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# New Episcopal Mission At Manor Lane To Hold First Services Sept. 5

First services in the new St. George Episcopal mission church, corner of Lebanon pike and Manor lane, will be conducted Sunday, September 5.

The new vicar for the mission church, the Rev. Frederick Pope, former pastor of St. Andrews Episcopal church, Hopkinton, N. H., is expected to arrive here with his family August 30.

The southern diocese church foundation, headed by Bishop Henry Wise Hobson and St. Paul Episcopal church, Oakwood, sponsors of the mission congregation, recently announced the purchase of a 135-year-old house on the site and four and one-half acres. A temporary structure will be erected along Manor lane this fall. Until the building is completed the congregation, with 1000 potential members, will meet in the newly-acquired house.

Services are being held now in the Merchants National branch bank at Town and Country.

The church will remain a diocesan mission until it becomes self supporting. Then members may petition the diocese to become a parish.

Saturday, August 21, members will hold a "know your neighbor" outing at the new location to prepare the grounds and building for immediate use. A picnic will follow the work period.

The Rev. Harold E. Kocher, St. Paul's rector, said the mission church is being established as a result of a canvass conducted by 200 members of his parish last March. Workers called on 4500 families in the Kettering and Centerville areas to determine possible membership. Those who expressed church preferences were tabulated on cards according to denominations and the results were forwarded to other pastors and church heads in the vicinity.

Composing the executive committee of St. George church are the following men who were appointed by the bishop: George W. Nipson, chairman; Howell G. Gano, treasurer; Richard A. Fraime, secretary; James R. Ahart, church school; Alfred E. Bishop, colonization; Benjamin C. Bowman, acolytes; J. H. Goodheart, ushers; Lester W. Hable, choir; Ross W. Mosier, work projects, and Richard Neff, public relations. Clifford Wahl is liaison head between the two parishes, working with the committee and the Rev. Kocher.