

PARISH MESSENGER

SUPPLEMENT TO THE CHURCH NEWS, JUNE 1979

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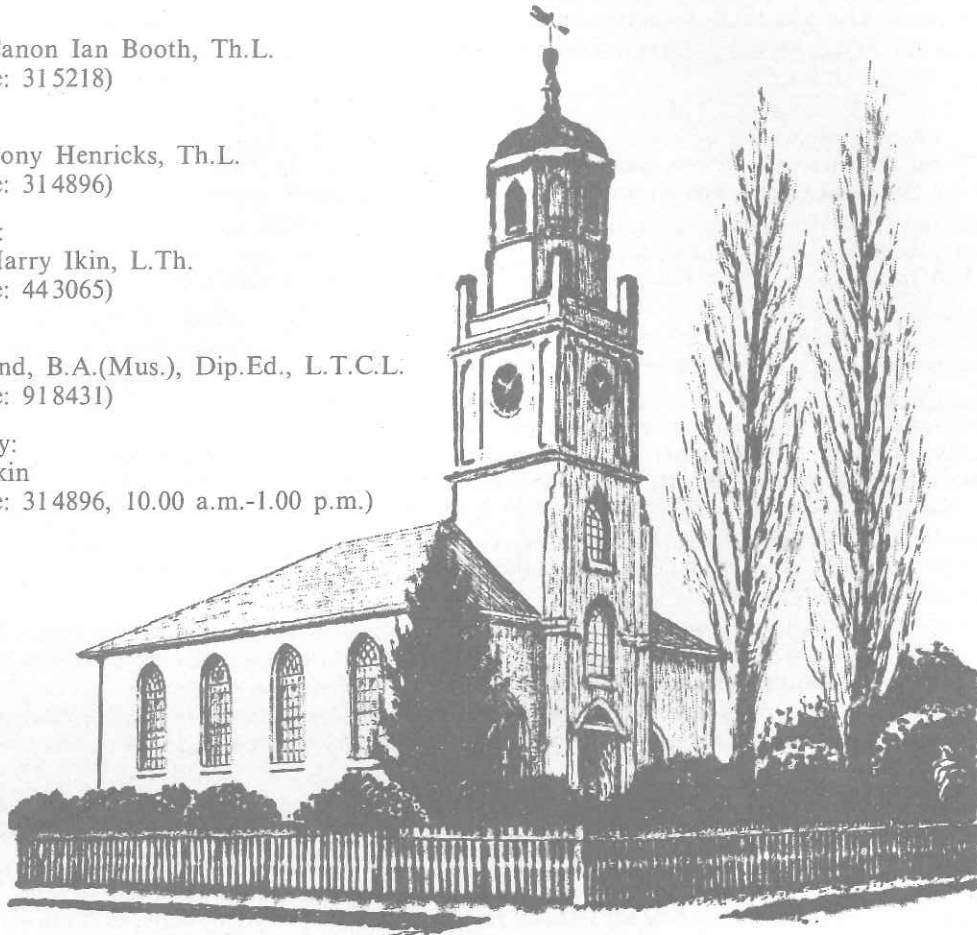
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CHURCH OF ST. JOHN — LAUNCESTON

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)

Morning Prayer, daily at 8.00 a.m. (Holy Communion, Saints' Day).
Wednesday: 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.

THE RECTOR WRITES

Dear Parishioners,

One privilege I have is to come into your home each month through the 'Parish Messenger'. I wish it were possible for me to visit you all in person to talk about the things which are of deep concern to you.

Through the 'Parish Messenger' I can at least share with you a few matters which seem to me to be of concern to members of the Parish Family.

There is one thing of which I am fairly certain and it is that when you come to St. John's or when you visit another church, you like to feel welcome. Several of our parishioners have recently returned from holidays. One person told me how warmly he was welcomed into a congregation in New Zealand and another of a similar experience on the Gold Coast. The warmth of the welcome was much appreciated and will not be forgotten.

I would like to say thank you to those of the St. John's congregation who show the same spirit of caring for visitors and newcomers. To welcome folk, invite them to the Parish Centre for breakfast or a 'cuppa', and to introduce folk to others, to invite them home for a meal, are simple things and yet they mean so much.

A concern expressed recently by the Vestry and its Pastoral sub-committee is that only a small nucleus of parishioners is involved in making others welcome. The result of this is that, whilst we welcome and surround with a caring love some of the visitors and new families, we miss out on others, sometimes quite noticeably.

