

The Chronicle

Of All Saints

Petersham

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ALL SAINTS' MEMORIAL GATES.

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.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer. 7.15 p.m.—Evening Prayer.
9.45 a.m.—Sunday School. 9.45 a.m.—Kindergarten.

Churchwardens: Messrs L. C. CALVER (Rector's), W. SOPWITH, E. QUELCH.

Parish Council: THE CHURCHWAKDENS and Messrs A. H. THOMAS, T. H. BOSWARD, J. M. BOYLE, H. G. BRODIE, J. HUMPHREYS, D. B. HUNTER, V. BARRETT, B. PULLEN, H. J. SHAW, K. GRANT, A. COOK, R. WRIGHT

Hon. Secretary: Mr. L. C. CALVER Hon. Treasurer: Mr. W. SOPWITH

Sidesmen: Messrs R. ATKINSON, B. LIVINGSTONE, A. IRELAND, J. DITCBURN, R. MINITER, H. F. JONES, A. JONES and J. PEISLEY.

Envelope Secretary: Mr. T. BOSWARD—LM 2778.

Organist: Miss KATHLEEN O'NEILL.

RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

Our Consecration Festival was a great success. The services on Sunday, 16th August were well attended and the messages of the visiting preachers, Rev. A. P. Wade and Bishop Wilton were much appreciated.

The Church looked beautiful for the Consecration Festival, the flowers were exquisite and the new red carpet in the aisles made a very homely atmosphere. We are grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Weir for their gift of £100 and the Ladies' Guild for being responsible for the balance of the £430 which the carpet cost. I would like to thank those who gave flowers, or money for flowers, and to those who gave of their time in making the Church so beautiful for this occasion.

The Tea on Wednesday, 19th August, was well attended by about 200 people and everything went off according to plan. The ladies in charge of the tables did excellent work and provided a first rate meal. Thank you ladies. The musical items by Mrs. Sayers and Jan and by the two visiting artists Fred and Lydia were much appreciated. Canon Arrowsmith proved a very interesting speaker with a good dash of humour, he finally ended on a note of challenge.

I want to thank Miss O'Neill for the Organ Recital so ably given after the Tea. Again I thank the men who put the tables and trestles out, and put them back again in the basement, after the Tea. To all who helped in any way to make this function a success, we give our thanks.

On Sunday, 23rd August, our special preacher at 11 a.m. was the Rev. David Salt of the New Hebrides. His message was very much appreciated and all being well he hopes to return and give a talk on his work in this parish in November.

Please remember the Parish Mission on October 11th to 18th. The week before the Mission in our Church the Missioners would like to hold small meetings in homes where say, half a dozen Anglicans can meet and ask questions about spiritual things. Will you please have one in your home? Please let me know as soon as possible so we can arrange the programme. No home is too small. Remember the Lord said "Where two or three are gathered together in my name there am I in the midst".

The All Saints' Players in conjunction with the Y.C.I. are giving a concert on 25th September in the Parish Hall. Please come. A good programme is assured.

Again, may I remind you of the Annual Fete in November. Now is the time to prepare. The "White Elephant Stall" can still do with odds and ends of unwanted goods. What you have no use for, may be needed by someone else. We hope this year to wipe out the balance of the debt on the Parish Hall.

Yours sincerely,

ERIC CHAMPION

CHURCH ARMY MISSION

During October a Mission is to be held at All Saints', Petersham and the committee would be pleased if as many ladies of the parish as possible would volunteer to assist by hostessing several home meetings, in the week prior to the main mission, which will be conducted during the period 11th October to the 18th.

It is anticipated that the meetings be held at 10.30 a.m., 2.30 p.m. and 8.00 p.m. and that as many of your friends as possible be invited to attend.

A member of the Church Army Mission team will speak at every meeting which will be quite informal, with no sumptuous repasts following, tea and biscuits would suffice, as the committee are most anxious that the hostesses' costs be reduced to a minimum.

ALL SAINTS' CENTENARY

On April 15th, 1860, the first Church of England service was held in what is now the Parish of All Saints so that April next year marks the Centenary of the event. From that small beginning a vigorous and influential parish has come, with a beautiful Church, splendid Sunday School and other Church organisations, bearing witness to the faith of the past and present generations. We have every reason for pride in our long and eventful history, the most important feature of which is that men and women and boys and girls have found comfort and fellowship, faith and inspiration over so many years. The love of God and the redemption of mankind has been its steadfast teaching.

It is fitting that we should celebrate the centenary with pride and rejoicing, and with thanks to God for our heritage and benediction. We owe that both to the past and the future.

The centenary celebrations will open with a service on May 1st next, when his Grace the Archbishop has graciously consented to preach. It is intended to make the service the biggest event in the Parish history, and to invite both present and past parishioners to attend.

