

PARISH MESSENGER

SUPPLEMENT TO THE CHURCH NEWS, JUNE, 1977



CHURCH OF ST. JOHN — LAUNCESTON

SUNDAY SERVICES

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

Family Service: 10.00 a.m. Second Sunday.

Morning Prayer: 10.00 a.m. Fourth Sunday.

Evensong: 5 p.m. First, Second, Third and Fifth Sundays.

WEEKDAY SERVICES: (In the Chapel).

Morning Prayer, daily at 8.00 a.m. (Holy Communion, Saints' Days).

Wednesday: 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.

Rector:
The Revd. Ian Booth, Th.L.
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Assistants:
The Revd. David Le Rossignol, Th.L.
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The Revd. Harry Ikin, L.Th.

THE RECTOR WRITES

Dear Parishioners,

"While I live I'll grow". So read the motto of an old and very large Departmental Store in Sydney, the famous Anthony Hordens of Brickfield Hill.

Growth in Christian life should concern us greatly. Worship, sacrament, prayer, Bible study, practical Christian service are all part of the nurturing of this growth.

A seven-week programme of Bible Study, "In the Spirit of Love", will commence in the Parish Centre at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, 28th June and continue until the 9th August. It is fairly basic Bible Study arranged in an integrated series of four outlines for each week, viz. a personal Bible Study to be done at home, a Family Study to be used by all the family, a Group Study which we will use on the Tuesday nights and finally a Sermon outline for the Sunday night following each week's studies. The use of any one part of these will be beneficial but a combination of approaches will be better, e.g. the personal study should be done at home before sharing in the group study and the sermon will help in drawing together the learnings of the week.

This Bible Study Programme has been arranged for you, do take the opportunity provided. I am personally inviting you to attend and I hope you will respond enthusiastically.

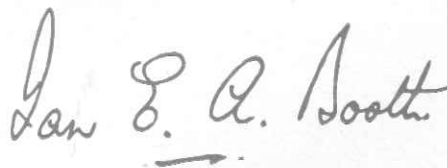
Please pardon a personal note. Trinity Sunday, 5th June, will mark the 25th Anniversary of my ordination to the Priesthood in St. Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney. I am deeply thankful to our Heavenly Father who has not only guided me throughout my ministry but has given me to experience his enabling power in a thousand ways both in remote bush parishes and now in the centre of the city. Will you join me at the services on Trinity Sunday and help me to give thanks on this special day?

The freedom to choose is a precious gift and part of the rich heritage we have received. Our nation has recently exercised this gift in the Referendum and now must settle down again, at least for a while, to living under the rules we have chosen. We have an even greater heritage of choice, that of accepting or rejecting the love of God in Jesus Christ. Choosing to accept represents a "Yes" vote to the rules of Christian living. St. Paul speaks of the Christian as being a "citizen of heaven".

The rules of heavenly citizenship are centred in loving the Lord our God with all our heart, mind, soul and strength and our neighbour as ourselves. Such living, it seems to me, would make a world of difference to our nation. This is the challenge to us all.

God bless you all.

Yours sincerely,



IAN E. A. BOOTH, Rector.



HAPPENINGS

"Lock the doors!" One expects to hear this command as the Division Bells stop ringing at Parliament House before the votes are counted but not at St. John's!

My St. John's corner (with Elizabeth Street) has become a very sad place through the senseless vandalism and theft in the Church. I hope you will be one of the friends of St. John's who will help to open the doors once again.

St. John's Youth Club went roller skating recently. I am told that the Revd. David Le Rossignol refused to skate! Why? Because he took too seriously the old scouting song, "You can't get to heaven on roller skates, you'll roll right past those Pearly Gates."

A Youth Synod. What a wonderful idea. Glad to know that three will represent St. John's. It's not until July but hope to hear that it proves to be a roaring success. Wish I was young again!

