

ROTORUA.

Vicar: Rev. Chas. A. Tisdall, M.A.

Stipendiary Lay Reader—Mr E. C. Raikes.

Churchwardens—Vicar's: Mr Percy J. Hammond. People's: Mr T. O. Hawkins.

Vestrymen—Messrs P. Thom, D. Lunder, E. M. Donaldson, B. S. Penney, Jas. Melville, C. H. Pawson, A. F. Bent, and A. W. Hedges.

Church Officer at Mamaku—Mr T. B. Brown.

SERVICES.

S. Luke's—Sundays: Holy Communion on 1st Sunday at mid-day. 2nd, 3rd (and 5th) Sundays 8 a.m.; Matins, 11 a.m.; Evensong, 7 p.m.

Week Days: Matins and Evensong daily, 9.30 a.m. and 5.15 p.m. Holy Communion every Saint's Day at 10.30 a.m.

Sunday School—2.30 p.m.

Choir Practice—Thursday, 8 p.m.

Mamaku—2nd, 4th (and 5th) Sundays, Matins, 11 a.m., and Evensong, 7 p.m. Holy Communion on 4th Sunday at mid-day.

Sunday School—2.30 p.m.

Waipa Prison Camp—2nd Sunday at 2.30 p.m.

Waioapu Prison Camp—3rd Sunday at 10 a.m.

TAURANGA.

Vicar: Rev. Canon Jordan.

Holy Trinity Church.

Lay Readers.—Messrs C. J. Butcher and C. E. Nicholas.

Churchwardens.—Vicar's, C. J. Butcher; Parish, H. Southey.

Vestrymen.—Dr. Frazer-Hurst, Captain Gorz, Messrs R. J. Allely, H. H. Clomson, J. Bettelheim, E. Hamilton, E. Ludwig, C. E. Nicholas, C. Semadeni, L. Tollemache.

Synodsmen.—Messrs H. H. Hill and H. H. Clomson.

Superintendent Sunday School.—Miss Nelmes.

Choirmaster.—Mr C. Semadeni.

Organist.—Mrs Southey.

SERVICES.

Holy Communion—1st Sunday in the month, 11 a.m.; 3rd Sunday in month, 3 p.m.

Morning Prayer—11 a.m.

Evening Prayer—7 p.m.

Holy Baptism and Churchings—1st Sunday in month, at 3 p.m.

Sunday School (Band Room, Cameron-Rd.)—2.30 p.m.

Communicant's Class—Every 2nd Sunday in month, at 4 p.m.

Parish Guild—Every 2nd Friday in month, at 3 p.m.

Choir Practice—Weekly, on Fridays, at 7.30 p.m.

Vestry Meeting—Every three months about full moon, and at other times when necessary.

St. George's (Gate Pah.)

Lay Readers.—Messrs C. J. Butcher and C. E. Nicholas.

Church Committee.—Captain H. Kerr, R.N. Messrs H. Mansel, R. Tutbill, O. Wright.

SERVICES.

The Vicar takes the 2nd Sunday in the month, at 3 p.m.

Mr. C. E. Nicholas takes the 1st Sunday, at 7 p.m.; and Mr. Butcher takes the 3rd Sunday, at 3 p.m.

Omokeroa (Te Puna Point), School—2nd Sunday in the month at 2 p.m.

Tururu-Oropi, School—3rd Sunday in the month at 2.30 p.m.

Te Puna, School—4th Sunday in the month at 2.30 p.m.

DIOCESAN NEWS.

The Synod Sermon was preached by the Rev. H. P. Cowx, Vicar of Waipawa, who took for his text Psalm 72, 8: "He shall have dominion from sea to sea." After showing that this verse predicts the final triumph of Christianity and the world wide extension of the Kingdom of God, he dwelt on the present grievous neglect of religion and the need and likelihood of a revival. Matters had been far worse in the 1st four centuries, and in the Dark Ages before the Reformation, and in England in the 18th century. There was no need to fear that infidelity would continue for any long period, for religion was natural to man. He quoted Mr Gladstone as saying that the tide of Belief tends to ebb and flow, and that waves of Unbelief pass over a land, but soon dwindle and disappear; and further that worldliness is the chief foe of religion and the great reason why men neglect it. The preacher also mentioned as hopeful signs, the National Mission to be held in 1909, the growing spirit of unity between the Churches, and the remarkable success of Missionary enterprise; much preparatory work had been done and soon great results might be expected. The Church then as a living and growing power would gradually triumph over all opposition. Our aim should be to unite at home and advance abroad—to push on missionary enterprise far more vigorously than we do now; but above all to pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit, so that the Church may be quickened into newness of life and the whole round world brought under the dominion of Christ.

MISSIONARY MEETING AT TE AUTE.

The annual conference of those interested in the Mission Work of the Church will be held at Te Aute on Monday, November 11th.

Train arrangements as usual. The express stops at Pukehou both morning and evening.

The chairman will speak on the value of Intercession illustrated in the mission field.

Miss Stirling will give an account of her work among the Maoris.

The Rev. E. Wayne will speak for Melanesia, and the Rev. A. E. Worsley, Vicar of Levin, will be the delegate for C.M.A., and will take for his subject "Needed organisation for Home work."

MISSIONARY NOTES.

LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVEMENT.

An invitation was sent from England to the executive committee of the movement that delegates should cross the Atlantic, and in answer the following delegates reached London by the end of May: Dr. W. J. Schieffelin of the C.M.S., Mr Silas McBee, editor of the "Churchman"; Dr. N. W. Hoyles, Principal of the Ontario Law School, and several other prominent laymen. These brethren brought with them a letter of greeting from the Executive Committee, from which we take the following extracts:—

We feel that we have done but a small fraction of what our Lord has every right to expect of us, in making his message known throughout the world. As the sense of this obligation has grown upon us, and we have tried to study the problem in its large relations, we have been moved as by one impulse, to seek closer fellowship with you who have, as a nation, responded much more largely than we to the world's call for help.

It is a significant fact that the Churches of the British Empire and the United States are to-day doing over eighty-five per cent of all that is being done, apart from the Roman Catholic Church, to make known the Gospel throughout the non-Christian world. Yet the continued present efforts of all Christendom are deplorably inadequate to make Christ's message known to the people of our own day. With generations of missionary experience behind us, and with the world open as never before to the messengers of the Cross surely the time has come for more comprehensive plans and more heroic efforts. The startling rapidity with which educational, social, and religious transformations are being brought in vast sections of the non-Christian world, is a direct call to us to carry out Christ's command, and mould this plastic period of history in conformity to His will.

There are no obstacles in the way of the Church of this generation evangelising the world that combined Christianity cannot and ought not to overcome. If the interests and co-operation of the men of all Churches can be enlisted in this undertaking, we believe that workers and funds may be provided on a scale adequate to the accomplishment of the task. From every quarter has come testimony that the imperative necessity of our times is the enlistment of laymen in a co-operative effort to re-inforce and extend the Church's missionary activities.