



# The Churchman

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## S. John's Church.

### SUNDAYS.

Holy Communion -

|                  |                    |
|------------------|--------------------|
| 1st in month ... | 7.30 and 11 a.m.   |
| 2nd " ...        | 10 a.m., 8.15 p.m. |
| 3rd " ...        | 8 and 11 a.m.      |
| 4th " ...        | 8 a.m.             |
| 5th " ...        | 8 and 10 a.m.      |

Mattins at 11. Evensong at 7.

Sunday School, 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

### WEEK DAYS.

Morning Prayer daily at 7.30.

Evening Prayer " (except Thurs.) 5.15

Tuesday Evening—Y.P.C.U. at 7.45.

Wednesday—Litany and Baptisms, 11 a.m.

Thursday—Evening Prayer and Address, 7.30.

## S. Aidan's.

### SUNDAYS.

Holy Communion—4th Sun., 11.15 a.m.

Mattins at 11. Evensong at 7.

Sunday School, 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

## S. Oswald's.

### SUNDAYS.

Holy Communion—2nd Sunday, 11 a.m.

Evensong at 7.

Sunday School, 3 p.m.

## Mission House.

### SUNDAYS.

Holy Communion—(as announced).

Evensong at 7.

Sunday School, 9.45 a.m. and 2.30 p.m.

### WEEK DAYS.

Monday—Girls' Sewing Class, 7 p.m.

Tuesday—Girls' Club, 7 p.m.

Wednesday—Evening Prayer and Sermon, 7.30 p.m.

Thursday—Mothers' Meeting, 2.30 p.m.

Friday—Boys' Night School, 7 p.m.

Girls' Club, 7 p.m.

A. R. BERESFORD, Rector.

## Holy Trinity Church.

### SUNDAYS.

Holy Communion—Every Sunday, 8 a.m., 1st & 3rd Sundays, 11 a.m.

Mattins at 11. Evensong at 7.

Children's Service—4th Sun., 2.45 p.m.

Sunday School, 10 a.m. and 2.45 p.m.

### WEEK DAYS.

Baptisms—Thursday, 11 a.m. (or at the Children's Service).

Thursday—Evensong, 7.30 p.m.

Guild Service—1st Friday, 7.30 p.m.

## S. George's, Invermay.

Holy Communion—2nd & 4th Sun. at 11

Mattins—2nd & 4th Sunday, 11 a.m.

Evensong—1st, 3rd & 5th Sun., 7 p.m.

Children's Service—2nd Sunday, 3 p.m.

Sunday School—3 p.m.

Guild Service—4th Wed., 7.30 p.m.

## Trinity Hall, Inveresk.

Mission Service—Sunday, 7 p.m.

Children's Service—3rd Sunday, 3 p.m.

Sunday School—10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

## S. Barnabas, Newnham.

Mattins every Sunday, at 11 a.m.

Evensong, 2nd and 4th Sun., at 7.

Sunday School, 3 p.m.

E. G. BARRY, Rector.

## S. Paul's Church.

### SUNDAYS.

Holy Communion—1st & 3rd Sundays at 11 a.m.; 2nd & 4th at 8 a.m.;

5th Sunday at 11 a.m. (Choral).

Mattins at 11. Evensong at 7.

Sunday School at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

### WEEK DAYS.

Mattins every day at 10 a.m.

Evensong every Friday at 7.30.

Baptisms—Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 11 a.m.

AUG. BARKWAY, Rector.

