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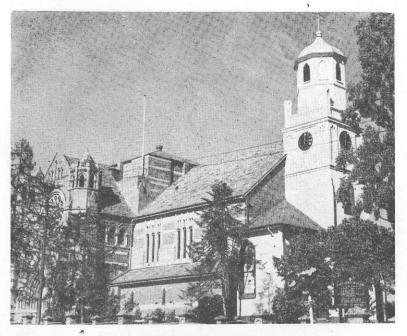
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SUNDAY SERVICES

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. Junior Church, 9.45 a.m.

Wednesday, 10.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

Saints' Day and Holy Days, as announced.

Holy Baptism (by arrangement beforehand).—Sundays at 3 p.m.

Marriages and Burials by arrangement with the Clergy.

LAY OFFICERS

Churchwardens: Messrs. R. W. J. Hart, F. J. Jones and F. H. Cookman (Hon. Secretary). Vestry: Messrs. Frank Ikin (Hon. Treasurer), L. Denham, M. M. Easther. A. G. Hart, R. J. Hoyle, H. J. Lowe, R. H. Watson, T. P. White and T. J. Wing.

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

Sunday School Superintendent: Rev. T. H. Dicks and Miss E. J. E. Kiddle. Deputy Organist and Choirmaster: Mr. A. H. Wills.

RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

We welcome into full communicant membership of the Church all who were confirmed last month. I hope that parents, witnesses and friends will encourage these young people by example and understanding to become regular communicants.

There may be some adults who for various reasons have not been confirmed. May I remind them that a special confirmation service for adults is to be held early in December. I shall be glad to hear of any who would like to be presented.

Plans for the St. John's Festival Week have now been completed and the full

programme is printed in another column. I hope you will attend the special services and social gatherings arranged. We have sent out personal invitations to all parishioners whose names and addresses we have on our list. If anyone has not received one we hope they will speak to me or the Church officers when the oversight will be corrected.

The appointment of the Rev. A. V. Maddick as the Chaplain of the Mentone Grammar School, Melbourne has been announced. While we offer our congratulations and good wishes to him and admit that the transfer will offer a wider scope for his many gifts as a teacher and educationalist, we share with his many friends a sincere feeling of regret and personal loss that he is leaving Tasmania at the end of the year. His association with the parish began in December 1953, when he took over responsibilities for the services at St. Oswald's, Trevallyn following the appointment of the Rev. F. A. Stewart to King Island. His preaching and active association with the Youth Work at St. John's have been greatly appreciated.

As a result of the annual C.M.S. Convention held last month we have received a wider vision of the Church's task in the world and deeper understanding of spiritual power. May we remember all engaged in missionary labours and uphold them in

prayer and material support.

I would like to record my appreciation of the help given by the Northern branch of the B.M.A. in organising the annual St. Luke's Day service for members of the medical profession. We are grateful to Dr. H. M. Fisher who as chairman of B.M.A. gave the address and his colleagues who read the lessons.

This month, from the 12th till the 21st the Rev. T. H. Dicks will be sitting for the second part of Th.L. examinations. We wish him well, feeling that he will be

successful.

After a long life filled with interest in a wide variety of activities, Arthur Richard Wiseman has passed away at the age of 92 years. His associations with St. John's began when as a young printer he came to Launceston with his wife who for many years was a member of our choir. He was a very active Lay Reader and took services not only in Launceston but also in country centres. He was a keen Bible student and his knowledge of Hebrew and Greek were always available to assist students in their theological studies. His life long interest in the British and Foreign Bible Society was recognised by London when he was made a Life member of the Society. He had a wide knowledge of English Literature. He was a Freemason of high rank. His literary gifts and independent judgement made him one of the most interesting people it has been my privilege to meet. We thank God for his life.

The coming of Spring has made the Church grounds and Rectory gardens and lawns very attractive. We would express our thanks to Mr. R. Flood for all his care and work in keeping them in such good order. It is greatly appreciated by all.

With all good wishes, Yours sincerely, LEONARD N. SUTTON.

