

The Chronicle

Of All Saints
Petersham

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RECTOR'S NOTES

My dear Friends,

Well, we surely have a super-abundance of 'headaches' in our community. On every side we hear of industrial confrontation. First it is one industry and then another. Indeed, it seemed to reach a stage where folk appeared to have become insensitised to such onslaughts.

There does appear to be a hopeful sign around, however. At last one can hear the beginnings of re-action. Here and there, at long last, voices are being raised against the anarchy which has blighted our society for so long.

I am continually being told of one or another prominent industrial unionist admitting to the aim of disrupting relationships so that the present state of law and order and democracy will be destroyed. This policy has even finally worked itself down to the younger age groups and we are reading of phenomenal growth in lawlessness among children. It is reaching the stage where it is becoming of grave concern to sociologists — but surely it is the natural outcome of the attitudes of their elders.

The Bible warns that when we sow the wind we will reap the whirlwind. The anarchy we've been meeting is an anti-God spirit and can only bring great trouble and bitter fruit to our country.

I find myself longing for a strengthening of the re-action that is now beginning to be heard. There is a real need for a renewal of concern for others. We've had a glut of self-interest. Sir Robert Menzies certainly sounded a much-needed and appropriate challenge to us all recently. We need to be re-captured by the Calvary Spirit of self-giving, self-sacrificing service. May the Spirit of Jesus motivate us each and everyone —

is the prayer of your friend and Rector,

S. W. GISSING.

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PARISH PRAYER AND DISCUSSION MEETING. As from Tuesday, 17th September, our Prayer and Discussion Time on Tuesdays will commence at 7.30 p.m. and finish about 8.30 p.m. All who are concerned for the welfare and advance of Christ's work in our parish are urged to join with us in the Rectory for these gatherings.

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CHILDREN'S SECTION

I wonder how many children have thought how a tricycle is able to carry them from place to place. As the name suggests, it has three wheels — two the same size and one much larger. Imagine what would happen if this large wheel was moved and placed on the side. Would anyone be able to ride the tricycle?

Yes, it might be possible. But in a very short time the rider would lose balance and even possibly fall off. So we see that it is very important to be sure that all the wheels are in the correct place.

This lesson also teaches us about life and God. If we forget how necessary it is that God directs our lives we could be like the tricycle with the changed wheels, and not act as we should. Thus we should put God first in our lives and then we would know that we would always have His help and guidance.



"IN THY PRESENCE IS FULNESS OF JOY"

—Psalm 16.

Hold God in your heart
Every day of the year,
For His faithful love
Will dispel all your fear.

Hold God in your heart
And the joy that you find
Will dispel all the darkness
And leave clouds behind.

Hold God in your heart
And the warmth of His glow,
Will bring you the sunshine
Wherever you go.

Hold God in your heart
And your dreams will come true,
For you cannot be lonely
When God is with you.

—Patricia Emme.



SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

I would like to welcome John Arrowsmith to the teaching staff of the Sunday School and thank him for coming forward to help in our need for teachers.

Our appeal for GROCERIES and SUGAR is now in full swing. If you can help us stock the stall, donations may be left in the box in the Church porch.

The sugar, of course, will be used in the making of mulberry jam. During the Saturdays in October we will be holding "JAM BEES", where we cut the stalks from the mulberries in preparation for cooking. If you can spare an hour or two on any of these Saturdays between 9 a.m. and 12 o'clock we would appreciate your help.

At the moment in the Sunday School we are looking into the use of Visual Aids during the lessons. We already have chalkboards and there are plans for maps, flannelgraphs, and other aids. We are endeavouring to get the children more actively involved in the lessons instead of just sitting and listening.

NOEL CRAGG, Hon. Secretary.

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SANCTUARY FLOWER ROSTER

- September 1: In memory of the late Mrs. Elizabeth Jones from her Family; arranged by Mrs. Clark.
- September 8: No donation; arranged by Miss Nisbet.
- September 15: Donated by Mrs. Humphreys in memory of Mr. Jack Humphreys and by Mrs. Ditchburn in memory of her Husband; arranged by Mrs. Clarke.
- September 22: Donated by Mrs. Quelch in memory of her Parents, and by Mr. and Mrs. Swankie and Family in memory of Mother and Grandmother; arranged by Miss Nisbet.
- September 29: Donated by Mrs. Pullen in memory of her Parents, and by Mrs. Willis and Mrs. Garland in memory of Mrs. Sheriff; arranged by Mrs. Clark.
- October 6: Donated by Mrs. Beatty in memory of her Parents Mr. and Mrs. Jones and Brother Colin, and by Mrs. A. Cook in memory of her Parents Mr. and Mrs. Furnell; arranged by Mrs. Clark.

