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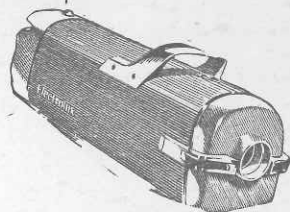
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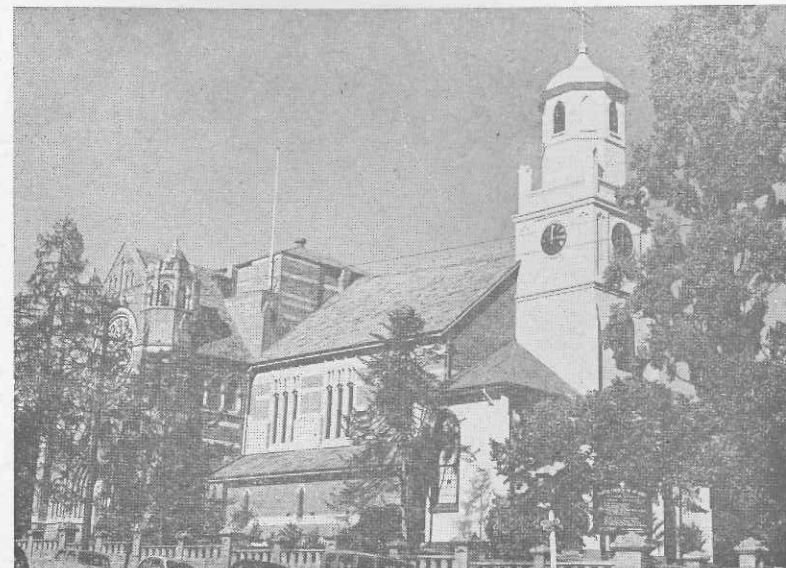
MAY, 1966

CLERGY

Rector: The Rev. Canon H. A. Jerrim, Th.L., C.F. Phone 2 3186.

Assistant Curate: The Rev. A. Chipman, Th.L. Phone 2 4920.

Organist: Mr. Lindsay O'Neill, F.R.C.O. (Ch.M.), A.R.C.M.

**THE RECTOR'S LETTER**

My dear Friends,

In the last issue of the Messenger and in church at Easter and Harvest, I made urgent appeals concerning the "Milk for India Appeal". At the time of going to print, I am delighted to be able to report that the sum of at least \$628 (dollars) has been contributed for this purpose. This means that something like almost 2½ tons of powdered milk will be sent from this parish. Thank you all who responded in this way to express our thankfulness to God for the abundant blessings which have been showered on us. Despite our own dry season in Tasmania, there is plenty of everything in this land.

It is not too late to make a donation to the above Appeal. It is expected that famine conditions in India will continue until next November. This means that the threat of starvation and death hovers over many millions of people in the coming months. Any donation placed in an envelope, marked "Milk for India" and handed to one of the church officers or placed in the Offertory Plate, will be forwarded to the A.C.C., for the purchase of milk.

We were concerned to hear of Bishop Barrett's sudden illness on Easter Tuesday. We are glad to know that he is now improving and pray that he will continue to improve in health. We have been remembering him daily in our prayers in Chapel, as indeed we remember all our parishioners who are sick. I often tell patients in St. Vincent's Hospital that when they hear the church bell ring each morning, they know that they will be remembered in prayer at that service.

The Church and Life Movement is drawing near, the house gatherings will be held in June and July. Registration forms will be available in Church from now on. I do hope that many of our parishioners will register to take part in this great ecumenical adventure. On Monday, May 9th, we are to have a United Congregational Meeting in Margaret Street Church of Christ for the city churches. At this gathering the opportunity will be taken to introduce the Movement to the congregations and to seek their support.

As a parish, we have registered, but individuals need to register and to become involved. Groups will consist of about ten people and I am anxious to have a few leaders to help with some of the groups. If you are prepared to help in this way, would you please let me know immediately? We are about to begin the preparation of the leaders.

May God bless you all.

Sincerely yours,

Henry A Jerrim.

CALENDAR FOR MAY

- May—
- 1 **Third Sunday after Easter** (St. Philip and St. James' Day). 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 5.15 p.m. Bankers' Service. 7.45 p.m. Annual Meeting of G.F.S. 7.45 p.m. Annual Meeting of Broadland House. 7.45 p.m. Evening Mothers' Union — C.M.S. House.
- 4 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 2.45 p.m. M.M.A. 8 p.m. L.C.C. Meeting at Paterson St.
- 5 Thursday, 8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 8 **Fourth Sunday after Easter.** 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. Hospital Auxiliary in Kindergarten Hall. 8 p.m. Meeting of city congregations at Margaret St., Church of Christ re Church and Life Movement.
- 11 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 7.30 p.m. Vestry.
- 12 Thursday, 8 p.m. Choir Practice. 8 p.m. Women's Guild.
- 15 **Rogation Sunday.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion followed by Communion Breakfast. 9.45 a.m. Family Service. 11 a.m. Holy Communion. Preacher: The Rev. T. Rees, Commonwealth President of the Christian Endeavour Society. 7 p.m. Evensong.
- 17 Tuesday 8 p.m. Evening Mothers' Union.
- 18 Wednesday 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
- 19 **Ascension Day.** 7.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 22 **Sunday after Ascension.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Matins. 7 p.m. Evensong.
- 25 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
- 26 Thursday 2.15 p.m. Mothers' Union. 8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 29 **Whitsunday** 8 a.m. Holy Communion 9.45 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Matins. 7 p.m. Holy Communion.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Confirmation Classes for this year will commence in the near future. I would like any young people who wish to be prepared for Confirmation this year, to hand in their names to me at once. This matter is urgent.

