

The Chronicle

Of All Saints
Petersham

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NOVEMBER 1992

ALL SAINTS' ANGLICAN CHURCH PETERSHAM

ANNUAL FETE

PARISH HALL

325 STANMORE ROAD
PETERSHAM.

SATURDAY 21ST NOVEMBER, 1992

9 AM TO 2PM

WORK STALL - POTTERY & CHINA- TOYS

WHITE ELEPHANT STALL- PLANTS - BOOKS

GROCERIES - CAKES & SWEETS - HOT DOGS

SECONDHAND CLOTHING - HOOP-LA

REFRESHMENT ROOM

LUCKY DOOR PRIZES

November 1992.

My Dear Friends,

This month as we celebrate All Saints' Day we are reminded that the first church service was held in Petersham 132 years ago. Since the Church was formed 132 years ago, many changes have taken place, but there are certain important things which have not changed and will not change. May I list some of them for your encouragement as well as mine?

First, of course, the Lord Himself has not changed. We are reminded of His gracious words in Malachi 3:6 - "I, the Lord, do not change," and in Hebrews 13:8 - "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever."

Second, God's word has not changed, with all its promises and prophecies concerning the Lord's purposes and plans for His own children, for His ancient people, and for the world - right on into eternity. What an encouragement it is to read Numbers 23: 19 - "God is not a man, that He should lie, nor a Son of man, that He should change His mind. does He speak and then act? Does He promise and not fulfil?"

Third, the Gospel of Christ had not changed. It is still, as Romans 1:16 reminds us, "The Power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes".

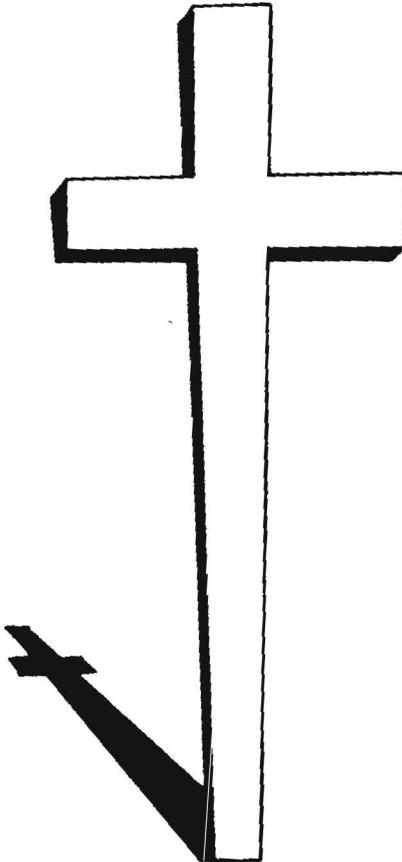
Fourth, the need of man has not changed. Men and women are still by nature lost, according to Luke 19:10; perishing, according to John 3:16; dead, according to Ephesians 3:1; and without God and without hope, according to Ephesians 2:12.

Fifth, the privilege and responsibility for the Lord's people to live a dedicated life and to be engaged in soul-winning service has not changed. We need to live in the Spirit of the Saviour's words in John 9:4 - "As long as it is day, we must do the work of Him who sent me. Night is coming, when no one can work".

In these troublesome times, when so much is changing around us, and when we may expect many more changes, let us hold fast to the things that do not and will not change.

Your friend and Minister. - W. G. Coller.

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH.



God our Father,
You sent your Son to reveal to
us your love,
To guide us
and to be the source of our life.

You have richly blessed our Church
its work and witness,
and we thank you for the trust
you place in us.

With all Church members
We pray for the guidance of
your Spirit
That we may know where you
are leading us
And how we may become truly
one in Christ.

May your Church in Petersham
clearly witness to the love and
compassion of Jesus.

We pledge ourselves to work with
generosity and courage to extend
your kingdom of justice, love,
and peace.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

WHAT IS ON AT ALL SAINTS'?

EVERY SUNDAY.

9-30am Holy Communion on the Second, Fourth & Fifth Sundays.

Morning Prayer on the First Sunday.

Family Service on the Third Sunday.

4-30pm Youth Fellowship in the Parish Hall.

7-00pm Holy Communion on the First & Third Sundays.

Evening Prayer on the Second, Fourth & Fifth Sundays.

DURING THE SCHOOL TERM.

9-30am Junior Sunday School every Sunday except the Third Sunday when there is a Family Service.

EVERY THURSDAY EVENING.

7-30pm Home Bible Studies held at 4 Albert St., the home of Mrs. Willis. All welcome.

COMING EVENTS.

ANNUAL FETE. Our Annual Fete will be held this year on Saturday 21st November.

More than ever we need to make this fete a huge success. What can you do to help?

The second commandment says, "Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image not the likeness of anything that is in heaven above or in the earth beneath, or in the waters under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them or worship them."