We gratefully acknowledge flowers on 25th August from Mrs. Wallis in memory of her Husband.

On 11th August, flowers from Mrs. D. Jones were in memory of her Husband Mr. P. Jones.

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CLUB NEWS

Ladies' Guild:

On Tuesday, September 10; at 10.30 a.m., we commence with a speaker on "Home Protection" from the Police Department Crime Prevention Section. Morning Tea and our regular meeting follow. The donation is 30 cents.

On Tuesday, 8th October, we meet at 1 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

E. M. BOSWARD, Honorary Secretary.

Y.M. and Friends' Club:

The next meeting of our Club will be held in the Parish Hall on Tuesday, 10th September, at 8 p.m.

Another "Jumble Sale" will be held on Friday, 13th September, in the Parish Hall. Any donation would be greatly appreciated. Goods may be left at 59 John Street, Petersham. Telephone enquiries may be made by contacting me on 56-2291.

IDA BARRETT, Honorary Secretary.

Senior Parishioners' Club:

Although the weekly attendance at our Club has increased, we hope for still greater numbers, especially with the warmer weather just around the corner.

We invite any lady or gentleman of any denomination to join us in the Parish Hall between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. any Thursday afternoon, for a special afternoon of "cards" or "housie". 20 cents covers afternoon tea.

IDA BARRETT, Honorary Secretary.

Indoor Bowls Club:

We are all looking forward to seeing Mrs. Dorrie Davis once more following her recovery from illness. We are also pleased that Mr. Fred Meyer is looking very well after his recent holiday. Mr. Bert Shaw has now retired from business and we hope he enjoys his retirement and continues to attend our Club nights.

Even though we were not successful in the competition, we enjoy our Club Nights very much. We would like to share our evenings with others and anyone who would like to join us would be most welcome.

B. SEE, Honorary Secretary.

Boys' Club and Youth Group:

Mr. John Arrowsmith is seeking new members for both these groups. The Boys' Club meets on Monday evening, commencing at 6.15 p.m. The Youth Group meets on Friday evenings.

Anyone interested in joining either of these groups should contact either Mr. Arrowsmith or the Rector.

The Youth Club is appealing for books and magazines for their stall. Also they are appealing for old or broken toys, which will be mended to send to one of the Children's Homes for Christmas. Your donations may be left in the Hall or a message could be left at the Rectory for John Arrowsmith, who will then arrange for them to be collected.

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"THE CHAPEL ON THE CLIFFS"

The Chapel of St. George the Martyr is situated on the cliffs of South Head dominating the entrance to Sydney Harbour. It serves as "a conspicuous and timeless memorial to all men of the Royal Australian Navy who lost their lives in active service in two World Wars and in the Korean War. The foundation-stone was laid on April 30, 1960, by a young man, a ward of Legacy, who remains anonymous.

Like every sanctuary where the faith is set forth and where our own faith is renewed, this Chapel has its centre, the Holy Table, Behind it extending the entire width of the building, an immense window of glare-resisting glass frames-up a magnificent seascape which includes the wide harbour-entrance and a wide sweep of open ocean.

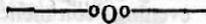
The altar consists of a variety of stones from historic and famous cathedrals and chapels all over the world. They are symbolic of the universality of the Christian faith.

The Chapel is a place of memory and of worship, rising from the very soil of Australia with stone quarried nearby, and within, furnished and enriched by wood and stone and other gifts from many lands and holy places.

In its location and its use of various symbols, the Chapel reminds us of the close association of Christ and the sailor, of the sea with the spread of the Gospel. The carved dolphins which form the base of the altar candlesticks represent the sacred fish symbol of Christ the Saviour. In combination with the anchor as seen in the carved panel of the Dedication Stone, it is the symbol of hope."

The above is a short extract from the booklet describing The Chapel On The Cliffs. If anyone wishes further information concerning the history of the Chapel or the times of the various services, they should contact H.M.A.S. Watson, for visitors are always welcome.

H.E.Q.



WRECKER OR BUILDER?

I watched them tearing a building down,
 A gang of men in a busy town.
 With a ho-heave-ho and a lusty yell
 They swung a beam and the side walls fell,
 I asked the foreman, 'Are these men skilled —
 The kind you would hire if you were to build?'
 He gave a laugh and said, 'No, indeed,
 Just common labour is all I need —
 I can easily wreck in a day or two
 What builders have taken years to do.'

Then I thought to myself as I went my way,
 Which of these two roles am I trying to play?
 Am I a builder working with care,
 Shaping each piece by the rule and square?
 Putting it together by a well-laid plan,
 Patiently doing the best I can?
 Or am I a wrecker roaming the town,
 Content with the labour of tearing down?

You are either building up or tearing down,
 In everything you do.
 You must be with the construction gang,
 Or with the wrecking crew.

