

The Chronicle Of All Saints Petersham

The Friendly Church

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THE "NEW" ALL SAINTS'

PARISH INFORMATION

8 a.m.—HOLY COMMUNION (Every Sunday), 2nd and 4th SUNDAYS at 11 a.m.
3rd SUNDAY AFTER EVENING PRAYER.
SAINTS' DAYS AS ANNOUNCED.

9.45a.m.—SUNDAY SCHOOL, KINDERGARTEN AND EXTENSION GROUPS

11 a.m.—MORNING PRAYER. 7.15 pm.—EVENING PRAYER

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS BY ARRANGEMENT WITH
THE RECTOR

CHURCHWARDENS: Messrs L. C. Calver (Rector's), W. Sopwith, E. Quelch
PARISH COUNCIL: The Churchwardens and Messrs R. H. C. Boots, H. G.
Brodie, J. Gorman, K. Grant, W. H. Hall, F. Hearn, D. B. Hunter, M.L.A.,
N. T. Kennedy, J. E. Minter, B. W. Pullen, H. J. Shaw and W. R. Williams
SIDESMEN: Messrs R. F. Atkinson, G. Clarke, A. Jones, B. Livingston, and
G. R. Minter.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT: Mr. R. F. Atkinson.

KINDERGARTEN LEADER: Mrs. E. Quelch.

EXTENSION GROUP LEADER: Mr. Dingle

PUBLICITY OFFICERS: Messrs H. J. Shaw—LM 3052, and A. Jones—LM 5218
ORGANIST: Miss K. O'Neill.

THE RECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT

(Presented at the Easter Vestry Meeting, 14th May, 1963)

The Challenge of God's Work

It is with much gratitude to Almighty God that I present this my seventh Annual Report of the work done in our Parish during the past financial year.

The past year has been one of great achievement in many ways. Although we still suffer from the general exodus of people moving from the inner city parishes to more country-like parishes, and have lost some valuable members by death, we still continue to move forward to greater things in the name of our Master, Jesus Christ.

How truly do we sing—

Christ is our corner-stone
On Him alone we build;
With His true saints alone
The courts of Heaven are filled;
On His great love, our hopes we place,
Of present grace and joys above.

There are times when the task before us seems so great that we feel hopelessly inadequate for what lies ahead. But St. Paul reminds us that we are labourers together with God. We do not work alone, we are sharers in a mighty task but we must never forget that it is God's work. The plans are His and we are called to work according to those plans in the strength which He supplies.

Some are easily discouraged and soon lose heart if everything does not go their way, but remember the hymn many of us learned as children and the message it conveys—

Jesus bids us shine with a pure clear light,
Like a little candle burning in the night,
In this world of darkness we must shine
You in your small corner and I in mine.

Jesus bids us shine first of all for Him
Well He sees and knows it, if our light grows dim,
He looks down from heaven to see us shine
You in your small corner and I in mine.

I am sure that the full significance of many hymns sung as children only comes home to us when we are older. It is when the sky grows dark and the way is not clear that we need to shine for God. The Christian life is not seeking personal limelight but learning to give God the glory. When we grow cold and our light grows dim no one is more conscious of it than God our Heavenly Father. The Christian life of duty is frequently summed up in the last line—"You in your small corner and I in mine."

We are the Church

We may often have the desire to do big things for God, but we only qualify for that service when first we learn to do the little things well.

We all need to remember that in speaking of the Church we must include ourselves. So many nominal baptised believers speak of the Church members and those who help to shape its destiny as though they are not in it. God needs us all and every baptised believer goes to make THE Church. If it fails, it may be that many of its members are just not pulling their weight. Christianity is more than lip service, as the Day of Judgment will reveal.

Colossal Painting Task Completed

Much has been done this year to restore and improve our Church property. The Church itself has received much needed attention inside. For years we have longed to paint the interior of the building, and this year it has been done. The task of cleaning down and painting the ceiling and walls was a colossal task. It took ten men many weeks, working from 6 a.m. to 9.30 p.m. to get the work done. It took an average of six hours work for three or four people to get the Church reasonably clean for Sunday services. It was about ninety years since the ceiling was painted and about thirty years since the walls were painted, so the amount of £2,400 spread over such a period is not much. The finished result is very pleasing. Extra fluorescent lighting has been placed in the Church this year, and modern electric strip heaters which give extra comfort in cold weather.

