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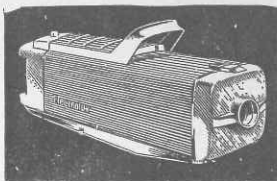
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St. John's Parish Messenger

Monthly News from the Mother Church of Launceston, Tasmania

No. 194

JULY, 1967

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THE RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

How quickly time flies! July marks the beginning of another financial year for the Church as in the case of many in the business world. So the month of July will be a time of review not only of our finances, but of the work in the parish and of the spiritual state of the parish. The Annual Meeting will be held on the last Wednesday in the month, 26th July. This is the most important congregational meeting of the year, when not only do we receive reports and statements, but elect our officers for the coming twelve months.

I do hope that many of you will try and attend the Annual Meeting and participate in its discussions. This is your parish church and you should have a guiding hand in planning its future. The meeting will be preceded by a Parish Tea to which you are invited. An interesting film will be shown in the period between the tea and meeting. In recent years those who have been present at the Annual Meeting have said that they enjoyed the evening. Every effort is made to make it an interesting family evening in the life of the parish; so come and be with the family.

The Anglican Development Programme is at the present time in its first stage throughout the Diocese. Every parish in the Diocese will be visited by a layman. Each parish will make a commitment which in the first place is an amount of money to the Diocese. The financial commitments make up the income of the Diocese and so permit the Church in Tasmania to discharge its responsibilities.

But our commitment does not stop with a financial undertaking, we have undertaken to give ourselves more wholeheartedly to the work of God and His Church. Will you read the following words which make up the form of commitment those of us who were present at the Diocesan Family Service in St. John's on Friday, 2nd June, undertook on behalf of the parish?

"In the presence of God and calling upon these my brethren present as witnesses, I dedicate my life anew to the service of God and His Church. I pray to God to use me in whatever way He will, and to give me grace to fulfil His purpose for my life, and to strengthen the hands of my brethren in the place wherein He has called me to live and to serve."

In a very real sense those of us who were present at that service made this commitment on behalf of the parish. Therefore you are invited to share in this dedication of all to the service of God and His Church.

Will you accept your share in this?

"And here we offer and present unto Thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy and lively sacrifice unto Thee."

(Prayer of Oblation. Order of Holy Communion.)

May God bless you all,
Yours very sincerely,
Henry A. Jerrim.

Please cut off here

YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ARE INVITED TO A
PARISH TEA

IN ST. JOHN'S PARISH HALL
ON WEDNESDAY, 26th JULY AT 6 P.M.

Donation: 40c each or \$1 per Family

The Parish Tea will be followed by a film and the Annual Meeting of the
Congregation at 7.45 p.m.

We will be able to be present at the Parish Tea.

Number coming Signed

Address

R.S.V.P. by Monday, 17th July.

The Rector, St. John's Rectory.

This slip may be handed in at Church.

CALENDAR FOR JULY

July—

- 1 Saturday, 7.30 p.m. Youth Club.
- 2 **6th 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. Youth Service.
- 3 Monday, 8 p.m. Parish Council.
- 4 Tuesday, 7.45 p.m. G.F.S.
- 5 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 2.45 p.m. M.M.A.
- 6 Thursday, Women's Guild meet at St. Leonards. 4.20 p.m. Confirmation Class. 8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 8 Saturday, 2 p.m. Opening of extensions at Roland Boys' Home at Sheffield. 7.30 p.m. Youth Club.
- 9 **7th Sunday after Trinity.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Matins. 7 p.m. Evensong. Special Vestry meeting after service. 2 p.m. Rededication of St. Paul's Church Organ.
- 10 Monday, 2.45 p.m. Hospital Auxiliary at Parish Hall.
- 11 Tuesday, 6 p.m. Men's Fellowship and Tea.
- 12 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 7.30 p.m. Vestry.
- 13 Thursday, 4.20 p.m. Confirmation Class. 8 p.m. Women's Guild at the home of Mrs. Easther. Choir Practice.
- 15 Saturday, 7.30 p.m. Youth Club.
- 16 **8th Sunday after Trinity. Diocesan Sunday.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion followed by Communion Breakfast. 9.45 a.m. Family Service. 11 a.m. Holy Communion. 7 p.m. Evensong.
- 18 Tuesday, 8 p.m. Evening Mothers' Union.
- 19 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
- 20 Thursday, 4.20 p.m. Confirmation Class. 8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 22 Saturday, Kelso Working Bee.
- 23 **9th Sunday after Trinity.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Grammar Prep. Service. 7 p.m. Evensong.
- 25 Tuesday, **St. James' Day.** 7.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
- 26 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 6 p.m. Parish Tea. 7.45 p.m. Annual Meeting.
- 27 Thursday, 2.15 p.m. Mothers' Union. 4.20 p.m. Confirmation Class. 8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 29 Saturday, Youth Club Outing.
- 30 **10th Sunday after Trinity.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Broadland House Primary School Service. 7 p.m. Holy Communion.

