

# GOOD NEWS

from St. John's Anglican Parish, Launceston



ASCENSION and PENTECOST

MAY 1989

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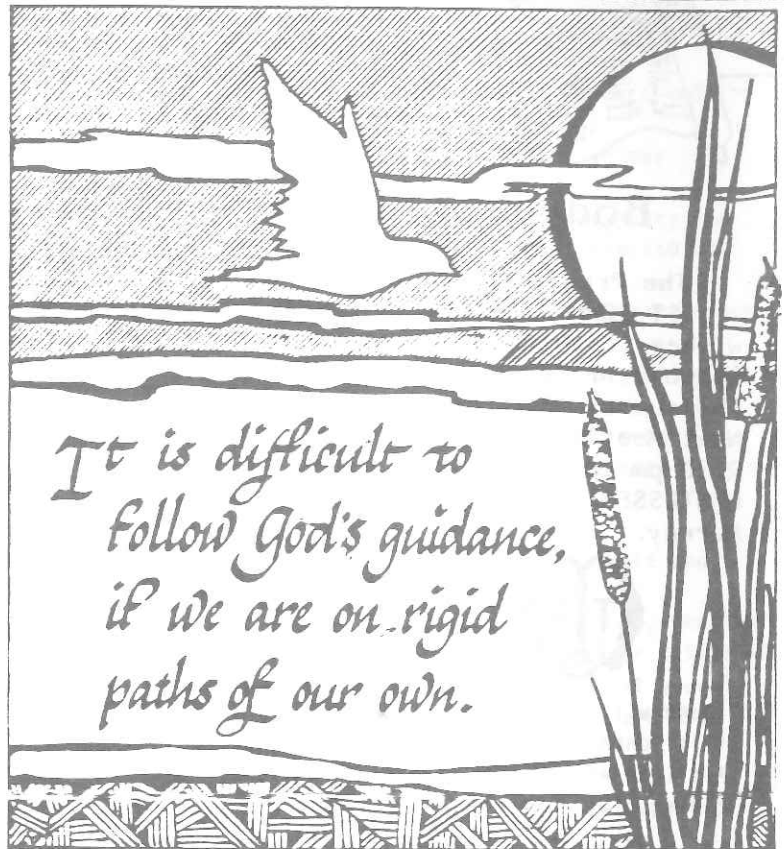
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ADDRESS: 157 St John Street,  
LAUNCESTON 7250

## PARISH GROUPS:

WEEKLY MEETINGS  
SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10 am, 1st, 3rd,  
4th, 5th Sunday 44 8596  
FAMILY SERVICE: 10 am 2nd. Sunday.  
SENIOR YOUTH GROUP: Sunday  
5.00 pm 27 2374  
SAM SINGLES & MARRIEDS: Tuesday  
7.30 pm 44 8596  
CHILDREN'S CHOIR: Wednesday  
4.45 - 5.30 pm 31 1676  
GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY: Wednesday  
6.00 pm 27 3883  
PLAY CENTRE: Thursday  
10.30 am - 12 noon 31 6173  
CEBS BOYS' SOCIETY: Thursday  
6.00 pm 31 8996  
ADULT CHOIR: Thursday  
7.30 pm 31 1676  
101 PC Youth group: Friday  
6.30 - 7.30 pm 44 9726  
JYFS YOUTH GROUP: Friday  
7.30 pm 31 2048  
PARISH PRAYER GROUP: Saturday  
8.00 am 31 1520  
FAITH & FELLOWSHIP GROUPS: 31 4896  
Several groups meet weekly at  
different times and places, so  
check your weekly Pew Bulletin.

## MONTHLY MEETINGS:

MEALS ON WHEELS: 2nd Sunday  
11 am 31 4896  
WELFARE AUXILIARY: 2nd Monday  
2.30 pm 44 2827  
MEN'S FELLOWSHIP TEA: 2nd Tuesday  
6.00 pm 31 4566  
MOTHERS' UNION: 2nd Wednesday  
1.30 pm 44 7163  
WOMEN'S GUILD: 3rd Thursday  
2.00 pm 27 2484  
OFS TOWNSEND: 4th Tuesday  
9.45 am 31 5279



*It is difficult to  
follow God's guidance,  
if we are on rigid  
paths of our own.*

## "SHOUT FROM THE HILLS" My "Nasal" Experience

During February CHRISTINA BOOTH represented Tasmania at the National Anglican Youth Synod in Adelaide.

