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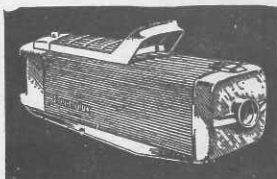
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St. John's Parish Messenger

Monthly News from the Mother Church of Launceston, Tasmania

No. 205

JULY, 1968

Rector: Archdeacon Henry A. Jerrim, Th.L., E.D., C.F. Phone 2 3186

Assistant Clergy: The Reverend M. Johnson, Th. Schol.

Deaconess B. V. Robinson, Th. L.

Organist: Mr. Lindsay O'Neill, F.R.C.O. (Ch.M.), A.R.C.M. Phone 31 2998

My Dear Friends,

Many of you will have read the announcement in the Press that the Reverend Ian Booth, the Rector of St. Paul's Church, has been appointed as the Secretary for the Bush Church Aid Society in Victoria, South Australia and Tasmania, with headquarters in Melbourne. There has always been a close association between St. Paul's parish and our own, the clergy have always been co-operative in the work of the respective parishes. We, of St. John's parish, would join in the many expressions of sadness at the departure of Mr. Booth and his family from Launceston.

Mr. Booth has always been willing to help when needed. On occasions when I have had to be away from Launceston, he was always willing to take a service for me. This has been particularly helpful this year when I have been without a priest assistant. The ministry of Mr. Booth has been appreciated by our parishioners.

Continued Overleaf

"A WINTER SERIES"

7th JULY — 7.00 p.m. : This Service will be attended by members of the St. John's Ambulance Brigade.

14th JULY — 7.00 p.m. : The Service will be of particular interest to those interested in the **Ministry of Healing**. Preacher: The Revd. A. J. Glennon, St. Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney.

21st JULY — 7.00 p.m. : At this Service the Rector will give an address on **"This Month's Book"**.

28th JULY — 7.00 p.m. : **"A Bring-a-Friend Service"**. Regular church-goers are invited to bring a friend to this Service. Social hour to follow in the hall.

ALL WELCOME

A warm invitation is extended to all who read this announcement to attend the above Services, to make them known and to pray for them.

Please cut off here

YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ARE INVITED TO A

PARISH TEA

IN ST. JOHN'S PARISH HALL

ON WEDNESDAY, 31st 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, 22nd July.
The Rector, St. John's Rectory.

This slip may be handed in at Church.

There will be many areas of church activity in which the Rector of St. Paul's will be missed, the most important being that of the chaplaincy at the Launceston General Hospital. Staff and patients at the L.G.H. speak in appreciative terms of the ministry of Mr. Booth as chaplain. We join with the parishioners of St. Paul's in praying for God's continued blessing on Mr. Booth's work for the B.C.A.

Whilst speaking about B.C.A., I would like to remind you of the important work which this Society is doing in out-back parts of South Australia, N.S.W., Queensland and now North-West Australia. In these scattered areas the people are unable to support a clergyman, because of the sparseness of the population. The B.C.A. provides for a ministry in these areas by sending clergy to assist in these parishes and dioceses. The B.C.A. is dependent for the financing of the work on church people in the urban and well established areas of the Commonwealth including Launceston. Over the years a few parishioners have had missionary boxes of the B.C.A. in which to place odd coins. The number of boxes which are in use at the moment are very few. Would you like to help this very important work? Miss Celia Pennicott is St. John's Box Secretary for the B.C.A. If you would like to have a box, please ask her or one of the clergy. They are passed in every six months for opening. This is a vital piece of work which the Church is doing, but it depends on our prayers and giving and how well the mission is carried out.

Winter is upon us now, a miserable time for some of the aged and a time of sickness for many. We would pray that those who are sick at this time may be comforted and blessed.

May God bless you,
Yours very sincerely,
HENRY A. JERRIM.

