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THE RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

Frequently people ask me the question, "What is the bell ringing for at a quarter past eight in the morning and at quarter past five in the evening?" The answer is simple, it means that Morning or Evening Prayer is about to be said in the chapel. During Lent we commenced using the Daily Offices in Church and I have decided that we shall continue these daily acts of worship. This is of course in accord with the rubric preceding the Order for Morning Prayer in the Prayer Book.

I appreciate the fact that a few people have found it possible to come and join us, particularly at Evensong. I realise that the time is not a convenient one for many, either they haven't finished work or the evening meal has to be prepared. Although you may not be able to be present, when you hear the bell or notice that it is the time for service, perhaps you would for a moment join with us in thought as an act of prayer.

From time to time we receive requests for remembrance in prayer and at the above services we will be praying for those in special need. Any person who wishes to be remembered in prayer or would like to have the prayers of the Church for some friend or relative in particular need, has only to write the request out on a piece of paper and see that it comes to me. There is no need for a name to be mentioned in anyway, unless so desired. A request such as "Please pray for someone who is to have a serious operation on Thursday next" will be quite sufficient.

The Tercentenary (300th Anniversary) of the Book of Common Prayer (1662) is being observed this year. We remembered this event on Trinity Sunday. We were pleased to welcome the former Rector, the Ven. Archdeacon L. N. Sutton, who preached on this occasion. I hope that in the next few months that we will have the opportunity to discuss the Prayer Book, its value and contents. The Prayer Book is a valuable possession.

There is a lot of sickness at the moment, I do hope that you who are sick will soon be better.

May God bless you all,

Yours sincerely,

HENRY A. JERRIM.

PARISH LIFE CAMPAIGN

It will be a long time before people of St. John's forget the inspiring services of Sunday, May 27, which inaugurated the Parish Life Campaign. The stimulating sermons of Rev. Wilfred Holt, who was guest preacher for the day, made clear the high principles of Stewardship, and the large congregations and the happy gathering for Afternoon Tea, augured well for the success of the Campaign which will be carried out over the next year.

The first phase has proceeded during the five weeks since then, and over this period some 25 men have been endeavouring to visit the majority of the families in the Parish to stimulate interest in the life and work of St. John's, and also to ensure that sufficient funds will be available for carrying on this work over the next few years. Already the pledges of financial giving have given the Vestry assurance that adequate funds will be available to cover normal expenses and donations, although there will be little to spare for special undertakings.

It is expected that a great many more parishioners will now make available some of their time and their skills in the service of the Church and in carrying out our extensive programme over the next year.

ANNUAL MEETING OF ST. JOHN'S
CHURCH

This is the important meeting of the year and this year it is to be held on Wednesday, July 25, in the Parish Hall. The meeting will be preceded by a Parish Tea, invitations will be distributed early in the month. We do hope that there will be a good gathering of parishioners both for the Parish Tea and for the Annual Meeting which will follow. In order to save time at the Annual Meeting

nominations for the positions of churchwardens and vestrymen are being asked for prior to the meeting and are to be in the hands of the Rector by 6 p.m., on the night of the meeting. Nominations are to be signed by the mover and seconder, with the signed consent of the person nominated. Nomination forms will be available in church.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

At the June meeting 36 men sat down to dinner at "The Embassy" and a happy time of fellowship was shared by those present. An inspiring address on the Parish and its future programme was given by Mr. Alan Wannan, our consultant in the opening phase of the Parish Life Campaign.

The next gathering will be on July 2nd. at 6 p.m. A warm invitation is extended to all men of the parish to these functions which are to be held on the first Monday in the month. We finish by about 7.30 p.m., thus enabling men to go on to another meeting or to spend the evening at home (with T.V.). Do come and join us. The meal costs 6/-.

A PRAYER FOR THE PARISH

O God, whose Son was content to share the life of His village at Nazareth, bless, we beseech thee, the life of this Parish with thy continual presence. Grant that in every family thy Name may be hallowed and thy will be done; that our children may learn to love the faith of Jesus Christ; that men and women may be good neighbours and live godly lives. Watch over those who are far from home; comfort the sorrowful, the anxious and the lonely; heal the sick; bring peace to the ageing; and to our departed give life and joy everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

—Amen.