Is God still the central object of our loyalty and adoration? It makes one think deeply.



FLOWERS DONATIONS.

OCT 25 - In memory of Emily Champion and Harriet Dobel
from the Champion and Ellmore families.

Arranged by Mrs. E. Hearn and Mrs. M. Essam.

NOV 1 - No donation.

Arrangement by Mrs. E. Carr and Julie.

NOV 8 - Mrs. Willis in memory of Mrs. G. Garland.

Arranged by Mrs. E. Hearn and Mrs. M. Essam.

NOV 15 - From John and Kitty in memory of our mother
Phylis Heap.

In memory of our mother, grandmother, great
grandmother, Margaret Jane Evans, from
Mrs. Mina Crook, Mrs. Margaret Castle,
Dick Evans, Harold Evans and families.

Arranged by Mrs. E. Hearn and Mrs. M. Essam.

NOV 22 - In memory of Aileen from Bill and family.

Arranged by Mrs. E. Hearn and Mrs. M. Essam.

NOV 29 - In memory of Berenice Symons from Bill.

Arranged by Mrs. E. Hearn and Mrs. M. Essam.



The Parish Register

BAPTISM.



"We welcome into the family of Christ's Church"

18th October 1992 Jesse Ronald Rex Benson

FUNERALS

We extend sincere Christian sympathy to all who have been recently bereaved. To all who mourn, we commend the words of our Lord:

"I am the Resurrection and the Life; he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live". John 11:25.

9th October 1992 Emily Margaret Champion.
23rd October 1992 John Colliver.

GIVE THEM NOW.

I would rather have a little rose
From the garden of a friend,
than to have the choicest flowers
When my stay on earth must end.
I would rather have the kind words
And a smile that I can see,
That flattery when my heart is still,
And life has ceased to be.

-Author Unknown.

(Contributed by Irene Coates)

I would rather have a loving smile
from friends I know are true,
Than tears shed round my casket
When I bid this world adieu.
I want the flowers while I am here,
Be they pink or white or red;
I'd rather have one blossom now
Than a truckload when I'm dead.

BONES

One day while walking across a field I could see something white in the distance. I was fascinated and I wondered what it could be. When I walked up closer I could see that the white object was a huge pile of dry bones.

This set me thinking. I thought of the bones that the prophet Ezekiel saw. Those bones took on flesh and lived. They are a picture of spiritual revival. How we need revival in Australia today! There are so many dry bones in our Churches. In fact there are five levels of bones in our Churches:

1. **WISHBONES.** They do a lot of wishing and dreaming but never get around to doing anything.
2. **FUNNY BONES** These are very touchy and easily hurt --- they get the huff, are jealous and sensitive.
3. **JAW BONES** They talk and talk -- and talk, sometimes you wish they'd stop. They are full of their own ideas and their own importance and everyone else is always wrong; their way is always the right way.
4. **DRY BONES.** They are prim and proper and do everything correctly, but they are spiritually dead --- as dead as the Church door knob.
5. **BACK BONES.** These are the people who are the backbones of the Church. They are reliable. The Pastor or Missionary can always count on them for help.

??????? What sort of BONE are you ????????

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

ALL SAINTS' ANGLICAN CHURCH PETERSHAM.
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS - SEPTEMBER 1992

RECEIPTS	\$	PAYMENTS	\$
Offertories	1,836.75	Rector's Net Stipend	2,147.33
District Visitors'		Rector's Trav. Allowance	566.00
Collection - Mrs. Carr	55.00	Organist	60.00
Deposit Interest	3.28	Church Cleaning	200.00
Transfer of Funds		Hall Cleaning	200.00
All Saints' Endow	1,720.00	Telephone Account	90.75
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		Flowers	75.00
		Morning Tea Expenses	26.49
		Flick Annual Maintenance	255.00
		A4 Paper	138.96
		Stipend for Revd. W. Collier	
		Month of September	1,522.94
		Month October	1,522.94
		Trav. Allow. for Revd. W. Collier	
		Month of September	440.60
	5,115.03	Month of October	377.33
Deficit for Month	4,304.57	Cutting Duplicate Key	2.50
		Postage & Phone Calls	5.04
		General Assessment	1,012.00
		Parish/employee Non SGC	137.05
		Productivity SGC Component	205.60
		Stipend/Salary Sacrifice	411.20
	<u>9,419.60</u>		<u>9,419.60</u>
		Surplus for Month	0.00
BALANCE 1-9-92	4,778.91		<u>9,419.60</u>
LESS DEFICIT FOR MONTH	4,304.57		
PLUS SURPLUS FOR MONTH	0.00		
BALANCE 30-9-92	<u>474.34</u>		

WALTERS & SON FUNERAL DIRECTORS

Offices and Chapels:

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You are invited to enquire about our funeral fund.

People of all ages are accepted without medical examination.