terian; 25th August, Folk Dancing and Games: 1st September, Visit Post Office; 8th September, Salamagundi Evening; 15th September, Inter-club Games; 22nd September, Hike; 29th September, Speaker.

We wish to thank all those who gave us valuable assistance at our combined C.E.F. Fair on Saturday, 15th July, and so helped in raising approximately £63 for our Sidmouth Youth Centre.

H.M.

FELLOWSHIP TEA

There was a very good attendance at our Tea in July when a challenging address was given by Rev. A. L. Moore of Memorial Baptist Church. Mr. Moore's message was based on Our Lord's challenge to St. Peter "Lovest thou Me more than these?"

We are pleased to announce that Rev. George Christopher, the newly appointed State Secretary of the Church Missionary Society will be the speaker when we meet again on Sunday 20th August and we look forward to another good roll up. BADMINTON CLUB

The activities of the Club are progressing happily and we recently had a visit from the Carrick team with whom we had an enjoyable match, the home team being successful in winning by ten points.

Our new curtain is in use and is

proving a great asset.

ST. JOHN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL During the month of July Miss B. Sweetman, the recently appointed Diocesan Youth Organiser and Sunday School Adviser, visited our Sun-

day School and a welcome was extended to her on behalf of Scholars and Teachers by the Superintendents. Mr. A. Thollar and Miss E. Kiddle.

At the Sunday School Teachers' Preparation Class held on the 16th July in the Kindergarten Room, Teachers were again given an opportunity of meeting Miss Sweetman. At this meeting Miss Sweetman gave a very interesting and helpful talk.

Our next Preparation Class will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, 20th

XMAS BOX TO GROOTE ISLAND

As in past years, Scholars were given an opportunity to contribute towards the Xmas Box for the Groote

Island Missions. The response was good, particularly in the Kindergarten Section, and we would like to thank Scholars and Parents for their

TEACHERS

We would like to welcome Miss Kath Bilton and Miss Dorothy Mc-Ennulty who have commenced teaching in the Kindergarten. We are grateful for their assistance and will be pleased to receive the names of any who are interested in this work. L.V.V.

PARISH MESSENGER

Mrs. Robson 2/-; Mrs. Edwards 2/-; Mrs. L. H. Lakin, 10/-; Mrs. M. Johnstone, 5/-; Mrs. Sealy, 4/-; Miss Everett, 3/-.

HOLY BAPTISM

Diane Mary Woolnough, Harley Dawn Midson, Shanley Gail Midson, Peter John Gill, Nigel Duffus Johnston Graeme Maxwell Woodfield, Susanne Mary Viney, Gary Ronald Farrell, Phillip John Atkins, Pamela Helen Susan Doyle, Colin John Luttrell. Wendy Anne Eversham, Gail Lynn Roberts, Marlene June Henderson, Michael David Dunn, Philip James Thompson, Athol Brian Henderson.

MARRIAGES

John Bernard McCormack and Shirley Yvonne Sturges; Brian James Titley and Marjory Joan Ball; Boris Papii and Klaudia Strishko; Ronald Percival Cheeseman and Kathleen Joyce McKillop; Harold John Matthews and Beverley Joy Booth; Sydney George Burgess and Gladys Augusta Brown; Royston Douglas Ringrose and Shirley Evans; Donald Mervyn Johnston and Thelma Charlotte Nielsen: Francis Guy Smith and Iris May Haas; Wilhelmus Marinus Bakker and Mary Constance McClymont; Percival Melville Lockett and Marjorie Doreen Spencer; Lindsay Thomas Viney and Gwendoline Myrtle Nas.

AT REST

Margaret Donna Viney, Violet May Cartledge, Martha Ann Mitchell, Mary Taylor, Eva Clarice Goodger, John Broad, Percy William Cope, John Hunter.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to those who have been bereaved.

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SUNDAY SERVICES

8 a.m.-Holy Communion.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer, with Holy Communion on First and Third Sundays. 7 p.m.—Evening Prayer, with Holy Communion on Fifth Sunday.

St. Oswald's, Trevallyn: Holy Communion, First Sunday at 9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer, Third Sunday at 9.30 a.m. Other Sundays at 7 p.m. St. David's, Cormiston: 3 p.m. First Sunday in month. 7 p.m. Third Sunday.

