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JUNE 1988

THE RECTOR WRITES



Dear Family of St John,  
 We all need to change as well as grow if we are to truly the Body of Christ. I believe there are eight reasons for us to change our style of ministry and congregational life- style at St John's.

First, Social Change within our parish boundaries has largely determined the present age mixture of our congregation. There are fewer homes with young families, there is more commercial and industrial development, and new housing is in the form of flats and town houses. How does this affect our congregation's activities ?

The Surrounding Suburban Parishes are finding it difficult to maintain an adequate ministry to their existing congregations, and there is little provision to reach out and evangelise new housing areas and population growth regions. What are we to do?

Thirdly, The Student Population has exploded as the tertiary colleges increase in size, number, and scope of courses. We have in Launceston an increasing number of young single adults seeking an education and direction for the future. St John's has begun to make a response to this issue!

There has been A Scaling Down of Primary Scripturaes Primary and Infant State Schools continue to shrink within our parish. There are now fewer and fewer young children who have any contact with the church and the gospel. What are we doing to reach young children ?

Fifthly, there is a decrease in the education and challenge presented as Support for World Evangelisation. We are simply not producing young people with knowledge of and a burden for missionary work. When did we last send out a missionary ?

Another factor is the Segregation of all Hospital Chaplaincy from St John's. As a parish, we now have no responsibility to minister to Anglicans in hospitals within the parish boundaries. The ministry to sick and dying will no longer be part of our congregational life, apart from that to individual members of our congregation.

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Join us in worship any Sunday  
 8am - 10am - 7pm  
 Wednesday 10:30am

# Life in the Spirit

## a meditation

When earth was like a valley of skeletons,  
you, wonderful God, came among us in power!  
Your Jesus breathed on us and said;

'Receive the Holy Spirit',  
Like a mighty rushing wind;  
'Receive the Holy Spirit',  
Like tongues of living fire;  
'Receive the Holy Spirit',

Lord, if we had not seen and heard,  
we would not believe it;  
That this valley of dry bones should live  
is beyond our wildest expectations!  
Yet now we hear rattling of bones  
as dead and forgotten hopes reassemble;  
We witness the astounding omen  
of broken, impotent promises growing muscle;  
Surprised, we watch old eye-sockets  
filled with new and loving visions;  
Cold arms pulse as with new blood,  
embracing lonely and uncherished people;  
Deadly-dull churchgoers stand tall  
and celebrate the Gospel with style,  
We see atrophied hands and fast inspired  
to do the costly deeds of Jesus;  
Bare bones, bleached by winds of materialism,  
become enflashed with faith and love;  
We hear voices, long ago incapable of blessing,  
commence singing the song of angels,  
Before our very eyes, unforgiving bitter skeletons  
begin to be merciful, as our Father is merciful;  
Grey, defeated forms, who despaired of any joy,  
run and dance their way into the Kingdom!

Holy Spirit, Lord and giver of life,  
praise belongs to you forever!  
The Gospel is announced to the poor;  
praise belongs to you forever!  
Release for prisoners, sight for the blind;  
Yes, the time has come  
when the Lord will save his people;  
praise belongs to you forever!

BRUCE PREWER, AUSTRALIAN PSALMS,



### SOUND OF MUSIC 1

St John's Choir had an unexpected win in the Launceston Competitions last month. Almost a last-minute entry, the Choir had only a couple of rehearsals before competing in the Sacred Songs section of the Competitions. However, their reputation had obviously preceded them - when the time to perform arrived, all the other entries had dropped out! Incidentally, in the program, the section was classified as "Scared Songs"! Congratulations, BILL PIERCE, and the CHOIR,

### SOUND OF MUSIC 2

Congratulations also to the CHILDREN'S CHOIR, who although the smallest choir in their section, (four boys and one girl), acquitted themselves very well to come third. Well done, MILES and MARK, JAMES and ANGUS and HELENA, it was a very good effort!

### SOUND OF MUSIC 3

It was organised chaos at St John's on Thursday May 26. There were GLENN CLARK and ANDREW ROUTLEY filling the Parish Centre with 'Big Bad Noise', (by a group called 'The Choirboys') as they set up for KLOMP, while over in the Church world-renowned organist GILLIAN WEIR and ABC Symphony Orchestra conductor WERNER ALBERT were tearing their hair out setting up for the Concert. It all came together on the night, despite "Zee Eagull" being in the way.

