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**CLERGY**

Rector Elect: The Rev. H. A. Jerrim, Th.L., C.F.

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



● The Rev. H. A. and Mrs. Jerrim and their children Alec, Margaret and Peter.

**THE NEW RECTOR**

The Rev. H. A. Jerrim studied at Christ College, Hobart. He won the Mercer Memorial Prize in 1938 and 1939, and gained his Th.L. (2nd Class) in 1940. He was assistant curate at Holy Trinity, Hobart, 1940-41; at Smithton, 1941-43; Chaplain (4th Class) A.I.F., 1943-45; Rector of Cullenswood, 1945-46; Precentor and Minor Canon, St. David's Cathedral, 1946-47; Rector of Cygnet, 1947-49; Rector of Devonport, 1949-58, when he was also Rural Dean, Rector of St. Stephens, Sandy Bay, 1958-1961.

THE INDUCTION of Mr. Jerrim will take place on Tuesday, 31st October, at 7.45 p.m. This will be followed by a gathering in the Kindergarten Hall to welcome Mr. Jerrim and his family. It is hoped that a large number of St. John's people will be able to be present for this important occasion.

**LETTER FROM RECTOR-ELECT**

Dear St. John's Parishioners,

The Archdeacon has asked me to write a letter for this issue of the Parish Messenger on the eve of my coming to you as Rector. This will be the first of many letters which it will be my privilege to write to you. At the present time I find it very hard to realise that in a matter of a few weeks I will be living in your midst.

This will be the second time in my Ministry when my parish church has been dedicated to St. John the Evangelist. My nine years at St. John's, Devonport, were years of happiness in the service of the Church. I look forward to a time of happiness in ministering in St. John's, Launceston.

I am humbled by the thought that I am coming to a parish church with a great tradition and will be succeeding Rectors who have given faithful service and had fruitful ministries, such men as Canon W. Greenwood and your present Rector, the Venerable Archdeacon L. N. Sutton. I pray that in the power of the Holy Spirit I may be able to help to continue the faithful ministry which is provided in Launceston by our Church.

Mrs. Jerrim and I have met your churchwardens and appreciate the welcome which they gave us. We feel that we will be coming to a parish which is ready to extend a warm welcome to a new Rector, his wife and family. We look forward to meeting many of you at the end of October.

Yours sincerely,

HENRY A. JERRIM.

**LETTER FROM REV. J. L. GOLDSWORTHY**

Dear Friends,

For the next five weeks, St. John's will be without a Rector. This fact, I am sure, will cause us to look back with some regret as we think of the treasured associations we have had with Archdeacon and Mrs. Sutton. It will also cause us to look forward with expectation to the coming of the new Rector and his family. Many are wondering what he will be like. Some hope for big changes; some hope there will be little or no change in the life of St. John's. Two things, at least, are certain: Mr. and Mrs. Jerrim will come to us as people (to quote St. Paul) "of like passions with you;" they will need our friendship, fellowship and help; secondly, changes are inevitable. No two people



are cast in the same mould; Mr. Jerrim will come to St. John's with new insights, new ideas and a different background of experience. The changes will be either positive or negative depending on whether Mr. Jerrim has our co-operation and support, or not.

In the meantime, we are faced with five weeks of challenge. With the clerical staff reduced in size and experience, the successful continuance of the life of St. John's will depend more than ever on the lay people.

Sunday, 8th October will be a day of particular challenge to some fifty young people as they present themselves for Confirmation by Bishop Barrett. These fifty were first enlisted as potential soldiers of Jesus Christ in their Baptism, when they were signed with the sign of the Cross "in token that hereafter (they) shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified and manfully to fight under His banner, against sin, the world, and the devil; and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto (their) life's end."

