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THE RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

During the month of October we had a variety of visitors and speakers in the parish who were able to give first hand information concerning the work and needs of the Church, outside the area of our own parish. We are always conscious of the needs of the Church and its parishioners within the local area, but not so conscious or well-informed of those beyond the limits of the Diocese. It was a great pity that more people were not able to avail themselves of the opportunity to hear these various speakers.

Early in October we had the privilege of having at our Men's Tea, the Bishop of Singapore and Malaya (The Right Rev. C. K. Sansbury). The same evening the Bishop spoke at a Public Meeting in C.M.S. House. Forty interested people represented the members of the Church of England in Launceston. Here was a wonderful opportunity to hear one of the outstanding Bishops of the Anglican Communion and to learn vital things about such places as Singapore and Malaya whose destinies will have a tremendous influence on the destiny of Australia.

Captain H. C. Cole of the Church Army preached at Evensong on the first Sunday evening in October and later showed a film on Church Army work in Great Britain in the Kindergarten Room. The Church Army, since the days before the Great War, has done mighty work, not only in Britain but in other parts of the British Commonwealth. For more than twenty-five years it has made an important contribution to the life of the Church in Australia. During both World Wars, the Church Army did a spiritual and welfare work among the troops. Following the visit of Captain Cole a donation was sent from this parish to the Melbourne Headquarters.

On Friday, 19th October, a Bush Church Aid Rally was held in our Parish Hall, this was for the whole of Launceston. Once more about forty people gathered to hear about the pioneering work that is being done on behalf of the Church in remote parts of Australia, to hear of the Flying Medical Service conducted by the B.C.A. at Ceduna in South Australia, and of other work.

The Rev. Ray Campbell who is now Chaplain to the Retreat House at Cheltenham, Victoria, preached on Sunday, 21st October, on the work and opportunities among the Australian aboriginal population. He was formerly Chaplain at the Lockhart River Mission in Northern Queensland and has given missionary service in other parts of the Church.

What is the Church doing? In answer to such a question, the above are four aspects of work which the Church is doing at the present time. The continuity and extension of this work is dependent upon our interest, our prayers, our encouragement and our financial support. This is apart from and in addition to all that the Church is doing and must do here in our midst.

So, my friends, in this letter I hope that I have been able to give you a picture of some fragments of the wider work of the Anglican Church. I hope that you will be willing to participate in supporting all the work of our Church.

May God bless you all,

Yours sincerely,

HENRY A. JERRIM.

CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER

- November—
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| 4 | 20th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Matins—Broadcast by the A.B.C. 7 p.m. Evensong. | 15 | Thursday, 7 p.m. Bible Study. |
| 6 | Tuesday, 6 p.m. Men's Fellowship and Tea. 7.45 p.m. G.F.S. | 18 | 22nd SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m. Holy Communion and Communion Breakfast. 9.45 a.m. Family Service. 11 a.m. Matins. 7 p.m. Evensong. |
| 7 | Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 2.45 p.m. M.M.A. | 20 | Tuesday, 8 p.m. Scout Group Committee. |
| 8 | Thursday, 7 p.m. Bible Study. 8 p.m. Welcome Home to Deaconess D. Crawford in C.M.S. House. Women's Guild (Mrs. T. White's home, 16 Wyett Street). | 21 | Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion. |
| 11 | REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY. 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Holy Communion. 5 p.m. Youth Tea. 7 p.m. Evensong. | 22 | Thursday, 10.30 a.m. Coffee Morning at Mrs. V. C. Holyman's Home. 2.45 p.m. Mothers' Union. |
| 12 | Monday, 2.45 p.m. St. Luke's Auxiliary. | 25 | 23rd SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Matins. 7 p.m. Evensong. |
| 13 | Tuesday, 7.30 p.m. S.S. Teachers' Meeting. 8 p.m. Social gathering in aid of Beresford House at Holy Trinity. | 28 | Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion. |
| | | 29 | Thursday, 7.30 p.m. Evensong. Preacher: The Primate. |
| | | 30 | Friday, St. Andrew's Day. 7.30 a.m. Holy Communion. |

CONFIRMATION

The Bishop of Tasmania (The Right Rev. G. F. Cranswick, B.A., Th.D.) administered the Rite of Confirmation in St. John's Church on Wednesday, 3rd October. There were fifty young people presented to the Bishop and the group included thirty-five from our own parish and two groups of school boarders, one group from the Broadland House School and the other from Scotch College.

