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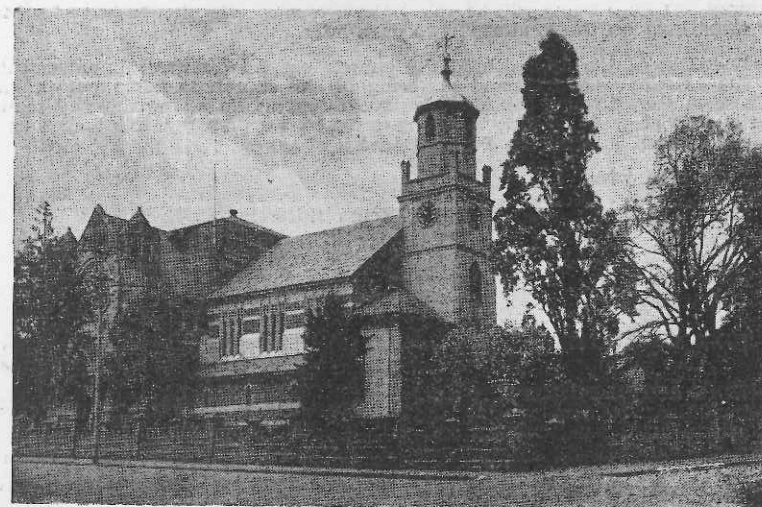
JUNE, 1959

CLERGY

Ven. Archdeacon L. N. SUTTON, M.A. (Oxon.), 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.

My Dear Friends,

As you all know our second "Every Member Canvass" is taking place this month. It is called a "Continuation Canvass" because it is a further step in the Planned Parish Programme of progress and development which we have been following for the past three years. In my letter three years ago I reminded you that the plan had been operated successfully in more than a hundred Australian parishes. Now the number has grown to more than 1,500 parishes. This indicates that planned parish finance has replaced the old method and few would wish to return to the past. I hope you will all accept an invitation to the Parish Family Dinner in St. John's Hall on Tuesday, 16th June, at 6.30 p.m. Last time the dinner was held in the Albert Hall which is not available this year, so we are using our own hall.

In another place there is printed a "Canvass Prayer" which I hope we shall all use every day. Spiritual and material things cannot be kept apart. Life is to be lived as a whole. We must integrate and unify the pattern of our thinking, praying and acting. The real test of our belief is seen in the kind of life we live. "To work is to pray" runs the old motto. "Help us to live more nearly as we pray" concludes a familiar hymn. Whatever we do in connection with the Canvass let us do it after prayerful consideration so that God's purpose for each of us may be fulfilled.

This month Confirmation Classes are to commence. I hope that all who wish to be confirmed will hand their names in to me without delay.

We are most grateful to the members of the Girls' Friendly Society for providing the new kneelers at the Communion rails. The old ones had been in use for many years and were due for replacement. This generous donation to our church matches the carpet which G.F.S. provided at considerable cost only a few years ago.

The Combined Choirs' Festival on Saturday evening, 27th June, at 6.45 p.m., will be an opportunity seldom given us to hear Church Music sung by a large number of voices. It will also be the first occasion the new Dean of Hobart has preached at St. John's Church. Please keep the evening free from other engagements and be present with your friends. I am sure it will be a memorable occasion.

Mrs. Sutton and Patricia, like myself, are busy preparing for our trip. After the evening service on 28th June, a Social Hour has been arranged which will give us an opportunity of meeting people and introducing the Rev. M. L. Hughes, who is taking my place while I am away. I hope many will be able to be present. We plan to leave for Melbourne on 6th July embarking on the "Fairsky" two days later.

The asphaltting of the area behind the church has been a great improvement. The painting of the exterior woodwork and guttering of the church is being put in hand this month. These matters involve considerable expenditure as do all repairs and maintenance work on the church property. This is one reason why the Vestry is most anxious to have our full co-operation in making the Parish Canvass a success.

With every good wish,

Yours sincerely,

LEONARD N. SUTTON.

