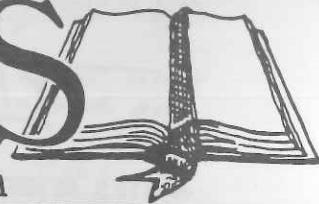


GOOD NEWS

from St. John's Anglican Parish, Launceston



YOUTHFUL VOICES

SEPTEMBER '89

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WEEKLY MEETINGS

SUNDAY SCHOOL:
10am, 1st, 3rd, 4th, 5th Sunday 44 8596
FAMILY SERVICE:
10am, 2nd Sunday
SENIOR YOUTH GROUP:
Sunday 5.00pm 272374
SAM SINGLES & MARRIEDS
Tuesday 7.30pm 44 8596
CHILDREN'S CHOIR
Wednesday 4.45 - 5.30pm 31 1676
GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY:
Wednesday 6.00pm 27 3883
PLAY CENTRE:
Thursday 10.30am - 12 noon 31 6173
CEBS BOYS' SOCIETY
Thursday 6.00pm 31 8996
ADULT CHOIR
Thursday 7.30pm 31 1676
101 PC YOUTH GROUP
Friday 6.30 - 7.30pm 44 9726
JYFS YOUTH GROUP
Friday 7.30pm 31 2048
PARISH PRAYER GROUP:
Saturday 8.00am 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 11am 31 4896
WELFARE AUXILIARY
2nd Monday 2.30pm 44 2827
MEN'S FELLOWSHIP TEA:
2nd Tuesday 6.00pm 31 4566
MOTHERS' UNION
2nd Wednesday 1.30pm 44 7163
WOMEN'S GUILD
3rd Thursday 2.00pm 27 2484
GFS TOWNSEND
4th Tuesday 9.45am 31 5279



To all our Readers,

This month the Editorial Committee has tried a new idea for "GOOD NEWS".

We asked our young parishioners, members of some of our youth groups to put the newsletter together. There is a great need to encourage our young people as they battle along the hard road that God spreads before us all.

Articles have been written and graphics provided by members of JYFS and 101PC (Grades 7-10), and the accent of other pieces is placed on youth.

We hope you like the contributions from these young people and their leaders.

The Editorial Committee.

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

J.Y.F.S



A JYFS MEMBER WRITES;

"Contrary to popular opinion, JYFS stands for 'St John's Youth Fellowship' except that we put the 'S' on the end because it would be hard to pronounce otherwise. We meet on Friday nights between 7.30 and 9.30. The youth of St John's converge on the Parish Centre for two hours of food, violent games, and wonderful exciting devotions. (Thanks Osc and Sand).

Occasionally the extra-curricular activities of pizzas, bowling and videos attract the one-night people but then we return to the hard core of committed members.

So why does JYFS exist? It provides an entertaining distraction for the grades 7-10 of Launceston and takes our minds off our cares and worries and the changes and chances of this fleeting world.

If you are in grades 7-10 and feel that this type of Friday evening would suit your spiritual and social needs, come along and try us out, starting 15th September at 7.30 pm."

A JYFer

AWF

AWF FELLOWSHIP DAY

Meeting friends, making friends seemed to be the order of the day on Thursday August 24, Anglican Women's Fellowship day at Sheffield.

Our Holy Communion was celebrated at St Barnabas with Rector Ross Flint and the Past President of AWF, Joyce Blazely, Lay Reader.

Lyle Freshney explained to us the function of Roland Children's Homes. He outlined the history from their inception as a Boys' Home for orphans to its current usage as 'family style' homes for troubled children - many of them from broken homes.

Some children have experienced physical or sexual abuse and have severe emotional handicaps to overcome. Lyle explains how love, liberally applied, works wonders.

The carers, (and the children) need all the prayer they can get to enable them to meet the needs of these, God's special children.

AWF's next event will be on NOV. 23 - a Quiet Day at Lilydale - a real preamble to the Advent Season.

TINY KENNEDY, Secretary.

SOME EX 101 PC MEMBERS WRITE;

"We would like to tell you what 101 PC was. A small group of St John's teenagers (Grades 7 & 8) met each Friday evening around 6.30 to have fun together and talk about boys and Jesus, and the Bible and swap posters. Mark didn't talk about boys or swap posters, but he enjoyed our gossip. We also had tea.

We really enjoyed what happened at 101 PC as it took our minds off school and home worries. Spies and ASIO was a really fun game; Sara didn't quite reach Bree's record, but we all got to eat heaps of chocolate cake!

We also liked it when Henry came and explained things to us.

It's a pity we can't go on but we couldn't get enough people. Everyone in our age group was welcome, but there wasn't anyone wanting to come and join us.

We'd like to thank Melanie and David for being our leaders and supplying us with games and food.

We're glad we've been allowed to join up with JYFS.



RECTOR'S NOTE

As a result of discussion at the Parish A.C.M. a sub-committee has been convened to examine the times of our Sunday services to enhance their effectiveness in the ministry of St John's. Meetings will begin soon under the chairmanship of Mr Paul Phelps. Results of this examination will be passed to the Rector and Vestry for their consideration.

Please pray for this special sub-committee.

