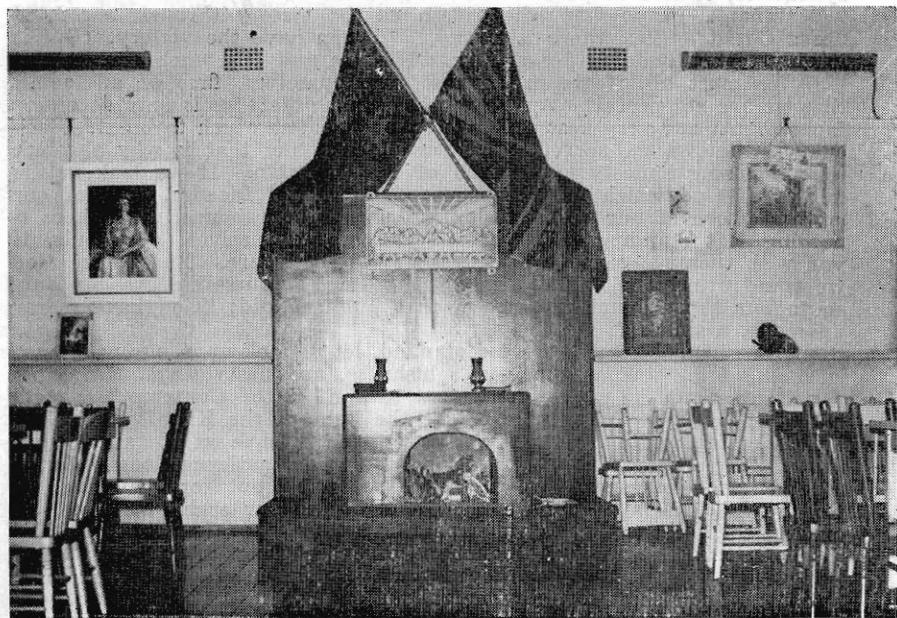


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The Friendly Church

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MAY, 1971



BRING YOUR CHILDREN TO OUR KINDERGARTEN

PARISH INFORMATION

HOLY COMMUNION—Each Sunday at 8 a.m., 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11 a.m.
3rd Sundays after Evensong.

MATINS—1st and 5th Sundays at 11 a.m.

EVENSONG—Each Sunday at 7 p.m.

FAMILY SERVICE—3rd Sundays at 10 a.m. Sunday School, Kindergarten, and Extension Group on other Sundays at 9.45 a.m.

BAPTISMS, MARRIAGES AND FUNERALS BY ARRANGEMENT WITH THE RECTOR.

CHURCHWARDENS: Messrs. W. Sopwith (Rector's), E. Quelch, W. Williams.

PARISH COUNCIL: The Churchwardens and Messrs. J. H. Bretherton, L. Carroll, K. Dingle, F. Evans, G. W. Gorman, F. G. Hearn, D. B. Hunter, M.L.A., B. Livingston, B. W. Pullen, B. T. Sayers, and H. J. Shaw.

SIDESMEN: Messrs. G. Clarke, A. Graham, A. Ingoldsby-Brown, A. Jones and G. R. Minter.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT: Mr. A. Jones.

KINDERGARTEN LEADER: Mrs. L. Carroll.

EXTENSION GROUP LEADER: Mr. J. Nance.

PUBLICITY OFFICERS: Messrs. H. J. Shaw (797-6967), and A. Jones (56-5218).

ORGANIST AND CHOIRMASTER: Mr. Keith Allen.

RECTOR'S LETTER

20th April, 1971

My Dear People,

How can one live in a society of ordinary human sinful people? Can we find the road of peace in a society in whose heart there is no peace? Must we all suffer a perpetual broken heart, or be forever separated from one another? Is there a way for imperfect people, like us; all of whom have corners on our heads, and unattractive idiosyncracies, to live at peace with each other?

"Thanks be to God who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." Yes, there is a way. We can have the victory. But it is only to be found in Jesus Christ; His life and His teachings.

