

PLUCKLEY PARISH NOTES

The Rev. David Morgan M.A. Rector

Mr S.H.Field Churchwardens .  
Mr F.V.Weeks (

Verger Mr W.H.Jennings, Forge Hill, Pluckley.

The Church Restoration and Improvement Fund. A sum of 7/1 received from St.Nicholas Sunday School during the last month makes the total of this Fund £880.15.0.

The Archbishops' Thankoffering fund, Target £285. We are very thankful to report that the Sale held on Saturday 6th December was most successful and realised the excellent sum of £85,17.9, and after the deduction of a small amount for expenses, enabled us to send £44.18.4 to the Secretary of the Archbishops' Fund., and to the great joy of all of us, we have now achieved our target, and not only this but have acquired the splendid sum of £39.12.5 for our own Church Funds, This is, indeed, a magnificent effort, and we extend our warmest thanks to all those - and they are too many to mention individually - who so willingly, readily and efficiently contributed in any way towards this happy result. We are especially indebted to Mrs. Winter, who so very kindly and charmingly opened the sale, Below we give a statement of the Sale.

<u>RECEIPTS</u>		<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Taken at Door	2 8. 0	Printing	14. 6
Mrs Small'a cake stall	16.15. 6	Use of Hall	<b>12. 5</b>
Produce Stall	10.10. 0	The Archbishops'	
Toy Stall	10. 7. 2	Fund	44,18. 4
The bath Game	3. 1	Pariah Funda	30,12, 6
Games	3.11.10		
Teas	3. 0. 2		
Mrs. Winters stall	£26,17.6		
Blouse Rafle	2.19.6		
Cigarette do.	2.10.0		
Grocery do	2.10.0		
Clock	1.15.0		
Cushion	<u>10.0</u>		
Donation			
Mrs Quinn	1. 0. 0		
Mrs Evenden	10. 0		
Miss Porter	10. 0		
	£85.17. 9		£85,17, 9

St Mary's Free Well Offering The offerings most thankfully received last month amounted to £1.4.0. Collected by Mrs. Winder 17/- and by Mrs Pentecost 7/-.

1939-45 War Memorial, The attendance at the Meeting called by the Rector on December 15th to discuss this matter was most disappointing

In fact, it was so small, that it was felt no decision could be made at so unrepresentative a meeting, Another Meeting will be called by Mr Highwood, Chairman of the Parish Council, at a future date to be announced later. We hope that this Meeting will be more successful, Mrs Quin's Presentation. We were denied the pleasure of making our presentation to Mrs QaTn at the Womens' Institute Christmas Party on December 10th, as much to the regret of all of us who was unfortunately prevented from attending owing to ill-health. An Electric Clock and a cheque for £19.17.0 have now been sent to her, and we feel sure that the sincerest wishes of all of us go with them for restored health to Mrs Quin and for many years of happiness to Captain and Mrs Quin in their new home at Bearsted, Contributions were made by the various organizations as follows:-

Parochial Church Council and friends	£7. 8. 0
Nursing Association	6. 5. 0
Womens' Institute	7, 10, 0
G.P.3,	10, 0
Mothers' Union	6.10. 6
	£28, 3, 6

Christmas Day Services. It was a great joy to see such a wonderful congregation at the Morning Service. The number of communicants showed a welcome increase on recent years. The Church had been beautifully decorated, and we extend our heartiest thanks to those who assisted with the decoration, and to all who so very kindly sent flowers and evergreens, The collections, For the Sick & Needy Fund, amounted to the excellent sum of £9.9.4. This is the best collection ever on a Christmas Day at the Parish Church, and is most gratifying,

The Mothers' Union held their Christmas Party at the G.F.S, Hut on Wednesday 17th December, when the Members though not very numerous enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon.

The G.F.S.Candidates held their Christmas Party at the Hut on Saturday 20th December, After various Gamos came an excellent tea. After tea, came more games, concluding with a pretty little play given most charmingly by some of the Members, We extend to Miss Cooke our warmest thanks for arranging this most enjoyable entertainment.

On Friday the 19th December the Pluckley Branch of the British Legion entertained our Children in the School and did it with a most astonishing prodigality. It was a wonderful entertainment with a marvellous tea, We are greatly indebted to them for giving so much pleasure to so many.

The Death of Robert Woodgate Small. The sad news of the tragically sudden death of Robert Small came as a great shock to all of us.

He had served the Church in this Parish for many years as a most faithful and efficient Secretary to the Parochial Church Council, and as a

Sidesman. He had also rendered us full service to our Village life in many ways notably as librarian of the School Library. He will be sadly missed. We pray that his soul may find peace, and we sympathise most sincerely with his sorrowing relatives in their bereavement.

BURIAL

December 10th 1947. Robert Woodgate Small 48 years.

SERVICES FOR JANUARY 1948

CHURCH

January 4th	ii	Sunday after Christmas	8 & 12 Holy Communion 11 Morning Service 6.30 Evening Service.
do	6th	Epiphany	8 Holy Communion.
do	11th	i Sunday after Epiphany	8 Holy Communion 11 Morning Service.
do	18th	ii do	11 Morning Service 12 Holy Communion. 6.30 Evening Service.
do	25th	Soptuagosima	8 Holy Communion 11 Morning Service

ST MARY'S CHURCH

January 11th	6.30	Evening Service
do 25th	6.50	Evening Service.

Tho Rev, David Morgan M,A. Hector.

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THE CHURCH RESTORATION & IMPROVEMENT FUND. A further contribution of .5/9 was received from the S.Nicholas 'Sunday S chool last month and the total is now £881.0.9.