|    |    | Where found ?                                       |
|----|----|---|
| 1  | S  | 5th in Lent. Abound in hope                         |
| 2  | M  | In all thy ways acknowledge Him                     |
| 3  | Tu | What is a man advantaged if he gain the whole world |
| 4  | W  | Set your affections on things above                 |
| 5  | Th | The Lord who daily loadeth us with benefits         |
| 6  | F  | There faileth not ought of any good thing           |
| 7  | S  | What thanks can we render to God                    |
| 8  | S  | 6th in Lent. Give me thine heart                    |
| 9  | M  | He is brought as a lamb to the slaughter            |
| 10 | Tu | I lay down my life for the sheep                    |
| 11 | W  | Wilt thou lay down thy life for my sake             |
| 12 | Th | A night to be much observed                         |
| 13 | F  | Good Friday. Be thou faithful unto death            |
| 14 | S  | Pray for one another                                |
| 15 | S  | Easter Day. The Lord is risen indeed                |
| 16 | M  | We are ambassadors for Christ                       |
| 17 | Tu | Let me die the death of the righteous               |
| 18 | W  | Walk before Me, and be thou perfect                 |
| 19 | Th | Seek ye first the kingdom of God                    |
| 20 | F  | Ye shall be redeemed without money                  |
| 21 | S  | I know that ye seek Jesus                           |
| 22 | S  | 1st after Easter. Seek and ye shall find            |
| 23 | M  | I am with thee to deliver thee                      |
| 24 | Tu | God that doeth wonders                              |
| 25 | W  | Though He slay me, yet will I trust in Him          |
| 26 | Th | Well done, thou good and faithful servant           |
| 27 | F  | Here have we no continuing city                     |
| 28 | S  | It is high time to awake out of sleep               |
| 29 | S  | 2nd after Easter. Meditate upon these things        |
| 30 | M  | I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending  |

A trophy of the value of 2/6 will be awarded to the finder of the most of these texts. If more than one give correct answers to all, the first opened gains the prize. Reference Bibles may be used, but you must say, "No Concordance Used," and sign your name. Send or bring answers to any of our Church Sunday Schools not later than May 6th. Results June issue.

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## Good Friday.

"Oh! sad hearts and suffering! Anxious and weary ones! Look to the Cross this day! There hung your King. The King of sorrowing souls, and more the King of Sorrows. Ay, pain and grief, tyranny and desertion, death and hell, He has faced them one and all, and tried their strength, and taught them His, and conquered them right loyally! And since He hung upon that torturing cross, sorrow is divine, godlike, as joy itself. All that man's fallen nature dreads and despises, God honoured on the cross, and took unto Himself, and blest and consecrated for ever. And now, blessed are the poor, if they are poor in heart as well as purse, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven. Blessed are the hungry, if they hunger for righteousness as well as food; for Jesus hungered, and they shall be filled. Blessed are those who mourn, if they mourn not only for their afflictions, but for their sins, and the sins of those they see around them: for on this day, Jesus mourned for our sins: on this day He was made sin for us who knew no sin, and they shall be comforted. Blessed are those who are ashamed of themselves and humble themselves before God this day; for on this day Jesus humbled Himself for us, and they shall be exalted. Blessed are the forsaken and despised. Did not all men forsake Jesus this day, in His hour of need? And why not thee, too, thou poor deserted one? Shall the disciple be above his master? No, every one that is perfect, must be like his master. The deeper, the bitterer your loneliness, the more you are like Him who cried upon the cross, "My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken me?"

"All things are blessed now, but sin; for all things, excepting sin, are redeemed by the life and death of the Son of God. Blessed are wisdom and courage, joy, and health, and

beauty, love and marriage, childhood and manhood, corn and wine, fruits and flowers, for Christ redeemed them by His life. And blessed, too, are tears and shame, blessed are weakness and ugliness, blessed are agony and sickness, blessed the sad remembrance of our sins, and a broken heart, and a repentant spirit. Blessed is death, and blessed the unknown realms, where souls await the resurrection day, for Christ redeemed them by His death. Blessed are all things, weak, as well as strong. Blessed are all days, dark, as well as bright, for all are His, and He is ours; and all are ours, and we are His, for ever.

"Therefore sigh on, ye sad ones, and rejoice in your own sadness; ache on ye suffering ones, and rejoice in your own sorrows. Rejoice that you are made free of the holy brotherhood of mourners, that you may claim your place too, if you will, among the noble army of martyrs. Rejoice that you are counted worthy of a fellowship in the sufferings of the Son of God. Rejoice and trust on, for after sorrow shall come joy. Trust on; for in man's weakness God's strength shall be made perfect. Trust on, for death is the gate of life. Endure on to the end, and possess your souls in patience for a little while, and that perhaps a very little while. Death comes swiftly, and more swiftly still, perhaps, the day of the Lord. The deeper the sorrow, the nearer the salvation.

