

DECEMBER 1943

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Gt. Sampford & Hempstead Parish Magazine.

SERVICES

HOLY COMMUNION:
7.45 a.m.
1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday.
10.30 a.m. (Choral)
2nd & 4th Sunday.

MORNING PRAYER.
11.30 a.m.
1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday.
10 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sunday.



SERVICES

EVENSONG & SERMON.
6.30 p.m.
1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday.
3 p.m.
2nd & 4th Sunday.

HOLY BAPTISM.
2nd & 4th Sunday at
4-15 p.m. after Even-
song. At other times
by appointment.

CHURCHINGS.
By arrangement.

S. ANDREW, HEMPSTEAD

Vicar:—REV. T. P. CONYERS BARKER, B.A.
GT. SAMPFORD W. HEMPSTEAD VICARAGE,
SAFFRON WALDEN, ESSEX.

Church-wardens:—MR. J. F. DRANE AND MR. E. STANLEY GIBBS

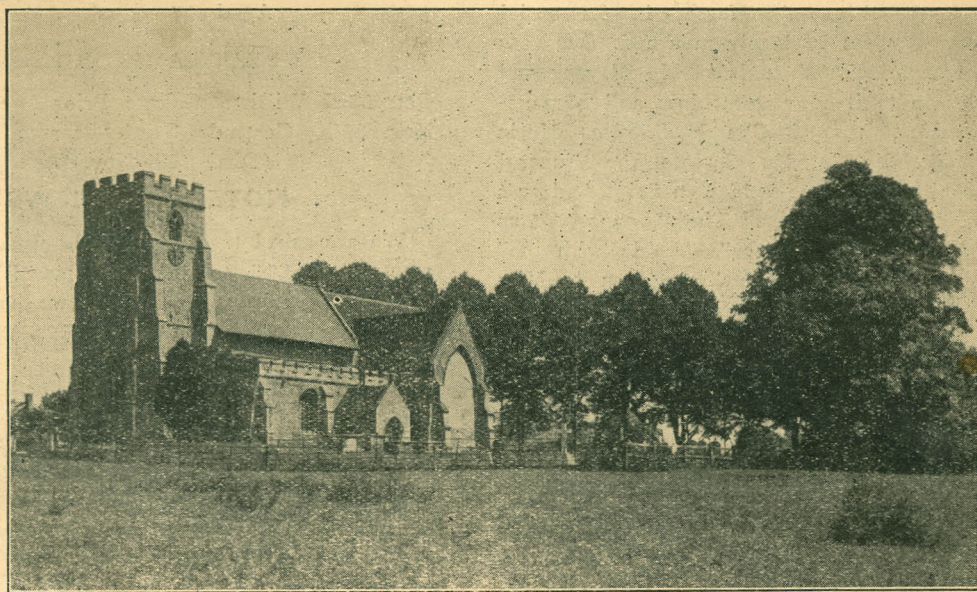
Sidesmen:—MR. T. ANDREWS, MR. WILLIAM MOSS, MR. SIDNEY HALLS
AND MR. K. JOHNSON

Organist:—MISS HALL. **Verger:**—MR. DAVID CORNELL. **Sexton:**—MR. JACK COOTE.

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TWO-PENCE.

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Sidesmen:—MR. CHARLES WRIGHT, MR. ALFRED WRIGHT,
MR. SMITH, AND MR. ROY BLAYNEY.

Organist: Miss FARMER.

Organist & Sexton:—MR. ALFRED DRANE

SERVICE

HOLY COMMUNION.	10.30 a.m. (Choral)	1st Sunday in Month.
	8 a.m.	2nd and 4th Sunday.
	8.30 a.m.	3rd and 5th Sunday.
MORNING PRAYER.	10 a.m.	1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday.
	11.30 a.m.	2nd and 4th Sunday.
EVENSONG & SERMON.	3 p.m.	1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday.
	6.30 p.m.	2nd and 4th Sunday.
CHILDREN'S SERVICE.	3 p.m.	1st and 3rd Sunday.

HOLY BAPTISM. 1st and 3rd Sunday at or after Children's Service at 3 p.m. At other times
CHURCHINGS. By arrangement. [by appointment.]

The Vicar can be seen in Church for spiritual consultation by appointment. He should be notified of sickness where visiting is required. He is willing to administer Communion to the sick whenever desired.

A Magazine

For the Congregation and Parishioners of
S. MICHAEL'S, GREAT SAMPFORD
AND
S. ANDREW'S, HEMPSTEAD

DECEMBER, 1943

The Vicarage,
December, 1943.

My dear People,

I wish you all very sincerely, and in spite of War time and War conditions, a very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful and Happy New Year. Advent is passing, Christmas is beginning to dawn in the Eastern Sky. Once again I exhort you all to a devout and Christian observance of the Christmas Festival of Peace and Goodwill (overcast by war as is the outlook) with special thought of the great realities of Eternity, the spiritual message of Christmas, and the joyful and renewed opportunities of the New Year, which we hope also will bring Victory to the Allied Righteous cause, and Peace among the Nations.

I call your attention to the list of Services in our Churches, particularly the Communion at the Table of Bethlehem.

Your faithful Priest and Pastor,
T. P. CONYERS BARKER.

SERVICES ON CHRISTMAS DAY.