At their Confirmation, these young folk will take personal responsibility for the significance of that cross once signed on them, and personally ratify the promises made on their behalf by their God-parents. To promise to "renounce the devil and all his works," to "believe all the articles of the Christian faith" and to "keep God's holy will and commandments and walk in the same all the days of your life" is to promise what is humanly impossible. This is why the Catechism insists on the need to call for God's special grace by diligent prayer. It is why the Confirmation Service centres on the work of the Holy Spirit in the individual Christian. "Not by might nor by power, but my Spirit, saith the Lord."

We do not fill up with a lifetime supply of God's special grace when the Bishop places his hands upon us in Confirmation. The victorious soldier of Christ maintains his "supply" of God's grace only by diligent attention to the Means of Grace—the daily Quiet Time for personal Bible Study and Prayer is vital in this regard as is regular and frequent attendance at the Lord's Table and other services Sunday by Sunday.

By the time this paper is issued, Archdeacon Sutton will have been inducted to his new parish of Evandale. With him and Mrs. Sutton there goes the sincere desire of every member of St. John's that God will greatly bless their life and ministry at Evandale. It has been decided by the Vestry that the official farewell to Archdeacon and Mrs. Sutton will take place after Evening Service on Sunday, 29th October. The Archdeacon will be the Preacher at that Service. The new Rector will be inducted and welcomed two days later on Tuesday evening, 31st October and will begin his ministry on Sunday, 5th November.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

JOHN GOLDSWORTHY.

#### OCTOBER CALENDAR

- 1 EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Matins and Holy Communion. Preacher, The Rev. G. A. Harrison; 7 p.m., Evensong, Preacher, The Rev. J. L. Goldsworthy.
- 3 Tuesday. 7.30 p.m., G.F.S.
- 4 Wednesday. 2.45 p.m., M.M.A.
- 7 Saturday. 3 p.m., G.F.S. Fair.
- 8 NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., CONFIRMATION SERVICE, The Rt. Rev. W. R. Barrett, Assistant Bishop; 5 p.m., Youth Tea; 7 p.m., Evensong, Preacher, The Rev. David Cobbett, Korea. After service meeting of parishioners to determine Patronage and hear report of Synod Representatives.
- 11 Wednesday. 10.30 a.m., Holy Communion M.U. Corporate Communion; 7.30 p.m., Vestry Meeting; 8 p.m., Young Wives, Group.
- 12 Thursday. 8 p.m., Women's Guild.
- 15 TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion, First Communion of newly confirmed followed by Youth Breakfast; 11 a.m., Matins and Holy Communion. The Rev. J. L. Goldsworthy; 7 p.m., Annual Hospitals' Service.
- 18 Wednesday. ST. LUKE'S DAY. 10.30 a.m., Holy Communion.
- 22 TWENTYFIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Morning Prayer. Preacher, Mr. Robert Edgar of the Missions to Lepers; 7 p.m., Evensong, Rev. A. J. Dain, Fed. Sec., C.M.S.
- 26 Thursday. 2.45 p.m., Mothers' Union.
- 29 TWENTYSECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Morning Prayer, The Rev. J. L. Goldsworthy; 7 p.m., Evensong, Preacher, Archdeacon L. N. Sutton, followed by a farewell gathering to Archdeacon and Mrs. Sutton in the Kindergarten Hall.
- 31 Tuesday. Induction of the new Rector, the Rev. H. A. Jerrim, Th.L., C.F., at 7.45 p.m., followed by a gathering in the Kindergarten Hall to welcome Mr. Jerrim and family.
- November—
- 1 Wednesday. All Saints' Day. 10.30 a.m., Holy Communion; 2.45 p.m., M.M.A.

- 5 TWENTYTHIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, The Rector; 7 p.m., Evensong, The Rector.