Being a Christian means to be called into discipleship with an active responsibility of loving God and loving others. This must apply to each member of the Parish Family as it is basic to the Christian life. Many of us, unfortunately, don't even know each other enough to know whether the other person is or is not a regular worshipper. Some of us still feel that we want to be welcomed each time but haven't realised that we should be doing some welcoming ourselves and making an effort to get to know those with whom we worship.

In today's busy world, if people are to find themselves as people, they need to be recognized, accepted and cared for by other people. Where better can this happen than in a Christian congregation where the love of Jesus is central to our reason for being present?

If you believe that God loves you, if you have accepted his love and are his child and a member of his Church, will you accept the call to live this out actively in love for others and begin by consciously committing yourself to a warmth of loving and caring within the St. John's Parish Family?

As Jesus was praying for those who had become his followers he said to the Father, 'I made known to them thy Name and I will make it known, that the love with which thou hast loved me may be in them and I in them.' John 17:26.

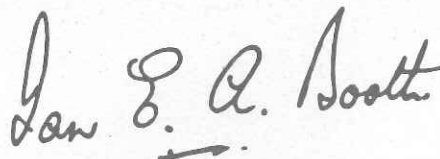
When you find it difficult to be outgoing to others pray that the love of Jesus may fill your life and speak through you. In fact we should all pray for this to be so even if we are naturally outgoing people.

Can I ask one step more of you? Come to the 'C.F.O. One' series of studies commencing on Tuesday, 12th June at 8.00 p.m. and join with others in training in Christian concern for others even beyond the worshipping congregation. C.F.O. stands for 'Caring for Others', the 'One' stands for the first series of study sessions—next year it may be possible to present 'C.F.O. Two', a course at greater depth.

I conclude with the words of 3 John verses 5 and 6a.

'Beloved, it is a loyal thing you do when you render any service to the brethren, especially to strangers, who have testified to your love before the Church.'

Yours in the fullness of Christ's love,



IAN E. A. BOOTH, Rector.

MOTHERS' UNION

The next meeting will be held on 19th June, commencing with a service in the chapel at 7.45 p.m. Our guest speaker will be Sister Bernadette who will speak on the subject 'Life Link'. Members are reminded of the visit of M.U. Central President, Mrs. Nugee, on 26th June. She will be guest speaker at St. John's Parish Centre 6.00-8.00 p.m. Tea will be served. ALL WELCOME at these two functions.

WOMEN'S GUILD

At the Annual Meeting, red badges, an award for 20 years' Guild service, were presented by the Rector to three members, Mesdames Easther, White and Sheldrick.

Mrs. M. Easther who was welcomed as in-coming President, made a presentation to Mrs. J. Stevenson, the retiring President.

The next meeting on 14th June will commence at 7.30 p.m. as there will be two important agenda items to discuss, also catering arrangements for two functions.

Guest speaker will be Mrs. Jean Baulis. Supper hostesses: Mesdames Palliser, Ford and Sutton.

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

Members of St. John's Auxiliary to St. Luke's Hospital will meet in the Parish Centre for our next meeting on 11th June, 1979 at 2.45 p.m. Afternoon tea hostesses: Mesdames Gardiner, Maclaine and Richards.

On Friday, 22nd June, a luncheon for hospital funds will be held in the Centre, 12 noon to 1.30 p.m. Admission will be \$3.00. A cordial welcome is extended to all parishioners and their friends. We do trust that as many people as possible will be able to come along and partake of a delicious hot meal served in the warm and very comfortable rooms at the Centre.

MEALS ON WHEELS

The following parishioners are rostered for Sunday, 10th June, 1979 at 11.15 a.m. If unable to attend, please phone Mr. W. Donaldson on 315798 (home).

W. Arendt, H. Bourke, W. Cowell, L. Poesiat, D. Plumridge, J. Roberts, T. White, M. Willson, M. Wing, P. Rowe.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION 1979

Application forms for Confirmation Preparation are now available from the Parish Office and the Rector would like all those desiring to be confirmed this year to complete one as soon as possible.

If you would like to discuss the matter of Confirmation before completing the form please contact the Rector on 315218.

