

PARISH MESSENGER

SUPPLEMENT TO THE CHURCH NEWS, AUGUST, 1979

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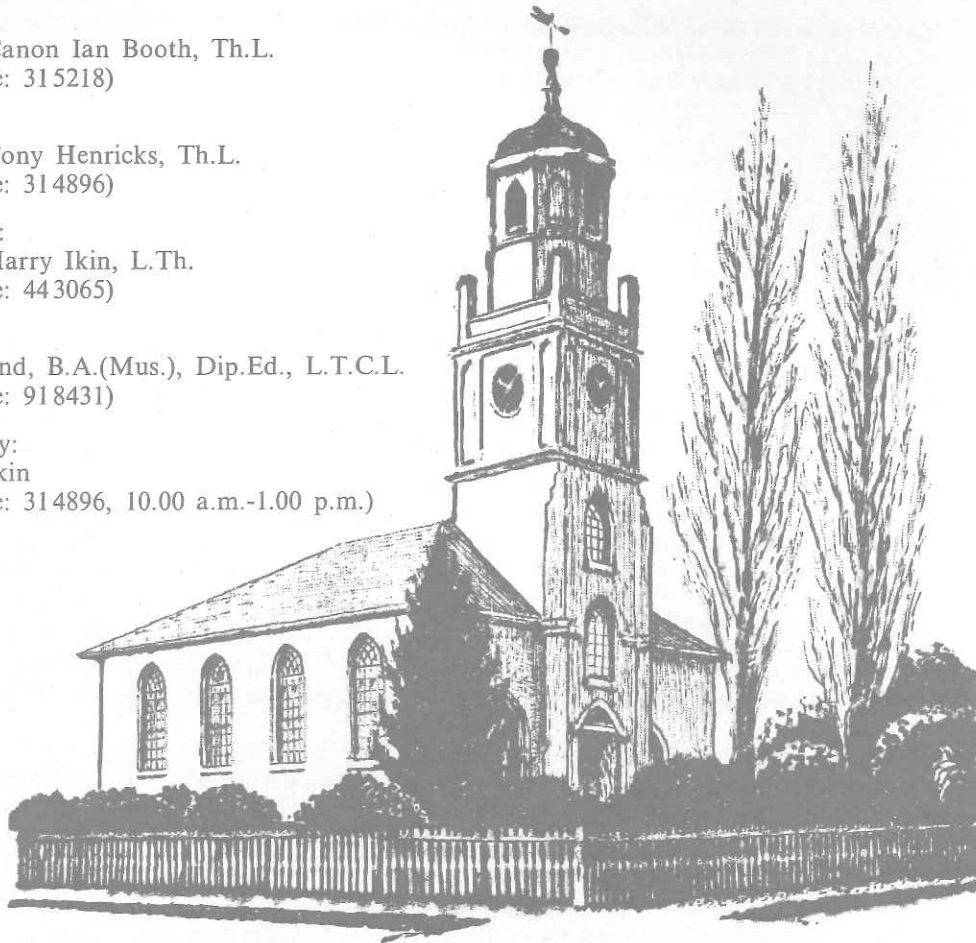
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CHURCH OF ST. JOHN – LAUNCESTON

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 (Healing Service). **Family Service:** 10.00 a.m. Second Sunday.

Morning Prayer: 10.00 a.m. Fourth Sunday.

Evening Prayer: 7.00 p.m. First, Second, Third and Fifth Sundays.

WEEKDAY SERVICES: (In the Chapel)

Daily Office: 8.00 a.m. Monday to Saturday (Holy Communion, Saints' Day).
Wednesday: 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.

For changes to this schedule on 5th and 26th August, please see Calendar on back page.

THE RECTOR WRITES

Dear Parishioners,

This month I want to draw out some passages from my Annual Pastoral Review presented to the Annual General Meeting of the parish on Monday, 30th July. In this way I hope the sharing of my thoughts will be much wider. Those unable to attend the A.G.M. can obtain a full copy of my review and all the other reports presented at the meeting, from the tables in the Narthex or from the Parish Office.

