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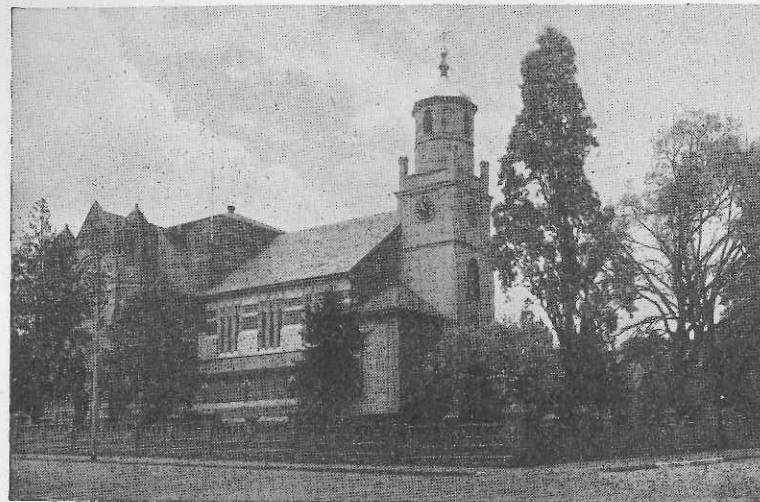
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CLERGY

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. Easther.

VESTRY: Messrs. F. Ikin, L. Denham, R. J. Hoyle, R. H. Watson, T. P. White, T. J. Wing,
R. D. Barr, D. Goodwin and T. G. Cowell.

HON. LAY READERS: Messrs. A. G. Hart and E. L. Thomas.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS: 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 am., 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.

THE ACTING RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

The annual meeting of the Parish was held just after the last Parish Messenger went to press; as a report of the meeting is given in another column I will only say that the Rector sent his best wishes for the success of the meeting and also he expressed his thanks for all that the officers of the church had done in attending to the business matters of the parish during the past twelve months.

At Evensong on Sunday, the 16th of August, the Churchwardens and Vestrymen were publicly admitted to office. On the same evening the Reverend M. A. F. Downie, Director of the Overseas Department preached the sermon and after the service a social hour was held in the Parish Hall, where Mr. Downie showed two very fine missionary films.

On Sunday, the 23rd August, at 11 o'clock the annual service of the Launceston Student Teachers' College was held at St. John's. Mr. Peter Cranswick was the preacher and the College Choir assisted in leading the singing.

Mr. Dicks attended a School of Pastoral Care in Melbourne and found it most helpful even if rather strenuous.

The Synod of the Diocese is to be held in Hobart during the week beginning on Sunday, 6th September. It will begin with Evensong in the Cathedral on Sunday at 7 p.m. and the first meeting of Synod will commence at 2.30 p.m. on the Monday.

There are some very important matters in the business paper and we must all remember the Bishop and members of Synod in our prayers.

We look forward to welcoming again the Rev. A. V. Maddick who is to preach at both services on Sunday, 6th September. This will be our Choir Sunday and special music will be sung on that day.

Yours very sincerely,

M. L. HUGHES.

PRAYER FOR SYNOD

Guide we beseech Thee, Almighty God, with the light of Thy Holy Spirit, the Bishops, Clergy and Laity in the Synod, that they may wisely take counsel together for the good of Thy Church and the Glory of Thy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.—Amen.

PARISH ARRANGEMENTS IN SYNOD WEEK

Owing to the Clergy being absent for Synod, there will be no celebration of The Holy Communion on Wednesday, 9th September, and the usual Thursday evening Bible Study Group will not be held on the 10th September.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER—