Those confirmed were Leigh Gordon Jones, Henry Middleton Lockwood, Edward Augustus Lockwood, Rex Stoessiger, Brian John Stanley, John Maxwell Sluce, Peter John Wise, Angela Mary Crooks, Merilyn Elizabeth Duncan, Elizabeth Ann Grecian, Susan Merle Grecian, Stephanie Robin Harris, Margaret Andrews, Judith Lesley Andrews, Jane Axton, Jennifer Anne Crawford, Margaret Elizabeth Coulter, Helen Mary Coulter, Sally Ann Cox, Elizabeth Carter, Robyn Carter, Pauline Catherine Cook, Sandra May Krushka, Denise Merilyn Miller, Vivienne Joan Merry, Catherine Ann Mayhead, Penelope MacLeod, Pamela Joy Smith, Diane Mary Trueman, Jennifer Elaine Wise, Patricia Margaret Wilmshurst, Merilyn Jeanette Jones, Rosemary Elizabeth Padman, Margaret Lesleigh Wells, Jennifer Lees.

From Scotch College.

Maxwell Brian Clifford, Peter Robert Gatenby, Christopher Gurrhard Lane, Alan Roderick John McNeil, James Walter Orridge Stutter.

From Broadland House School

Jennifer Ann Bond, Ann Bovill, Kathryn Edwards, Marian Tulloch Field, Jillian Lynette Gandy, Jennifer Margaret Henry, Susan Mary Ann McGhie, Elizabeth Aileen Paterson, Robin Mary Smith, Jane Elizabeth Tipping.

The first communion was made on the following Sunday morning, October 7th, at the 8 a.m. service of Holy Communion and this was followed by a Communion Breakfast at which about 180 people sat down to breakfast. We welcome these young people into the full life of the Church and hope that they and their witnesses will always be regular communicants of the Church.

THE PRIMATE'S VISIT

On Thursday, 29th November, an event of great significance will take place in St. John's Church. On that day the Archbishop of Sydney (The Most Rev. H. R. Gough, O.B.E., D.D.) and Primate of the Church of England in Australia, will make his first official visit to Launceston. Evensong will take place in St. John's Church at 7.30 p.m., at which His Grace will be the preacher. This will be followed by a Social Hour in the Parish Hall at which lay people of Launceston will have an opportunity to meet the Primate.

Keep this night free for this important event. Ladies are asked to bring a plate for supper.

MOTHERS' UNION

The next meeting of the Mothers' Union will be held on Thursday, 22nd November, at 2.45 p.m. Corporate Communion will be held in the Chapel at 10.30 a.m. on Wednesday, 14th November.

All members are invited to attend the Mothers' Union Festival which will be held at St. Mark on the Hill on Tuesday, 27th November. Morning tea will be served at 10.30 a.m. followed by Holy Communion at 11 a.m. A basket lunch at 12.30 p.m. (tea, sugar and milk will be provided). Prayers and devotions at 2 p.m. followed by a Social Hour and afternoon tea.

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PROGRAMME

10.00 a.m. Morning Tea.
10.30 a.m. Devotions.
11.00 a.m. Old Testament Bible Study—
"The Great Woman of Shunem"
2 Kings 4:8-37.
12.45 p.m. Basket Lunch.
1.45 p.m. With the Bible Society round
the World.
2.00 p.m. New Testament Bible Study—
"The Woman who sat at Jesus
Feet . . ."
Luke 10:38-42.
3.30 p.m. Closing Devotions.
3.45 p.m. Afternoon Tea.

WOMEN'S GUILD

The next meeting of the Women's Guild will be held at the home of Mrs. T. P. White, 16 Wyett Street, on Thursday, 8th November, at 8 p.m. It is to be "Our Treasure Evening", so ladies bring along any article that has been handed down in the family or that has something of particular interest to you.

ST. JOHN'S FESTIVAL

The Festival opened with the G.F.S. Fair on Saturday, 20th October, which was opened by Miss M. L. Rooney, Principal of Broadland House School. Although it was a wet afternoon, the function was most successful and a sum of over £60 was raised towards the re-carpeting of the Church. This effort reflected great credit on Miss Kiddle and her helpers. On the first Sunday of the Festival, the Rector and the Rev. Ray Campbell were the preachers.

The social gatherings of the Festival included a party for the Sunday School children which was most successful, as also one for the teenagers. The Parish Social on the Tuesday evening was good, although not very well attended. The Young Wives' group with Mrs. N. Dicker as producer put on a Mothers' Union play. Our thanks are extended to all who helped with this evening. The weather was kind to us on the Saturday afternoon for the Garden Party which was enjoyed by all who attended.

During the Festival the Choir under the leadership of the Organist-Choirmaster (Mr. L. O'Neill) gave great help with the music of the services. On the Wednesday evening Mr. O'Neill gave a fine Organ Recital, assisted by Mr. Peter Major (violin) and Mrs. Marjorie Walker (viola). This was greatly appreciated by all who attended.

Unfortunately the Bishop of Canberra, Goulburn had to cancel his visit for the Festival Sunday owing to sickness. The Family Service which was followed by the "Clipping of the Church" was very well attended and again the weather co-operated. The Rector preached at this service. For Evensong, the

former Rector, The Archdeacon of Launceston, came to the rescue and preached the occasional sermon and we were glad to welcome Archdeacon Sutton back in St. John's. The Mayor (Alderman W. H. M. Fry), Mrs. Fry and daughter attended the evening service. The Choir concluded the Festival by singing the Te Deum to a setting by Stanford.