The night is darkest before the dawn;  
When the pain is sorest, the child is born,  
And the day of the Lord at hand.

The award for the February Scripture Texts goes to Winnie Tynan, with special commendation of Ella Axup. We wish that our school teachers would prompt their scholars to search their Bibles for the texts, not for the prize only, but to give them some idea of books that seldom come within the scope of teaching.

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**Parish Notes.**

S. JOHN'S PARISH.

The Lenten services, which were solemnly ushered in by Ash Wednesday on February 28, have gone on uninterrupted. Those outlined in the Lenten Pastoral, issued by the Launceston Rectors, has been closely adhered to. The various preachers have reached a high standard of excellence in their thoughtful and most helpful addresses. The attendances generally, however, have been very disappointing. The absence of many, who are hardly ever more than luke warm in anything concerning God's holy services, causes no one any surprise, but we have been grieved to note how very seldom some of our more spiritually-minded communicants have been present. The clergy have enough, in all truth, to dispirit and depress them in dealing with the sin and misery and deadness with which they have to contend continually in the unconverted, but they do look for that support and sympathy in their work, which they have a right to expect from those who belong to that inner and more consecrated circle just named, *viz.*, the Communicants. Let those who read these words lay them sincerely to heart, for they are the outcome of much disappointment in the direction named. As long as the world lasts there will be alluring and attractive pleasures offered by the worldly at such a season, but it speaks ill of those characters, whom we have in view, if they are unable to resist such, for a season at least, in favor of this summons to a stricter dedication of themselves to God's service.

While upon the subject may we ask our readers to remember that April 13 is Good Friday. The week in which that "sad day of Atone-

ment" is enshrined is known as Holy Week. Each evening there will be a special service which the Arch-deacon will take in one or other of the various churches,

On Good Friday there are many hours to be observed when services will be held, but the two most specially to be remembered are first, "The Three Hours," from noon till 3 o'clock, when there will be addresses given by the Rev. J. S. Bryers, M.A., on the "Seven words of Christ spoken from the Cross," and, secondly, the Passion Lantern-Service in the school-room, which begins at 7.30 p.m. A full programme of all these various engagements has been widely circulated. Let each consult that.

On Easter Day it has ever been the rule of the church that every one, who has been confirmed, should partake of the Holy Communion. Let all of our communicants bear this in mind, and sacrifice much to observe it.

On March 12 the annual meeting of the Union Jack Gymnasium took place in the school-room. A splendid attendance put life into it. The room was crowded by old and new members. We have not noticed more enthusiasm in this club ever before. The various funds were all in a very healthy condition, and the plant has grown to quite an important asset. All this success has been owing to the unwearied exertions of the deservedly popular secretary and his various committees. The presentation of two handsome trophies to certain lady members was the signal for an outburst of applause which proved somewhat hard to control. We were pleased to note the acceptance again by Mr Valentine of secretaryship for the current year.

The opening of the club took place on April 2, when the senior girls began their drill. The young men followed on Thursday night, and the junior girls on Saturday afternoon. In each division the numbers were excellent, and, we are informed, a good many new members are offering next week. The addition of a new piano to the property of the club was much appreciated.

The Young Men's Club started operations with an open night on Wednesday last, when there was a splendid muster of both sexes. The outlook for the season is very good indeed, and the syllabus, which has been prepared, is a very "taking" one. Illustrated lectureries have been promised, and the secretary has arranged a couple of contests with each of the associated clubs, while rifle shooting will play a prominent part in the club programme. In connection with this latter item special arrangements have been made, and the committee have gone to extra expense in providing a proper "range" for the use of the new Winchester rifles they have procured; absolute safety being an essential feature of the equipment. A good billiard table will in all probability be added to the plant before the season is far advanced.