"I didn't really have a desire to go to NAYS. Can you blame me - a total of ten days away from Michael, (which I had never done before); a nervous traveller and a whole week of the "synod experience" (which I could only cope with for a two-day time span as it was?) Come on, someone else could go - but nobody else wanted to ...

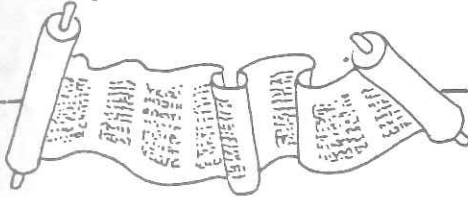
Finally, God gave me a swift kick up the pants and put me on a plane to Melbourne. "Ten days to go and I'll be home."

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Join us in worship any Sunday  
8am - 10am - 7pm  
Wednesday 10.30am

**DONATIONS TO  
"GOOD NEWS FROM ST JOHN'S"**

Thank you to all who have made donations towards the cost of publishing the 'Good News' each month. \$152 was given between January and March by the following donors:  
*T. Hume, Mrs Phillips, Mrs Tilt, Mrs Roach, A. Tholler, Miss A. Bullock, Mrs Carpenter, Miss Ingram, Mrs Gardner, and Mr. O'Neill.*



## Body Parts News

The President and Members of  
**ST JOHN'S WELFARE AUXILIARY**  
wishes to thank everyone for their support of the Morning Tea in April. The sum of \$543.50 was raised.  
Next Meeting: **MONDAY MAY 8th,**  
2.30 pm in the Parish Centre.  
**HOSTESSES: Mesd. Butler, Green and Murray.**



ST. JOHN'S  
MOTHER'S UNION

There will be no Mothers' Union meeting this month as members will be attending the Anglican Women's Conference at Longford. Please ring **JOAN BROOK 31 5218** or **PENNY CARLYLE 44 7163**

for further details.

"Mothers' Union is especially concerned with Marriage and Family Life."

### **KLOMP!**

**MAY 29th to JUNE 9th.**

Leaders and helpers are required for both weeks of this kids' holiday program. If you have helped before or would like to try for the first time, please contact **GLENN CLARK** on 31 8996, or leave your name at the Parish Office. Helpers for the Kitchen, and donations of food such as pizzas, sandwiches, quiches, sausage rolls or casseroles are also needed; please ring **SUE CARTLEDGE** on 34 1698 if you can help. Any old shirts, hats, gloves, trousers and shoes suitable for making Scarecrows may be left at the Parish Office.

### **WOMEN'S GUILD:**

At our last meeting, we had the pleasure of welcoming a new member: Mrs **RACHEL MORLEY**. Members were grateful to our Rector for an encouraging discussion on the activities and future of our Guild, and we dispersed with a renewed enthusiasm.

Next Meeting: **THURSDAY 18th MAY, 2 PM,**  
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
in the Parish Centre.

### **SHOUT!**

The following day, the four Tasmanian delegates travelled with the Victorian delegation to Ballarat, and on to Port Elliot, S. Australia. By the way the Tassie delegates were David Blyth, Allison Males, Roger Fleming and myself of course.

On to Adelaide Hills; it was becoming a little warmer - about 34°C. We registered and were welcomed with a reception and a "waited on" roast dinner - things were starting to look up.

The charge given later that night by the Primate, lasted about 20 minutes.

According to our timetables, we weren't to have a formal synod until the last two days, and to have small "working groups". I wanted to get straight into the "real business" and skip the small groups, but little did I realise that the small groups were another form of synod.

We were divided into 17 small groups of 10, so that we would share the same concerns. We worked consistently in these groups for 4 days - discovering God, ourselves and others, solutions to our problems or a start to our solutions. At the end of the four days we had accumulated information, talked and discussed things amongst ourselves and other groups, and come up with resolutions. This was a long process of a synod that gave all an opportunity to speak and share and resulted in resolutions of depth and challenge.

