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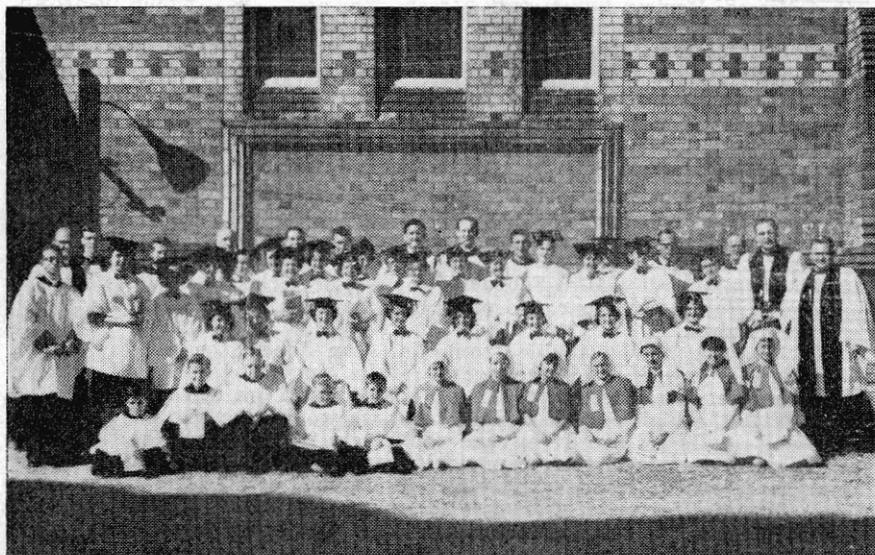
Of All Saints

Petersham

Rector: Vacant

Hon. Assistant: Rev. A. E. C. GARDNER, B.A., Th.L.

FEBRUARY, 1971



THE CHOIR WE WOULD LIKE

PERSONAL

We regret to learn of the sudden death of Mr. Fred Andrew of Alfred Cove, Western Australia, on 29th December, 1970. Before moving to Western Australia Mr. and Mrs. Andrew and Daughter Jennifer were regular worshippers at All Saints. We extend our sincere sympathy to his Wife, Mrs. Win Andrew, Daughter and Son-in-law Jennifer and Don Ward, Mr. Andrew's Mother and his Sisters-in-law in their great loss.

We also express our deepest sympathy to the relatives of the late Miss Elsie Slocombe of New Canterbury Road, a regular attendant at All Saints' for many years.

It is pleasing to report that Mr. T. Millarey has returned home after some weeks in hospital; however Mrs. E. Mervyn has had to re-enter Sydney Hospital, where she was first admitted last June, after only a few days in a convalescent hospital at Marrickville.

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CHRISTMAS APPEAL REPORT

The Sunday School Mothers' Club wishes to thank all who donated to the 1970 Christmas Appeal for the aged and sick in the hospitals of our Parish. We are so pleased to say that the folk who received these gifts were most grateful and very happy to be remembered.

As the last "Chronicle" went to print early in December, we regret that earlier acknowledgement of the following donations was not possible: Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Hilliard, Mrs. Dickson, Mrs. Robinson, and the Misses Bayley, the Misses Street, Mr. and Mrs. Ingoldsby-Brown, Miss Speight, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gordon, Mr. R. Minter, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Landick, Mrs. Carr, Mr. and Mrs. H. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. B. Pullen, Miss B. Atterton, Mr. and Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Hillery, Mrs. Richardson, Miss Butt, Mrs. Frost, Mrs. Barron, Mrs. Bosward, Mr. and Mrs. Swankie, and several anonymous donors.

We are also most grateful for all the parcels left in the porch box.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Picnic: On Saturday, 20th February, the Sunday School is holding a picnic at Doll's Point. This year, the picnic will be open to parishioners as well as the children.

Tickets are now available from Mr. Alan Jones, the Sunday School teachers, or myself, at 50 cents for Adults, and Sunday School children will be free. For 50 cents, two meals and cups of tea will be provided.