Here are the excerpts:

As we consider the wide variety of activity within the parish we must never lose light of the One who has called us to be his witness in the City of Launceston. Underneath all our involvements there must be a love which shares the Good News about Jesus. At times this love will be loudly proclaimed at other times it will be quietly present, permeating what we do. St. Paul reminds us that God has changed us from enemies into his friends through our Lord Jesus Christ... 'and gave us the task of making others his friends also. Our message is that God was making all mankind his friends through Christ.' (2 Cor. 5:18 and 19 T.E.V.).

Rick Cartledge and Family

What a privilege it has been for us to send forward Rick and Di Cartledge and their family to St. John's College, Morpeth, where Rick is studying for ordination. Reports to hand tell of much hard work, many essays and excellent results. I am pleased that many in the parish have responded to the call to pray for them and to give some financial support to them for the two years they will spend at Morpeth. Keep up the prayer! Contributions for financial support of the family are always very welcome.

Miss Helen Plumb

During the year we sent forward Miss Helen Plumb who had been worshipping with us during her midwifery training at the Queen Victoria Hospital. Helen is now serving as a Nursing Sister with the Bush Church Aid Society at Tarcoola on the Trans-Continental Railway in South Australia. Prayer is also vital in support of Helen and the work of B.C.A.

Pastoral Committee

It is very satisfying to note that this committee has, in the past year, found its bearings and moved forward. It has assisted me to develop and present a basic six-session training course in Pastoral Care which we have called C.F.O. One, which being interpreted is—Caring for Others, Course One. There has been a good response to this course with between 20 and 30 people attending.

After proper evaluation of the course it may be offered again for those who were not able to participate this time.

Caring for Others is not a substitute for evangelism but is an important partner to it and is based in loving God with all our heart, mind, soul and strength and our neighbour as ourselves. We cannot be complacent about the call to discipleship and discipleship means caring. 'They will know we are Christians by our love' are the words of a modern hymn but they are also words of profound challenge to each committed Christian.

Healing Services

Every month we hear of folk who have been blessed with healing through this service and the continuation of prayer throughout the month.

I invite every parishioner to pray each day for the Ministry of Healing in our parish remembering that its authority is that of our Lord Jesus Christ himself and its focus is on wholeness of body, mind and spirit.

Christian Education and Parish Family Programmes

The Sunday School and the Family activities including the Parish Family Weekend are commended to you for your involvement and support—make good use of them.

Casino Crisis

On Tuesday, 8th August, 1978, 'The Examiner' carried as its major headline, 'L.C.C. VETOES CAR PARK CASINO PROPOSAL'. I would like to say 'thank you' to all those concerned people who rallied to my urgent call over Sunday and Monday, 6th and 7th August, 1978 to fill the public gallery at the council meeting on the evening of the 7th at the Launceston Town Hall. This made visible our expression of protest at the possibility of the council accepting the application by a syndicate connected with the Colonial Motor Inn Pty. Ltd. to develop the Vincent Street Car Park site as a casino complex. Some 150 to 200 people filled the gallery, foyer and stairs.

When the matter was re-opened by the council the veto was repeated. No casino will be built on the Vincent Street Car Park.

The final stand which, I regret, was not successful was for me to lead a deputation to the members of the Legislative Council on 12th December, 1978, the day of the debate which led to the passing of the 'Northern Casino Bill'.

There is a time to be silent but there is also a time to speak and this was a time to speak!

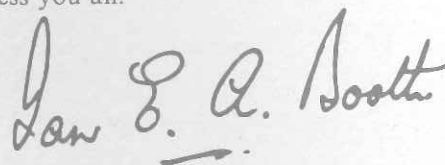
The Parish Team

The parish team is far wider than the full-time clergy. I am very happy that the Rev'd Harry Ikin has been able to resume some visiting. His help has been so very acceptable in recent years.

There are many others who play their part well in the team. The life of our parish is a kaleidoscope of activity as the calendar in any issue of 'Parish Messenger' will reveal. I pay tribute to the work of the leaders and office-bearers of each of the groups. The successful working of a parish is the result of devoted leadership and responsible membership.