St MARY'S FREEWILL OFFERING. The amount contributed during the last year was £16.16.1. We are most grateful to Mrs Winder and Mrs Pentecost for their invaluable help in collecting the offerings month by month, and to all our kind friends for their generous support. This source of income is greatly appreciated as it helps us enormously to meet our current expenses.

BACON'S CHARITY. On New Year's Day the Rector and Mr Field had the pleasure of 'distributing this charity, by which is provided a guinea for six of the oldest married couples, and a guinea for each of the six oldest widows in the Parish of Pluckley.

CAROL SERVICES. Most excellent Carol Services had been provided by Mr Field for the Sunday evening before Christmas, at the Parish Church, and for the evening after at St Mary's Church, and they were beautifully rendered by the specially augmented Choir, and we venturo to think greatly enjoyed by thoso who attended. It is a great pity however, that these services wore not nearly so well attended as they deserved to be. The collections for St Dunstan's amounted to £4.0.6.

GIFT OF CANDLSSTICKS. We have the greatest pleasure in acknowledging the gift of a pair of very handsome oak candlesticks presented as a thankofforing by Mrs Mitchell for use in tho Sanctuary at the Parish Church. They greatly enhance the beauty of the furnishing of the Sanctuary, and we are most grateful to Mrs Mitchell for this generous gift,

MRS QUIN'S PRESENTATION. We feel sure that the following letter received from Mrs Quin will be of great interest to very many of her Pluckley friends: viz

Kya  
Manor Rise  
Bearsted Kent  
• 22nd December 1947.

"Dear Mr Morgan

I simply do not know how to thank my many good friends  
"in Pluckley for their wonderful gifts to me. I am just  
"overwhelmed by so much kindness.

It was a big wrench to leave the Village which has  
been our home for sixteen happy years, but you have given

"me something which I shall treasure all my life, and  
"which will constantly remind my husband and myself how  
"fortunate we were to make so many good friends among you.  
"The friendships we found were more than enough reward for  
"anything we did.

We were so sorry it was not possible to join in your  
"Christmas festivities this year, but when I am well again  
"I hope to thank you all in person, for the really lively  
'clock and its inscription, and the most generous cheque,  
    Meanwhilo I do send my heartfelt thanks and love to  
"you all.

Very sincerely yours  
Winifred Quin.

MOTHERS<sub>1</sub> UNION We regret to say that so far we have been unable

to find anyone who will undertake to act as Enrolling Member in  
the place of Mrs Quin, and as a conoqoq uonco, at any rate for the  
time being, the activities of our Plucclclcy Branch must most  
reluctantly be suspended. This is a sad step to take, and we can  
only hope that before long a Leader will be found, and the normal  
functions of this excellent organisation be resumed;

LENTEN SERVICES During the Lenten Season, which begins on  
Ash Wednesday, February 11th, there will be a weekly celebration  
of the Holy Communion on Thursdays (except the first) at 8 a.m.  
at the Parish Church. Also a short Lenten Service on Wednesday  
afternoons at 3.p.m. when a course of addresses will bo given  
by Col. Leakey. We hope that as many as possible will make a real  
effort to attend these services.

MR EDWARD MAYLAM. It is with deep regret that we record the death  
of Mr Edward Maylam, which took place at Orpington on January  
16th. He was buried in Pluckloy Churchyard on January 20th at the  
advanced age of 87. Mr Maylam was a member of an old and very  
highly respected Pluckley family of that name and was a most  
devoted son of the Church. We pray that he may rest in peace,  
and extend our warmest sympathy to the Misses Maylam and family  
in their bereavement.

BURIAL Edward Maylam 87 years.

<u>PARISH CHURCH</u>		<u>SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY</u>
Feb 1	Sexagesima Sunday	Holy Communion 8 & 12. Morning Service 11 Evening Service 6.30
8	Quinquago3ima Do	Holy Communion 8. Morning Sorvioo 11.
11	Ash Wednesday	Holy Communion 8. Morning Sorvicc 11 Children's Servicc 11.30. Evening Service 6.30.
15	i_ Sunday in Lent	Morning servico 11. Holy Communion 12 Evening Servioe 6.30.
18	Wednesday	Lentern Sorvice 3 Preachcr Col. Leakey.
19	Thursday	Holy Communion 8.

PARISH CHURCH SERVICES FOR, FEBRUARY CONTINUED

Feb 22	ii	Sunday in Lent	Holy Communion 8 Morning Service 11
25		Wednesday	Lentern Service 3. Preacher Col Leakey.
26		Thursday	Holy Communion 8
29	<u>iii</u>	Sunday in Lent	Holy Communion 8 Morning service 11 Evening Service 6.30

St MARY'S CHURCH

Feb 8 and 22. Evening Service 6.30.

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Price One Penny

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The Church Restoration & Improvement Fund A sum of 3/11 was received from St. Nicholas Sunday School, and the total amount contributed up to date is now £881,5,0, To this must be added a further sum of £98 received in respect of insurance to cover cost of War Damage to the Organ thus making a grand total of £979.5.8. It will, we are sure, be of interest to our readers to know how this amount stands at the moment. Allready a sum of £254,5,2 has been spent as follows:-

Advertisements	5. 5. 9
Cheque book	5. 0
Postage	5. 0
Organ Repairs	154. 8. 0
do electric blower	56. 2.11
Clock repairs	10.10. 0
Oil Stove	3.10, 0
Auto Electric Co	1. 6. 6
Material for ropairing hassocks	1.12. 0
	254. 5. 2
Balance in hand	745. 0. 6
	£979 5. 8

