

PARISH MESSENGER

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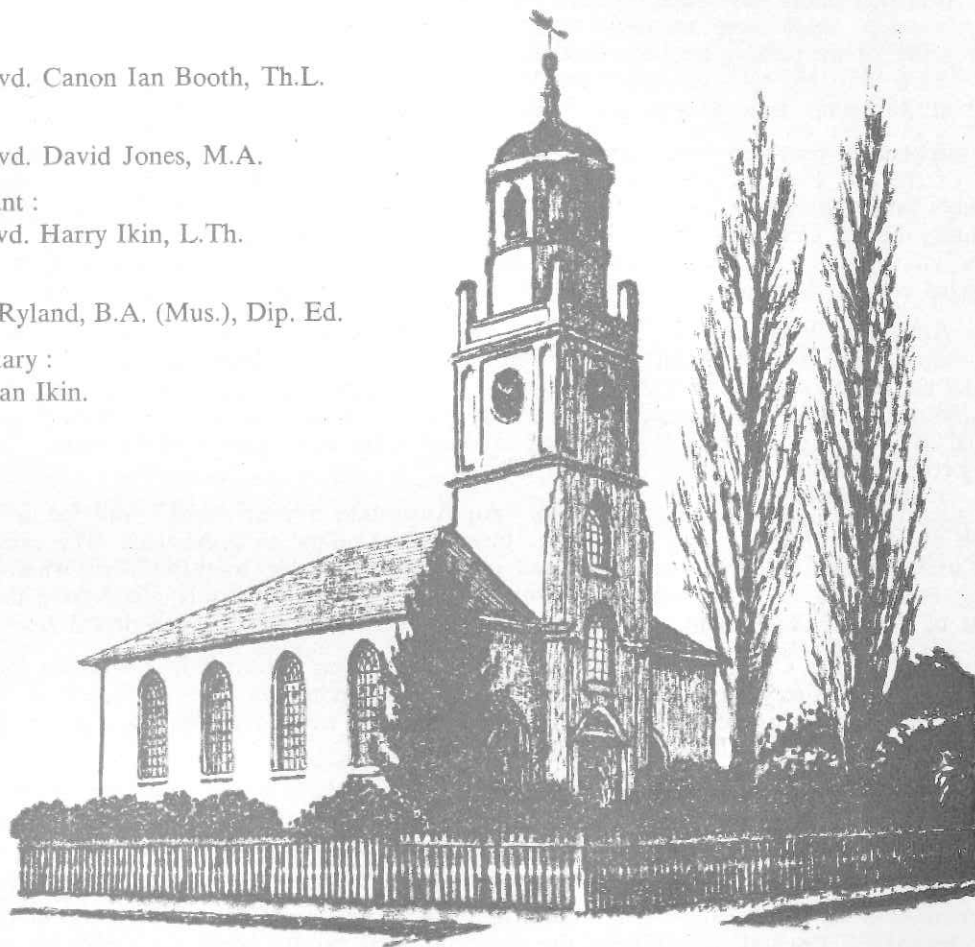
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CHURCH OF ST. JOHN – LAUNCESTON

SUNDAY SERVICES

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

Family Service: 10.00 a.m. Second Sunday.

Morning Prayer: 10.00 a.m. Fourth Sunday.

Evensong: 7.00 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.

THE RECTOR WRITES

Dear Parishioners,

A sense of excitement is about to give way to a practical challenge!

For sixteen years the Anglican Church in Australia has talked and worked its way towards a Prayer Book to serve the present generation, a book which will stand alongside a Book of Common Prayer of 1662.

It is true that many have seen no need for any change and a few have regarded reasons for revision as sheer nonsense. Also there are those who, while recognising the value of some change or modification have felt guilty of trespassing on holy ground. However, the majority have seen the necessity for the developments which have led to "An Australian Prayer Book", the first copies of which will be arriving in our parish about the same time as you are reading this.

Of importance to those who have had difficulties in accepting changes is the understanding that "The Preface" of the old 1662 Prayer Book states "that changes in the use of words and in the needs of society may make changes necessary". The Australian Church acting in the spirit of "The Preface" and with the full authority of the Constitution of the Church of England in Australia has given us our new Prayer Book. In all the changes and modifications the fundamental doctrines of the old book have not been disturbed. The changes reflect variations in the meaning of words and changes in society over the past three centuries.

"An Australian Prayer Book" has emerged through painstaking prayer and care and the Preface of this new book reads as an account of deep spiritual renewal within the Church of Australia. This renewal is not only at the "top" but permeates the whole Church, Bishops, Clergy and People. In revising, the Liturgical Commission has kept constant touch with every Diocese and, as far as possible, every parish. All have faced the challenge to work together and to share in the development of the book. As its Preface states "it is a people's book".

Let us all realise that the introduction of "An Australian Prayer Book" will be a major experience and much more complex than any changes we have had to adjust to previously. The experimental services we have experienced in recent years appeared one at a time as they were published whereas the "A.A.P.B." will bring us changes over the whole spectrum of our worship. Helpfully moderating this will be the fact that some of the individual changes we have already experienced in the experimental revisions.