CONFIRMATION

The sacred rite of Confirmation was administered in St. John's Church by the Assistant Bishop of Tasmania, the Rt. Rev. W. R. Barrett, Th.D., on Sunday, 6th October, 1957, at 11 a.m. There were 37 Candidates of whom 13 were from Broadland House School.

Those confirmed were:

Helen Margaret Cassidy, Pamela Olive Bowen, Frances Elizabeth Counsel, June Margaret Denholm, Sandra Joan Dutson, Kaye Elizabeth Findlay, Patricia Anne Ford, Sally Ann Hall, Jennifer Faye Keeble Cynthia Anne Lohrey, Jill Lynette McCann, Helen Mary McIntyre, Derise Lavina Morgan, Jean Lillian Phillips, Lynette Dawn Taylor, Mavis Joy Wilkes, Janferie Anne Adam, Julie Anne Bowman, Felicity Margaret Charlton, Lesley Lynette Davies, Judith Anne Davey, Carol Lucy Finney, Edith Christine Holyman, Renee Patricia Lappage, Joan Elizabeth Luck, Gaye Francis Pilkington, Helen Mary Thomson, Helene Kaye White, Julie Yates, Maxwell James Clarke, Bruce Gregory Eadie, Kevin Winston Ford, Lawrence James Hoare, Ian Westmore Holman, John Elliott Lohrey, Allan Kenneth Woodberry, Terence Edward Wilkes.

ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL.

St. Luke's Hospital Auxiliary held their Annual meeting at the Rectory when the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. K. F. Brown; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. L. N. Sutton and Lady James; Secretary, Mrs. M. Easther; Ass. Sec., Mrs. A. W. Jones; Treasurer, Mr. F. J. Jones; Committee, Mrs. C. G. Dodery, Miss I. Sutton, and Mrs. W. R. C. West.

A very successful year was reported, Linen to the value of £40 and a Folding wheel chair were denated to the hospital. During the five years that this auxiliary has been in existence linen to the value of £898 has been given to the hospital.

ST. JOHNS WOMEN'S GUILD

The final gathering for the Guild in 1957, will take the form of a Social evening in St. John's Kindergarten Hall when members will be allowed to bring guests. The date has been altered to Thursday, 21st November, owing to Festival week.

On November 20th, members have been invited to a "Bring a Gift, Buy a Gift" afternoon at St. Oswald's, Trevallyn. This is in aid of the Mailbag Sunday School.

YOUTH

The Saturday night youth group will meet on Saturday, 16th November, begin-

ning at 7.45 p.m. There will be a film, slides, supper, other activities will be arranged by our young people.

Sunday, 17th November, which is the last Sunday in St. John's Festival Week, has an emphasis on Youth. There will be our usual communion and breakfast and a Youth Tea at 5 p.m.

There will be a C.E.F. Tea on Sunday, 24th November, beginning at 4.30 p.m. All young people over 16 years are invited.

The Church of England Boys' Society has been divided into two groups on Monday evenings. Pages (Juniors) begin at 6.30 p.m. and Esquires (seniors) begin at 7 p.m.

There will be a C.E.B.S. admission service at St. John's on Sunday 24th November, at 7 p.m. Visitors from other branches have been invited.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Adult Confirmation: A Confirmation Service for adults will be held on Wednesday, 11th December at 8 p.m. The Rector will be glad to hear of those desiring to be confirmed in order that preparation for instruction may be arranged.

C.E.M.S. Our next meeting will be on Sunday, 10th November, at 4.45 p.m. when the speaker will be the Rev. Anthony Mc-Donald, the Rector of Holy Trinity Church. The last meeting for the year will be on Sunday, 1st December at 4.45 p.m. All men of the parish are welcome at our meetings.

Mothers' Union: The Mothers' Union Festival will be held at St. Paul's on Wednesday, 13th November, at 2.30 p.m. Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, 28th November at 2.45 p.m. All members are asked to attend Corporate Communion on Sunday, 10th November, at 8 a.m. in connection with St. John's Festival week.

