

St. John's Parish Messenger

DECEMBER, 1946, and JANUARY, 1947.

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



HOLY BAPTISMS.

"Suffer little children to come unto Me."

Maureen Ann Viney	Noelene Margaret Gooding
Jennifer Mollie Viney	Diane Beryl Flood
Gerald John Eastley	Maureen Aurelia Goss
Geoffrey Ian Quarrell	Diane Davis
Wayne Hesketh	Nigel John Goodwin
Clifford Geoffrey Wilson	Gwendolyn Isabella Irene Youl
Marjorie Ellen Reynolds	Shirley Anne Higgins
Yvonne Loraine Davey	Lynette Anne Churcher
Lynette Veronica Harris	Diane Elizabeth Williams
Jill Campbell	Graham William Sherriff
Peter Geoffrey Hansen	Rhonda May Huxley
Phillip Martin Atkins	Dorothy Seymour Soden
Shirley Joy Faulkner	Suzanne Colgrave
Bronwyne Merle Squires	Alan James Colgrave
Janice Elaine Hughes	Ward Peter Doe
Angela Dianne Duncan	Harold Rollins
Lynette Shirley Reed	Aubrey Lewis Henricks
Beaumont Percival Grubb	Shirley Elaine Phillips
Peter Mason	Maureen Josephine O'Sign
Shanlie Gurr	Vonny Norma O'Sign
Brian Lewis Davis	Anthony Craig Russell Watts
Margaret Jean Lowe	Christopher Ian Taylor
Eric Brian Parsons	Michael Douglas Watts
Marney Poole	Erendia Jean Woolnough
Vonda Aileen Dawe	Michael John Oliver

HOLY MATRIMONY

"Those whom God hath joined together."

Arthur Bellby Nunn and Betty Joan McHugh
Noel Lindsay Adams and Iris Gwendoline Talbot.
Algah Roy Spencer and Muriel Ivy Smith.
Jack Alan Freeland and Dorothy Westbrook.
John Athol Bilson and Laura Jean Morrison.
Kenneth Alexander Milne and Betty Joy Read
Brian Henry Gofton and Betty Alice Turner.
Frank Wallace Harris and Jessie Veronica Booth.
Kevin Colgrave and Marjory Joan Leedham.
Ian Norman Carmichael Nicolson and Pamela Savigny Fysh
Trevor William Watts and Jessie Marie Kidd.
Benjamin William Clark and Thelma May Ainslie.
Basil James Watterson and Margaret June Burston.
Rex Burgess McLean and Ida Beatrice Bond.
William Henry Eustace Rowe and Rita Jean Davey.
John Henry Tipping and Winsome Jessie Webb.
Elson Gordon Groves and Verna Jean Buchanan.
Walter Vivian Kitto and June Eva Teesdale.
John Desmond Godfrey and Kathleen Nichols.
Maxwell Douglas Keygan and Cylvia Grace Kelly.

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Foreign Missionaries:

St. John's—
Groote Eylandt,
Gulf of Carpentaria.
Depot—
Miss F. GARRARD, C.M.S.,
Kako, via Masaka, Uganda.

Hon. Lay Readers:

Messrs. A. THOLLAR, H
F. PRIESTLY, A. R.
PROWSE and C. VINEY.

St. John's Hostel:

MATRON—MRS. D.
WARDE.
For middle-aged and
elderly people.
Tariff: 35/- per week up

Churchwardens:

Rector's Warden:
Mr. A. A. CASTLEY.

People's Wardens:

Messrs. H. BROWNRIGG
and F. JONES.

Vestry:

Messrs. F. CARNIE, L.
CATO, A. HOLLINGS-
WORTH, A. THOLLAR,
L. LAKIN and F. COOK-
MAN, with the Church-
wardens.

APPOINTMENTS

SUNDAY SERVICES, 8, 11 and 7—Sunday School, 10 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. Holy Com-
munion, 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,

Our "Parish Messenger" functions as a medium of news between the Church and congregation. Many old St. John's families scattered throughout the Commonwealth look to it for information of our doings. We have much to record and I am afraid we shall be pressed for space.

Our bells have at last been installed and many expressions of appreciation of their tone and quality have been received. Like all peals, they gain in sweetness as they are heard at some distance in the rise and fall of the wind.