CALENDAR FOR JULY

July—

- 6 Saturday, 7.30 p.m. Youth Club.
- 7 **4th Sunday after Trinity.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Holy Communion (Creche in Parish Hall). 7 p.m. Evensong—St. John Ambulance Brigade to attend.
- 8 Monday, 2.45 p.m. St. Luke's Hospital Auxiliary.
- 9 Tuesday, 6 p.m. Men's Fellowship and Tea.
- 10 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 11.00-3.30, Guild Conference at St. John's. 7.30 p.m. Vestry.
- 11 Thursday, 4.20 p.m. Confirmation Class. 8 p.m. Choir Practice. 8 p.m. Women's Guild at the home of Mrs. T. White, Wyett St.
- 13 Saturday, Working Bee at Kelso. 7.30 p.m. Youth Club.
- 14 **5th Sunday after Trinity.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Matins. 7 p.m. Evensong. Preacher The Revd. A. J. Glennon, St. Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney.
- 16 Tuesday, 8 p.m. Evening Mothers' Union.
- 17 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 7.30 p.m. Sunday School Teachers' Meeting.
- 18 Thursday, 4.20 p.m. Confirmation Class. 8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 20 Saturday, 7 p.m. Choir Festival.
- 21 **6th Sunday after Trinity.** 8 a.m. Holy Communion (followed by Breakfast). 9.45 a.m. Family Service. 11 a.m. Holy Communion. 7 p.m. Evensong.
- 24 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
- 25 Thursday, **St. James Day.** 7.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 4.20 p.m. Confirmation Class. 2.15 p.m. Mothers' Union. 8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 27 Saturday, 7.30 p.m. Youth Club.
- 28 **7th 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. Evensong.
- 31 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion. 6 p.m. Parish Tea, followed by Annual Meeting of the Parish.

EVENING MOTHERS' UNION

The next meeting of the Evening Mothers' Union, will be held on Tuesday, 16th July, in St. John's Rectory, commencing at 8 p.m. with a service in the Chapel. Mesdames Jerrim and Boon will conduct a Creche for the 11 a.m. service on 7th July.

ST. JOHN'S WOMEN'S GUILD

The next meeting of the Guild will be held at the home of Mrs. T. P. White, 16 Wyett St., on Thursday, 11th July, at 8 p.m. Supper hostesses — Mesdames Record, Kerrison and White.

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

The next meeting of the Auxiliary will be held in the Parish Hall on Monday, 8th July, at 2.45 p.m. Afternoon tea hostesses — Mesdames Heyes and Good.

The Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, 19th August, 1968. Retiring Officers — President: Mrs. V. C. Holyman; Secretary: Mrs. H. D. Palliser; Treasurer: Mr. F. Jones.

MEDICAL MISSIONARY AUXILIARY

The next meeting will be held in St. John's Kindergarten Hall on Wednesday, 7th August, at 2.45 p.m.

Any lady interested in knitting or sewing for aboriginal missions would be welcome at the M.M.A. meetings.

CRECHE

The Evening Mothers' Union conducts a Creche in the Kindergarten Hall during the time of the 11 a.m. service on the first Sunday in the month. This is usually a service of Holy Communion. Here is an opportunity for parents of young families to attend church together and receive Holy Communion. Don't forget the 1st Sunday in the month at 11 a.m.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

These classes have now commenced in preparation for Confirmation which we anticipate will be held in October. It is planned that Bishop Cranswick will administer Confirmation in the absence of the Diocesan Bishop. No new candidates will be accepted after 11th July.

WORKING BEE AT KELSO SATURDAY, 13th JULY

ARE YOU FREE TO HELP US?

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DIOCESAN SUNDAY

The conclusion of the commitment period of the Anglican Development Programme is to be marked by the observance of 21st 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.

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 and 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.

MOTHERS' UNION

The next meeting of Mothers' Union will be held on Thursday, 25th July commencing with a service in the Chapel at 2.15 p.m.

Our Annual Musical Market will be held in the Kindergarten Hall on Thursday 22nd August at 2.15 p.m.

BAPTISMS

Thane Matthew Brady, David Phillip Nobes, Darren John Ferrall, John Robert Barratt, Tracey Lynne Jacobs, Nigel Peter Ratcliffe, Tanya Jane Davis, John Leslie Smith.

