PARISH MESSENGER

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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 (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: 7.30 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,

I write on behalf of the Rector who is away on his annual leave.

On New Year's Eve the Rector, myself and a small number of parishioners attended the Watchnight Service of Holy Communion in the chapel. During the moments of silence in the service, we each, individually, reflected upon the events of 1980, some sad, some joyous, all now past and part of history.

January 1st, 1981 - a new day. Before us stretch the hours, the days, the weeks, the months of an unknown year, a year that will be filled with a variety of living experiences, with times of sadness and of joy. All of us must place our hand in the hand of God as we tread into the New Year. He alone knows our future and the way.

May you all receive many blessings in this New Year from a loving Father who knows how to give to his children.

God bless you all.

Yours sincerely,

TONY HENRICKS, Priest Assistant.

P.S. Some of you have asked for these words from a recent sermon:-

(Stephen Grellett, 1773-1855)

"I expect to pass through this world but once; any good thing that I can do, or any kindness that I can show to any fellow creature, let me do it now; let me not defer or neglect it; for I shall not pass this way again."

AN APPRECIATION FROM THE RECTOR

Many thanks for your expression of love to my wife and family at Christmas time. It was good to have the whole family home and also my sister from N.S.W.

In January we have enjoyed a holiday at Port Sorell and look forward to being involved with you all in the work of the parish as we take up activities again in February.

IAN E. A. BOOTH, Rector.

A MESSAGE FROM RICK AND DIANE CARTLEDGE

To all our friends at St. John's, Launceston – Dear friends,

My, how quickly the years pass. It is difficult to believe that it was all of two years since we set out from St. John's to begin theological studies at St. John's College Morpeth. Well, if tide and time can't be stopped neither, it seems, can God's eternal purposes. For here we are back in Tassie, and already in the saddle. We have begun work in the parish of Burnie under the direction and guidance of Archdeacon Stanton.

While we were in college we learned that there are many different aspects of college life beyond the purely academic (e.g. spiritual, social, pastoral and others) each of which is structured to contribute to the overall training of students. Consequently it may be years before one's stay in college could be deemed "successful" or not. Even so, I am delighted to be able to write to you that, inasmuch as I was able to complete the course and pass all the exams, our term at Morpeth was successful.

It is worth repeating myself here and saying that the success of this sort of study is so often the result of a team effort. I am convinced that it was largely due to the continual support I had from my wife, Diane, my family, and our friends at St. John's and elsewhere that I was able to "bring home the bacon" as it were. For this I am deeply grateful and look forward to the opportunity of thanking you all in person.

Perhaps I should mention that the ordination of priests and deacons will be at St. David's Cathedral 7.30 p.m. 24th February. I feel this is a significant event in the life of our family at St. John's as it is something towards which we have been working together. With this in mind I am looking forward to sharing that time with you all.

Until then, all our love and best wishes for 1981.

Rick and Diane Cartledge

Editorial Note:

It would be very fitting if a large contingent of St. John's parishioners were to be present at Rick's ordination in St. David's Cathedral on St. Matthias' Day, 24th February at 7.30 p.m. Please plan to be there.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The experimental Daily Bible Studies prepared by the General Synod Committee for Contemporary Spirituality are now to hand. We need a number of families and/or individuals to use these each day from 5th February to 30th March to help the committee evaluate them. This matter was raised earlier in "Parish Messenger". Volunteers please! — names may be placed on sheet at back of church.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School resumes on Sunday, 22nd February at 10 a.m. and teachers are already planning the year's activities. They will be very appreciative if parents can ensure that all children get back to School promptly and look forward to welcoming new children. As usual we cater for Kindergarten (from 3 years), Sub-Primary and Primary to Grade 7. Associated with the School, but meeting separately, we have Groups known as the Tower Groups for Grades 8 and 9.

DIARIZE THIS DATE!

May 1st to 3rd has been set aside for a special happening — a St. John's Family Weekend at Ulverstone when the Leader will be the Very Rev'd. Geoffrey Parsons, Dean of Hobart, and we are delighted it is expected his family will be able to be with us too. The lovely rural setting of C.Y.C. will provide many opportunities for relaxation while our good friends of the staff

busy themselves in the kitchen on our behalf. To spend a weekend together is such a good way to get to know others in the St. John's Family which — don't forget — is not complete without you! There will be activities for all ages and "Nan" will care for tinies during adult sessions.

So — what about putting a mark against May 1st to 3rd

WOMEN'S GUILD

The first meeting for the year will be held on 12th February at 7.45 p.m. in the Parish Centre. Supper hostesses: Mesdames Cornish and Harris.

We trust that members, who because of illness were unable to share in Guild end-of-year functions, are feeling better, as well as Mrs. Peck who has been in hospital over the Christmas/New Year period.

An invitation is extended to women of the parish to become involved with the Guild and its many worthwhile activities. Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month commencing at 7.45 p.m.

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

Members are reminded that meetings will recommence on Monday, 9th March, 1981, at 2.45 p.m. in the Parish Centre.

MOTHERS' UNION

Mothers' Union will resume on Tuesday, 17th February with a short service in the Chapel at 7.45 p.m. All members are asked to make a special effort to be present. New members will be especially welcomed.

MEALS ON WHEELS

The following parishioners are rostered for Sunday, 8th February, at 11.15 a.m. If unable to attend please ring Bill Donaldson on 31 5798 (home).

R. Cleary, P. Dixon, D. Gill, S. Murray, T. White, W. Donaldson.

LAWN MOWING ROSTER FOR FEBRUARY

February 7 Ryland
14 Palmer
21 Farrington
28 Booth

If you cannot fulfil the roster, please phone Mr. John Smith on 94 7201 (business hours) or 44 7062 (after hours).

