

St. Oswald's, Trevallyn.

So far the change of time of Evening Service from night to late afternoon, has not effected the attendance. Incidentally, it has enabled the Rector to take the Service, as it does not clash with Evensong at St. John's.

The Sunday School continues to make excellent progress. On a recent Sunday there were over 80 present.

St. John's Mission.

The winter sale on 2nd July, contrary to some expectations, proved an outstanding success, the financial result being the largest for many years. The present shortage of clothes probably had much to do with it.

It was decided to change the A. & M. Hymn Books in use to Hymnal Companion. A new supply has been obtained from Sydney.

HOLY BAPTISMS

"Suffer little children to come unto Me"

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| Harold Laurence Nicholls | Brian Walter Harding |
| Mary Charlotte Prismall | Wendy Kay Osborne |
| Graeme John Dineen | Lauris Wheldon |
| Dare Elizabeth Harrex | Betty Jean Warren |
| David John Rowell | Peter Richard Anderson |
| Janet Margaret Gatenby | Inez Joan Trinder |
| Donald Albert Williamson | Peter Alexander Hamilton |
| Margaret June Brown | |

HOLY MATRIMONY

"Those whom God hath joined together."

James Henry King and Phyllis Mary Brown.
Alfred Thomas Roach and Ethel May Duffey.
Frederick Reginald Patterson and Frances Mary Rumney.
Gerald Hadley Cassidy and Doris Edna Blockley.
Albert Phillips and Annie May Cranfield.
Ralph George Campbell-Smith and Mollie Marsden.
Geoffrey Widdowson and Marjorie Clarice Whatley.
Major William Wood and Esther Mary Perkins.
Gordon Henry Rowlings and Roma Evelyn Johnstone.
William George Ray and Frances Mary Bennett.
Donald Andrew Thomas Booth and Marie Constance Dowling.
Frederick George Lee and Jean Morton.
Willie Plant Richardson and Clarice Edith Healey.
John William Sargeant and Verdi Ilsa Wright
Allan James Clark and Lillian Adelean Hinds.
Roy Bowden and Keitha June Clark.
Jack Colin Bendall and Dorothy Jane Bilson.
Gordon Cyril Bennett and Joy Vivienne Jones.
John Charles Mitchell Grieg and Peggy Eileen Hewitt.
Allen Vere Ikin and Lenna Mary Phillips.
Kenneth Athol Elmer and Phyllis Josephine Roberts.
Robert Kevin Bradley and Eleanor Jean Ogilvie.
Ronald George Baxter and Edna May Brooks.

St. John's Parish Messenger

August and September, 1942

A Message from the Mother Church of Launceston

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

STAFF

Rector:

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Vergers:

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Foreign Missionaries:
St. John's—

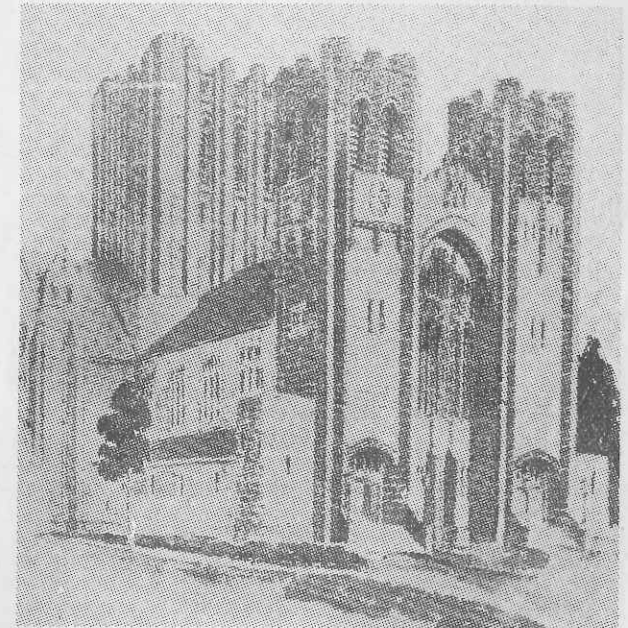
Mr. H. L. PERRIMAN,
Groote Eylandt,
Gulf of Carpentaria.

Depot—

Miss T. GARRARD, C.M.S.,
Kako, via Masaka, Uganda.

Hon. Lay Readers:

Messrs. C. H. ROSE, D.
WESTWOOD, A. THOL-
LAR, H. F. PRIESTLEY
and J. H. DINGLE.



St. John's, when completed.

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 Women's Class, 2.30, at Rectory.

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. (first), 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, 2.45 p.m. Intercession, 7.30 p.m.

ST. OSWALD'S, TREVALLYN—Service every Sunday, 3.45 p.m. Holy Communion, Fourth Sunday, at 9.30 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

Dear Friends,

This issue of the Parish Messenger will be a few days later than usual in its appearance, as I am holding it back so as to be able to insert the list of Church Officers for the year beginning 1st July, 1942. These names, of course, will not be known until after the Annual Meeting on 29th July.

