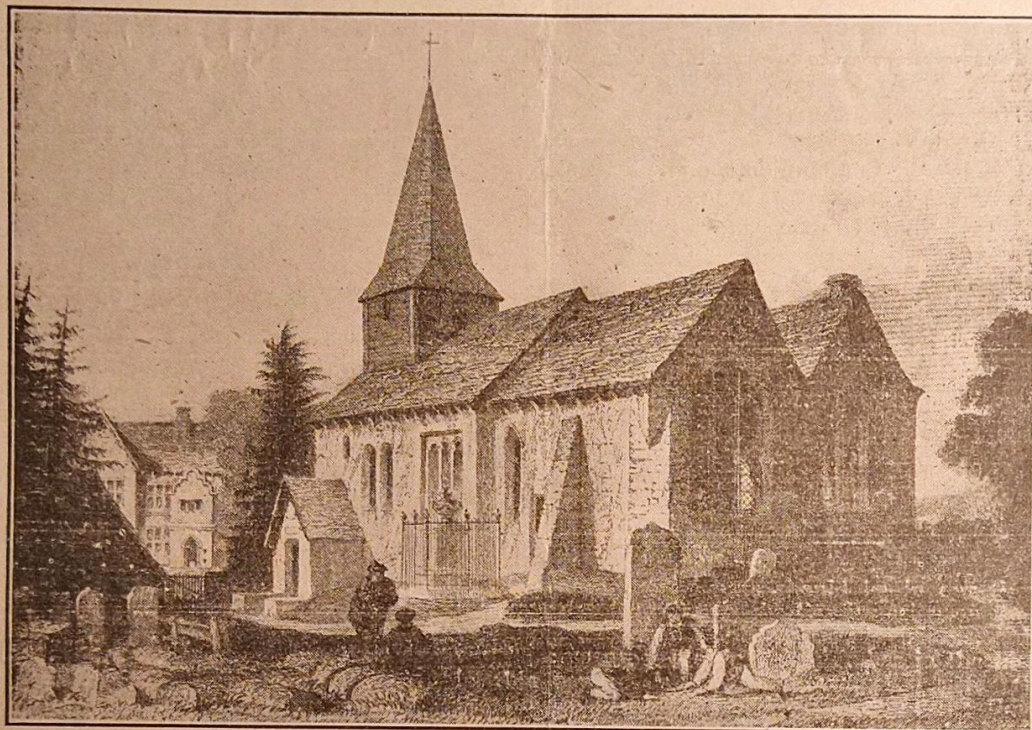


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Calendar for March, 1945.

- 4 S. (1) **Lent III.**
Schools: Holy Communion, 8 a.m. and 12; Mattins, 11 a.m.; Evensong, 4.15 p.m.
Hammer Church: Evensong, 6 p.m.
- 11 S. (2) **Lent IV.**
Schools: Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; Mattins, 11 a.m.; Evensong, 4.15 p.m.
Hammer Church: Holy Communion, 10 a.m. Evensong, 6 p.m.
- 18 S. (3) **Lent V.**
Schools: Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; Mattins, 11 a.m.; Evensong, 4.15 p.m.
Hammer Church: Evensong, 6 p.m.
- 25 S. (4) **Palm Sunday.**
Schools: Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; Mattins, 11 a.m.; Evensong, 4.15 p.m.
Hammer Church: Holy Communion, 10 a.m.; Evensong, 6 p.m.
- 29 Th. **Maundy Thursday.**
Holy Communion, 8 a.m., Rectory.
- 30 F. **Good Friday.**
Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; 11 a.m., Good Friday Service. Preacher: Bishop Golding-Bird.
- April 1 S. **Easter Day.**
Schools: Holy Communion, 7, 8, and 12 o'clock. 11 a.m., Matins. Evensong, 7 p.m.
Hammer Church: Holy Communion, 10 a.m.; Evensong, 6 p.m.

MY DEAR PEOPLE,

I am sorry to say that there seems little hope as yet of obtaining the necessary license to restore the North Chapel as a temporary Church, at least not till more war damaged houses have been put in order, so I fear we must make the best of it.

I hope you will all read the bishop's kind message to Abinger, which appears in this issue, and he has promised in the Spring to come and talk to us. On Good Friday Bishop Golding-Bird is going to preach at the 11 o'clock service at the School, and I hope as many as possible will be there to welcome him.

The study circle at both the Common and at Abinger made a good start but I hope still more will take part in these meetings and that perhaps some permanent study group may be formed from them.

Easter Day, April 1st, will probably be here before you get the April magazine so I have included the Easter Services in this month's Calendar.

We welcome home, repatriated from Germany, Robert Poulton, who has been a prisoner of war for some time after first being reported missing and we trust he will soon be quite fit and enjoy his time here with his family. This reunion is only, I trust, one of many that will take place in the near future.

Yours affectionately,

LIONEL MEADE.

Burials.

- Feb. 3 Charlotte Sophie Lugard, aged 84 years.
,, 5 Kate Harber, aged 58 years.

In Memoriam.

There passed to her rest at the end of January one of the Saints of God, Charlotte Sophia Lugard, and we extend to her family our deepest sympathy. Hers had been largely a life of suffering with many infirmities all so cheerfully borne. Except for the limited needs of her frugal way of life she gave all her means to charities. Throughout the flowering year she sent flowers to the "Flower Mission" involving much toil and writing texts for each little bunch on the cards supplied for that purpose. She knew her bible almost by heart. The end came as she would have wished, quite suddenly, and she passed away peacefully on Tuesday, January 30th.

No one more ready or anxious to go to her Master, and few more prepared to meet him.

May God rest her dear soul.

L.E.M.

A Message from the Bishop of the Diocese.

Some months ago the much loved church at Abinger, where its people have worshiped for more than 850 years, was destroyed by enemy action. A good number of you knew this to be the case. I myself was able to get up there very soon after it happened, so was the Archdeacon of Dorking. I was very much struck when I went there by the evidence of the way in which the people of Abinger were rallying