There are many wonderful things going on in our parish all the time—sometimes silent, often deep things, which are not clearly visible nor is their voice heard—things which enrich and fulfil our commitment to our Lord Jesus Christ alongside the other things we hear about or see in action from day to day. For them all we give thanks.

God bless you all.



IAN E. A. BOOTH, Rector.

MOTHERS' UNION

Our August meeting on Tuesday, 21st August will take the form of a Beetle Evening. Donation \$1.00, 7.45 p.m. in the Parish Centre. Proceeds to Clarendon Children's Home. Please note—NO service. All welcome. Members supper please.

A morning tea will be held on Wednesday, 8th August from 10.00 a.m. to 12 noon to help support the Cartledge family. Bring a gift, buy a gift. Donation 50 cents.

Overseas Day will be held in St. John's Parish Centre on Thursday, 16th August at 1.30 p.m. Afternoon tea 50 cents. Bring a gift for the stall.

WOMEN'S GUILD

Because of illness, several members were absent from the last meeting and we trust they are again well.

Meetings will continue to be held on the second Thursday of each month at 7.45 p.m.

We do assure ladies of the parish, especially newcomers that they will be warmly welcomed as Guild members and invite them to become involved in our parish activities.

The next meeting will be on 9th August and arrangements are being made for an interesting guest speaker.

Supper hostesses: Mrs. Hill, Miss Barnes and Miss Butler.

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

The Annual Meeting of St. John's Auxiliary to St. Luke's Hospital will be held in the Parish Centre on Monday, 13th August at 2.45 p.m.

Afternoon hostesses: Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Gee and Mrs. Easter.

We would like to thank all those people who accepted our invitation to attend the luncheon which was held last month. It was very gratifying to members to have so many present. The proceeds, which amounted to \$278.00, enabled us to forward a cheque to the hospital for \$375.00. This was our last function for the year ending 1978/1979.

G.F.S. TOWNSEND

This is G.F.S. Australian Centenary Year. A G.F.S. has Junior, Intermediate, Senior and Townsend groups. Mrs. Elizabeth Townsend commenced the Girls' Friendly Society in England in 1875 and it started in Australia in Adelaide in 1879.

It is hoped to increase the number of Townsend members in Launceston during this our Centenary Year. Members must be 18 years and upwards.

Members, former members and others are invited to a social evening in St. John's Parish Centre on Tuesday, 28th August, 7.45 p.m. to mark the occasion. Please come, you are sure to enjoy it.

AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN

Buffet Dinner—St. John's Parish Centre, 24th August, 1979 at 7.00 p.m. Guest speaker, the Rev'd Alan Green, 'The spiritual welfare and education of children today'. Donation \$3.50. Proceeds—Australian Church Women Travel Fund.

R.S.V.P. by Sunday, 12th August, 1979 to Mrs. Jan Easter, Glendale Road, Sidmouth. Telephone 947287.

MEALS ON WHEELS

The following parishioners are rostered for Sunday, 12th August at 11.15 a.m. If unable to attend, please phone Mr. W. Donaldson on 315798 (home).

L. Bath, R. Cleary, A. J. Green, V. Murgatroyd, L. Nicholas, J. Roberts, D. Sinclair, D. Sheldrick, A. Whittle, T. Wing, R. P. Rowe.

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Miss V. Andrews \$3.00, Mrs. B. Whitney \$5.00, Mrs. Carter \$5.00, Mrs. and Miss Rule \$2.00, Mrs. Godfrey \$2.00, Mrs. A. Pearce \$2.00, Miss D. Lockwood \$2.00, Miss B. Parramore \$5.00, Mrs. Nichols \$2.00, Mrs. Godfrey \$2.00.