Most of you will have received a copy of the Annual Report and Balance Sheet, which gives much cause for thanksgiving to God for His many blessings. Considering that so many of our young people have been "called-up" and so many others rightly taking their part in various war organisations, our congregations on the whole have been good and our various parochial societies have functioned with success. Financially, it has been a very heavy year in maintenance, but thanks to the Vestry's careful handling of our funds, we have been able to meet this and still are free from any debt.

Sunday, 9th August, has been fixed for our Annual Free-will Offering. A generous response to this will mean much in facing the new financial year. I am sorry to say the recent heavy rains have damaged our Glebe embankment and further work will have to be done there.

We welcome Mr. E. J. Lehner on his taking up the duties of Verger. He and his wife have happily settled in the newly-renovated Church Cottage.

I should like to draw your special attention to the forthcoming Diocesan Centenary Celebrations at the end of August. Most of the functions will, of course, be in Hobart. But Sunday, 30th August, will be kept as Diocesan Sunday in the parishes other than the Cathedral. The Bishop is asking for a Special Centenary Offering from all Church of England people throughout Tasmania. Special envelopes have been printed and will be distributed throughout the various parishes. St. John's people are asked to bring theirs on Sunday, 30th August, to be included in the day's collections which will be devoted to the Centenary Fund. All money received through this appeal is to be invested in War Bonds.

You will be interested to hear of a new arrangement for winding our historic clock. In the past this has meant very considerable effort on the part of the winder, but with a new gearing attachment, this has been largely eliminated. We are grateful to Mr. Butler for this helpful move which has been undertaken without cost to the Church. In addition, Mr. Butler has made the ringing of the bell a more simple matter.

These are anxious days through which we are passing and we need to summon all our faith to preserve that sane balance which is very vital at the present time. I hope we shall more and more use the opportunity of the United Intercession Service, which is held on the First Tuesday in each month at 3 p.m. This is the only Service in a united sense in Launceston. I am very glad to notice the high percentage of St. John's people present, but I hope still more will come. We have, too, our weekly Thursday night Intercession Service, at 7.30 p.m., when we pray by name for all our lads serving in the Forces. Many earnest people in Australia are gravely exercised about the present menace of drink and gambling in our midst. We cannot expect victory unless we are worthy of it.

Our big cities are often sad sights with drunken men in uniform and irresponsible girls walking the streets. Indeed, so bad has the drink question become in the Commonwealth that even the secular Press has been moved to make some protest. As Christian people we must raise our voice against this evil. Our Federal and State Governments have a grave responsibility in this matter. We shall need all our powers of endurance to win through against a ruthless enemy and we cannot afford to have that endurance impaired by an evil right within our gates.

Never did the world need so badly strong men and women of faith as to-day. In our Church life and in our personal witness we must stand boldly for those Christian principles that alone can save a nation.

I am more than ever thankful for the spiritual life of this parish, which has always stood and, I earnestly pray, will always stand, for only that which is consistent with the teachings of our Lord as revealed to us in the pages of the New Testament.

We must never be discouraged. We are not fighting a losing battle. If God be for us who shall be against us.

W. GREENWOOD, Rector.

Church Officers for 1942-3

Rector's Churchwarden: Mr. A. A. Castley.

People's Churchwardens: Mr. E. A. Gee and Mr. H. Brownrigg.

Vestry:

Rector's Vestrymen: Mr. L. Lakin and Mr. E. Hessel.

People's Vestrymen: Mr. F. Jones, Mr. A. Hollingsworth,

Mr. A. Thollar and Mr. F. Cookman.

Sidesmen: Messrs. H. R. Lakin, E. Barker, L. Bell, T. Brooks, A. E. Calver, J. Calver, T. Calver, F. Cookman, G. W. Greer, L. Hammond, A. Hollingsworth, J. Huston, F. Jones, L. Lakin, T. McClymont, H. Pittam, C. H. Rose, F. Radford, J. Sanderson, R. Stebbeings, A. Thollar, T. White, E. A. Windsor, R. Young, D. Cullen.

Auditors: Messrs. F. Jones and E. Hessel.

A PRAYER FOR THE EVENTIDE OF LIFE

God help me to grow old gracefully without bitterness.

Help me to view calmly the changes in this frail machine that I have driven carelessly.

Deliver me from envy and rancour towards modern youth and youth's happiness.

Give me tolerance towards change and progress, and new ideas.

Give me a glorious sunset and a peaceful night.

For the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

—Amen.

"The path of the just is as the light of dawn, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day."

"And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away."

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 to Mrs. Edwards, 2/-; Mrs. Henty, 2/-; Mrs. Manser, 2/-; Miss Carney, 2/-; Miss Cadle, 3/-; Mrs. Alexander, 2/-; Miss Phillips, 2/-; Mrs. Joscelyne, 2/-; Mrs. Ferrall, 2/6; Church boxes, 10/-; Mrs. Crow, 2/-; Mr. D. Young, 4/-.