### LONG SERVICE

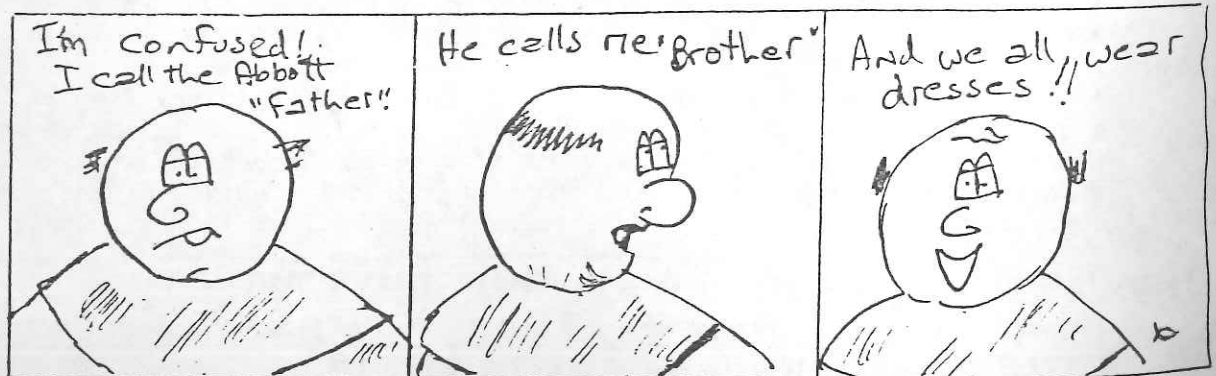
What a delight to see DR NEIL GOLLAN and his son PROF. JOHN GOLLAN on the front page of 'The Examiner' one day last month. Dr Gollan has put in fifty years of devoted service to the people of Launceston through his work with the LGH, both as Superintendant, and more recently as a member of the medical advisory board. It was well deserved recognition for Dr Gollan, and a joy to see his son John, still calling himself a Tasmanian, despite lecturing at Harvard University.

### YELLOWCAKE FOR SALE?

One of the more unusual items at the GUILD'S Garage Sale last month, was a collection of three 44 gallon drums painted bright yellow. The more paranoid among us immediately thought they contained uranium, and that the Parish Centre would need de-contaminating after the sale. Reassuringly, they turned out to be backyard incinerators, and proved to be quite a hit. The Garage Sale was a great success, and raised over \$700 for Guild Funds.



Ethelbert  
by  
Dennis



## The Rector writes cont.

The seventh factor is the Separation of Church Schools from the Parish. Since Broadland's amalgamation with the Grammar School, there is now no association with St John's apart from an Annual Service. The confirmees, even day pupils, are confirmed at the School. The last issue is our Scriptural Emphasis on preaching and teaching as an evangelical church. This means we are loyal to the Prayer Book, and with a deep commitment to evangelism and practical compassion. St John's has stood for these issues in this city at times when they were neither popular nor seemed relevant. Looking at these issues, some negative, others positive, we will see our need for change and growth. I ask you prayerfully and carefully to look at these issues, and seek God's direction for your personal response.

May God bless you,  
JOHN A BROOK, Rector.

## Body Parts News

### CEBS FUNDRAISING

St John's CEBS is busy planning ways to raise money to send three boys to National Camp in Victoria next January. About \$1500 will be needed to cover the cost of airfares to Victoria, a week's tour of the State, and then a week at National Camp in Sale. Among the ideas are a mid-winter Christmas Dinner, a Car wash, Concert Night, and Father and Son Cookbook. If you have any ideas on fundraising, don't hesitate to talk to GLENN CLARK or WENDY COWELL.

### MEN'S FELLOWSHIP TEA:

At last month's meeting, DON BARNES from WEC College spoke to us on missionary training and work. The meal was well-attended, and Don's talk most interesting, with new insights into the work of the College. Next Meeting: TUESDAY JUNE 7, 6.00 pm in the Parish Centre. Please sign the catering form in the Narthex if you wish to attend.  
HENRY IVEY.

If you are suffering....  
uneasiness?  
Sleepless nights?  
Heartburn?



