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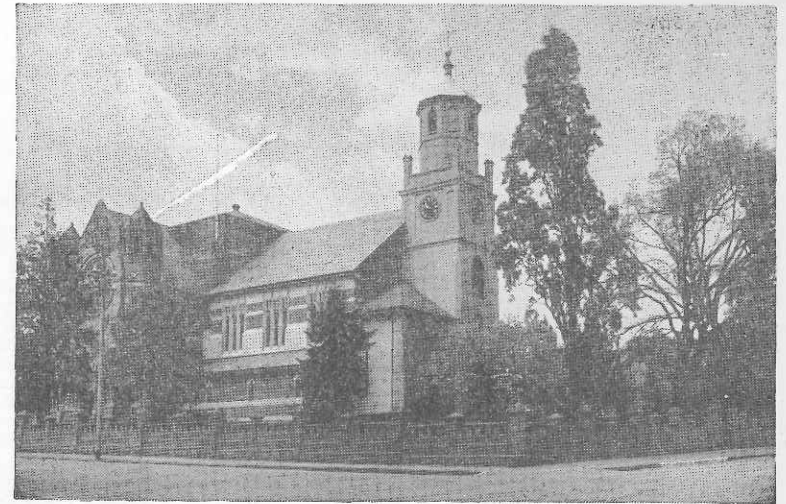
SEPTEMBER, 1960.

CLERGY

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

The Rectory, 157 St. John Street, Launceston. Phone 2 3186.

Rev. J. L. Goldsworthy, 8 Spencer Street, Launceston. Phone 2 3980.

**LAY OFFICERS:**

CHURCHWARDENS: Messrs. F. J. Jones, F. H. Cookman and M. M. Easther.

VESTRY: Messrs. V. H. Good, T. P. White, R. W. J. Hart, V. J. Sheldrick, L. Denham
R. D. Barr, F. Ikin, R. J. Hoyle and R. J. Roberts.

HON. LAY READER: Mr. A. G. Hart.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS: Mr. H. Vernon and Miss E. J. E. Kiddle.

ORGANIST AND CHOIRMASTER: Mr. Lindsay O'Neill, F.R.C.O., A.R.C.M.

DIVINE 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, 10.30 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,

This month much time and interest will be devoted to the meeting of the Diocesan Synod in Launceston which will begin with the Synod Service in St. John's Church on Sunday, 11th September, at 7 p.m. The reason why Synod meets here instead of Hobart this year is to give the church people of Launceston and northern centres the opportunity of attending. Matters of great importance to the Anglican Church in Tasmania will be dealt with and we hope that the seats reserved for the public will be fully occupied. Synod will meet in St. John's Hall.

The Laymen's Conference will meet on Monday and Tuesday mornings. The meetings of the Church of England Council of Women will commence with a Communion Service on Tuesday morning and continue till Wednesday afternoon. There will be a Missionary Rally on Wednesday evening at C.M.S. House at 7.30 p.m. Holy Communion will be celebrated each morning as announced and Evening Prayer said daily.

We are very grateful to parishioners who have offered hospitality to members of Synod from other parts of Tasmania. Their help is greatly appreciated.

We welcome to Launceston the Revd. E. Esling and Mrs. Esling and their three children who have come from England to the Rectory at St. Leonards. The parish of St. Leonards covers a wide area and includes new and expanding housing areas. Problems of finance and administration are being faced by a keen group of laymen and we assure their new Rector of our full support and friendship as he begins his ministry.

The Bishop has nominated me as his representative on the Board of the Launceston Church Grammar School in place of the late Archdeacon H. B. Atkinson. I am happy to be able to continue the long association between this parish and the school.

We are glad to learn that our two Bishops have both improved in health. Bishop Cranswick has resumed duties again and we understand that Bishop Barrett will soon be allowed to undertake some engagements.

When in Melbourne a week ago I spoke to Mrs. Greenwood on the phone. She sent her warmest greetings to all her many friends in Launceston in which the Canon joined. Unfortunately they have both felt the winter cold more than usual but are looking

forward to the warmer weather. I also spent an evening with our son, David, who is very well and continuing his studies at the Melbourne Technical College. He sends his greetings to Launceston friends. He will be over for Christmas. Patricia writes from England to say that she is very well and has recently had a pleasant holiday in Yorkshire and thereabouts.