Of this balance £500 stands to our Credit in the Post Office Savings Bank; £243.16,4 at Lloyds Bank; and £1.4,2 in hand. It is estimated that about £400 will be absorbed by the rather heavy responsibility of repairing the bells, whenever this work can be undertaken.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting was held at the G.F.S.Hut on Wednesday February 25th and there was a very good attendance. As is our oustom the proceedings took the form of business and pleasure. Our new Treasurer Capt Cooke presented the accounts of tho Parish Church and St Mary's Church. Both these accounts we are happy to say showed the substantial balances in hand of £85.10.4 and £85.7.6 respectively. The Rector's accounts, too, all shewed credit balances as follows:- Sick & Needy Fund £18.18.1. Sunday School Account 15/10, Offertories Account £25.9.4, The following lay representatives were re-elected to the Parochial Church Council:- Capt and Mrs T.R.G.Cooke, Mrs Dickons, Mrs Formby, Miss Hogbin, Mrs Taylor, Miss D. Taylor, Miss Wood and Mrs Winder and there were olected:- Mrs Field, Col Leakey and Capt Poulson. There are also the ex-officeo Members including the two Churchwardens; Mr C.Dickens the representative to the Diocosan Conference and Messrs C.Dickens, A.T.Black and W.H.Jennings the representatives to the Rural Decanal Conference. The following Sidesmen were re-elected:- Mr A,T.Black, Capt Cooke, Mr C.Dickens, General Dodd, Capt Poulson and Mr J.Wood. The Electoral Roll was revised, end a discussion on Church matters of general interest followed: then there was an interval for light refreshments. The proceedings concluding with a most enjoyable entertainment most kindly arranged by Mr Field in which the following provided us with a very pleasant programme, namely; Mrs Small, Miss C. Field, Mr Jennings, Mr Field and Members of the Choir.

Easter Vestry We would remind our readers that the combined Meeting of the Easter Vestry and the Adjourned Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held in the Vestry on TUESDAY 30th MARCH at 7 p.m.

St. Mary's Freewill offering. The amount collected during the last month was £1.3.0 for which we are very grateful (Mrs Winder 17/-, Mrs Pentecost 6/

The Church Missionary Society The Rector wishes to remind box holders that he hopes to collect their contributions during the month of March,

Baptism January 25. Anthony Robert Shrubsole.

Marriage February 7. William Woodcock and Madelain Nora Rachel Catey

On EASTER DAY there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at the Parish Church at 7, 8 and 12. Morning Service 11 and Evening Service at 6.30. It is hoped that a large number of communicants will make a special effort to make their communion on this joyful Festival of the Resurrection.

#### SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK

##### Parish Church

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. 6.30 Evening Service  
Wednesday 3 p.m. Lenten Service. Preacher  
Col Leakey.  
Maundy Thursday 8 a.m. Holy Communion  
6.30 p.m. Preparation for Easter  
Communion.  
Good Friday 11 a.m. Morning Service.  
6.30 p.m. Evening Service

##### Pariah Church

#### SERVICES FOR MARCH

March 3 Wednesday, 3 p.m. Lenten Service Preacher - Col Leakey.  
4 Thursday 8 a.m. Holy Communion  
7 IV Sunday in Lent. - 8 a.m. 12 noon. Holy Communion  
11 a.m. Morning Service.  
10 Wednesday 3 p.m. Lenten Service. Preacher - Col Leakey  
11 Thursday 8 a.m. Holy Communion.  
14 V Sunday in Lent. 8 a.m. Holy Communion  
11 a.m. Morning Service  
6.30 p.m. Evening Service  
17 Wednesday 3 p.m. Lenten Service Preacher - Col Leakey  
18 Thursday 8 a.m. Holy Communion.  
21. Palm Sunday 11 a.m. Morning Service  
12 Noon. Holy Communion  
Holy Week Services - See above -  
28 Easter Day - See above -

##### St Mary's Church

March 7th and 21st, Evening Service 6.30 p.m.  
April 4th Sunday after Easter. 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion.



April 1948.

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THE CHURCH RESTORATION AND IMPROVEMENT FUND A sum of 3/3 was received from St. Nicholas Sunday School during last month, and the total amount now contributed is £881.8.3.

CONFIRMATION A Confirmation Service will be held on Whit Sunday at Charing Heath at 3 p.m. The Rector will be glad to receive the names of those who would like to take advantage of this opportunity to be confirmed as soon as possible. Preparation Classes will be started at the Rectory on Wednesday 7th April at 7.p.m.

CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY The amount collected for the year ended 31st March and sent to Headquarters was £15.3.6 made up as under:-

			£	s	d.
Church Collections				6.	13. 3
Collecting Boxes	Mr Wood	1 1	£1.	7. 1	
	Under 10/~	.	2	1. 2.	3. 8. 3
Donations	The Rector	.	.2.	0. 0	
	Miss Ellis	.	12.0		
	Miss K.Wood		10.0	3. 2. 0	
				£13.	3. 6

We regret to say that this amount shows a decrease compared with the preceding years, owing to the fact that we have lost some of our more generous subscribers and also to the fact that the number of those taking collecting boxes has sadly diminished. This is most unfortunate at a time when the need for our support is greater than ever. We quote from a C.M.S. Report "The Churches Overseas are facing all the colossal odds of a chaotic post-war world; the passing away of old standards and values, economic and political problems, and the steady encroachment of secular materialism - if their influence is to spread they will need our help". We would plead, therefore, for your help by taking a collecting box for this most deserving cause.  
THE NEED IS MOST URGENT.

MOTHERS' UNION The Diocesan Festival Service will be held in Canterbury Cathedral on TUESDAY MAY 4th at 3.p.m. when the Preacher will be The Archbishop of Canterbury. Unfortunately only FIVE tickets are available for Members of our Branch and this limited number of Members wishing to attend the Service are asked to get into touch with Miss Hugesson who is very kindly making the necessary arrangements.

