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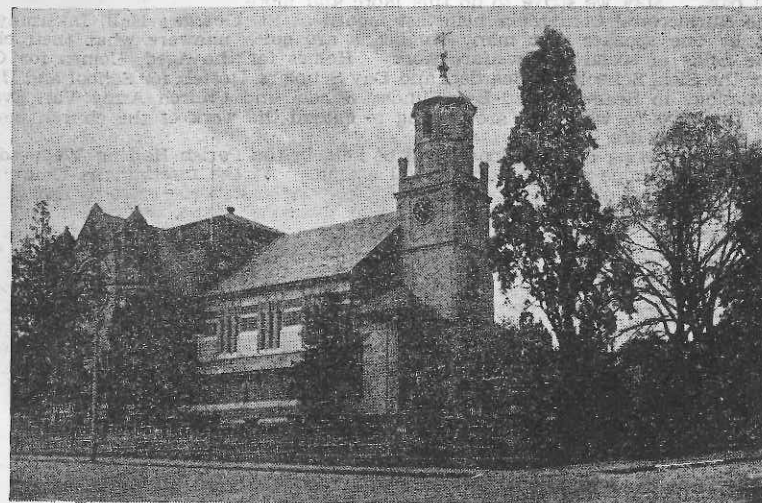
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CLERGY

VEN. ARCHDEACON L. N. SUTTON, M.A. (Oxon.), on leave.

REV. M. L. HUGHES, Th.L., Acting Rector,
The Rectory, 157 St. John Street, Launceston. Phone 2 3186.REV. T. H. DICKS, Th.L.,
4 Elizabeth Street, Launceston. Phone 2 2918.**LAY OFFICERS**

Churchwardens: Messrs. F. J. Jones, F. H. Cookman and M. M. Easter.

Vestry: Messrs. F. Ikin, L. Denham, A. G. Hart, R. J. Hoyle, R. H. Watson, T. P. White,
T. J. Wing, K. Findlay and R. D. Barr.

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

Sunday School Superintendent: Rev. T. H. Dicks and Miss E. J. E. Kiddle.

Organist and Choirmaster: Mr. Lindsay O'Neill, F.R.C.O., A.R.C.M.

SUNDAY SERVICES

8 a.m.—Holy Communion.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer, with Holy Communion on First and Third Sundays.

7 pm.—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.

RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

Mrs. Sutton joins me in thanking you all for the many expressions of good wishes for a pleasant voyage and a happy time in England. It was most exciting to be given two large suit cases at the farewell gathering of parishioners after Evensong on 28th June. They will be most useful and we are very thrilled about them. As most of you know we are leaving Launceston on Monday, 6th July, and expect to sail from Melbourne two or three days later, on the "Fairsea," due at Southampton, England, on 13th August. We have booked our return by the "Fairsea," leaving England on 17th November, due in Melbourne on 20th December. On the return journey I shall be acting as Anglican Chaplain on the ship so anticipate having an interesting experience and busy time. We look forward to being with you all for Christmas.

The reason for our visit to England at this time is, of course, to be present at our daughter's wedding. Patricia has been almost overwhelmed by the kindness of her many friends who have expressed their best wishes for her happiness so generously. She would have me thank them all and say how very sincerely she appreciated all that has been done for her.

I am very confident in leaving the care of the parish in the hands of Rev. M. L. Hughes with Rev. T. H. Dicks to assist him. Mr. Hughes is well known in Launceston where he has been Rector of Trevallyn and assistant priest at St. Peter's (now St. Mark's), Sandhill. He has also taken services in Holy Trinity and other parishes. I am sure you will give him the same friendship and loyalty which we have valued so greatly.

The Parish Family Dinner which began our continuation Every Member Canvass was enjoyed by all present. We had first planned to hold it in the Albert Hall as we did last time but most people felt that there was a warmer atmosphere of friendliness in our own

Parish Hall which proved to be adequate for our needs. Our Canvass Chairman, Mr. L. Denham, is to make a statement about the result of the canvass in another paragraph. I would only thank again all responsible for the organisation of it and say how grateful we are to all who co-operated in making it a success.

