

**ST. OSWALD'S.**

The Girls' and Boys' Clubs are now in full working order for the winter, with very good attendances. Both Societies met recently for a combined Social. About 40 young people thoroughly enjoyed the evening.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle is again in operation making clothing for the poor at our St. John's Mission in Canning Street. This work is very helpful to Miss Kelly.

**ST. JOHN'S MISSION.**

Miss Kelly is once again resident at Shoobridge House. This is much more convenient for her work. She desires to thank many kind friends for their practical help in sending donations and parcels for the work of the Mission. She has a particularly pressing need at the present time, and that is for help in the Sunday School and Kindergarten, especially the latter. Will any of our young people volunteer for this work? The need is very urgent.

**HOLY BAPTISMS.**

*"Suffer little children to come unto Me."*

Kevin Charles Grant.  
Mervyn Trevor Viney.  
Yvonne Bernice Hardman.  
Betty Alicia Bird.  
Dorothy Emily Reeves.  
Desmond Frederick Green.  
Patricia Ann Mason.  
George William Claxton.  
Maureen Joan Adams.  
Geoffrey David Tully.  
Judith Alice Healey.  
Jean Marcia McHugh.  
Elizabeth Joyce Saunders.  
Lancelot Rusden.  
Judith Ann Clark.  
John Desmond Healey.  
Guy Stephen Montague Green.

**HOLY MATRIMONY.**

*"Those whom God hath joined together."*

Leslie Arthur Farrow and Mona Winifred Nirie Bennett.  
Norman Ernest Green and Myrtle Vida Dargavel.  
William Talbot and Edith May Wilson.  
Arthur James Briggs and Thelma Sarah Sly.  
Thomas Edward Gee and Edna Zilla Coningsby.  
Walter Henry Richardson and Gwendoline Victoria Rowbottom.  
Arthur Robert Thompson and Ethel Mary Ann Redburn.  
Frederick Arnold Chilcott and Mollie Doreen Towns.  
Edward Atherton and Elsie Lillian Fraser.

**SUBSCRIPTIONS.**

The Rector would be glad to receive subscriptions towards the cost of the publication of this paper. It entirely depends on such for its existence. Thanks for subscriptions to—Mrs. Henty, 2s.; Mrs. Reid, 1s.; Miss Johnstone, 3s.; Miss Blakeney, 2s.; Miss Rollins, 2s.; Evening Service, 16s. 9d.; Anzac H.C., 5s. 9d.; Mrs. McNamara, 4s.; Mrs. Alexander, 2s.

**C.M.S. DEPOT**

92 ST. JOHN STREET.

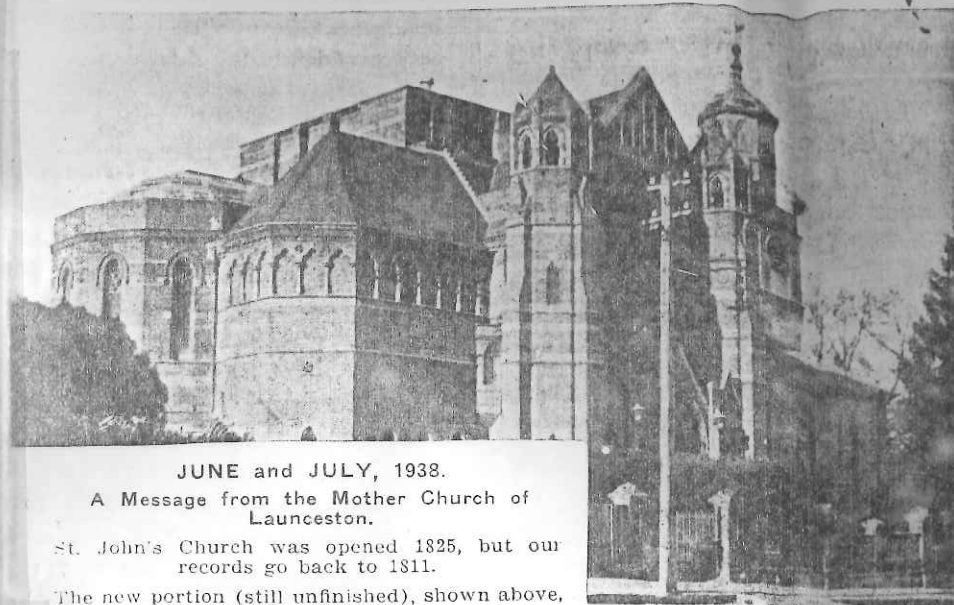
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etc.

Afternoon Tea & Light Refreshments

All proceeds over and above expenses go to help Missions.

**St. John's Parish Messenger**

JUNE and JULY, 1938.

A Message from the Mother Church of Launceston.

St. John's Church was opened 1825, but our records go back to 1811.

The new portion (still unfinished), shown above, was commenced in 1901.

**STAFF:**

Rector: REV. W. GREENWOOD. Rectory: 157 St. John Street, Launceston. 'Phone 525.

Curate: REV. W. L. B. VERRALL, M.A.

Mission Worker—MISS ISABEL KELLY, 103 Canning Street.

Organist—MR. A. R. GEE, F.I.G.C.M., 6 Elizabeth St. 'Phone 1670.

Verger—MR. A. FORD, "The Cottage," 39 Elizabeth Street.

Foreign Missionaries—MISS T. GARRARD, C.M.S. Kako, via Masaka, Uganda; MR. H. L. PERRIMAN, Groote Eylandt, Gulf of Carpentaria.