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The Church Restoration and Improvement Fund. A contribution of 10/9 received during the last month from St. Nicholas Sunday School brings the total to £882.2.0

Easter In accordance with what has now become established as a general custom the Churchwardens decided that the Collections on Easter Day should be given to the Rector, This amounted to £12.5.9 and the Rector wishes to thank them for this pleasing gesture, and, also, to thank all those who gave so generously to this Easter Gift.

Churchwardens At the combined Meeting of the Easter Vestry and adjourned Parish Church Meeting held in the Vestry on Tuesday in Easter Week the Rector re-elected Mr S.H.Field as his Warden and Mr F.V.Weeks was unanimously elected People's Warden for the ensuing year.

Parochial Church Council Officers. At a Meeting of the Parochial Church Council held in the "School on Friday 13th April Mr S.H.Field was elected as Vice Chairman and Captain T.R.G.Cooke was elected Secretary and Treasurer.

A Confirmation Service will be held at Charing Heath on Whit-Sunday at 5.p.m. Candidates to be presented from this Parish are now under preparation and we would ask you for your prayers on their behalf.

St Mary's Freewill Offerings amounting to the sum of £1.4.0 were received with many thanks during the last month (Mrs Winder 17/6 and Mrs Pentecost 6/6.

Lambeth Conference In last month's Diocesan Notes the Archbishop drew our attention to the Lambeth Conference, when, after an interval of eighteen years, some 500 Bishops of the Anglican Communion will meet for Conference in July next. In this connection a Lambeth week-end has been arranged when a team of Bishops, possibly four in number, will pay a visit to our Diocese. This will be from Friday May 28th to Monday May 31st. You may like to know that the following services have been arranged for the Saturday in Canterbury Cathedral. Youth Service at 5.p.m. Evening Service 5.50 p.m. and at Maidstone Parish Church at 5.p.m. on Sunday. Bishops from Overseas will address those services.

Laymens Fund for Clergy Stipends A Fund has been initiated by the Lay Members of the Diocesan Conference to assist in bringing the stipends of incumbents up to a minimum of £500 per annum. The Parochial Church Council have agreed to a suggestion from the Chairman of the Fund that the Church Collections on Trinity Sunday should be devoted to this purpose. It had also been suggested that, where possible, Churchwardens or other lay people should speak to the congregations on this subject on this occasion. We are very glad to announce that Mr Field has very kindly consented to give the address at the Morning Service at the Parish Church on Trinity Sunday - May 25rd.

Church of England Children's Society (Formerly Waifs & Strays). Miss Winter has very kindly undertaken to organise a Flag Day in Pluckley on Saturday May 8th. We would ask for your generous support for this most deserving cause.

Empire Youth Sunday This will be observed on Sunday May 9th at the Evening Service at the Parish Church the address will be given by Col Leakey, and the service will be of a special character. We would especially welcome all young people to join us in this service.

Rogation Sunday or Farm Sunday falls on Sunday 2nd May. This Sunday should have a real significance to all country folk, and we invite you to come and join us in praying for God's Blessing upon the fruit and crops of the earth.

Hymn Community Singing We are deeply perturbed at the sad falling off in our Evening Congregations at the Parish Church and in the hope therefore that it might stimulate interest, and lead to an increase in the number of worshippers the Parochial Church Council have decided to preface the Service with a short period of community Hymn singing from 6.15 to 6.30. This experiment will start on Sunday May 9th.

#### BAPTISMS

March 28	Michael Foreman
April 3	Elizabeth Ann Louise Talbot
April 11	Basil William Smith
do	Jeremy John Smith.

#### MARRIAGE

'April IV Harry Edwards and John (Joan) Edith Luckhurst.

#### PARISH CHURCH

#### SERVICES for MAY

May 2	Rogation Sunday	Holy Communion 8 & 12 Morning service
6	Ascension Day	Holy Communion 8. Evening Service 6.30
9	Sunday after Ascension	Holy Communion 8. Morning Service 11 Evening Service 6.30
16	Whit Sunday	Holy Communion 7, 8. and 12 Morning Service 11. (Confirmation Service Charing Heath at 3.p.m.)
23	Trinity Sunday	Morning' Service 11. Holy Communion 12 Evening Service 6,30
30	Sunday after Trinity	Holy Communion 8. Morning Service 11.

#### St MARY'S CHURCH

May 2, 16. 30	Evening Service at 6.30
23	Holy Communion 9.50 a.m.

'The Church Restoration and Improvement Fund A contribution of 4/~ was received during the last month from St Nicholas Sunday S chool. The total now is £882,6,8.

Confirmation At a Confirmation Service held at Charing Heath on Whit-Sunday the Bishop of Dover confirmed the following from this Parish:- Margaret Elizabeth Shrubsole, Pearl Daisy Stevenson, Kate Rose Campbell, Ronald John Evans, Derek Gore, Rebert Alfred Gore, Victor Hubert Leonard Kilby and Douglas Kemsley Page. We would ask for your prayers that grace may be given to them that they may continue faithful unto the end,

St Mary's Freewill Offerings amounting to 19/- were gratefully received during the last month, (Mrs Winder 13/-; Mrs Pentecost 6/-).