With the high cost of hiring buses, we would like to take the children and adults by car. If anyone could help us transport the people to the picnic grounds in their car, would you please phone me at 560-9972.

Harvest Festival: Harvest Festival will be held on 21st February. We are appealing for gifts of fruit, vegetables and groceries for the Church of England's "Eversleigh" Home of Peace in Addison Road. I would like to invite the parents to attend this thanksgiving service with their children.

Appreciation: We are very grateful for Mr. Frank Hearn's action in donating ice-creams for the Sunday School children. It is a most pleasant surprise for the boys and girls who come regularly.

—NOEL CRAGG, Hon. Secretary

HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICES



Special Services to mark Harvest Festival will be held on Quinquagesima Sunday, 21st February. The decorations in the Church and the tuneful harvest hymns make these bright services and we look for the support of all parishioners. To swell the decorations we appeal to you for gifts of groceries, fruit or vegetables, all of which will be sent to the "Eversleigh" Hospital.

"Eversleigh" is the Church of England's Home of Peace in Addison Road, and an institution deserving all the support we can give.

Services for the day will be Holy Communion at 8 a.m., Family Service at 10 a.m., and Evensong with Holy Communion at 7 p.m.

LENT AND EASTER

Lent is a time for spiritual stocktaking. This is a very personal matter, necessitating much prayer and thought on the part of each one of us. No one else can do your soul-searching for you.

It behoves us, therefore, to do our utmost to support our Church during Lent, as its message is one that will greatly assist us in this stocktaking. Please watch your Weekly Notices and the Church Boards for details of our Lenten Services.

Ash Wednesday falls on 24th February, Good Friday on 9th April, and Easter Day on Sunday, 11th April.

Lent is also a time for sacrifice: and to assist us in making a purposeful self-denial, the Australian Board of Missions is providing envelopes for all parishioners and boxes for the Sunday School children. We hope you will all use them, returning them on Easter Day so that a substantial amount may be forwarded to assist the A.B.M. in its important work.

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● **Fete Report:** We extend sincere thanks to Yardleys for presenting the beauty demonstration at the Fete. It was the means of raising \$100 towards the record total of that great day.

● **Mr. and Mrs. Richard Boots** are moving to South Wentworthville at the end of this month, and will be missed from All Saints', where Richard has been a parish councillor for the past six years. We wish them all the best in their new home.

● **March "Chronicle":** All items for the next issue should be given directly to Geoffrey Gorman or Alan Jones and not left at the Rectory. Closing dates for material will be Sunday, 21st February.

● **White Elephant':** Speaking of Fetes, we have one scheduled for Saturday, 20th November, 1971, and several of the ladies are already hard at work for it. Amongst them is Mrs. Humphreys, who is trading in "White Elephant" bargains. Just contact Mrs. Humphreys if you have goods to be picked up.

● **History of All Saints':** Copies of the new history of All Saints' prepared for our Centenary Year, are available from Mr. E. Quelch. The cost of \$1.00 is intended to cover our printing expenses.

● We have been pleased to hear from Bruce Livingston, who is currently performing a few months' relief duty at the Port Moresby branch of the Commonwealth Banking Corporation.

FAREWELL TO THE RECTOR

A large congregation of past and present parishioners packed All Saints' on Sunday Evening, 24th January, for the farewell Service of the Rev. T. E. Champion, Rector since 27th March, 1956. Taking part with Mr. Champion in this Service were the Revs. A. E. Gardner, A. H. Gallop, and E. T. Montgomery, assisted by Messrs. R. Champion, G. Gorman and H. Quelch.

The Service was a most moving one: the church was filled by the hearty singing of such appropriate and well-known hymns as "Jesu, where'er Thy people meet", "Love Divine, All joys excelling", "O Love that wilt not let me go", and "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"; the large number present was itself a tribute to the high regard in which both Mr. and Mrs. Champion are held by all with whom they had come in contact during their ministry at Petersham.

