

## General Notes

### HOLY MATRIMONY

*"Those whom God hath joined together."*

Alfred Eric Pegler Scott and Marjorie Sheila Crompton.  
 Jeffrey Arthur Finch Green and Peg Chapman.  
 Donald Guy and Doreen May Gittus.  
 James Allan Whitney and Barbara Nancy Hammond.  
 Russell Henry and Mary Audrey Catherine Hay.  
 Edwin Henley Thwaites and Vera Margaret O'Byrne.  
 Allan Crawford and Mavis Elizabeth Douglas.  
 Eric Vernon Bishop and Nancy Pauline Ackerly.  
 Donald Ian Beasley and Dulcie Ola McBain.  
 Cecil Newman Bayles and Marjorie Leah Walker.  
 Ray William John Abra and Winifred Muriel McHugh.  
 Stanley Nelson Richardson and Garda Eileen White.  
 Alan John Kidd and Jessie Catherine Sutherland.  
 Edwin David Rogers and Emmeline Martha Winter.

### HOLY BAPTISMS

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

Christine Osmo Moore.	Dennis Frank Milner.
Michael Alfred Soden.	Michael John Woolley.
Brenda Hepburn.	Lesley Patricia Price.
Jeffrey Michael Best.	Kenneth Rodney Bonney.
Pamela Joan Sing.	Shirley Amelia Prior.
Gail Patricia Weavell.	Mary Louise Lovett.
John David Wallace.	Lance Collins.
Lynette Kaye Lucas.	Sandra Joy Bishop.
John William Dodd.	Denise Mary Breward.
Gayle Pamela Wilson.	Darryl Raymond Digney.
Peter Raymond Rice.	Gregory Keith Pratt.
Anthony Warren Clayton.	David Maxwell Boag.
Lynette Margaret Johnston.	Alison Gwendoline Marriott.
Catherine Norma Waldron.	Janice Marjorie Llewellyn- Curwood.
Ila Brenda Clark.	Wayne John Warren.
Richard Howarth Dale White- head.	Wayne Kerry Jackson.
Christopher Jon Keeling.	Deidre Elizabeth Izard.
Pamela Ann Genders.	Peter Melville Cobbing.
Janice Shan Hibbs.	Lynette Margaret Rose Annells.
Helen Joy Dean.	Brian Arnold Nutting.
John Henry Myers.	Denice Margaret Russell.
Helen Lynette Groves.	

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# St. John's Parish Messenger

MAY and JUNE, 1948.

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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 MAN, with the Church-  
 wardens.

### APPOINTMENTS

SUNDAY SERVICES, 8, 11 and 7—Sunday School, 10 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. (Kindergarten only)  
 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.

CORMISTON—First Sunday in each Month, 3 p.m., or by special notice.

## Rector's Notes

Dear Friends,

Our Easter Services must be regarded as being amongst the most inspiring for many years. If numbers mean anything, then this year we reached the highest peak for a very long period. For the whole of the Festival there were just over 500 communicants. I was most grateful for the help of the Archdeacon at three services. Without such they would have been unduly prolonged. The weather also was kind to us. Although other parts of the State experienced very wet and bitter weather, Launceston had a sunny week-end.

It seems as if we shall have to reconcile ourselves to being without a Curate. I have tried every possible source and although the Vestry has considerably increased the stipend available, we could get no result. We must also remember that many other parishes are similarly placed.

Our united Missionary Exhibition was a very creditable effort on the part of the Launceston and district parishes. Considerable effort was put into the building of the various courts and the final effect was most pleasing. Unfortunately very cold and bitter weather affected the attendances except at the final night, when a Pageant was staged before a very large audience. I should certainly think that the Pageant was the most striking and ambitious presentation Launceston has ever seen. It was a credit to all concerned. I am glad to say St. John's played a very worthy part, both in this and the Exhibition. It is good to know that our two Missionary Societies, the C.M.S. and A.B.M., will receive financial help as a result.

