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Launceston. Phone 525.

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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. John's Sunday School, 9.45 a.m.
Wednesday, 10.15 a.m., Holy Communion. Saints' Days and Holy Days: as announced.
Holy Baptism (by arrangement beforehand).—Sundays at 3 p.m. (except first Sunday in month).
Marriages and Burials by arrangement with the Clergy.

LAY OFFICERS

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

Vestry: Messrs. R. W. J. Hart (Hon. Treasurer), F. R. Dowse, M. L. Cox, F. S. Carnie, M. M. Easther and I. H. Johnston.

Hon. Lay Reader: Mr. A. R. Prowse.

Sunday School Superintendents: Mr. T. E. Burns and Miss E. J. E. Kiddle.
Organist and Choirmaster: Mr. Lindsay O'Neill, 143 Elphin Road, E. L'ton.

ST. OSWALD'S CHURCH, TREVALLYN!

SUNDAY SERVICES: 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 7 p.m. Evensong. 11 a.m. Sunday School.

Women's Guild, 3 p.m. on Third Wednesdays. Secretary: Mrs. H. B. Fowler, 20 Delamere Rd., Trevallyn.

Churchwardens: Messrs. H. B. Fowler, M. R. Plumridge and J. N. Gee.

Vestry: Messrs. E. D. Rogers (Secretary), P. de W. Gee, J. H. Bain, (Treasurer), T. M. Tatlock-Goodrick, G. D. Robson and E. R. Fowell.

ST. DAVID'S CHURCH, CORMISTON

Services: 3 p.m. First Sunday and 7 p.m. Third Sunday in the month.
Holy Communion: Fifth Sunday at 9.45 a.m.

St. David's Women's Guild: 2.30 p.m. on Second Wednesday.

Secretary of Guild: Mrs. J. K. Thomson.

Churchwardens: Messrs. P. H. Holmes, T. J. Hayes (Secretary and Treasurer), and C. J. S. Sanderson.

RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

Our services on Good Friday and Easter Day were well attended and emphasised once again the messages of Salvation through our Saviour's sacrifice on the Cross, and the Triumph of Life over Death and Sin revealed by his Resurrection. How closely they are linked for one without the other would be incomplete. How important to view them spiritually rather than physically for there-in lies their meaning for every generation in every century till time shall cease. I was very glad to have the help of Canon Jaquet of Western Australia and the Revd. A. H. Roake at the Easter Day communions and wish to thank them for their assistance. Now that Mr. Stewart is in Priest's orders he was able to help greatly both at St. John's and at St. Oswald's; his ministry is much appreciated.

As announced last month the combined Anglican Teaching Mission to be conducted by the five rectors of the Launceston parishes is to be held in St. John's Hall at 8 p.m. on the evenings of the week, April 20th to 24th. The subjects will be: Monday, "Can a modern man believe?" (Rev. L. N. Sutton); Tuesday, "Does Jesus Christ matter?" (Revd. T. B. McCall); Wednesday, "Life without Religion" (Archdeacon Dudley); Thursday, "Why have organised Religion?" (Revd. K. A. Kay); Friday, "The Church and the World" (Canon Lansdell). There will be a concluding service in each parish on Sunday, 26th, with exchange of pulpits. Tell others and bring them with you.

The passing of Queen Mary brought to a close a life of high example and influence both in the Royal family and throughout the nation. We have prayed for her in the State prayers for more than fifty years and we thanked God for her life in a memorial service on Palm Sunday attended by a representative congregation.

Our best wishes are extended to the Revd. T. B. McCall as he leaves Launceston to become the Home Secretary of the Australian Board of Missions in Sydney. We have valued his friendship and co-operation as rector of Holy Trinity.

Yours faithfully,

LEONARD N. SUTTON.

ST. OSWALD'S, TREVALLYN

The Young People's Fellowship had their first meeting on Easter Monday when an opening service was held in the church. During the even-

ing games were played and a programme for the next quarter arranged. All young people from the ages of 13 to 17 years are welcome. The Y.P.F. is presenting the church with new book markers.

The Sunday School has purchased a duplicator which will be generally useful for Church work.

The Lenten Mission was a blessing which resulted in over one hundred and sixteen decisions being made. We are most grateful to the missionary, Revd. A. G. Reynolds, for his messages and have cause to thank God for the deepening of our religious experience. At the conclusion of the Mission the Church presented Mr. Reynolds with a pen and pencil set as a token of appreciation. May all who attended the services and meetings strive to carry out day by day in the ordinary affairs of life the spiritual lessons so faithfully and earnestly taught.

On Easter Day after the celebration of Holy Communion Mr. M. R. Plumridge on behalf of the Churchwardens, Vestrymen and Parishioners of St. Oswald's presented Mr. Stewart with a beautiful sterling silver private communion set to mark his ordination to the priesthood and as an expression of their appreciation of his ministry.

We gratefully acknowledge the following gifts for the Church: a cream and gold pulpit fall from the Ladies' Guild; a fair linen communion cloth from Mrs. G. Burrows; and a purple burse and veil from Mrs. M. W. Eddy in memory of her husband.

The winners of the Talent Quest organised by St. John's have kindly offered to present a Concert in St. Oswald's Hall on Wednesday, 22nd April at 8 p.m. Do make this known amongst your friends and keep the night free.