The Juvenile Choir has been keeping up regular practices for the Easter Competition. It is not an easy task training a body of 50 children for a choral contest, but the labour of love has made things go smoothly. and under the conductorship of Mr Tevelein we believe S. John's will give a good account. Whether our opponents will do better when the times comes is another thing.

The annual corporate communion of the Mothers' Union was held on



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the Festival of the Annunciation—Sunday, March 25—in S. John's. This date is the anniversary of its foundation, and it is always so observed all the world over where branches exist. It is helpful to join, as it were, in one long chain of intercession and thanksgiving, at such a time when tens of thousands of members, scattered all over the globe, unite in one loved voice beseeching God's blessing upon themselves and their work. All mothers should join this splendid union. Fuller information may be had from the secretary, Mrs Merrylees, of the Union Bank.

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On April 6th the guild for church decoration met at the Rectory to arrange for the Easter Festival, when every necessary detail in the direction named was seen to.

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Our Sunday-school has suffered much by the resignation of several of our more prominent teachers who have been unable to hold office under the altered conditions of their future. The Misses M. Bird and L. Weatherhead have taken up nursing at the General Hospital, whilst Miss Condor has left for South Africa. Our best and most sincere wishes go with these ladies, whose work in the school was full of earnestness and was very successful. We trust to hear that in their new spheres of life much blessing will have rested upon them.

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May we ask our many friends to solicit for us new subscribers to this little paper. The annual subscription is only one shilling, and in return for that they get it each month. Those who do not subscribe lose an opportunity of knowing what is passing in the parish.

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on May 6th, both at the morning and evening services, and will also give two lantern lectures. One in the Hall at the Mission House, and the other at S. John's school-room respectively on the following Monday and Tuesday evenings.

## S. JOHN'S MISSION HOUSE.

The last service in the old building took place on March 25th, at 7 p.m. Canon Kelly, who thirteen years earlier started it, very kindly came in and preached on the occasion. What had transpired during those long years who could relate? Yet it was a period of time full of earnest hard work for God's glory, and His blessing has rested on it. The address given by the preacher was full of pathos. It was a time when hearts were touched by memories of

by-gones, and many a half-forgotten face, which had passed into the vast unseen, seemed to re-impress itself upon the mental retina as the speaker touched on the story of the past.

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On the following Tuesday came the dedication of the new building. In the absence of the Bishop and Archdeacon, who were quite unable to come, the Rector, assisted by the Revs. E. G. Barry, H. Atkinson, and F. Riley, performed this function. Passing from room to room special prayers were offered in each according to the use to which it was to be put. Then returning to the Hall the service was continued. Both the Rector and the Rev. E. Barry gave addresses emphasising the various aspects or uses of the new building. The service concluded by the singing of the "Te Deum," as an act of thanksgiving.



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On the following day the new premises were thrown open to the public for inspection, when some hundreds seized the opportunity of seeing the place. Very general satisfaction was expressed at the fine proportions of the hall and public rooms. Each evening during the week a special service was held at which the various clergy in Launceston kindly officiated in turns. The Rector took the first Sunday service, which was for children, and was held at 3 p.m. All the Sunday-school scholars were present, and the annual prizes were distributed. He also preached at the evening service.

On the 29th a meeting of workers was held, and all the necessary arrangements were duly made for starting the various clubs, guilds, and classes to be held during winter.

The acceptance by Miss Minnie Dobson of the important position of matron of the Convalescent Home in connection with the Ministering Children's League at Evandale, will rob the Mission House of one of our most devoted helpers. For over seven years has Miss Dobson worked at the Mission House. Her fine musical abilities made her services invaluable in the training of the choir. Miss Dobson, on the eve of her departure, was presented with several handsome presents, and deep regret was felt by all the attendants that the bond, so long cemented by her self-denying efforts for them, should at last be severed. Fortunately her new home will not be so remote as to prevent Miss Dobson from dropping in at sundry times to see her old friends.

