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EXAMINER

St. John's Parish Messenger

Monthly News from the Mother Church of Launceston, Tasmania.

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CLERGY

The Rev. H. A. Jerrim, Th.L., C. F. Rector. Phone 2 3186
Rev. J. L. Goldsworthy, 8 Spencer Street, Launceston. Phone 2 3980.

A COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE YOUTH WORK

Arising out of the Rector's review of Pastoral Work and his comments on the problem of youth work, a committee is to be set up in the terms of reference as laid down in the review to take action in this regard. The committee is to be representative of parents, young adults, youth and those interested in youth work.

The family spirit within St. John's was amply demonstrated on the occasion of the Annual Meeting. The meeting was preceded by a Parish Tea at 6 p.m. This was a grand meal and well organised by the members of the Women's Guild. Following the tea, films were shown in the Kindergarten Hall and they were enjoyed by those who were able to view them. The comfort of all who were present was added to by the warmth provided by the new heater installed in the Kindergarten.

About 110 parishioners were present at the Annual Meeting over which the Rector presided. Reports were presented of the work of the parish and the financial statements by the Treasurer. We deeply appreciate the work of Mr. Vic. Good as Hon. Treasurer. This is a most responsible task in the parish which goes on throughout the year. The reports of the organizations had been printed and circulated. They were presented and an opportunity was provided for comment and question. Following the elections there was a good discussion on the matter of youth work as already indicated, together with other matters.

The following officers were appointed for the current year:

Rector's Warden: Mr. M. M. Easther.

People's Wardens: Messrs. F. J. Jones and F. H. Cookman.

Rector's Vestrymen: Messrs. V. H. Good, R. J. Hoyle and R. J. Roberts.

People's Vestrymen: Messrs. L. Denham, R. J. Hart, T. Wing, V. J. Sheldrick, D. S. Gill and L. Bath.

Auditors: Messrs. V. G. Whitmore and E. R. Duncan.

THE RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

Several times recently statements have been made regarding the times of Sunday services in Launceston and the dress for some of these services. Some emphasis has been laid on the matter of informal dress. There is much to commend the idea that we don our best to come into the House of God to meet the King of Kings. Nevertheless, whenever a service is held, anyone is welcome to the service no matter whether their dress is formal or informal. I would hope that everyone would feel welcome at all times at any service at St. John's and we will make every effort to make this a reality.

Individual people sometimes say of a church, "I went to it and nobody spoke to me." I would like to point out that some people like to go to church and come away quietly without engaging in conversation. So there are two differing points of view which we have to reckon with. We must respond to any call for fellowship which we can provide in the name of Christ.

"I was glad when they said unto me: we will go into the House of the Lord." Psalm 122. In these words the psalmist expressed his feeling in relation to worship. I wonder how many of us can truly unite ourselves with the psalmist in this declaration. There is no doubt that when we have the opportunity to take part in a great act of worship in which a church is thronged with worshippers, we experience something which is akin to the feelings of the psalmist when he wrote the words to which reference has been made. More regular participation in the services of the church by a greater number of individuals and families would help to make more of our services occasions of great joy and inspiration. This is the contribution which we can all make to the life of the Church.

I hope that the many parishioners who are sick at this time will soon be feeling very much better and able to resume their normal course of life.

May God bless you all.

Yours sincerely,

HENRY A. JERRIM.

**RECTOR'S REVIEW OF PASTORAL WORK
AS PRESENTED TO THE ANNUAL
MEETING**

In the first place may I say that I count it a privilege to have been asked to come and serve in this parish of St. John's, Launceston, as Rector. In the 144 years of life there have only been 13 Rectors or Priests in charge. I would like to pay a tribute especially to the pastoral ministry of my predecessor, the Ven. Archdeacon L. N. Sutton, who served for 13 years. I am very appreciative of the assistance rendered to me by the Rev. John Goldsworthy in the work of this parish.

There are certain figures which can be given which record some aspects of the work done in the parish. We cannot rely on figures for an accurate estimate of what is in fact achieved, but they are a guide.

	59/60	60/61	61/62
No. of Sunday Services	160	206	168
No. of Services on other days	123	128	124
Celebration of Holy Communion	175	177	201
Total No. of Communicants	5,914	6,283	6,518

Baptisms	115	105	89
Confirmees	49	56	59
Marriages	90	100	64
Burials	46	51	50

From these figures there are one or two facts which can be deduced. As we look at the figures of the Occasional Offices, especially of Baptisms and Marriages, we notice a decline, this indicates the growth of the outer suburban parishes into which area many of our parishioners have moved. It is worth noting that there has been a slight increase in the numbers of the communicants, this is not in keeping with the number of confirmees. In my opinion the number of communions made is not a very high one, considering the size and strength of this parish. To many, this figure is often a mark of the real spiritual life of the parish.

The aspect which concerns me most is that of pastoral visitation. We try to arrange the work so that Mr. Goldsworthy spends as much time as possible on routine visitation. I find it difficult to keep up with special pastoral visitation and the many demands made on the time of the Rector of St. John's. I am fully conscious that much has been left undone.