The Rector's farewell sermon dealt with the ministry of Paul in Corinth, of Paul's varying heartening and heartbreaking experiences, and of his aim to bring God's people to a saving knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. Paul had found the work hard and discouraging, and the Rector stated that this situation still held for the Christian: nevertheless, he challenged us to labour for Christ and the Church as Paul had done—this would assuredly bring its blessings in the end.

To close, Mr. Champion repeated the words of his text from II Corinthians 13, v 11: "Finally brethren, farewell. Secure perfection of character, take courage, be of one mind, live in peace; and then God who gives love and peace will be with you".

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HALL PACKED FOR FAREWELL

Following supper kindly provided by the ladies in the Parish Hall, Church Warden, Mr. E. Quelch spoke of Mr. Champion's work at All Saints'. He said that anyone who had been a Church Warden to a man like Mr. Champion could only say that it has been a privilege; the Rector's contribution had been second to none and the present excellent state of all our property was due to Mr. Champion's efforts and the support he had engendered by his own personal efforts. We owe him a great deal, as we do to Mrs. Champion—she has ably supported the Rector over all these years, and no one, except those closely associated with their work, such as the Wardens, really knows just all the work they've both done; they will be sorely missed.

The Rector and Mrs. Champion had made many friends who would not forget them, and they leave us with much regret. Mr. Quelch then made presentations to Mr. and Mrs. Champion as a "token of good wishes and love" from the parishioners and organisations of All Saints'.

Mr. Sopwith then presented Mr. Champion with a cheque equivalent to the long service leave earned during his period at All Saints', saying that we would all remember him with grateful gratitude for all he had done in Petersham.

Responding, the Rector stated that this parish—the longest in which he had served, had been a great experience, and given him a very, very happy time. He continued, "I want you to know that I've appreciated to the full the work of everyone who has endeavoured to pull his or her weight in the team, and to make All Saints' what it is today".

Mr. Champion praised the work of the Church Officers, Sunday School staff, the organisations and the District Visitors, and related a few anecdotes illustrating aspects of the job unknown to the average parishioner.

Mr. Champion concluded with an appeal to all at Petersham to give their support to his successor in the heavy task of maintaining the witness and work of All Saints'.

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LATEST CLUB NEWS

1971 Activities Under Way

Senior Parishioners':

We had a wonderful attendance at our first Club meeting for the year—so nice to welcome back all of our old members and to find several new ladies had come along to join us on Thursdays.

All Saints' Senior Parishioners' Club is unique in that we welcome ladies and gentlemen of all denominations to join our popular Social Club, held in the Parish Hall each Thursday at 1 p.m. Admission is just 20c., and includes prizes and afternoon tea.

We were sorry to learn that Mrs. Duckworth of Rose Street has been admitted to "Eversleigh" Hospital in Addison Road. Mrs. Duckworth has been a regular Club member for about 10 years, and her very good friends at the Club will miss her happy smile and companionship.

Both the Rector and Mrs. Champion will also be missed, now that they have left our Parish. Mr. Champion took a great interest in our Club activities and was available at all times when advice and help was needed. We ask God's Blessing on them both and trust they will both enjoy better health and much happiness in their new Parish.

—DOT SHAW, Hon. Secretary, 'Phone 797-6967

Y.M. and Friends':

The next meeting of our Club will take place in the Guild Room of the Parish Hall on Tuesday, 9th February at 8 p.m. New members and visitors are always welcome.

We wish to give advance notice of three Street Stalls we propose to hold this year, on Saturdays, 6th March, 5th June, and 4th September. Donations of cakes, second-hand clothing or anything saleable would be very much appreciated.

Our Club is again asking for clean newspapers. If you could save them for us and leave them at the Hall or contact me at 56-2291 to pick them up from your home, we would be grateful.

The March meeting of our Club will take the form of a re-union, being the Centenary year. We would like as many past members as possible to attend this meeting on Tuesday, 9th March at 8 p.m. in the Parish Hall. If you have ever attended our meetings, or played tennis with us, please come back and join us for this night.