Miss Dobson's place is to be filled by Miss Ednell, of Christ Church, Sydney, where for some years past she has taken a leading part in the various organisations of a similar character with those at the Mission House. Miss Ednell comes there-

fore to us with much valuable experience and knowledge of a special kind which cannot but be of the greatest use in the future development of our work.

We desire to express our very deep sense of thanks to our many kind friends who have donated various articles of furniture and other necessary things for our new home. We shall be over-joyed to see these generous benefactors and benefactresses whenever they care to drop in and see how matters are going. It is always a help to receive visits from all who are at all interested in our work.

The new kitchen is furnished with a special view to cookery classes, and it may be interesting to know that a lady recently arrived from England, and possessing high credentials, has already started such a class.

#### S. AIDAN'S.

There will be a Passion Lantern-service in S. Aidan's at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday, April 12—Good Friday Eve. It will be open to all without charge.

#### S. OSWALD'S.

We are indeed proud to be able to report the increased interest in the work and attendance at church since our last annual meeting. It is not only sad but wrong to see people deserting their own local church in favor of some other place of worship for any reason whatever. There are various forms of selfishness, and this is sometimes one of them.

There will be a Passion Lantern-service in this church on Tuesday evening, April 10, at 7.30. The Rev. F. Riley will take it, and a strong hope is expressed that the building will be crowded on the occasion.

- BAPTISMS.
- March 7—Myrtle Grace McHenry  
Gwendoline Bevis Chandler  
Kathleen Mabel Perham
- " 14—Frank Lawford Cobern  
Launcelot Thorburn Simpson  
Rita May McMasters  
Leith Dyson
- " 20—Harold Richard Young
- " 21—Marjorie Winifred Holme  
Archie Palamountain
- " 28—Walemar James Anderson.

- BURIALS.
- March 14—Harriet Robinson  
15—William Saggars  
" 16—Alma May Nichols  
" 20—Albert Edward Mann  
" 24—Sarah Ann Graham
- April 3—Robert Blakeley  
—Thelma Irene Lidsay.

#### HOLY TRINITY PARISH.

The various Lenten services have been fairly well attended, but one cannot fail to recognise how difficult it is to get the large majority to go out of the beaten track of once a Sunday, and nothing in excess of that.

We would plead with any who can, and how many could if they only would, to come forward and help us in our Sunday schools. We sadly need some more teachers both for morning and afternoon, but so far every request personally made brings but one answer, and however nicely given it means *no*. Of course Sunday-school work is not the most attractive or easy that we could think of, but are there not those who will make a sacrifice for the Master's sake.

Trinity Young Men's Club.—The annual meeting was held in the school-room on Monday, March 12, when a very good attendance of existing members turned up. An interesting report of the last year's proceedings was read by the secretary, Mr C. Rosevear, and the balance sheet showed the Club to be in a sound financial condition. It will start this season with about £5

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in hand, not a large sum, but on the right side. Mr Claude Rosevear was again elected hon. secretary and treasurer, while the other members of the committee are Messrs F. Croft, Tas. Dobson, V. Valentine, H. Fraser, and A. Baxter. Everything promises for an interesting season, and the increase in the number of clubs will go far to help these promises to be realised. Surely if the Trinity Club has done nothing more than by its example and lead bringing so many clubs into existence, it has fully justified itself, as all these clubs mean so many more young fellows brought together under healthy conditions instead of perhaps hanging about the street, too often to be led into mischief.

On March 15th one of our Sunday-school teachers, Miss Annie Clear, was married to Mr Charles Hunt, and her fellow teachers subscribed and made her a very pretty wedding present. We are pleased to know that while we lose Miss Clear from the school we do not from the parish, as Mr and Mrs Hunt will reside in Launceston, and Mrs Hunt will continue to help at our Mission Hall. We wish them every happiness. Another wedding took place the day before when Miss Thomson, who from time to time has also acted as a Sunday-school teacher in Holy Trinity school, was married to Mr S. Spotswood. The wedding was in S. George's, and was a very pretty one indeed. In both cases the Rector officiated.