I feel that my main concern to night is not so much with the past, but with the future work and activity of the parish. In the closing weeks of the year under review, we conducted the Parish Life Campaign and I would like to express my thanks to all who helped in any way in this Campaign. The Vestry were very appreciative of the guidance and help given by Mr. Allan Wannan, the consultant, on behalf of the Department of Promotion, I would like to express my appreciation to Mr. Laurence Denham for consenting to act as Chairman of the Parish Life Campaign, for this is a position with continuing work. I would like to add that Mr. Max Easther and Mr. A. J. Green have been appointed chairmen of two other committees, one for the Maintenance and the other for the Extension of certain aspects of the Parish Life Campaign. Mr. D. Gill has accepted the responsibility of organising a Publicity Committee.

I would like to reiterate what I said at the time of the launching of the Campaign. We have deliberately laid down certain principles in this Campaign. The overall aim is to strengthen and extend our parish life in every way, not only in the material and financial sphere, but in all the avenues of life within the Church as a whole and ourselves as individuals capable of spiritual development.

It could be said that our theme for the next three years will be "Parish Life" and this will be emphasised in various ways. The first year will in particular concern Christian Family Life and linking it into Parish Life. This is part of the concern of Christian Family Year which has been sponsored by the Mothers' Union on a world-wide basis. The monthly family service I hope will set a pattern for the development of family worship on a more frequent basis. Our ideal should be family worship once every Sunday. This is the first step in developing real parish life. In order to do this and other things we will sometimes alter the traditional pattern. The basis of any alterations or experiments which we make will always be—that this is going to strengthen and add to the life of the parish. Valid criticism can be offered only on the same basis.

I am planning in the new year that we shall participate in a Parish Life Mission. This will be a "Mission" with a difference. We will not be concerned with filling St. John's Church to hear a series of mission addresses. When you participate you will find a mission with a new look.

A problem of high priority to which we must address ourselves is our Youth work. This cannot be left to the Clergy to solve. Hence I am asking that this meeting appoint a Committee to look at the problem. To evaluate what we are doing. To examine our resources in buildings and man-power. To recruit leadership for this field of activity and to plan a course of action. This is a challenge to a definite task which I hope will be taken up by this meeting.

William Barclay, a great Biblical expositor today, in a study on Acts 2. 42-47, has given us what he calls a summary of the characteristics of the early Church. They were:—

1. It was a **learning** Church.
2. It was a church of **fellowship**.
3. It was a **praying** Church.
4. It was a **reverent** Church.
5. It was a Church **where things happened**.
6. It was a **sharing** Church.
7. It was a **worshipping** Church.
8. It was a **happy** Church.
9. It was a Church of **people whom others could not help liking**.

This is the standard and pattern against which we must constantly measure our local church. Where we are conscious of falling short of this conception in our parish church, we must make every endeavour to bridge the gap, between where we are and the ideal.

In the July issue of the Reader's Digest there is a very pertinent article entitled "What Are Churches For". I guess many of you have read it. I commend the article to you and suggest in conclusion, that the three questions which were asked are deserving of some consideration.

1. What is the true religious work of this parish?
2. How can all that is done in this parish set that true religious task forward?
3. To what extent is everything we are doing changing the lives of the people involved?

May God bless you all in your work for Christ and His Church.

H. A. JERRIM,
Rector.

AUGUST CALENDAR

- 1 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 2.45 p.m. M.M.A. 8 p.m. Lecture on Catechism at the Rectory.
- 2 Thursday, 7 p.m. Bible Study.
- 3 Friday, 8 p.m. Bible Eisteddford at National Theatre.
- 5 **7th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Matins A.B.C. Broadcast. Preacher: The Assistant Bishop. 2 p.m. Confirmation Class. 7 p.m. Evensong.
- 6 Monday, 6 p.m. Men's Fellowship Tea. "The Embassy", Feast of the Transfiguration. 7.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
- 7 Tuesday, 8 p.m. G.F.S.
- 8 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion—Mothers' Union Corporate Communion. 7.30 p.m. Vestry.
- 9 Thursday, 7 p.m. Bible Study. 8 p.m. Women's Guild.
- 12 **8th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Holy Communion. 2 p.m. Confirmation Class. 5 p.m. Youth Tea. 7 p.m. Evensong.
- 13 Monday, 2.45 p.m. Annual Meeting of the St. Luke's Hospital Auxiliary.
- 14 Tuesday, 7.30 p.m. S.S. Teachers' Meeting.
- 15 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
- 16 Thursday, 7 p.m. Bible Study.
- 19 **9th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m. Family

- Service. 11 a.m. Matins and Holy Communion. 2 p.m. Confirmation Class. 7 p.m. Evensong.
- 21 Tuesday, 8 p.m. Scout Group Committee.
 - 22 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 8 p.m. Young Wives' Group.
 - 23 Thursday, 2.45 p.m. Mothers' Union. 7 p.m. Bible Study.
 - 24 Friday, St. Bartholomew's Day. 7.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
 - 26 **10th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Matins. 2 p.m. Confirmation Class. 7 p.m. Evensong.
 - 28 Tuesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion for Mothers' Union Officers.
 - 29 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.