The season of Spring which is now beginning is a beautiful time of the year when the new life in the gardens and trees make us all feel better. The longer days and the warmer weather remind us that summer time is not far off. It also teaches us that the Spirit of God is always alive and active in the world around us and seeking to encourage and guide us in our daily lives. Remember the words of our Lord in the sermon on the Mount: "Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow." How much happier we are when we do as He asks!

With every good wish,

Yours sincerely,

LEONARD N. SUTTON.

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER—

- 1 Thursday, 8 p.m., Ruridecanal Conference at C.M.S. House.
- 2 Friday, 8 p.m., Induction of Rector of St. Leonards.
- 4 12th 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, Preacher, Rev. A. L. Lloyd, of Bendigo.
- 6 Tuesday, 7.30 p.m., G.F.S.
- 7 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 2.45 p.m., M.M.A.; 7.30 p.m., Vestry Meeting.
- 8 Thursday, 8 p.m., Women's Guild.
- 11 13th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Morning Prayer (broadcast), preacher, Bishop Barrett; 2 p.m., C.E.M.S. Car Outing; 5 p.m., Youth Tea; 7 p.m., Festal Evensong. SYNOD SERVICE. Preacher, The Bishop of Tasmania.
- 12 Monday, 2.30 p.m., OPENING OF SYNOD; 2.45 p.m., St. Luke's Hospital Auxiliary.
- 13 Tuesday, SYNOD IN SESSION.
- 14 Wednesday, SYNOD IN SESSION. 7.30 p.m., Missionary Rally in C.M.S. House.
- 18 14th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion, Youth Breakfast; 11 a.m., Matins and Holy Communion; 7 p.m., Evensong.
- 20 Tuesday, 7.45 p.m., M.S.L. at C.M.S. House.
- 21 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 8 p.m., Young Wives' Group at Rectory.
- 22 Thursday, 2.45 p.m., Mothers' Union.
- 25 15th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Morning Prayer; 7 p.m., Evensong. Preacher, Bishop of Central Tanganyika.
- 26 Monday, 8 p.m., C.M.S. Rally at St. John's Hall, Bishop Stanway.
- 28 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m., Holy Communion.

OCTOBER—

- 2 16th 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.

The Annual Meeting of the Parish was held on Wednesday, 27th July, in St. John's Kindergarten Hall, and was attended by approximately 80 parishioners.

Prior to the meeting a Parish Tea was held in the Main Hall at which 150 persons sat down.

The members of the Ladies' Guild are to be congratulated on the excellent meal arranged. The thanks of the Wardens and Vestry go to these ladies for their efforts, also to those parishioners who provided the excellent assortment of sweets.

The Rector (Archdeacon Sutton) presided over the Annual Meeting. No doubt most parishioners have availed themselves of the opportunity of perusing the Annual Report and Financial Statement provided by the Vestry, which disclosed a most successful year. There are still a number of copies of the Report and Statement available if required.

The three retiring Wardens, Messrs. M. Easter, F. J. Jones and F. H. Cookman, were re-elected, and the following were elected to the Vestry: Messrs. L. Denham, R. J.

Hoyle, V. J. Sheldrick, F. Ikin, R. W. J. Hart, T. White, R. D. Barr, V. H. Good and R. J. Roberts.

Auditors elected were Messrs. F. B. Stevens and E. R. Duncan.

Delegates to Broadland House Committee: Mrs. L. N. Sutton, Mrs. F. Ikin, Messrs. R. J. Roberts and R. H. Watson.

Representatives to the Council of Churches: Miss Murison-Bourne and Mr. J. Sanderson.

Representatives to the Church of England Council of Women: Mesdames V. Good, F. B. Stevens, T. P. White, V. Denholm, R. J. Hoyle and F. Ikin.

YOUNG WIVES' GROUP

The next meeting of the Young Wives' Group will be held at the Rectory on Wednesday, 21st September, at 8 p.m. The guest speaker will be Mrs. L. N. Sutton. The meeting will begin with a service in the Chapel. During Synod Week there will be a Holy Communion Service on Wednesday, 14th September, at 9.30 a.m., and a Missionary Rally at 7.30 p.m. in C.M.S. House that evening, which members are invited to attend. The Coffee Club will be held at 8 Spencer Street on Thursday, 1st September.

MOTHERS' UNION

The next meeting of the Mothers' Union will be held on Thursday, 22nd September, beginning with a Service in the Chapel at 2.45 p.m.

