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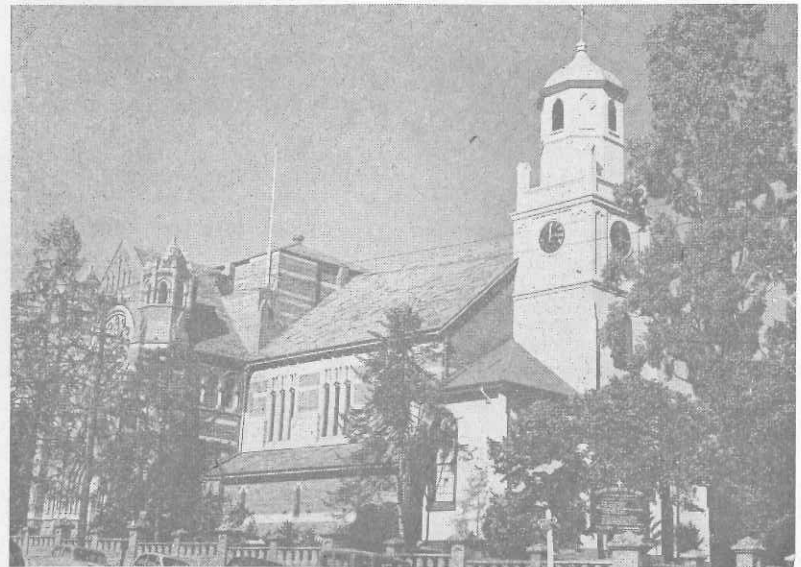
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**CLERGY**

Rector: The Rev. H. A. Jerrim, Th.L., C.F. Phone 2 3186.  
Assistant Curate: Rev. T. G. Cowell, Th.L.  
Organist: Miss Dorothy Glover, A.R.C.O., A.R.C.M.

**THE RECTOR'S LETTER**

My Dear Friends,

At the time of writing this letter I am acting as Chaplain at the Annual Camp for Army Cadets at Brighton Military Camp. The boys are from schools in Hobart, Launceston and Burnie and in this phase include the Launceston Grammar and Hutchins School Units. In camp the cadets are learning many things, including discipline, to live and to exercise by the laws and rules of the Army in its various aspects. The Army can function successfully while those involved in its movements and exercises conform to its discipline and obey the legitimate commands.

I feel that in all this there is an important lesson for members of the Church. Frequently we refer to the Christian in terms which imply membership of an army. Indeed at Baptism in the Prayer of Reception we pray that the child or person will "manfully fight" and "continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto his life's end". How we love to sing:—

Onward, Christian soldiers,  
Marching as to war."

and  
"Soldiers of Christ arise,  
And put your armour on."

In any list of Ten Popular Hymns, these would find a place.

A good soldier is one who accepts the discipline of the Army and is prepared to conform to the commands and rules. It follows that a Christian as part of Christ's Army and singing lustily such hymns as those above, must accept the discipline of Christ contained in the Church's Order and be willing to obey the commands, the Ten Commandments and the precepts of Christ, "If ye love Me, ye will keep my commandments."

What is the discipline of Christ's Army? The discipline is concerned in a five-point programme which is well known:—

1. Daily Prayer.
2. Daily Bible Reading.
3. Attendance at Church on Sunday.
4. Frequent Communion.
5. Almsgiving.

Of course, there is nothing new in all this, but to carry out this five-point programme is a different matter. It involves discipline of one's body, one's time and one's habits. This you will recognise requires a definite act of will on the part of the individual, the Christian soldier.

The Ten Commandments are part of the code which the soldier of Christ must live and fight under. As a code of law these commandments are thousands of years old and yet they are as essential in their application today, as at any time in the past. As we examine the underlying principle in each commandment, we find that it concerns a live issue today.

St. Paul in Ephesians 6. 10-18, examines the armour of the Roman Soldier who was his constant guard during imprisonment and describes for us the armour of the Christian. If every member of St. John's Church was sincerely trying to live by the code of the Christian soldier, the life of this parish would be transformed.

Will you be one of the active soldiers of Christ's Army in St. John's Regiment?

May God bless you.

Yours very sincerely,

HENRY A. JERRIM.

## CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER

September—

- 1 **12th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion — Corporate Communion for those Confirmed in recent years. 9.45 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Holy Communion. 7 p.m. Evensong.
- 3 Tuesday, 7.30 p.m. G.F.S.
- 4 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 2.45 p.m. M.M.A. 7.30 p.m. Vestry.
- 5 Thursday, 7 p.m. Bible Study.
- 8 **13th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Matins. 7 p.m. Evensong.
- 9 Monday, 2.45 p.m. St. John's Auxiliary for St. Luke's Hospital.
- 12 Thursday, 7 p.m. Bible Study. 8 p.m. Women's Guild.
- 13 Friday, 4.15 p.m. Confirmation Class.
- 15 **14th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion and Communion Breakfast. 9.45 a.m. Family Service. 11 a.m. Holy Communion. 7 p.m. Evensong.
- 17 Tuesday, 4.15 p.m. Confirmation Class. 8 p.m. Launceston Council of Churches.
- 18 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
- 19 Thursday, 7 p.m. Bible Study.
- 21 Saturday, 2.30 p.m. Opening of Henty Wing at Broadland House. 7.30 p.m. Social for Under-15's.
- 22 **15th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 p.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Matins (A.B.C. Broadcast Service). 7 p.m. Evensong (Preacher: The Rev. C. Miller, Chaplain, Missions to Seamen). 5 p.m. Youth Tea in Kindergarten Hall.
- 24 Tuesday, 7.45 p.m. Parish Evening—St. Luke's Hospital Auxiliary.
- 25 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 8 p.m. Evening Mothers' Union.
- 26 Thursday, 2.45 p.m. Mothers' Union. 7 p.m. Bible Study.
- 28 Saturday, 10 p.m. Sunday School Teachers' Conference, St. Aidan's.
- 29 **16th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 p.m. Sunday School, 11 a.m. Matins (Special Choir Service). 7 p.m. Evensong followed by Holy Communion.

## WOMEN'S GUILD

The next meeting of the Women's Guild will be held at the home of Mrs. D. Johnstone, 5 Batman Ave., on Thursday, 12th September, at 8.00 p.m.

## PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT

The Women's Guild of this Parish is to give an evening on Tuesday, 15th October in the Kindergarten Room to raise funds for the Roland Boys Home at Sheffield.

At this function Mr. Ian Burrows will give a demonstration on "BONSAI" (Japanese miniature trees). Donation will be 7/6 and tickets are available from the President of the Guild, Mrs. T. P. White, 16 Wyett St.

## SYNOD

The Bishop of Tasmania (The Right Rev. R. E. Davies) has called the Synod of the Diocese to assemble on Monday, 9th September. The Lay Synodsmen for this Parish are Messrs. M. M. Easther and R. J. Hoyle. We would ask that you remember these men in your prayers during the time that the Synod is in session.

## MOTHERS' UNION

On Thursday, 26th September, 1963, members will entertain Blind and Aged folk to a musical afternoon in the Kindergarten Hall at 2.45 p.m.

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

For members participating in the Wave of Prayer, this will be in the Chapel on Friday, 13th September, from 8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.

## GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

G.F.S. meets in the Kindergarten Hall on Tuesday, 3rd September, at 7.45 p.m. Our Table Games Evening last month was very successful and raised £14 for our Church Carpet Fund. We thank all who contributed and hope to have a further similar meeting next year.

We are busy at present working for our Annual Fair in October.

## EVENING MOTHERS' UNION

Our next meeting of the Evening Mothers' Union will be held on Wednesday, 25th September at 8.00 p.m. This will commence with a Chapel Service and then members will adjourn to the Rectory. All members are especially urged to attend this meeting.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

In spite of the formidable weather conditions which prevailed on several Sundays over the past month attendances at Sunday School were extremely good and we can now look forward to better weather and perhaps even better attendances. Our staff shortages are now much alleviated by the voluntary assistance of Miss J. L. Phillips and Miss Jill McCann who are assisting in the Kindergarten. We thank them most warmly for their response to our needs.

August was Missionary Month for the School when we thought especially on the work of the Church in East Africa. With many coloured posters and a film-strip to illustrate the lessons we found the children most interested in that part of the world. The teachers in the Senior School held a slide evening at the home of Mrs. D. R. Campbell when slides on Kenya were shown to us by a former resident of that country. This too helped with background knowledge.

Continued support for the Family Service is most encouraging, and this also applies to the immediate response to the Sunday School appeal for funds to assist a young lad in Hong Kong. This is a most important project and the School hopes it can fulfil its desires in relation to this appeal. We thank the parents for their continued support and encouragement.

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S ACTIVITIES

School holidays have now begun in Launceston and this tends to lessen activity in the Parish as far as our youth work is concerned. Plans have been made for September however, and they include the following.

On Saturday, September 21, there will be a Social for the Under-15's in the Kindergarten Hall. This will begin at 7.30 p.m. and finish at 10.00 p.m. We hope all the young people in this age group will be free to attend. Supper is served after the evening has been filled with games, contests and a little dancing. Which reminds me, would all the older people keep Saturday, 12th October free? A Dance will be held on that evening. Orchestra, a floor show, supper and plenty of dancing. The date again—12th October.

The Communion Breakfast in September will be on Sunday, the 15th. Let us try and boost attendances at the breakfasts by a general bringing-in of others who come to St. John's, are Confirmed and ought to attend this particular Sunday.