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. M. Perkins \$5.00; Anon \$2.00; Mr. A. Meek \$10.00; Miss B. Parramore \$5.00; Mrs. Collins \$2.00; Mr. & Mrs. E. Asmus \$1.00; Mrs. J. Roach \$4.00; Mr. Arch Thollar \$10.00; Anon \$5.00; Anon \$2.00.

Thank You.

QUAMBY COTTAGE, SPRING BEACH

On behalf of the sub-committee who have the oversight of the Spring Beach parish cottage, I would like to thank those donors of blankets who responded to our appeal. These donations have enabled us to use the money that would have been spent on these items, on other maintenance. Thanks to all.

M. Easther, Chairman of sub-committee.

CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY

-	WOMEN'S G	UILD	MEN'S TEA F	MEN'S TEA FELLOWSHIP			SUNDAY SCHOOL	
17	Tuesday	7.45 p.m. 7.45 p.m.	Mothers' Union. Parish Fellowship.	27	Friday	7.30 p.m.	Youth Group.	
		7.30 p.m.	ing Service). Evening Prayer.	26	Thursday	6.00 p.m.	c.m. Playgroup. C.E.B.S. Choir Practice.	
		8.00 a.m. 9.30 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion. Prayers for the parish. Holy Communion (Heal-			10.30 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	Holy Communion. G.F.S.	
15	ORD. SUNI	7.40 a.m.	Prayers for the parish.	25	Wednesday	9.15 a.m.	Bible Discussion C.M.S. House.	
12	Thursday	7.30 p.m. 7.45 p.m.	Choir Practice. Women's Guild.			7.45 p.m.	will be ordained.	
11	Wednesday	10.30 a.m. 7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion. Vestry Meeting.			8.00 a.m. 7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion. Ordination Service in St. David's Cathedral, Hobart at which Rick Cartledge	
		L	•	24	Tuesday	St. Matthias		
10	Tuesday		ea (commencing in March). Parish Fellowship.			7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion (Healing Service).	
		10.00 a.m. 11.15 a.m. 7.30 p.m.	Morning Prayer. Meals on Wheels. Evening Prayer.				connection with 'Ministry through Church Music'). ALL WELCOME.	
0	ORD. SORE	7.40 a.m. 8.00 a.m. 9.30 a.m.	Prayers for the parish. Holy Communion. Prayers for the parish.			4 p.m./4.5	preceding Hymn Festival (see below). ALL WELCOME. 50 p.m. Hymn Festival (in	
8	ORD. SUND	8.00 p.m.	Property Committee.			10.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m. 2.30 p.m.	Sunday School. Morning Prayer. /3.45 p.m. Singing Practice	
4	Wednesday	10.30 a.m. 7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion. Pastoral Committee.			7.40 a.m.	Holy Communion.	
3	Tuesday	7.45 p.m.	Parish Fellowship.	22	ORD. SUNI	No. 1 To the last of the last		
2	Monday	Purification 8.00 a.m.	of the Virgin Mary Holy Communion.	20	Friday		Choir Practice. Youth Group.	
		10.00 a.m. 7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion. Evening Prayer.	19	Thursday	6.00 p.m.	.m. Playgroup. C.E.B.S.	
		7.40 a.m. 8.00 a.m. 9.30 a.m.	Prayers for the parish. Holy Communion. Prayers for the parish.			10.30 a.m. 6.00 p.m.	House. Holy Communion. G.F.S.	
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WOMEN'S GUILD 2nd Thursday, 7.45 p.m. Commences 12th February. Mrs. O. Harris, Tel. 31 2796.

MOTHERS' UNION
3rd Tuesday, 7.45 p.m.
Commences 17th February.
Mrs. A. Radford, Tel. 31 7015.

ST. JOHN'S AUXILIARY TO ST. LUKE'S 2nd Monday, 2.45 p.m. Commences 9th March. Mrs. H. Palliser, Tel. 31 6967.

G.F.S. TOWNSEND GROUP 4th Tuesday, 7.45 p.m. Commences 24th March. Miss E. Kiddle, Tel. 31 5279.

YOUNG MEMBERS' DEPARTMENT FRIENDSHIP GROUP 1st Thursday, 1 p.m./2.30 p.m. Commences 5th March. Mrs. Sue Cartledge, Tel. 31 5789. MEN'S TEA FELLOWSHIP 2nd Tuesday, 6 p.m. Commences 10th March. Rev'd. T. Henricks, Tel. 31 4896.

PLAYGROUP Every Thursday, 1 p.m./3 p.m. Commences 19th February. Mrs. A. Westerman, Tel. 31 4423.

G.F.S. Every Wednesday, 6 p.m. Commences 18th February. Mrs. J. Moxon, Tel. 31 7209.

C.E.B.S. Every Thursday, 6 p.m. Commences 19th February. Mr. Glenn Clark, Tel. 31 8996.

YOUTH GROUP Every Friday, 7.30 p.m. Commences 20th February. Mr. B. Tkaczuk, Tel. 31 1155. Every Sunday, 10 a.m. Commences 22nd February. Miss S. Brownrigg, Tel. 31 1520.

PARISH FELLOWSHIP Every Tuesday, 7.45 p.m. Commences 3rd February. Mr. Tony Walsh, Tel. 27 2942.

CHOIR
Practice every Thursday, 7.30 p.m.
Commences 12th February.
Mr. C. Ryland, Tel. 91 8431.

MEALS ON WHEELS 2nd Sunday, 11.15 a.m. Mr. Bill Donaldson, Tel. 31 5798.