Launceston Grammar Preparatory School will hold their fourth annual school service at St. John's at 11 a.m. on Sunday, 24th November, when the boys will read the lessons. The Headmaster, Rev. A. V. Maddick, B.A., Dip. Ed., will preach.

Missionary Boxes. At the last quarterly opening of the boxes, £24/9/5 was received for the Church Missionary Society.

Sale of Stamps. The sale of used stamps for Missions arranged by Mr. C. J. Sanderson, brought in £4 for C.M.S. We thank Mr. Sanderson for his help and interest and all who collected stamps for this purpose. Will you help?

Sunday School Dates: 17th November, Sunday School Festival. 11 a.m. Canon F. J. McCabe, B.A., Th.L. 3 p.m. Rev. A. V. Maddick, B.A., Dip. Ed. 23rd November (Saturday), Sunday School Picnic at Gravelly Beach. 5th December (Thursday), 7.15 p.m. Kindergarten Prize Giving. 9th December (Monday) 7.30 p.m. Senior Sunday School Prize Giving.

G.F.S. Annual Fair on Saturday, 16th November, will be opened by Miss M. L. Rooney, B.A., at 3 p.m. Suitable gifts for Christmas will be on sale. also cakes, sweets, produce and afternoon tea. The proceeds of the fair will be used to augment our Church carpet fund.

ST. JOHN'S FESTIVAL WEEK.

Saturday, 9th Nov. — Sunday, 16th Nov.

The following social functions and festival services have been planned:

Saturday, 9th November: 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. GARDEN PARTY in Rectory Grounds.

Sunday, 10th November: 8 a.m. Holy Communion. Corporate Service for all organisations. Past parishioners specially invited. The Assistant Bishop will celecelebrate.

11 a.m.: Morning prayer. Sunday School children, Scouts, Guides, Cubs, Brownies, G.F.S., C.E.B.S. to parade in uniform for "Clipping of the Church" after service.

Preacher: Rev. A. V. Maddick, B.A.

5 p.m.: Men's Gathering for Tea. Speaker: Rev. Anthony McDonald.

7 p.m.: Festal Evensong. Preacher: Rev. Anthony McDonald, Rector of Holy Trinity.

Tuesday, 12th November: 8 p.m. in Parish Hall. Musical Social. Ladies to bring a basket.

Wednesday, 13th November: 10.15 a.m. Holy Communion. Transport for elderly folk. Morning Coffee afterwards.

Thursday, 14th November: 4 p.m.—6 p.m. Children's Party.

Saturday, 16th November: 3 p.m. G.F.S. Annual Fair.

Sunday, 17th November: SUNDAY
SCHOOL FESTIVAL

8 a.m. Holy Communion.

11 a.m. Sunday School Anniversary.

3 p.m. Sunday Chool Anniversary. 5 p.m. Youth Tea.

7 p.m. FAMILY SERVICE with special invitation to all married in St. John's.

HOLY BAPTISM

Wendy Lorraine Smith, Jeanette Mavis Francis, Deborah Anne Keats, Andrew Graham Titmus, Maree Mavis Allen, Gayle Christine Saltmarsh, Esther Lynette Saltmarsh, Christopher Lawrence Saltmarsh, Henry John Saltmarsh, Carroll Fay McCarthy, Shane Greaves O'Byrne, David Charles Gibson, Charles Waldron Gilmour.

MARRIAGES

Desmond Ronald Faulkner and Grace Elizabeth Rowlings. James Noel Yates-Williams and Rhonda Margaret Wright. Kevin James Hyatt and Shirley Chatsworth Hay. Gordon Arnold Shaw and Doreen Elizabeth Clarke. Barry Gordon Pritchard and Vonda May Hill. Alan Keith Chaplin and Gwendoline Jean Johnson.

AT REST

Arthur Richard Wiseman, Andrew Graham Titmus, Irene Annie McCallum, Mary May Perrin, Frederick Arthur Calver.

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