Lambeth Conference, This is much in our minds just now. What is the Lambeth Conference? Briefly it is a family-gathering of the Bishops of our Anglican Church called to Lambeth Palace by the Archbishop of Canterbury so that the whole Church may reach a common mind on the problems which confront it. It is not a parliament and it makes no laws but what the Bishops decide has a greet influence in every corner of the Communion. It first met in 1867 end has met normally every ten years since, How much the Anglican Communion has grown will be seen by the number of Bishops who attended the first in. 1867 which was 76 compareod with 307 on the last occasion in 1930. The Anglican Church has today over 300 dioceses; it contains great National and regional Churches - Canada, the U.S.A., South Africa, Japan, China; and so on, Tho same services are said and sung in many tongues, communicants are of every colour and race, there are hundreds of clergy of nationality as wide apart as the Esquimo and the Maori (to aay nothing of the variety of its Bishops). And so they come, Bishops of the world-wido Anglican Church to Lambeth in this year of 1948. They come to pray and to discuss the many problems of our time. They come to bring greetings and to tell of great epportunitios for new advance, of dire need and poverty, and of strong opposition - but also of great courage and faith in the hearts of our follow Anglicans Overseas,

BAPTISMS

May 16. Whit-Sundoy John Mundolus Chapman.  
Christine Joyce Dunater  
Vivien Margaret Butcher

BURIALS

April 30th Alfred Dungate 90 years  
May 10th George Frederlck Miles 37 years  
May 15th George William Beale 77 years.

It is with deep regret that vwe record the foregoing burials and we extend to all the sorrowing relatives our most sincere sympathy in their sad bereavement.

Parish Church Scrvices for June

June 6th ii Sun after Trinity. Holy Communion 8 & 12  
Morning Sorvice 11 Evening 6:30

June 13th III Sun after Trinity. Holy Communion 8  
Morning Service 11

June 20th IV Sun after Trinity Morning Service 11  
Holy Communion 12  
Evening Service 6.30

June 27th V Sun after Trinity Holy Communion 8  
Morning Service 11

St Mary'a Church

June 13th and 27th. Evening Service 6.30 p.m.

June 20th Holy Communion 9.30 a.m.

Miss [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]

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St Mary's3 Freewill Offerings gratefully received during the last month amounted to 19/-. (Mrs Winder 13/-, Mrs Pentecost 6/-).

Womens' Thanksffering Fund. This is a Fund raised in tho Diocese for Moral Welfare Work, and we are glad to report that a sum of £1.9.0 has been sent from this Parish. The collection was organiosd by Mrs Field to whom we extend our warmest thanks. We understand that the total presented from the Diocese at a Service at the Cathedral amounted to **£1,000.**

We are glad to announce a visit to our Parish from Miss R. Watkins, the Diocesan Organising Socraticy of the Church of England Zenana Missionary Society, Miss Watkins is an old friend whose visits are always greatly appreciated. She will preach on behalf of tho C.E.Z. M.S. on Sunday July 4th at the Morning Service, and we hope, also at the Evening Service. Both services will be held at the Parish Church. Please come and welcome her by your presence

Sunday School Treat for both our Sunday Schools was held in tho Rectory Garden on Saturday June 19th, Tho weather fortunately remained fine and the children were able "to enjoy games and rarcas in the garden. A most oxcellent tea was provided in the Hut. Wehave pleasure in thanking many kind friends for their most welcome gifts of strawberries, cakes, milk and other good things.

The Lambeth Conference begins with a Reception and Service at Cantorbury Cathedral on July 1st, The Conference will continue throughout July closing with a Service in Westminster Abbey on August 8th. More than 300 Bishops from all over the World belonging to the Anglican Communion will meet to discuss the great theme "God in His World and in His Church" and its various **implications.** It is well to remind ourselves of the great part our Church has played as a missionary agent in the world. She has passod on to other countries what she herself has received and she has become the Mother Church of the Anglian Communion, whose Bishops are coming to the Lambeth Conference. Moreover Missionary endeavour has always characterized the ages when tho faith has been most firmly held and has helped to preserve and deepen it. welook back to the Eighteenth Century and rightly regard it as the tlmewhen the Christian Faith was most firmly held in England. This was the time too, which saw the foundation of our earllest and greatest Missionary Societies, the S.P.G., S.P.C.K, and C.M.S. The Church of England would have become decadent and incapable of winning and holding even those at home, if she had not heard and answered the call from Overseas. The interest we take in missionary enterprise is a sure test of the reality of our religion. Let us all pray at this time that the Bishops may bo guided by the Holy Spirit in all there deliberations.

Marriage

June 19th William James Bishopp and Susanna Martha Gehring.

Burial

May 28th, Clara Goldourgh 81 years.

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We pray that she may find poace and we extend our sincere sympathy to  
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Parish Church                      Services for July

July 4th	vi	Sunday	after	trinity.	Holy Communion 8 and 12
					Morning Service 11
					Evening Service 6.30
" 11th	vii	do	do		Holy Communion 8
					Morning Service 11
" 18th	viii	do	do		Morning Service 11
					Holy Communion 12
					Evening Service 6.30
" 25th	ix	do	do		Holy Communion 8
					Morning Service 11

St Mary's Church.

July 11 and 25th,	Evening Service 6,30
It8	Holy Communion 9,50



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The Church Restoration and Improvement Fund, A contribution of 6/3 received from St Nicholas Sunday School during the last month makes the total now; £882.19.9.

St Mary's Freewill Offering Fund, Offerings very kindly made to this Fund during the last month amounted to 19/- (Mrs Winder 12/6 and Mrs Pentecost 6/6).

Mothers' Union, We are very glad to announce that Mrs Field has very kindly consented to act as the Enrolling Member of our Branch, and we wish her every success in her undertaking. It will be a pleasure to many of our Members to know that the activities of our Branch will be resumed. The first Meeting will be held at the G.F.S.Hut on September 15th at 2.30 p.m. and the Speakers will be Mrs Gilham and Mrs Giles.