We must all, if we are honest with ourselves, first of all, admit that we are not perfect. Anybody who thinks otherwise is only deceiving himself. At our very best we are not much about which to boast. Each one only knows the secrets of his own heart, and that is why absolute soul cleansing honesty is required of the Christian. If we look in the mirror of God which first strips us of our social facades, then of our clothing, then of our flesh and sinews, then of our bones, until there is nothing left standing there except our essential selves, our souls, if you will, then we can see ourselves as we really are. For before God we stand utterly naked. Looking this closely at ourselves, we can only smite our breasts and cry out as that publican did; "God have mercy upon me, a sinner."

Now, in this humbled frame of mind, let us look upon our neighbour with all of his sins, weaknesses, selfishness, and nasty ways. What do you think should be our response now to him? Hate? Contempt? Disgust? No . . . ; not if we ever hope to see the light of the Kingdom of God! The only legitimate Christian response we can have as we survey our brothers' weaknesses is pity, love, understanding, patience, long-suffering forgiveness. For surely we all realize: "There, but for the Grace of God go I." The attitudes we must hold out to our erring brothers are exactly the same attitudes we hope God will hold out toward ourselves in all OUR sin. This is the command of Jesus Christ Our Lord. "That ye love one another as I have loved you." Or as the great commandment puts it: "Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself." If we have been found in the wrong what do we want for ourselves? Naturally, we want

understanding, forgiveness, gentle and tender love, from all concerned. That is fine, it is right and human to want compassion. We should therefore be honest enough to accept the fact that every other human being wants, indeed needs, exactly the same thing.

The teachings of Jesus are full of exhortations as to how to find the road of peace among men. "Judge not, and ye shall not be judged." "The measure you give will be the measure you get." "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." "Forgive, that your Father in Heaven may forgive you." Do you remember the Parable of the unforgiving servant? No one can mistake the point of that straightforward teaching on this matter: "So also will my Heavenly Father do unto you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart." We learn also that we cannot even go before the Altar of God with an unforgiving heart. Does this sound familiar? "Therefore, if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath aught against thee; leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; FIRST be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift."

We all have human passions; but we do not all have to become the victims of our passions; and force our neighbours to suffer as well. "If we be risen with Christ," says St. Paul, "let us seek the things that are above". Let us put mind over matter, and Faith over mind, and Jesus Christ at the head of our Faith, and truly follow Him in all our relationships, who only can lead us into perfect peace.

May God be with you my people.

C. A. CAMPBELL, Rector.

CHURCH NEWS

Service for Ascension Day:

The Rector will celebrate Holy Communion at 7 a.m. on Thursday, 20th May, being Ascension Day. This is a major occasion of your Church's year, and it is hoped that as many parishioners as possible will support this special service the Rector has arranged for us.

Earlier Evensong:

From Sunday, 6th June, it is proposed to commence Evensong at the earlier time of 6 p.m., i.e. one hour earlier than at present. We trust this will be more suitable for parishioners during the winter months, and expect to revert to 7 p.m. Evensong on the first Sunday in September.

Confirmation:

Arrangements have been made for our 1971 Confirmation Service, which will be conducted by Bishop Hulme-Moir, at 7 p.m. on Sunday, 10th October. The Rector would be glad if all intending candidates for confirmation would contact him as quickly as possible this month, so that arrangements can be made to commence classes.

Family Service:

Attendance at last month's Family Service was again very good, especially on the part of the girls and boys. The presence of most of our Sunday School children at the Good Friday Family Service was also pleasing. We would be glad if even more parents, as well as other parishioners, could join us at this month's Family Service, beginning at 10 a.m. on Sunday, 16th May.

Vestry Meeting:

The Annual Easter Vestry Meeting will be held in the Parish Hall on Thursday, 13th May, at 8 p.m. All parishioners are welcome; those who have reached 18 years are eligible to vote.

The Meeting will include reports from all parish organisations, the Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Expenditure will be pre-

sented and discussed, and the Wardens and Parish Council for the next 12 months will be elected. Parishioners will also have the opportunity to ask questions about parish business, and to put forward their own suggestions and ideas for changes and improvements.

Mothers' Day Service:

A special service will be held at 11 a.m. on Sunday, 9th May, to mark Mothers' Day. The Rector would like to see lots of family groups present at this service.