As a special commemoration the Parish Council has applied to the Marrickville Council for permission to install an electronic carrillon, and it is planned to have it consecrated at the service.

The estimated cost will be twelve hundred pounds and parishioners and other friends of All Saints are invited to contribute to the fund.

So as invitations may be sent to past parishioners for the service readers are asked to supply the names and addresses of any they know. These may be left at the Rectory.

Other services of commemoration will be held, and, as well, a Parish Social, and a party for the Sunday School children.

From time to time the Chronicle will tell of other plans for the centenary, so as this is a very historic occasion maybe as widely known as possible.

D.H.

FLOWER ROSTER

- Sept. 6th—Donated by the family of the late Mrs. E. Jones, arranged by Mrs. Bosward.
 „ 13th—Donated by Mrs. Dryden in memory of her husband, arranged by Mrs. Colburt and Mrs. Bellamy.
 „ 20th—Donated and arranged by Mrs. Quelch.
 „ 27th—Donated by Mrs. Pullen in memory of her parents, arranged by Mrs. Pullen.
 Oct. 4th—Donated by Mrs. Carrol in memory of her Mother, Mrs. Binns, arranged by Mrs. Sopwith.

We say a very sincere thank you to all friends who sent donations of flowers or money to purchase flowers for our Consecration Festival on 16th August, also to those who helped to arrange flowers and polish brass for that day.

On 23rd August flowers were also given by Mrs. Parsons in memory of her husband.

LADIES' GUILD

At our meeting on 11th August final arrangements were made for five tables at the Festival Tea, for which the Guild was responsible. Once again this function was most successful.

It is with pleasure that I record that the carpet, for which we have laboured for two years, is now an accomplished fact and feel sure all who have seen it, will agree that it has enhanced the beauty of our Church. We can, I think, feel justly proud of having achieved something worth-while.

The August Street Stall was again a great success, the total, over £14, thank you to all who help and give month by month. The next Street Stall, 18th September.

On 8th September we are to have a Demonstration, arranged by Mrs. Garnett, fuller details will appear on Church notices, all ladies welcome, a donation of 2/- will include afternoon tea. Our business meeting for September will be on the 4th Tuesday to allow us to take advantage of this demonstration.

E. M. BOSWARD, Hon. Secretary

INDOOR BOWLS CLUB

All men of the Parish are invited to join this enthusiastic band. Come along any Wednesday night, where a friendly welcome awaits you. We are all beginners and all ages, the fact that you have not played before does not matter.

H. S. SHAW, Sec. Stewardship Committee

YOUNG MARRIEDS AND FRIENDS' CLUB

The next meeting of the above Club will be held in the Y.C.I. Room, Parish Hall, on Tuesday, 8th September at 8 p.m. We are always anxious to enroll new members, so please come along and join us.

Our Annual Luncheon on Wednesday, 23rd September, is the next function we are looking forward to. The Rev. Neville Bathgate, Chaplain for Youth, is to be our special Guest Speaker, the subject "His experiences in Japan." Lunch will commence at 12.30 p.m. Donation 3/6. We hope to see as many there as possible. Please note the date 23rd September.

Our Rag collection netted £7/10/- for our Club Funds, please accept our grateful thanks to all who sent in for this collection. The next collection will be for clean newspapers.

I. Barrett, Hon. Secretary

SCRIPTURE UNION

Anyone who is interested in joining the Scripture Union for 1960 is advised to see me as soon as possible as subscriptions are now due. Notes and Membership Cards are available for all age groups at a small cost and I will be only too pleased to supply you.

J. NAPIER, Secretary

CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Donation of Toilet Soaps, Washers, Talc, etc., will be gratefully accepted for distribution to local Hospitals and Nursing Homes at Christmas.

Last year over 200 parcels were delivered from "All Saints" and brought much happiness to those less fortunate folk.

All donations of money will be acknowledged through the "Chronicle". Thank you Mrs. Bryce for the first donation.

D. SHAW, Hon. Secretary,

All Saints Senior Parishioners' Club

WHITE ELEPHANT STALL

The Y.C.I. is again conducting the White Elephant Stall at the forthcoming Fete, and would be grateful for goods to stock this stall. Articles of crockery, glassware, kitchenware, tools, furniture, silverware, cutlery, in fact any article for which you have no further use.

The flower Stall is another activity of the Y.C.I. and gifts of plants etc. would be appreciated.

We would gladly arrange to pick up any goods for either Stall, please advise the Rector or any Y.C.I. member, and the matter will be attended to promptly.

BOOKS MISLAYED

From time to time the Rector has lent Theological Books to parishioners and has lost track of them. He would appreciate it if such books could find their way back to his study shelves as he is needing some to help students taking the S.P.T.C. Course.

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday School Teachers met for their Annual Business Meeting on 30th July. At the meeting a resume of the past year showed that, while we had lost a number of scholars through removal from the Parish, we had enrolled others so that our numbers had been maintained. The shortage of teachers has been overcome and the staff position is satisfactory.

