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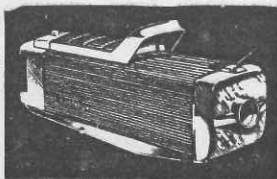
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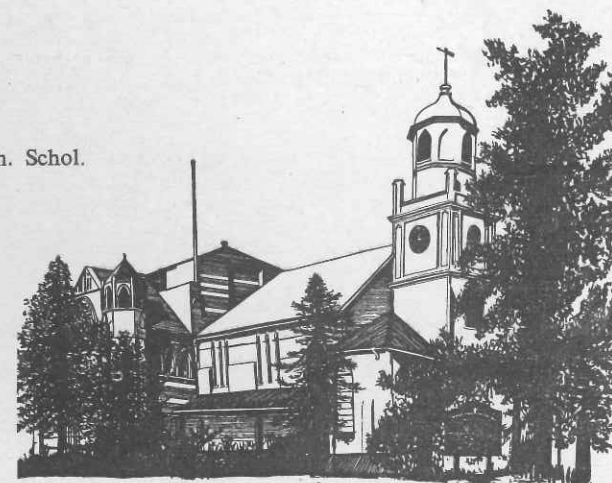
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## ST. CECILIA'S MUSICAL FESTIVAL

MONDAY, 24th NOVEMBER, AT 8 P.M.

RENAISSANCE SINGERS

FLUTE — MRS. D. ROWE

ORGAN AND HARPSICHORD — LINDSAY O'NEILL

## TIMES OF SERVICES

9.30 A.M. AND 7.30 P.M.

As announced last month there is to be a service at 9.30 a.m. each Sunday. This will be the main morning service each Sunday and will be Holy Communion on alternate Sundays.

The Choir will attend this Service. We will continue 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. Services during this experimental period of three months.

The purpose of this experiment is to try and find a time which will be more convenient for people to worship, especially as a family. Many people find the 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. services not convenient. The Senior Sunday School will attend the first part of this service.

During the Summer whilst daylight saving is in force, evening Service will commence at 7.30 p.m.

## THE RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

During the past month there were many activities in and around the Parish Church. These included Confirmation and First Communion, a televised service, the Parish Life Convention and Exhibition, the Festival and a Floral Display; all in addition to the normal happenings in the life of the parish. A small number of people were responsible for the organisation of most of the above events and I would like to express my personal appreciation and thanks to each one who helped in any way with the above events. It would be impossible to mention everyone's name, but would each one please accept my thanks for help readily given.

It was a pleasure for us to have as the visiting preacher, the Venerable Hugh Girvan, the Archdeacon of St. Arnaud. On the last occasion when the Archdeacon was with us, it was an R.S.C.M. Choir Festival. The Archdeacon's messages were much appreciated and should inspire us to further witness and service in the future. There is much to be done in the name of the Church and there is room for more people who are willing to actively assist in the Church's work.

Only today, a parishioner was speaking about the days when St. John's Church had a good congregation every Sunday night. Sad to say, I have not had that experience here, except on a few occasions. What a joy and inspiration it would be for all of us, to participate in a regular Sunday night service with a congregation of some three hundred people. It would be an antidote to despair, depression and disappointment. There is no genuine reason why this should not be so, if our Church was given any degree of priority in our lives.

The day may come again when such worship is a regular thing. Indeed, I am sure of it, because as I quoted in my opening remarks at the Parish Life Convention:

"Upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

Such words are the ground of our hope and optimism.

May God bless you all,  
Your sincere friend,  
HENRY A. JERRIM.

## CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER

- November—
- 2 22nd Sunday after Trinity. 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.30 a.m. Matins and Sunday School (Creche). 11 a.m. Holy Communion. 7.30 p.m. Evensong.
  - 4 Tuesday, 8 p.m. G.F.S.
  - 5 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
  - 6 Thursday, 8 p.m. Choir Practice.
  - 7 Friday, 5 p.m. Boys' Choir Practice.
  - 9 Synod Sunday. 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion and Sunday School. 11 a.m. Matins. 7.30 p.m. Evensong.
  - 11 Tuesday, 6 p.m. Men's Fellowship and Tea.
  - 12 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
  - 13 Thursday, 8 p.m. Choir Practice. 7 p.m. Women's Guild Dinner.
  - 14 Friday, 5 p.m. Boys' Choir Practice.
  - 16 24th Sunday after Trinity. 8 a.m. Holy Communion, followed by Communion Breakfast. 9.30 a.m. Family Service. 11 a.m. Holy Communion. 7.30 p.m. Evensong.
  - 18 Tuesday, 8 p.m. Evening Mothers' Union.
  - 19 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion. Morning Tea at Mrs. Holyman's Home.
  - 20 Thursday, 8 p.m. Choir Practice.
  - 21 Friday, 5 p.m. Boys' Choir Practice.
  - 23 Sunday before Advent. 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion and Sunday School. 11 a.m. Matins. 7.30 p.m. Evensong.
  - 24 Monday, 8 p.m. St. Cecilia's Day Festival.
  - 26 Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
  - 27 Thursday, 8 p.m. Choir Practice. 2.30 p.m. Mothers' Union.
  - 28 Friday, 5 p.m. Boys' Choir Practice.
  - 30 Advent Sunday, 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 9.30 a.m. Matins and Sunday School. 11 a.m. Holy Communion. 7.30 p.m. Evensong. "20 and Over" club to meet at the Rectory.

