

PARISH MESSENGER

SUPPLEMENT TO THE CHURCH NEWS, OCTOBER 1980

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You can look forward to the
FESTIVAL OF PRAISE

at

T.C.A.E. THEATRE

NEWNHAM

on

TUES. 7th OCTOBER, 1980

at

7.30 p.m.

**WITH THE REV'D DAVID WATSON
AND TEAM FROM ST. MICHAEL-LE-BELFREY
YORK, U.K.**

Bring your family, friends and neighbours.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN – LAUNCESTON

SUNDAY SERVICES

Holy Communion: 8.00 a.m. Every Sunday; 10.00 a.m. First, Third (Healing Service) and Fifth Sunday.
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.

THE RECTOR WRITES

Dear Parishioners,

"If David has his way, God will be in vogue again." So reads a headline of 'The Australian' of 31st May, 1980. Another headline reads, "David's a Goliath among Gospellers." The article introduces readers to the Rev'd David Watson of St. Michael-le-Belfrey, York, U.K., who has had a remarkable ministry at St. Michael's and throughout the United Kingdom.

David Watson and a team from his parish will be in Launceston on Tuesday, 7th October, to lead a Festival of Praise at the T.C.A.E. Theatre at 7.30 p.m. If their recent experience at the Albert Hall in London is any indication you will need to be there early to get a seat — they packed the Albert Hall three nights running!

Music, drama, dance and preaching are used by the team to present a festival of praise centred on evangelism, renewal and unity.

God has uniquely blessed their work wherever they have been and Launceston will be no exception. This will be even more so if you pray for the blessing of the Holy Spirit upon the Festival of Praise. Come with your family, your friends and your neighbours; invite them all to be there. An invitation warmly and sincerely given may prove to be a step in "helping" someone to a new or renewed faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

David Watson says of himself, "I'm really quite orthodox. All I do is bring the same old message that Christians have been telling for just on 2000 years." With the team he does this in a way that makes it relevant to today's people.

At Synod in September much time was spent discussing and amending Diocesan legislation dealing with the running of parishes. Several previous Acts of Synod were repealed to make way for a consolidation of them with modifications designed to make things a little less complex.

The new Ordinance passed by Synod and assented to by the Bishop of the Diocese now becomes the guidelines for the administration of parishes. As soon as it is printed it will be widely distributed to enable Clergy, Churchwardens and Vestrymen to become familiar with its requirements so that we can begin to implement them.

Of significance to you all is the clearer statement to be signed by those who are the "Electors" of the parish, i.e. those who have the right to vote at the Annual General Meeting or other General Meetings in the Parish. Previously the statement could be signed by anyone over 18 years of age declaring themselves to be "a member of the Church of England and a worshipper in the parish." In the new Ordinance the requirement is that such a person also declare that they have been baptized. The declaration will now read "I am a baptized member of the Church of England in Australia, etc."

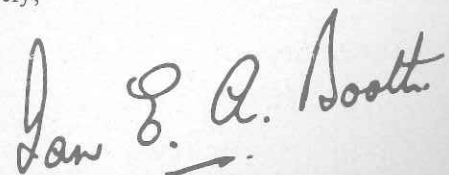
To serve as Synodsmen, Patronage Council Representatives, Churchwardens and Vestrymen, parishioners must be adult communicants of the parish except, in the case of Churchwardens and Vestrymen where "there are less than three qualified communicants eligible and willing to accept office" in which case "adult non-communicant electors may be appointed."

I have outlined these provisions to open a window into "The Parish Administration Ordinance 1980" at two points directly affecting decision making and office bearing within the congregation. I hope parishioners will want to know much more about this Ordinance as it begins to order our actions as a parish.

It is important that we realise the trust we must bear as God's people. Some think that administrative matters cloud the clearer spiritual prerogatives of the Gospel. However, to be faithful stewards of God's provision for his work we must see that this provision is administered efficiently and well. When we accept the spiritual nature of stewardship, administration ceases to be merely business associated with finance or property and becomes caring for the affairs of the Lord's Family.

May God bless you all.

Yours sincerely,



IAN E. A. BOOTH, Rector.

MOTHERS' UNION

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 21st October, commencing with the Office in the Chapel at 7.45 p.m. At 8.30 p.m. Miss Dorothy Glover will speak on her life and experiences at Winchester College. Would ALL members please bring supper as this meeting is open to all interested parishioners and friends.

