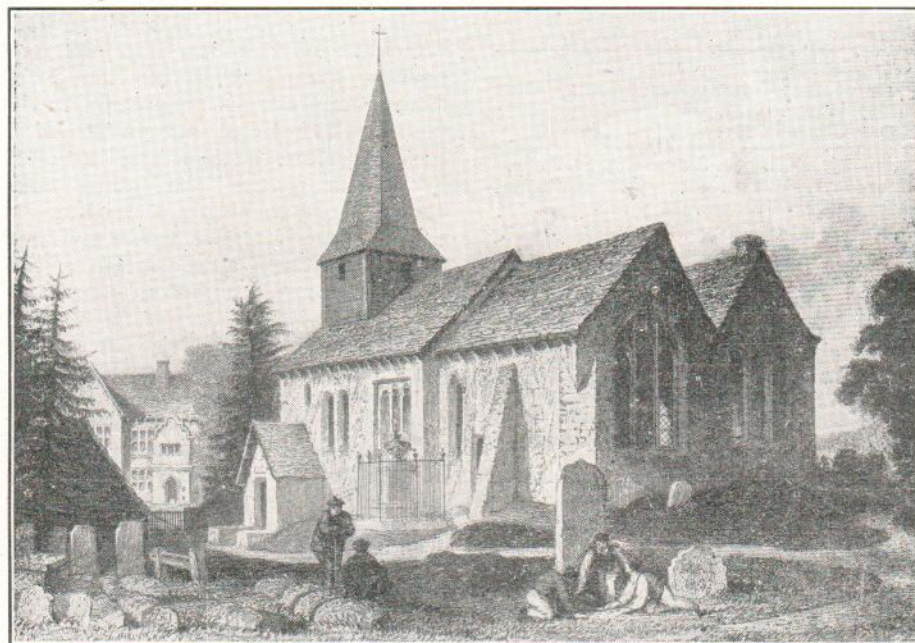


# ABINGER PARISH MAGAZINE.



*Abinger Church in 1848*

**Rector:** The Rev. Lionel G. Meade, B.A., The Rectory, Abinger Common (Tel.: Abinger 46).

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Mr. John A. Gibbs, Goddards, Abinger Common.

**Church Council:** *Ex-officio*, the Rector and Churchwardens; *Vice-Chairman*, Mr. John A. Gibbs; *Diocesan Representative*, Mrs. Carr; *Ruri-Decanal Representatives*, Mr. J. A. Gibbs and Mrs. Lugard. *Hon. Secretary*, Mrs. Lugard; *Hon. Treasurer*, Major E. J. Lugard, D.S.O., O.B.E.; The Dowager Lady Farrer, Major C. J. Gibbs, Mr. A. Randall, Mr. S. Smith, Miss Swanston, Mrs. Whiteley, Miss Bulman, Mr. Mills, Miss Townshend, The Honourable Mrs. Vaughan Williams, Mrs. Thomson.

**Sidesmen:** Mr. J. Bone, Major C. J. Gibbs, Major E. J. Lugard, D.S.O., Major C. E. Lugard, Mr. Michael Meade, and Mr. A. Abbott.

**Organist:** Parish Church, Mr. F. White; Hammer Church, Mr. F. White.

**Duplex Free-will Offering Scheme:** *Hon. Secretary*, Mrs. Carpenter, The School House, Abinger Common. *Hon. Treasurer*, Mr. J. A. Gibbs.