The latter half of June has been marked by several memorable services. The church was packed for the annual Church Schools' service when the schools provided the choir and the Chaplain of Hutchins School, Hobart, the Revd. D. B. Clarke, gave us a thought-provoking message on the theme of Discipleship. The Combined Choirs' Festival on the 27th June was an inspiring experience when we welcomed the new Dean of Hobart on his first visit to St. John's Church. Then the following day, Sunday, we remembered the special world-wide Day of Prayer for students when two members of the Launceston Teachers' Training College read the lessons and another took the prayers. At Evensong members of St. John Ambulance Brigade read the lessons and the Brigade Standard was dedicated. These occasions make us realise that our own church must contribute to the wider life of the community of which it is an essential part. May we strive to do this more and more.

At the Ruridecanal Conference held last month at St. George's Hall, Invermay, it was pointed out by one speaker that many Anglicans are quite unaware what their church is doing in the fields of social and welfare work. Homes for the Aged, Homes for Children, Hospitals for the Sick, Schools for Boarders and Day Scholars, Hostels for School and University Students, Missions to Seamen, Mail-Bag Sunday School and Church Army Van Evangelism are some of the ways in which we are seeking to extend the work of the church beyond the activities of parochial life.

The annual meeting of parishioners will be held in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, 29th July, at 8 p.m. We hope a large number will attend. At the meeting the Churchwardens will present their Report and Financial Statement for the past twelve months and the reports of the parish organisation will be circulated. The Churchwardens, Vestrymen and Auditors for the next year will be elected together with other Church officers. Matters of general concern may be brought forward for discussion. I hope that opportunity will be taken to show our appreciation of the work done by our Church officers in looking after the business affairs of our parish. They will spend a great deal of time and undertake much responsibility on our behalf and they will be greatly encouraged by our real interest.

As I expect to be in the Indian Ocean between Colombo and Aden at the end of the month, I shall not be at the annual meeting but I shall look forward to hearing that you have had an encouraging and enthusiastic gathering.

Assuring you all of my prayers and with every good wish,

Yours sincerely,

LEONARD N. SUTTON.

My Dear Friends at St. John's,

It is very kind of Archdeacon Sutton to give me this opportunity of writing to you.

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I look forward to having a share with you in the work of your very busy parish during the next few months. I was ordained to the priesthood in your beautiful church and know many of you already, so that it will be rather a special privilege for me to be able to minister at St. John's while the Rector is on leave.

I would like to join with you in wishing Miss Patricia Sutton every happiness in the future, and the Archdeacon and Mrs. Sutton a most pleasant and refreshing holiday.

Yours sincerely,

M. L. HUGHES.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the electors of St. John's Church in the parish of Launceston is intended to be held at Launceston on Wednesday, 29th July, at 8 p.m. in the Parish Hall for the purpose of electing CHURCHWARDENS, VESTRYMEN and AUDITORS and for the other purposes of an Annual Meeting in accordance with the provisions of the Vestries Act, 1947.

LEONARD N. SUTTON, Rector.

JULY CALENDAR

- JULY—
- 5 6th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Matins and Holy Communion; 2 p.m., Confirmation Class; 5 p.m., C.E.M.S.; 7 p.m., Evensong.
 - 6 Monday, Rector leaves for England.
 - 8 Wednesday, 8 p.m., Young Wives' Group.
 - 9 Thursday, 8 p.m., Women's Guild.
 - 10 Friday, 7.45 p.m., Youth Missionary Rally, C.M.S. House.
 - 11 Saturday, Kelso Working Bee; 7.30 p.m., Dr. Paul White at Baptist Church, Wellington Street.
 - 12 7th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Grammar Prep School Service; 2 p.m., Confirmation Class; 5 p.m., Youth Guest Tea; 7 p.m., Evensong.
 - 13 Monday, 2.45 p.m., St. Luke's Hospital Auxiliary.
 - 18 Saturday, Kelso Working Bee.
 - 19 8th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m.,

