

St. Oswald's Notes

Congratulations to those who decorated St. Oswald's for the Harvest Festival. The Church has never looked so beautiful. The harvest gifts were sent to St. John's Mission for distribution.

A recent welcome visitor to St. Oswald's was Archdeacon Barrett, Warden of Christ College. Many remembered him when he was Curate of St. John's and from time to time visited St. Oswald's.

HOLY MATRIMONY

"Those whom God hath joined together."

Alfred Justin Dawe and Florence Mildred Harrison.
Robert Wadsworth Hoare and Vera Doreen Morley.
Eric David Edwards and Jean Sylvia Smith.
William Thomas Trinder and Mavis Dulcie Judd.
Allan Lindsay Colbeck and Meg Hemphill Brain.
Ralph Phillip Canning and Selma May Quon.
Owen Thomas Owens and Lucy Frances Williams.
Reginald Roy Yates and Marjory Joan Viney.
Ralph Frederick Clark and Kathleen Mary Preece.
Trevor Ernest Webb and Daphne Merl Shipp.
Edward Bryant Clayton and June Mellor Robinson.
Arthur David Griffiths and Esma Jean Anderson.
Owen Dorman Stone and Bernice Cooper.
Raymond Carl Smith and Jean Dorothy Margison.
James Leonard Holloway and Derris Margaret Easterbrook.
Geoffrey Weily and Barbara Helen Tuck.
John Forest Cole and Yvonne Esme Watts.
Bernard James William Reilly and Mavis Jean Cameron.
Frederick William Krushka and Erna May Masters.
Millthorpe Malcolm Midgley and Joan Iris Herbert.

HOLY BAPTISMS

"Suffer little children to come unto Me."

Leslie Arnold Pearce.
Sue Louise Luttrell.
Maureen Elizabeth Edwards.
Robert Denison Dineen.
Donald Cedric Butler.
Dorothy Jean Rodman.
Colin Robert Hesketh.
Heather Cameron Wilson.
Barry Winton Squires.
David John Henderson.
Maureen Barbara Price.
Jillian Elizabeth Webber.
Josephine Florence Ingram.
Laird John Best.
Suzanne Joan Easter.

Beverley Joy Kirkham.
Wayne Kenneth Hortle.
Heather Edith Luckhurst.
Anne Barrenger.
Alan George Eastoe.
Janice June Burns.
Penelope Ann Edmunds.
Suzanne Kerry Webb.
Dianne Elizabeth Thomson.
Peter Ronald Dowde.
Douglas Frederick Ellis Bowen.
Margaret Rose Street.
Christopher Athol Heath.
Kenneth Jain Mackay.

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St. John's Parish Messenger

June and July, 1945

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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WESTWOOD, A. THOL-
LAR, H. F. PRIESTLEY
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Mr. A. A. CASTLEY.

People's Wardens:
Messrs. H. BROWN RIGG
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Messrs. F. CARNIE, F.
JONES, A. HOLLINGS-
WORTH, A. THOLLAR,
E. F. HESSELL, and F.
COOKMAN, with the
Churchwardens.

APPOINTMENTS

SUNDAY SERVICES, 8, 11 and 7—Sunday School, 10 a.m. 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., also 5th Sunday at 8.15 p.m.

TUESDAYS—G.F.S., 6 p.m. (first). M.S.L., 7.30 p.m. (third).

WEDNESDAYS—M.M.A. (first), 2.45 p.m. Baptisms every Wednesday, 11 a.m.

THURSDAYS—Intercession, 7.30 p.m. Choir Practice, 8 p.m. Missionary Band, 4.15 p.m.

Fourth Thursday, Mothers' Union, 2.45 p.m.
SCOUTS, CUBS, GUIDES and BROWNIES meet weekly.

ST. OSWALD'S, TREVALLYN—Holy Communion, 1st Sunday, 9.30 a.m. Evening Prayer other Sundays, at 7 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S MISSION, CANNING STREET—Service every Sunday, 7 p.m. M.U., Thurs., 2.45 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,

Since our last issue we have passed through the season of Easter, and looking back upon it we find much to encourage us. The Services on Easter Day were very well attended and the number of Communicants well up to past years.