Friendly and Comfortable

Those who speak of "dear old All Saints," but seldom come, have less excuse to be absent on Sunday than ever before. We can make it hot or cold to suit the time of year! For those who want to worship God, a friendly and comfortable Church awaits them at All Saints'.

On the south side of the Church where the temporary Choir vestry was situated years ago, we had an unattractive part. The Ladies' Guild kindly paid for rubber to be laid on the floor to match the Vestry at a cost of £70. This is a big improvement and will be more easily cleaned. The Guild also had carpet placed on the steps and in the floor of the pulpit to match the aisles of the Church at a cost of £23.

Further gifts were two large earthenware stands and a jardiniere for floral decorations, which were provided by the Senior Parishioners' Club. These are an added attraction to the furnishing of the Church.

For many years the drainage system on the southern side of the Church facing Stanmore Road has needed attention. This year earthenware pipes have been laid to carry the water from the downpipes out into a sump in the churchyard and then into Church Street.

On the northern side of the Church about six tons of earth have been dug out and a concrete floor laid in preparation for the Columbarium. The bricks have now been ordered for this project.

Illuminated Memorial

An illuminated Cross replaces the old-fashioned light over the entrance to the main door of the Church. This is a memorial to the late Mrs. Furnell who died during the year.

Many Improvements

Further improvements have been made in the Parish Hall, where extra fluorescent lights have been added and new lino placed in the Guild Room and kitchen. This lino, costing about £130, was put in by the Senior Parishioners' Club. The Indoor Bowls Club have built a set of cupboards for their mats, and these are an acquisition to the Hall. Parts of the Guild Room have been repainted this year to make it look more attractive. Laminex tops to our cupboards in the kitchen are an added improvement provided by the Senior Parishioners' Club.

Minor improvements have been carried out at the Rectory, such as two floodlights on the Rectory wall which light up the churchyard on a dark night and a fluorescent light on the back verandah. Some of the power points have been replaced where necessary.

In the Kindergarten new wiring and two strip heaters have been provided to warm up the building on cold days.

Hard Work of a Handful

I often wonder how some people imagine we are able to undertake these improvements and maintain our property. The money generally comes in through hard work on the part of a handful of Church workers. The Ladies' Guild have street stalls at the Church gate about once a month and sell cakes, jams, etc. The Young Marrieds' collect newspapers (which are sold for wrapping), rags, etc. and have an occasional street stall. The Senior Parishioners' Club collect used clothing and have clothing Sales. The Physical Culture Club organise concerts and Junior Deb. Presentations etc. for funds. Then there is the Annual Fete which this year was again a great success bringing in £1,200. This was a marvellous effort. I am grateful to all who worked so hard to help raise this sum of money. There are apparently still a few in the community who believe the Church of England is subsidised by the Government. This is not true, we do not receive any financial help from the Government at all.

Without the Annual Fete we could not maintain our buildings as they ought to be maintained, despite the fact that we let the Parish Hall for occasional meetings and functions, such as weddings.

Your Offertories

The weekly offertories through the Envelope System still produce our main source of income for wages, light, gas, etc. I am grateful to the parishioners who support the Church liberally in this way. Some are not able to attend Church very often, but do not forget to take envelopes and return them either through the District Visitors or by putting them in the letter box at the Rectory front door. We have lost many contributors through death and moving from the district, and will be willing to supply anyone with envelopes who require them. Part of our Christian witness is giving a fair share each week of our income to God's work. Read 1 Corinthians 16-2. All that we have belongs to God and we cannot take a shilling with us when we go from this world, but in the Day of Judgment I believe we must give account of our stewardship.

Statistics

During the year we had 83 Baptisms (78), 37 Marriages (35), 107 Burials (118), 40 Confirmees (28), The Acts of Communion for the year totalled 8,473 (6,836), which was an all-time record. The figures for the previous year are in parentheses.

