

PARISH MESSENGER

SUPPLEMENT TO THE CHURCH NEWS, JUNE, 1976



YOU ASKED FOR IT !!

You haste away so soon,
Stay, stay,
Until the hasting day
Has run,
But to the even-song.

JOIN ME AT

5.00 P.M.

JUNE - JULY - AUGUST.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN □ LAUNCESTON

SUNDAY SERVICES

Holy Communion: 8.00 a.m. Every Sunday; 10.00 a.m. First, Third and Fifth Sundays.

Family Service: 10.00 a.m. Second Sunday. Morning Prayer: 10.00 a.m. Fourth Sunday.

Evening Service: 5.00 p.m.

WEEKDAY SERVICES: (In the Chapel).

Morning Prayer, daily at 8.00 a.m.; Holy Communion, Wednesdays at 10.30 a.m.

Church of St. John, Launceston

Parish Messenger, supplement to the Church News, June, 1976.

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The Revd. Harry Ikin, L.Th.

THE RECTOR WRITES,

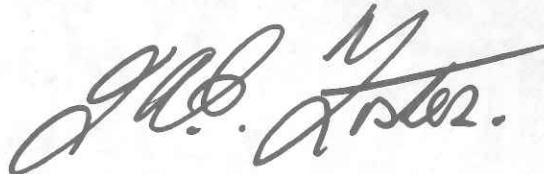
Dear Parishioners,

I would like to express my appreciation of the warm welcome I have received at St. John's Church. I am very happy to be here and sharing in worship at such a beautiful and historic church during the Rector's absence on leave. Special thanks are due to the Ladies Guild for seeing that the cupboard was not bare when I arrived at the Rectory. The assistant clergy have also been most helpful by meeting me at the airport and generally showing me the ropes or rather the numerous keys and switches.

Before leaving Melbourne I was pleased to meet the Rector and family at Tullamarine where they had a long wait before the next stage of their journey. I also went to see the Rev. R. Pethybridge in hospital. He and his wife had been looking forward so much to coming to St. John's and revisiting Launceston.

On the 29th May the Church celebrated the Feast of the Ascension. It is an important festival that tends to be obscured because it always falls on a Thursday. It meant our Lord's withdrawal from this earthly scene, but the disciples were not downcast. He had promised to be with them always, and to send the Comforter, so "they returned to Jerusalem with great joy".

Yours sincerely,



J. Foster.

FROM THE RECTOR AT LARGE:—

On the Sunday after arrival we attended Holy Communion at St. Peter's, Eaton Square where we had a friendly reception. After walking to Westminster Abbey we found ourselves just in time for Evensong. A most meaningful service with quite rousing singing of "Thine be the glory, Risen, Conquering Lord".

One highlight was the 9.30 service at St. Mary Magdalene's Church, Launceston where the Vicar invited me to share in the Administration of the Communion. Another highlight was to call on Margaret Willson's parents at Amberley, near Stroud.

God bless you all, looking forward to meeting up with the St. John's M.U. trippers when we get back to London.

EVENING SERVICE: 5 p.m. JUNE, JULY, AUGUST



HAPPENINGS

A "send-off" for the Booths was held in the Parish Centre. The Assistant put together a slide show of places the Booths will see. They now think the Travel brochures they have studied are unreliable.

Finally! the Booths got away. Heard the Assistant heave a sigh of relief as the plane took off!

From the "hics" and ups and downs of the lines in one letter received from them seems to indicate that English water is stronger than ours.

The Car Park looks great now it has been sealed. Overheard one enthusiast remark "It would make a good tennis court!"

The new heating system is now on, Elizabeth Street finds that by sitting over them is the warmer position.

No. 39 is receiving a face-lift — inside. I will be pleased to see those horrible dark colours disappear.

Our new Locum has arrived. With two bachelors on the staff Elizabeth Street sees her time cut out trying to chase both of them!!

Notice no ball of string attached to the front door of the Rectory so I assume the Booths are truly lost.

Elizabeth Street

MEALS ON WHEELS

The following parishioners are rostered for Sunday, 13th June at 11.30 a.m.

Margaret Willson, duty driver	D. Sutton
R. Dewis	G. Swinnterton
J. Green	T. White
B. Murgatroyd	A. Whittle
L. Nicholas	

If you are unable to attend please phone Ian Routley, 44 4936.

GROUNDS ROSTER

June 19th	J. Stevenson	Church
	R. Cartledge	Rectory

MOTHERS' UNION

Nineteen members attended the meeting, slides of Russia were shown by Rev'd. D. Rossignol. Supper Hostesses: Mesdames Ayers, Bonney, Massey. Next meeting 15th June — Speaker: Mrs. Margaret Mason from St. Andrews Handicapped Trainee Workshop.

GUILD NOTES

The May meeting of the St. John's Women's Guild was held in conjunction with the 21st Annual Meeting. The Rev'd. H. Ikin chaired the meeting.

The Guild owe a debt of gratitude to our retiring President, Mrs. T. P. White, and the Treasurer, Mrs. J. Sheldrick who did not seek re-election. On behalf of Guild Members, Rev'd. Ikin thanked both Ladies for their years of leadership and service.