Women's Offering. Mrs Fisher writes "I am sure that those on your Parish who have once more helped on the work of Moral Welfare by their Gifts through the Womens' Offering will be glad to know that the total received up to date is £1,017. This result is most encouraging to all who are engaged in Moral Welfare Work. Your Parish's Share this year was £1.9.0 and I should like to thank (through you) all who contributed to it, the organisers, collectors and subscribers. This whole effort of the Womens' Offering has brought in many thousands of new sympathisers and supporters for the work which in past generations was supported only by a very few people; and this new support and interest has given to the workers a sense of strength and encouragement in their somewhat lonely and often difficult work. Again on behalf of them all, and of the girls whom they help, I say thank you.'

Yours sincerely

Rosamond Fisher

St Mary's Sunday School. It is with pleasure to be able to state that Mrs Sydenham has very kindly consented to act as Superintendent of this School. We are indeed most grateful to her for undertaking this important work. We would also like to extend our warmest thanks to Mrs Wall and Mrs Egerton for their kind help since the retirement of Miss Morris.

The Rector will be away on holiday from August 4th to September 1st and during his absence the Revd Bertram Russell, Rector of Newbury will be in charge of the Parish.

Marriage

June 26th Richard Millas and Margaret Buss.

Burial

July 22nd. William Maylam - 84 years.

It is with deep regret that we record the death of the before mentioned, and we extend to their sorrowing relatives our most sincere sympathy in their bereavement. Mr William Maylam who had only survived his Brother Edward by a few months was a member of a well known. and greatly respected Pluckley family. He had farmed extensively in Pluckley for many years. He was a prominent Churchman and had the office of churchwarden for several years.

SERVICES FOR AUGUST.

Parish Church

August 1st	x	Sunday after Trinity.	8 & 12 Holy Communion 11 Morning Service 6.30 Evening Service. 8 Holy Communion.
8th	xi	do do	11 Morning Service
15th	xli	do do	11 Morning Service 12 Holy Communion 6.30 Evening Service. 8 Holy Communion
22nd	xiii	do do	<b>11</b> Morning Service 8 Holy Communion
29th	xlvi	do do	11 Morning Service 6.30 Evening Service

St Mary's Church

August 8th and 12th Evening Service 6.30 p.m.  
 15th Holy Communion 9.30 a.m.

PLUCKLEY PARISH NOTES

The Revd David Morgan H.A. Rector

Mr S.H.Field Churchwardens.  
Mr F.V.Weeks

Verger: Mr W.H. Jennings, Forge Hill, Pluckley.

The Church Restoration and-Improvement Fund. The sum of 7/11 was received from St.Nicholas Sunday School during the last month.

St Mary's Free Will Offerings received during the month of July amounted to 17/- (Mrs Winder 11/- and Mrs Pentecost 6/-),

Mothers' Union. The Meeting announced in last months Notes to be held on 15th September has been postponed and will now be held on 27th October at 2.50 pm in the G.F.S.Hut, The Speaker will be Mrs Gilham,

Graveyard extension space for burials in our Churchyard has almost become exhausted, and it has become necessary to extend the Churchyard. a piece of land adjoining has already been procured for this purpose. However, before the new extension can be used it must be fenced generally prepared and consecrated in order to cover the cost involved the Parochial Church Council have arranged to hold a Sale in the Parish Hall on Saturday 4th December, and we hope it may be well supported.

The Revd Bertram Russall writes the following charmingly appreciative letter of Pluckley and its people, viz:-

"My dear Rector

You have kindly given to me the opportunity of recording my impressions of Pluckley - and what shall I say?

"For peaceful homes and healthful days"

Again and again the last fortnight I have found myself humming these lines because they seem to express so perfectly the atmosphere of this truly English village; this village with its Beeches, Elms and Oaks, with its uniformly shaped windows, and, most important of all with its friendly and charming people. I like to picture Pluckley (I wish I knew the derivation of its uncommon name) Church as the Mother of the Weald, and Egerton's Tower as the Weald's Father. Both stand on superb sites with their family at their feet: ancient, benign and abiding - these Churches are surely the guardians of the Weald.

It seems quite fitting that they should have suffered when their land was ravaged by enemy aircraft; for them to have remained

untouched at such a time would have separated them from their suffering, hurrassed children, but now Pluckey scars are another link with the life and death of her family. What a pity there isn't another Dering to write another Chapter of History in the St Nicholas Chapel: does their ghost come I wonder and wander. amid the old old yews of the Churchyard; and does he ride a ghostly invicta?

Back to earth and to 1948. There is a great work to be done, the Church must be fully restored, the Bells must call again, the Weald must know that Pluckley St Nicholas is standing firm against all evil and her children - be they 8 or 80 years old matters not - must come into her courts with gladness, for dad is calling and shall this generation be deaf.

And so goodbye and many grateful thanks for kindly nod and friendly word: when I get back to Town streets I shall still bear in mind the buss of 'innumerable bees in emmemreable elms' which word3 belong so truly to friendly Pluckloy - and I'm still humming "For peacefull homes and healthful days"

Yours happily and gratefully Bertram Russell

Parish Church SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER

Sept. 5th	xv	Sunday	. after Trinity.	8 & 12. Holy Communion
12th	xvi	do	do	11. Morning Service. 8 Holy Communion 11 Morning Service 6, 30 Evening Service.
19th	xvii	do	do	11 Morning Service 12 Holy Communion.
26th	xviii	do	do	8 Holy Communion 11 Morning Service 6, 30 Evening Service

St Mary's Church.

Sept 5th and 19th 6, 50 Evening Service.  
Sept 18th 9.30 Holy Communion.

Notice of the Harvest Festival Service will be given later.

