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Rector: Ven. Archdeacon L. N. SUTTON, M.A. (Oxon), The Rectory,
157 St. John St., Launceston. Phone 525.
Curate: Rev. F. A. Stewart, 39 Bain Terrace, Trevallyn. Phone 542.



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.B.E., 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, E. R. Fowell, S. W. Stevenson, D. G. Wherrett and T. G. Calver.

ST. DAVID'S CHURCH, CORMISTON

Services: 3 p.m. First Sunday and 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 N. D. James.

ST. JOHN'S MOTHERS' UNION 50th ANNIVERSARY OF BRANCH

A Thanksgiving Service was held at St. John's Church on Sunday, 8th November, at 7 p.m. when there was a good gathering of members sitting together. Hymns of praise and thanksgiving were sung and Mother's Union prayers were used. In his address the Rector spoke of the foundation of the Mothers' Union by Mary Sumner in England and its growth throughout the world-wide Anglican communion. It provided a means for Churchwomen to unite together for prayer and guidance in developing Christian home life and had been a great blessing to members in branches all over the world.

Our last meeting for the year took the form of a social afternoon when visitors were present from the branches at Deloraine, Evandale, Beaconsfield and the city churches. Greetings were received from our Link-branch at Holy Trinity, Southchurch, England who sent a gift of books illustrating the Coronation. A feature of the afternoon was the beautiful birthday cake made and donated by Mrs. Carlstrom and iced and decorated by Mrs. Dineen in blue and gold, the M.U. colours. Pieces of the cake were afterwards sent to sick members.

A Musical programme was arranged by Mrs. Watson. Flower sprays were given to our enrolling members Mrs. Sutton and Mrs. Stewart. As Mrs. Sutton was leaving next day for Parramatta, Sydney, to join her parents in celebrating their golden wedding, she took with her our wishes for a happy reunion with her family and a message of congratulations to her parents, Rev. and Mrs. E. Walker.

As Mrs. Stewart will be leaving this month to go to King Island where Rev. F. A. Stewart has been appointed Rector, our best wishes are extended to them both.

On Thursday, 10th December, members are invited to join with the Longford members of the M.U. in a service in the beautiful Christ Church, Longford, and afterwards at afternoon tea at Bowen Lodge, the home of Mrs. Ransom.

This annual outing is always a very happy day and our thanks are due to our hostess, Mrs. Ransom, and her helpers. Buses leave the Quadrant at 2.15 p.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES

Holy Communion will be celebrated at St. John's on Christmas Day

at 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m. and after Matins at 10.30 a.m., which will be a Family Service. There will be Evening Prayer at 7 p.m.

Christmas Carols will be sung at the Sunday evening service on 20th December, at 7 p.m. On Christmas Eve at 7.45 p.m. there will be community singing of Carols in St. John's Church to which all are invited.

There will be a Watch Night Service on New Year's Eve at 11.15 p.m. in St. John's Church.

CHRISTMAS PRIVATE COMMUNIONS

The Rector is anxious to arrange private celebrations of Holy Communion for the aged and sick at Christmas time. He would be most grateful to know, as early as possible, of those who desire this ministry.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

Gifts of flowers for the Christmas decorations of the church will be most welcome. They should reach the church on Thursday morning, 24th December. All members of the Flower Guild and other helpers are invited to assist.

XMAS REMEMBRANCE BOWL

Through the World Council of Churches an appeal is being made to all Christian homes to place on the Christmas Dinner Table a "Bowl of Remembrance" for donations to continue and extend urgent welfare work among child post-war victims in Europe, Middle-East and Korea, who are destitute. Let us contribute liberally for their relief. Donations may be sent to the Rector.

ST. OSWALD'S, TREVALLYN

After a very faithful and active ministry at St. Oswald's, the Rev. F. A. Stewart has been appointed by the Bishop as Rector of the parish of King Island. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart will be greatly missed when they leave. They have been in Launceston nearly four years and have spent most of that time in the pastoral oversight of the Trevallyn and Cormiston districts of St. John's parish. Mr. Stewart's last Sunday will be December 13th when there will be a celebration of Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m. and Evensong at 7 p.m. After this service there will be a social gathering in the hall when an opportunity will be taken of saying farewell to them and expressing our thanks and good wishes.

Until a permanent clergyman is appointed by the Bishop to take charge of St. Oswald's and Cormiston as a separate parochial district, the Revd. A. Victor Maddick, B.A., will be living in the church cottage flat.

Mr. Maddick will take the Sunday services but will not be free to attend to pastoral matters during the week as he has accepted the appointment of Headmaster of the Grammar Preparatory School. In cases of sickness and parish business the Rector should be notified at once. We will extend to Mr. and Mrs. Maddick and their children our warm greetings and hope that their stay at St. Oswald's will be very happy.

The Sunday School Picnic was a very happy gathering and we would like to thank all who helped us. The Sunday School Festival for the older children will be held on Sunday, 6th December, with special services at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

At the afternoon service Mr. Stewart will distribute the prizes.

There will be a Carol service on Sunday, 20th December, at 7 p.m. On Christmas Day there will be a celebration of Holy Communion at 8 a.m.

ST. DAVID'S, CORMISTON

The Ladies' Guild held their last meeting for the year last month when arrangements were made to support the Sunday School in buying prizes and helping with the Picnic. Through the generous donations of several parishioners of St. David's and with help from the Guild, Sterling Silver Communion Vessels have been obtained for our church. These will be dedicated by Rev. F. A. Stewart on Sunday, 6th December, at 9.30 a.m. when there will be a celebration of Holy Communion.