UNITED SERVICE

ALBERT HALL, SUNDAY 29th MAY
8 p.m.

Roman Catholic, Anglican and Non-Anglican Churches will be participating. The first service of this nature to be held in Launceston.

The service is being held to mark the end of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

Do not miss this service.

G.F.S. NOTES

The G.F.S. Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 3rd, in the Kindergarten Hall at 7.45 p.m. Following the Annual Meeting lovely colour slides will be shown by Miss Doreen Poole of Overseas countries. Parishioners are invited. The evening will close with a cup of tea.

The following meeting will be on June 7th at 7.45 p.m. in the Kindergarten Hall. Mrs. McLeod will be the speaker and her subject will be the Mission to Lepers and some new slides of this work will be shown. All parishioners are invited to come and supper will be served at the end of the meeting.

EVENING MOTHERS' UNION

The next meeting of the St. John's Evening M.U. will be held on Tuesday, 17th May at 8 p.m. It will commence with a service in the chapel and then members are going to the home of Mrs. R. H. Watson, Gloucester St., to see some of her souvenirs from her visits abroad. All members are cordially invited and also any new mothers will be welcome.

Supper Hostesses are Mesdames Crawford and Atherton.

All members are invited to a very interesting Young Wives' Meeting to be held in C.M.S. Hall, 94 St. John St., at 7.45 p.m. on Tuesday 3rd May. There will be a panel discussion on such subjects as:— Child Psychology, The Problem of Broken Homes, The Problem of Unmarried Mothers, etc. This is an open meeting, husbands and friends are invited to attend.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

A good first term has been experienced by both scholars and teachers. The weekly attendance has been above average in comparison with last year. The total number of children enrolled remains almost the same as last year, with an overall total of 120. Any new children would be most welcome, and it is not too late in the year to commence.

The children are under the care of an efficient team of teachers. Our theme this year is JOY. The children have taken to the idea with enthusiasm and an atmosphere of happiness prevails over the busy hum of activity.

Thank you to all parents who come with their little ones to the Family Service. Your presence is of untold value in assisting the children to relate the teaching of Sunday School to corporate worship, and everyday life.

"Chinese Market"

We look to your continued support, especially for the "Chinese Market" to be held on the morning of Saturday the 4th June 1966.

Gifts of vegetables, groceries, etc. would be appreciated not only from the parents of Sunday School children but from each parishioner who could help.

Our aim is to reach the £75 mark, the amount required to support our underprivileged children of Hong Kong.

Gifts may be left at the Rectory, marked "Chinese Market", as the 4th June draws near.

A. Chipman,

S.S. Superintendent.

MOTHERS' UNION

Mrs. Margot Parker will be the speaker at the next meeting of Mothers' Union which will be held on Thursday 26th May, commencing with the Service in the Chapel at 2.15 p.m.

Our Annual Musical Market will be held in St. John's Kindergarten Hall on Wednesday 15th June at 2.30 p.m., the proceeds of which will go to the Clarendon Children's Home.

ST. JOHN'S WOMENS' GUILD

The Annual Meeting of the Guild was held at Mrs. Records home, Ann St., on Thursday, April 14th 1966.

Canon Jerrim presided.

Election of Officers: Patroness: Mrs. H. A. Jerrim. President: Mrs. T. P. White. Secretary: Mrs. H. D. Palliser. Treasurer: Mrs. D. Johnston. Committee: Mrs. Morrah, Mrs. Scott.

On behalf of the President and members, I would like to thank all who kindly assisted with our effort for Kelso, especially our men folk for their help and willing co-operation, from this effort we were able to donate \$299.31 to the Kelso Fund.

Parcels of knitting for Clarendon and Roland Homes were received from Mrs. M. Lee and Mrs. R. Watson.

The Guild will meet again at Mrs. V. C.

Holyman's home No. 8 Riverdale Grove on Thursday, May 12 1966.

Mrs. Leonard will also be our Guest Speaker.

Supper hostesses: Mrs. Dodery, Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Leonard.

C. M. Palliser.
Hon. Sec.

ST. JOHN'S AUXILIARY FOR ST. LUKES HOSPITAL

Members of St. John's Auxiliary to St. Lukes Hospital will meet in the Kindergarten Room on Monday May 9th at 2.45 p.m.