- 1 TUESDAY, 10.15 a.m., Holy Communion for N.C.R.U., followed by meeting in the Rectory; 8 p.m., Mannequin Parade in St. John's Hall in aid of Kelso Youth Centre.
- 2 Wednesday, 10.15 a.m., Holy Communion 2.45 p.m., Medical Missionary Auxiliary.
- 3 Thursday, 7.15 p.m., Bible Study Group in Clergy Vestry.
- 5 Saturday, dance in St. Paul's Hall in aid of the Kelso Youth Centre.
- 6 15th 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. Tea and Meeting; 7 p.m., Evensong. Preacher at both Morning and Evening services, Rev. A. V. Maddick, B.A. This day is Choir Sunday.
- 7 Monday, St. Luke's Hospital Auxiliary at Mrs. G. C. Dodery's home, 42 Ramsay Street, at 2.30 p.m.
- 8 Tuesday, 7.30 p.m., G.F.S. in Kindergarten Hall.
- 9 Wednesday, 8 p.m., Young Wives' Group Meeting in the Rectory.
- 10 8 p.m., Women's Guild at home of Mrs. M. Summers, 3 Wyett Street.
- 13 16th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Morning Prayer; 4 p.m., Confirmation Class; 5 p.m., Family Tea for confirmation candidates, their parents, godparents and witnesses; 7 p.m., Evensong.
- 16 Wednesday, 10.15 a.m., Holy Communion.
- 17 Thursday, 7.15 p.m., Bible Study.

- 20 17th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion and Youth Breakfast; 11 a.m., Matins and Holy Communion; 2 p.m., Confirmation Class; 7 p.m., Evensong, Special Parade of Guides and Brownies, Air Training Corps and R.A.A.F. Association, preacher the Rev. Guy Harrison, M.A.
- 22 Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., C.M.S. Women's Fellowship.
- 23 Wednesday, 10.15 a.m., Holy Communion.
- 24 Thursday, 2.45 p.m., Mothers' Union; 7.15 p.m., Bible Study Group.
- 27 18th 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.
- 30 Wednesday, 10.15 a.m., Holy Communion.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the parish was held in the Kindergarten Hall on Wednesday, the 29th July, at 8 p.m. In the absence of the Rector, the meeting was presided over by the Reverend M. L. Hughes. Fifty people were present.

The following officers were elected:

WARDENS: Rector's nomination, Mr. M. M. Easther; People's Wardens, Messrs. F. J. Jones and F. H. Cookman.

VESTRY: Rector's nominations, Messrs. F. Ikin, R. Hoyle and R. Barr; People's Vestrymen, Messrs. L. Denham, T. White, D. Goodwin, T. Wing, T. Cowell and R. H. Watson.

AUDITORS: Messrs. A. W. Jones and F. B. Stevens.

REPRESENTATIVES ON BROADLAND HOUSE COMMITTEE: Mesdames L. N. Sutton and F. Ikin, Messrs. F. J. Jones and R. H. Watson.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND COUNCIL OF WOMEN: Mesdames F. B. Stevens, T. White, F. Ikin, R. Hoyle, F. H. Cookman and Mrs. Denholm.

Also a number of sidesmen were elected.

The Churchwarden's Report and Financial statement which have been circulated were unanimously adopted and the Vestry's management of the business of the Church was favourably received.

Following the meeting there was a happy time of fellowship when parishioners chatted over supper.

CHOIR NOTES

It was encouraging to see a number of parishioners remain for a short congregational hymn practice after Evensong on 23rd August. The interest and enthusiasm shown was most heartening, and I'm sure those present will agree that we must have another such practice soon. It has been suggested that one way by which the spiritual health of a parish church may be judged is by the measure of enthusiasm, heartiness and conviction in its congregational singing. If this be so, we can conclude that there is a considerable degree of life stirring in St. John's at the present time!

Perhaps at the next after-church practice the whole congregation will remain.

C.M.S. BOXES—QUARTERLY OPENING

Holders of C.M.S. Boxes are asked to kindly return these for opening in September, to Miss Margaret Morrah, c/o The Rectory.

THE BUSH CHURCH AID SOCIETY

Those holding Bush Church Aid Society Boxes are asked to hand them in at the Church or at the Rectory for opening. The secretary is Miss Dawn Farrell, Tower Hostel, Wellington Street.

G.F.S. JUNIOR BRANCH

The Junior branch of G.F.S. is now meeting on Thursday evenings at 5.30 p.m. All girls of seven years of age or over are heartily invited to join the Junior G.F.S.

G.F.S.

The next meeting will be held at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 8th September, when members will make preparation for the Diocesan G.F.S. Exhibition which is being held in Hobart on 26th September, and in Launceston on Saturday, 3rd October, at 2.30 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. in St. John's Hall.

MOTHERS' UNION

The next meeting of the Mothers' Union will be held on Thursday, 24th September, at 2.45 p.m., when the guest speaker will be Mrs. J. E. Atkins.