JUNE CALENDAR

JUNE—

- 7 2nd SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Matins and Holy Communion; 3 p.m., ORGAN RECITAL; 4.45 p.m., C.E.M.S.; 7 p.m., Evensong.
- 8 Monday, 2.45 p.m., St. Luke's Auxiliary.
- 9 Tuesday, 11 a.m., Diocesan Council at St. John's Hall.
- 10 Wednesday, 2.45 p.m., M.M.A.; 8 p.m., Young Wives.
- 11 Thursday, 8 p.m., Women's Guild.
- 13 Saturday, 1.30 p.m., C.E.B.S. Rally in St. John's Hall.
- 14 3rd SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Morning Prayer; 2 p.m., Confirmation Class; 5 p.m., Youth Tea; 7 p.m., Evensong.
- 16 TUESDAY, 6.30 p.m., PARISH FAMILY DINNER.
- 21 4th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion. Youth Breakfast. 11 a.m., Matins and Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Annual Church Schools' Service, Preacher, Rev. D. B. Clarke, M.A.
- 23 Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., C.M.S. Women's Fellowship; 7 p.m., M.S.L.
- 25 Thursday, 2.45 p.m., Mothers' Union.
- 27 SATURDAY, 6.45 p.m., COMBINED CHOIRS FESTIVAL; Preacher, the Dean of Hobart.
- 28 5th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Morning Prayer; 5 p.m., Y.A.F. Tea; 7 p.m., Evensong, followed by Social Hour in Parish Hall.

JULY—

- 1 Wednesday, 2.45 p.m., M.M.A.; 7.30 p.m., Vestry Meeting.
- 5 6th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Matins and Holy Communion; 4.45 p.m., C.E.M.S.; 7 p.m., Evensong.

EVERY MEMBER CANVASS

Three years ago we commenced our first Every-Member Canvass. The generous giving of our people during these past three years has allowed us to:

- Obtain an Assistant Clergyman to give emphasis to youth work and parish visiting;
- Clear our debts, assist St. Oswald's and West Launceston;
- Increase Diocesan and Mission giving;
- Carry out repairs and maintenance to Church property.

Realising that our Church has a vital work to perform and spiritual guidance and instruction to pass on to our parishioners, we must continue to accept the challenge and meet our responsibilities.

With this in view the Vestry has decided to organise a Continuation Canvass.

A highlight of this will be our Parish Family Dinner at 6.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 16th June. Would you please reserve that evening so that you can come along and learn more about the programme.

CANVASS PRAYER

O Heavenly Father, by whose guidance and strength we are enabled to do Thy will, direct and encourage us in all our Parish Canvass activities, that through our loyal and generous support Thy Church may receive spiritual and material blessings, through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

COMBINED CHOIRS' FESTIVAL

A Festival of the Royal School of Church Music, the first of its kind ever to have been conducted in Launceston, will be held in our church on Saturday evening, 27th June, at 6.45 p.m. Choirs drawn from parishes in Launceston, Hobart, Deloraine, Devonport and Burnie are to provide the music for this Festival Service. The preacher is to be the Dean of Hobart, the Very Reverend E. M. Webber, B.D., and the music will be under the direction of Lindsay O'Neill in association with John Nicholls, organist of St. David's Cathedral.

It is expected that we shall have a choir of almost 150 voices, a unique occasion in the musical life of St. John's Church. We therefore trust that you will give this Festival your fullest support, not only by your attendance but by making it as widely known as possible so that the church may be packed to capacity.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

Junior Section

During the winter months it has been decided to hold meetings on Saturday mornings at 10.30 a.m. in St. John's Kindergarten Hall instead of Thursday evenings.

The objects of G.F.S. are to offer friendly comradeship and opportunities for service to others, and to encourage loyalty and faithfulness in work and home life. We gladly welcome all girls between the ages of 8 and 12 years.

YOUTH NEWS

The Junior Youth Group, catering for those between 13 years and 16 years, meets every Friday evening from 7.30 p.m. till 9.30 p.m. in the Kindergarten Hall.

The next Youth Tea will be on Sunday, 14th June, beginning at 5 p.m. All young people will be warmly welcome. A Corporate Communion and breakfast for young people will be held on Sunday, 21st June, at 8 a.m.

The Young Anglican Fellowship meet for their monthly tea and meeting on Sunday, 28th June, at 5 p.m. All young people 16 years and over are welcome.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Classes in preparation for Confirmation, which will be held at St. John's early in October, are to commence this month. All who wish to be confirmed are asked to hand names and addresses to the Rector at once. The first class will be held on Sunday afternoon, June 21st, at 2 p.m. in the Rector's vestry.

NEWS IN BRIEF

"PARISH MESSENGER" DONATIONS. Mr. W. Nillson, 5/-; Church Boxes, 10/-.

WOMEN'S GUILD. The next meeting of the Guild will be held on Thursday, 11th June, at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. M. M. Easter, 13 Wyett Street, West Launceston. Mrs. L. W. P. Reeves will speak and show slides on her trip to Indonesia.

ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL. During the winter months the only meeting of St. Luke's Hospital Auxiliary will be at the home of Mrs. K. F. Brown, 73 Elphin Road, at 2.45 p.m. on the second Monday of each month, the next being on the 8th June.

MOTHERS' UNION. The Annual Musical Market was held in the Kindergarten Hall on Wednesday last in aid of the Clarendon Children's Home. The amount realised was £48, and we would like to extend our sincere thanks to all those who helped to make this event such a success. The next meeting will be on Thursday, 25th June, at 2.45 p.m.

C.E.M.S. The Annual Meeting of the C.E.M.S. will be held on Sunday, 7th June, at 4.45 p.m. in the Kindergarten Hall. Guest speaker will be Mr. T. Burns who will show slides on his world trip.

YOUNG WIVES. The next meeting of the Young Wives' Group will begin with a service in the chapel on Wednesday, 10th June at 8 p.m. After the service members will meet at the Rectory when our annual meeting will be held.

C.M.S. WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP. The C.M.S. Women's Fellowship has decided to start a drive to collect milk-bottle tops and old rags, the proceeds from the sale of same to help C.M.S. funds. Will you assist us? We meet on the fourth Tuesday in the month at C.M.S. House, St. John Street, at 2.30 p.m.

C.E.B.S. RALLY. A Tasmanian Rally for boys of the C.E.B.S. is to be held in Launceston over the holiday week-end. On Saturday, 13th June there will be a Rally in St. John's Hall commencing at 1.30 p.m. A concert will be held at St. Mark's, Sandhill, in the evening, and a Church Service on Sunday night at Holy Trinity. We would be glad to have offers of accommodation for the lads. Our C.E.B.S. leader (Mr. Doug Goodwin) or the Rector will be happy to give further information.

MISSIONARY BOXES. All parishioners who have missionary boxes are asked to return them for the quarterly opening before the end of June when the financial year closes.

ANNUAL CHURCH SCHOOL SERVICE. Broadland House and Launceston Church Grammar School will hold their annual combined School Service at St. John's on Sunday, 21st June, at 7 p.m. Members of the schools will form the choir and the preacher will be the Rev. D. B. Clarke, M.A. (Cantab.), Deputy Headmaster and Chaplain of the Hutchins School, Hobart. All parents and friends are specially invited to attend.

AT HOME. Mrs. Sutton and Patricia will be "At Home" on Monday, 22nd June, for anyone who would like to call and see Patricia's trousseau.

ANNUAL MEETING of the Parish will be held on Wednesday, 29th July, at 8 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

FLOWER LIST

Main Altar

JUNE—

- 7 Miss D. Davis.
14 Miss M. Bennett.
21 Mrs. F. J. Huston.
28 Mrs. R. H. Watson.

JULY—

- 5 Mrs. F. J. Jones.

Chapel Altar

JUNE—

- 7 Mrs. W. McMahon.
14 Mrs. T. H. Dicks.
21 Mrs. G. Crawford.
28 Mrs. A. E. McCarthy.

JULY—

- 5 Mrs. F. J. Stokes.

SIDESMEN'S ROSTER FOR JUNE

MORNINGS: Messrs. T. White and L. Cato.
EVENINGS: Messrs. R. W. J. Hart and R. White.

HOLY BAPTISMS

Pamela Katherine Davis, Louise Elizabeth Pearcey, Timothy Ivan Gould Hayes, Lee-anne Claire Easter, Sandra Louise Patterson, Christopher William Howell, Steven Vernon Curran, Dale Leslie Robertson, Suzanne Elizabeth Kampus, Mark Christopher Stanley, Christopher Kenneth Farquhar.

MARRIAGES

Robert Francis Barrett and Shirley Dawn Nielsen, Alfred William Barwick and Maureen Lucy Turner, Alan Kevin Leach and Shirley Christena Weeks, Kelvin John Bird and Audrey Grace Foley, Arthur George Springer and Shirley Dawn McNear, Geoffrey Hugo von Steiglitz and Jalna Cartwright, Graham George Price and Marjorie Agnes Kerr, David Geoffrey Hodges and Judith Anne Clark.

AT REST

Cyril Moncur Jones, Arnold Thomas Nolan, Alfred Arthur Colgrave, Edith Maria Ward Wilks, Maude Isobel Johnstone, Clarence Rex Underwood.

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