

HOLY MATRIMONY

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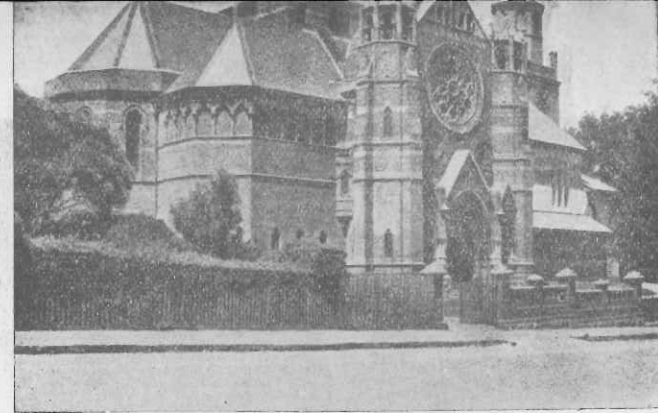
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St. John's Parish Messenger

June and July, 1940.

A Message from the Mother Church of Launceston
St. John's Church was opened 1825, but our records go back to 1811

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APPOINTMENTS:

SUNDAY SERVICES, 8, 11, and 7—Sunday School, 10 and 2.30 p.m.
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 p.m.
Young Women's Class, 2.30 p.m.
MONDAYS—Missionary Service League, C.M.S. Depot, 7.30 p.m. (First and Third).
TUESDAYS—G.F.S., 7.30 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 ST.—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

Dear Friends—

The present terrible conflict in Europe overshadows all our thoughts. Many people I am afraid have allowed the comparative inaction during the winter months to lull them into an unreal sense of war's possibilities. But now with the Empire in grave peril and the awful cost of human life and misery starkly revealed, we turn with anxious and full hearts to the God of all comfort to sustain our Empire and our Allies in this great day of testing, that our cause, which we believe to be just and righteous, may prevail.

We are indeed grateful to His Majesty the King for his lead in appointing Sunday, May 26th, as a National Day of Prayer. A nation on its knees in intercession is a mighty force indeed. Our hearts and admiration go out to the sailors, soldiers and airmen in their magnificent fight against great odds. What better than to leave the issue in God's hands?

As you will have noticed at our Morning and Evening Prayer, we remember by name those men who have left our parish to serve in the Australian Imperial Forces. If you know of others whose names are not on my list, I should be glad to have them.

May I remind you again of the Church Conference in St. John's Hall from Tuesday, June 4th, to Thursday, June 6th. Some of our most pressing problems will be discussed, and we hope to welcome people from all over the diocese. All meetings will be open to the public.

You will be interested to hear that Mrs. Fred. Cleaver has decided to place a stained-glass window in the North Ambulatory in memory of her husband. It is good to know that the splendid and devoted work of the late Mr. Cleaver will be marked in this suitable manner. The subject of the window will be "Hope."

Last month I dedicated a very beautiful Communion Table in our St. John's Mission. This has been made out of portions

of the cedar taken from old St. John's. The cedar has been excellently made up and adds dignity to the Mission Hall Service.

I have to thank Mr. David Weedon for a large and handsomely bound Bible in excellent condition for use wherever I think best. It should not be difficult to place it with advantage.

I cannot speak too highly of the fine work our Vestry continues to do in improving our Church property. The latest move is to add two further open fire-places to our St. John's Hall. These will prove a great comfort to our various parochial organisations during the winter months. This method seems to be the only satisfactory one to heat so large a building.

We must be prepared for some dislocation of our usual round of parochial activities. Our list of young men from St. John's now serving in the Forces is steadily growing. Many of our girls are doing their part as V.A.D.'s. This must effect our staff of teachers and leaders in the several parish organisations, but we would not have it otherwise. We are proud to feel our young people are rallying to the country's need so splendidly.

It is encouraging to see such large congregations attending St. John's. It is vital that our spiritual as well as our physical morale should be maintained. It should be a natural impulse to seek God's comfort and help in public worship in these perilous times.

We must all face the future with calm confidence and assurance in the ultimate triumph of right. David found the right solution: "I sought the Lord and He heard me; yea, He delivered me out of all my fears."

W. GREENWOOD, Rector.

General Notes

The present cold and severe weather reminds us of the helpful work of our St. John's Mission among the poor. Our Mission Worker distributes warm clothing and renders acceptable service to many in need. Any good second-hand clothing would be particularly welcome and those able to help in this direction are asked to notify Miss Kelly and arrangements will be made to distribute same to needy families.

Another side of the work of St. John's parish that is not generally known is the Children's Police Court work. The Rector is an Hon. Probationary Officer of the Court and attends when possible each Thursday afternoon. A letter received recently from the mainland from a lad once placed under his probation, told of a successful fresh start and ended with thanks for guidance and advice received at that critical period in his life.

HOLY BAPTISMS

"Suffer little children to come unto Me."

Leonie Mary Wilson, Patricia Fay Wiltshire, Helen Florence Linnell, Robert John Harvey Way, Irene Cristina Raftopulaus, Pauline Allison Pollington, Geoffrey Lloyd Parker, Judith Ellen Brient, Percival John Rowley, Barry Richard Ivan Steer, Gwenda Catherine Gibson, Leonard John Maxwell Wilson, Pamela Joyce Shipton, William John Turmine, Fae Turmine, Rosemary Chamberlain.