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3. It contains a Kalendar each month, showing all Services, Meetings, Bible Classes, &c., &c.

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CLERGY.

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“ R. J. MOORE, 14 High St.

For Officers of the Parish, and other information, see inside of last sheet; which should be referred to every month, as it is liable to changes.

SERVICES, APPOINTMENTS, &c.

SUNDAY SERVICES, 8 A.M.: 11 A.M.: 3.30 P.M. (Children): 7 P.M. <i>All Seats Free at Evening Services.</i> Strangers welcome at all services.	MISSION SERVICES.—Thursdays 8.00 P.M.
WEEK DAY SERVICES.—Evensong Daily 5.30 P.M.	RECTOR'S BIBLE CLASS.—Thursdays 3.00 P.M.
HOLY COMMUNION.—Every Sunday 8.00 A.M. Also Second and last Sunday in the month... 11.00 A.M.	LADIES' SEWING MEETING.—Fridays..... 2.00 P.M.
HOLY BAPTISM.—First Sunday in the month 4.15 P.M. Or otherwise as may be arranged with the Rector.	THE RECTOR may be seen at the Rectory on Tuesdays 10 A.M., or after Evensong on any day.
SUNDAY SCHOOL..... 3.00 P.M. “ Phoebe Street 9.30 A.M.	The Clergy will be glad to call on any newcomers whose names and addresses are given to any officer of the church.
Young Woman's Bible Class 3.00 P.M.	The Clergy will be obliged for early information of any sick persons who desire to be visited.

PARISH KALENDAR.

FEBRUARY.

2. Tu. THE PURIFICATION. 11 A.M. Mattins and Holy Communion.
4. Th. 3 P.M. Bible Class. 8 P.M. Mission Service.
5. F. 2 P.M. C. W. M. A. Sewing. 7.30 P.M. Guild Meeting.
6. S. 8 P.M. Choir Practice.
7. S. FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY. 8 and 11 A.M. Holy Communion. 3.30 P.M. Children's Service. 4.15 P.M. Holy Baptism.
11. Th. 3 P.M. Bible Class. 8 P.M. Mission Service.
12. F. 2 P.M. C. W. M. A. Sewing.
13. S. 8 P.M. Choir Practice.
14. S. SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY. 8 A.M. Holy Communion.
18. Th. 3 P.M. Bible Class. 8 P.M. Mission Service.
19. F. 2 P.M. C. W. M. A. Sewing. 7.30 P.M. Guild Meeting.
20. S. 8 P.M. Choir Practice.
21. S. SEPTUAGESIMA. 8 and 11 A.M. Holy Communion.
24. W. S. Matthias. 11 A.M. Mattins and Holy Communion.
25. Th. 3 P.M. Bible Class. 8 P.M. Mission Service.
26. F. 2 P.M. C. W. M. A. Sewing.
27. S. 8 P.M. Choir Practice.
28. S. SEXAGESIMA. 8 A.M. Holy Communion. 4.15 P.M. Holy Baptism.

SERVICES.

Holy Communion, every Sunday at.... 8 A.M.
 Also 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month, 11 A.M.
 Also on Holy Days 11 A.M.
 Children's Service, every Sunday..... 3.30 P.M.
 (This is a short bright service for young people and their parents.)
 Mission Service (Phœbe St.) Thursdays, 8 P.M.
 Holy Baptism, last Sunday of the month, 4.15 P.M.

MEETINGS.

The Bible Class, Thursdays, 3 P.M.
 The Guild, Fridays, February 5 & 19, at 7.30 P.M.
 Parochial Visitors, February 9, 3 P.M.
 C. W. M. A., for Sewing, Fridays, 2 P.M.
 Choir Practice. Saturdays, 8 P.M.

N.B.—Two Holy Days in February. 2nd inst., The Presentation of Christ in the Temple, or the Purification of the Virgin Mary; 24th inst., St. Matthias.

SEE KALENDAR.

PARISH NOTES.