Afternoon tea hostesses: Mrs. Dodery, Mrs. Leonard.

A Buffet Luncheon will be held at Mrs. Holyman's home Riverdale Grove on Friday, May 20th, 1966.

Members and their friends will then go on to the homes of:—Mesdames Good, Strickland, Kay, Henry and Miss Bennett for cards and afternoon tea.

The sale of garden plants has been postponed, until Saturday morning Sept. 17th.

CHURCH AND LIFE MOVEMENT

What is it about?

Does Christianity provide us with a faith that shapes our whole purpose and attitude to life? The answer should be yes.

But for thousands of Australians today, Christianity seems irrelevant to everyday life.

What we think about life determines the type of world and communities we build around us. Behind every action is a thought, a belief that one thing is preferable to another.

In the Church and Life Movement we will be looking critically and incisively at life in Australia, at our part in it and at God's work in the world.

You are one of a large number of people invited to meet weekly from June 19 to August 6, 1966, to consider the quality and style of life in Australia today. For this period groups of 10 to 12 people, including church members and people not closely associated with any church, are being formed to meet weekly in homes.

What are the issues?

The issues they will examine are presented in a book "Life to Spend" (25c.). This contains information about each topic to help us to see how it applies to our lives. It also presents material, including Biblical sections, that can help a group bring a clear judgment to bear on each issue.

These are the subjects of "Life to Spend".

LIVING in the Lucky Country.

We live in a highly developed society. What are its advantages and disadvantages? Do we also have special responsibilities?

LIVING — In a new world of science

Modern science is making changes all around us—some good, some bad. It also has an effect on human values. How can we cope with the new powers science is giving us?

LIVING — But better luck for some

In spite of our affluence there is much inequality and discrimination in Australia. We can add to it. We can try to break it down. Or doesn't it really matter?

LIVING — Pushed about and pushing around

People put pressure on us to act certain ways, we put pressure on others. Can we escape being swept along with the crowd?

LIVING — But letting ourselves down

Failing to live up to our expectations of ourselves is a common experience. But we also play a part in the failure and success of others!

LIVING — In the lonely crowd

There are a great many lonely people in Australia today. Can this be overcome and, if so, how?

LIVING — Where do we go from here?

Daily the choices we make shape our lives and the lives of others. Often the alternatives are neither good nor bad. How can we know which to choose?

The aim of this group programme is to help people bring a responsible judgment to bear on important issues of life today. To some it may reveal clear courses of immediate action, but its main result will be a clearer appreciation of the implications of the Christian faith for everyday life.

How is it arranged?

Ten thousand men and women are now being trained as leaders for the group programme. Local inter-church planning committees are being formed throughout Australia to make local arrangements. Each group of 10 to 12 people will include a trained leader.

The Church and Life Movement is being organised by the Australian Council of Churches in co-operation with Christian education departments of its member churches.

During the group programme each week's topic will be introduced by the Rev. Edwin Robertson, a noted British churchman and broadcaster. These introductions will be broadcast on ABC stations at 4.15 p.m. each Sunday and repeated at 10 a.m. each Monday.

Special programmes are also being arranged on national and commercial radio and television.

Looking ahead.

The Church and Life Movement does not provide ready-made answers to the questions it raises. It provides opportunity for people to find together how God is at work in the world today and how we can play our part in shaping the Australia of the future.

"CHINESE MARKET"

SATURDAY MORNING — 4th JUNE
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Donations to the Parish Messenger help to defray the costs of printing, postage and distribution, together with the "Church News".

Donations may be given to the Clergy or Churchwardens.

The following donations are gratefully acknowledged:—Mrs. Hinds \$1.00. Miss D. Fowler \$1.00. Mr. B. L. Tarrant \$1.00.

Thank you.

HOLY BAPTISMS

Sandra Marie Young. Stephen Ray Young. Mark Andrew Wenn. Anne Marguerite Wadley. John Cairns Boag. Michael Robert Barrett. Darren Wayne Barrett. Grant Leslie Rigby. Paul Douglas Bailey.

MARRIAGES

John Lees Heathcote and Maureen Iris Sim. Dennis Stuart Goodman and Ann Margaret Walters. Colin Eric Heerey and Wendy Kaye Bain. Garry Alwyn Rainbird and Kaye Gwendyth Barker. Garry John Whatley and Maureen Lynette Peck. Sydney Arthur Farrel and Annette Jillian Walsh. Gerd Dieter Heinz Waldschmied and Kaye Moss. Michael John Calder and Beverley Ann Munting. Geoffrey Brian Homan and Elaine Rudd. Kevin Keith Preece and Shirley Anne Miller. Brian Kenneth Gittus and Janice Lynette Barnes.

BURIALS

Alfred Henry Jefferiss. Thomas Young. Edmund Henry Gray.

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