WOMEN'S GUILD

A Corporate Communion Service will be held on Sunday, 18th September, at 8 a.m. The next meeting of the Guild will be held at the home of Mrs. John Goldsworthy, 8 Spencer Street, on Thursday, 8th September, at 8 p.m.

G. F. S.

The Junior Branch of the Girls' Friendly Society meets each Monday evening at 5.45 p.m. at St. John's Church Hall. All girls from the age of eight years and upwards are invited to join us. Members need not necessarily be members of the Church of England. During the last two months we have welcomed Dianne, Wendy, Jennifer, Marilyn, Sherrie and Ruth. These girls come from the Sunday Schools of St. John's, St. Aidan's, Chant Street and Paterson Street Methodist Churches—in this fellowship we hope the girls of to-day may represent the united churches of to-morrow.

—Branch Leader MARGARET MORRAH.

The Senior Branch of G.F.S. will meet on Tuesday, 6th September, in the Kindergarten Hall at 7.30 p.m. Miss Oates will show colour films of Rosebery and other parts of Tasmania. We will have a farewell supper for one of our members, Miss Doreen Poole, who is soon leaving for an extended trip abroad. Visitors are welcome. The G.F.S. Annual Fair will be held on Saturday, 8th October, at 2.30 p.m. in St. John's Hall.

LAUNCESTON MISSIONARY SERVICE LEAGUE

The M.S.L. held their Annual Missionary Evening on 16th August. A film, kindly loaned by the British and Foreign Bible Society, was screened by the Rev. K. C. Nancarrow, who also showed some interesting slides sent from Pakistan by Miss E. Kingsmill.

The proceeds of the stall and various donations amounted to almost £19.

The League meets monthly for study and prayer and to work for missions in various ways. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, 20th September at 7.45 p.m., when a talk

will be given by a member, the subject being "Leaves from 'Tell in the Wilderness'" —a recent book by Canon Max Warren. Meetings are at C.M.S. House, 92 St. John Street, and all interested are welcome.

CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Bishop of Central Tanganyika, Africa, the Rt. Rev. A. Stanway, M.A., will preach at St. John's on Sunday, 25th September, at 7 p.m. He will also be the special speaker at a C.M.S. Rally in St. John's Hall on Monday night, 26th September, at 8 p.m., to which all are invited. Recent political events in Africa and the present missionary situation are so closely related that everyone should take this opportunity of hearing one who can speak with first-hand knowledge of the critical position.

ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

The next meeting of St. John's Auxiliary to St. Luke's Hospital will be held at the home of Mrs. A. W. Jones, 2 Hornsey Ave., on Monday, 12th September, at 2.45 p.m.

At the Annual Meeting held at the home of Mrs. G. C. Dodery, on Monday, 8th August, the following officers were elected:

President, Mrs. H. Holyman; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. K. F. Brown, Mrs. G. C. Dodery; Hon. Secretary, Mrs. A. H. Roake; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. F. J. Jones. Committee, Mrs. F. Taylor, Mrs. W. M. Reid, Miss M. Bennett.

The resignation of Mrs. K. F. Brown, as President, was received with regret and a presentation was made to her on behalf of all present by Mrs. L. N. Sutton.

RURIDECANAL CONFERENCE

The Rural Dean, Canon J. E. Atkins, has arranged for a Ruridecanal Conference to be held in C.M.S. House, 92 St. John Street, on Thursday evening, 1st September, at 8 p.m. All church officers and office-bearers in parish organisations and Sunday School teachers are urged to attend. Parishioners are also invited. The Conference will be attended by representatives from all the parishes in the Rural Deanery of Launceston, and matters of common interest will be discussed.

YOUTH NEWS

Things are beginning to move again in the field of youth activities. The monthly Youth Teas are continuing, and we are doing our best to make the programme brighter and more positive. Young people from 13 years and upward are warmly invited. Please bring something to eat and a friend.

On the Sundays apart from the Youth Tea, you are invited to join our Bible Study Circle round the fire at 8 Spencer Street (between Welman Street and St. George's Square). Study begins at 5 p.m. and we have tea together at 6 p.m. Hot soup and tea is provided and you are asked to bring something to eat.

For senior young people (16 years and over) we are trying a new venture in the form of a discussion time followed by supper. This will take place on the FIRST Sunday of each month after Evening Service, and will be held in the Rectory at the kind invitation of Archdeacon and Mrs. Sutton.

Junior Youth Club for young people 13 to 16 years is held in the small hall every Friday night at 7.30 p.m. and ending at 9.30 p.m.