Great Sampford:

8 a.m. Holy Communion.
10 a.m. Morning Prayer,
Carols, and Holy Communion (Choral)

Hempstead:

7 a.m. Holy Communion
11.30 a.m. Morning Prayer and Holy
Eucharist (Choral)
4 o'clock Evensong and Carols.

SERVICES ON SUNDAY DEC. 26th.

Great Sampford:

8.30 a.m. Holy Communion
11.30 a.m. Mattins and Sermon.

Hempstead:

10 a.m. Morning Prayer
10.30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
3 p.m. Evensong and Sermon

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2nd 1944

Great Sampford:

10 a.m. Morning Prayer
10.30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Choral)
3 p.m. Evensong, Anthem and Sermon

Hempstead:

7.50 a.m. Holy Communion
11.30 a.m. Mattins and Sermon
4.45 p.m. Evening Prayer and Carols

Note: The Anthem at Gt. Sampford will be rendered on the Second Sunday after Christmas, January 2nd, at the 3 o'clock Service.

IN MEMORIAM.

Samuel Coote.

Our much esteemed parishioner and the good friend of many passed to his rest on October 30th after a short illness. War strain has imposed harder tasks upon the few, and with short hands on the land the heavy work of Harvesting the food crops has taxed the energies of the more elderly to the full. Samuel Coote was always a hard worker of the "willing horse" type who never spared himself in the pursuit of his tasks. Living on the border of the parishes of Hempstead and Sampford he was equally well known to the double circle of friends. His wife's death a year ago was a heavily felt trial. His family of sons and daughters share the loss of a beloved father.

*"May the souls of the faithful through the
Mercy of God rest in Peace."*

Gertrude Sarah Pearson Blayney.

We deeply regret to record the death of Mrs Blayney of Great Sampford School, whose passing took place somewhat suddenly and unexpectedly on the 25th November after long and very patiently born recurrences of ill-health. It was just because of so many rallyings to strength again that it was expected a happy recovery to good health would again

be made. A faithful and very loyal friend to the Church and a successful and very kind and efficient Teacher for 35 years at Great Sampford School she was widely regarded with very great esteem and affection. Both in the School life of the Sampfords in which she exercised her constant influence for good, sharing the successes of her husband (Head Teacher), and her kindly co-operation and help in the general affairs of the Parish, always a willing benefactor in its social efforts, her loss is deeply mourned. Our very sincere sympathy abounds to Mr Blayney and family in their very great loss and bereavement. A lover of Church Service, Music was specially introduced into the Funeral Obsequies, which took place on Saint Andrew's Day, 30th November. The Hymns "Jesus Lives", "Art thou weary", "Abide with me" and "For all the Saints" were sung. Miss Farmer presided at the Organ and sympathetically and appropriately rendered "I know that my Redeemer liveth", Minuet from Berenice" and Handel's "Largo". There was a large congregation of Mourners and Parishioners. School Children lined the pathways through the Churchyard.

"God grant to her Peace and Refreshment!"

William George Prior.

An old Sampfordian successful in trade and business, of sound principle and respectability—leaving a Widow and adult family—and grand-children who mourn their loss.

"God grant him rest deserved".

CHURCH REGISTER.

HOLY BAPTISM.

"Suffer the little children to come unto me."

HEMPSTEAD.

Sept. 26th. Patricia Ann daughter of Frederick George William and Vera Gladys Wilson

Born June 21st 1943

God-parents (Mrs) Charlotte Lucy Willis
(Mrs) Ethel Mary Gibbs.

Oct. 10th David Primrose, son of Wilfred Tom and Phyllis Florence Muriel Young

Born August 4th 1943

God-parents Hilda Bathard and James and Hilda Bendall

Nov. 14th. Lila Mary Elizabeth, daughter of Sydney Herbert and May Olive Webb.

Born August 7th 1943

God-parents (Mrs) G. Hutt, (Mrs) C. Cole and Father.

HOLY SEPULTURE.

"I know that my Redeemer liveth."

Nov. 3rd Samuel Coote (Died 30th Oct.)
Aged 67 years

GREAT SAMPFORD.

Oct. 23rd William George Prior Aged 80 yrs

Nov. 30th Gertrude Sarah Pearson Blayney
(Died 25th Nov.) Aged 66 yrs.

NOTES AND NEWS

We are asked to contribute the usual yearly amount of £13 to the Diocesan Board of Finance. For many years now we have contributed our quota in full: £6 10s. 0d. from each Parish.

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Please send your gifts of Holly and other Evergreens and flowers to the Churches on Wednesday morning (Dec. 23rd) by 10 a.m. For such gifts we will be extremely grateful to you. Chrysanthemums will not be scarce; grown in the local gardens and in pots in houses.

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Proceeds from the Box held by Miss Farmer at her Shop amounted to £2 4s. 0d. This sum is ear-marked for the Church Organ Fund.

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For the Church Bells the "Foot of Pennies" fund is being kept alive, contributions being made from time to time. Sheets may be had on application to the Vicar at any time or at the Vestry at Gt. Sampford Church on Wednesday Club days.

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The Sunday School Christmas Treats and Prize Distributions will be held during the week of Christmas—namely at Gt. Sampford on Tuesday 28th December, and Hempstead on Thursday 30th December, beginning respectively at 4 o'clock.