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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 OFFICERSChurchwardens: 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. Easter 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, TREVALLYNSUNDAY 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.

RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

I have greatly appreciated the kind congratulations which have been extended to me on my appointment as Archdeacon of Launceston by the Bishop. The office carries with it many additional duties and responsibilities mainly administrative in character. The Archdeaconry of Launceston includes the northern and north-eastern part of the state with Flinders Island. It extends from Beaconsfield and Exeter to Deloraine, Ross, St. Marys, St. Helens, Derby, Ringarooma, Scottsdale and George Town, and embraces twenty-five parishes. Before deciding what I should do I consulted with the Churchwardens who agreed that I should accept the Bishop's nomination not only because it brought honour to St. John's but also because it gave opportunities of service in the wider fellowship of the church and diocese. The good wishes and offers of help from parishioners have been most encouraging, and while I shall do my best to carry out the new duties, my ministry as Rector of this parish will have first consideration.

This year we are commemorating the 150th anniversary of the foundation of the British settlement in Tasmania. The Sesqui-Centenary celebrations will commence this month and continue till after the visit of the Queen. The Church is to have an important part in organising special conferences and services which will be held during this period. On Sunday, 13th September, the day after the inauguration of the celebrations, special services will be held in all churches and the Bishop has authorised appropriate lessons and prayers for use on that day. Addresses will be given in which reference will be made to the blessings given to us by God in our favoured land and the influence of His Church in our national life. An Anglican Youth Festival has been planned for the end of the month and a special Youth Service and Rally will be held in St. John's on Friday, 2nd October, at 7.30 p.m. The preacher at this service will be the Revd. Lyle McIntyre of Melbourne (National Secretary of the C.E.B.S.). All young people of Launceston parishes are invited to take part. Details of arrangements will be published later. The most important celebration will be a Church Congress to be held in Hobart from the 23rd to the 26th November. Speakers will include the Primate and

the Archbishop of Perth and Sister Julian of Melbourne, who will all visit Launceston for meetings and services on Friday, Sunday and Monday, 20th, 22nd, and 23rd November before going to the Congress. Full arrangements will be published next month. I hope all will come and hear our distinguished visitors.

With all good wishes,

Yours faithfully,

LEONARD N. SUTTON.

ST. OSWALD'S, TREVALLYN

On Sunday, 23rd August, after Evensong, on behalf of the people of St. Oswald's, Mr. Stewart presented a gift to Mrs. M. Henry and Miss Leon Henry who are moving from Trevallyn. In making the presentation Mr. Stewart spoke of their loyalty to the Church and said that they would be greatly missed. The following Sunday night at a celebration of Holy Communion, a purple burse and veil were dedicated in memory of Mrs. G. Lyons, and a white burse and veil in memory of Mr. Alion Dick Eddy. Mr. Stewart said that memorials in the form of gifts to the church, not only honoured our loved ones but also beautified God's house. On Sunday 29th August twenty young people were admitted to the C.E.F. Last month our members visited St. Paul's when seventy joined in a combined youth social which concluded with a devotional service in church followed by supper. On Friday, 11th September our members are invited to the seventh Birthday Party of St. George's branch of the C.E.F. It is hoped a large number will attend.

ST. OSWALD'S GUILD

The Revd. W. E. Northey gave an interesting talk on British & Foreign Bible Society work at our August meeting. Another very successful stall was held on August 28th. The annual meeting has been postponed until October 21st. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, 16th September at 3 p.m., when Mrs. Bushby will be the guest speaker.

ST. DAVID'S, CORMISTON

On Sunday morning, 30th August, the Rector dedicated a Fair Linen Cloth and other Communion Linen, the gift of Mrs. G. H. Walters, and also the new Communion rails donated jointly by Mrs. Walters and the Guild. We are most grateful for these beautiful gifts and also to Mr. N. D. James for his skill and interest in making the rails which add greatly to the interior of the church. At the August meeting of the Guild there

was a large attendance including three new members who were welcomed by Mrs. Hayes. £1/14/6 was added to the Guild funds from the sale of produce and afternoon tea. The next Guild meeting will be on Wednesday, 9th September, at 2.30 p.m. when Lady James will be the speaker. This will be the annual meeting and all members are asked to come. Visitors and new members will be warmly welcomed.