Sunday Schools.—St. John's 9.45 a.m.; St. Oswald's, 2.30 p.m. Wednesday: 10.15 a.m., Holy Communion. Thursday: 7.30 p.m., Evening

Service. Saints' Days and Holy Days: as announced. Holy Baptism (by arrangement beforehand). Wednesday at 11 a.m., and on

the Second and Fourth Sundays at 3 p.m.

Marriages and Burials by arrangement with the Clergy.

LAY OFFICERS

Churchwardens: Messrs. H. B. Brownrigg, F. J. Jones, and F. A. Cookman (Hon. Secretary).

Vestry: Messrs. F. S. Carnie (Hon. Treasurer), F. R. Dowse, A. G. Hollings-

worth, A. W. R. Thollar, M. L. Cox and R. H. E. Watson. Hon, Lay Readers: Messrs. A. W. R. Thollar, A. R. Prowse and G. R. Radford. Sunday School Superintendents: Mr. A. W. R. Thollar and Miss E. J. E. Kiddle. Organist and Choirmaster: Mr. Lindsay O'Neill, 143 Elphin Road, E. L'ton. Verger: Mr. D. R. Young, Church Cottage, 39 Elizabeth Street.

RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

All who attended the Youth Rally at St. John's on Friday evening, 28th July, were inspired by the large numbers present and the spirit of fellowship uniting them. I would like to thank all who helped to make it so successful and especially the Dean who came up from Hobart to give the address. We

hope the Rally will be held each year in one or other of the Launceston assisted to environ a sent my and ment aways when the

parishes in turn.

I was greatly encouraged by the two Annual Meetings held in the parish. The attendance of parishioners showed their interest and the reports from parish organisations indicated a wide range of church activities. St. John's Churchwardens' Report has been printed and circulated and the Church officers elected at the meeting are listed on the front of the "Messenger." We are sorry that Mr. A. A. Castley felt unable to accept nomination for a further term of office and we thank him again for all he has done for St. John's. The report of St. Oswald's meeting is given in another paragraph.

We are living in an unsettled world. August, in 1914, and September in 1939, were fateful months. It may be that in 1950 they will prove fateful months again. As Christians we should be much in prayer that national leaders in our own and other countries may seek for and be guided by the Spirit of God in the discharge of their great responsibilities. May the United Nations Organisation ultimately succeed in preserving world peace.

With every good wish,

Yours sincerely. LEONARD N. SUTTON.

CANON H. N. BAKER

There are still many parishioners to whom the name of Canon H. N. Baker will be familiar. He was Rector of St. John's from October 1913, to October 1919 which period covered the years of the first World War. Word has been received from Sydney that he passed to his rest on 4th July

His ministry at St. John's will be remembered by many on account of the very successful Men's Services which he conducted; these attracted men from denominations other than the Church of England and were much appreciated. He was the first C.M.S. Secretary for the north of Tasmania and was responsible, with Miss E. C. Murray, for opening the C.M.S. Depot in Launceston.

A motion expressing the sympathy of parishioners with the members of his family was passed at the recent

Annual Meeting.

ST. OSWALD'S, TREVALLYN

At the Annual Meeting, a very satisfactory report was presented and the following Church officers elected. Rector's Warden: Mr. J. N. Gee. People's Wardens: Messrs. G. Robson and B. Fowler. Vestry: Messrs. P. Gee, R. W. Hart and A. R. Prowse, and M. Plumridge and Mesdames Frank Beck, D. Fowell, F. Gow, H. Nicholls and F. Hollingsworth.

Mr. G. R. Radford's report of the Youth work at St. Oswald's told of progress in the Sunday School, the C.E.B.S., and the Fellowship. A recent Games night when 21 lads from the Northern Tasmanian Home for

Boys were entertained for tea and supper, was a great success. A motion was recorded expressing the thanks of parishioners to Mr. Radford for his work among the younger members of the church.

It was reported that an electric urn has been purchased and plans were outlined for the enlarging of the kitchen and porch in the hall together with the painting of the church.

C. E. M. S.

The July meeting was well attended, the speaker being Mr. J. S. Gill, who told of his life's experiences especially in the newspaper world. His talk was punctuated by many amusing anecdotes.