JULY CALENDAR

- 1 **TRINITY II.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Holy Communion. 3 p.m. Combined School's Service, Preacher The Bishop. 7 p.m. Evensong.
- 2 Monday. 6 p.m. Men's Fellowship and Tea.
- 3 Tuesday, 8 p.m. G.F.S. Picture Evening.
- 4 Wednesday. 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 2.45 p.m. M.M.A.
- 5 Thursday. 7 p.m. Bible Study.
- 8 **TRINITY III.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Matins. 2 p.m. Confirmation Class. 5.30 p.m. Youth Tea. 7 p.m. Evensong.
- 9 Monday. 2.45 p.m. St. Luke's Hospital Auxiliary.
- 10 Tuesday. 7.30 p.m. S.S. Teachers' Meeting.
- 11 Wednesday. 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion (Mothers' Union). 7.30 p.m. Vestry.
- 12 Thursday. 7 p.m. Bible Study. 8 p.m. Women's Guild.
- 15 **TRINITY IV.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion and Communion Breakfast. 9.45 a.m. Family Service. 11 a.m. Matins and Holy Communion. 2 p.m. Confirmation Class. 7 p.m. Evensong.
- 16 Monday. 8 p.m. Organ Recital by Mr. Gordon Atkinson of Toronto, Canada.
- 17 Tuesday. 8 p.m. Scout Group Committee Annual Meeting. 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
- 18 Wednesday. 5 p.m. Public Service Church Service. 8 p.m. Young Wives Group.
- 19 Thursday. 7 p.m. Bible Study. 8 p.m. Ruri-decanal Conference. The Bishop will speak.
- 22 **TRINITY V.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Grammar Preparatory School Service. 2 p.m. Confirmation Class. 5 p.m. Bible Study and Tea for Youth. 7 p.m. Evensong.
- 25 Wednesday. St. James, 7 a.m. Holy Communion. 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 6 p.m. Parish Tea. 8 p.m. Annual Meeting of the Parish.
- 26 Thursday. 2.45 p.m. Mothers' Union. 7 p.m. Bible Study.
- 29 **TRINITY VI.** Choir Sunday. 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Matins. 2 p.m. Confirmation Class. 7 p.m. Evensong.

ORGAN RECITAL

The next Organ Recital will be given on Monday, July 16 at 8.15 p.m. The name of the organist is Gordon Atkinson who has the following diplomas: Fellow of Trinity College, London, and Associate of the Royal College of Music. He is Organist of St. James' Anglican Church, Westminster, Ontario, Canada. Mr. Atkinson is on a visit to his parents in Australia and our Organist (Mr. L. O'Neill) has been able to arrange for this Canadian Church organist to give a recital on our organ.

Sunday, July 29, will be observed as a Choir Sunday. Special music will be a feature of the main services on that Sunday.

ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

The next meeting of St. John's Auxiliary to St. Luke's Hospital will be held on Monday, 9th July at 2.45 p.m. at the home of the President, Mrs. V. C. Holyman. Anyone interested in working for the Hospital will be welcomed at our meetings.

A most successful picture evening was held in June at the home of the President, when Miss M. Mack showed a selection of her many slides, they included Russian, Austrian and Canadian Rockies views. 36 were present and about £12 was raised by the evening for the Hospital. With restricted room, invitations to this function were also restricted.

Tentative plans are being made for an Old Clothes Sale, an Odds and Ends Stall and another picture evening to be held in the Hall.

Will all friends and members begin now to put aside articles for which they have no further use but which would help us in our efforts.

ANNUAL REPORT — ST. JOHN'S WOMENS' GUILD

It is with pleasure that I present the seventh Annual Report of St. John's Womens' Guild.

Our first meeting for 1962 commenced with a service in the Chapel, conducted by the Rector.

It has been a most successful year for the Guild. Members have attended regularly and our evenings have been most enjoyable. We have had a number of interesting speakers and several demonstrations and film evenings.

We thank members for their help at the Old Folk's Tea, Seminar and C.E.C.W. Luncheon.

Members have knitted garments for the Clarendon Children's Home with wool donated by Patons & Baldwins.

A donation of £28/13/3 was made to the Kelso Youth Centre and £4/14/0 to the Old Folk's Tea.

Our thanks to supper hostesses and members who have generously made their homes available for our meetings.

In December we concluded the year with a very enjoyable Christmas Party.

My thanks to Mrs. Watson as President and Miss Scott as Treasurer, for the help they have given me during the past twelve months.

Hon. Secretary,

ELEANOR R. LIMB.

M.M.A.

The Annual Meeting was held at the Rectory on June 6th. The Rector presided at this meeting. The Annual Report showed that a very full year's work had been done. In August last year, three tea chests were packed and sent to our Northern Territory Stations. Sixteen members were present at the Annual Meeting. All officers were re-elected with the addition of one vice-president, Mrs. M. M. Easter. We thank all members and friends for their loyal support and the wonderful work they have done for M.M.A.

M. CARLSTROM,

Hon. Secretary.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSES

At Evensong on Trinity Sunday when we commemorated the Tercentenary of the Book of Common Prayer, the Archdeacon in his sermon, reminded the congregation that there was more opportunity for the congregation to participate in the services of the Anglican Prayer Book, than many other churches. This is an important point and we hope that the congregation will make the appropriate responses in an audible manner. It is uplifting in a church service to hear the congregation taking their full share in the service.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

On Tuesday, July 3, Miss Margaret Mack will show colour films of Europe and other countries which she has visited in the Kindergarten Hall at 8 p.m. Members of the congregation are invited to attend. There will be a collection for the Aboriginal Missions in Northern Australia. Supper will be served at the conclusion of the evening.

