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Rector: Ven. Archdeacon L. N. SUTTON, M.A. (Oxon), The Rectory,
157 St. John St., Launceston. Phone 525.
Hon. Assistant Priest: Rev. A. V. Maddick, B.A., Dip.Ed.
102a High Street, Launceston.**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. Easther and I. H. Johnston

Hon. Lay Readers: Messrs. A. R. Prowse and A. G. Hart.

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.
Sunday School: 10.30 a.m.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. Sunday School: 11 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,

On behalf of the Churchwardens I wish to thank you for the generous response to the Lenten and Easter Appeal for Church Funds. Our Easter services were well attended and the church beautifully decorated.

I am very glad that Miss E. Kingsmill, who has had wide experience in the Church Army on the mainland, has agreed to give me some help in the parish this year. We welcome her to St. John's where members of her family are regular worshippers.

Owing to the visit of our Queen to Launceston in February, it was decided to postpone the usual C.M.S. Summer School till later in the year. A C.M.S. Convention has now been arranged to be held in Launceston at St. John's from 6th to the 10th June. Bishop Donald Blackwood, of Gippsland, will be Chairman, and the speakers will be Canon Hewett, of Sydney (Federal Sec.), Rev. Dr. Keith Cole (Kenya) and Miss Joan Kirwan (Hyderabad). Please note these dates and keep them free. Special preachers will visit other parishes on the Sunday.

With Good Wishes,

Yours sincerely,

LEONARD N. SUTTON.

ST. OSWALD'S, TREVALLYN

On Palm Sunday over £20 was received from the Children's Lenten Offering for the Church Missionary Society. We are most grateful to those responsible for decorating the church with palms and also for the Easter decorations. A visitor to King Island brought back warm greetings from the Rev. Frank Stewart, who is exercising a very active ministry in his new parish. Mrs. Stewart and Michael are well and also send greetings. We wish to thank Dr. Engisch and Mr. E. C. Rowland for their visits.

ST. OSWALD'S GUILD

A Singer sewing machine demonstration was enjoyed at our April meeting. On Wednesday, 19th May, members are asked to bring a gift suitable for a stall as well as written "Suggestions" for future activities.

Members expressed their appreciation of the many years of service given by Mrs. Hollingsworth who has retired from the Flower Guild.

ST. DAVID'S, CORMISTON

At a very well attended Easter Day service the children of the Sunday School contributed more than £5 for Missions in their Lenten offering. The Rev. V. A. Maddick celebrated Holy Communion. The next meeting of the Guild will be on Wednesday, 12th May, at 2.30 p.m., when visitors will be welcomed.

DR. and MRS. RAJAH B. MANIKAM

These two distinguished Christian leaders from India will be in Launceston from Friday afternoon, 7th May, till Sunday, noon. A combined Youth Tea will be held in St. Andrew's Hall at 6 p.m. on Friday evening when young people from all churches will be welcomed. This will be followed by a Public Meeting in

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner Paterson and St. John Streets, at 8 p.m. Dr. and Mrs. Manikam will speak at both these gatherings, and all are urged to hear these inspiring speakers. Mrs. Manikam — Dr. Ruby J. Manikam — will give the Address at St. John's on Sunday, 9th May, at 11 a.m. Their visit has been arranged by the World Council of Churches.

PARISH FAIR

Our Parish Fair this year will be held on Friday & Saturday, 24th and 25th September. On Friday there will be Market Day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; on Saturday afternoon a fun fair in the Parish Hall and grounds. A small organising committee has already been elected as follows: Messrs. C. H. Targett and M. L. Cox, and Mesdames G. M. Galloway and M. Easter. Stalls have been allocated: Produce, Boy Scouts; Flowers and Plants, C.E.M.S. and Vestry; Afternoon Tea and Work Stall, Women of the Parish, M.U. and St. Luke's Auxilliary; Tuck Shop, S.S. Parents' and Friend's Association; Novelty Attractions, Teenage Club; Ice Cream, Cordials, Sweets, Sunday School; Hoopla, Girl Guides; Cake Stall, G.F.S. and Choir. The next meeting of the stallholders will be on Wednesday evening, 2nd June, at 8 p.m., in the Rector's vestry. Parishioners wishing to assist will be welcome at this meeting. C. H. Targett, Hon. Secretary.