—IDA BARRETT, Hon. Secretary

Ladies' Guild:

Our meetings will resume on Tuesday, 9th February at 2 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Any ladies wishing to become members or visitors will be very welcome.

—E. M. BOSWARD, Hon. Secretary

Fellowship:

In opening this article, I would like to apologise to all parishioners who came on Friday, 15th January to find that our Film Night had been postponed for one night, due to unforeseen circumstances. Thanks go to those few who managed to come along after short notice. We shall be holding another Film Evening in the near future and will give plenty of notice of when it will be screened.

Also in January we held a swimming night and a game of mini-golf. On Sunday, 17th, the Fellowship held an outing to Tropicanna at Windsor. It was planned to incorporate a Bar-B-Q tea and a Fellowship Service, but due to bad weather, we had to leave hurriedly and could not hold the service. Thanks go to Robert Cooper, Colin Rowe and Allan Granger for making their cars available, and to the Picnic Point Presbyterian Fellowship for attending. Everyone had an enjoyable day despite the weather.

Congratulations go to all the young members of the Church and the Fellowship who were successful in their recent examinations.

And remember: the Fellowship holds its own Service at 7 p.m. on the fourth Sunday of the month, and it would be appreciated if the young people of the Church would support this, because it is YOUR service.

New members are always welcome and information can be obtained from Allan Granger (56-3298) or Peter Gray (56-2208).

—PETER GRAY, Hon. Secretary

St. Luke's Centre:

The first meeting for 1971 will be held on Wednesday, 10th February at 2.30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The Centre works for the St. Luke's Church of England Hospital, and new members for our group will always be welcomed.

Y.C.I.:

Annual Meeting: All members are asked to note that the 60th Annual Meeting of the Institute will be held on Thursday, 18th February, **one day earlier than the date shown on the Y.C.I. Syllabus.** We hope that all members will make an effort to attend this meeting, and publicise the change of date as much as possible. A supper will be served at the conclusion of the business programme.

1971-72 Syllabus: At the meeting of the Y.C.I. held on Friday, 22nd January, it was decided that the Institute, for its 1971-72 Syllabus, would meet on the first and third Fridays of each month. The Executive will meet on Thursday, 11th February at 7.30 p.m. in the Parish Hall to draw up the syllabus for the coming twelve months.

Final Meeting of President:

Friday, 22nd January was the final meeting of our President, the Rev. T. E. Champion. The subject of the evening was the 236th issue of the "Manuscript Journal" and it was fitting that the Press and Literature Superintendent, Mr. W. Sopwith, in his editorial, wrote on the 15 years association which Mr. Champion had with the Y.C.I.

We again wish both the Rev. and Mrs. T. E. Champion all the best for the future, and hope that all goes well in their new Parish.

—G.W. GORMAN, Hon. Secretary

SANCTUARY FLOWER ROSTER

- February 7th: Donated by Mrs I. Scott in memory of Mr. Norman Scott and by Judith Simons and John Williams in memory of their Grandfather; arranged by Mrs. Malone.
- February 14th: Donated by the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Hunt their memory, and by Mrs. M. Willis in memory of Mrs. Sherriff; arranged by Miss Nisbet.
- February 21st: Donated by Dr. and Mrs. Everett and her Grandparents in memory of Catherine; arranged by Mrs. Clark.
- February 28th: No donation; arranged by Mrs. Clark.
- March 7th: No donation; arranged by Mrs. Malone.

We gratefully acknowledge the following donations of flowers for Christmas Day: Miss Dobson in memory of loved ones; Mrs. Provan in memory of Mrs. Yarrington, Mrs. Cragg and Noel in Memory of Mr. Cragg, Miss Nisbet, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Shaw, the Senior Parishioners' Club, three anonymous donors, and Mr. and Mrs. Carr and Julie in memory of Miss Alma Waters.