The Rector caused some little surprise and regret the other Sunday morning when he announced that he had received the resignation of the Rev. H. B. Atkinson. Mr Atkinson leaves us in June to take up work in Evandale. Our people should remember at such a time the Rector in their prayers asking that he may be guided in selecting one to fill the vacancy.

#### TRINITY MISSION HALL, INVERESK.

A very successful meeting of the Church of England Temperance Society, perhaps more often by the young folk called the Band of Hope, was held on March 6th. A very attractive programme, made up by various members and illustrative of the work, was presented, while a most interesting address was given by the Rev. H. B. Atkinson. This was the first meeting for this year, and a number of fresh names were handed in for membership.

The Mothers' Meetings, held on Monday nights, are again in full swing, and we would remind friends that any old clothes will be most welcome. For convenience these may be sent to the Rectory, or to the Verger's Cottage, Cameron-street.

The Thursday evening Lenten services have been fairly well attended, though nothing like what we should like to see.

The Women's Bible Class will be started on Friday, April 6th, at 7.45 p.m., and hope any will accept through these columns a hearty invitation to join it.

#### NEWNHAM (S. BARNABAS').

Following close upon the opening of our new church came the Produce and Fancy Fair, held with the object of reducing the debt on the same. The Fair was held on the afternoon and evening of Wednesday, March 14th. The different stalls were in the hands of the following:—Fancy stall, Misses Westbrook (3), and Manger; variety stall, Misses Thelwell (2), and C. Spearman; cake stall, Mesdames Luck, sen., White, and Miss Wathen; sweet stall,

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Misses Macmichael, Adams, and B. Clare; refreshments, Mesdames Macmichael, Luck, and A. Luck; fish pond, Misses Olive Westbrook and Ethel Thelwell; flowers, Misses Effie Clare, Tessie and Nellie Thelwell; jumble stall, Messrs Thelwell, Holyman, Craske, and Taylor; produce stall, Messrs Clare, White, and Forsythe. Thus one sees a list of a good many active workers. The Fair was opened at a few minutes after 3 o'clock by Mrs G. T. Collins, and her presence did much to make the Fair the success it was. As one approached the spot a picturesque and busy scene at once caught the eye. The two large tents borrowed from Trinity and S. George's schools were erected to the rear of S. Barnabas', and both afternoon and evening building and tents were thronged. When all was over it was found that £50 had been taken, and as the expenses only came to £1 2s 8d, the

building fund receives considerable assistance as the result. All are to be congratulated on the success, and thanks are due to one and all for the splendid work done.

We have to thank Mr Thomas Haslam for the gift of a tank, which we hope will soon be full of water from some welcome rains.

The land and fencing, building, organ, and furniture have now been paid for, and there remains a debt of £200, which has been borrowed privately to enable this to be done, but we have reasonable hopes that this amount will be reduced by a fair sum before the end of the year.

The Sunday-school has increased, and we are pleased to welcome an addition to the staff of teachers in the person of Mary Macmichael.

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## S. GEORGE'S, INVERMAY.

These will be the last notes in the "Churchman" before Easter Day comes round again, and we hope that Communicants at S. George's will remember and take to heart the rubric in the Prayer Book, which lays particular stress upon Easter Communion. This rubric has been quoted on the cards which the Rector has had distributed throughout the parish as a reminder to all Communicants. We believe every household, where there are Communicants, has had a card left, at least this was the intention of the Rector, and the members of the staff have personally made the distribution, and in most cases had talks with recipients. Owing however to the late date at which the cards were received from the printer, and the extent of the parish, these visits have of necessity been short, but of quite long enough duration to bring before our people their manifest duty to God and His Church.

As we have urged before, so may we urge again, that, at the Easter holiday season, due regard be given to Him to whom we owe an Easter at all, and therefore to whom we owe its accompanying days of cessation from labour. May the act of all corporate members of the great Church of England, in the S. George's section of this parish, on Easter Day be an earnest of their devotion and their spiritual and numerical strength; on that day, from one end of Christendom to the other, will deeds of love be evident, and attendants at the Holy Eucharist be many, may we in no small or half-hearted way help to swell the volume of the hymn of praise which ascends to Almighty God.