The REVD. David Morgan M.A. Rector  
 Mr S. H. Field ( Churchwardens  
 Mr F.V. Weeks (

Verger:- Mr W.H.Jennings, Forge Hill, Pluokley.

THE CHURCH RESTORATION & IMPROVEMENT FUND, The total amount collected to date is £883.7.8. To this must be added the sum of £15,14.0 being the interest to date on the Post Office Savings Account and also a further sum of £98 in respect of War Damage to the Organ making a grand total of £997.1.3.

ST MARY'S FREE WILL OFFERING, during the Month of August, for which we are most grateful, amounted to 16/7. (Mrs Winder 11/1, Mrs Pentecost 5/6.)

MOTHERS' UNION. A quiet afternoon for Members of the East Charing Deanery will be held in Kennington Parish Church on Wednesday October 13th at 2.45 p.m. The Conductor will be the Rev.E. C.Lewis, Vicar of Kennington. Will all Members wishing to attend kindly send in their names to Mrs Field by October 6th. There will be a Meeting of the Pluckley Branch at the G.F.S.Hut on Wednesday, 27th October at 2.30 p.m. The Speaker will be Mrs Gilham of Willesborough.

PIARVEST FESTIVAL. The Harvest Festival will be continued at St Mary's Church on Sunday 3rd October. The evening Service will be at 6.30 pm. and the Rector will be the Preacher. The Collection will be for the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution and the Parish Quota. The Fruit and vegetables will afterwards be sent to the Willesborough Hospital.

BATTLE OF BRITAIN SUNDAY. We are glad to state that the collections on this Sunday for the R.A.F.Benevolent Fund amounted to £4.

A Sale in aid of the Churchyard Extension will be held on Saturday December 4th in the Parish Hall. Further particulars will be announced later.

THE PARISH CHURCH ALTAR FLOWERS. Ladies who had very kindly undertaken responsibility for the care of the Altar during the month of October (at the Parish Church) are Mrs Soale, Mrs Samuelson and Miss Hogben. Unfortunately both Mrs Seale and Mrs Samuelson have left Pluckley, at any rate for the time being. We would, therefore, be grateful if two ladies would very kindly volunteer to take their place during this month.

ST MARY'S CHURCH ALTAR FLOWERS. October & November - Mrs Winder.

MARRIAGE August 28th. Cyril Frederick Allchin and Evelyn Burbridge.

BURIALS August 24th. Harriett Emily Willcock 84 years.  
 Sept 11th. Charles Henry Marchant. 72 years.

It is with deep regret that we record the death of two Pluckley residents. Harriett Emily Willcock was one of our oldest Parishioners and had been in failing health for some time. Charles Henry Marchant had worked at Sheerland Farm for more than half a century and had earned the respect and esteem of all with whom he came into contact. We pray that their souls may rest in peace and extend to their sorrowing relatives our heart felt sympathy in their bereavement,

PARISH CHURCH

SERVICES FOR OCTOBER

Oct 3rd xix	Sunday	after	Trinity.	8 & 12 Holy Communion 11 Morning Service.
10th xx	do	do		8 Holy Communion. 11 Morning Service 6.30 Evening Service.
17th xxi	do	do		11 Morning Service. 12 Holy Communion. a nrrm.nmri. 1], Morning Service

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THE CHURCH RESTORATION & IMPROVEMENT FUND. A sum of 7/2 was received during last month from St, Nicholas Sunday School and "Anonymous 2/- "making the total amount contributed £883.16.10.

St MARY'S FREEWILL OFFERINGS. The offerings last month we are thankful to report amounted to £2.7.2 made up as follows:- Collected by Mrs Winder 11/2 by Mrs Pentecost 6/- , other offerings £1.10.0.

HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICES. The Harvest Festival Services held at the Parish Church on the 30th September and at St Mary\*s Church on the following Sunday were fairly well attended with the exception of the Evening Servioe at the Parish Church when the congregation was disappointingly small. Both Churches had been most charmingly decorated, and we are extremely grateful to all those who so generously sent gifts of flowers, fruit and vegetables; and, also, to those who so very kindly and efficiently assisted with the decoration., The Collections which were for the Agricultural Benevolent Institution and the Parish Quota amounted to £10.1.7 (Parish Church £8.2.6, St Mary's Church £1.19.1)

CHURCH BAZAAR. Arrangements for the Church Bazaar to be held in the Parish Hall on Saturday December 4th at 2 p.m. are well in hand. There will be various stalls namely:- "Fancy and Second Hand", "Produce", "Cake", attractive Side Shows and Teas. Gifts of any kind for the Stalls will be very greatly appreciated, and also Mrs Small would be grateful for all the ingredients you oan spare to help her in making cakes, as she only knows how, for her stall. We would once again ask you to come and support this effort by your presenoe.

REMEMBRANCE DAY. Sunday, November 7th has been appointed to be observed as Remembrance Day. A Special Service will be held in the Parish Church in the morning. This Service will commence at 10.45 a.m. in order that the TWO MINUTES SILENCE may be kept at 11 a.m. We hope that quite a large number will make a real effort to attend this Service and thus pay their tribute of remembrance of those who made the supreme sacrifice in the two Great World Wars.

MOTHERS' UNION At the Meeting held at the G.F.S.Hut on Wednesday 28th October Mrs Gilham of Willesborough gave a most interesting talk. The next Meeting will be held on Wednesday 17th November, when it is hoped that Mrs Loughborough of Willesborough will be the Speaker. New Members will be most heartily welcomed.

ALTAR FLOWERS Ladies who have very kindly undertaken responsibility for the care of the Altar during the month of November are - at the Parish Church: Mrs Egerton, Mrs Luckhurst, Mrs Mullins. At St Mary's Church - Mrs Winder.

