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**SWISS CATHOLICS IN LONDON**

Encouraged by the result of our last year's Christmas Draw, the Committee have decided to hold one again this year instead of having a bazaar. The drawing of the prizes will take place on Wednesday, 13th December 1967. The object of the Draw is to give added financial support to our Chaplain, the Reverend Father Joseph Scherer, in his efforts to look after the several thousand young Swiss temporarily in this country for studies, training or domestic work.

The Committee, with the help of their Chaplain, are doing their utmost in looking after the moral well-being of their compatriots and helping them to pass their leisure hours by running the SWISS CATHOLIC YOUTH CLUB. This Club holds socials every Sunday evening at the Westminster Ball Room, 3 Strutton Ground, S.W.1, with a varied programme such as dances, films, colour slide shows and talks. These functions are regularly attended by an average of 150 to 200 compatriots; at the 1st of August Celebration and at our *Kilby* — *Kermesse* we had even an attendance of 250. During the summer months the Club organised a Surprise Country Walk, excursions to Cambridge and Ely, Salisbury Cathedral and Stonehenge, Isle of Wight, and a river trip to Greenwich. All these were attended by an average of about 100 people. Further visits were made to the Houses of Parliament in session, four times to the Westminster Abbey and twice to the Tower of London. Needless to say there are always quite a number of non-catholic friends present at these meetings.

The Committee is still making strenuous efforts to rent and furnish a room in the Swiss style in the West End of London, where our Swiss Youth can meet and spend their free time.

The permanent members of the Swiss Catholic community are unable to carry on, as well as they would wish, this valuable work which is growing from year to year and it is very important to the good reputation of our young Swiss compatriots in Great Britain, without calling upon the kind support of all our friends.

May I therefore ask you kindly to consider helping our work by sending either a donation or a gift in kind for our Christmas Draw.

Your generosity will be greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

O. GROB, *Chairman*.

*Donations to Mr. O. Grob, 60 Seafield Road, London N.11. Gifts in kind (latest date 11.12.67) to:—*

*St. Ann's Presbytery, Abbey Orchard Street, London S.W.1.*

**WELFARE OFFICE FOR SWISS GIRLS IN GREAT BRITAIN**

(For Information, Advice or Help)

**11 Belsize Grove, London N.W.3.**

(Nearest Underground Station: Belsize Park)

Telephone: PRImrose 4260

**RECEPTION HOURS**

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday  
2 p.m. to 5 p.m. or by appointment.

**SWISS CHURCH**

**SERVICES EN FRANÇAIS:** à l'Eglise Suisse, 79 Endell Street, W.C.2, tous les dimanches à 11h00 et 19h00.

**SAINTE-CENE:** le premier et troisième dimanche du mois, matin et soir.

**PERMANENCE:** chaque jeudi de 15h00 à 18h00.

**REUNION DE QUARTIER:** huit veillées en automne et au printemps; voir "Le Messager".

**CLUB DES JEUNES:** tous les dimanches de 12h00 à 22h30, tous les jeudis de 15h00 à 22h30.

**REUNION DE COUTURE:** le 2<sup>e</sup> mardi du mois.

**LUNCH:** tous les dimanches à 13h00.

**VISITES:** sur demande.

**PASTEUR:** A. Nicod, 7 Park View Road, London N.3. Téléphone 346-5281.

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**SERVICES IN GERMAN:** at St. Mary Woolnoth Church, Lombard Street, Bank, E.C.3, every Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

**HOLY COMMUNION:** every first Sunday of the month at evening service only. On major feasts at morning and evening services.

**CONSULTATIONS:** every Wednesday 4-6 p.m. at Eglise Suisse.

**DISTRICT GROUPS (W.4 and S.E.21) and SERVICES OUTSIDE LONDON:** see "Gemeindebote".

**SERVICES IN ENGLISH:** every fourth Sunday at 7 p.m. at St. Mary Woolnoth.

"KONTAKT" (Youth Group): every Wednesday 4-10 p.m. at Eglise Suisse. Supper at 6.30 p.m. Programme at 8 p.m.

**SWISS Y.M.C.A.:** see Forthcoming Events.

**WOMEN'S CIRCLE:** every first Tuesday of the Month.

**VISITS:** by request.

**MINISTER:** Pfr. M. Dietler, 1 Womersley Road, N.8. Telephone 340-6018.

**SWISS CATHOLIC MISSION**

**CHURCH and SERVICE:** St. ANN's Catholic Church, Abbey Orchard Street (off Victoria Street), S.W.1.

**SUNDAYS:** Holy Masses at 9 and 11 a.m. with sermon in English. At 6 p.m. with sermon in German and French.

**HOLIDAYS OF OBLIGATION:** Holy Masses at 7.30 and 9 a.m., 1 p.m. and 5.45 p.m.

**WEEKDAYS:** Holy Mass at 7.30 a.m.

**CONFESSIONS** in German, French and Italian:

EVERY SUNDAY 1 hour before Evening Mass.

EVERY SATURDAY from 11 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. and from 5 to 7 p.m. or by appointment.

**SWISS CATHOLIC YOUTH CLUB** — Meeting every Sunday after Evening Mass (7-11 p.m.) at Westminster Ball Room, 30 Strutton Ground, S.W.1.

**CHAPLAIN:** Rev. Joseph Scherer, St. Ann's Church Abbey Orchard Street, S.W.1. Tel.: ABBey 2895.