CHRISTIAN UNITY

A Public Meeting was held in the Parish Hall after Evensong on Sunday last, July 29th, at which the speaker was Father Edward Stormon of Newman College, Melbourne. He recently spoke in St. Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne, on the Oecumenical Movement. On that occasion there was a congregation of some 1,500 people.

Speaking in a GTV9 discussion programme, the Anglican Archbishop of Melbourne, Dr. Frank Woods, said that people who "pooh-poohed" the idea of unity had not reckoned with men like Father Couturier, the French Roman Catholic Priest who had achieved so much in bringing about unity of thought and prayer among Christians in Europe. "They haven't reckoned either with the power of prayer, and prayer can work miracles," he said. The Archbishop was speaking on this panel discussion with Father Stormon, the Presbyterian Vice-Master of Ormond College, Rev. J. C. Alexander, and the former President-General of the Methodist Conference, Rev. Dr. A. H. Wood.

The meeting in St. John's Parish Hall was sponsored by the Launceston Council of Churches Officers. A gathering of clergy was held at the home of the Rev. W. J. Hunkin on Sunday afternoon.

ST. JOHN'S AUXILIARY TO ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL

The Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, 13th August, at 2.45 p.m. at the home of the President, Mrs. V. C. Holyman. Business will be presentation of the Annual Report and Balance Sheet, and the election of office bearers for the ensuing year. Mrs. Holyman will give a talk on "Behind Commercial Aviation", special afternoon tea for this occasion. Please remember the old clothes stall to be held soon. Mrs. V. J. Sheldrick will be in charge of this effort.

YOUNG WIVES

Our next Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 22nd August, at 8 p.m. There will be a chapel service and then at the Rectory. Our guest speaker will be Mrs. L. Hawkins, Cadet Superintendent of St. John's Ambulance Brigade. Anyone interested in joining us please come along, you will be assured of a warm welcome.

WOMEN'S GUILD

The next meeting of the Women's Guild will be held at the home of Mrs. V. Holyman, 8 Riverdale Grove, on Thursday, 9th August, at 8 p.m. Mrs. Watson was to have shown slides at the previous meeting, but instead she introduced Miss Parviti Vishram, a young school teacher from Fiji, who spoke of her people and their customs, so at the next meeting Mrs. Watson will be the speaker.

BUSH CHURCH AID SOCIETY

The box opening for May was very pleasing being £27/15/9. The box secretary has empty boxes and would be pleased to hand them on to people who wish to help the B.C.A. in their work.

MOTHERS' UNION

The July meeting of the Mothers' Union took the form of a Quiet Day commencing at 11 a.m. with a service of Holy Communion in the Chapel. At this service the Rector spoke on "Quiet Time and Prayer". Members then adjourned to the Kindergarten for lunch after which they listened to a recorded talk on the Mothers' Union Overseas Work by Mrs. M. A. C. Warren who is the wife of the General Secretary for C.M.S. in London. The next hour was spent quietly reading or meditating before returning to the Chapel for a further service at which the Rector in his talk outlined the main parts of prayer.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 23rd August, at 2.45 p.m., when the guest speaker will be the Rev. Guy Harrison, Chaplain of the Launceston Church Grammar School.

Members of the Mothers' Union are reminded of the monthly Corporate Communion Service on Wednesday, 8th August, at 10.30 a.m. in the Chapel.

DONATIONS TO THE PARISH MESSENGER

Donations to the Parish Messenger assist in the cost of printing and distribution to all members of the Parish, together with the Diocesan paper, the Church News. Donations may be given to one of the clergy or to one of the churchwardens.

The following donations are acknowledged. Mesdames S. P. Holbrook 10/-, F. A. Cox 10/-, the Misses Sutton 10/-, Dr. E. Manchester £3/3/-, Messrs. F. H. Jones 3/-, L. Vermesy 4/-, Anon. 10/-, Mr. A. J. Jones £2. Thank You.

FLOWER GUILD ROSTER Main Altar

August—
5th, Miss V. Sadler.
12th, Mrs. C. T. Targett.
19th, Mrs. M. M. Easther.
26th, Mrs. R. H. Watson.

September—
2nd, Miss M. Bennett.

Chapel Altar

August—
5th, Mrs. D. V. Boyd.
12th, Mrs. L. D. Smith.
19th, Mrs. C. T. Carlstrom.
26th, Mrs. E. Greuber.

September—
2nd, Mrs. W. McMahon.

Sidesmen's Roster

August—
Mornings, Messrs. F. J. Jones and T. Wing.
Evenings, Messrs. J. Roberts and T. McClymont.

HOLY BAPTISM

Timothy Mark Hodge, Shelley Leona Smith, Peter Malcolm Bellchambers, Shiralee May Lyons, Christopher James Williams, Michelle Cocker, Wayne Michael Seymour.

MARRIAGE

Ronald Ernest Goss and Noeline Mary Clayden.

AT REST

William Vincent Tolsen, William Ephraim Harrison.

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