The formal synod, chaired by Archbishop Rayner of Adelaide (in less than formal attire) was held in a marquee. By this stage the weather was hitting the 40's. A lot of the motions arising at this synod came from the working groups and some from social issues in the church. It was all a little less rigid and formal than Tasmanian synods but we all enjoyed it.

For me the highlight of NAYS was the service in the Cathedral. The Primate, women priests and other clergy processed in following liturgical dancers, to "whale music". Banners of fish, (one for each delegate) were also brought in during the procession. We celebrated a sung communion with a band and loud music. People clapped and jumped up and down on seats; others stayed quiet and took it all in, and some just raised their hands to God. It was amazing - and I'm sorry you weren't there to share it. At the end of this service filled with music, love, drama and praise, we all turned to the back of the Cathedral to see balloons filled with helium released into the ceilings, and that's a long way up!

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# Meditation

for ASCENSION AND PENTECOST

John 15: 26 - 16: 15

I would like to quote Archbishop Rayner on NAYS - " The worship and music fostered a sense of togetherness. The input of the speakers helped members to grapple not only with issues but with personal feelings, reactions and goals. Above all the small group method which allowed much of work to be done in groups of human proportions enabled people to get to know one another as people, not as spokespersons for a particular point of view.

"I wonder if in this respect NAYS provided a model which our Diocesan and General Synods might need to look at."

Thank you for letting me go, thank God for making me go, and to conclude, all of you look at the reports and resolutions of NAYS, and like us who were lucky enough to go, SHOUT FROM THE HILLS God's love, understanding union, sacrifice, being, togetherness.

God bless, CHRISTINA BOOTH.



O God our Father, we remember that Jesus promised that he would send us the Holy Spirit from you. Keep that promise to us today.

He called his Spirit the Spirit of truth. Open our eyes that we may see the truth; Strengthen our hearts that we may face the truth; Enlighten our minds that we may understand the truth; Make our memories retentive that we may remember the truth; Make resolute our wills that we may obey the truth through the Spirit he has promised us.

He said the Spirit would bring to our remembrance all that he had said to men.

O God, when we are in danger of forgetting the things we should always remember, grant that your Spirit may bring again to our memory the promises, the commands and the presence of our risen and blessed Lord.

He said the Spirit would take what is his and declare it to us.

O God, when we do not know what to do, when we find the teachings of our Lord either difficult to understand or to apply, grant that your Spirit may show us what to believe and what to do.

He said that the Spirit would tell us things which in the days of his flesh he could not say to his disciples, because they were not ready to receive them.

O God, keep us from ever thinking of our faith and belief as something static. Help us to remember that there are ever new depths of truth, new vistas of beauty, new glories of experience new gifts of power into which the Spirit can lead us.

He said the Spirit would lead us into all truth. Help us to remember that all truth belongs to you - the skill of the scientist and thought of the philosopher; the inspiration of the poet, the vision of the artist, the melody of the musician; the craft of the craftsman and the strength of body and mind by which we make our living.

And since everything comes from you, help us to use everything for you and for our fellow-men; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

WILLIAM BARCLAY.

PRAYERS FOR THE CHRISTIAN YEAR.



## Focus on ...

### Thursday Evening Faith & Fellowship

Further to a letter from Kathy Mumford in the March issue of "Good News" on the subject of Faith & Fellowship Groups, I feel moved to write recommending membership of such a group.

I too am a member of a Faith & Fellowship Group and I'd like to say how very enjoyable it is.

We have a regular membership of ten and we meet on Thursday evenings. We have some wonderful discussions based on a portion of Scriptures and in the process of sharing our opinions and ideas our fellowship with each other has grown, as well as our knowledge of Scripture and the depth of our faith.

This is precisely what we aimed for when the group was formed some four years ago, but what we had not anticipated was the great amount of stimulation, enjoyment and satisfaction we get from our meetings. We always look forward to our meetings and sometimes it is difficult to break up because we are having such a good time.

It is, of course, not a closed group, and we would welcome anyone who would like to join. In fact, the members of our F. & F. Group are unanimous in saying that we have all benefited so much that we can thoroughly recommend it.