BOOK THESE DATES NOW!

- SUNDAY, 4th SEPTEMBER—
Bible Study at 5 p.m.
Discussion Group after Evening Service.
- SUNDAY, 11th SEPTEMBER—
Youth Tea at 5 p.m. sharp.
- SUNDAY, 18th SEPTEMBER—
Youth Breakfast following Holy Communion at 8 a.m.
Bible Study at 5 p.m.
- SUNDAY, 25th SEPTEMBER—
Bible Study at 5 p.m.

C. E. M. S.

The C.E.M.S. are planning another outing for our older parishioners on Sunday, 11th September, at 2 p.m.

Any men of this parish who would be willing to assist are asked to contact Mr. C. Targett or Mr. M. Easter as soon as possible

so that those people being taken may be notified in good time.

As the last outing was so successful it is hoped that a good response to this appeal for assistance will be forthcoming.

The next meeting will be on Sunday, 4th September at 4.45 p.m. Mr. E. Kennedy will speak on "The Social Service Benefits available to Australians To-day."

NEWS IN BRIEF

"PARISH MESSENGER" DONATIONS: Church Boxes, 10/-; Mrs. M. M. Bennett, £1; Mrs. A. A. Castley, 10/-.

BROADCAST SERVICE: The morning service on Sunday, 11th September, will be broadcast from St. John's at 11 a.m. over the National Stations. The preacher will be the Right Rev. W. R. Barrett, M.A., Th.D., Assistant Bishop of Tasmania. This will be Synod Sunday.

MEDICAL MISSIONARY AUXILIARY: The next monthly meeting of the M.M.A. will be held on Wednesday, 7th September, at 2.45 p.m. New members will be warmly welcomed.

MISSIONARY BOXES: Would all those who hold C.M.S. or B.C.A. Missionary Boxes kindly return them for the quarterly opening due in September. They may be left with the Rector or Church Wardens.

VISITING PREACHER: The preacher at Evensong on Sunday, 4th September, at 7 p.m. will be the Revd. Arthur Lloyd, B.A., Th. Schol., Vicar of Holy Trinity, Bendigo.

ANNUAL MEDICAL SERVICE in connection with St. Luke's Day has been arranged for Sunday, 16th October, at 7 p.m. ORGAN RE-BUILD: The organ was heard for the last time at Evensong on Sunday, 21st August. It is expected that the renovations and additions to the instrument will be completed by the end of the year. In the meantime a Honigel Reed Organ will be used with amplification.

FLOWER GUILD ROSTER

MAIN ALTAR

SEPTEMBER—

- 4 Miss M. Bennett.
- 11 Mrs. F. J. Huston.
- 18 Mrs. L. N. Sutton.
- 25 Mrs. F. J. Jones.

OCTOBER—

- 2 Mrs. D. R. Campbell.

CHAPEL

SEPTEMBER—

- 4 Mrs. W. McMahon.
- 11 Mrs. H. Atherton.
- 18 Mrs. G. Crawford.
- 25 Mrs. McCarthy.

OCTOBER—

- 2 Mrs. F. J. Stokes.

SIDESMEN'S ROSTER

MORNINGS—

- Messrs. C. W. Calver and T. Brooks.

EVENINGS—

- Messrs. R. H. Watson and V. H. Good.

HOLY BAPTISMS

Andrew Charles Quill, Debbie Laing, Rhonda Hawkesford, Maree Susan Carvel, John James Palliser, Robyn Best, Lynne Maree Kerkham, Lesa Florence Geard, Elizabeth Mary Rockliffe.

MARRIAGES

Harry Frank Lowe and Jessie Daphne Morton, Trevor James Graham and Beverley Coward, Barry Northcote Pearce and Yvonne Ann Campbell, Edward John Nichols and Barbara Marlene Westlake, Brian Donald Walker and Nanette Rosalie Harris Mary Bowkett, Barry Huon Murrell and Margaret Madeline Hill, Alan Rex Baker and Gwendoline Yvonne Barrett, Allan John Hodgman and Rose Mary Walker, David William John Hampton and Barbara Louise Habner, Desmond Arthur Alexander and Emily Joy Phillips, Dragan Tony Plavsic and Orleena Rosemary Baker, Ronald Have-lock Lambert and Anne Coogan.

AT REST

Daryl David Lee, Hubert Francis Davis, Frederick Charles Brown. Our sincere sympathy is extended to those who have been bereaved.