

St. John's Parish Messenger

JANUARY and FEBRUARY, 1949

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

General Notes

Holy Baptisms

"Suffer little Children to come unto Me."

Pamela Joy Smith
Toni Anne Williams.
Michael Langley Williams
Peter David James
Robyn Anne Yates
Denise Sheila Jenkins
Christine Marie Jordan
Allan Robert Guy
Gerald Francis McIntosh
Peter Rodney Madden
Arie Jan van Asch
Peter Ronald Ormsby
Margaret Joan Ormsby
Susanne Maxine Franklin
Rubina Amy Baker
John William Edwards
Caroline Mary Fletcher
David Lewis Bernal
Vivienne Betty Flood
Barbara Ellen Morice

Phillip Louis Dennis
Marilyn Kay Cartledge
Helen Joy Madden
Malcolm David Hodgetts
Josephine Mary Bassett
Barbara Kay McKenna
Garry William Richards
Gillian Wilson Bertram
Danny Walter Holmes
Elaine Langridge
Mary Anne Cox
Robert Allan Colbeck
Kay Halcyon Lowe
Noeline Ann Wilkins
Diane Kay Fairbrother
Robert Wayne Fleming
Merlene May Thomson
Michael William Baylis
Maxwell George Cox

Holy Matrimony

"Those whom God hath joined together."

Reginald Arthur Murray and Patricia Mary Cole.
Hedley George Stagg and Margaret Helen Avery.
Frederick George Baker and Betty Jean Bartels.
Peter Gould Heyes and Esther Marcia Headlam.
Geoffrey William Thompson and Valerie May Kent.
Donald Keith Wells and Jean Lillian Petrie.
Keith Charles Smith and Aileen Dawn Wilkes.
Leslie John Munro and Nancy Vera Murray.
Rayner Arthur Sparks and Shirley Jean Smith.
Maxwell Stanley Imber and Ruth Violet Amy Gain.
James George Weedon and Wanda May Woodfield.

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IMPORTANT

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F. COOKMAN, with the
Churchwardens.

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—Baptisms every Wednesday, 11 a.m. M.M.A. (first), 2.45 p.m. Y.P.A. weekly 4 p.m.
THURSDAYS—Evening Service 7.30 p.m. Choir Practice, 8 p.m. Missionary Band, 4.15 p.m. Fourth Thursday, Mothers' Union, 2.45 p.m.
FRIDAYS—C. of E. Boys' Society, 6.45 p.m. C. of E. Young People's Fellowship, 7.45 p.m.
SCOUTS, CUBS, GUIDES and BROWNIES meet weekly.

ST. OSWALD'S TREVALLYN—Holy Communion, 1st Sunday, 9.30 a.m., 3rd Sunday, 9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer; other Sundays at 7 p.m.
CORMISTON—3 p.m. by special notice.

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,

Let me wish you all a very Happy and Prosperous New Year. We know not what 1949 has in store for us, but may we face it, whether it be sunshine or cloud, with the firm conviction that "All things work together for good to them that Love the Lord."

Christmas Day at St. John's was a very inspiring time, and the many hundreds of Communicants taxed the strength of both the Archdeacon and myself. But it was a very happy load to carry and as the Archdeacon said in his address, "That so many came to the Lord's Table is an encouraging sign that the Church's message is still the need of the world to-day."

Our "St. John's Week" passed off very successfully, the Tuesday night social was a really family party, both young and old being well represented. The "Week" closed with the Sunday School Festival, and here for the first time since I have been at St. John's we had a wet Sunday. Yet even this could not damp the keenness of our boys and girls who came in excellent numbers and sang very creditably. For the first time in the School's history, I believe, we took the children for their picnic to the sea-side. Although undertaken with some natural anxiety all went well and the children voted it the best ever.

There is an exodus at the present moment of our young people. The boys, under the capable leadership of Tom Barnard and Eric Bassett, have gone to Frankston for the C.E.B.S. camp, and some of our young people to Deloraine for the Leaders' School. It is good to see our youth work developing so well.

Our Annual C.M.S. Summer School has been fixed for Feb. 13th, to 17th... The team will consist of six deputationists—the largest we have ever had, I think, and certainly the most distinguished. You will find further details in this issue... We shall be glad to give a special welcome to the Primate of Australia.

Speaking of Missionary matters, Miss E. Murray, after well over 30 years of devoted and unselfish service as Hon. Sec. of the Northern branch of C.M.S., has had, because of advancing years, to resign her position. I could not overstate what Miss Murray has meant to C.M.S. here. Our Missionary Depot, now to be called C.M.S. House, will always be a living monument of her devotion. We hope to make a suitable presentation to her during the Summer School, and we are asking the Primate, as President of C.M.S. in Australia, to do this on our behalf.

At Christmas time I had the unique experience of giving Holy Communion to a lady over 100 years old. Very few clergy have been privileged in this way as, of course, to reach the century mark is in itself a very rare event. We congratulate Mrs. Wilson, and pray that she may be blessed with "peace at Eventide."

My wife joins me in sincere and deep appreciation of the Christmas gift which the parish made through the Vestry.

W. GREENWOOD,
Rector.

C.M.S. Summer School.

FROM SUNDAY, FEB. 13th to ~~TUES.~~, FEB. 17th.

LEADERS—The Most Rev. H. W. K. Mowll, D.D., Archbishop of Sydney, and Primate of Australia.

Mrs. Mowll, many years a Missionary in China.

The Rev. R. J. Hewett, Th.L., Federal Secretary of C.M.S.

The Rev. F. McGorlick, 7 years service in Tanganyika.

Miss Minna Clark, served over 40 years in China.

Miss Eliza Clark, served over 40 years in China.

St. Oswald's Trevallyn

Very sincere thanks are offered to Mr. J. Gee and Mr. B. Fowler for their work in erecting a platform outside the side door of the Hall. The old one had become dangerous through decay and this new work is deeply appreciated.

Mr. G. Radford is taking many of the C.E.B.S. over to Melbourne for a holiday during January and excellent arrangements have been made for their welfare. We wish them a happy and instructive time. We appreciate the right royal time the Rector of Deloraine recently gave to our lads when they had a week-end camp there.

In addition to the usual picnic and prize-giving, a break-up party was given to both Kindergarten and Senior Sunday Schools. Opportunity was taken of presenting Mrs. Raeburn with a gift in appreciation of her fine work in the Kindergarten. It has been a most successful year for both Schools.

Church of England Men's Society

Average attendance has now reached the 30 mark and still growing. It has been decided to make an annual contribution to the Children's Home at Kingston. The branch made a good showing at the Parish Social, organising an excellent programme and keeping the fun going. All were delighted to hear from the Treasurer that the branch had now fully paid off the cost of the new kitchen. Members are now considering further efforts for improving our main Hall.

St. John's Choir.

Opportunity was taken at the Parish Social to present to our organist, Mr. A. R. Gee, a gift in appreciation of his entering into his 21st. year as holder of that important office. St. John's is particularly fortunate in possessing an excellent organist, a large and efficient choir, whose regular attendance is a marked feature.

Church of England Boy's Society.

Those lads going to the Frankston camp will wear the special uniform designed for the C.E.B.S. We are hoping that Mr. Prowse, his leaders, and the boys will arrange a Church parade so that the congregation will see the uniform and hear more of this new Church movement for C. of E. lads.

The boys of St. John's branch had a most enjoyable break-up tea to mark the close of the year's activities. A hearty tea, with games following, made a very happy evening.