

# PARISH MESSENGER

SUPPLEMENT to the CHURCH NEWS, SEPTEMBER, 1977



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## CHURCH OF ST. JOHN — LAUNCESTON

### SUNDAY SERVICES

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

**Family Service:** 10.00 a.m. Second Sunday.

**Morning Prayer:** 10.00 a.m. Fourth Sunday.

**Evensong:** 7 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.  
Telephone 31 5218

Hon. Assistant:  
The Revd. Harry Ikin, L.Th.

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## THE RECTOR WRITES

Dear Parishioners,

"In the Spirit of Love" is the title of a small study book used for our recent series of Tuesday night Bible Studies.

Over seven weeks a group of parishioners came together and experienced a growth in their knowledge and understanding of the Scriptures which they have described to me as most helpful and challenging.

A little of the experience has been shared with the Sunday evening congregation over the seven-week period by using the week's study theme as background for the sermon. In this way more folk have been able to gain from the series.

Some words found in Stephen Verney's challenging book "Fire in Coventry" first printed in 1964 but still fresh with its message from a deep spiritual experience which challenged the people of a Diocese, seem to sum up the experience we have shared in these studies, "What we discovered about Him (the Holy Spirit) was, first of all, that He is the Spirit of Love and the Spirit of Prayer".

Sharing in the Spirit of Love and the Spirit of Prayer must be at the heart of our life as a Parish Family. Such sharing will, in good measure, equip us to be effective Christians. It will deepen our fellowship, enrich our worship, draw us in celebration together around the Lord's Table at the Holy Communion and send us out to share His love with others. In this way we not only grow in our Christian lives but also proclaim the Gospel, the Good News.

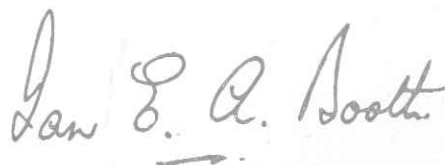
The Northern Tasmania Reachout programme will not be the ultimate answer to our need to reach out in the Spirit of Love; no programme ever will be. However, it is one good opportunity to share with others in response to serve our Lord in witness and evangelism and I hope many of you will be involved in it. I hope also that we all will be warm, welcoming and helpful to those who respond with a new commitment to our Lord Jesus Christ or who find a new dedication to Him through this programme. The step they take will be meaningful only as they are given the right opportunity for nurture and growth within the Church in the Spirit of Love.

May I express, on your behalf, to the Rev'd. David Le Rossignol, our thanks for his ministry at St. John's as Assistant Curate. We will follow him in our prayers as he begins his new work as Assistant Priest in the Parish of St. James' New Town with the Rev'd. Charles Holmes

As yet I am unable to announce the appointment of a new assistant but I can assure you that arrangements are at an advanced stage. An announcement will be made before the next issue of "Parish Messenger" so I ask you to be prepared to surround my new assistant with your love and prayers as he arrives and throughout his stay with us.

God bless you all.

Yours sincerely,



IAN E. A. BOOTH, Rector.



# HAPPENINGS

Well, my No. 39 is empty again! I wonder who will move in? Whoever it is will, I am sure, make a big contribution to Parish Family life as have all the previous occupants. Don't forget to give a warm St. John's welcome.

Ladies are presented with bouquets of flowers but what does one present to a gent? The problem was solved when we farewelled the Rev'd. David Le Rossignol on the 21st — a bouquet of vegies! Hope he's enjoying his carrots.

Who did I spot in Brisbane recently? You've guessed it Harry and Lynn Ikin. Harry seemed to be doing well on bananas! They will be back home soon and we will all be glad to see them.

## Elizabeth Street

### CHURCHWARDENS AND VESTRYMEN FOR 1977/78

The following parishioners were elected and appointed at the Annual General Meeting held on the 28th July, 1977, and were commissioned on Sunday, 21st August as Churchwardens and Vestrymen for this year:—

#### CHURCHWARDENS

Mr. M. Easter Mr. D. Gill  
Mr. J. Roberts

#### VESTRYMEN

Miss S. Brownrigg Mr. B. Easter  
Mr. T. Butler Mr. A. J. Green  
Mr. R. Cleary Mr. M. Johnson  
Mrs. W. Cowell Mr. G. Swinnerton  
Mr. F. Duffy

### CITY MISSION LADIES AUXILIARY NEW MEMBERS WANTED!

If any ladies in St. John's Parish are interested in joining the City Mission Ladies Auxiliary, they would be made very welcome. Meetings are held on the 4th Monday each month at 2 p.m. Please ring Mrs. D. Lillico, 31 3196 or Mrs. G. Crawford, 31 1491 for further details.

### 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.

Miss D. Lockwood \$2.00, Mrs. K. Robinson \$1.00, Mrs. Watson \$2.00, Mr. & Mrs. T. A. Smith \$5.00, Mrs. J. Green \$2.00, Anon \$5.00, Mrs. & Miss Rule \$2.00, Mrs. W. J. S. Fuller \$2.00, Mrs. Patricia Murray \$5.00, Mrs. V. Gordon \$5.00.

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, 12th September at 2.45 p.m. Afternoon Tea hostesses: Mrs. Swinnerton and Miss Andrews.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks to friends of St. Luke's for their attendance at our Morning Coffee last month. Takings and donations amounted to \$188.80.