The Treasurer, Mr. E. Quelch, presented the financial statement which showed that our finances are still sound.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

Hon. Secretary: Miss June Joyce

Hon. Treasurer: Mr. E. Quelch

Registrar: Mr. Alan Jones

It was decided to hold a Sunday School Concert on Friday, 6th November in aid of Picnic Funds. We ask all parents and friends to make a note of this date.

The Rector expressed his thanks to the members of the Staff for their work during the year. The Teachers wish to thank all Parents and Friends who have helped the Sunday School Activities.

J. Joyce, Hon. Secretary

 Y.C.I.

We released the 191st issue of the "Manuscript Journal" at our meeting held on Friday, 7th August. There were several articles which provoked a good deal of discussion and humour was not neglected. Altogether it was an excellent issue, well up to the high standard set by the Y.C.I. many years ago. The second meeting in August was held on 21st. We had an open debate, Mr. Alan Jones was the Premier and Mr. Ben Pullen leader of the opposition. The Debate centred around the topical question of Saturday morning or Friday night shopping and many interesting speeches were made by both sides. At the time of going to Press a division had not been taken.

At this meeting we said Au-revoir to Mr. Jack Thomas, prior to his departure to Pambula, where he will be engaged in business. Mr. Thomas has been a member of the Y.C.I. for thirty-two years and although he retains his membership the loss of his active association and good fellowship is greatly regretted by his Y.C.I. friends. As a memento of his happy years with the Y.C.I. and the esteem in which he is held by us a book suitably inscribed was presented to him.

Our next meetings are set down for Friday, 4th September and 18th September. On Friday 25th September, Y.C.I. Concert will be held in the Parish Hall when we hope there will be a large attendance as the programme includes the All Saints' Players and visiting artists.

L.L.C.

 BASKETBALL

On Saturday, 15th August we played another match with Peter-sham. The score at the end of play was 14-10 in our favour.

As last Saturday proved very warm we have decided to finish up the Basketball as from 29th August. Tennis is being considered for a summer sport and a meeting to be held on Saturday, 29th August will decide finally on this.

FELLOWSHIP

Two dances were held by the Fellowship during August, the first on Saturday, 8th and the second 29th, both proving tremendous successes both socially and financially. We partially owe the success of the second to the fact that a three piece band played for us; that is something that we have wanted as an added attraction for some time, but which we have been unable to procure.

The Fellowship felt a great disappointment when it was found that they would be unable to have the "Spit and Polish" Night as planned on 11th August, since the new aisle carpet for the Church was being put down on the same day. A games meeting was held instead and for our remaining meeting of the month on 25th August we had a Record Evening.

For our three meetings during September we have planned Inter-Fellowship competition games, a dance plus dancing lessons, and a Tennis Social, on Tuesday 8th, 22nd and 29th respectively.

Any teenagers wishing to join with us in Fellowship shall find themselves made most welcome at any and all of these meetings, which are held 2nd, 4th and 5th Tuesdays of each month at 7.45 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

O. BARRETT, Hon. Secretary

NEW FEDERAL SECRETARY FOR C.M.S.

Archdeacon R. J. Hewett, the present Federal Secretary of C.M.S. last year advised the Society that they should be looking for someone to succeed him.

Mr. A. Jack Dain who is at present the Secretary of the Bible and Medical Missionary Fellowship in London was offered the position and has since accepted.

He will arrive in Australia to assume this position in January, 1960 after visiting Tanganyika, India and Pakistan en route from England.

INTERNATIONAL CHURCH

St. Paul's Church where the Rev. and Mrs. D. Gurney are working in Teheran, is a very large room seating one hundred and has the loveliest stained glass window ever seen in Iran.

The congregation of St. Paul's consists of Jewish-speaking Christians, and an English-speaking Episcopalian community, English and American.

In her letter, Mrs. Gurney, who with her husband are Australian C.M.S. missionaries says she and her husband are endeavouring to build an understanding sympathy between foreigner and Iranian.

"St. Paul's is an 'international' church and the congregation prays for 'all nations'—the President of the U.S.A., the Shah of Iran and Queen Elizabeth II".

COMMENCEMENT OF NEW WORK

During the recent Synod of the Diocese of Central Tanganyika a Missionary Fund was set up. One of the African clergymen said that the missionary work of the Diocese was in three stages—the first when the Europeans brought the Gospel to Africa.

The second stage was when the African Church was able to pay their own pastors and teachers and the third stage has just been reached where the African Church is able to set up a Missionary Fund.

This will help those tribes within Tanganyika who have not yet heard the message of Salvation, and a number of experienced missionaries and African will shortly be going into a new area to open up the work there.



SOMETHING'S GOING TO HAPPEN

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