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# Parish Paper.

## Services and Classes.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

ASH WEDNESDAY—Holy Communion 7:30.

Morning Prayer and Special Service 10.

Evening Prayer and Sermon 8.

SUNDAYS—Holy Communion 8, and on 1st Sunday in each month 11 a.m.

Morning Prayer 11.

Evening Prayer 7:30.

Sunday-School 2:30.

Bible Class 4 p.m., at 323 Oppenheimer St.

WEEK DAYS—Holy Communion 7:30.

Morning Prayer 9.15

Evening Prayer 5 (except Wednesday and Saturday).

" " Wednesday 8, with Special Sermons.

" " Saturday 8, with Litany, 472.

## Confirmation Classes.

FOR MEN—Wednesdays at 9, in 323 Oppenheimer St.

FOR BOYS—Tuesdays at 3.30, in the Vestry.

FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS—Wednesdays at 3:30, in the Vestry.



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## Lenten Letter.

MY DEAR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS,—

At the approach of Lent let me write a few words to help you to spend the solemn season profitably. The real use of Lent is to draw us all nearer to God: to set us thinking what we were made for, why we are here in this world, what we have done with our life, what we are doing with it, whether we have lived for God or are living for Him, or whether we have fallen away from Him, whether the business and pleasure of this life have shut Him out of our hearts, whether our chief aim has been to please Him or please ourselves, whether our sins, past or present, have separated us from God, or whether we are living in a real and blessed union with Him through His dear SON. We came from God. We belong to God. And at this season of Lent the voice of God calls as the voice of our most tender Father, "My children what have I been to you and what have you been to Me? I have loved you with an everlasting love. Do you indeed love Me? What are you doing with your time, your thoughts, your affections, your money, your influence, your powers? Have you not too much in these forgotten Me? Turn ye then even to Me with all your heart, and with fasting and with weeping and with mourning, and rend your heart and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness, and repenteth Him of the evil." Here is God's call to us. And the Church has appointed the season of Lent that we may have a settled time in which more especially to consider this call. I make a few suggestions by which, if you carry them out, you will get good for your souls.

1. Begin Lent well by coming with special earnestness to the services on Ash Wednesday.

2. Settle beforehand what special services you will attend, and try to come regularly and perseveringly to those services. Let every household make arrangements for all members of it to come to one or other of the special services.

3. Enter on Lent as a penitent. Think of what God has been to you and of what you have been to Him, and you must feel what reason you have to be ashamed and humbled and grieved, and how ready you ought to be to accept any cross which God will let you bear. Think of David's words "my sin is ever before me."

4. Give up going to places of amusement and to entertainments. Keep your heart and mind free for God as much as you can.

5. Pray earnestly, frequently. Remember the Church is always open for private devotion. Pray for true penitence, for real love of God, for

faith to believe in His love for you, to embrace it, to answer to it, to be ruled by it.

6. Pray for others, for those who are near and dear to you, for those who are careless and worldly, for the hard-hearted sinners, for those who do not think of God. Ask God to draw them back to Himself.

7. Pray for the Parish of St. James. What a change would come over us if we would but cry to God more to rouse us, to change us, to make us prize our blessings and love His service. Your prayers will do far more than all the sermons that were ever preached.

8. Add to your prayers for others words of persuasion. Try to bring others to church, to instruction, speak to them about the Easter Communion. What a blessed Easter will be yours if you can bring one with you to the Holy Feast.

9. Practise some self-denial. Our Lord both fasted Himself and teaches us to fast. True and deep sorrow for sin is sure to make us ready to say with the Psalmist, "I wept and chastened myself with fasting."

10. Increase your alms. The poor, the afflicted, the sick, the orphans, the mission work of the Church, call for our alms. Our Lord has joined fasting, prayer, and alms together. We must not separate them.

11. Read the Bible daily. Bring home to yourself that God speaks to you through His Word. Lift up your hearts with the old words "make me to know myself: make me to know Thee."

May God give you grace to turn these blessed days to the best account. Face to face with Him in these quiet days of Lent, learn to see what He is worth to your soul: learn to say "O God, Thou art my God. Whom have I in Heaven but Thee and what shall I desire on earth in comparison of Thee."

I have added two intercessory prayers for daily use.

I remain, your affectionate Pastor and Friend,

H. G. F. CLINTON.

#### PRAYER FOR THE PARISH:

Almighty and Everlasting God, who dost govern all things in Heaven and earth, mercifully hear the supplications of us Thy servants and grant unto this parish all things that are needful for its spiritual welfare. Strengthen and increase the faithful: visit and relieve the sick: turn and soften the wicked: rouse the careless: recover the fallen: restore the penitent: bless and keep the children: remove all hindrances to the advancement of Thy truth: and bring all to be of one heart and mind within the fold of Thy holy Church: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### FOR THE CONVERSION OF SINNERS:

Almighty God we beseech Thee to hear our prayers for such as sin against Thee and neglect to serve Thee [especially——] that Thou wouldest vouchsafe to bestow upon them true repentance and an earnest longing for Thy service: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The service on Wednesday evenings will be fully choral, and the following clergy have kindly undertaken to preach in St. James':—

On February 22nd, the Ven. Archdeacon Woods: March 1st the Rev. S. Agassiz, of Northfield: March 8th, the Rev. H. H. Gowen, New Westminster: March 15th, the Rev. G. H. Tovey, of Nanaimo: March 22nd, the Rev. W. B. Allen, of Chilliwack.