On Wednesday, 12th July a very successful evening for men was held, between 60 and 70 men from eight Men's Societies, including several other denominations, were present. Representatives who replied to a welcome by the St. John's C.E.M.S. President said that they had had a most enjoyable evening and hoped that it would be the forerunner of other such gatherings. Mr. W. Gellie showed lantern slides of Japan and the highlands of Tasmania, and Mr. Arthur Jones rendered several songs. Supper concluded an enjoyable even-

On Monday evening, 17th July, a party of nine of our members paid a visit to the Deloraine branch of C.E.M.S. when we joined in their service, heard an interesting talk on his trip to Canberra by Bro. F. R. Dowse, and partook of a bountiful supper.

Several working bees have been held in the Rectory grounds to improve the paths and gardens.

Our next meeting will be held on Sunday, 6th August, at 5 p.m., and an invitation is extended to all men of the parish to join us each month. The usual monthly 'get-to-gether' will he held after evening service on 6th August to which all parishioners are invited.

M. M. EASTHER, President. THE BIBLE SOCIETY

The Rev. W. H. Rainey, B.A., F.R.G.S., Commonwealth Secretary for the B. & F.B.S. will preach at St. John's at the 11 o'clock service on Sunday morning 27th August. The Annual meeting for the Bible Society will be held on Monday, 28th August, at 8 p.m. in the Chalmers Church.

MASONIC SERVICE

Brethren of the Masonic Fraternity are specially invited to attend the evening service at St. John's at 7 p.m. on Suday, 27th August, with their wives and families. Members of several Launceston Lodges will be present and a special address will be given by the Rector.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Confirmation classes are meeting in the Chapel every Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. All young people who desire to join are asked to see the Rector without delay. Adults will also be welcomed. The Confirmation will be held early in October.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

We met for Tea on 4th July and were very pleased to have our Rector and Mrs. Sutton with us. At the close of the tea the Rector gave a short talk on the G.F.S. ideals reminding us that our society is worldwide.

Our next Tea night is Tuesday 5th September at 6 p.m. when we would welcome any girls in our parish who would like to become members.

We thank Gwyn West, one of our members, for presenting us with a very beautiful G.F.S. banner which was dedicated by the Rector at the 11 o'clock service on Sunday 9th July.

We met for Tea on 25th July instead of 1st August and had as our guest Miss Beryl Sweetman, the newly appointed Youth Organiser for the diocese. Miss Sweetman gave us a talk on G.F.S. in other centres where she has worked.

Our G.F.S. in conjunction with St. Paul's senior G.F.S. members provided and served afternoon tea at the C.E.F. Fair on 25th July which proved to be a very satisfactory effort for the Sidmouth Youth Centre,

M.S.L.

The meetings of the Missionary Service League are held at the Rectory on the third Tuesday evening each month at 7.30 p.m. After prayer and Bible Study a different field of missionary work is considered each month. New members are warmly invited to join us.

At our last meeting the Rev. G. W. Christopher, the newly appointed C.M.S. secretary for Tasmania, was welcomed. We hope he will visit us as often as possible.

MOTHERS' UNION

At our July meeting the church service was conducted by Mr. F. A. Stewart who later gave a short talk on "Womanhood." Several new members were welcomed by Mrs. Sutton including one from England. At the close of the meeting the Executive met to allocate proceeds from the Musical Market. It was decided to send £45 to the Home of Mercy and £25 to the Mount Royal Home, both being Diocesan Homes for Children.

ST. JOHN'S GUIDE COMPANY

We are very pleased to welcome several new guides to the Company and will be pleased to see any others who are interested. We meet every Wednesday night in the Kindergarten Hall between 7.15 p.m. and 9 o'clock.

On Sunday the 16th July we joined with the Broadland House company in a Church Parade at St. John's to mark the fortieth anniversary of guiding.

C.E.F.

We had a successful Annual Meeting on 7th July, when Annual Reports were read and election of officers for 1950-51 took place as follows:

Vice-President: Miss S. Brownrigg; Hon. Secretary: Miss H. Morton: Hon. Treasurer: Miss N. Clark; Committee: Miss D. Poole, Mr. F. Stewart and Mr. F. Bassett.

It was decided to hold weekly meetings and the following programme was arranged for the next two months: 4th August, Ball and Team Games; 11th August, Speaker, Miss Atkinson; 18th August, Interclub Debate, St. Andrew's Presby-