The Young Wives Friendship Group will be having a Morning Coffee in the Parish Centre on Wednesday 8th October and your support would be appreciated.

Mothers' Union and A.B.M. calendars are available for sale from Mrs. V. Booth at the Rectory.

WOMEN'S GUILD

What a "blooming" success the Floral Festival was! It gives great satisfaction when we hear of the pleasure the Festival gave to the many who came to see the arrangements, thirty nine in all. The organ music at lunch-time Friday was an added treat.

Financially too the result was outstanding, but the fellowship with women from other organisations in and around the City was also a very important factor.

The next meeting will be 13th November.

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 on Monday October 13th at 2.45 p.m.

Afternoon tea hostesses - Mesdames Maclaine, Richards and Nolan.

A cordial invitation is extended to parishioners and friends of St. Luke's to attend the Morning Tea to be held in the Parish Centre on Wednesday October 15th.

There will be stalls, cakes etc., flowers and Opportunity stall - gifts for these stalls would be very welcome.

Proceeds towards furniture for 'B' Flat.

G.F.S. TOWNSEND

Members are working for the annual Fair to be held in the Parish Centre on Saturday October 25th from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. There will be Morning Tea and the usual stalls, produce, cakes, white elephant and work, featuring pillowslips, aprons and useful Christmas gifts.

Donations of any kind will be appreciated. Please come and buy, proceeds for G.F.S. Townsend Church Carpet Fund.

Y.M.D. FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Our group is now meeting fortnightly on 1st and 3rd Thursday each month from 1 - 2.30 p.m. in the Parish Centre. We are very pleased to welcome two new members who have joined us from St. George's Invermay. The Friendship Group is open to all young women, regardless of their denomination.

We are planning a morning coffee and trade table for Wednesday October 8th (not October 22nd, as previously mentioned). The morning coffee will run from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Parish Centre, and all parishioners are most welcome.

"Happiness is belonging to a friendship group" - come along and see for yourself.

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. D. Roake, \$2.00.

YOUTH FESTIVAL OF MUSIC AT ST. JOHN'S

On Sunday 19th October, at 2.30 p.m. the young musicians of Launceston aged eighteen years and under, will unite in presenting a Festival of Music.

This opens with a Brass Fanfare from Riverside High. Broadland School, Launceston Grammar, Scotch Oakburn, Matriculation and Queechy are expecting to contribute items and the Northern Tasmanian Youth Orchestra will conclude the programme. Gaylene Cohen will play organ solos and Jan Himmelboch ('cello) from Hobart will be guest artist, accompanied by Sue Madden, piano.

Admission will be by programme and proceeds will aid the Launceston Chamber Music Club's Scholarship Fund.

Programmes \$2 Adults, \$1 Children. We hope that many parishioners will bring their friends to hear these talented young people.

PARISH FAMILY DAY AT CARNACOO

October 26th Parish Family Day at Carnacoo, Paper Beach. Holy Communion will be celebrated at 10.30 a.m. and cooking facilities will be available for lunch. If the weather is unkind there is plenty of room under cover, so really you have no excuse for not being there! Please make every effort to come.

Its success depends on your support.

(At St. John's, services will be scheduled as normal, but there will be no Sunday School or Confirmation Class).

MEALS ON WHEELS

The following parishioners are rostered for Sunday 12th October 1980 at 11.15 a.m. If unable to attend please ring Bill Donaldson on 315798 (home).

L. Bath, M. Clare, N. Dicker, P. Dixon, J. McCabe, L. Nicholas, L. Phelps, J. Roberts, D. Sheldrick and A. Whittle.

ST. JOHN'S MEN'S TEA

Meets monthly, the second Tuesday at 6 p.m. in the Parish Centre, catering costs \$2 per head.

Tuesday, 14th October -

Miss Libby Wren: Topic Youth Support Unit.

Tuesday, 11th November -

End of year function, Ladies Night, speaker to be finalised.

ANGLICAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

A.W.F. Northern Archdeaconry special day of fellowship Wednesday, October 22nd, All Saints, Exeter, 11.15 a.m. Holy Communion and Lunch at 12.15 p.m. Please bring your own sandwiches. Tea, coffee and fruit salad are provided. 1 p.m. Guest Speaker: Mr. George Castley, Promotion Officer, Joint Overseas Agency. 2.30 p.m. afternoon tea.

