 3rd Sun. at 8 a.m.  
 Mattins ... .. 11 a.m.  
 Children's Service, 2nd Sun. at 3 p.m.  
 Evensong ... .. 6 p.m.

### Saints' Days.

Holy Communion ... .. 7.0

### Week Days.

Mattins ... .. 8.50

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## CHURCH CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY, 1918.

- Feb. 2—Purification of B.V.M.  
,, 3—Sexagesima.  
,, 10—Quinquagesima.  
,, 13—Ash Wednesday.  
,, 17—1st Sunday in Lent.  
,, 24—2nd Sunday in Lent,  
(S. Matthias, A. & M.)

### MR. BERE'S LETTER.

My dear Friends,

My failure to write a New Year's Greeting in last month's Magazine was due to my being in doubt: I did not know whether the Bishop wished me to come back at the end of my second year, or whether I was to stay on at my present job. So I could neither say "I hope to be with you again soon," nor could I say "I am sorry that I shall have to stay where I am." Needless to say I do not want to stay in France, we have all of us had more than enough of it, but having come out to share the exile from home with the others, I do not feel it quite the thing to use a liberty, which is denied to the rest. This means that I am going to sign on for another year. I trust that you will agree with me that this is the right course, and it has also the advantage of enabling Mrs. Bere to continue the work, which she has taken up, in the N. Z. Hospital and Club on Salisbury Plain. Mr. Bennett has, I am glad to say, consented to stay on at the Vicarage, and I feel sure that those who are so kindly seeing to the Schools—both Sunday School and Day Schools—and to other matters will continue their good work. Let us hope that the war will come to an end this year: of one thing there is no question, and that is that our troops are just as determined to see the business through to a successful finish, as they were the day on which war started. If the Germans expect to break the spirit of the British, as they appear to do, they make a great mistake, and the sooner they realize their mistake the better for them, and for us. War besides being a horrible and ghastly business, is a dull and monotonous business also, so keep up your letters to the boys out here. A Christmas card, a small present or a letter from a friend at home is the best of tonics, and every time

you send either you are helping the allies to win the war.

Yours sincerely,  
M. A. BERE.

### LENT.

The Season of Lent falls earlier than usual this year—but, early or late, it comes to us with the same important message, and calls us all, under the very shadow of the Cross, to a deepening of our spiritual life. The appeal of Lent, introduced by Ash Wednesday, is an appeal to our *sense of sin*, by directing us to contemplate the awful *effects* of sin as seen in the events which led up to the Sacrifice upon Calvary. Each recurring Season of Lent, therefore, is intended to bring with renewed force to the Christian mind, (1) the disastrous character of human sin, (2) God's own method for counteracting the effects of it, and (3) our own share in getting rid of it.

May the Lenten Season, with the special opportunity it affords us, be blessed to each one of our souls, and may it see us very *earnest* about our religion, and then shall we be best prepared with renewed hearts to keep the Festival of glad Eastertide! "By Thy Cross and Passion, Good Lord deliver us."

### ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES.

- 7-30—Holy Communion.  
Mid-day—Litany and Intercessions.  
4-15—Children's Service.  
7.0—Evensong and Sermon.

### SPECIAL LENTEN SERVICES.

Wednesdays, at Mid-day; Litany and Intercessions.

Fridays, at 7 p.m., (beginning February 22nd); Lenten Devotions and Intercessions.

### SUBJECTS OF LENTEN SERMONS.

A course of Addresses will (p.v.) be given on the first five Sunday *mornings* in Lent on the subject of "Prayer."

Lent I.—"Introductory."

Lent II.—"Why should we pray"?

Lent III.—"When should we pray"?

Lent IV.—"What should we pray about"?

Lent V.—"How should we pray"?

The subject of the Sunday *Evening* Sermons will be "Our Christian Warfare."

Lent VI.—Is "Palm Sunday"

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# Winterborne Kingston.

The New Year with its hopes of brighter days in store for us has come and gone, and by the time that the magazine reaches your hands we shall be thinking of Lent and its many solemn lessons. Let this season of penitence and prayer, now so close at hand, raise our thoughts to higher things and let us all endeavour, by strictly looking into our own hearts and consciences, to make this Lent a real help to us in our warfare, against our besetting sins and failings. In this way alone can we hope to enter truly, into the joys of Easter.

Meanwhile the terrible war still goes on, and there can be no doubt that there are very stern and difficult times ahead, times in which the nation will be severely tested, and we shall need all our strength and nerve, if we are "to win through" to the end. So let us never forget to offer up our earnest prayers and intercessions to God, that out of this great fiery furnace of trouble, through which we are passing, we may come forth tried and purified even as the pure "gold from the Refiner's Fire."