Lenten Boxes:

Our thanks, on behalf of the A.B.M., to all who put their lenten savings in the special boxes and envelopes. We would be glad if any outstanding boxes and envelopes could be returned as quickly as possible, so that the offerings can be totalled and forwarded to the A.B.M.

Record Player:

We are grateful for the addition to the church amplifying system of a record player, which has been installed anonymously. This will enable special music, anthems, and spoken word recordings to be played through the loudspeakers either inside or outside the church when required.

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ONE VOLUNTEER STILL NEEDED

We urgently need a teacher for the Thursday morning Scripture Class at Stanmore School. The lesson period is 40 minutes, and begins at 10.30 a.m. Syllabus and course material will be provided.

Because of the clash of times with other Classes, the Rector is unable to take this group, but he does not wish these children to go without spiritual education—the only Christian training some of them will receive. If you can help with this highly important work, please contact Mr. Campbell as quickly as possible.

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FETE PLANS MOVE AHEAD

At a meeting held on 1st May, stallholders discussed plans for the Parish Fete on Saturday, 20th November. Already several stalls are well under way in the assembling of their stocks for the big day, which is, of course, now only six months away!

One new attraction this year will be a model railways display organised by the Rector. Mr. Campbell has built up a large collection and any parishioners with 'O' gauge trains (Hornby, etc.) which they times throughout the day.

No doubt Mr. Campbell would welcome additions to his equipment, and any parishioners with 'O' gauge trains (Hornby, etc.) which they no longer use are invited to contact the Rector.

Books: The Fellowship have kindly offered to take charge of the Book Stall this year, and donations towards the stock will be received from now on. Please check over all your book shelves, and send along any that you won't read again; fiction, non-fiction, children's books, paper backs, mysteries, etc., etc. will all be welcome. Collection will be arranged if desired.

Wool: Mrs. Ivy Clark is seeking left-over wool and materials that she can use in making articles for her Gift Stall. Most ladies will have items of this description that would be of great value to Mrs. Clark, so why not send her a parcel, or leave a package, bearing Mrs. Clark's name, at the Rectory.

"White Elephant": Mrs. Humphreys has been on the job for several months building up a stock of great variety for this year's "White Elephant" Stall. Anything at all that you have no more use for, and which would be re-saleable, would be welcome: just give Mrs. Humphreys a ring, and collection will be arranged. By the way, if you want any

rare, hard to get, or otherwise antique item, let Mrs. Humphreys know, and she'll probably be able to get it for you through the "White Elephant".

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Lenten Boxes: I would like to thank the boys and girls for the lenten money returned on Easter Sunday. This money will be sent to the Australian Board of Missions.

Teachers' Meeting: The annual general teachers' meeting will be held this month during the school and university holidays.

New Scholars: During the last month, the attendance at the Sunday School has been very good, but we would like to see more new scholars. If anyone knows of children in the parish not attending Sunday School, please invite them to come along next Sunday at 9.45 a.m.

—NOEL CRAGG, Hon. Secretary.

SOCIAL AFTERNOON

All parishioners are invited to a Social Afternoon to be conducted by Mrs. Ivy Clark next month.

It will be held in the Parish Hall on Saturday, 12th June, from 1 p.m. onwards. There will be cards, games, prizes, a stall, and donation of 30 cents will include afternoon tea.

The proceeds will go to Church funds, and we hope that many parishioners will support the programme by their attendance. These socials have proved highly popular in previous years, and an enjoyable time is assured to all who come along this time.

CLUB ROUND-UP

News of All Current Events

Ladies' Guild:

We would like to draw attention to the change of date for our Annual Luncheon, which will now be held at 12.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 11th May, in the Parish Hall. The guest speaker will be Mrs. Wong from the Mission to Seamen.

For our Clothing Sale on Friday, 4th June, donations of clean used clothing, household linen, etc., will be greatly appreciated.

We hope to have a short meeting following our Luncheon on 11th May.

E. M. BOSWARD, Hon. Secretary.

Young Churchmen's Institute (Y.C.I.):

Member's Recordings: Only six members attended the first business meeting of the new Y.C.I. Syllabus, held on Friday, 2nd April. The evening was devoted to members' recordings and proved to be a most enjoyable one. Those attending were: the President, the Rev. C. A. Campbell, Vice-President A. Jones, Messrs. A. Boyle, G. Gorman, F. Hearn and P. Levy. Apologies were received from Messrs. B. Pullen and R. Boots.