Personal

We had less deaths, but more of them were closely connected with the Church. In August we lost Miss Doris Dobson, a very regular worshipper at All Saints' and a member of the Guild. On September 12th Mr. William Lloyd Davis of Lewisham passed away. He was a son of a clergyman and a very regular worshipper at the 8 a.m. service. On the same day we lost Mr. John William Humphreys, one of our Parish Councillors. Mr. Humphreys had given faithful service in keeping the Church grounds in order, besides giving help with other voluntary work. On September 16th we lost Mr. John Baden Carpenter Ditchburn, who had been a Sidesman in our Church for some years. On October 6th there passed away after a long illness Mrs. Elizabeth Kathleen Rose Furnell, a worshipper and worker for our Church over many years and a Guild member. On October 5th another Parish Councillor, Mr. Thomas Henry Hamilton Bosward was called to his Heavenly reward. All his life Mr. Bosward was connected with this Church and was the foundation Secretary of the Y.C.I. For 37 years he was the local President of the R.S.L. He had served as Sunday School Teacher and Superintendent, and was a Life Member and Vice-President of the N.S.W. Churches' Cricket Union. On March 23rd Mrs. Dora Marjorie Maude Thomas of Pambula passed away suddenly. Mrs. Thomas had lived with her husband in Petersham for many years, and both were well known figures at All Saints'. More recently, on April 28th we lost another familiar figure in the person of Mr. Max Boyle. Mr. Boyle was associated with All Saints' all his life. He held most offices in the Church during his lifetime. He was a foundation member of the Y.C.I., Sunday School Teacher, Parish Councillor, Churchwarden, Synodsmen, Life Member and Vice-President of the Churches' Cricket Union, and always interested in sport amongst the youth. He gave of his best throughout his life to young and old, and will be greatly missed.

The funeral services of all mentioned here were held in All Saints' Church where I was able, as Rector, to pay a personal tribute to the life of each of them. To the relatives of those called away this year we tender our deepest sympathy.

New Memorials

The Parish Council has decided to erect a Memorial Gate on the west side of the Church property in memory of Mr. John Humphreys and Mr. John Ditchburn, and to finish the oak panelling around the Second World War Memorial in memory of Mr. Thomas Bosward. A memorial illuminated Cross has already been erected in memory of Mrs. Furnell, the cost being borne by her family.

Enmore Parish Linked

On March 1st, I became Rector of Petersham with Enmore. The Archbishop was concerned with the condition of things at Enmore and asked me to take over the Parish and work it with a Curate. I am fortunate to have the Rev. John Green (an old friend of mine from my last parish), who after ordination served with the Brotherhood of the Good Shepherd at Gilgandra for six years. He is now living in the Enmore Rectory and has made a good start in getting things back to normal. His friendliness and personality should win him many friends.

We have already had the Annual Vestry Meeting and there are signs of new life in that Parish. Mr. Green is helping me with school and sick visiting in this Parish to the extent of one and a half days per week.

Assistance of Clergy

For some months we have had the help of the Rev. P. N. Wellock, B.A., B.Ed., of St. Arnaud, who is a student at the House of Epiphany (A.B.M. College). Mr. Wellock assists with 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. services, preaching for us at one or other of the services. Last year we had two other ordained priests helping us—first the Rev. R. Barnes of Brisbane and later the Rev. Michael Vine of Melbourne. We have been very fortunate in our assistants in the way they have fitted into parish life here, and the messages they have given have been so acceptable. We are deeply grateful too, for the help of the Rev. A. E. Gardner, B.A., who gives us help at Christmas, Easter and on other occasions. Canon E. Elder, B.A., Principal of the House of the Epiphany, is also giving us help with the 8 a.m. Holy Communion and other occasions as required. I value his help very much indeed. The layreaders are of great assistance with Morning and Evening Prayer and the Children's Service. I wish to express my appreciation of the help given by Mr. K. Grant, our licensed layreader. Mr. Ivan Ransom helped considerably last year, too, with the Confirmees and Children's Service. Mr. Ransom is now in training for the ministry at Moore College. Mr. John Nance is now helping with the Children's Service in a very acceptable way. During the year I had help from Mr. Ashley Plowman, whose knowledge of education makes his addresses on education so worthwhile, and who again preached at the Education Sunday Service, and Mr. Harry Brodie, who usually reads the lessons at Morning Prayer, gave a very acceptable message on a Sunday when I was on leave. To all these gentlemen I wish to tender my sincere gratitude.

The Fete

I have earlier made brief reference to the Annual Fete, but do so again congratulating the stall holders and all who worked so hard on the wonderful result of £1,200. It was a big effort but we were richly blessed in the weather and the financial result. The money was soon used up in painting the Church, but it meant the Parish Council was able to meet the accounts when presented. To all who worked and are still working hard I would say, God bless you and thank you sincerely.