## THE CONFIRMATION.

The Confirmation will take place at Blandford Parish Church on Sunday Evening, March 10th, and I hope to begin the classes at once.

## BERE REGIS NOTES—continued.

### THE DAY OF NATIONAL PRAYER.

Sunday, January 6th—the Feast of the Epiphany—was observed throughout the whole land as a Day of National Prayer in this time of War. Our own services were in keeping with the occasion, and were well attended. It has been remarked that "In all quarters, whether in London or the great towns, or in the quiet rural parts the day was more widely and strictly observed than on any previous occasion since the present terrible struggle between the nations began, and the evidence is unmistakable that the public, that is to say, the general public which sits all too loosely to Church-going as a rule of faith, did in *this* instance make its acknowledgement of the Divine Ruler of the Universe, and in prayer and thanksgiving, if not exactly in penitence, bowed the knee before the Throne of Grace." Indeed those who—"not lawfully hindered"—absented themselves from this day's united prayer, apart from the fact that they showed

I shall be glad therefore, if the names of all those who wish to be confirmed this year, may be given to me without delay. Boys' Class at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays. Girls' Class at 4 p.m. on Tuesdays.

## ASH WEDNESDAY AND LENT.

On Ash Wednesday there will be Morning Prayer and Communion Service at 11 a.m., and Evening Service with address at 7 p.m. On Thursday Evenings, commencing on February 21st, there will be the usual Lenten services with address at 7 p.m.

DENIS MOORE CANN.

## OFFERTORIES.

	s.	d.
Dec. 30th—M. ....	1	4
E. ....	3	7
Jan. 6th—M. ....	3	6
E. ....	6	6
Jan. 13th—E. ....	7	2
Jan. 20th—E. ....	8	1

## BAPTISMS.

Jan. 6th.—Lilias Nellie Bunch.

## MARRIAGE.

Jan. 1st.—Arthur Charles Warner and Gertrude Maiden.

disloyalty to the King's spiritual demand, must have felt very *out of it*, to say the least of it, in refraining from uniting with their fellow-countrymen in this solemn supplication to Almighty God for the success of our arms and for the "true and righteous peace" which we all long to see "Established." If we will not *pray* for this, what right have we to *expect* it?

Inasmuch as our prayers are earnest and continuous, and our Cause *really* committed to God, we may look for the time when all this madness of war shall at length give place to a spirit of true brotherhood among the nations. But we must "*go on our knees*" for this.

The Collections on this Day were for "the British Red Cross and Order of St. John," and amounted, in Bere Regis Church, to £5 12s. 9d. The following letter of acknowledgement was received by me from the Chairman of the Joint Finance Committee—

"Dear Sir,

I am desired by Lord Lansdowne to acknowledge the receipt of the generous contribution to our Fund which you kindly send

on behalf of your congregation.

I enclose a formal receipt, and beg that you will accept the grateful thanks of the British Red Cross Society and the Order of St. John. I should be glad if you would be good enough to convey our thanks to all who have taken part in making this gift, as far as that is possible, assuring them that their kindness will greatly assist us in the services we are seeking to render to our sick and wounded.

Yours faithfully,

ROBERT. A. HUDSON.  
Chairman of the  
Joint Finance Committee."

### THE FOOD SHORTAGE.

We are all feeling the strain of the present shortage of food. But we shall all bear this as cheerfully as possible, especially when we consider the hardships our fighting-men are enduring for us, and all the misery (from which we have been mercifully spared), which the war has brought to other lands. Our share in this is a very small one, comparatively, and we shall all wish to bear it as willingly as possible.

Mrs. Hallam, Head Mistress of the Girls' School, who has spent some days in Dorchester studying War-time Economy in Cooking, has been giving useful demonstrations on this subject to many in this parish, and has some valuable hints to give to all those whom this pressing matter concerns.

### ORGAN RECITAL.

Another excellent Organ Recital was given by Lance-Corporal Archard at the close of the Service on Sunday Evening, January 20th. The following pieces were artistically interpreted :—

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|-----------------------------|----------------|
| 1. Tocatta in D. Minor      | Bach           |
| 2. Barcarolle               | Hoffman        |
| 3. Solemn Melody            | Walford Davies |
| 4. (a) Ase's Death          | Peer Gynt      |
| (b) Solveig's Song          | Suite Greig    |
| 5. Prelude in C sharp minor | Vodorinski     |
| 6. Largo in D flat          | Dvorak         |

### BAPTISM.

Jan. 20. Norah May Barnes.

### OFFERTORIES.

	£	s.	d.
Jan. 6. Epiphany	11.0	3	10 6
	6.0	2	2 3
Jan. 20. Epiphany II.	8.0	2	0
Jan. 27. Septuagesima.	8.0	2	0