MARRIAGES

Brian Dracup and Sue Lloyd-Webb, Franklin Paul Brooks and Margaret Diane Simmonds, Gordon James Maxfield and Linda Joy Ellingworth, Douglas Frederick Ellis Bowen and Joan Gibbins, Peter John Eastlake and Judith Revill Clemons, William Jackson and Denise Mary Breward, Robert Arthur Gibson and Jennifer Eleanor Stuart Sanderson.

BURIALS

Mrs. Ada Tolland, Sydney Charles Whatley. Our sincere sympathy is extended to all those who have been bereaved.

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.

The following donations have been received: Mrs. B. Mason \$1, M.G., \$1, Anon. \$1. Thank You.

ECUMENICAL EASTER

(From the B.C.A. Magazine
"The Real Australian")

For some years now it has been the practice within the Parish of the Murchison that Methodist and Anglican Services are not held in the same town on the same day. This has always caused complications at Christmas and Easter. Another problem at major festivals has been the impossibility of giving each centre (there are six) a service on the actual festival, since the distance between centres and the travelling time involved is too great. Most of these difficulties were overcome this year when the local ministers hired an aircraft to get them rapidly from town to town.

The system employed was that when the service was held in a Methodist building then the Rector, the Revd. Bernard Buckland, preached. When the service was held in an Anglican building the Rector celebrated Holy Communion and the Methodist minister, the Revd. Douglas Rogers, was the preacher.

We started on Good Friday, at 8.00 a.m. in Mt. Magnet Methodist Church and then with Mr. Buckland at the controls flew to Meekatharra where at 11.00 a.m. the service was again in the Methodist Church. In both cases the building was crowded with 40-50 people. After a lunch at the Methodist Manse we flew on 110 miles to Wiluna for Holy Communion in St. Michael's at 3.00 p.m. Before the service started it was decided to remove the organ from the Methodist Church and put it in St. Michael's as the Anglican organ hasn't worked for years. This hasn't mattered as there has been no organist for the last five years, but now as Mrs. Clifton, wife of the new school teacher, is an organist, we shall have music. Due to the state of the ceiling in the Methodist Church it has been decided that future services for both congregations shall be held in St. Michael's. Already in Sandstone and Cue, towns where there is no Methodist Church, all services are held in the Anglican buildings.

From Wiluna, where 8 of the congregation of 16 made their communion, we went by car to Albion Downs, a large sheep station about sixty miles south of Wiluna. The car was necessary since their airstrip was unserviceable due to heavy rain. Our chauffeur, Mr. Clifton, took us back to Wiluna and we were in bed shortly before 1.00 a.m.

Saturday, after refuelling we flew to Gidgee station for a pastoral visit and then on to Sandstone. At 7.00 p.m. the Holy Communion was again celebrated for the eighteen present, the Church being quite crowded as it only seats 24. The unusual hour on a Saturday is dictated by the facts that this is mail and meeting day and the fortnightly pictures at 8.00 p.m. In the towns away from our homes the local ministers are freely accommodated by the publicans of "The Royal Mail", Meekatharra, "The Club", Wiluna, "The National" Sandstone, and "The Cue" at Cue. Without this assistance the difficulties of the ministry in this area, both from a practical and financial angle would be greatly increased.

The necessity of rising at 5.15 a.m. on Easter Day proved a good opening for Mr. Rodgers' sermon when he began "Very early in the morning, while it was yet dark . . ." However, we arrived in Meekatharra, 132 miles away, in good time for the 8.00 a.m. service in St. Oswald's and in plenty of time for 11.00 a.m. at Cue. In all these towns people readily met us at the aerodrome and after service delivered us back to our Cessna 172 VH-DJC. The final short hop back to Mt. Magnet enabled us to have lunch at 2.00 p.m. The evening celebration in All Soul's was well attended and many folk stayed afterward for singing practice for our evangelistic Crusade.

In all, we flew for 6½ hours as against an estimated 16½ hours if we had gone by car for a cost of \$80.00 total and were able to minister to people who normally would have had to be content with services before or after Easter rather than on the Festival Day.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE

ROYAL SCHOOL OF CHURCH MUSIC CHOIR FESTIVAL

Saturday, 20th July, 1968