Don't reach for the  
antacid... Reach for the BIBLE  
Perhaps the Holy Spirit  
is trying to tell you  
Something

## YOUTH GROUP

Welfare Worker KERIN GEARD will be talking to the Youth Group on FRIDAY JUNE 17 about the problem of homeless youth. Kerin has worked at the Northern Youth Shelter and Karinya Young Women's Shelter, and in April helped present a submission to the Human Rights Commission. Recently, Youth Group held a 'Shoot down the Minister' Night. Thanks to DAVID HAYMAN and HENRY IVEY for answering all our questions.  
JAMES CARTLEDGE.

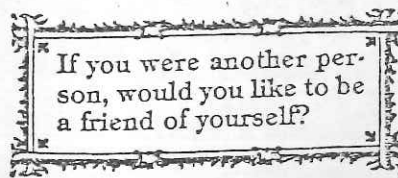
### YOUTH SYNOD

This year's YOUTH SYNOD will be held in Launceston, over the first weekend in JULY. Teenagers from Hobart, the Northwest and East Coast will be needing places to stay over that weekend (1,2,3 JULY.) If you can help with billets, please tell HENRY IVEY.

OPENING SERVICE 8 pm FRIDAY JULY 1, at St John's; SYNOD SESSIONS at St Aidan's. Please encourage our young people by attending the Service, and some sessions on Saturday afternoon and Sunday, and keeping Youth Synod in your prayers.

### KLOMP CLUB: MAY 30 - JUNE 10 ROLL UP, ROLL UP, COME TO KLOMP !!

KLOMP is mainly for KIDS, but adults are very welcome - to come along and see what we're doing, to encourage the Leaders and children, maybe to help out in the kitchen. Come on WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIMES when we have a Sausage Sizzle, and especially on THURSDAY FAMILY NIGHTS, 6.30-8.30, when we reach out to the parents, and come on SUNDAY JUNE 12, to KLOMP FAMILY SERVICE.



## Body Parts News, cont.

WHAT WAS THAT ABOUT PRAYER?  
It could have been someone speaking about the PRAYER CHAIN !!

For those who don't know - we have a Chain of Prayer which goes quickly into action when advised of sickness, trouble or similar emergency.

We want to be used, and if you have a need, or there is someone who needs prayer, just ring 31 1155 (BASIL & ROSEMARY TKACZUK) or 31 1520, (SYBIL BROWNRIGG).

If neither number is answering, and the matter is urgent, there are others you can try - see list below.

We would also like to know when to give thanks - remember the Ten Lepers!

### PRAYER CHAIN:

Ring 31 1155 (BASIL) or 31 1520 (SYBIL)

If neither number is answering, try

27 3054 (LAURICE WHIDDON)

34 1698 (DENNIS & SUE CARTLEDGE)

44 3607 (JOAN IKIN)

31 1177 (TINY KENNEDY/KATHY MUMFORD).

Please keep this list by your phone.

### PASTORAL COMMITTEE NEWS

There are a number of programs we would like to take further, but we need YOUR commitment to make them work.

### BASKETBALL:

We have an opportunity to re-enter the Christian Basketball Roster, and a willing coach in DAVID HAYMAN. What is needed now is a number of fun-loving, fairly fit St John's people willing to commit themselves to playing and training on a regular basis. Talk to DAVID if that sounds like you.

### TAPE MINISTRY:

We have the equipment ready and some services already recorded. We do need to know who needs these tapes, on a regular basis or just occasionally. We also need volunteers to deliver tapes to housebound parishioners, and collect again, perhaps once a week. Pressing buttons on the tape recorder isn't hard work, but someone needs to do it! Please give LINDSAY PHILIPS a break, and offer to record the 10 am service once a month. LINDSAY will happily show you how it all works, before he races off to spend time with his young family!

### X-RATED VIDEOS

A public meeting to discuss the reclassification of X-rated videos to NVE, will be held on THURSDAY JUNE 16, 8.00 pm, at the Launceston College. Contact LAURICE WHIDDON on 27 3054 for further details.

# Classifieds for CHRIST +

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## PUBLIC NOTICES



### PRAYER

#### SATURDAY PRAYERS:

A Prayer Group meets early on Saturday mornings (8.00 am) in the Narthex to bring before the Lord the special needs of our Parish.