BROADLAND HOUSE FAIR

The annual Fair in support of Broadland House School will be held in St. John's Parish Hall on Friday, 25th September both morning and afternoon. St. John's parish will be helping on the Savoury Stall and donations of cooked meat, jams, pickles, sauce, lemon butter, clarified dripping, rissoles, brawn, etc., will be gratefully received. Mrs. Barringer, phone 5035, will be glad to give information.

NEWS IN BRIEF

"Parish Notes" Donations: Mrs. W. Crawford 2/-, Mr. F. H. Cookman 5/-, Mrs. Robinson 2/-, Mrs. Easter 2/-, Mrs. Best 1/-, Mrs. Cunningham 3/-, Church Boxes £1.

G.F.S. joined with M.S.L. and others on 18th August in giving a welcome to Miss Gwen Hesketh, a former G.F.S. member, who spoke of her work among displaced persons in Europe. £4/4/- was donated by those who were present for Miss Hesketh to use in sending Christmas parcels to Germany. The evening closed with supper. Our members are busy working for the annual G.F.S. Fair to be held on Saturday, 24th October.

The Diocesan Synod will meet in Hobart during the week beginning Monday, 14th September.

Missionary Boxes should be handed in this month for the quarterly opening.

Youth Fellowship Tea will be held on Sunday, 20th September, at 5 p.m. when the speaker will be Rev. C. P. Brown, M.A., of Melbourne. All young people are warmly invited. Those coming bring some sandwiches, cakes or scones. Tea provided.

St. Luke's Hospital Auxiliary held a most successful American Tea last month. £75 was raised for our funds. We are most grateful to our president Mrs. K. F. Brown and all who worked so hard in helping her in the effort. We would also thank all parishioners and friends who came along and supported us. Eleven quilts have been purchased for use

at the hospital. We are greatly encouraged by the offer from the members of the C.E.M.S. to have a working bee at the hospital.

Sir William McKie, Organist of Westminster Abbey, will be visiting Launceston, it is expected, on the 4th and 5th of October, when he will give an organ recital in St. John's Church. There will be a special offering for the Fund for carrying out urgently needed repairs to the Abbey. Details of the arrangements will be published early in September.

Mothers' Union will meet on Thursday, 24th September, at 2.45 p.m.

Confirmation Service will be held in St. John's on Wednesday, 7th October, at 8 p.m.

Sunday School — Parents' and Friends' Association wish to thank all who helped and supported them in the American Tea held last month when over £37 was raised for their funds. New linoleum has been laid in the middle hall kitchen which is used as a class room on Sundays. This is a great improvement. Plans have been made to hold the annual picnic at Gravelly Beach on Saturday, 7th November. The next meeting will be on Monday, 7th September at 8 p.m. in the Kindergarten Hall.

Hydraulic Stage Opening on Tuesday, 22nd September, at 8 p.m. Variety Programme by leading local artists.

HOLY BAPTISM

Barbara Elizabeth Lee, Gail Maree Habner, Wayne George Campbell, Janette Anne Burnie, Frederick Roy Bassett, Julie Ann Neal, Phillip Geoffrey Davidson, Margaret Helen Farquhar, Kerry Vernon Gray, Cheryl Mary Harvey, David Phillip Cohen, Jan Stanley Charles Farrell, Judith Marilyn Blyth, Lynette Elizabeth Wise. Robert Gregory Salter.

MARRIAGES

Maxwell Franks and Constance Audrey Tucker, Alan Edward Bounds and June Marie Logan, Robert George Gillespie and Myrtle Elvie Louisa Chapple, Andrew Frederick Smith and Ava Hasell, William Owen Browne and Kathleen Annie Doyle.

AT REST

John Edward Ryan, William Charles Watts, Lindsay Douglas Brewer, Charles William Ritter, Mabel Ikin, Hardy William Henry Tuck, Ada Mary Colgrave, Edith Alice Higgs, Sarah Jane Clark, William George Browne.

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