**Mothers' Union:** Enrolling Member, Mrs. Meade, The Rectory, Abinger Common.

**Verger and Sexton:** Michael Bowler.

**Calendar for October.**

- 7 S. (1) **Trinity XIX.**  
**Goddards:** Holy Communion, 8 a.m. and 12;  
 Mattins, 11 a.m.; Evensong, 7 p.m.  
**Hammer Church:** Evensong, 6 p.m.
- 14 S. (2) **Trinity XX.**  
**Goddards:** Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; Mattins  
 11 a.m.; Evensong, 7 p.m.  
**Hammer Church:** Holy Communion, 10 a.m.;  
 Evensong, 6 p.m.
- 18 Th. **St. Luke.**  
**Goddards:** Holy Communion, 8 a.m.
- 21 S. (3) **Trinity XXI.**  
**Goddards:** Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; Mattins  
 11 a.m.; Evensong, 7 p.m.  
**Hammer Church:** Evensong, 6 p.m.
- 28 S. (4) **Trinity XXII. St. Simon and St. Jude.**  
**Goddards:** Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; Mat-  
 tins, 11 a.m.; Evensong, 7 p.m.  
**Hammer Church:** Holy Communion, 10 a.m.;  
 Evensong, 6 p.m.

**NOVEMBER.**

- 1 Th **All Saints.**  
 Holy Communion, 8 a.m.
- 4 S. (1) **Trinity XIX.**  
**Goddards:** Holy Communion, 8 a.m. and 12;  
 Mattins, 11 a.m.; Evensong, 7 p.m.  
**Hammer Church:** Evensong, 6 p.m.

**Baptisms.**

- Sept. 23 Victor John Lancaster  
 „ 23 Kathleen Ann Kemp

My dear People,

It was a great joy to see so many present at our Peace Celebrations at the Common on Saturday, September 22nd, and a day which will live long in our memory and fancy. In a few days time, a similar gathering is to take place at the Hammer, and one's only regret is that the Common and the Hammer are too far apart to enable us to have a united gathering.

I hope these days of Peace are going to bring us together much more than in the past.

I am glad that the Abinger Village Club at the Common has opened again and I only hope that before long we shall be able to have some Club House or Village Institute where we can have a real Social Centre, with activities for all, young and old. The Hon. Treasurer of the Village Club, Mr. Simon, Woodcot, Abinger Common, will, I know, be glad to receive donations and subscriptions to the Club Funds, and any information about joining the Club can be obtained from either Mrs. J. Enticknap, Abinger Bottom, or Miss Rosemary Harrison, Tiltwood, Abinger Common.

The Harvest Festival was held at the Hammer Mission Room, September 23rd. The services were well attended, and the little

Church beautifully decorated by Mrs. Bone. The generous gifts of fruit, flowers, and vegetables were sent to the Guildford Hospital.

Yours affectionately,

LIONEL G. MEADE.

“Greater Love hath no man than this . . .”

It was with deep regret that we learnt the sad news last month of the death of Arthur Mills, R.A.F., who was killed in a motor accident in Belgium, and we extend our deepest sympathy to his mother to whom Arthur was always so precious. Arthur had done well both at sea in Royal Merchant Service before the War and in the Royal Air Force during the War. His commanding officer spoke so highly of Arthur's service in a very kind letter he wrote giving details of the accident and a description of the funeral, and has promised a photograph of his “resting place.”

“At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.” L.G.M.

**Mothers' Union.**

We had an excellent meeting in September to welcome Deaconess Hanken to speak to us once more. All the members were glad to have her with us once again.

The next meeting will be on October 17th, at 3 p.m., at the Rectory, when Mrs. Pudney is coming to talk on her work among children for the Surrey County Council. I do hope members will make a good effort to come up.

G.M.

**Abinger Common Peace Celebration.**

It was with grateful hearts that the organizers and helpers saw the very unpromising morning of Saturday, September 22nd gradually improving, until finally the sun actually appeared on the scene and made it possible to proceed with the full programme as planned.

The proceedings commenced at 2 o'clock with sports on the green, beside the ruined church, a constant reminder of one of the grim horrors, deliverance from which we were thankfully celebrating.

There was a full programme of events, including straight contests and humorous events for all ages, not forgetting the parents.

Much fun was provided by the competitors in the wheelbarrow, obstacle and three-legged races, and above all the bun eating contest.

1st and 2nd prizes were awarded in all events.

The ground wore a festive air thanks to the energy of the sports committee, and their helpers.