A few weeks ago a presentation was made to our worthy organist, on the eve of his marriage, from some

of his friends at Invermay. Mr Brown has been spending a short holiday in Sydney, and during his absence Mrs Atkinson and Miss Wood have taken his place on alternate Sundays at the organ. We tender these ladies our thanks for their assistance, as we also do to Miss Field and Mr Massey for helping in Sunday-school while Mr Atkinson was unavoidably absent at Carrick, relieving the Rev. R. K. Collisson, who was the special preacher for the fourth week in Lent.

The Sunday-school still continues to increase in numbers, and the class for infant boys has had to be split up into two. Miss Dorothy Brown is in charge of the lower, and Miss Ethel Peppiatt has, for the present at any rate, consented to teach the upper section. Miss Elsie Brown is leaving us shortly, and Miss Hilda Adams will take her place.

As was the case last year in regard to self-denial week, so this, and hopes are entertained that the effort will be made in the true Christian spirit of *denial*, not *donation* only. The two things are vastly different. We have an everlasting example of human self-denial and its power in the Life of our Saviour. May we remember this in our endeavours to follow in His steps, and profit from it as widely as we do from any other section of our Lord's bequest to us.

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## S. PAUL'S PARISH.

Sunday, the 25th of March, the Feast of the Annunciation was especially observed.

At 8 a.m. the members of the Mothers' Union had a celebration of the Holy Communion, when a large number were present, and one candidate was admitted. The Rector in a few words expressed his pleasure that once more such an earnest and faithful band of workers was starting a fresh session of work, and trusted when closing time came again that they would have accomplished even more than they had done before. In the evening the Rev. H. B. Atkinson furthered the aims of both the Mothers' Union and Girls' Friendly Society by his kind and helpful words, some of which we must repeat, "That at home in the motherland it is considered a great honour to be allowed to become a member of either societies, and he begged all who possibly could to enrol themselves as members.

On Tuesday afternoon the members of the M.U. commenced work in the school-room, and repairing surplices and cassocks kept everyone busily employed. In the evening the members of the G.F.S. had a most successful gathering. A number of new members were present, and all seemed delighted to meet and be at work once more.

Yet another change at S. Paul's, Miss Rock, who has been organist for a number of years, has resigned, and we thank her for her many years of faithful service, and trust she will enjoy a well earned holiday and rest. Miss Vivien Wetton, the newly appointed organist of S. Paul's, commenced her duties last Sunday. Miss Wetton, who is a native of this city, has gained excellent credentials, and was for some time a pupil of Miss

Kate Richardson, and acted as *locum tenens* at the organ at Holy Trinity whenever Miss Richardson was absent, and we give her a hearty and cordial welcome to S. Paul's.

Will our kind friends and parishoners remember that we shall want any quantity of white flowers for the Easter decorations, and although we know it is somewhat difficult owing to the bad season to expect too much, it is hoped all will do their best and send what they can to the school-room by 10 a.m. on Saturday, the 14th of April, and gladden the hearts of the earnest workers who are anxious to make God's house of prayer especially beautiful for the crowning festival of Easter Day. The special services on that day will be as follows:—H.C. at 6 a.m., 8 a.m., and 11 a.m. Evensong and sermon at 7 p.m.

Let one and all be thankful for the return of such a blessed day—and be glad and rejoice in it—by rejoicing in and with the Lord.

All selfish Souls, whate'er they feign,  
Have still a slavish lot;  
They boast of Liberty—in vain,—  
Of Love—and feel it not!  
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### For the Children.

#### GOOD FRIDAY.

Last year, dear children, we tried to picture the scene around Mount Calvary on the first Good Friday. This time we will consider the words of the Lord Jesus as He hung those three long hours upon the cross.

Seven times He spake, seven words of love;  
And all three hours His silence cried  
For mercy on the souls of men;  
Jesus, our Lord, is crucified.