The Thanksgiving Services for victory in Europe were most inspiring. It is on such occasions that we feel the benefit of so large a Church as St. John's. The many hundreds that attended joined in quiet but sincere gratitude for the great victories, which under God, had been achieved. The Archdeacon's sermon at the Morning Service will long be remembered. He paid a fine and glowing tribute to the bravery and fortitude of the people of Great Britain, when with the Dominions, she stood alone for a year against the worst that Germany could do. It surely was their finest hour, and we are proud of the stock from whence we are sprung.

One of the most encouraging factors is the frequent references made by our leaders to the "Good Hand of God" that has guided us and brought us out of darkness into light. Let us most earnestly pray that further victory in the Pacific may soon be vouchsafed to our cause and that a just and righteous peace may soon heal the wounds of war and that men may learn to live together in peace and goodwill.

Whilst this issue will be in the printer's hands we shall be sharing in a most important and rare Service, rare, that is, as far as Launceston is concerned. On Trinity Sunday, Mr. C. H. Rose is to be Ordained to the Diaconate by His Lordship the Bishop. I believe that the last Ordination in Launceston took place at St. John's in June, 1925. There will be some of you who will recall that Service, but most of our people, I think, will be seeing an Ordination for the first time. The preacher at this important Service will be the Rev. L. L. Nash, M.A., B.D., Rector of St. George's, Hobart.

I have invited Mr. Rose to preach his first sermon as a Clergyman of the Church of England in St. John's, where he has for so many years laboured with success as a Lay-reader, Bible Class Leader and keen worker for the Kingdom of Christ.

I was able to attend the Federal Council of the C.M.S. in Melbourne recently. Our Bishop, Archdeacon Barrett and the Rev. L. L. Nash also were present. It was a most strenuous time, the meetings each day lasting from 9.30 a.m. to 10 p.m.; indeed, on Wednesday to 11.15 p.m. There were delegates from the four branches of New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia and Tasmania.

One important decision was to launch a Victory Thanksgiving Fund as soon as the Pacific war ends. The slogan will be "50 Missionaries and £50,000 for a New Advance." The war is opening up new fields, and C.M.S., with its world-wide vision, hopes to march forward in the great task which our Lord committed to His Church.

The annual Market will be held on Wednesday, May 30, at 3 p.m. The proceeds of this effort are to be divided between the Babies' Home in Hobart and St. John's Assessment Fund. With regard to the former, our parish has undertaken to support a cot at the Home, and this we have been able to do for several years now. The work of this excellent Institution should need no commendation, as it speaks for itself. The love and care showered upon these little ones is a Christ-like work.

The Assessment Fund represents our parish quota for Diocesan needs, particularly through the General Church Fund, which makes grants to needy parishes. It is no exaggeration to say that many of our parishes could not support their Rector without their G.C.F. grants.

I have just heard that we are losing Mr. and Mrs. Hessell and their daughter. Mr. Hessell has been transferred to Bendigo. We shall miss them very much indeed. As a member of our Vestry and a Sidesman, Mr. Hessell has made a very valuable contribution to St. John's. Mrs. Hessell and her daughter have been very staunch members of the choir, and in many other ways as well have closely identified themselves with our Church life. We wish them every success and happiness in their new home.

There is much sickness in the parish at the present time, and our prayers are needed both for them and for all who feel the strain and stress of life. Let us keep our dear old Church well in our thoughts. Much has been achieved, but much still remains to be done. May His blessing be upon all that we strive to do for His glory and his Kingdom.

W. GREENWOOD, Rector.

St. John's Mission

News has just been received of the sudden passing of Mr. Westwood. This will come as a great shock to many of us. Mr. Westwood has been a most devoted and earnest Lay-reader in St. John's Parish for about 20 years. His work at the Mission will always be remembered with deep gratitude. He was a very sincere Christian and gave freely of his spare time to the Church's interests. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Mrs. Westwood and the members of her family.

The Mission was beautifully decorated for the Harvest Festival, and a good congregation heartily enjoyed the harvest hymns and appropriate address.

The Ordination of Mr. C. H. Rose will mean a big loss to the Mission, as for very many years he has regularly officiated there as an Hon. Lay-reader. On a recent Sunday night the Mission Worker, on behalf of the congregation, presented Mr. Rose with a surplice as a token of their warm regard and of their appreciation of his willing help.