Organ Project

The pipe organ in the Church is the next major project and we have asked for an estimate of the cost of restoring the instrument to full working condition. The lamb-skin on the bellows is well-worn and perished; that alone may cost £300 to restore. Then a number of the pipes need attention. After all, the organ was placed in the Church about seventy-seven years ago, so it is overdue for a major overhaul. I hope this work will be undertaken after the next fete has been held.

Quite a few of our Church people have been on the sick list during the year but are now on the road to recovery. Mr. Calver, one of our Churchwardens, has had some weeks in bed, but we are pleased to see him about again. We wish all our friends strength and a return to full health very soon.

The Sunday School continues to progress, and I am pleased to say we have more people willing to teach than we can provide classes for. It is a good sign, but we would also like to see more children coming along. The number of young people attending our services is, nevertheless, most encouraging.

During the year Mr. Roy Atkinson took unto himself a wife. We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Atkinson on this step and wish them many years of happiness together.

Valuable Helpers

The work of giving religious instruction in the Schools has gone on steadily, and I want to thank the Rev. E. T. Montgomery and Miss Atkinson for their assistance with this work.

Once again I want to express sincere thanks to the District Visitors, who do such marvellous work in keeping many in touch with the Church work by delivering to them the "Chronicle". In addition to my many duties such as teaching in Schools, taking funerals, meetings, etc., I paid over 500 visits myself this year, but in a parish this size it ought to be 5,000. One man can never do all that is required of him, and so I want to give a special word of thanks to the District Visitors.

In conclusion I want to thank all the Clubs and Societies working to maintain a strong Church; to the layreaders, the Churchwardens, the Parish Councillors, the Sidesmen, the Sunday School Superintendent, Mr. Atkinson and Teachers, Mrs. Quelch, in charge of the Kindergarten, the Bible Class Leader, Mr. Dingle, the Organist, Miss O'Neill, Assistant Organists, Miss Street and Miss Norman, the Choir members, the Carillonists—Miss Jan Sayers, Miss Helen Dudley and Mr. John Nance. Thanks to Mrs. Bosward for caring for the Communion Linen, to the ladies who arrange the flowers in the Church week by week; to Miss N. Street for keeping the brass so nice and clean; to Mr. Alan Jones for editing the "Chronicle" and doing the weekly Church notices; to Mrs. Bosward and her helpers who distribute the Weekly Freewill Envelopes; to Mrs. Humphreys for keeping the register; to Mr. H. J. Shaw for his artistic calico signs and Christmas and Easter Seasonal signs in the Church; to our Publicity Officers, Messrs A. Jones and H. J. Shaw, for inserting articles of interest in local newspapers; to Mr. N. Kennedy for visiting homes of those who have just returned from Hospital when the Chaplains send along the information; to Mr. John Minter and my son, Robert, for working the projector at the after-Church social hours; to Mr. Garnett and my son Robert for cutting the Church lawns; to Mrs. Latham who keeps the Church and Halls so clean.

Again I want to thank the Guild, Young Marrieds' and Friends' Club, the Physical Culture Club, the Senior Parishioners (Mesdames Shaw, Clark and Wilson, and their helpers), the Fellowship, the Bowls Club—and all who have helped strengthen the Church's cause this year.

I want to especially thank Mrs. Gorman, Mr. R. Minter and Mr. Moore for their help with the Baseball, Cricket and Table Tennis Teams. Many have given hours of labour which may not be recorded in this report, but I believe God knows the amount of self-sacrifice which goes into Church work to help forward His Kingdom. He knows and He cares and will one day say how much He has appreciated our service for Him—when we stand in His Presence.

I give you my personal thanks for your loyalty and support, and pray God may bless you as a Church and as a Family.

Sincerely yours,

Eric Champion

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

The Classes for the 1963 confirmees have now begun and the Rector would like to hear as soon as possible from any further adults or young people wishing to be confirmed this year.

Talks are being given at the 11 a.m. Service each week for their benefit, being based on the Catechism and Church teaching.

CLOTHING SALE

Once again, the organisers of the Clothing Sale wish to thank our many parishioners who made donations of clothing.

The financial result was very pleasing and proceeds all go to Church Funds.

Many thanks also to all who came along to help us on May 10th-11th.

D. SHAW

PERSONAL

We extend our sincere sympathy to the family of the late Mr. James Higgins of Wardell Road, whose funeral service took place in All Saints' Church on 10th May. Mr. Higgins had been a parishioner of this Church for many years.