HOLY BAPTISM: Jonathan McRae Pedley, Pauline Mary Taylor and Yvonne Dorothy Lewis.

ST. DAVID'S, CORMISTON

On Palm Sunday a family service was held when a large congregation was present. The Sunday School at St. David's is growing each week. At present there are thirty children on the roll and two teachers. The Ladies' Guild held a very successful Social for the Home of Mercy when £15 was raised. We wish to thank all who helped in this splendid effort.

NEWS IN BRIEF

"Parish Messenger" Donations: Mr. H. R. Lakin, 5/-, Mrs. A. H. Clark, 2/-, Mrs. S. Best, 1/-, Church Boxes, £1.

Girls' Friendly Society: The annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, 14th April, at 8 p.m. in the Kindergarten Hall, preceded by a short service at 7.30 p.m. in the Chapel. Present and intending members will be welcomed.

Missionary Boxes: £23 was forwarded to the Church Missionary Society from the quarterly opening last month.

Film Night: Next month on Tuesday, 26th May, another screening of Travel Films will be given by Mr. John Orchard at 8 p.m. in St. John's Hall. Keep the date free. Arrangements are in the hands of C.E.M.S.

Harvest Festival: Thanksgiving services will be held at St. John's on Sunday, 19th April, at the usual times. There will be a special Sunday School service at 9.45 a.m. when each child is asked to bring a piece of fruit, a vegetable, an egg or other produce as an individual offering. Donations of Fruit, Vegetables, Groceries, etc., are invited. These may be left at the church or Rectory on Saturday morning. Gifts received will be sent to the Children's Homes and St. Luke's Hospital.

Badminton Club: The annual meeting will be held in the Rector's Vestry at 8.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 15th April. All members and those interested in joining are invited to attend. Reports will be received and plans made for the coming season.

Missionary Service League: We were glad to welcome several new members last month. It was decided that our special study for the year would be the present day missionary position in the countries where C.M.S. is or has been working. This is of special importance in view of the changing conditions due to the growth of nationalism and other causes. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, 28th April, at 7.30 p.m. All interested are invited to attend. The Rector will speak on "Borneo, Malaya and Indonesia."

St. Luke's Hospital: Our thanks to all who worked for and supported the American Tea held by St. John's Auxiliary; £141 was raised for our funds. Our next meeting will be on Thursday, 7th May at the Rectory.

Youth Fellowship Tea will be held in the Kindergarten Hall on Sunday, 19th April, at 5 p.m. All young people are warmly invited.

Mothers' Union: Last month the Rector took the service opening our first meeting for the year and spoke of Queen Mary. Archdeacon Dudley will speak at our next meeting on Thursday, 23rd April, at 2.45 p.m.

Sunday School: Children's Lenten Missionary Boxes Offering amounted to £22. There are still some boxes yet to be handed in. Teachers' Preparation Class meets on Friday evenings in the Rector's Vestry at 6.45 p.m. After the lesson for Sunday has been discussed, "The Commission to teach Course" of the G.B.R.E. will be studied. All teachers are urged to attend. Harvest Festival Services with children's gifts on Sunday, 19th April, at 9.45 a.m.

Young People's Talent Quest: The Talent Quest will be held in St. John's Hall on Wednesday, 15th April at 7.30 p.m. A large number of entries have been received, and parents and friends are asked to come and enjoy an entertaining evening. Admission for adults will be 1/6, children 6d. Proceeds are for the Parents and Friends' Association of the Sunday School.

C.E.M.S.: Next meeting Sunday 3rd May, at 4.45 p.m.

HOLY BAPTISM

Glenys Margaret Scott, Anthony Mervyn Seymour, Graeme Charles Pickrell, Peter Maxwell Davis, Gary Bruce Shaw, Lynne Maree Towell, Christine Gaye Homan, Graham John Campbell, Phillip Wayne Wheeldon, Michael Francis Margot, Trevor Bruce Luck, Glenda Joy Luck, Bruce Charles Tole, David John Crawford, Lorraine Kaye Dean, Garry James Quill, Marlene Dawn Cantwell, Christine Ann Kenny, Tony David Hodge, Joanne Victoria Jeffrey.

MARRIAGES

William John Richard Ostler and Mabel Elizabeth White, Lawrence Baden Lewis Woodhall and Betty Doreen Maher, Kenneth Lloyd Littlejohn and Dorothy Isobel Rowlands, Lawrence James Goss and Sylvia Irene Rice, Raymond William Young and Elizabeth Dawn Leslie, Keval Frank Pinkard and Barbara Myra Webb, Henry Cecil Bowden and Valerie Ellen Habner, Geoffrey Basil Alexander and Dawn Lucy Hill, John Colin Gough and Helen Jane Thompson, John Victor Williams and Magreta Patricia Gertson, Geoffrey Frederick Heron and Lola Mavis Summers, Jack Lambert and Valerie Dawn Kent, Cecil William Betts and June Rouse, Leslie Edward Dewis and Mary Ruth Jones, William Gordon Temby and Kathleen Elizabeth Cameron, Neil Castle Bourke and Madge Cook.

AT REST

Lynette Povey, Frere Charles Youl, Albert Edward O'Halloran, Annie Louisa Jane Griffiths.

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