POSITIONS VACANT
WANTED URGENTLY!
Willing personnel for
the **LAWN-MOWING ROSTER.**
Please contact the Parish
Office; we would be very
pleased to hear from you.

Coming Soon!

"ATTENTION "

Coming soon!!!

St John's Youth will be having an evening concert with various acts from the groups and guest band "TUBALCAIN", recently returned from a successful tour of St George's Parish!!!

HEAR YE!!!

101 PC will not be meeting on Friday nights any more, due to falling attendances. David and Melanie have decided that it would be better for the few members to join in with JYFS. So all you 101 PC'ers out there come on Friday 15th September at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre!!!

ANNOUNCING!!!

Sunday 17th September, St Mark's-on-the-Hill is hosting the Archdeaconry Youth Service at 5.00 pm The service is for all youth and the young at heart in Launceston.

Come and support us there!!!

BIG EVENT!!!

Announcing the Anglican Youth Weekend at the Golden Valley Centre, 17km south of Deloraine.

Friday 22nd to Sunday 24th September 1989.

For people between 15 and 21 years.

Further information is available from

Robert Deavin, ph. 44 8596.



Encouragement is a very important area of every Christian's life. Some people have special gifts in this area, but it is the responsibility of every Christian to encourage their brothers and sisters.

When we married we had as one of our readings a passage from Hebrews 10:24-25 "Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another all the more as you see the Day approaching."

Meeting together at church is for worship AND for encouraging one another. It is meeting together and spurring one another on that is vital to our church meetings. So, even if you don't feel like going to church or you don't get anything out of going, go anyway as others may benefit from your presence.

Hebrews 3:12-14 reminds us that sin in our lives can weaken our determination and enthusiasm and the encouragement of a fellow Christian is what can often really keep us going.

Using words is only one way we can encourage our Christian brothers and sisters. Our words are powerful enough either to totally destroy a person or give them life. Proverbs 28:21 says "Death and life are in the power of the tongue." and Proverbs 25:23 says "How delightful is a timely word!"

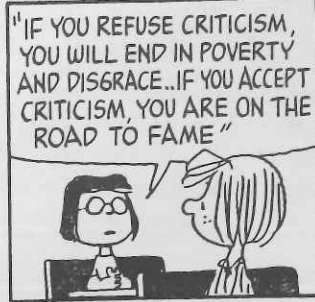
How true we know this to be when we remember the times in our own lives that a person's words have have stung our hearts or brought great joy.

Ephesians 4:29 instructs us on corrupt and good words and how the good builds up the hearts of those who listen. It doesn't mention shallow words. These are meaningless words, spoken with no good intent.

Lawrence Crabb Jr, in his book, "ENCOURAGEMENT" speaks of the danger of shallow words. He gives examples of how they abound in the world around us. But should it be this way within a church?

Let our words be encouraging, meaningful and loving so that we will grow together, serving one another's needs as members of the body of Christ. This way all will know we are Christians by our love.

OSCAR AND SANDY OWENS



HAVE YOU MET THESE

VEEP'S ?



KLOMP:

Come and visit any day between Monday and Friday these holidays. We would especially like you to come on the Family Night, THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 7th.

CEBS & GFS

GFS (GIRLS 6 - 18) meet on Wednesday nights between 6.00 and 7.30 pm for fun and games and crafts

CEBS (BOYS 6-18) do the same on Thursday nights. Both groups would love you to drop in and see what they get up to.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Boys and girls from Kindergarten to Grade 6 meet most Sundays at 10 am to enjoy learning about Jesus and God.

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DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE: SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 17 1989.

SUPPLEMENT TO THE 'CHURCH NEWS'.

SAMS:

The young adults group meets on Tuesday evenings at 7-30 pm. The venue is advertised each week in the Sunday Pew Sheet. Studies are interspersed with games nights, teas, missionary speakers and other interesting and fun things. For further information ring ROBERT DEAVIN 44 8596.



ST. JOHN'S
MOTHER'S UNION

WAVE OF PRAYER

AND... Next meeting will be on 13th September at 1 pm in the Rectory.

Please ring PENNY CARLYLE 44 7163 for other details.

Our next Special Communion Service will be on WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 20th.

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

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP TEA

Next TEA will be on Tuesday 12th Sept. at 6 pm. The guest speaker will be, MR DAVID PLUMRIDGE and his topic will be, "CUSTOMS".



Book early at the Parish Office for catering and a seat at the table.

ST JOHN'S WELFARE AUXILIARY

Next meeting will be on 11th Sept. 1989 at 2.30 p.m. in the Parish Centre. The guest speaker will be

A COUNCILLOR FROM "ANGLICARE"

Afternoon tea hostesses: Mrs L. Ikin and Mrs J. Tyson.

PASTORAL COMMITTEE

The committee has noticed that there are some difficulties being experienced by parishioners supervising Sunday morning creches. Perhaps it should pointed out to children and mothers that the creche is for the 5-year olds and unders.

Surely older children don't want to be playing with the babies and nursing mothers?

ATTENTION ALL JYFERS

We are going to the movies on Friday evening, 8th September. More details from SANDY and OSCAR OWENS 31 2048.