Preparation groups will be formed for adults and for young people. The young people's group will commence on Sunday, 24th June at 11.30 a.m. in the Parish Centre. Applications close 17th June.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP PROGRAMME

Many thanks to all who have made commitments to the Parish Stewardship Programme for the next two years. The Programme has so far realised approximately \$48,000 from 155 parishioners. Twenty-six parishioners have taken envelopes without commitment and we have had donations from other parishioners. About 20 parishioners have still to be called upon.

MAX EASTHER

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Parish

this year
will be held on
MONDAY, 30TH JULY, 1979
Parish Tea: 6.00 p.m.
Annual Meeting: 7.30 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH FAMILY Caring for Others C.F.O. ONE

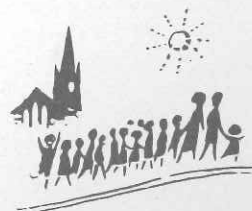
A series of six training sessions for you led by the Rector:

1. Basic Believing
2. 'The Potential of God's People'
3. 'The Impact of God's Spirit'
4. 'The Building of God's Community'
5. The Resources of the Launceston Community
6. The Resources of St. John's Parish Family

Sessions 2, 3 and 4 based on 'Being There for Others', by Bruce Turley—J.B.C.E.

Dates: Tuesdays 12th, 26th June, 3rd, 10th, 24th,
31st July at 8.00 p.m.

PREPARE TO CARE WITH US!



CALENDAR FOR JUNE

- 1 Friday
8.00 p.m.-Sunday p.m. O.S.L. Weekend
- 3 **WHITSUNDAY**
7.40 a.m. Prayers for the parish, in Parish Centre
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
10.00 a.m. Holy Communion
2.30 p.m. Order of St. Luke Healing Service
7.00 p.m. Evening Prayer
- 4 Monday
7.30 p.m. O.S.L. Prayer Meeting in Chapel
- 5 Tuesday
12 noon Pastoral Committee
- 6 Wednesday
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion
7.30 p.m. Education Committee
8.00 p.m. Property Committee
- 7 Thursday
7.45 p.m. Choir Practice
- 10 **TRINITY SUNDAY**
7.40 a.m. Prayers for the parish, in Parish Centre
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
10.00 a.m. Morning Prayer
11.15 a.m. Meals on Wheels
7.00 p.m. Evening Prayer
- 11 Monday
St. Barnabas' Day
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
2.45 p.m. St. John's Auxiliary to St. Luke's Hospital
- 12 Tuesday
6.00 p.m. Men's Tea
8.00 p.m. C.F.O. One—Training Course, Session I.
- 13 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. Vestry
- 14 Thursday
6.00 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.30 p.m. Women's Guild
7.45 p.m. Choir Practice
- 15 Friday
2.30 p.m. Grammar School Founder's Day Service
7.30 p.m. Youth Group
- 17 **TRINITY I/11TH 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
7.00 p.m. Evening Prayer
- 18 Monday
8.00 p.m. O.S.L. Chapter Meeting, in Choir Vestry
- 19 Tuesday
7.45 p.m. Mothers' Union, Guest Speaker, Sister Bernadette on 'Life
- 20 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.
- 21 Thursday
6.00 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.45 p.m. Choir Practice
- 22 Friday
12 noon-1.30 p.m. St. John's Auxiliary to St. Luke's Hospital luncheon in Parish Centre.
7.30 p.m. Youth Group
- 24 **TRINITY II/12TH 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. Morning Prayer
11.30 a.m. Confirmation Class
7.00 p.m. Holy Communion (Healing Service)
- 25 Monday
2.00 p.m. Women's Auxiliary of the Launceston City Mission Annual American Tea at the Mission
- 26 Tuesday
Nativity of St. John Baptist
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
6.00-8.00 p.m. Mothers' Union—Guest Speaker: Mrs. Nugee, M.U. Central President (tea will be served)
7.45 p.m. G.F.S. Townsend
8.00 p.m. C.F.O. One, Session 2
- 27 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.
- 28 Thursday
6.00 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.45 p.m. Choir Practice
- 29 Friday
St. Peter's Day
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
7.30 p.m. Youth Synod Holy Communion, Preacher: The Rev'd Lou Daniels
PLEASE NOTE
TRINITY III/13TH ORD. SUNDAY (1st July)
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, Guest Preacher at 8.00 and 10.00 services: The Rev'd Jim Payne, Commonwealth Secretary, Bible Society
11.30 a.m. Confirmation Class
7.00 p.m. Evening Prayer, St. John Ambulance Service