If you can function so early on a Saturday morning, do join this group for a time of praise, intercession and fellowship.

#### DAILY OFFICE:

A daily order of service is said in the Chapel each weekday morning at 8.00 am. What an encouragement it would be the Rector and Staff, and a great start to your working day if you could join them in this act of worship.

#### INTERCESSORS

Even if you can't get to Daily Office or Saturday Prayers, you can still be a vital part of St John's Ministry of Intercession. Keep the prayer sheet from the Weekly Bulletin in your Bible to use in a time of prayer with your daily Bible reading, and watch your faith grow as you see God's power at work in others' lives.

#### FAITH AND FELLOWSHIP:

Feeling the need for a closer walk of faith, and a deeper understanding of God's Word in your life? There are several small Faith and Fellowship groups meeting at different times and places during the week. Contact names and phone numbers are published in the weekly pew bulletin. Talk to the Rector or Assistant if you can't find a group to suit your needs.

#### TEN AM CRECHE:

It is time to draw up a new Roster for Sunday Morning Creche. If you feel you could take part in this, please ring THELMA POOKE on 27 3461, or SYBIL BROWNRIGG on 31 1520, by JUNE 15.

#### BABY WELCOMERS

Mothers' Union have a supply of 'Aussie Good News' New Testaments and baby booties to give to young mothers at the Queen Victoria Hospital. Could you spare a couple of hours one Tuesday afternoon a month to reach out to new families? Yes? Please contact OLVA HARRIS on 31 2796 to go on the Hospital Roster.

#### CHILDCARERS - AGE NO BARRIER!

Where are all the honorary Grandparents and Aunties/Uncles to join the roster to help with our Friday Morning Creche? Those who have already spent time with the toddlers say how well-behaved and loving they are. Around eight small children need some TLC, (tender loving care) for an hour and a quarter each Friday morning, while their mums are at Faith and Fellowship. Books, toys, crayons and morning tea are all provided (by parents), in the Parish Centre. If you can spare the time, the children will respond with love. Please talk to OLVA HARRIS on 31 2796, for a commitment you'll never regret.

#### CASSETTE CARERS:

Cassette tapes offer our Housebound Parishioners the opportunity to take part in our services of worship. For this ministry to succeed, we need some prayerful and committed people.

1/ People willing to give some time to pick up and deliver tapes to housebound parishioners.

2/ Volunteers to help once every 4 weeks to press the buttons on the cassette recorder at 10 am services.

Neither task involves a vast amount of technology or personal heroism!

If you can be a CASSETTE CARER, contact BASIL TKACZUK on 31 1155.

*If no one bothered to  
make an effort - We say  
have just had .....*



*the feeding of the  
one dozen.*

## Baptisms



MARCH 24, 1988:

Georgina Kate  
FULTON

APRIL 10, 1988:

Gavin Stuart MACE

Christopher Andrew NOBES

Justin Kennington NOBES

MAY 8, 1988

Damien John CAIRNS

Christopher Michael CAIRNS

Sara Leslie MAYNARD

Nathan Wayne MAYNARD

MAY 29, 1988

Amelia Kate BIFFIN

#### PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

FRIDAY JUNE 24, 7.30 pm

in the Parish Centre. Please have all Annual Reports and Financial Statements in to the Office by FRIDAY JUNE 3.

Keep this meeting and the decisions that will be made there in your prayers over this month, and make an effort to attend.

#### MOTHERS' UNION:

Monthly Meeting - WEDNESDAY JUNE 8, 1.30 pm, in the RECTORY.

Please note change of venue for this meeting.

Guest Speaker; MRS, SALLY BARNETT, will talk on 'Homemaking & the Family'. All Parishioners are welcome to attend.

#### WELFARE AUXILIARY:

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING; MONDAY JUNE 20, 2.30 pm, in the Parish Centre. PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE as June 13 is a Public Holiday.

#### WOMEN'S GUILD:

Would like to thank everyone who contributed articles for the GARAGE SALE on Saturday May 21st. It was a very successful function, and raised over \$700.

#### WOMEN'S GUILD:

Next Meeting; THURSDAY JUNE 16, 2.00 pm in the Parish Centre. Afternoon Tea Hostesses; J FLETCHER, and W JEPHCOTT.