The total cost of the bells is £461, including installation. Towards this sum we have £431, which includes a very generous donation from Mr. A. P. Findlay of £100. I am anxious that we should meet the full cost at once and should be glad to acknowledge further donations in our next issue of the "Messenger."

Congratulations to our G.F.S. girls on the success of their recent fair, which amounted to about £50. After making generous donations to our bells fund and parish assessment, the girls hope to build up their carpet fund so that further portions may be laid down in our beautiful church.

Our St. John's Sunday School Festival was a very happy and successful one. The offertory for school funds was the largest for many years. The morning service coincided with a State broadcast. The children rose to the occasion splendidly with excellent singing and behaviour. The weather forecast for picnic day was showers, but they proved showers of blessings. The day was gloriously fine and the children had a great time. We appreciate the fine work of our superintendents and teachers in our several schools.

One of the highlights of our St. John's Week was the concert and lantern lecture with slides of St. John's—old and new. The programme revealed the not inconsiderable talent among our choir members and the views of our beautiful church showed some quite new angles in the architecture of the great building. It must be many years since we had an evening of this kind and quite a number of people have expressed the hope that the next will not be far distant.

We were glad to welcome the Dean of St. David's at the Festival Service on the Sunday and his fine address was much appreciated.

May I remind you of the times of our Christmas Day services. There will be Holy Communion at 6 a.m., 7 a.m. and 8 a.m., with Morning Prayer and Holy Communion at 10.45 a.m., Evening Service at 7 p.m. As many of our people are away at Christmas we shall use the preceding Sunday (December 22) for special services, especially at night, when the "Service of the Nine Lessons" with carols will be used.

Another service of importance will be the annual service for the Broadland House C. of E. Girls' Grammar School on Sunday, December 15, at 11 a.m. A Christmas anthem will be sung by the girls and the preacher will be Canon F. Lansdell.

Our monthly Young People's Fellowship Teas held on the third Sunday in each month have proved well worth while and seem to be appreciated by those who come.

If satisfactory arrangements can be made we are hoping to have a "Missionary Day in the Country" on the lines of those held in pre-war days. This has been fixed for the January holiday. The place has yet to be chosen. Whilst the Fellowship will form the basis of the day's outing, we shall be glad to welcome others also. Those wishing to enjoy the day with us are asked to give their names to Miss Sybil Brownrigg or myself.

The annual City Mission Old Folks' Tea is fixed for Thursday, December 19, at 5 p.m. St. John's is again asked to provide a table. Donations of food, fruit, etc., will be welcomed and can be sent to the Rectory.

May I wish you all a very happy Christmas season and a prosperous New Year. The world is still very unsettled and selfishness, harsh criticism and suspicion far too prevalent. But it is for us to present to the world the beauty, peace and hope of the Christian religion. "And He set a little child in the midst of them." That is the Christmas message. And may the spirit of our Lord, the spirit of gentleness, selflessness and kindly understanding go out into this fevered world, that in Him all may have peace and peace more abundantly.

W. GREENWOOD, Rector.

ST. OSWALD'S

The Sunday School Festival Services held on November 24 were most successful with splendid congregations. The opportunity was taken of presenting Mr. Prowse with a gift in appreciation of his help during the year. Having removed to a distant part of the city, he has had to resign as superintendent. Mr. Geoff. Radford has kindly promised to take over and, with the assistance of Mr. Peter Henry and a keen body of young teachers, the future of the Sunday School should be secure.

ST. JOHN'S MISSION

Fine weather contributed to the success of the annual fair. Miss I. Oates and her workers well deserved the warm thanks expressed by the Rector at the opening. Over £42 was received and this will probably be augmented as further amounts come to hand. The hall looked well with the tasteful decorations and a happy spirit was much in evidence.

Further list of subscribers to the St. John's Peace Thanksgiving Memorial Bells: Mr. and Mrs. F. Christmas, £5; St. John's G.F.S., £10; St. John's Women's Work Guild, £3; Mr. L. F. Cato, £1/1/-; Mr. Lloyd Hughes, £1; Mr. A. P. Findlay, £100; Miss Heathorn, £1; Mr. F. F. Fairthorne, £1/1/-. Total to date, £431/4/9.

The Rector would be glad to receive subscriptions towards the cost of the publication of this paper.

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