BAPTISMS. October 3rd Yvonne Joan Clifton  
Ian William Clifton

MARRIAGE October 23rd Laurence James Edwards and Grace Ivy Stewart

THE BOY'S CLUB. The Boy's Club will be reopened at the Rectory Hut at 6.30 p.m. on Monday 1st November.

SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER

PARISH CHURCH

Nov 1st	All Saints Day	-8 a.m. Holy Communion
7th	xxiv Sunday after Trinity (Romcanbrahoe Day)	8 a.m. & 12 noon Holy Communion. 10.45 a.m. Service of Remembrance (Preacher Col Leakoy) 6.30 p.m. Evening Service.
14th	xxv do	8 a.m. Holy Communion 11 a.m. Morning Service
21st	xxvi dp	11 a.m. Morning Service 12 noon. Holy Communion 6.30 p.m. Evening Service
28th	Advont Sunday	8 a.m. Holy Communion 11 a.m. Morning Service.

ST MARY'S CHURCH

Novr 14th and 28th.

Evening Service at 6.30 pm.

The monthly Holy Communion Service at St Mary's Church at 9.30 a.m. on the 3rd Sunday in the month will be discontinued until further notice.

The Revd David Morgan M.A. Rector

Mr S.H.Field ( Churchwardens  
Mr F.V.Weeks (

Verger: Mr W.H.Jennings, Forge Hill, Pluckley.

The Church Restoration and Improvement Fund. A sum of 9/- was received from the St. St.Nioholas Sunday School during the last month, and the total now stands at £884. 5. 10.

St. Mary's Freewill Offering Fund. Offerings thankfully received during the last month amounted to 18/- (Mrs Winder 11/6, Mrs Pentecost 6/6).

Remembrance Sunday November 7th. Owing, no doubt to the inclement weather, the attendance at the Service of Remembrance at the Parish Church in the morning was only moderately good. Members of the British Legion attended as usual. A wreath of Poppies was dedicated and placed on the War Memorial. We are grateful to Col. Leakey, who gave a most helpful address; and, also, to Mrs Marchant, for once again so very kindly decorating the Memorial. The collections throughout the day, for Earl Haig's Fund, amounted to £6.2.2.

The Church Bazaar. May we once again call the attention of our Readers to the Church Bazaar to be held at the Parish Hall on Saturday 4th December at 2. p.m. We hope you will all come and support this effort and make it a great success. Mother's Union. At the Meeting held at the G.F.S.Hut on Wednesday 17th November Mrs Loughborough of Willesborough gave an interesting talk on the subject of Sunday Observance.

Colonel Leakey. We are happy to announce that Col. Leakey has now been made a Diocesan Lay Reader, and we heartily congratulate him. He has also been appointed by the Diocesan Missionary Council especially to preach about the work of the Church Overseas, in the Parishes of several Rural Deaneries in the Diocese. This, of course, will take him away from Pluckley on many Sundays, and, to our regret will consequently deprive us of his services at the Parish Church.

Church Services. After discussion with the Parochial Church Council the Rector has decided to make certain alterations in the times of the Evening Services at the Parish Church and St. Mary's Church. From the first Sunday in January 1949 and until further notice the Evening Service will be held at the Parish Church on every Sunday at 6.30 p.m. instead of as at present, on alternate Sundays, and evening Services will be at St. Mary's Church every Sunday at 3.15 p.m. It is hoped that these changes will prove to be acceptable to our people, and result in better evening congregations., At any rate, they will remove cause for any doubt there may sometimes be in the minds of people as to where the Evening Service was being held.

Alter Flowers for December. Parish Church 1 Mrs Leakey, Miss Knatchbull-Hugeson and Members of the G.F.S.  
St. Mary's Church: Mrs Winder.

Girl's Friendly Society Our numbers are being maintained and in spite of the inclement weather we have experienced on most Monday evenings, the Members have attended well. Miss Hogbin has given lessons in smocking and Mrs Bond has kindly promised to teach us leather work in the near future. Mrs Wall comes to us on alternative Mondays for Physical training lessons which the girls thoroughly enjoy. We are most grateful to her and to Mrs Leakey for playing the piano for the Physical Training., The Candidates meet each Saturday and we now number 17. We hope to have our Christmas Party on Wednesday December 29th and should be most grateful for any contributions, however small, either good things to eat or prizes for games. They can be sent to Mrs Cooke, "Morrystone", Station Rd, Pluckley.



December 19th and at St. Mary's Church on Sunday after Christmas, in each case at 6.30 p.m. The Lessons will be read by some of our school children, Members of the G.F.S., Boy's Club, Mothers' Union, Parochial Church Council, the Lay Reader and the Rector. The collections at both Services will be for St. Dunstan's.

Christmas Day. On Christmas Day there will be a celebration of Holy Communion at 7 a.m., 8 a.m., and after the Morning Service. Morning Service at the Parish Church at 11 a.m.

BAPTISM

———— November 21st Peter Hemsley.

SERVICES for DECEMBER

PARISH CHURCH

Dec 5th TT Sunday in Advent	8 & 12 Holy Communion. 11 a.m. Morning Service 6.30 Evening Service
12th TTi do	8 Holy Comininion. 11 a.m. Morning Service
19th Tv do	11 Morning Service. 12 Holy Communion 6.30 Carol Service
25th Christmas Day	7, 8 & 12 Holy Communion. 11 a.m. Morning Service
26th I Sunday after Christinas	11 Morning Service

ST MARY'S CHURCH

Dec 12th.	6.30 Evening Service
26th	9.30 a.m. Communion. 6.30 p.m. Carol Service.