Transport arrangements - buses leaving St. John's Car Park 10.30 a.m. Please advise Mrs. Jan Easter 947287, if you will be travelling by bus, by October 14th.

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER

- 1 Wednesday 9.15 a.m. Bible Discussion C.M.S. House.
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
6.00 p.m. G.F.S.
7.30 p.m. Pastoral Committee.
8.00 p.m. Property Committee.
- 2 Thursday 1 p.m./2.30 p.m. Y.M.D. Friendship Group.
1 p.m./3 p.m. Play Group.
6.00 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.45 p.m. Choir Practice.
7.30 p.m. Counsellor Briefing for David Watson Visit.
- 3 Friday 7.30 p.m. Youth Group.
- 5 **ORD. SUNDAY 27**
7.40 a.m. Prayers for the Parish.
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion —
Preacher: Dr. Leon Morris
9.30 a.m. Prayers for the Parish.
10.00 a.m. Sunday School.
10.00 a.m. Holy Communion —
Preacher: Dr. Leon Morris
11.30 a.m. Confirmation Class.
7.00 p.m. Evening Prayer.
- 7 Tuesday 7.30 p.m. Festival of Praise,
T.C.A.E. Theatre, Rev'd
David Watson and team.
- 8 Wednesday 9.15 a.m. Bible Discussion C.M.S. House.
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
10.00 a.m./noon Morning Tea—Y.M.D.
6.00 p.m. G.F.S.
7.30 p.m. Vestry.
- 9 Thursday 1 p.m./2.30 p.m. Y.M.D. Friendship Group.
1 p.m./3 p.m. Play Group.
6.00 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.45 p.m. Women's Guild.
7.45 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 10 Friday 7.30 p.m. Youth Group.
8.00 p.m. Launceston Philharmonic Society "Elijah" in St. John's.
- 12 **ORD. SUNDAY 28**
7.40 a.m. Prayers for the Parish.
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
9.30 a.m. Prayers for the Parish.
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 (Choral).
- 13 Monday 2.45 p.m. St. John's Auxiliary to St. Luke's Hospital.
- 14 Tuesday 6.00 p.m. Men's Tea — Miss Libby Wren, Youth Support Unit.
8.00 p.m. Parish Fellowship.
- 15 Wednesday 9.15 a.m. Bible Discussion C.M.S. House.
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
10.30 a.m./12.30 p.m. Morning Tea — St. Luke's Auxiliary to St. John's.
6.00 p.m. G.F.S.
- 16 Thursday 1 p.m./3 p.m. Play Group.
6.00 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.45 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 17 Friday 7.30 p.m. Youth Group.
- 18 Saturday **St. Luke's Day**
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
10 a.m./11.30 a.m. St. John's and Christian Family Play Group Workshop.
- 19 **ORD. SUNDAY 29**
7.40 a.m. Prayers for the Parish.
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
9.30 a.m. Prayers for the Parish.
10.00 a.m. Sunday School.
10.00 a.m. Holy Communion. (Healing Service).
11.30 a.m. Confirmation Class.
2.30 p.m. Youth Festival of Music.
7.00 p.m. Evening Prayer.
- 21 Tuesday 7.45 p.m. Mothers' Union.
8.00 p.m. Parish Fellowship.
- 22 Wednesday 9.15 a.m. Bible Discussion C.M.S. House.
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
6.00 p.m. G.F.S.
- 23 Thursday 1 p.m./3 p.m. Play Group.
6.00 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.30 p.m. Adult Confirmation Class
7.45 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 24 Friday 7.30 p.m. Youth Group.
- 25 Saturday 10 a.m./noon G.F.S. Fair.
- 26 **ORD. SUNDAY 30**
At St. John's
7.40 a.m. Prayers for the Parish.
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
9.30 a.m. Prayers for the Parish.
10.00 a.m. Morning Prayer.
7.00 p.m. Holy Communion (Healing Service).
Parish Family Day at Carnaroo
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion, followed by lunch etc.
- 28 Tuesday **St. Simon & St. Jude's Day**
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion.
7.45 p.m. G.F.S. Townsend.
8.00 p.m. Parish Fellowship.
- 29 Wednesday 9.15 a.m. Bible Discussion C.M.S. House.
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
6.00 p.m. G.F.S.
- 30 Thursday 1 p.m./3 p.m. Play Group.
6.00 p.m. C.E.B.S.
7.45 p.m. Choir Practice.
- 31 Friday 7.30 p.m. Youth Group.