We also acknowledge the following additional donations for last month:

- January 17th: Donated in memory of Mr. Fred Andrew by his Wife, Mrs. Win. Andrew, Daughter and Son-in-law, Jennifer and Don Ward, his Mother, Mrs. Andrew, Senior, and his Sisters-in-law.
- January 24th: Donated by Miss Norman in memory of her Parents, Brothers and Sisters, by Mr. and Mrs. J. Harris in memory of John, and by Mrs. Quinlivan and Mr. L. Carroll in memory of Mr. O. Quinlivan.
- January 31st: Donated by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Boots in memory of their Aunt, Mrs. Vivian, and by Mrs. Kerry in memory of her Husband.

PARISH REGISTER**BAPTISMS:**

"Grafted into the Body of Christ's Church"

- December 31st: Craig Rolf Winter
- January 10th: Natalie Anne Durie
- January 17th: Genevieve Ann Freeman
- January 24th: Peter Wesley Cruden

MARRIAGES

"Those Whom God hath joined"

- January 14th: Bruce Mardon Durham to Janice Aimee Mitchell
- January 23rd: Michael John Clifford to Helen Rachell Allison

FUNERALS

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord; Even so, saith the Spirit, for they rest from their labours".

- December 30th: Elsie Slocombe
- December 31st: Arthur Smith
- January 11th: William Leonard Bridle
- January 12th: George Edward Huxley
- January 25th: Edna Maud Ayrton

COLUMBARIUM DEDICATIONS

- December 20th: Rachel Allen Pearson Boyle, Clarissa Payne, George Henry Thomas Barron, Henry Gladstone Brodie, John Herbert Harris, and George James Rowland.

CHURCH NEWS

● **Appreciation:** The Rev. T. E. and Mrs. Champion wish to extend their sincere thanks to all their good friends at All Saints' for their kind words and gifts on their departure for Katoomba. Especially are they deeply grateful to all who attended the Rector's farewell service and the supper which followed on Sunday evening, 24th January.

● **Columbarium Extended:** The original number of niches in our Columbarium has been doubled by the laying of brickwork against the walls of the church and northern porch. We are grateful to Mr. Champion for all the time he devoted to bringing this special project to completion before he moved to Katoomba.

● **Mothers' Club—Members Wanted:** Loss of members through removals from the parish and for other causes has left the Sunday School Mothers' Club at crisis point. Unless several new ladies can be found, the Club will not be able to carry on. This small organisation has performed much valuable service in its five years' existence, including the last two Christmas Appeals, the Plant Stall at the Fetes, Christmas Parties for the Sunday School, raising funds for the Sunday School etc. Meetings are held on the first Monday of the month in the Parish Hall at 10 a.m.

Further details may be obtained from Mrs. J. Fagg, 270 Stanmore Road, Petersham.

● **Choir Appeal:** Our organist and choirmaster, Mr. K. Allen is appealing to the laity of the parish for new members to build up the strength of the choir. The first need is to present special music for the Harvest Festival on 21st February, the second to have a stronger choir ready for the arrival of our new Rector.

Practices for the children are held at 4.00 p.m. on Thursdays, and for the senior members at 7.30 p.m. the same night. Mr. Allen will gladly furnish further information.

● **Centenary Presentation:** At the Rector's send-off on 24th January, Mr. Champion presented a brief case to Church Warden, Mr. E. Quelch, for the great amount of work he had put into organising the Centenary Service and the new History of All Saints'.

● **Congratulations:** Congratulations to all our younger folk who were successful in their recent examinations. Amongst those meriting special mention this year are: Kerrie Cheetham, Laramie Elliott, Judith Egans, Steven Blackwood, John Bretherton, Con Constantini, and Anthony Ings, who gained their School Certificates; Peter Gray, who gained a very good pass at the Higher School Certificate and a scholarship to the William Balmain Teachers' College, Pamela Kidd, Philip Dingle, Allan Granger, Hugh Quelch and John Maxwell who passed their University Examinations. John has now completed all subjects for his B.A. Degree.

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People of all ages are accepted without medical examination