Tea was timed for 5 o'clock, and shortly before that time, the helpers who had been busy in the Naafi kitchen and preparing the tables in the large hall became aware of the tread of many feet and the sound of happy voices, as the healthily hungry youngsters approached.

Almost in less time than it takes to tell, they and their accompanying parents were in their places, and after a short grace, were doing ample justice to the excellent tea, which, thanks to the generous contributions of everyone in the village, had been liberally provided,

There were sweet and savoury sandwiches, buns and scones, jam tarts and a variety of cakes, as well as lots of gaily coloured wobbly jelly, and lemonade was provided for those who preferred it.

When all appetites were satisfied, tables were cleared, as if by magic by many willing hands, and in incredibly short space of time, there was a complete change of scene, for the long tressle tables had completely disappeared and the entire company was seated in orderly array, expectantly facing the stage.

The next item in the programme was the distribution of prizes to the winners of the sports events, but before this actually took place there was a sudden chorus of "oohs and ahs" when several ladies appeared carrying ices. These having been quickly disposed of, Mrs. Vaughan Williams called for three hearty cheers for the king, and for all who had helped to make the day's programme possible. She then kindly distributed the prizes (Savings Stamps) to the lucky winners.

This was followed by the distribution of commemoration mugs to 50 of the younger children. More will be issued as they arrive. We are indebted for the tastefully and suitably painted inscription on the mugs to Mr. Hall of Cherry Tree Cottage, and to Mr. G. Overington. Thanks are due to Mr. Hall of Sunnyside for getting the mugs for us.

The programme for the children was rounded off with a conjurors' performance, in which the presiding magician was ably assisted by juvenile members of the audience, and which they all thoroughly enjoyed.

The children departed in high spirits, after having given three hearty cheers of thanks to Mrs. Vaughan Williams, at the instigation of Mr. Hall, collecting buns, apples and a bag of sweets on the way out.

From now on the festivities were for the adults.

Those parents with children to put to bed, retired, most of them to return later.

It had been hoped to put on a fireworks display but these, unfortunately, were unobtainable.

The evening's programme consisted of dancing interspersed with games and an amusing charade which was presented by Mr. and Mrs. Smith and acted by Misses W. Simons and M. Meade and Messrs. Barker and Barveas. Refreshments and smokes were handed round during the evening.

The smoothness and cheerfulness of the evenings proceedings speak much for our able compère and M.C., Mr. Broyd, whose quips and interjections added much to the gaiety.

Music throughout the day's programme was provided by Clear's Radio.

In a short appropriate address the Rev. L. G. Meade proposed a vote of thanks to the organizers and all those responsible for the day's programme.

Festivities lasted till midnight, the tired but happy revellers and helpers must surely have been ready for bed. It had been a memorable day for all.

Our special thanks are due to Miss Maidston, of Naafi, for putting the hall and kitchen at our disposal, and for much practical help.

Also to all those kind friends who helped with gifts and donations.

Also to Mrs. Carr for the tasteful floral decoration of the stage. Mrs. O'Kelly and her helpers felt amply repaid for their hard work by the pleasure afforded to all.

#### Abinger Church Rebuilding Fund.

The following donations have been received or promised to date:—

	£	s	d
Acknowledged in September			
Magazine ... ..	1481	18	7
Anonymous ... ..	10	0	0
Mrs. Bashford ... ..	1	0	0
Mrs. Heseltine ... ..	2	2	0
Mickleham Parish Church ... ..	31	5	0
St. Michael's Chapel, West Humble ... ..	10	7	5
	41	12	5
Miss Mary Ross ... ..	2	2	0
Thanksgiving Day (Aug. 19th)—			
Parish Church ... ..	4	17	6
Mission Church ... ..	1	6	0
	6	3	6
Box at Lychgate ... ..	5	3	6
	11	6	2
Total ... ..	£1550	2	0

30th September, 1945.

E J LUGARD,  
Hon. Treasurer.