MOTHERS' UNION

St. John's branch of the Mother's Union held their monthly meeting on 22nd April. The service in the church, in the absence of the Rector, was conducted by the Rev. R. C. Brown, of St. Paul's. In his address Mr. Brown told of his many experiences as chap-

lain of the Launceston General Hospital. The Good Friday messages of Love and Forgiveness and the Easter message of the Resurrection gave spiritual comfort to the physically and mentally sick and to the bereaved. There were 31 members present. The Rector, Mrs. Sutton and Mrs. Carlstrom went to St. Marys to take part in the celebration of the 63rd anniversary of their M.U. branch. The congratulations and greetings of St. John's branch was extended to St. Marys' members whose branch is the oldest in the Commonwealth. All our members are reminded of our Musical Market in aid of the Diocesan Children's Home to take place on Wednesday, 9th June. As our next meeting will be on Thursday, 27th May, we urge all members to attend to help us with our final arrangements.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND MEN'S SOCIETY

The regular meeting of the Church of England Men's Society was held on Sunday, the 3rd of April, when an interesting discussion on "Does the Prayer Book meet the modern need" took place. The consensus of opinion being that it does, except perhaps that modern usage have changed the meaning of some words. The next meeting will be on the 2nd May at 4.45 p.m. sharp, when the guest speaker will be Mr. A. T. Bray. A good attendance of members is solicited.

Arranged by the C.E.M.S., there will be a screening of films by Mr. Smithies in the Kindergarten Hall on Monday, 24th May, at 8 p.m., in support of our Parish Fair Fund.

NEWS IN BRIEF

"Parish Notes" Donations: Church Boxes, £1; Mrs. Galloway, 10/-; Miss B. Weymouth, 4/-; Mrs. Crawford, 2/-; A.R.W., 5/-.

Missionary Boxes: At the last quarterly opening the boxes contained £23/16/4 for the Church Missionary Society. The Rector would be glad to supply a box to any parishioner willing to assist the missionary work of the Church in this way.

G.F.S.: At the annual meeting held last month all office bearers were re-elected and a satisfactory year of fellowship and service was reported. Our next meeting will be Tea at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, May 4th, to be followed by instructions in Cane Basket Making given by Miss Groves at 7.45 p.m. Anyone interested will be welcome. E.K.

Youth Fellowship Tea will be held on Sunday, 16th May, at 5 p.m. All

young people are invited to come and bring friends. The speaker will be Miss E. Kingsmill.

St. John's Sunday School thanks the Parents' and Friends' Association for arranging the Social for the seniors last month, and also for making the northern end of the Parish Hall much brighter and more attractive. The Lenten Offering for Missions this year amounted to over £28.

Ascension Day: Thursday, 27th May, there will be a celebration of Holy Communion at 7 a.m., and Evening Prayer at 8 p.m.

Youth Leader Training Camp will be held at the Longford Showground from 11th to 14th June. The Rev. Max Hughes will be chairman and a very helpful and interesting programme has been arranged. Further details may be obtained from the Rector.

St. Luke's Hospital Auxilliary raised over £70 at the American Tea in the Rectory and Grounds on 27th April. Our grateful thanks to all workers and supporters for their help.

M.S.L. will continue the study of Borneo at their next meeting on Tuesday, 18th May, at 7.30 p.m. in the Rector's Vestry.

Teenagers' Group meets every Saturday night in the Kindergarten Hall at 7 p.m., when all young people are welcome.

HOLY BAPTISM

Annette Grace Senior, Dianne Maree Newman, Anthony Graham McKenzie, Maxine Julie Cartledge, Colin Norman Nichols, Barry Vincent Hills, Anthony David Talbot, Christopher Ian Talbot, Douglas Charles Nichols, Andrew Hammond Brearley.

MARRIAGES

Jack Green and Margaret Joy Etchell; Thomas Keith Pilgrim and Mona Ruby Murfet; Harold Winston Little and Margaret Edith Gee; Eduards Krizanovskis and Betty Jean McCormack; Ivan Ernest Salter and Avis Connelly; John Patrick Murray and Peggy Doreen Reece; Colin Arthur Shipton and Margaret Fay Harris; Victor John Patmore and Dorothy Gwendoline Jack; Ronald Turner and Christine Thelma Kohn; Lenley Hector Reeve and Amy Caroline Foley; Lance Esmond Elworthy and Lorraine May Steel.

AT REST

Alan John Cherry, Henrietta Louisa Colgrave, Jane Elizabeth Andrewath, Ernest Henry John Quinn, Desmond R. McCoy, Florence Pardey.

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