#### WOMEN'S GUILD

The next meeting of the Women's Guild will be held on Thursday, 12th October, at 8 p.m., in the home of Mrs. R. H. Watson, 11 Gloucester St., West Launceston. The Guest Speaker will be Mrs. Althea Gould.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Sunday School did extremely well in this year's Bible Eisteddfod. The play produced by Miss Kingsmill succeeded in bringing home the cup for first place in the drama section, while the self-taught dialogue reading group came back with second prize. There were quite a number of other successes from individual and group entries and our congratulations go to all who received a place or a mention. We are particularly grateful to all who worked so hard to make our entries possible.

#### MOTHERS' UNION

On Thursday, 26th October, at 2.45 p.m., in the Kindergarten Hall, members will entertain some of the aged and blind folk to a "Musical Tea Party."

Corporate Communion will be held in the Chapel on Wednesday, 11th October, at 10.30 a.m.

#### ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

At the last meeting of St. John's Auxiliary to St. Luke's Hospital, it was decided to purchase three more rubber mattresses for the Hospital.

Tentative arrangements were made for an American Tea to be held at Mrs. Holyman's home on Thursday, 30th November.

At the close of the business session, the President spoke to us of her recent visit to Japan and gave a vivid description of many interesting experiences.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, 9th October, at 2.45 p.m., at the home of the President.

#### YOUNG WIVES' GROUP

Our next Young Wives' meeting will be held on Wednesday, 11th October at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. J. Goldsworthy, 8 Spen-

cer Street. (Take the 'albot road bus to the corner of High Street and Arthur Street).

All our members are urged to attend. Any prospective members will be given a warm welcome.

#### C.E.M.S.

The St. John's branch of the Church of England Men's Society extends a cordial invitation to all men of the church to be present at the next meeting to be held on Sunday, 19th November, at 5 p.m., when a welcome will be given to the new Rector. A salad tea will be provided.

#### CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

C.Y.F. meetings for October will be as follows:—

Sunday, 8th October—Youth Tea at 5 p.m.

Sunday, 15th October—Fellowship Half-Hour, 6.15 p.m.

Sunday, 22nd October—Discussion Groups and Buffet Tea at 5 p.m. at 8 Spencer Street.

Sunday, 29th October—It is hoped that a good number of young folk will be present for the farewell service and after-Church meeting for Archdeacon and Mrs. Sutton.

#### ANNUAL HOSPITALS' SERVICE

The Annual Hospitals' Service will be held on Sunday, 15th October, at 7 p.m. and will be attended by members of the medical and nursing professions and representatives of the British Medical Association.

#### PATRONAGE OF PARISH

A meeting of parishioners whose names are on the Parish Roll will be held after Evensong on Sunday, 8th October in the Kindergarten Hall about 8.20 p.m. for the purpose of determining how the patronage of the parish shall vest. This means that those present will decide what steps will be taken to appoint a new rector when a vacancy occurs. As a new rector has just been appointed, it seems unlikely that a vacancy will occur again for some time but it is necessary for arrangements to be made every three years after the first meeting of the new synod.

#### REPORT ON SYNOD

Parishioners are invited to meet after Evensong on Sunday, 8th October for the purpose of hearing a report from our Synod Representatives, Messrs. M. M. Easter and R. J. Hoyle, of what took place at the recent meeting of Synod in Hobart last month. It is hoped that there will be a good attendance of parishioners to show their interest in diocesan matters and to express their appreciation of the work of our representatives in the Parliament of our Church. The meeting will be held in the Kindergarten Hall and will follow immediately after the Patronage business has been dealt with.

A cup of tea will be served.

#### NEWS IN BRIEF

"Parish Messenger" Donations. Church Boxes, £1; Mrs. W. H. Hale, 4/-; Mrs. Ford, 10/-; Miss D. A. Bonney, £1; Miss E. Martin, 10/-; Mrs. K. Frankcombe, £1; Mrs. Holbrook, 10/-; Misses A. E. and E. H. Barrett, £2.

C.W.A. Service. We were privileged to have the members of the Country Women's Association at St. John's for divine service at the commencement of their Annual Conference held this year in Launceston last month. The offering at the service amounted to £27/16/- and was given to the Diocesan Children's Homes.