Youth Tea in September will be on Sunday, 22nd, at 5.00 p.m.

This Youth Tea is another aspect of the youth work which naturally requires your attendance to be a success. The Tea is designed for all teenagers and is not restricted only to those under-15. We hope to see more along at the next one.

Make the most of the school holidays and we hope to see you both in the congregation on Sundays and at the other functions.

TREVOR G. COWELL,  
Assistant Curate.

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

The Eleventh Annual Meeting of the Auxiliary was held on Monday, 12th August, 1963, at the home of the President, Mrs. V. C. Holyman.

Office Bearers elected were: President: Mrs. V. C. Holyman; Vice-Presidents: Mrs. K. F. Brown and Mrs. G. C. Dodery; Hon. Secretary: Mrs. A. N. Roake; Hon. Treasurer: Mr. F. J. Jones; Committee: Mrs. V. H. Good, Misses D. Lockwood and M. Bennett.

In addition to the big stove recently given to the Hospital, it was decided to purchase a small electric stove as an extra amenity. The floral arrangement afternoon given by Mrs. A. Blackett raised £19.

Owing to a clash of dates, the Parish evening will now be held in the Hall on Tuesday, 24th September, at 7.45 p.m. A programme of pictures (Miss Mack), musical items and an auction, are being arranged. Supper will be served and the charge is 5/-. An open invitation is extended to all Parishioners and friends to attend.

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

## DONATIONS TO PARISH MESSENGER

Donations to this paper help to defray the printing, postage and distribution costs of the Parish Messenger together with "The Church News". These are sent to all parishioners of St. John's Church. Donations may be given to the Church Wardens or one of the Clergy. The following donations are acknowledged: Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Stevens £1; Anonymous £1; Mrs. M. Summers £1; Mrs. V. H. Good 10/-; Miss D. Lockwood 6/-.

## NOTICE OF CONFIRMATION

Notice is given that the Bishop of Tasmania (The Right Rev. R. E. Davies) will hold a Confirmation Service in St. John's Church at 11.00 a.m. on Sunday the 6th October, when about 65 young people will be Confirmed. This is the greatest number of Confirmees at any one Service for many years and we would ask that as many members of our Congregation as possible attend on that day to bid welcome to these people as they become full members of the Church. The newly Confirmed will receive their first Communion on Sunday, the 20th October, at the 8.00 a.m. Service.

## SIDESMEN'S ROSTER

The sidesmen's roster has been altered quite substantially both in order and practice from the system of recent years. Would all sidesmen involved please note the new arrangements which will mean that there will be FOUR sidesmen on duty at each service and the duty roster will operate on a Sunday by Sunday basis, instead of monthly as in the past. The roster for September is as follows.

- 1st Morning: Messrs. T. P. White, T. B. Brooks, R. J. Young, F. Carnie.  
Evening: Messrs. M. M. Easther, F. B. Stevens, R. White, R. Dyer.
- 8th Morning: Messrs. V. J. Sheldrick, R. H. Watson, F. Crow, D. Sheldrick.  
Evening: Messrs. R. J. Roberts, J. Bonney, E. Jeanne, T. McClymont.
- 15th Morning: Messrs. A. E. Ford, S. L. Mitchell, A. Hollingsworth, D. Sutton.  
Evening: Messrs. R. W. J. Hart, E. R. Duncan, T. Wing, F. Ikin.
- 22nd Morning: Messrs. F. J. Jones, N. Dicker, C. W. Calver, J. James.  
Evening: Messrs. V. H. Good, A. J. Green, R. E. Williams, A. Focken.
- 29th Morning: Messrs. F. J. Jones, S. L. Mitchell, R. J. Young, F. Ikin.  
Evening: Messrs. M. M. Easther, R. J. Roberts, D. Sutton, J. Bonney.

## FLOWER GUILD ROSTER

## Main Altar

- September—  
8th Misses Scott.  
15th Miss V. Sadler.  
22nd Mrs. C. H. Targett.  
29th Mrs. M. M. Easther.
- October—  
6th Mrs. R. A. Watson.

## Chapel Altar

- September—  
8th Mrs. C. T. Carlstrom.  
15th Mrs. E. Grueber.  
22nd Mrs. W. McMahon.  
29th Mrs. H. Atherton.
- October—  
6th Mrs. F. J. Stokes.

## MARRIAGES

Raymond Arthur Whybrow and Dianne Margaret Hearps; Barry John Appleby and Betty Colleen Quarry.

## HOLY BAPTISM

Caroline Lisa Lockhart, Macel Annette Waddle, Philip Andrew Cleaver, Malcolm Charles Down, Timothy Paul Kaye, Trudy Jane Kaye.

## BURIALS

Lila Bonney, Ruby May Gibson. Our sincere sympathy is extended to those who are bereaved.