## MOTHERS' UNION

On Thursday, 27th November, members will entertain patients of the Royal Tasmanian Institute for the Blind and The Evangelical Nursing Assn. to a "Musical Tea Party" in the Kindergarten Hall at 2.30 p.m.

A reminder to all members that the Mothers' Union Festival will be held at St. Mark's on Tuesday, 11th November, at 2.30 p.m.

**ST. JOHN'S WOMEN'S GUILD**  
The members of the Guild will meet for their Annual Christmas Dinner on Thursday, 13th November, commencing at 7 p.m. This will be our final meeting for this year. We would like to wish all members and friends the "Compliments of the Season" and our sincere thanks for help and co-operation during this year. A successful "Floral Art Arrangement" given by Messrs. Hinton Lloyd and Terry Bourke, proved a great success. The takings for this evening amounted to \$43.00.

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

The next meeting of the Auxiliary will be held at the home of Mrs. V. C. Holyman, 8 Riverdale Grove, on Monday, 10th November, at 2.45 p.m. Afternoon tea hostesses—Mesdames Roake and Heyes.

The Annual Morning Tea will be held at Mrs. Holyman's home on Wednesday, 19th November, 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon, admission 40c.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish members and friends the "Compliments of the Season" and "thank you" one and all for generous help and assistance throughout the year.

## ST. JOHN'S EVENING MOTHERS' UNION

The next meeting of the St. John's Evening Mothers' Union will be held on Tuesday, 18th November, 1969, commencing with Holy Communion in the Chapel at 8 p.m., and afterwards at the Rectory.

Mrs. P. Buck from the British and Foreign Bible Society will be our guest speaker on this evening.

A creche will be held for the 9.30 a.m. service on 2nd November, and parishioners are invited to make use of this service.

Members are asked to bring a gift for a girl or boy at Clarendon Home, on 2nd December. Supper hostesses at the meeting are Mesdames Crawford and Le Fevre.

## G.F.S.

G.F.S. members wish to thank all who helped to make the Annual G.F.S. Fair so successful.

Over \$103 is in hand and more yet to come. G.F.S. members meet on Tuesday, 4th November at 7.45 p.m.

G.F.S. Annual Festival is at St. John's this year—Saturday, 8th November, at 5 p.m.

## SODEPAX REVIEWS SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS

(Bossey, near Geneva)—"The world is moving as though to a Niagara of chaos..." This was the warning issued by Lady Jackson (Barbara Ward), a British internationally known economist, to clergymen and laymen who are members of the Joint Committee on Society, Development and Peace as they met here at the Ecumenical Institute of the World Council of Churches, July 2 to 6.

Fifty-four participants from thirteen nations met for four days to consider the crucial issues confronting the churches and cultures of the world.

Development, national and international, was cited as a priority to which all churches, Protestant, Orthodox and Roman Catholic, should address themselves. "The human family", one report stated, "possesses the resources required for world development, but the public and political will to do what is needed is significantly lacking." The report further indicated that "the Church has a unique and vital role to play in this process of forming a public conscience. Perhaps this is her greatest role, one that is more urgent than direct church operation in development."

This was stressed at the annual meeting of the Joint Committee on Society, Development and Peace (SODEPAX), which has been constituted by the World Council of Churches and the Pontifical Commission Justice and Peace to review and examine critically past and present programmes and to suggest future policies programmes. In expressing a desire to join in a Day of World Peace instituted by Pope Paul VI this year, the committee cautioned that "the danger of irrelevant and purely churchly observance of the Day of World Peace could be avoided only in so far as in each region and nation public manifestations of Christian protest against violence and injustice went along with the devout prayers of the faithful."

Such issues, and their theological implications, as education for development, influencing structures (both in societies and churches), and Christian co-operation with men of other faiths and ideologies in social justice, development and peace were also considered by the committee and will be subjects of extensive study by special work groups sponsored by SODEPAX. Co-chairmen of the SODEPAX committee are Mgr. Joseph Gremillion, Secretary of the Pontifical Commission Justice and Peace and Mr. Max Kohnstamm, appointed by the World Council of Churches.

In a concluding statement, the co-chairmen indicated the significant progress which has been made by SODEPAX since its initial meetings such as Beirut in 1968. "This meeting and recent task group meetings around the world", they said, "have exhibited a new awareness on the part of the world-wide Christian community that the massive issues of society, development and peace must be met by equally massive resources and intensive efforts in every region of the world." They called upon "the Church, the churches and every human bearing the name 'Christian' to redouble their efforts and commitment to alleviate suffering and oppression of every kind and to promote the sanctity of every man in the sight of God."

## PARISH MESSENGER

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## MARRIAGES

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## BURIALS

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

## B.C.A.

November is the usual time for B.C.A. Box opening. If anyone has a box to be passed in, it may be left at the Church, or contact Celia Pennicott, 85 Balfour St., 'phone 31 4223. It would be nice to send a cheque to the Society before the end of the year.

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