Elizabeth Street

HELP UNLOCK ST. JOHN'S

Will you assist in re-opening the doors of St. John's to visitors and those who wish to pray? It is hoped to gain sufficient interest to form a roster for at least part of each day. Ladies willing to help will be rostered in pairs. A list for volunteers will be found in the Narthex at the Sunday services. Please give your name, address and telephone number.

Incidentally, the Rector, Churchwardens and Vestry very much regret that due to a consistent run of incidents in which the Church was damaged and items stolen the decision was taken to lock the building when not being used for services.

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 Churchwardens.

Mrs. B. Whitney \$5.00, Miss B. Parramore \$3.00, Mrs. K. Robinson \$2.00, Miss J. Ingram \$5.00, Miss R. Sutton \$2.00, Mrs. W. J. Williams \$2.00, Mrs. Crombie \$2.00, Mrs. Pearce \$2.00, Mrs. D. Standaloff \$2.00, Mr. and Mrs. Asmus \$1.00, Mrs. J. Crawford \$2.00. THANK YOU.

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

The next meeting of the Auxiliary will be held in the Parish Centre on Monday, 20th June, at 2.45 p.m. Hostesses: Mrs. MacLaine, Mrs. Gardiner and Miss Green.

A Coffee Morning will be held in the Centre on Wednesday, 13th July, at 10 a.m. There will be a stall. Parishioners and friends of St. Luke's are cordially invited.

TRINITY SUNDAY — 5th JUNE, 1977 25th ANNIVERSARY OF THE RECTOR'S ORDINATION

The Churchwardens and Vestry congratulate the Rector on reaching this important landmark in his service as an ordained Priest. We wish him and Mrs. Booth well in the years ahead.

The Revd. Ian Booth trained for the ministry at Moore Theological College, Sydney, and was ordained Deacon on Whitsunday, 1951. As a Deacon he served as Curate at St. Michael's, Wollongong, now the Pro-Cathedral for the Provisional Diocese of Wollongong.

His ordination to the Priesthood was in St. Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney, on Trinity Sunday, 8th June, 1952. The ordaining Bishop at both ordinations was the late Archbishop Howard Mowll.

As a priest our Rector served first at The Oaks with Burraborang, Diocese of Sydney, for twelve months, followed by nine years with the Bush Church Aid Society in the Nullabor and North East of South Australia where he was located at Ceduna, Orroroo and Peterborough respectively.

Moving to Tasmania in 1962 he served as Rector of Oatlands and the Rector of St. Paul's, Launceston before returning to the mainland in 1968 to give a further three years' service to B.C.A. as Secretary for Victoria, South Australia and Tasmania. In 1972 he became Rector of St. John's, Devonport moving to St. John's, Launceston in September, 1975.

We are all indeed grateful to him for his ministry here at St. John's and we would like as many of the congregation as possible to attend the 8 a.m. Holy Communion Service on Trinity Sunday and afterwards to partake of breakfast with the Rectory family in the Parish Centre.

MAX EASTHER, Churchwarden.

MOTHERS' UNION

Mothers' Union members are reminded that a Beetle Evening will be held on the 21st June (our next meeting date), at 7.45 p.m. in the Parish Centre. Members are asked if they have any dice and shakers to please bring them along. Each member to bring supper and ask a friend. Gentlemen are also invited.

Members are also reminded that Mothers' Union Prayer Group meets on the first and third Thursday of each month at 11.30 a.m. in the Parish Centre. Bring your own lunch if desired but tea and coffee are provided.

WOMEN'S GUILD

The Annual Meeting of the Women's Guild was held in the Parish Centre on 12th May under the Chairmanship of the Rector. The meeting was well attended, and the retiring officers were re-elected for the ensuing year — President, Mrs. J. Stevenson; Secretary, Mrs. K. Ford; Treasurer, Mrs. C. Hill. It was gratifying to report another successful year, with the sum of approximately \$800.00 and knitwear being distributed amongst our various projects. We are assured of another very profitable and happy year with the always willing co-operation of our Guild members.

The next meeting will be held on the 9th June, and our Guest Speaker will be Mr. Noel Dicker. Supper hostesses: Mesdames Peck, Page and Paxton.