OFFERTORY.—January 3rd, \$39.76; 10th, \$40.31, and for Foreign Missions, 25c.; 17th, \$53; 24th, \$46.92, for Foreign Missions, \$44, and for Diocesan Missions, \$39.20; 31st, \$55.19, for Foreign Missions, 25c.; Domestic Missions, \$2, and Diocesan Missions, 50c. Total Parochial, \$235.18—corresponding period last year, \$261.54. Amount for Missions, \$86.20—last year, \$74.14.

The services at the Phœbe Street Mission Room are carried on regularly, and continue to show satisfactory results.

The Librarian of the Mission Sunday School requests us to appeal to the parochial public for further contributions of books, new or second-hand, or money to buy the same, more particularly for the older boys and girls, for whom the stock of books is meagre in the extreme.

The Lord Bishop will hold a Confirmation in St. George's Church, in the Spring. Intending Candidates are requested to send in their names to the Clergy without delay. Classes (afternoon and evening) will be formed during the first ten days of this month.

Mr. R. G. Doherty, of 360 Queen Street, a member of our Choir, having offered silver medals to be awarded to the best boys in the Choir, there was considerable excitement among the choristers as to who deserved them. They were awarded by Mr. Phillips to Clifford and McCallum for good conduct, and to Rennick for attendance. Accordingly, when the Children's Festival came off on the 6th January, the Rector presented each of these boys with a silver medal. The best thanks of the Choir are due to Mr. Doherty for the gift of these medals. They are tasty in design, and of excellent workmanship.

A proposal for completing the decoration of the church was lately made by Mr. Hovenden. The Committee, hesitating to take the responsibility of a large outlay, requested the Rector to call an open meeting of the Congregation to discuss the matter. At this meeting, which was held on Monday, 18th ult., it was decided not to decorate the church, but to renovate the interior in some less costly manner, to be decided upon by the Easter Vestry.

MISSIONS.

The missions of the Church are attracting more of the attention of Christian people than ever before. Small and inadequate as may be the offerings to our Lord for the extension of His Church and cause throughout the world, yet there are signs and tokens that the members of our Church are waking up more and more to their responsibilities in this direction. Perhaps the liberality of the members of other religious bodies is rousing in us a spirit of emulation, but the chief cause of improvement is that the heads of the church realizing more and more the vast extent of the Mission Field are pressing upon our congregations the duty of a larger liberality. The Bishops of the Church in Canada have with one voice appealed to the whole Canadian Church to give up all worldly expedients for raising money, and to return to the old Bible law that one-tenth of all our increase belongs as by right to God—from whom all comes—for the maintenance and extension of His Church, and for the relief of His poor, not including freewill offerings and thank-offerings as the Lord prospers us. The Bishops of Huron and Niagara put this point very forcibly at the Missionary meeting in St. James's School House on the 25th ult. To any attentive reader of the Bible, who wishes to learn and to do God's will, there are quite sufficient indications that the rule of giving God a tenth of our increase or income was observed at least 500 years before the Jewish law was promulgated. Abraham paid tithes. Jacob gave a tenth to God. Did these patriarchs hit upon this proportion by accident? or was it a rule from the beginning that as men were to consecrate a seventh of their time to God, so they were to render to Him a tenth of their substance? That the rule came from God seems clear from the fact that He made no new law, but adopted the old rule and made it the law for His people under Moses. There was indeed no way of enforcing payment. But when the people withheld the tenth from God, God withheld prosperity from them; and when in their later history the whole people withheld the tithe, God remonstrated with them by the prophet Malachi (sec. ch. iii.) and charged them with robbing Him. The whole passage is remarkable, but the conclusion is so striking an appeal to the people, that it is difficult to conceive of any Christian man reading it, without putting the question to himself, may it not be that I am myself robbing God of His due? Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse (or

treasury) and *prove Me now herewith*, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it." It is very clear from this passage, and from the story of the widow's mite in the New Testament, that God takes careful note of the way in which we fulfil the stewardship of the substance which He entrusts to us, and that our Lord Jesus Christ still "sits over against the treasury" of His Church and scrutinizes the gifts of the rich and poor—*how* they give and *what* they give. It is necessary for us to realize this, lest we imagine that our money is our own to do with it just as we please.