Corporate Communion will be held in the Chapel on Wednesday, 16th September.

WOMEN'S GUILD

Members of the Women's Guild will meet on Thursday, 10th September, at 8 p.m., at the home of Mrs. M. Summers, 3 Wyett St.

Corporate Communion will be held on Sunday, 20th September, at 8 a.m.

YOUTH NEWS

The young people are to play their part at the Mannequin Parade on Tuesday, 1st September, in St. John's Hall, 8 p.m., with the boys preparing the night before, the girls as usherettes and both cleaning up afterwards.

On Sunday, 6th September, the Youth Group are providing supper for the Congregation after Evensong when the Rev. A. V. Maddick will be present.

Our monthly Youth Guest Tea will be held on Sunday, 13th September, at 5 p.m., but with a difference. The new prospective confirmees are being invited, together with their families, witnesses and godparents.

The next Corporate Communion Breakfast will be on Sunday, 20th September, following Holy Communion. Our young men are preparing the breakfast.

The Young Anglican Fellowship, Y.A.F., will meet at 5 p.m., Sunday, 27th September.

Every Friday evening in September the Junior Youth Group will meet in the kindergarten Hall, from 7.30 p.m. till 9.30 p.m.

Programme for the month includes film evening, missionary and games evening, sport evening.

IN AID OF KELSO

A Mannequin Parade has been arranged for Tuesday, 1st September, 8 p.m., to raise funds for the Kelso Youth Centre. The parade will be sponsored by Ridley's Bargain Centre and the Lady Elizabeth Hat Salon. Subscription will be 3/6, supper will be served.

Also on Saturday, 5th September, a dance is being held in St. Paul's Hall to raise funds for the Kelso Youth Centre. Subscription is 3/-.

PROGRESS REPORT ON KELSO

Work has now begun on the roof of the Centre, unfortunately work was delayed due to rain on several Saturdays. Working bees have been arranged for every Saturday in September. We meet at St. John's Church at 8.30 a.m. If you can assist with either transport or labour or both then please phone Mr. Dicks at 22918.

ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

The annual meeting of the above was held on 10th August, at the home of Mrs. G. Dodery. This was followed by a social gathering in honour of one of the members, Miss Joy Boland, who is leaving shortly to be married. A presentation was made to her.

Officers elected were Mrs. K. F. Brown, President; Mrs. L. N. Sutton and Mrs. Taylor, vice-presidents; Hon. Secty., Mrs. A. H. Roake. Committee consists of Mrs. D. Dodery, Mrs. West and Miss M. Bennett. Mr. F. Jones was elected treasurer and a presentation was made to the retiring secretary, Mrs. M. M. Easther who was thanked for her services over the last year.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Dodery on Monday, 7th September, at 2.30 p.m.

FLOWER LIST

MAIN ALTAR

SEPTEMBER—

- 6 Mrs. F. J. Huston.
- 13 Mrs. R. H. Watson.
- 20 Mrs. F. J. Jones.
- 27 Mrs. D. R. Campbell.

OCTOBER—

- 4 Misses E. and E. Scott.

CHAPEL ALTAR

SEPTEMBER—

- 6 Mrs. McCarthy.
- 13 Mrs. F. J. Stokes.
- 20 Mrs. H. Atherton.
- 27 Mrs. D. V. Boyd.

OCTOBER—

- 4 Mrs. Smith.

SIDESMEN'S ROSTER FOR SEPTEMBER

MORNINGS—

Messrs. A. Hollingsworth and T. J. Wing.

EVENINGS—

Messrs. R. H. Watson and M. M. Easther.

HOLY BAPTISMS

Bronwyn Swain, David John Lake, Judith Mary Anne Watts, Malcolm John Watts, Lynette Margaret Watts, Ronald Keith Watts, Bronwyn Jane Krankcombe, Fiona Susan Whittle, Patricia Ann Ranson.

MARRIAGES

Bernard Watt Tolman and Shirley Alice Rapley, Maurice Albert George Boon and Pamela Judith Morris, Graeme Russell Ford and Valentine Beatrice Rosamund Shelton.

AT REST

Thomas John Harris, Major William Wood, Percy Tremayne Beauchamp.

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