Film Night: It was pleasing to have 31 members and friends attending the Film Evening held on Friday, 16th April, when Vice-President Alan Jones screened for us his movie film of Fiji, Hawaii and San Francisco taken on his trip across to the U.S.A. last year. Alan supplemented the evening with slides, which proved to be as interesting as the film. Y.C.I. member Frank Hearn complimented Alan on the quality of the film and slides and on the excellent commentary that accompanied them. At the conclusion of the evening, a supper was kindly prepared and served in the Guild Room by Mrs. Ivy Clark.

Coming Event: All members and friends of the Y.C.I. are reminded of the Theatre Party to take place on Friday evening, 21st May. The programme selected is "Song of Norway" at the Mayfair Theatre, and tickets may be obtained from me at \$1.55 each—a reduction of 70 cents.

All parishioners and their friends are invited.

G. W. GORMAN, Hon. Secretary.

Senior Parishioners' Club:

On Thursday, April 15th, we celebrated our 14th Birthday. Away back in 1957, we first started our "Senior Parishioners' Club" with seven members, one of whom was Mrs. V. Callaghan, who has been a constant attendant ever since, and who for the past 11 years has travelled to All Saints' from Sans Souci.

We feel we have given many happy hours to the Ladies and Gentlemen who have belonged to our Social Club and sincerely invite anyone interested to visit us in the Parish Hall each Thursday at 1 p.m.

We were happy to have Mrs. Beardow and Mrs. Hanson back for our Party, and wish them both a speedy recovery to better health.

DOT. SHAW, Hon. Secretary.

Tel.: 797-6967.

Y.M. and Friends' Club:

The next meeting of the Y.M. and Friends' Club will be held at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, 11th May, in the Y.C.I. Club Room, upstairs in the Parish Hall, new members or visitors would be very welcome.

Our Club will be holding a Nutrimetics' Cosmetics Demonstration presented by Mrs. Madeline Nassar, on Saturday afternoon, 15th May. It will be held in the Guild Room of the Parish Hall at 2 p.m. Cosmetics will not be on sale that afternoon. Donation will be 35c and afternoon tea will be served. Do come along and help us make this a very happy function.

Thanks once again to all who are saving clean newspapers and rags for us.

The next Street Stall will be held on Saturday morning, 5th June, on the corner of New Canterbury Road and Gordon Street. Please come and see us if you are shopping that morning in Petersham.

IDA BARRETT, Hon. Secretary.

Sunday School Mothers' Club:

It is good to report that the change of meeting time has enabled us to gain at least a few new members and so permitted the Club to keep functioning.

Our meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 1 p.m., and we would welcome more Mothers to the next one on Thursday, 6th May.

As well as conducting regular street stalls, details of which we will advertise, we are now collecting stocks for our Stall at the Fete, and would welcome donations of potted plants of any description.

Bowls Club:

The Bowls Club has progressed to the stage of entering teams for the men's triples and the mixed fours. With limited membership, it is a bit of a struggle to find the required numbers but so far we have managed.

We recently had a resounding victory over St. Francis Xavier for men's triples and have had good games in the mixed fours. Our ladies are improving with each competition game and we expect that very soon we will be able to hold our own with the best of the area's mixed fours.

Anyone at a loose end, depressed or lonely, will find a Wednesday night's bowls as good as a tonic and better than an apple a day. The atmosphere is completely informal and there is plenty of back chat and comment and laughter. It is the only truly social club in the Parish.

Don't be shy,

Give it a try.

"EFFIGY,"

PARISH REGISTER

BAPTISMS

"Suffer the little children to come unto Me"

- April 4th: Melanie Patricia Cantwell.
 " 4th: Julie Anne Dawson.
 " 18th: Leah Lorrinda King.
 " 18th: Amanda Jane Hajnal.
 " 18th: David Maxwell Todd.

MARRIAGES

"Whom we bless in Thy Name"

- April 24th: Robert Graham Cooper to Judith Winifred Hancock.