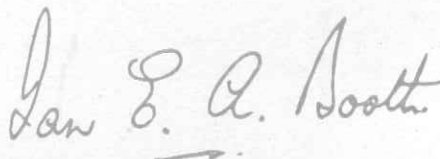
For instance, the Order of Holy Communion as we have known it in the Series III Service we have been using will have prepared us for the use of the Holy Communion (Second Order) in "A.A.P.B.". There will be differences in phraseology and the re-introduction of our Lord's Summary of the Law but the order and flow of the service will be quite familiar to us.

We will need to be prayerfully patient as we learn to interpret the new rubrics and instructions and to find our way through the various alternatives provided in the book. Tolerance and a sanctified sense of humour will be needed for the next month or two as we grow together in the use of our new Prayer Book.

The 1662 Book of Common Prayer will not disappear completely. For the present, the 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion on Wednesdays will follow the 1662 form and Choral Evensong on the second Sunday of each month will possibly revert from the Series II form to the 1662 to enable us to preserve a fine choral tradition for as long as it seems right for us so to do.

God bless you all.

Yours sincerely,



IAN E. A. BOOTH, Rector.

WOMEN'S GUILD

At our next meeting on the 13th April, Mrs. Austin of Notley Hills will show a movie film of her recent trip overseas. Members are invited to bring along family and friends.

We also extend an invitation to members of the parish and friends to Morning Tea and Stall to be held on the 12th April (Wednesday) at 10 a.m. This will be a fund raising effort and we would request full support as finance is urgently need for various projects.

Next meeting : Thursday, 13th April at 7.45 p.m. New members welcome. Supper Hostesses : Mesdames Butler, Page and Stevenson.

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

Members of St. John's Auxiliary to St. Luke's Hospital will meet again on Monday, 10th April at 2.45 p.m. in the Parish Centre.

We were delighted to have so many members at our first meeting in 1978. Suggestions for events during the year were made and were received with enthusiasm by members.

We were happy to welcome yet another new member, Mrs. Coombes. We trust that she will enjoy the friendship of our members and have pleasure in working for St. Luke's.

A cheque for \$200.00 has been forwarded to the Hospital this week towards the purchase of new beds for the wards.

A "Luncheon" was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey Gardner, Stewart Street, on Tuesday, 21st March and was arranged by Mrs. Gardner, Maclaune, Richards and Nolan. Mrs. Palliser was in charge of stall. Proceeds for hospital beds.

MOTHERS' UNION

The next branch meeting will be held on Tuesday, 18th April, commencing with the Office in the Chapel at 7.45 p.m.

The Lady Day Service for M.U. in the Archdeaconry of Launceston will be held in St. John's Church on the 6th April. The Revd. Roy Brown of St. Oswald's will be the celebrant at Holy Communion at 11 a.m. Lunch will follow in the Parish Centre (please bring your own), tea and coffee provided. The Dean of Hobart, the Very Revd. H. Butterley will speak during the afternoon.

A special meeting for Young Mothers of the Archdeaconry will be held in the Parish Centre on Wednesday, 19th April at 10.30 a.m. Mrs. Terry will preside.

ANGLICAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

12th April at St. John's Parish Centre, 1.30 p.m. Speaker : Mrs. A. Samsom of Hobart.

BEQUEST TO ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Estate of the late Mrs. M. R. F. Quick

St. John's Vestry acknowledges with gratitude a bequest from the Estate of the late Mrs. M. R. F. Quick of Kerang, Victoria who died in 1973.

Her husband, who had a life interest in her Estate died recently thus releasing this bequest to St. John's.

Mrs. Quick will be best remembered as Miss Mary Radford who was closely associated with St. John's from early childhood until her marriage when she went to live in Victoria. She was a member of St. John's Choir and of the Girls' Friendly Society and was deeply involved in other aspects of parish life.

Her bequest, as with all other bequests, will strengthen the work of our parish.

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.

Mr. A. R. Thollar \$5.00, Mrs. Radford Snr. \$1.00, Anon \$2.00, Mr. L. O'Neil \$20.00, Mrs. W. Cowell \$2.00, Mrs. C. Latta \$2.00, Mrs. Godfrey \$2.00, Mrs. Nichols \$2.00, Mrs. Stanfield \$2.00, Mrs. B. Whitney \$5.00, Mrs. K. Robinson \$2.00, Mrs. D. Roake \$2.00, Mrs. E. Palliser \$10.00.

THANK YOU.

DATES TO REMEMBER —

FAMILY DAY

SUNDAY, 16th APRIL, 10.30 a.m.
at "CARNACOO", PAPER BEACH
commencing with a
FAMILY COMMUNION SERVICE
followed by a barbecue lunch.

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FRANCIS JACKSON

ORGANIST, YORK MINISTER

ORGAN RECITAL

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

TUESDAY, 2nd MAY, 1978, at 8.00 p.m.

