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157 St. John St., Launceston. Phone 525.Assistant Priest: Rev. A. V. Maddick, B.A., Dip. Ed.
"Caterham Lodge," Gravelly Beach. Phone Tatana 230.**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.

Junior Church, 9.45 a.m.

Wednesday, 10.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

Saints' Days and Holy Days, as announced.

Holy Baptism (by arrangement before hand).—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. Frank Ikin (Hon. Treasurer), M. L. Cox, F. R.
Dowse, M.B.E., L. Denham, M. M. Easter and R. W. J. Hart.

Hon. Lay Reader: Mr. A. G. Hart.

Sunday School Superintendents: Miss E. Kingsmill and Miss E. J. E. Kiddle
Organist and Choirmaster: Mr. Lindsay O'Neill, 143 Elphin Road, E. L'ton.**RECTOR'S LETTER**

My Dear Friends,

When the Geneva Conference was held last month many prayers were offered all over the world for its success. We have cause for thankfulness that apparently there was a spirit of greater fellowship and co-operation than some anticipated. May we continue to pray for those who have the great responsibility of government and leadership of nations. The collect in our Prayer Book for Trinity VIII (last Sunday) meets the needs of the modern world although it was compiled some 1500 years ago.

Sunday 14th August has been approved by the Administrator as a day of special appeal for the missionary work of the church in South East Asia. He has written:— "Australia is the nearest Christian Neighbour to the many millions of people who have recently attained (or are seeking to do so)

national independence. These peoples need more than the material help which Governments and a Colombo plan are rendering. They must have the Christian Gospel if they are to realise their destiny as children of God and make their contribution to the progress and peace of the world.

Time is not on our side, so let each of us who bears the name of Christ pray, work and give that the South East Asia Appeal may provide the missionaries and the money needed for the task."

There will be special addresses in St. John's that Sunday and donations for the work the C.M.S. in Sout East Asia will be invited.

May I commend to your notice the welcome to Bishop Gray of Connecticut at Launceston on Monday, 15th August, at 8 p.m. in our Parish Hall. I hope many will be able to attend.

Yours faithfully,
LEONARD N. SUTTON.

CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING

Be sure you come to our Annual Meeting, at C.M.S. House, 92 St. John Street, on MONDAY, 29th AUGUST, AT 7.45 P.M.

As well as the usual business connected with an Annual Meeting, such as the annual report and treasurer's statement, there will be a new C.M.S. Sound Film.

In addition, His Lordship the Bishop of Tasmania will be in the Chair. Come and welcome him back, and hear something of his trip abroad.

All this—and supper too!

Make a note of the date now.

C.E.M.S.

The last Annual Meeting of St. John's C.E.M.S. was held on July 3rd, when the following officers were appointed for the ensuing year:—President Bro. B. Irvine; Secretary, Bro. J. E. Bingham; Treasurer, Bro. F. Stevens. Delegates to the North Regional Council were the President, Immediate Past President (Bro. C. Targett), and the Secretary. At this meeting we decided to obtain our future tea supplies from the C.M.S. Depot instead of relying on the catering arrangements as in the past.

Instead of the speaker at our next meeting on August 7th, a film evening will be supplied. Members are reminded of the Annual Conference to be held at Deloraine on Saturday and Sunday, August 27th and 28th next. Circulars concerning this meeting will be supplied by the Secretary at our next meeting.

On September 4th next will be held the Tenth Anniversary Meeting, when Bishop Blackwood will be the speaker.

Once more all men of the congregation are invited to attend our meetings, including any visitors to the parish.

J. E. BINGHAM,
Hon. Sec.

BISHOP OF CONNECTICUT U.S.A. TO VISIT LAUNCESTON.

The Rt. Rev. Walter H. Gray, Bishop of Connecticut, U.S.A. will be in Launceston on Monday, 15th August. He will speak at a Welcome in St. John's Hall that evening at 8 p.m. when parishioners from all Launceston parishes are specially invited to attend. We also extend a warm invitation to members of other churches who are interested in the ecumenical movement. The Bishop who takes a leading part in the life of the Anglican Episcopal Church in the United States of America has had a distinguished career. He served in World War I in both Infantry and Cavalry Regiments and afterwards gained high theological degrees. He took a prominent part in arrangements for the Anglican Congress held last year at Minneapolis, Minnesota, U.S.A. and is the Editor of Church publications. We are privileged to have the opportunity of meeting Bishop Gray and we hope a large gathering will attend to greet him.

REMEMBER: MONDAY, 15th August at 8 p.m. in St. John's Hall.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Parish was held on Wednesday, 20th July and attended by some fifty parishioners. The Churchwardens' Report and Financial Statement were presented and adopted and short reports were read from the Sunday Schools, Choir and parish organisations. The Rector nominated Mr. H. B. Brownrigg as minister's warden and Messrs. F. J. Jones and F. H. Cookman were re-elected people's wardens. Messrs. M. M. Easther, L. Denham, F. R. Dowse, M.B.E., and R. W. J. Hart were then re-elected Vestrymen. The Rector's nominees were Messrs M. L. Cox and Frank Ikin. Messrs. A. W. Jones and A. G. Hodge were re-elected auditors. It was reported to

the meeting that the Vestry was considering acquiring a block of land in West Launceston as a site for a future church building for new housing areas in that part of Launceston. The meeting expressed approval of the Vestry's plan.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

"Parish Messenger Donations": Mrs. A. S. Kent, 2/-; Mrs. W. Crawford, 2/-; Mrs. McDonald, 10/-; Mr. L. O'Neill, 5/-; Church Boxes, £1; Mrs. W. R. West, 4/-.