The members of the congregation should make a special effort to come.

The hour of the daily morning prayer is changed now to 9.15. It will probably be more convenient for some and enable the children of our school to be present.

Evening prayer will be at 5 o'clock, instead of 5.30, on all days except Wednesdays and Saturdays, and will be followed by a short reading during Lent.

### Confirmation.

An opportunity will be given this Spring for those who are desirous of becoming full members of the Church, to receive the sacred gift of the Holy Spirit in confirmation. The Rector hopes that many will come forward with honest and sincere hearts to be confirmed. Classes for preparation will be begun at once: a list of these classes will be found on the outside sheet. The age at which children will be received for confirmation is not definitely fixed, and really depends upon the children themselves; some are so much older for their years than others.

The Rector will be glad to receive the names of candidates without any delay. The names of those living on Mount Pleasant who desire to be confirmed should be given in to Mr. Yolland.

### Sunday School Christmas Tree.

The Annual Christmas Tree and Entertainment of St. James' Sunday School was given at the Imperial Opera House, on Thursday, 26th January. The children assembled at 5 o'clock and played games in the large hall till about 5.30, when tea was served at one end of the hall; about 150 children sat down, and judging by their awkward efforts to play afterwards they did good justice to the spread. Next came the Christmas trees, which reflected great credit on the dressers, every child got one prize and many got two. The entertainment commenced at 7.30, beginning with six tableaux, performed by the children and arranged by the school teachers, the two best were the "Pyramid" and "The Four Kingdoms" representing England, Ireland, Scotland and Canada. Next came the "Punch and Judy Show" which, of course, greatly amused everybody and went off well. "Mrs. Jarley's Waxworks" followed. Mr. Bowley, taking the role of Mrs. Jarley, did it splendidly and everything went without a hitch; the following were the best "Bluebeard and Fatima" and "The beheading of Mary Queen of Scots." When Mary's head was cut off a false head was rolled on the stage causing much fun. Last of all came the famous Christy Minstrels: these were a great novelty for

the children, and two or three little fellows rolled off their seats and very nearly exploded with laughter. The performance was very good and it was well to put it last, as it sent everybody home in good spirits. The children left about 10 o'clock, having had the best entertainment ever got up for them. Financially it was a great success, as a large number of adults came in for the entertainment.

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### Marriages.

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- October 23, 1892.—In St. James' Church by the Rector, Jens Muller Vernersen and Lizzie Saxton, both of Steveston.  
 November 8.—In St. James' Church by the Rector, James Wilks and Annie McCane, both of Northfield.  
 November 11.—In St. James' Church by the Rector, Charles Henry Williams, of Northfield, and Margaret McDonald McLean from Scotland.  
 November 23.—In St. James' Church by the Rector, Henry Hyde and Mary Jane Brown, both of Vancouver.  
 December 3.—In St. James' Church by the Rector, Stephen Billingham Green and Elizabeth Jane Whitehouse, both of Vancouver.  
 December 7.—In St. James' Church by the Rector, Franklin Shunn and Elizabeth Martha Harrison, both of Vancouver.  
 December 29.—In St. James' Church by the Rector, Robert Churchill Crakanthorp, of Port Blakeley, and Alice Frances Patterson, of Moodyville.  
 January 21, 1893.—In St. James' Church by the Rector, Frederick Geale Monsarrat, chief officer on the "Empress of Japan," and Fanny Toulmin of Lee, Kent, England.

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### Baptisms.

(TO THE END OF THE YEAR.)

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- October 9.—Lizzie Louisa Gladys, daughter of William and Mary Kent.  
 October 25.—Jessie Mary, daughter of Joseph and Isabella Fraser.  
 October 30.—Florence May Edith, daughter of Ewen and Jane Caroline MacPherson.  
 November 8.—Alexander Fowler, son of Roland Alexander and Agnes Christina Lambert.  
 December 7.—Hazel Susan May, daughter of James and Charlotte Jopson.  
 December 11.—Leolyn Dana, son of Henry Trollope and Helen Maud Wilgress.  
 December 16.—Sarah Isabella, daughter of John and Isabel Haldon.  
 December 20.—Harry Eric, son of Henry Joseph and Phillis Sharp.  
 December 24.—Edward Ezer, son of Ezer Edward and Marion Penzer.



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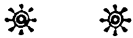
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