SANCTUARY FLOWER ROSTER

June 2—Donated by Miss N. King and Mrs. Cleary in memory of their Father and Mother; arranged by Mrs. Malone.

June 9—Donated by Mrs. Jones of Chester Street in memory of her Husband; arranged by Miss Nisbet.

June 16—Donated by Miss McKenzie, Mrs. Rowland and Mrs. Clark in memory of their Mother and her Sister, Mrs. Ruby McKenzie, by Miss McPherson in memory of her Brother, John; and by Mrs. Maxwell and John in memory of their Husband and Father, Ted Maxwell; arranged by Mrs. Ingoldsby Brown and Mrs. Clark.

June 23—No donation; arranged by Miss Speight.

June 30—Donated by Mrs. Gordon in memory of her brother, Mr. J. Oliver; arranged by Mrs. Bosward.

July 7—No donation; arranged by Mrs. Malone.

On Sunday, 12th May, the flowers were given by the Misses Street in memory of the Rev. C. E. Madgwick and by the Jenkins family in memory of their Father.

The flowers for Sunday, 26th May were also given by Miss White and Miss Quin in memory of their friend, Miss Doreen Belford.

THIS MONTH'S DIARY

Monday, 3rd—Parish Council Meeting, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, 5th—Mothers' Union, 8 p.m.

Sunday, 9th—Trinity Sunday.

Monday, 10th—Queen's Birthday Holiday.

Wednesday, 12th—St. Luke's Centre, 2.30 p.m.

Friday, 14th—Y.C.I. "Sports" Quiz—Messrs K. Dingle and J. Gorman will be Quizmasters.

Thursday, 20th—Y.M. Newspaper Drive for June closes.

Friday, 21st—Guild Street Stall, 10 a.m.—1 p.m.

Sunday, 23rd—Social Hour after Evensong. Supper by courtesy of the Ladies' Guild.

Tuesday, 25th—Guild Guest Speaker—Miss Mitchell of A.B.M., 2 p.m.

CLUB NEWS

Physical Culture Club: Our "Mixed-up" Tea Party Competition held on 27th April was one of the most successful and entertaining afternoons ever presented by the Physical Culture Club. Much credit is due to the parents and girls for the work they put into this "Party" which resulted in £62 being handed in. Our Club is very grateful to Mrs. Dunne who had the difficult task of judging the beautifully decorated tables.

First prize in the Competition resulted in a win for the "Rose-Bud Dolls" and their Hostess. Second prize went to the "Chinese" who also gained the first award for the Best Table. Second prize was awarded to "The Hawaiians" and a special award went to "The Tramps". All who took part in the Competition are to be congratulated for their efforts, in which they really excelled themselves. Our sincere thanks go to Mrs. Anderson (Instructress), Mrs. Holden (Pianiste), and to Mrs. Hollis for her generous donations. Many thanks, girls, and parents for your wonderful help. Below is a list of the girls who participated in the Competition:

"Rose-Bud Dolls": Debbie Olofsson Kerry Rowland, Antone Kennedy, Joanne Vardy; hostess, D. Hird.

"Chinese": Sue Harris, Julie Bretherton, Lynne Archer, J. Brickerstaff; hostess: Val. Harris.

"School Days": Kim Thorn, Kerry Hodda, S. Johnstone; hostess Barbara Connell.

"Debs": C. McPherson L. Elliott, K. Williams, J. Lougham; hostess, Ruth Champion.

"Tramps": C. Challenger, M. Kelly, J. Ling, A. Panucci; hostess, Julie Hird.

"Hawaiians": E. Carmichael, K. Cottee, J. Panucci, R. Garforth R. Hitchings; hostess, Christine Müller.

"Colleens": B. Potter, K. Grainger, K. Outen, K. Kable; hostess, Lynette Harris.

"Easter Parade": N. Drabich, S. Drabich, K. Kable, M. Pasterfield; hostess, Diane Turton.

F. DITCHBURN, Hon. Secretary

Ladies' Guild: On Tuesday, 25th June, we will have a talk, with illustrated slides, given by Miss Mitchell of the Australian Board of Missions. All ladies will be welcome—the function begins at 2 p.m.

Our next street stall will be on Friday, 21st June, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Donations towards the stall would be appreciated.

E. M. BOSWARD, Hon. Secretary

Fellowship: On Saturday, 6th July, at 8 p.m., the Fellowship is holding a "Come as a T.V. Personality or Commercial" Dance in the Parish Hall.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend and we hope to see a large number present. Be sure to come and represent your favourite television character.