We are most grateful for this beautiful gift.

Our Sunday School Festival will be held on Sunday, 13th December, at 3 p.m. The Rector and Mr. Stewart will be at the service and all parents and friends of the children are warmly invited to come. This will be Mr. Stewart's last Sunday as he is going to King Island as Rector. We shall miss him very much as he has done so much to help us at Cormiston. We shall thank him and express our good wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Stewart after the Sunday School Festival. The next meeting of the Guild will be on Wednesday, 3rd February, 1954.

ST. OSWALD'S GUILD

The final meeting for this year was held on November 18th when visitors from Cormiston and Trevallyn were welcomed. Vocal items by Mesdames Goodger and Vermesy with Mrs. J. N. Gee as accompanist were enjoyed. As this was Mrs. Stewart's last meeting with us an opportunity was taken to make a presentation to her and to Michael. A stall conducted on Fri-

day, 20th November, was the last for the year. Members have agreed to assist in the Rest-Room Service for Old People at the Paterson Street Methodist Schoolroom and are reminded that our turn is on Thursday, 10th December.

NEWS IN BRIEF

"Parish Messenger" Donations: Mr. G. D. Robson 5/-, Mrs. S. Stebbeings 5/-, Mr. F. Jones 2/-, Mrs. W. Crawford 2/-, Misses Sutton £1, Mrs. G. M. Galloway 10/-, Mr. I. H. Johnston 4/-, St. Oswald's Guild £2.

Missionary Boxes: Parishioners are asked to hand in the missionary boxes for the quarterly opening this month.

Old Folks' Tea: This annual gathering will be held in St. John's Hall on Wednesday, 16th December. Donations in support of the expenses will be gratefully received. As usual the Launceston City Mission is responsible for arrangements.

C.M.S. Summer School: Owing to the Royal Visit the Missionary Summer School will be held later in the year, probably from 30th May to 6th June, 1954. It will take the form of a Missionary Convention.

A Nativity Play with Christmas Carols will be presented in Holy Trinity Church, Cameron Street, on Tuesday, 22nd December, at 7.45 p.m. All welcome.

The Rectory has been brightened-up by the painting of the roof. The iron roof of the church has also been painted. We are glad that this work has been done.

The Next Issue of the "Parish Messenger" will be in February.

The Churchwardens wish to thank parishioners for their response to the Annual Appeal for Church Funds.

Broadland House School will hold their annual school service on Sunday, 13th December, at 11 a.m. The preacher will be the Revd. K. A. Kay, whom we congratulate on his appointment as Rural Dean.

St. John's Sunday School: We would like to thank the Parents' and Friends' Association for arranging a very happy Social for the older children on Friday, 27th November. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Our Sunday School Festival was also a very happy time for both children and adults. The children in the afternoon bought 100 oranges for St. Giles Home and 11 dozen eggs for St. Luke's Hospital.

A Parish Fair has been planned for May, 1954.

The Senior Prize Giving will be on Monday, 7th December, at 7.30 p.m. and the Kindergarten Christmas Party on Wednesday, 9th December at 7.15 p.m. All parents and friends warmly invited.

The Rector, Mrs. Sutton, and the Rectory family extend Warm Christmas Greetings to all parishioners and every good wish for the coming year.

HOLY BAPTISM

Steven Allan Sutor, Annabel Heyes, Craig Steven Bailey, Roslyn Joan Burgess, Rodney Graham Dale, Michael Warner Davis, Anne Elizabeth Taylor, Bruce Neville Oliver, Bruce Somerville Barton, Anne Louise Ikin, Lesley Elizabeth Jowett, Revel Andre Alexander Munro, Kenneth Wayne Watts, Vicki Lynette Baker, John Frederick Smyrneos, Janet May Garcie, Ian Robert McCaskill, Robert Charles Tyrrell.

MARRIAGES

Francis John Larissey and Peggy Mabel Bonner, Peter Atheling Arden and Emily Patricia Wickham, Reginald James Scott and Margaret Joan Dixon, Maurice Percy James Catlin and Lois Hazel Mary Quinn, John Frederick Russell and Barbara Noalene Williams, Oliver John Warren and Wilma Beverley Dowse, Stanley Norman Leslie Flood and Norma Louise Richardson, William John Dean and Margaret Rosemary Ellis, Alan James Burrows and Betty Lorraine Warren, Trevor John Clements and Margaret Rae Stagg, Ronald James Groves and Gertrude Eileen Pennington, Brian Lehner and Gwendeline Mary Davis, William Robert Hutton and Beverley Junie Lockwood, Kevin John Squires and Vonda Florence Hughes, Walter Perrott Lewis and Beverley June Shipp, Alfred John Phillips and Nita Rita Richardson, Jack Kabak and Josephine Heald, Kevin John Cross and Margaret Enid Jones, Edward Francis Cox and Kathleen Miriam Pease, Maxwell Henry Hepburn and Doreen Phyllis Imlach, Sydney Andrew Goss and Beverley Lorraine Clarke.

AT REST

Olive Maud Perkins, Kenneth George Sims, Silas Matthew Venn, Nellie Louise Irwin, Reginald Edward Lovett, Lilian Elizabeth Brooks, Denis Wishaw, Alice Maude Edwards, Charles Edward Aldred, Leonard Gordon Ferrall, Wilfred Abraham Bennett, Thomas Abblitt Clark, Frederick Gordon Godfrey Whybrow.

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

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