**APPOINTMENTS:**

SUNDAY SERVICES, 8, 11, and 7—Sunday School, 10 and 3. Holy Communion, 8 a.m. (every Sunday), 10 a.m. (second Sunday), 11 a.m. (first and third Sunday), also Saints' Days at 10.15 a.m. and Wednesdays 10.15 a.m. Young Men's Bible Class, 2.30. Young Women's Class, 2.30.

MONDAYS—Missionary Service League, C.M.S. Depot, 7.30 p.m.

TUESDAYS—G.F.S., 7.45 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS—Boy Scouts and Cubs, 7.30 p.m. M.M.A., 1st and 3rd, 2.45 p.m. Baptisms every Wednesday, 11 a.m.

THURSDAYS—Choir Practice, 8 p.m. Missionary Band, 4.15 p.m. Fourth Thursday, Mothers' Union, 3 p.m. Church Service, 7.30 p.m.

FRIDAYS—Brownies, 6.45 p.m.

ST. OSWALD'S, TREVALLYN—Service every Sunday, 7 p.m. Holy Communion Fourth Sunday, at 11 a.m.

ST. JOHN'S MISSION, CANNING STREET—Service every Sunday, 7 p.m.

CORMISTON—First Sunday in each Month, 3 p.m.

A CORDIAL INVITATION is hereby given to ALL to Attend our SERVICES. YOU will be Welcomed, Shown to a Seat, and, if necessary, provided with Books.

## RECTOR'S NOTES.

Our Easter Day Services proved most inspiring in every way. After heavy rain in the very early morning, the day broke fine, and hundreds of communicants thronged the Lord's Table. I cannot remember seeing so many communicants at one Service as we had at the mid-day Communion. I was very glad of the help rendered by Canon Barrett, Rev. A. Gamble, and my colleague.

The Service on Easter Sunday night will always be remembered as a milestone in the long history of old St. John's. The crowded Church joined reverently and feelingly in an act of remembrance as the Clergy and Choir passed through the old portion, where prayers of thanksgiving were offered for the wonderful witness the old building had made. We now look forward in eager expectancy for the reconstruction to be completed.

When the galvanised iron and shingles were stripped off the old roof, the main timbers were found to be in a very bad condition; indeed the whole roof had sagged considerably, and would have very probably fallen in in the near future. Had this happened on a Sunday the results would have been too terrible to contemplate. We need to be thankful that this new work prevented any such disaster.

I want, on behalf of the Churchwardens and Vestry, to sincerely thank you all for the splendid response to the Easter Offering. This

reached just over £100, and will enable us to meet all our obligations and face a new financial year in July with confidence.

On June 19 we shall keep a very important commemoration. It is the 400th anniversary of the placing of the English Bible in the Parish Churches of England. This vital and important step formed part of the great Reformation period, the 4th centenary of which we also commemorate. We shall have special services on that Sunday, and I know St. John's, with its strong Evangelical traditions, will make the occasion worthy of so great an event. I have asked the Rev. W. E. Northey to preach at the evening Service. I hope also we shall strongly support the Public Meeting to be held the following night (June 20th), at 8 o'clock, in the Mechanics' Institute. The Holy Scriptures are our greatest heritage. They are the standard of our Faith, and the Church of England does not ask us to believe or accept any doctrine but that which can be proved thereby. Let us teach them diligently to our children, holding fast by them as God's great revelation to man.

We regret very much the passing of the late Mrs. Arthur Green, of High Street, a very devoted and staunch friend of St. John's. She represented a generation that did much to make our Church what it is to-day, and it is sad to see them now passing away. Walter Perrin, Richard Green, Ernest Whitfield, and many others. It is indeed true to

say that St. John's was richly blessed in its laymen and laywomen of by-gone days. Thank God we have a strong new generation that means to live up to the high ideals which it has inherited.

I want to thank several people for donations towards the purchase of the old Tower Clock, which has fortunately come back into our possession. I am anxious that we should establish a museum in one of the Tower rooms, and there preserve old relics of our Church.

Speaking of this clock reminds me that it was one of six imported by the Government of that day from England. The six are St. John's, Launceston; St. John's, New Town; Gospel Church, Hobart; St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Hobart; Richmond Church; and one in the Midlands.

I have just returned from the Federal Council of the Church Missionary Society, held in Sydney. Such gatherings help one to realise the wonderful work C.M.S. is doing in various fields throughout the world.

I have just had a long and interesting letter from "Our Own Missionary," Mr. H. L. Perriman. He is facing a very difficult task at the present time, and needs our prayers. We all know and appreciate his obvious sincerity and devotion to his work. Let us uphold him by our intercessions and our financial support.

We have much to thank God for, and many tokens of His favour and blessing. May it stimulate us to

greater effort. "Being confident of this very thing, that He that hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ."

W. GREENWOOD,  
Rector.

## GENERAL NOTES.

A new modern gas-heating system has been installed in the Church, and will be given a thorough trial throughout the winter. If satisfactory it will be added to when the new portion of the Church is finished.

Our various winter organisations and clubs are now in full swing, and form an excellent meeting ground for our young people. Our tennis club has again added to its long list of successes by winning the "B" grade pennant in the City and Suburban Tennis Association. The "A" and "C" grade teams also made an excellent showing.

St. John's branch of the Mothers' Union has raised just over £12 for the new building fund of the Children's Home in Hobart. This is a C. of E. institution, and performing a very necessary work.

## MISSIONARY NOTES.

Mr. H. L. Perriman, our "Own Missionary," is now located at Oenpelli. This Mission Station is on the western side of the Northern Territory, N.E. from Darwin, is near the East Alligator River, miles from the mouth and 7 miles from the landing where stores are left twice a year. The Mission has a large fresh water lagoon with plenty of fish and game nearby.

Getting into touch with the natives is difficult, and Mr. Perriman needs all our prayers that the efforts made on the natives' behalf may be successful.