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

The next meeting of St. John's Auxiliary will be held in the Parish Hall on Monday, 10th July, at 2.45 p.m. Afternoon Tea hostesses will be Mrs. V. Good and Mrs. Heyes. The Annual Meeting will take place on Monday, 7th August, at 2.45 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Retiring officers are, President: Mrs. V. C. Holyman; Secretary: Mrs. H. D. Palliser; Treasurer: Mr. F. J. Jones.

MOTHERS' UNION

Our Annual Musical Market in aid of the Clarendon Children's Homes at Kingston was held on Thursday, 22nd June. The amount raised was \$135.00 and we would like to thank all those who helped to make this function such a success.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 27th July, commencing with a service in the Chapel at 2.15 p.m.

MEDICAL MISSIONARY AUXILIARY

The Annual Meeting of the Medical Missionary Auxiliary was held in the Kindergarten Hall on Wednesday, 7th June.

The following office-bearers were re-elected: President, Mrs. H. A. Jerrim; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. J. Atherton, Mrs. M. Easther; Secretary, Mrs. A. E. Ford; Assistant, Mrs. F. E. Cookman; Treasurer, Miss M. Gregory.

At a recent meeting, members were privileged to have with them Miss May Dobson, a Missionary on furlough from North Kinangop, Kenya. Miss Dobson gave a very interesting account of the work being undertaken by herself and others in the missionary in Africa.

The next meeting will be held in St. John's Kindergarten Hall on Wednesday, 5th July, at 2.45 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S WOMEN'S GUILD

Members of St. John's Women's Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. M. M. Easther, 13 Wyett St., on Thursday, 13th July, at 8 p.m. Supper hostesses, Mrs. Easther and Mrs. Kerrison. At the next meeting plans will be finalised for the Parish Tea and tea for the members of the Choir Festival.

A one-day Conference for Women's Guilds will be held at St. Peter's, St. Leonards, on Thursday, 6th July, 1967, commencing at 10.30 a.m. All members of the Guild and any other interested Church women are invited to attend. Please bring your own lunch; tea, milk and sugar will be provided.

EVENING MOTHERS' UNION

The next meeting of the Evening Mothers' Union will be held on Tuesday, 18th July, commencing with a service in the Chapel at 8 p.m. After the service the members will adjourn to the Rectory for the meeting. We will have our Rector, Archdeacon Jerrim, to speak to us on "The Family and Prayer". Members are requested to attend and bring gifts for the Trading Table.

Supper Hostesses, Mesdames Wheeldon, Boon and Radford.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

It is encouraging to see new families sending their children along to Sunday School. Lessons are gradually leading to the missionary theme for 1967 which begins in August.

Two of our teachers have registered in the current course being conducted by the Adult Education Board on the topic, "Teaching Religion". This will most likely be of help to the whole staff in their important work as Sunday School teachers in the parish. We would value your continued prayers and support especially for the coming Chinese Market to be held early in September.

We would like to remind all parents that when Family Service is held on the Third Sunday in the month, this does not mean a holiday for the children of the Sunday School. If the children do not attend Family Service on that Sunday, they are defeating the purpose of the service. One of its aims is to help the child to learn to worship. Naturally, we hope and look for many parents to join us in this act of worship.

YOUTH GROUP

Activities during Second Term have been running along the usual pattern. Two interesting developments have eventuated during the past month. Firstly, a roster has been made for each Sunday afternoon, when a small group of members go visiting the Children's Ward at the Launceston General Hospital. The group sings songs, play quiet games and read stories to the children. In this way we try to bring some joy to the children. Any elderly folk who would like a similar visit in their home of a Sunday afternoon, please contact the Rector and we will do our best.