CHRISTIAN-MANAGEMENT

It is not how much we have, but more important, how we use it. Everybody has some talent, some skill which can be developed and made useful. Of course, frequently our friends seem to have all the talents and ourselves — not many. But if we examine ourselves, we can find many talents that God has given us. All we need is to develop them. Don't be envious and jealous of your friends' talent, rather be proud of your own and praise God by using it.

Money, the tangible result of our work, is the most misunderstood aspect of stewardship — management and the use of our talents and time, all God-given gifts indicate the depth of our commitment. We respond to these freely given gifts by giving faith, and love. We love God by realising the greatness of His love for us, and show our appreciation by being good stewards. So you see, although money is important, sometimes we place too much emphasis on it and not enough on the other important things that we use of God.

God has given us tongues to speak, ears to hear, and intelligence to understand, how to be Christian Stewards. Stewardship continues to play the most important role in our lives.

Everybody depends upon Christian-Management to make their lives more fruitful and happy. The Christian Steward does not stop at just doing the job. The extra part that he does, after he has completed his duty, is the part that makes him a Christian Steward — "He went above and beyond the call of duty".

Christian Stewardship is a full-time job. It demands our very best! Yet even this is not enough. How little we think of how much we receive, but even less do we think of how little we give. God is lavish in His giving to us; likewise we should put no limits on our response to His love.

ANNUAL DAY OF THANKSGIVING

The C.M.S. Women's Executive Annual Day of Thanksgiving will be held on Tuesday, 17th September, 1974, in Bible House Auditorium on the 3rd Floor, 93 Bathurst Street, Sydney.

Morning Tea, 10.30-11.00 a.m.

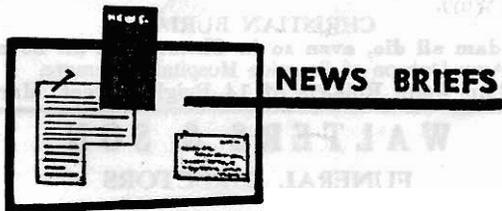
Meeting, 11.00-12.30 p.m.

Speakers: Rev. John Brook, recently returned from Jakarta, Indonesia.

Rev. John Turner, C.M.S. General Secretary.

Thanksgiving Offerings will be received.

All women are cordially invited.



Mr. Shaw is again offering his services to those who would like signs for their Fete stall. However, as each sign takes time to prepare, it would be appreciated if anyone intending to seek Mr. Shaw's assistance would contact him as soon as possible.

Articles for the October Chronicle are due no later than Sunday, 20th October, 1974.

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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. **LITANY**—5th Sundays at 11 a.m.

EVENSONG—Each Sunday at 7 p.m.

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

**BAPTISMS, MARRIAGES AND FUNERALS BY ARRANGEMENT WITH
THE RECTOR.**

CHURCHWARDENS: Messrs. E. Quelch (Rector's), F. G. Hearn, W.
Williams.

PARISH COUNCIL: The Churchwardens and Messrs. J. H. Bretherton, N.
Cragg, F. Evans, Mrs. Gorman, Mr. P. Gray, Messrs. B. Livingston, H.
E. Quelch, B. Sayers, D. Sayers, C. Sillence, Mrs. W. Sopwith, Mr. H.
Swankle.

HON. TREASURER: Mr. E. Quelch. **HON. SECRETARY:** Mr. H. E. QUELCH.

SIDESMEN: Messrs. V. C. Barrett, G. Clarke, G. R. Minter and H. J. Shaw.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT:

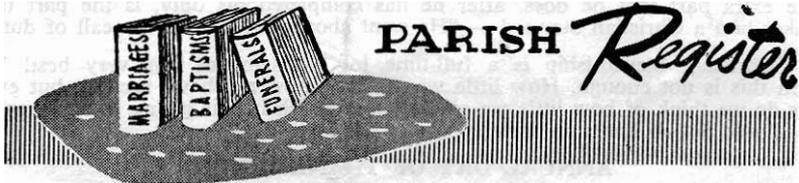
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ORGANIST AND CHOIRMASTER: Mr. C. Sillence.

CHRONICLE EDITOR: Mr. H. E. Quelch.



HOLY BAPTISM

"In token that he shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ
Crucified".

July 28—Peta Cole of Lewisham.

HOLY MATRIMONY

"Till death do us part, according to God's holy law, thereto I give thee
my troth"

August 18—Maxwell Bruce Hill (North Manly) and Norma Eileen Jerome
(Dee Why).

CHRISTIAN BURIAL

"For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive."

July 31—Violet Amy Dobson of Braeside Hospital, Stanmore.

August 9—William John Roberts of 14 Bright Street, Marrickville.

WALTERS & SON

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