CALENDAR FOR AUGUST

- 1 Wednesday
9.15 a.m. Bible Discussion, C.M.S. House
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion
4.00 p.m. Junior Choir Practice
6.00 p.m. G.F.S.
7.30 p.m. Education Committee
8.00 p.m. Property Committee
- 2 Thursday
6.00 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.45 p.m. Choir Practice
- 3 Friday
7.30 p.m. Youth Group
- 4 Saturday
C.M.S. Fellowship Night at home of
Dr. and Mrs. Robin Smith, 9 Barossa
Place
- 5 **TRINITY VIII/18TH ORD. SUNDAY**
7.40 a.m. Prayers for the parish in the
Parish Centre
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
10.00 a.m. Sunday School
10.00 a.m. Broadland House Primary
School Service
11.30 a.m. Confirmation Class
7.00 p.m. Evening Prayer
- 6 Monday
Transfiguration of our Lord
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
7.30 p.m. O.S.L. Prayer Meeting in
Chapel
- 7 Tuesday
Pastoral Committee—no meeting due to
Diocesan Council in Hobart
- 8 Wednesday
9.15 a.m. Bible Discussion, C.M.S. House
10.00 a.m./12 noon Mothers' Union
Morning Tea for Cartledge family
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion
4.00 p.m. Junior Choir Practice
6.00 p.m. G.F.S.
7.30 p.m. Vestry
- 9 Thursday
6.00 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.45 p.m. Choir Practice
7.45 p.m. Women's Guild
- 10 Friday
7.30 p.m. Youth Group
- 11 Saturday
8.00 p.m. 'The Witness', Princess Theatre
- 12 **TRINITY IX/19TH ORD. SUNDAY**
7.40 a.m. Prayers for the parish in
Parish Centre
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
10.00 a.m. Family Service
11.15 a.m. Meals on Wheels
11.30 a.m. Confirmation Class
7.00 p.m. Evening Prayer
8.30 p.m. 'The Witness', Princess Theatre
- 13 Monday
2.45 p.m. St. John's Auxiliary to St.
Luke's Hospital Annual Meeting
- 14 Tuesday
6.00 p.m. Men's Tea
- 15 Wednesday
9.15 a.m. Bible Discussion, C.M.S. House
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion
4.00 p.m. Junior Choir Practice
6.00 p.m. G.F.S.
- 16 Thursday
1.30 p.m. Mothers' Union Overseas Day
6.00 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.45 p.m. Choir Practice
- 17 Friday
7.30 p.m. Youth Group
- 19 **TRINITY X/20TH ORD. SUNDAY**
7.40 a.m. Prayers for the parish in
Parish Centre
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
10.00 a.m. Sunday School
10.00 a.m. Holy Communion
11.30 a.m. Confirmation Class
7.00 p.m. Evening Prayer
- 20 Monday
8.00 p.m. O.S.L. Chapter Meeting
- 21 Tuesday
7.45 p.m. Mothers' Union Beetle Evening
- 22 Wednesday
9.15 a.m. Bible Discussion, C.M.S. House
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion
4.00 p.m. Junior Choir Practice
6.00 p.m./10.00 p.m. G.F.S. Social
Evening
- 23 Thursday
6.00 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.45 p.m. Choir Practice
- 24 Friday
St. Bartholomew's Day
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
7.00 p.m. Australian Church Women
Buffet Dinner, Guest Speaker, The
Rev'd Alan Green
7.30 p.m. Youth Group (venue to be
advised)
- 25 Saturday
10.00 a.m./12 noon Sunday School
Market
- 26 **TRINITY XI/21ST ORD. SUNDAY—
DIOCESAN SUNDAY**
7.40 a.m. Prayers for the parish in
Parish Centre
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion, Preacher
at 8.00 and 10.00 a.m. services, The
Rev'd John Van Emmerik, formerly
C.M.S. Missionary East Africa
10.00 a.m. Sunday School
10.00 a.m. Holy Communion, Offering of
our Commitment to the Diocese and
Missions
11.30 a.m. Confirmation Class
7.00 p.m. Holy Communion (Healing
Service)
- 28 Tuesday
2.00 p.m. A.B.M. Missionary Christmas
Present Afternoon, St. Mark's
7.45 p.m. G.F.S. Townsend 'Back to
G.F.S. Night' in the Parish Centre
- 29 Wednesday
9.15 a.m. Bible Discussion, C.M.S. House
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion
4.00 p.m. Junior Choir Practice
6.00 p.m. G.F.S.
- 30 Thursday
6.00 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.45 p.m. Choir Practice
- 31 Friday
7.30 p.m. Youth Group