Bowls Club: During May, our Club played Narwee Methodist. One of our teams won 20-10, and our other team were defeated 12-9. We won on the aggregate, and received three points.

Our Club-mate, Jim Alder, is beginning to "pick up" a little now after two major operations. We are all looking forward to Jim's complete recovery and his return to bowling. Don't forget our invitation to all menfolk any Wednesday night at 7.30 p.m.

H. SHAW, Hon. Secretary

Baseball Club: All Saints' played better Baseball during May and scored their first victory of the season in defeating Bankstown 19-4.

In the last match, we defeated Hurlstone Park 21-11. The boys are combining better as a team and we hope to be able to win more games as the season progresses.
J. GORMAN

Table Tennis: In their last three matches, the "E" Grade No. 1 team, R. Cornford, G. Davies, P. Keen and J. Gorman defeated Angus and Coote 7 Rubbers to 4, defeated University 8 Rubbers to 3, but went down 10 Rubbers to 1 to the competition leaders, Hardie "Ace".

The "E" Grade No. 2 side, A. Bell, D. Ward, W. Balfe, and J. Anders beat Gordon and Gotch by 6 Rubbers to 5, were unlucky to be beaten 6 Rubbers to 5 by "B.K." and narrowly won their last match against "Night Owls".
R. MOORE, President

I'M C-O-O-O-O-LD

A MESSAGE FROM THE HOME MISSION SOCIETY

This is what each of the "Opportunity Shop" managers are now hearing almost every day.

The people who have managed to get through summer with almost no clothing problem will find winter a different kettle of fish.

Aged and invalid pensioners, men and women, deserted wives and children, widows with their families all with two things in common, little money and great need, will be coming to us for warmth.

Unless you help us, many will remain cold all winter.

Unlike a loaf of bread or a jug of milk, we cannot divide a coat, a dress, a singlet, a pair of trousers, or a blanket.

We need underwear for men and women, boys and girls. We need dresses, shoes, stockings, overcoats, cardigans, jumpers, pull-overs, rain-coats, nightdresses, pyjamas, slippers, sheets, blankets, dressing-gowns, pillows, blankets, towels, table-cloths, tea-towels, shirts, skirts, blouses, crockery, glassware, vases, ornaments, books, curtains, toys and almost anything else you can think of which is saleable.

All you have to do is remember "I'm c-o-o-o-o-l-d!" and phone 51-4341 and the Home Mission Society Opportunity Shops will send a van to call on you.

HIGH FINANCE

As all home-owners know only too well, the expenses of keeping their property in order are continually rising, so that when you have to look after a Church, four Halls, a two-story Rectory, a Garage, and an acre of ground, it is no wonder that the year's painting and repair bill runs into four figures.

The Church Financial Statement for the year ended 31st March, 1963, shows that a total of £2860 was spent in restoring and maintaining our properties in good order during the preceding twelve months. Of this amount, £2,500 was spent on repainting the Church interior, £74 on concreting, £34 on renewing Hall lighting, and £236 on painting, plumbing, drainage, etc., both for the Church, Halls, Rectory and grounds.

Other new works, such as the Church heaters and fluorescent lighting, were met from the Rector's Special Appeal Fund, to which donations may be made by parishioners.

It is interesting to note that the Church's expenditure for the year was more than double that of the offertories received in Church; this emphasises the importance of the District Visitors' collections and of the proceeds of the Fetes, which in effect met the cost of the Church painting. Without the proceeds of our Annual Fetes, it just would not have been possible to have undertaken this painting and other necessary maintenance work.

With the Church's expenditure running at £120 per week for the past twelve months, the need for sustained receipts, whether offertories, District Visitors' collections, or Fete proceeds, is vital to keep our budget balanced.

NEWS IN BRIEF

● **Annual Elections:** At the recent Easter Vestry Meeting, Mr. R. H. Boots was elected as a member of the Parish Council in place of Mr. R. Wright, who has moved to Liverpool, while Mr. G. Clarke was elected as a Sidesman to succeed Mr. Boots. The remaining Wardens, Councillors and Sidesmen were re-elected to their former positions.

● **New Blocks:** We are grateful to Miss Dell Sanotti of the House of the Epiphany for designing a special block for use on the cover of future Easter "Chronicles" and Good Friday notice sheets. Our collection of blocks for this purpose had been very limited and we are most appreciative of Miss Sanotti's help in this way.