- Holy Communion; Youth Breakfast; 11 a.m., Morning Prayer, BROADCAST SERVICE; 2 p.m., Confirmation Class; 7 p.m., Evensong.
- 23 Thursday, 2.45 p.m., Mothers' Union.
- 24 Friday, 8 p.m., Bishop of Coventry at Men's Meeting, St. John's Hall.
- 25 Saturday, Youth outing to Ben Lomond.
- 26 9th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Morning Prayer; 2 p.m., Confirmation Class; 5 p.m., Y.A.F. Tea; 7 p.m., Evensong.
- 29 Wednesday, 8 p.m. ANNUAL MEETING.

AUGUST—

- 2 10th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Matins and Holy Communion; 2 p.m., Confirmation Class; 5 p.m., C.E.M.S.; 7 p.m., Evensong.

PARISH CANVASS

There is no doubt that our second Every Member Canvass has been successful and well worthwhile!

The Loyalty Dinner, when over 400 parishioners sat down together in the Church Hall, will long be remembered as one of the biggest and best gatherings in the history of St. John's. Since then, the 30 or so canvassers have spent many hours visiting, and when the Canvass is concluded, every church family will have been contacted. The visits have brought friendship both to those visited and to the canvassers and built up a closer family feeling in St. John's.

From a financial angle, already the pledges received have come to 95 per cent. of our goal of "£18,000 over 3 years," and there are many more amounts still to come. So we can plan ahead with confidence.

As with any campaign, the lasting benefits will depend upon everybody continuing to play their part—in regularity of worship, in giving, and in service. But if the enthusiasm shown during the Canvass continues, our Church will keep on growing in strength and influence.

Yes, the Canvass was certainly worth-while.

C.E.M.S.

The next meeting will be held on Sunday, 5th July, at 5 p.m. An invitation is extended to all men of the Parish to attend, a Billy Graham film will be shown, and a light, hot tea will be served. The National President of C.E.M.S., the Bishop of Coventry, will be visiting Tasmania during July. The Launceston meeting will be on Friday, 24th July, at 8 p.m. in St. John's Hall. The Bishop is a striking personality and an appealing speaker and all men should make an effort to be present and hear his message.

CHOIR NOTES

After many weeks of preparation, the R.S.C.M. Festival is over, and I should like to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to all who so willingly and cheerfully assisted in the smooth running of every detail in the arrangements on this memorable occasion.

New choirboys are still coming along, and I am again grateful to the ladies of the church who are spending such time and care over the renovation of choir robes. A complete set of beautifully made new surplices for the boys is now in use.

We all join with the many parishioners of St. John's in extending to our Rector and Mrs. Sutton warmest wishes for their holiday abroad and a safe return; to Patricia, every happiness in the future as she returns to make her home in England.

On behalf of the Choir,

LINDSAY O'NEILL.

YOUTH NOTES

On Friday, 10th July, at 7.45 p.m., our young people will join with other Anglican Youth groups for a Youth Rally in C.M.S. Hall, 92 St. John Street. There will be a coloured missionary film, an action chart, and missionary items. All are invited to come representing a missionary country.

On Saturday, 11th July, Dr. Paul White, the Jungle Doctor, will speak at the Scripture Union Rally at 7.30 p.m. at the Baptist Memorial Church in Wellington Street.

Another Youth Guest Tea has been arranged for Sunday, 12th July, at 5 p.m. Come yourself and bring some one else with you, and then sit with them in church afterwards. There will be a buffet tea.

The next Communion Breakfast is on Sunday, 19th July, following Holy Communion at 8 a.m.

We are arranging for an outing to Ben Lomond on Saturday, 25th July. The cost will be 10/-. Book now with Mr. Dicks. Phone 22918.

The Y.A.F. Meet for their monthly tea on Sunday, 26th July, at 5 p.m.