So if you want to give it a try, or simply discuss it, give me a ring on 30 1621.

LOUISA PHELPS



# AMEN

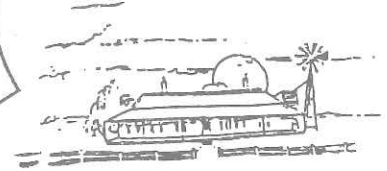
**THE  
LORD  
IS  
MY  
ROCK**

## An Invitation

To all who mourn and need comfort; to all who are weary and need rest; to all who are friendless and need friendship; to all who hunger for prayer and wish to pray; to all who know sin and need a Saviour; to all who are convinced they ought to put God first in their lives - St John's opens its doors and in the name of JESUS CHRIST, and for his sake, bids you welcome.

The Church is open for private prayer 8.00 am to 5.00 pm daily, [use the side door, near the Parish Centre.]

There is a service daily in the Chapel at 8.00 am, [except Saturdays, when a time of Informal prayer is held.] Week day Holy Communion services are held on Saint's Days [as announced] at 8.00 am, and each Wednesday at 10.30 am.



May is BCA Box opening month, and our BCA Secretary, CELIA HILL passed on this news about the work of the Society.

### 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF B C A

BCA will be celebrating the Society's 70th anniversary with some special BCA Expos on Sunday afternoons. They will be a time of praise and thanksgiving, information sharing, celebrations and challenge. Victoria's Expos will be in September and October, Tasmania's at dates yet to be arranged in August,

### BCA FINANCE

We thank God for the \$191,500 given by BCA supporters in Victoria and \$11,000 from Tasmania in 1988. This was a record response, but still short of our Budget by \$8,500. This year we have been asked to aim at a total of \$220,000. Please pray with us for this need to be met.

### STAFF CHANGES

SR. JEAN HENDERSON finished her term in Tarcoola early in March and has moved to help at the Willochra Home for the Aged.

SR. SUSAN GREEN of Killara will be taking Jean's place from early April.

GORDON and ANN HARGREAVES and their two children have returned from Paraburadoo to the parish of St Andrew's, Glen Waverly. We thank God for their 5½ years at Paraburadoo.

SR. JUNE ENGLISH also intends to retire from her position as Nursing Co-ordinator at Cook Hospital later in the year.

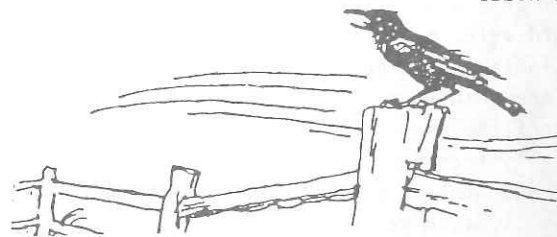
BCA has resumed support for Blackwater in the Diocese of Rockhampton, and we welcome GLEN and KAYE ZIMMERLE to the family.

### VACANCIES

We are still looking for the right person to replace Gordon at Paraburadoo and for clergy for Mt. Magnet and South Hedland.

Boxes for opening may be left at the Parish Office any time this month.

CELIA HILL.



## From the Register



### JANUARY:

Rodney PIKE and Tracey SENIOR  
Gregory BADER and Rhonda POWELL  
Scott LEIGHTON and Anita PHILPS

### FEBRUARY:

Matthew FISHER and Eleanor SMITH  
John McCAULEY and Elizabeth GREEN  
Leslie JOHNSTON and Rosemary PORTER  
Steane KREMERSKOTHEN and Michelle NANKERVIS

Darren BEAN and Judith BURR  
Stephen GRABE and Susan JAHNIG  
Martin LONEY and Janette PEARSON  
Andrew PARKER and Lorraine RICHARDS

### MARCH:

Paul HOLLICK and Wendy NICHOLS  
Christian HOLSTEN and Jennie-Maree BOCK

Paul COURT and Sharon OGILVIE  
Christopher DAVIS and Tracey JACOBS  
Peter JOHNSTONE and Sharon WEEKES  
Rohan ELLIOTT and Tracey COPE