A PRAYER FOR THE DIOCESE

O God, who hast called us to be members together of Thy Church, which is the Body of Thy Son; pour out, we beseech Thee, Thy Spirit on this diocese. Endue with strength and love and wisdom all who bear authority therein. Accept our gifts, our labours, and our love, and use them for the advancement of Thy Kingdom and the glory of Thy Name. Lead us in all our work for Thee, and unite us in the joyful service of Thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

AMEN.

PARISH MESSENGER

Donations to the Parish Messenger help us to defray the cost of printing, postage and distribution together with the "Church News". Donations may be given to the Clergy or Church Wardens.

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Thank You.

BAPTISMS

Gina Gardenal, Timothy Kent Murgatroyd, Leigh Douglas Butler, Dorothy Joy Bassett, Matthew David Collinson, Craig Paul Kremerskothen, Lisa Anne Kremerskothen, Suzanne Bessell, Michelle Louise Fraser, Christopher John Richards, Rodney James Hogan, Susan Jann McIvor.

MARRIAGES

John Stuart Stevenson and Janet Suzanne Phillips, John Harold Bugg and Christine Mary Tronerud, Leland Allister Boyd and Diane Erica Stewart, Peter Wesley Mason and Kerrie Darrylyn Senior, David Hedley Denman and Bronwyn Diane Shepherd.

BURIALS

William Walter Malcolm, Margaretha Alexandria Cherry, Lily Constance Susie Pasmore, Gertrude Rigby, Chester John Edwards. Our sincere sympathy is extended to those who have been bereaved.

CHURCHES PART IN WAR RELIEF

An appeal to the Australian community for a minimum of \$75,000 for the relief of sufferers on both sides in the Middle East war has been announced by the Australian Council of Churches.

At the same time the Council's Inter-Church Aid Secretary, the Rev. Harvey Perkins, announced an initial contribution by the Council of \$10,000 from emergency funds. Mr. Perkins said the money was needed immediately for the relief of war sufferers in both Israel and the Arab States.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE

ROYAL SCHOOL OF CHURCH MUSIC CHOIR FESTIVAL



Saturday, 19th August, 1967

The other development is that the committee has decided to attempt to support a Lesotho land boy in South Africa through the Reverend Martin Payne, a missionary in that area. This will cost \$90 each year and we are looking for odd jobs and other ways in which to raise the amount needed. We already have approximately \$20 from our last dance which was a great success.

Our next Youth Service is on Sunday, 2nd July, at 7 p.m. Both young and old are invited to attend.

Note the changes in the coming events.

Youth Calendar—

Saturday, 1st July—7.30 p.m. Sports activity evening.

Sunday, 2nd July—7 p.m. Youth Service.

Saturday, 8th July—Working Bee at Kelso.

Saturday, 15th July—Penny Hike. Fish and Chip night.

Sunday, 16th July—8 a.m. Holy Communion and Breakfast.

Saturday, 22nd July—Working Bee at Kelso.

Saturday, 29th July—Snow trip to Ben Lomond.

MISSIONARY BOXES

Recently the Rector in the course of a sermon on the missionary work of the Church, referred to the drop in missionary giving, especially through missionary boxes. Indeed, during the past year there have been only three or four boxes in the parish. Some parishioners commented after the service that they were under the impression that through our pledges we were all contributing to missions. This is quite true.

Despite this, missionary boxes have continued to be used, as a means of giving a little more for the particular work associated with the missionary cause. A few cents dropped into missionary boxes from time to time, when collected help to make up a considerable sum of money. In the past six years the amount of money given by parishioners directly in our parish has been as follows:—

1962—\$610.

1963—\$628.

1964—\$742.

1965—\$410.

1966—\$560.

1967—\$286.

These amounts include our Lenten Self-Denial Offerings for Missions. One of the causes in the decline is the drop in the number of missionary boxes which are being used by parishioners. We have been without a Secretary for the boxes for some months and Lady James has kindly offered to act as the Box Secretary. The usual pattern is for boxes to be handed in each quarter, as at the end of June, September, December and March for opening. If anyone would like a box they may speak to Lady James or to one of the clergy.

DIOCESAN SUNDAY

The conclusion of the commitment period of the Anglican Development Programme is to be marked by the observance of 16th July as Diocesan Sunday. We will make a special observance of this at the evening service on that day. The Parish Commitment will be laid on the altar and at all services we will be reminded of our commitment to the whole cause of the Christian Faith in life and work. I hope that many parishioners will join in one of the services on that day, especially the evening service.