Members of the G.F.S. are working for their Annual Fair in October. We have some lovely materials suitable for babies and small children's clothes, such as jackets, dressing gowns, skirts and small coats, also hot water bottle covers. Orders for these will be appreciated and may be given to Miss E. J. Kiddle.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We have been very glad to welcome Mrs. A. Gould to our Sunday School. Mrs. Gould has been teaching for several months now, and more recently accepted to position of Treasurer. This has come as a great relief as we have been without a Treasurer for some time due to the resignation of Mr. Bevan Duncan to whom we are most grateful for his help in that position. We also welcome Mr. Ron Caldwell to our staff and are sorry that a transfer to Hobart will make his stay only a short one. We wish that more men would follow his example of service through the Sunday School.

Family Services are now being held on the third Sunday of the month at 9.45 a.m. We trust that these services will encourage the whole family to worship together and that as a result many will come to take the risen Lord back into the home in a new and more real way.

The Bible Society is to hold another Bible Eisteddfod this year and our Sunday School is to make another effort to take home some of the prizes. Although we have only till the last week in July to prepare, we are endeavouring to present two plays as well as entries in the quiz section and individual items.

We would like to express our sincere sympathy to Miss Andrews in her bereavement. Miss Andrews was for many years a teacher in our school.

CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

We were glad to have a number of newcomers at our last Tea from among the members of this year's Confirmation Class. The Fellowship Half-hour which has been set for the third Sunday at 6.15 p.m. has never been a great success and will be suspended at least for the winter months and until members express a desire for its resumption.

July Programme:

Sunday, 8th—Youth Tea at 5.30 p.m. in Kindergarten Hall.

Sunday, 15th—Communion Breakfast, 8 a.m., for Confirmed members.

Sunday, 22nd—Bible Study at 5 p.m. in Kindergarten Hall, followed by Tea (please bring some) at 6 p.m.

Any other functions will be announced at the above meetings.

MOTHERS' UNION

The Musical Market which was held in aid of the Clarendon Children's Home, was very successful and raised the sum of approximately £66. Our sincere thanks go to all those who helped to make this function such a success.

Corporate Communion will be held in the Chapel on Wednesday 11th July at 10.30 a.m. and the July meeting will be on the 26th at 2.45 p.m.

YOUR FAMILY NEEDS YOU

There is no-one else quite like you. Because of this you have responsibilities which only you can fully meet. In our working-life we are not indispensable because if necessary others can be found to do what we do. But in our home-life we are needed less for what we do than for what we are—a father, a mother, a son or a daughter, and each one of us is irreplaceable.

It is the bond between members of a family that creates a home and shapes our lives. When that unique relationship is broken or strained,

the home, its influence and the lives of those within it, are shattered. That is why marriage as a life-long partnership is the surest safeguard of the home and society.

Today these truths need reaffirming more than ever before. But this is not enough. Families have to be helped to stay together. Threats to their happiness may spring from conditions such as bad housing, unemployment, sickness, tiredness, loneliness or boredom; from worry about problem-children and matters they don't understand; or from the harmful influences of things we see and hear, or people we meet.

With all these dangers in mind Christian Family Year is being held so that practical help, expert advice, companionship and a wholesome Christian influence can all play their part in building and preserving happy family life.

You and your children, and your neighbours and their children, all have a vital contribution to make. Find out more about Christian Family Year from our local Committee or the Mothers' Union.

Christian Family Year is sponsored by the Mothers' Union under the Patronage of Her Majesty the Queen and of the Archbishop of Canterbury.

WOMENS' GUILD

The next meeting of the Women's Guild will be held at the home of Mrs. C. Targett, Gloucester Street, on Thursday 12th July at 8 p.m. Mrs. R. H. Watson will show films of her trip overseas.

At the June meeting which was held at the home of Mrs. Morrah in Merivale Street, a most interesting talk on Kenya was given by Mrs. D. G. Leonard who lived in that country for many years. There is a welcome to any of the lady members of the parish to attend meetings of the Guild.

FLOWER GUILD ROSTER

Main Altar

July—

1st Mrs. V. J. Sheldrick.

8th Mrs. L. R. Page.

15th Mrs. F. J. Huston.

22nd Mrs. D. R. Campbell.

29th Misses Scott.

August—

5th Miss V. Sadler.

Chapel Altar

July—

1st Mrs. E. Greuber.

8th Mrs. W. McMahon.

15th Mrs. H. Atherton.

22nd Mrs. F. J. Stokes.

29th Mrs. G. Crawford.

August—

5th Mrs. L. D. Smith.

Sidesmen's Roster

July—

Mornings: Messrs. R. H. Watson and F. J. Jones.

Evenings: Messrs. R. Dyer and F. H. Cookman.

HOLY BAPTISM

Gregory John Morrison, Susan Michelle Foster, Kimm Maree Nunn, Douglas Frank Colbeck, Alison Jane Radford, Robert Leslie William Southon, Michael James Ford, Rowena Jill Pullan.

MARRIAGE

Arthur James Duncan and Patricia Valentina Radford.

AT REST

Ethel Claire Guest, Walter Henry Ford, Susan Isabel Andrews, Wesley William Filluel, Ethel Lincoln Street, Arthur Benjamin Fenton, Reginald Charles Green, Jessie Stewart Gill, Ada Beatrice Brown.

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