The Vestry would like to express their thanks to all who helped with the Festival in any way, especially to the ladies of the Guild who so frequently assisted with the preparation of refreshments.

ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

St. John's Auxiliary to St. Luke's Hospital held their meeting at the home of the President (Mrs. V. C. Holyman) on Monday, 8th October.

The results of two very successful efforts were reported, we are grateful to all who helped us in any way.

First the evening in St. John's Hall which raised £60/4/9. We are indebted to Miss M. Mack for her pictures, Mr. L. O'Neill for arranging a delightful musical programme and to Mr. M. Easther for his work as auctioneer.

The Old Clothes Sale raised £50 and much of the credit for this success goes to the convenor, Mrs. V. J. Sheldrick.

Our next and final effort for the year is a Morning Tea on 22nd November, at the home of the President. This is a bring a gift, buy a gift function.

It looks as if we will achieve our object of providing the balance of the mattresses needed at the Hospital by the end of this year. At the close of business, Mrs. Holyman gave a very interesting talk on "behind the scene in commercial aviation" and made us realise that every possible care is taken to ensure safety in flight.

The next and last meeting for the year will be held on Monday, 12th November, at 2.45 p.m.

YOUNG WIVES' GROUP

The next Young Wives' meeting will be held on Wednesday, 28th November, at 8 p.m. This will commence with a chapel service and then members will adjourn to the Rectory for a short meeting and films.

Prospective new members will be assured of a warm welcome and a most enjoyable evening, so do come along.

A ROTARY QUOTE

From the Bulletin of the Rotary Club of South Launceston.

To each member, the President of the Rotary Club of Gilroy, California, U.S.A., presented the framed motto.

"I make no engagements on Thursday between 12.00 and 1.30 for I am a Rotarian and that time belongs to my community."

A Rotarian must attend at least 60% of the meetings of his Rotary Club, failure to do so, a man ceases to be a member of Rotary.

A similar motto applied to a set time for Sunday, may be an appropriate one for members of the Church of England.

CHRISTIAN FAMILY YEAR

Look for the Good in Your Home

There is an ancient inscription, recording the observations of an ancient philosopher who lived some thousands of years before Christ, which on being translated, throws much light on that age: "Alas, times are not what they were, and children no longer obey their parents."

How easy to look back to "the good old days" which really were not so good. "Anyone with half an eye can see how the home has deteriorated since the good old days of the past." This is one pessimist's remark. A lady who once wrote to the editor of Punch that Punch was not as good as it used to be, received the terse reply: "It never was."

Look for the good.

1. Begin with the gadgets. This is really a surface observation. But be frank about it. Would you really like to go back to the good old days, no running water, no stove, no washing machine, no radio, no electricity, etc. The home might well be thankful to the inventors of gadgets.

2. Do you have books in your home? Good books?

3. Is there music in the home? Good music?

4. Are there any good human relationships in your home? Of course, they are not perfect. But find the good and begin to increase it. A minister gave a youth, who complained on the unreasonable tasks imposed upon him by his father this advice: "It would be good to obey your father, even when he is unreasonable. Obedience to parents is a good thing. Begin there and see what happens."

Someone renders service in the home. Someone bears responsibilities.

5. Surely there are ideals which help to make a good atmosphere in the home. What about family traditions?

6. Is there religion in your home?

Begin with the good in your home. Seek to increase it. Add momentum to the ideals. Live up to best traditions. Dedicate the home to Christ.

FLOWER ROSTER

Main Altar

November—

4 Mrs. R. Watson.
11 Miss M. Bennett.
18 Mrs. L. R. Page.
25 Mrs. M. W. Fletcher.

December—

2 Mrs. D. R. Campbell.

Chapel Altar

November—

4 Mrs. H. Atherton.
11 Mrs. F. J. Stokes.
18 Mrs. G. Crawford.
25 Mrs. D. V. Boyd.

December—

2 Mrs. L. D. Smith.

SIDEMAN'S ROSTER

November—

Morning: Messrs. T. White and A. E. Ford.
Evening: Messrs. F. B. Stevens and V. Good.

HOLY BAPTISM

Stephen Reginald Boyd, Leonie Evelyn Dyer, Gaylene Ann Preece, Shonna Maree Rangitonga, Gregory John Ellis, Grant Steven Sarich, Allan Christopher Squires.

MARRIAGES

Michael Charles Moore and Judith Anne Izard, Jeffrey Allan Nankervis and Yvonne Elizabeth Muir, Geoffrey Lloyd Parker and Enid Patricia Seabourne, David Thomas Dowker and Doreen Patricia James, Peter Gerald Stocks and Kathleen Joan Yost, Leonard Edgar Jinks and Patricia Louise Burke, Michael Allan Gardner and Yvonne Anne Harris.

AT REST

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