Mother's Union: Our last meeting was held on 28th July at which our speaker was Miss I. K. Murison Bourne, and soloist, Mrs. L. Hutton. The next monthly meeting will be on Thursday, 25th August, when we shall again have a visiting speaker.

Missionary Boxes: £48 was received for the Church Missionary Society when the Missionary Boxes were opened last quarter. This brings the total for the past year ended 30th June last to £144/3/9. This is a very encouraging result and shows what can be done by some 30 box holders each contributing small amounts regularly. If you are not one of the thirty will you take a box now and ask the family to help you fill it? Let us aim at £200 for next year.

Women's Guild: The next meeting of St. John's Women's Guild will be held on Thursday, 11th August, at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. K. Marsden 16 Gloucester St., West Launceston. This will be our fifth meeting and up to the present time indications are that we will become an organisation making a valuable contribution to the life of the parish. We would warmly welcome new members to our friendly gatherings. The secretary would be very pleased to answer any enquiries regarding membership. Phone 2299. W. Targett, Hon. Sec.

Diocesan Synod: The Synod Service will be held in St. David's Cathedral, Hobart on Sunday, 11th September, at 7 p.m. and the business sessions will commence the next day.

Youth Groups: Last month we said farewell to David Marsh, a former President of our Group and a Sunday School teacher, who has moved to Melbourne with his parents. Thanks David for all you have done for us: we shall miss you. Our very best wishes for the future. On the 30th July we had a very successful Social when some 80 young people

attended including visitors from other churches. Our monthly Corporate Communion and Breakfast will be on Sunday 14th August at 8 a.m. and our Fellowship Tea on Sunday, 21st August at 5 p.m. All young people are invited to join us. Our regular weekly meeting is on Saturday night in the Kindergarten Hall at 7 p.m.

St. John's Choir: At the Annual Meeting of the Choir reference was made to long Service of Mr. Harold B. Brownrigg as Treas., Mr. Brownrigg declined nomination again and Mr. A. G. Hart was nominated in his place. Mr. R. C. Sutton was re-elected as Secretary. In addition to making a donation of £50 to the Churchwardens the Choir funds paid for a new motor for the organ fan and the cost of installation. It was decided to take steps to have choir robes renovated. The Rector thanked Mr. Lindsay O'Neill and members of the Choir for their faithful service to the church.

World Council of Churches has arranged an ecumenical service to be held at Margaret St., Church of Christ on Wednesday, 17th August, at 8 p.m. Members of all church congregations are invited to attend. Following the service there will be supper and a discussion in the school Hall. Ladies are invited to bring a plate.

HOLY BAPTISM

Helen Elizabeth Rouse, Warren James Jenkins, Terrence Rex Rusden, Teressa Mary Rusden, Narelle Dorothy Jordan, Robert Keith Will, Maurice William Owen Dawe, Paul James Tasman Heyes, Rosemary Suzanne Gilmour, Maxine Jane Izard Julie Patricia Littlejohn.

MARRIAGES.

Arthur Raymond Hopwood and Bessie Olive Mary Parker. William John McBain and Patricia Ethel Bellchambers. George William Macleod and Anita McHugh. Eric Walter Richardson and Lorna Elizabeth Gibson. Maxwell Robert Banks and Doris Mary Ingram. Maxwell Keith Targett and Judith Nancy Dawe.

AT REST

Ann Marie Baker, Walter Colgrave, George Henry Holmes, Sybil Florence Green, Gertrude Sophie Warren, Alice Clara May Gard, Kathleen Winifred Lyons.

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

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PROGRAMME

1. NURSERY RHYMES & LINES.
Penny Green, Paul Castley,
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2. BALLET DANCE. Beverley Tis-
dall and Gay Scarborough.
3. PIANOFORTE SOLO. Julie
Browning.
4. RECITATION. Maurice Cowie.
5. SONGS. By a group of Scholars.
6. PLAY. "The Cobblers." Walter
and Frank Nieuwkuyk. Ian and
David Routley. Royce Bell and
Michael Burns.
7. PLAY. "The King's Breakfast."
Maurice Cowie, Judy Hoggins, &
Gay Scarborough. (King, Queen
and Dairy Maid). Ian and David
Routley. (Cow and attendants).

INTERVAL: Sweets and Eats Stall.

1. SONG. Junior Church Group.
2. PLAY. St. John's Guides.
3. SWORD DANCE. Jennifer Heath
Accompanist.
4. CAMP FIRE ITEMS. St. John's
Scouts.
5. CHANTREUSE DANCE. Jennifer
Heath and Accompanist.
6. PLAY. "The Nail Soup." Joy
Poole, Beverley Tisdall, Judy
Whitelaw, and Maurice Cowie.

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