No doubt there are difficulties surrounding this subject, particularly in the case of those whose incomes come in very irregularly. But more than half the difficulties vanish when we have once felt the truth of the saying "It is more blessed to give than to receive;" and have resolved to set apart conscientiously a fair proportion of our incomes for God. We shall be glad to receive and answer any questions touching such difficulties that our readers may send us.

THE BISHOP'S SERMON.

The Lord Bishop preached in S. George's in aid of Diocesan Missions, on Sunday evening, 24th ult. It was a very forcible appeal based on the text, "How shall they preach except they be sent." As the evening was so stormy and the congregation rather thin, the Bishop has kindly allowed us to quote a portion of his sermon, specially referring to the contributions of S. George's to the Mission Fund: "Let me bring the matter nearer home to yourselves. What have *you* done, as a congregation, towards sending those that shall preach? You appear in the published list of last year for the sum of \$579.61, the third largest in the Diocese. But when we are content to speak of this as doing fairly well, it can surely only be that we have got our mental vision accommodated to a miserably small scale in the matter of giving to God. You cannot seriously feel that this is at all an adequate effort of this whole congregation for one year in behalf of the cause of Christ's truth and the salvation of perishing souls throughout the world, in the whole field of Christian Missions, Diocesan, Domestic, and Foreign!

"Dear brethren, I exhort you to ponder this question that is put to your conscience this day by God Himself through His Missionary Apostle, "How shall they preach except they be sent?"

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The following were the prize winners in the Sunday School for the year, 1885, receiving their prizes at the Christmas Festival held on January 6th :

BOYS.—Jas. Cowan, A. Laister, J. Rennick, J. Matthews, Jos. Meek, W. Davies, N. Roberts, E. Clifford, J. McKeown, F. Mann, G. McKeown, G. Slike, H. Williams, W. Crashly, W. Gregg, C. Mann, H. Mann, J. Lamb, S. Young, H. Roberts, C. Hutchinson, J. Gregg, R. Bond, O. Campbell, R. Crashley, N. Sivers.

GIRLS.—E. Jose, J. Parker, S. Cole, A. Cole, L. Denton, M. Bateman, M. Tew, M. Brown, R. Chin, M. Taylor, A. Dye, J. Randall, M. Rennick, M. Roadhouse, L. Cowan, M. Slike, F. Tansley, M. Bond, L. Hoffman, F. Bateman, L. Brennan, C. Parker, S. Gibbons, M. Sivers, N. Smith, M. Cole, H. Hoffman, D. Richtenberg, J. Cole, A. Giles, M. Roberts, N. Hope, L. Mann, C. Crashley, A. Hope, B. Taylor, G. Bond, S. Clifford, J. Rennick, L. McKeown, E. Lamb, G. Hoffman.

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January 10th, Frederick Harrison, son of Frederick and Mary Williams.

January 31st, Herbert Reginald, son of Albert and Mary Harvard.

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The Revenue of this Parish is derived from the Offertory and Pew Rents, of which the former is relied upon as the principal source of income.

Offertory Envelopes will be supplied to those who are willing to contribute in this way to the maintenance of the Church and Ministry.

PAROCHIAL NEEDS.—Besides the means of meeting ordinary expenditure—

1. Debt, \$3,500, should be paid off, or at least reduced, but the ordinary revenue is insufficient to provide funds for this purpose. One dollar monthly from every pewholder would soon extinguish it.
2. The completion of improvement of the Church, to render it more worthy and suitable for the sacred purpose to which it is consecrated. \$2,000 is wanted for this, and would be provided if every family in the Congregation gave a moderate sum towards it.
3. \$650 to pay for the new roof of the Church. The School House roof must also soon be renewed.
4. \$800 for the Phoebe Street Mission Hall, and subscriptions to maintain the Mission.
5. Donations and bequests towards an endowment, of which there is at present a sum of \$295 only.

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