The Secretary and Treasurer were thanked for their reports tabled at the meeting and the Guild commended on the amount of \$1,348 raised during the past year. It was agreed to forward \$50 each to the Clarendon Home Building Fund and the Department of Missions.

The results of the election for office bearers was — President: Mrs. J. Stevenson, Secretary: Mrs. K. Ford, Treasurer: Mrs. C. Hill.

Next meeting: June 10th at 7.45 p.m. Supper Hostesses: Mesdames Ford and White.

G.F.S. TOWNSEND

The Townsend G.F.S. invite all members of the parish to a Film Evening on Tuesday, 22nd June at 7.45 p.m. in the Parish Centre. Films will be shown by Rev'd. David Le Rossignol of East Germany, Poland and Russia; a cup of tea will be served afterwards.

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

The next meeting will now be held on June 21st at 2.45 p.m. Hostesses: Miss W. Green and Mrs. McLaine.

PARISH OFFICE PHONE

The parish office may now be contacted between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on phone no. 31 4896 (the same number as the Assistant).

CONFIRMATION 1976

Application forms will be available this month from the Parish Office or the Church for all those wishing to be confirmed.

CALENDAR FOR JUNE

- 2 Wednesday 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
7.30 p.m. Property Committee Meeting.
8 p.m. Education Committee Meeting.
- 3 Thursday 8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 4 Friday 4.30 p.m. Junior Choir Practice.
- 6 Whitsunday 8 a.m. Holy Communion.
10 a.m. Holy Communion.
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL.
3 p.m. Healing Service.
5 p.m. Evensong, Preacher Dr. Rufus Womble, Order of St. Luke.
- 7 Monday 7.30 p.m. O.S.L. Prayer Meeting in Chapel.
- 8 Tuesday 6 p.m. Men's Tea.
- 9 Wednesday 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
7.30 p.m. Vestry.
- 10 Thursday 7.45 p.m. Guild.
8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 11 Friday 8 a.m. Holy Communion - St. Barnabas' Day.
4.30 p.m. Junior Choir Practice.
- 13 Trinity Sunday 8 a.m. Holy Communion.
10 a.m. Mattins.
11.30 a.m. Meals on Wheels.
5 p.m. Evensong.
- 15 Tuesday 8 p.m. Mothers' Union.
- 16 Wednesday 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
6 p.m. C.E.B.S. & G.F.S.
- 17 Thursday 8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 18 Friday 4.30 p.m. Junior Choir Practice.
8 p.m. Opening of Youth Fellowship.
- 20 Trinity 1 8 a.m. Holy Communion.
10 a.m. Sunday School.
10 a.m. Holy Communion - Launceston Church Grammar School Service. Bishop Jerrim to preach.
5 p.m. Evensong.
- 21 Monday 2.45 p.m. St. John's Auxiliary to St. Luke's.
8 p.m. O.S.L. Chapter Meeting in Parish Centre.
- 22 Tuesday 7.45 p.m. G.F.S. Townsend Group.
- 23 Wednesday 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
6 p.m. G.F.S. & C.E.B.S.
- 24 Thursday 8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 25 Friday 4.30 p.m. Junior Choir Practice.
7.30 p.m. Family Night.
- 27 Trinity 2 8 a.m. Holy Communion
10 a.m. Sunday School

CALENDAR FOR JUNE Cont'd.

- 27 Trinity 2 10 a.m. Mattins.
5 p.m. Evensong.
- 30 Wednesday 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
6 p.m. C.E.B.S. & G.F.S.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

A new youth fellowship will be opening in St. John's Parish Centre at 8 p.m. on Friday 18th June, 1976. This fellowship will meet regularly each fortnight from that date and will be open to ages 14 - 18. It will be led by competent leaders who have had experience in young people's work. The aim of the fellowship is to present the Gospel within the framework of a social atmosphere.

FOR ALL THE FAMILY !!

A new series of FAMILY NIGHTS commences on 25th June (Friday) at 7.30 p.m. and on this occasion it will take the form of a film night with Bill Donaldson who will present three 16 mm Sound Films in Colour.

The main film is Walt Disney's "One Day in Teton Marsh", a wild life film featuring the otter. Supporting films are Disney's version of the classic "Peter and the Wolf" and the third film bears the title "Wild Life in Danger". Total screening time is 80 minutes, after which supper will be served by the Mothers' Union.

This is a night with interest for young and old and we hope that many families and the ones and twos who make up the Parish Family will take the opportunity of sharing with us.

C.E.B.S. & G.F.S.

As a result of a leaders' meeting 20th May, it was resolved to change the night for C.E.B.S. and G.F.S. meetings from Thursday to Wednesday, as from next term.

G.F.S.	Age	7 - 11 Juniors
		11 - 14 Intermediate
		14 - 16 Cadet Leadership.

C.E.B.S.	Age	8 - 10½ Pages
		10½ - 13½ Esquires.



*"For though the day be never so long
at last the bells ringeth to evensong".*

Stephen Hawes, 1502-1521.