His first words were a prayer for His murderers that they might be forgiven, because they did it in ignorance. Jesus said, "Forgive them, they know not what they do." Then he answered the request of the dying thief, "Lord, remember me when Thou comest into Thy kingdom," with the promise, "To-day shall Thou be with me in Paradise."

To this penitent the kingdom had come already, for the King welcomes him into His presence! The dying Saviour's next thought is for His poor mother, standing at the foot of the cross in sorrow too deep for words. Some one must take care of her in her declining years. The apostle S. John—the one He loved best—is to have this sacred trust. "Woman, behold thy son!" "Son, behold thy mother!" "And from that hour that disciple took her into his own house." So far every thought of the Lord Jesus has been for others. Praying that His enemies might be forgiven: consoling the dying thief; providing for His mother's future comfort. All His life He thought of other people before Himself.

But now the pain and anguish seems more than He can bear, and through the darkness is heard the cry, "My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?"

When that awful moment of desolation has passed, when even the Father Himself seems to have for-

saken His Beloved Son, Jesus becomes calm once more, and breathes through His parched lips the words "I thirst." You know what it is to be very thirsty; but the feeling that Jesus had when He uttered those words was a much greater thirst than any we could feel.

But more than pains that racked Him then,  
Was the deep longing thirst Divine;  
That thirsted for the souls of men,  
Dear Lord! and one was mine.

O Love most patient give me grace,  
Make all my soul athirst for Thee;  
That parched dry lip, that fading face,  
That thirst were all for me.

The next words were, "It is finished." What did they mean? The Father's will is done; the ransom for sin is paid, and the gates of Heaven are opened wide for the sinner.

There is nothing more now, but just to resign His departing soul into His Father's keeping. Jesus said, "Father, into Thy hands I commend My Spirit," and then He died.

Sweet Saviour, in mine hour of mortal  
anguish,  
When earth grows dim and round me  
fades the night,  
O breathe Thy peace as flesh and spirit  
languish  
At that dread eventide let there be light.  
To Thy dear cross turn Thou mine eyes in  
dying,  
Lay but my fainting head upon Thy  
breast;  
Those outstretched arms receive my latest  
sighing,  
And then, oh! then, Thy everlasting Rest.

#### IN PARADISE.

The lifeless body of the Lord Jesus hangs upon the cross. His spirit has passed into Paradise, where the souls of those who "sleep in Him" are awaiting the great resurrection morn.

#### EASTER DAY.

But we must not stop here. The soul of Jesus did not remain in Paradise. On the third day He burst the bonds of death, and soul and body were joined together once more.

"Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more: death hath no more dominion over Him."

In England, and in some other countries, Easter comes in the spring. What does the voice of spring say to us? It speaks of the resurrection, the great Easter truth. In spring the earth puts on her fresh robes. The trees, which have been to all appearance lifeless through the winter, spring into fresh life once more. The tiny bulbs, buried under the soil, appear above the surface, and burst into flower. The birds sing their sweetest songs, and all nature rejoices together.

Through winter's cold they have been sleeping, waiting for the heat of spring to bid them wake again. With us the Easter festival falls in the autumn. Has the season of falling leaves and fading flowers no lesson for us? It reminds us we all shall "fade as a leaf," and like the leaves must die and return to the earth from whence we come. But there is life there as well as death. The little insects that kept the leaves fresh and green have gone into the stem to wait until it is time to make fresh leaves next year, then they live again. If you plant a little seed in the garden you have to wait patiently for it to come up, and if you could see the root you would find a little dead husk. Out of this the living plant has sprung.

It will be just the same with ourselves. We lay the tired body to rest in the cemetery—sleeping-place—because all who are sleeping there will wake again when the last great trumpet shall sound. The soul, that which made them live and move, is with God who gave it. We should think of the cemetery as God's garden, where all His precious seeds are sown to spring into fresh life, the life which is everlasting.

Jesus lives! henceforth is death  
But the gate of Life immortal;  
This shall calm our trembling breath  
When we pass its gloomy portal.  
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