Confirmation. The Confirmation Service for St. John's will be held on Sunday, 8th October, at 11 a.m., and will be conducted by the Assistant Bishop of Tasmania, the Rt. Rev. W. R. Barrett, M.A., Th.D.

Adult Confirmation. Any who wish to be prepared for Adult Confirmation to be held in December should contact the Rev. J. Goldsworthy without delay.

G.F.S. Film Evening for Kelso. This function, held on the 19th September, raised the sum of over £12 for the Kelso Youth Centre. We are particularly grateful to Miss Rooney for showing us her films and to all who helped make the evening a success.

Rural Deanery Conference. We would urge all keen church folk to be present at the R.D. Conference to be held on Friday, 6th October, at 8 p.m. at C.M.S. House. These conferences have the vital two-fold function of keeping the lay people in touch with the needs and functions of the Diocese as a whole and also of affording lay people the opportunity of putting forward their point of view.

Sunday School Teachers' Conference: This will be held in St. John's Hall on Saturday, 21st October, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Bush Church Aid Society. The Victorian Secretary of B.C.A., The Rev. John Stockdale, will preach at Evensong on Sunday, 19th November. Friends of B.C.A. are specially asked to remember the current urgent appeal to provide a second aircraft for the Flying Medical Service.

Farewell. The Parish farewell to Archdeacon and Mrs. Sutton will take place on Sunday, 29th October, after Evensong, at which Archdeacon Sutton will be the Preacher. The Vestry will be making a presentation and any parishioners wishing to participate please advise the Churchwardens or Vestrymen.

Kelso Youth Centre. An amount of £9 was raised at the "beetle" evening held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Hoyle, and £7/6/6 from the St. John's Women's Guild.

R.S.C.M. On Sunday, 24th September, the two head boy choristers received the Royal School of Church Music Badges. The boys are Jason Dicker and Ronald Watts. They will wear these while they continue in the boys' choir.

C.M.S. The Federal Secretary of C.M.S., the Rev. A. Jack Dain, will be visiting Launceston in October. He will preach in St. John's at 7 p.m., on Sunday, 22nd October, and will speak at a public meeting in C.M.S. House at 7.45 p.m. on Thursday, 19th October.

G.F.S. Fair. The Annual G.F.S. Fair will be opened by Miss M. Rooney on Saturday 7th October, at 3 p.m.

#### FLOWER GUILD ROSTER

##### Main Altar

October—

- 1 Mrs. F. J. Huston  
8 Mrs. L. R. Page  
15 Mrs. F. J. Jones  
22 Mrs. D. R. Campbell  
29 Misses Scott

November—

- 5 Miss V. Sadler

##### Chapel

October—

- 1 Mrs. E. Grueber  
8 Mrs. W. McMahon  
15 Mrs. H. Atherton  
22 Mrs. F. J. Stokes  
29 Mrs. G. Crawford

November—

- 5 Mrs. D. V. Boyd

##### Sidesmen's Roster

October—

- Mornings—Messrs. F. Crow and F. Carnie  
Evenings—Messrs. R. White and B. Duncan

##### Holy Baptism

Debbie Maree Butterworth, Gregory Wayne Weeks, Ian Desmond Murray, Grant Neil Webber, Robert John Lynch.

##### MARRIAGES

Jack Franklin Rosier and Dorothy Rawson; Roger Colin Lockett and Pamela Anne Hocking; John Grubb Ledingham and Jennifer Jill Waldron; Robert Adam Low and Helen Atherton; Keith Malcolm Fleming and Dorothy Jean Flynn; Peter Smith Nisbet and Olive Joan Hyatt; Cecil Jarvis Dyke and Edith Celia Christine Kingsmill.

##### AT REST

Claude Ernest Weymouth James, Hilda Raechel Eyles, Richard John Kay, William Samuel Brown.

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