The Junior Youth Group meet each Friday evening at 7.30 p.m. in the Kindergarten Hall.

KELSO YOUTH CAMP

There will be working bees at Kelso on Saturday, 11th July, and Saturday, 18th July. Workers and cars are needed. If you can help phone Mr. Dicks, 22918.

NEWS IN BRIEF

CONFIRMATION CLASSES are meeting in the Clergy Vestry every Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m.

YOUNG WIVES' GROUP. The next meeting of the Young Wives' Group will begin with

a service in the Chapel on Wednesday, 8th July, 1959, at 8 p.m. After the service members will meet at the Rectory when our guest speaker will be Mrs. M. Jorgensen.

BROADCAST SERVICE. The Morning Service at 11 o'clock will be broadcast from St. John's Church on Sunday, 19th July, over the A.B.C. stations.

MISSIONARY BOXES. As a result of the quarterly opening of the C.M.S. boxes last month, £36/14/8 was received for the Church Missionary Society.

SCHOOL SERVICE. The annual service of the Launceston Church Grammar Preparatory School will be held in St. John's on Sunday, 12th July, at 11 a.m. The address will be given by the Headmaster, Mr. D. V. Selth, B.A.

CHURCH RENOVATION. The exterior woodwork of St. John's Church including the doors, was painted last month. This involved the use of some very high ladders and we are grateful for a difficult job well done.

MOTHERS' UNION. At the June meeting of the Mothers' Union we invited members of St. Oswald's branch to join us in saying "au-revoir" to Mrs. L. N. Sutton. Presentations were made to Mrs. Sutton by Mrs. J. R. Brown and Mrs. F. H. Cookman on behalf of the branches. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 23rd July, at 2.45 p.m.

WOMEN'S GUILD. The Women's Guild will hold their next meeting at the home of Mrs. R. H. Watson, 11 Gloucester Street, on Thursday, 9th July, at 8 p.m.

ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL. The next meeting of St. John's Auxiliary will be held at the home of Mrs. K. F. Brown, 73 Elphin Road, on Monday, 13th July, at 2.45 p.m. New members will be warmly welcomed.

FLOWER LIST

MAIN ALTAR

JULY—

- 5 Mrs. F. J. Jones.
- 12 Mrs. D. R. Campbell.
- 19 Misses E. and E. Scott.
- 26 Mrs. J. A. Barranger.

AUGUST—

- 2 Miss V. Sadler.

CHAPEL ALTAR

JULY—

- 5 Mrs. F. J. Stokes.
- 12 Mrs. H. Atherton.
- 19 Mrs. D. V. Boyd.
- 26 Mrs. L. D. Smith.

AUGUST—

- 2 Mrs. C. S. Carlstrom

SIDESMEN'S ROSTER FOR JULY

MORNINGS—

- Messrs. J. Bingham and T. Brooks.

EVENINGS—

- Messrs. B. Irvine and A. Hollingsworth.

HOLY BAPTISMS

Susan Margaret Moore, Christine Helen Bambridge, Anthony Henry Richardson, Chris Reynolds, Keitha Louise Dodd, Joan Evelyn Harris, Simon Trevor Wing, Jennifer Elizabeth Williams, Sherlee Janine Cook, Dale Shane Turner, Garry Ernest Nelson, Lindsay Miller.

MARRIAGES

Everon Garrett McCarron and Dorothy Gwendoline Bassett, Brian Vinson Ockerby and Margaret June Leslie, Wilfred Wilson Tankard and Kathleen Clare Gall, John Henry Blazely and Doreen Myra Snoxhall, Aubrey Glen Bennett and Pauline Beryl Barwick.

AT REST

Edith Randell Russell, Thomas Henry Gill, Alice Maud Chandler, Hilda Faith Ainslie, Alfred Twidle, Harry Harvey, Mark Alfred Lewis, John Thomas Rusden, Frederick Hibbins Eddington, Ila Clara Plummer.

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