FUNERALS

"I am the Resurrection and the Life"

- March 29th: Leslie George Wilson.
 " 30th: Nellie Fricker Sinclair.
 April 2nd: Ruby Pauline Mackie.
 " 14th: Grace Margaret Samuelson.
 " 19th: Edward George Allen.

SANCTUARY FLOWER ROSTERS

- May 2nd: No donation; arranged by Mrs. Malone.
 " 9th: Donated by the Craigie family in memory of their Mother, by Miss Cole in memory of her Mother, by the Misses Nisbet in memory of their Mother, and by Mrs. E. Jones, Alan and Jan, in memory of Mr. Harold Jones; arranged by Miss Nisbet.
 " 16th: No donation; arranged by Mrs. Clark.
 " 23rd: Donated by Mrs. Hoseason and Miss Speight in memory of Dick Hoseason; arranged by Mrs. Clark.
 " 30th: Donated by the Craigie family in memory of their Brother, Don; arranged by Mrs. Clark.
 June 6th: Donated by Miss King and Mrs. Cleary in memory of their Parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. King; by Mrs. J. Dark in memory of her Husband, Mr. Eddie Dark, and by the family of Mr. Pat Rohr in his memory; arranged by Mrs. Malone.

We gratefully acknowledge extra flowers for Easter Day from Mrs. Sopwith, Mrs. Kerry, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd, and an anonymous donor, and in memory of Mrs. Judith Fay McPhee from her Mother, Mrs. Shaw and her Sister, Mrs. Mangan. On 18th April, flowers were donated by Mrs. Colburt and family in memory of Mr. Colburt, and on Anzac Sunday, 25th April, by Mr. Allen Boyle in memory of his Father, Mr. J. M. Boyle.

NEWS BRIEFS

● **Palm Sunday:** We are grateful to the Chief Engineer of Marrickville Municipal Council for kindly lending us the palms that gave our Church an appropriate Palm Sunday setting this year. Our thanks also go to the Fellowship members for several hours painstaking work in making the miniature palm crosses that were given to all parishioners, as well as the girls and boys of the Sunday School and Kindergarten, to mark Palm Sunday.

● **New Primate:** Dr. Frank Woods, Archbishop of Melbourne, was elected as Primate of Australia at a special meeting in Sydney last month. Dr. Woods, who has been Anglican Archbishop of Melbourne since 1957, succeeds Archbishop Sir Phillip Strong, formerly of Brisbane, who retired last year. He will combine his duties as Archbishop with those of Primate.

● **Choir Grows:** It is most heartening that we continue to see additional faces in the Choir, especially among the girls and boys. The Rector or our Organist and Choirmaster, Mr. Keith Allen, will be glad to receive inquiries from any prospective members. Practices are held at 4 p.m. on Thursdays for the girls and boys, and at 7.30 p.m. the same night for the senior choir.

● **Subscribe to the "Chronicle":** If you live away from the parish and would like to keep in touch with all we're doing, we invite you to become one of our subscribers. All we ask is at least 72c to cover the year's postage. Mr. F. Evans (2 York Crescent, Petersham), will be glad to make the arrangements for you.

● **Wanted: Girl Guides:** Our Guides' Patrol meets in the Parish Hall each Thursday at 7 p.m. Girls who are 11 and over are invited to enrol.

● **June "Chronicle":** Secretaries: your items for the next issue will be due not later than Sunday, 23rd May.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

We invite you to think about and pray for the 1971 "Week of Prayer for Christian Unity", to be held from Ascension Day (20th May) to Whitsunday (30th May).

In the past, this Week has often served to establish contacts between Christians of different churches—churches that may exist side-by-side without real relations. But it must not be considered as the moment of the year when the churches fulfil their ecumenical duty; on the contrary, it is the opportunity for re-examining the commitment of the churches to unity and mission in each area.

POSITION VACANT

Receptionist/Girl Friday (Junior):

Duties include typing, duplicating, outward correspondence, functioning as office receptionist, and operating switchboard. This is an opportunity for a keen Anglican girl to serve the Mission of the Church with THE AUSTRALIAN BOARD OF MISSIONS—N.S.W. STATE OFFICE (for further details and interviews phone—The Acting State Secretary, 26-5351 or 26-5400).

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