CALENDAR FOR JUNE

- 1 Wednesday 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
7.30 p.m. Education Committee.
8 p.m. Property Committee.
- 2 Thursday 8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 3 Friday No Youth Club.
- Fri/Sun 5th Order of St. Luke
State Conference.
- 5 **Trinity Sunday** 8 a.m. Holy Communion.
10 a.m. Holy Communion.
2.30 p.m. Healing Service,
Order of St. Luke.
5 p.m. Evensong.
The Preacher at the 2.30 p.m. &
5 p.m. services will be the Revd.
George MacDougald, Warden of
the Order of St. Luke in Aus-
tralia.
- 6 Monday 7.30 p.m. Order of St. Luke
Prayer Meeting.
- 8 Wednesday 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
7.30 p.m. Vestry.
- 9 Thursday 7.45 p.m. Women's Guild.
8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 10 Friday No Youth Club.
- 11 Saturday **St. Barnabas' Day.**
8 a.m. Holy Communion.
- 12 **Trinity I** 8 a.m. Holy Communion.
10 a.m. Mattins.
11.30 a.m. Meals on Wheels.
5 p.m. Evensong.
- 14 Tuesday 6 p.m. Men's Tea.
- 15 Wednesday 9 a.m. Bible Discussion,
C.M.S. House.
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
6 p.m. G.F.S.
- 16 Thursday 6 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.30 p.m. Junior Choir Practice.
8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 17 Friday 7.30 p.m. Youth Club.
- 19 **Trinity II** 8 a.m. Holy Communion.
10 a.m. Sunday School.
10 a.m. Holy Communion.
11.15 a.m. Confirmation Class.
5 p.m. Generation Service.
Preacher at all services — Mr.
Colin Rodda, Bible Society.
- 20 Monday 2.45 p.m. St. John's Auxiliary to
St. Luke's Hospital.
8 p.m. Order of St. Luke.

- 21 Tuesday 7.45 p.m. Mothers' Union Beetle
Evening.
- 22 Wednesday 9 a.m. Bible Discussion,
C.M.S. House.
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
6 p.m. G.F.S.
- 23 Thursday 6 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.30 p.m. Junior Choir Practice.
8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 24 Friday **Nativity of St. John Baptist**
8 a.m. Holy Communion.
7.30 p.m. Youth Club.
- 26 **Trinity III** 8 a.m. Holy Communion.
10 a.m. Sunday School.
10 a.m. Mattins.
11.15 a.m. Confirmation Class.
2.30 p.m. Archdeaconry Meeting
of Churchwardens and Treasurers
5 p.m. Holy Communion.
- 28 Tuesday 7.45 p.m. G.F.S. Townsend.
8 p.m. Bible Study "In the Spirit
of Love", in Parish Centre.
- 29 Wednesday **St. Peter's Day**
8 a.m. Holy Communion.
9 a.m. Bible Discussion,
C.M.S. House.
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
6 p.m. G.F.S.
- 30 Thursday 6 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.30 p.m. Junior Choir Practice.
8 p.m. Choir Practice.

SOME IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday, 8th July — FAMILY NIGHT with Ron Buckland of Scripture Union.

Friday, 21st October to Sunday 23rd October — FAMILY CAMP at Ulverstone. Leader for the Camp will be the Revd. George Pearson, Vice-Principal of Ridley College, Melbourne.

MEALS ON WHEELS

The following parishioners are rostered for Sunday, 12th June, at 11.30 a.m.

Margaret Willson (Duty Driver)	G. Lillico
W. Cowell	S. Murray
B. Easther	D. Rowe
A. Ford	D. Standaloft
J. Green	T. White
G. Hill	

If anyone is unable to attend would they please phone Margaret Willson — 30 1364.

GROUNDS ROSTER

11th June —	25th June —
Rick Cartledge (Rectory)	G. Lillico (Rectory)
J. Stevenson (Church)	I. Routley (Church)