A donation of \$200 has been forwarded to the hospital towards the purchase of a theatre trolley to be inscribed — "In memory of the late Sister Phyllis Bruce".

### WOMEN'S GUILD

At our last meeting on the 11th August, final arrangements were discussed for our Spring Flower Festival to be held in the church on the 1st-4th September, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Morning and Afternoon Tea (50 cents) will be available in the Parish Centre from Thursday to Saturday, floral display only till 4 p.m. on Sunday. There will be a stall also in the Centre with plants, cut flowers etc. for sale, and we would appreciate further contributions, including vases if possible, to help augment our funds which go towards our various projects.

We are sure the floral arrangements displaying the artistry of many Church Guilds and Organisations will charm all who view them as they did in 1975 and our thanks are extended to all those who will be contributing, ensuring another successful and beautiful Festival.

Next meeting — 8th September: Hostesses — Mesdames Holyman, Watson and Palliser.

### G.F.S. NEWS

This term has seen a lot of activity at St. John's. Our thanks go to Mrs. Joan Davis for her help with our card baskets and Miss Kiddle for her three-week first aid course. To end the term we hope to enjoy ourselves at a "Pie-n-Pear" night with music and fun. During the school holidays three girls will be going down to Montgomery Park, Snug, for a camp with other G.F.S. and C.E.B.S. members from the State.

Our first meeting next term will be on Wednesday, 14th September.

### MOTHERS' UNION

The next meeting of the Mothers' Union will be on the 20th September at 7.45 p.m. commencing with the Office in the chapel. During the evening Mrs. Watson will show slides of her visit to Honiara and Mrs. Jan Easter will speak about her experiences at the conference for the Australian Church Women in Perth.

## CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER

- 1 Thursday 10 a.m.-4 p.m. St. John's Flower Festival, **Thursday 1st to Sunday 4th** (See Notice).  
8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 4 **Trinity XIII** 8 a.m. Holy Communion.  
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL.  
10 a.m. Holy Communion.  
NO CONFIRMATION CLASS.  
7 p.m. Evensong.
- 5 Monday 7.30 p.m. O.S.L. Prayer Meeting.
- 7 Wednesday 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.  
7.30 p.m. Education Committee.  
8 p.m. Property Committee.
- 8 Thursday 7.45 p.m. Women's Guild.  
8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 11 **Trinity XIV** 8 a.m. Holy Communion.  
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL.  
10 a.m. Mattins.  
NO CONFIRMATION CLASS.  
11.30 a.m. Meals on Wheels.  
7 p.m. Evensong.
- 12 Monday 2.45 p.m. St. John's Auxiliary to St. Luke's Hospital.
- 13 Tuesday 6 p.m. Men's Tea.  
8 p.m. Bible Study in Parish Centre.
- 14 Wednesday 9 a.m. Bible Discussion, C.M.S. House.  
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.  
6 p.m. G.F.S.  
7.30 p.m. Vestry.
- 15 Thursday 6 p.m. C.E.B.S.  
8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 16 Friday 7.30 p.m. Youth Club.
- 18 **Trinity XV** 8 a.m. Holy Communion.  
10 a.m. Sunday School.  
10 a.m. Holy Communion.  
11.15 a.m. Confirmation Class.  
7 p.m. Evensong.
- 19 Monday 8 p.m. Order of St. Luke.
- 20 Tuesday 7.45 p.m. Mothers' Union.
- 21 Wednesday **St. Matthew'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.
- 22 Thursday 6 p.m. C.E.B.S.  
8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 23 Friday 7.30 p.m. Parish Family Night (Slides of the Rectory family's overseas trip).  
7.30 p.m. Youth Club.
- 24 Saturday 7.30 a.m. Reachout Prayer Breakfast.
- 25 **Trinity XVI** 8 a.m. Holy Communion.  
10 a.m. Sunday School.  
10 a.m. Mattins.  
11.15 a.m. Confirmation Class.  
7 p.m. Holy Communion.
- 27 Tuesday 7.45 p.m. G.F.S. Townsend.  
8 p.m. Bible Study in Parish Centre.
- 28 Wednesday 9 a.m. Bible Discussion, C.M.S. House.  
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.  
6 p.m. G.F.S.
- 29 Thursday **St. Michael and All Angels' Day.**  
8 a.m. Holy Communion.  
6 p.m. C.E.B.S.  
8 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 30 Friday 7.30 p.m. Youth Club.  
8 p.m. Community Hymn Singing in St. John's Church to introduce to Northern Tasmania the new Australian Hymn Book. Bishop Neville Chynoweth at St. John's organ. Mr. Herbert Woodhouse will conduct.

## St. John's Flower Festival

1st - 4th September  
in St. John's Church

**Thursday - Saturday, 1st - 3rd September**  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Morning and Afternoon Tea and Stall in the  
Parish Centre

**Sunday, 4th September**

**Floral Viewing only**

**Donation**

### MEALS ON WHEELS

The following parishioners are rostered for Sunday, 11th September, 11.30 a.m.

D. Plumbridge.	G. Swinnerton.
J. Roberts (Duty Driver).	D. Gill.
A. Ford (and Mrs. Ford).	R. Dewis.
R. P. Rowe.	Miss M. Willson.
J. Stevenson.	

If unable to attend please phone the Parish Office between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. — 31 4896.