The front cover this month also features a new block, taken after the re-painting of the Church interior. This photograph also shows the new fluorescent lighting and suspended hearters, which the Rector has mentioned in his Report.

● During the last few weeks, the Interstate Rugby Union matches were played. Included in the N.S.W. team was Don. O'Sullivan, who was selected as a winger. Until transferred to the country earlier this year, Don was a very active member of the choir at All Saints'.

● **Readers of this paper who have old or broken jewellery containing old gold can help All Saints' by giving such items to the Church for sale in aid of funds.** Mr. Arthur Cook can obtain TOP MARKET PRICES for old gold, and all proceeds go to Fete Funds.

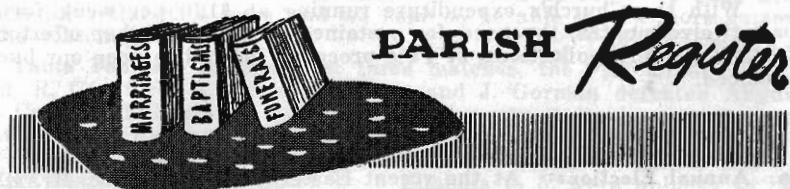
Mr. Cook is also collecting old or broken clocks and watches which he can repair for sale at the Fete, and these items, as well as the old gold can be left either at Mr. Cook's or at the Rectory. If you have clocks to give, please drop them in soon, as it often takes several weeks to buy the necessary parts to fix them.

● **Clerical Movements:** The Rev. Peter Wellock who has been helping with our morning Services this year, returned to his home city of Melbourne for a few days during the House of the Epiphany's May vacation. The Rev. David Anthony, a former Sunday Scholar and Choir member at All Saints', called in on the Rector and some of our parishioners during annual holidays from his post of Rector of Texas, a parish on the N.S.W.-Queensland border. Finally, Mr. Geoff Bloomfield spent a few days at the Rectory during the May vacation of the St. John's Theological College at Morpeth.

● **Car Service:** Parishioners who find it difficult to walk to Church during the wet and winter months are invited to 'phone Mr. Bert Shaw (LM 3052) and we will make arrangements to drive you to All Saints'. This Service has been specially set up to help our ill or older parishioners who might otherwise be prevented from coming to Church each week.

● **Mountain Holiday:** A Church Home for those wishing to have a short holiday on the lower Blue Mountains has been opened at Wentworth Falls, conducted by a member of the Deaconess Institute. Established as a House of Healing and Refreshment, the Home is intended particularly to help those recuperating after illness or time in hospital, sorrow or personal problems. The Rector and Mrs. Champion can supply further information to those interested.

● **July "Chronicle":** Items for the July issue of this paper will be received by the Rector up to Sunday, 23rd June.

**BAPTISMS****"Born Again"**

- Apl. 21st—Jeffrey Michael Perkins.
 „ 28th—Tracey Ann Macmillan.
 May 5th—Julie Alexandra Harborne.
 „ 19th—Juanita-Rae Frost.
 „ 19th—Darren Wayne Dignam.

MARRIAGES**"Those whom God hath joined"**

- Apl. 27th—John William Treble to Judith Ann Taylor.
 „ 27th—Andrea David Andreoni to Stella Elizabeth Oakley.
 „ 27th—James Skellern to Thelma Mary Motbey.
 „ 27th—Stanley Kenneth Nelson to Marie Joan Turton.
 May 20th—Warren Maxwell Carr to Noeline Thelma Willson.

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**"In the midst of life we are in death; of whom may we seek for succour
 but of Thee, O Lord."**

- Apl. 23rd—Alfred Barden.
 „ 23rd—John William Fletcher Davidson.
 „ 29th—Thomas Oliver.
 „ 30th—Muriel B. Farlow.
 „ 30th—John MacIntosh Boyle.
 May 8th—Carleton John Magrath.
 „ 9th—Henry Francis Lewis.
 „ 10th—James Manning Higgins.
 „ 13th—William Thomas.
 „ 15th—Edward Thomas Sidworthy Miller.
 „ 20th—Olive Tooler.
 „ 20th—Louie Malone.

REMINDER: When you have finished reading "The Chronicle" do not forget to turn to I Corinthians 16-2 and read the passage commended to you by the Rector in his Annual Report.

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