Our Harvest Festival Services, as usual, were well attended. A quantity of suitable gifts as Food-for-Britain was received, and these are to be packed by our St. John's Branch of the Mother's Union. Our Vestry very kindly allocated a sum of money for the postage. We were glad to welcome the Rev. R. C. Brown as preacher at the Evening Service.

Our St. John's Branch of the Church of England Men's Society is considering sponsoring a branch of the "Cebs" (Church of England Boys' Society). Whilst our parish is almost too lavishly supplied with organisations, it must be admitted that there is need for a definitely Church organisation for the lads of St. John's. But as yet the matter is in the consultative stage and we must await further moves. That the C.E.B.S. can be helpful to the Church is being proved at St. Oswald's under the leadership of Mr. Geoff Radford.

The great Anglican Communion is not usually given to sudden and sensational movements. It has always been somewhat conservative in its approach to present-day problems. This is not altogether a bad trait. Many movements arise and fade away with little permanent impact. But there seems to be a rising tide within its members for greater Evangelistic effort. Many are beginning to realise that purely social efforts in parochial life do not build up a strong spiritual foundation.

Personally, I have always believed, and sought to practise, the long-range policy of seeking spiritual results rather than the more immediate seemingly effective results in numbers that social gatherings seem to produce.

*But let us leave the harvesting of our efforts in higher hands, believing that if we honour Him, He will honour us. May God's blessing be upon us all in that we seek to do in His name for our well-loved Church of St. John.*

W. GREENWOOD, Rector.

### ST. OSWALD'S, TREVALLYN

Our Church on the hill has suffered a severe loss in the removal to the south of the island of Mr. and Mrs. V. Weetman. They have been a tower of strength to St. Oswald's and will be much missed. At a farewell gathering in the hall they were presented with tokens of the warm regard they have been held in by the whole community.

During the Easter period 12 boys of the St. Oswald's Branch of the C.E.B.S. went to Devonport for their third very successful camp. Our sincere thanks go to the Rector of Devonport for the facilities he placed at the boys' convenience and the keen interest he took in their welfare.

At a combined service of adults and children held on Palm Sunday, the Rector presented 12 boys with their badges on their admission to the C.E.B.S. That the parents appreciate the work being done by Mr. G. Radford was evidenced by the large number of adults present.

There was a remarkable increase in the number of communicants on Easter Day.

### C.E.M.S.

The C.E.M.S. President and members must feel gratified at the continued increase in numbers. At the last meeting Mr. Tom Barnard gave an interesting account of his recent trip to Toowoomba, Queensland, to attend the Teachers' and Youth Leaders' Conference.

Members are looking forward to a talk by Dr. Holman on "Atomic Energy" in the near future.

### ST. JOHN'S CHOIR

St. John's Choir is one of the keenest and most efficient organisations in the parish. Its numbers keep up remarkably well and its musical ability keeps up its well-won reputation. . .

On Passion Sunday the Choir rendered Maunder's "Olivet to Calvary," and on Palm Sunday Stainer's "Crucifixion." Both were excellently rendered before large and appreciative congregations.

The Choir also shared in the musical renderings at the recent Pageant.

### ST. JOHN'S MOTHER'S UNION

The annual "Musical Market" has been fixed for Wednesday, June 9th, at 3 p.m. Through this yearly effort a very considerable sum has been forwarded to the C. of E. Babiés' Home, in support of St. John's Cot.

Members have again undertaken to pack and despatch a further number of parcels as "Food-for-Britain."

It will be a source of satisfaction to all to know that 70 parcels have been sent in the last 12 months.

### ST. JOHN'S G.F.S.

The branch has commenced its meetings and offers a welcome to any girls from the country who have come to live in Launceston.

It has also arranged a "Picture Evening" through the courtesy of Mr. F. Smithies for Tuesday, May 4th, at 7.30 o'clock in the Kindergarten Hall, to which parents and friends are cordially invited.