Admission by Programme \$2.00
(Senior Citizens & children — 50c)

Francis Jackson will also play for an
ASCENSION DAY CHORAL EVENSONG
with combined choirs in St. John's Church
on THURSDAY, 4th MAY, 7.30 p.m.

<p>ST. JOHN'S WOMEN'S GUILD is holding a</p> <p>MORNING TEA & STALL in the PARISH CENTRE</p> <p>DATE : Wednesday, 12th April TIME : 10 a.m. to 12 noon Charge : 60 cents</p> <p>ALL WELCOME</p>

CALENDAR FOR APRIL

- 2 **Easter I** 8 a.m. Holy Communion.
10 a.m. Sunday School.
10 a.m. Holy Communion.
7 p.m. Evensong.
- 3 Monday 7.30 p.m. Launceston Branch Bible Society Annual Meeting.
7.30 p.m. O.S.L. Prayer Meeting in Chapel.
- 4 Tuesday **Annunciation of the Virgin Mary**
8 a.m. Holy Communion.
12 noon Pastoral Committee meeting in the Assistant's Cottage.
- 5 Wednesday 9.15 a.m. Bible Discussion, C.M.S. House.
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
4 p.m. Junior Choir Practice.
6 p.m. G.F.S.
7.30 p.m. Education Committee.
8 p.m. Property Committee.
- 6 Thursday 11 a.m. (all day) Mothers' Union "Lady Day" Celebration.
Celebrant: Revd. R. Brown.
Speaker: The Dean of Hobart.
6 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.45 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 7 Friday 7.30 p.m. Youth Group.
8 p.m. Triple Screen Audio-Visual of Bush Church Aid work in remote areas of Australia, Revd. Barry Green.
- 9 **Easter II** 8 a.m. Holy Communion, Preacher, Revd. Barry Green, Bush Church Aid Society.
10 a.m. Family Service.
11.30 a.m. Meals on Wheels.
7 p.m. Evensong.
- 10 Monday 2.45 p.m. St. John's Auxiliary to St. Luke's Hospital.
- 11 Tuesday 2 p.m. Young Mothers' Group.
6 p.m. Men's Tea.
- 12 Wednesday 9.15 a.m. Bible Discussion, C.M.S. House.
10 a.m. - Noon Women's Guild "Morning Tea & Stall".
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
1 p.m. Anglican Women's Fellowship.
4 p.m. Junior Choir Practice.
6 p.m. G.F.S.
7.30 p.m. Vestry.
- 13 Thursday 6 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.45 p.m. Choir Practice.
7.45 p.m. Women's Guild.
- 14 Friday 7.30 p.m. Youth Group.
- 16 **Easter III** 8 a.m. Holy Communion.
10 a.m. Holy Communion.
10.30 a.m. Family Day at "Carnaroo", Paper Beach, Family Holy Communion, followed by barbecue lunch.
7 p.m. Evensong.
- 17 Monday 8 p.m. O.S.L. Chapter Meeting, preceded by Healing Service in Chapel.
- 18 Tuesday 7.45 p.m. Mothers' Union.
- 19 Wednesday 9.15 a.m. Bible Discussion, C.M.S. House.
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
10.30 a.m. - 2.00 p.m. Mothers' Union Archdeaconry Meeting (re. Young Mothers' Groups).
4 p.m. Junior Choir Practice.
6 p.m. G.F.S.
- 20 Thursday 6 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.45 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 21 Friday 7.30 p.m. Youth Group.
- 23 **Easter IV** 8 a.m. Holy Communion.
10 a.m. Sunday School.
10 a.m. Mattins.
7 p.m. Holy Communion, Preacher: Revd. Tom Houstan of Bible Society, London.
- 25 Tuesday **St. Mark's Day.**
8 a.m. Holy Communion.
7.45 p.m. G.F.S. Townsend.
- 26 Wednesday 9.15 a.m. Bible Discussion, C.M.S. House.
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
4 p.m. Junior Choir Practice.
6 p.m. G.F.S.
- 27 Thursday 6 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.45 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 28 Friday 7.30 p.m. Youth Group.
8 p.m. Australian Fellowship of Evangelical Students (Revd. Paul Barnett)
- 30 **Easter V** 8 a.m. Holy Communion, Preacher: Revd. Paul Barnett, Rector, Holy Trinity Church, Adelaide.
10 a.m. Sunday School.
10 a.m. Holy Communion, Preacher: Revd. Paul Barnett.
7 p.m. Evensong.

MEALS ON WHEELS

The following parishioners are rostered for Sunday, 9th April, 11.30 a.m.

M. Easter (Duty Driver)	H. Bourke
W. Donaldson	T. Heggaton
S. Murray	B. Proverbs
J. Roberts	Mrs. W. Arendt
A. J. Green	D. Rowe

If unable to attend, please phone Robert Dewis on 31 3916 (Home).

MORE VOLUNTEERS ARE URGENTLY NEEDED ON THE ROSTER. IF YOU CAN HELP PLEASE CONTACT MR. DEWIS ON THE ABOVE PHONE NUMBER.