

The Chronicle Of All Saints Petersham

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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.

EVENSONG—Each Sunday at 6 a.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, N. Cragg, F. Evans, G. W. Gorman, F. G. Hearn, D. B. Hunter, M.L.A., A. Jones, P. Levy, B. W. Pullen, B. T. Sayers, and H. J. Shaw.

SIDESMEN: Messrs. G. Clarke, A. Graham, A. Granger, A. Ingoldsby-Brown, G. R. Minter and J. Williams.

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.

THE RECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT, 1970-71

Presented at the Easter Vestry Meeting, 13th May, 1971

It is with great pleasure that I present this 1971 annual report in the 101st year of the life of All Saints' Parish, Petersham, and in my first year as Rector.

As our Church enters upon the second century of its service to the community in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ, we look ahead with high hopes for the future in this ever-changing world. We must recognize that the complexion of our immediate community has changed greatly in the past few years, and that this change foretells difficult times in the future for us, with more and more New Australians of other than Anglican Church background moving in as the original inhabitants die or move to other areas.

However, though the times and places are changing, the needs and fears of humanity are not, and we know that our message from God is the answer and the only hope for all mankind. Therefore, we look ahead with resolute determination to carry on His work and to strive for ever new and more practicable ways to accomplish it. We pray that we shall have the help of God in our task, and that we shall be guided by His Holy Spirit in all our doings.

A Year to Remember

The year 1970-71 has been a year to remember, with some great moments. The life and work of our Parish moves on actively. On 24th January, 1971, we said farewell to our beloved friend and Rector, the Rev. T. Eric Champion and his family, who for 15 years faithfully served this Parish. It was a sad day, but we rejoice with them in their new work and wish them God Speed in all they do.

With the kind help of the Rev. A. E. C. Gardner and the Rev. John Hebblewhite, we carried on our Divine Services and other activities until we secured the services of our new Rector, the Rev. C. A. Campbell, who came to us from the Parish of Hunter's Hill. On the evening of 5th March, 1971, the new Rector was officially inducted to the cure of souls at All Saints' by the Right Rev. A. J. Dain, Assistant Bishop of Sydney. Afterwards, he received a most heartening reception and welcome in the hall, during which the Parish assured both the Rector and his wife of their full support and prayers for a long and successful ministry in Petersham.

Historic Service

Looking back over the year, perhaps the high point was the beautiful and memorable Centenary Commemoration Service on 1st November, 1970, held to inaugurate our Centenary Year. We were honoured to

have His Excellency, Sir Roden Cutler, Governor of New South Wales, present to unveil the Commemorative stone placed in the west end of the Church. The Right Rev. F. O. Hulme-Moir preached the sermon and assisted in the order of service. The Church was packed to overflowing for this historic occasion.

Record Fete Result

Another high point was the annual fete, which this year surpassed all previous records in overall earnings. The heartfelt thanks of the Rector, Wardens and Council are extended to all the individuals and groups who, through their self-sacrificing work and dedication brought about this great success.

Apart from providing needed funds for the on-going work of the Parish, a good time was had by all concerned. We are certain that the Blessing of Almighty God rests upon all those who give themselves to the work of the extension of His Kingdom.

New Improvements

During the year, we spent a considerable amount of money renewing and refurbishing our buildings. The new Rector and his family are most gratefully reaping the benefits of the foresight of the Rev. Mr. Champion in establishing the Rectory Renewal Fund. Moneys from this source and from the generous gifts of individuals have repainted the inside of the Rectory and put down wall-to-wall carpeting on the main floor. Together with other needed repairs, this work has made our Rectory a pleasant place in which to live and work. Other moneys were spent on repairs and painting of the Church and Parish Hall buildings.

Also during this year, we were happy to see the Columbarium completed, and our deep thanks go to all who made this addition to our establishment possible; especially are we grateful for the volunteered skilled work of the builder.

Centenary Endowment Fund

Looking forward to the future financial needs of the Parish, and with an eye to the changing scene in Petersham, men of considerable foresight have brought into being the All Saints' Centenary Endowment Fund, the earnings from which it is hoped will safely carry us over the thin times which, for only a short time we hope, may have to be endured. The fund presently has in it over \$1,000 in cash and over \$5,000 in shares, and we hope it will grow steadily as its proceeds are needed.

We invite all our friends and parishioners to consider this fund and the financial needs of the ministry here in Petersham when making out their wills. Acknowledging that there is a need in every part of society and in every corner of the world to which we must also extend ourselves, this, the on-going preaching of the Christian Gospel, is truly worthy of our prayerful consideration.

Personal

It is with deep sorrow that we note the passing to higher service of many of our old friends. We have lost a fine organist and two faithful parish councillors, and half a dozen faithful old parishioners. Though we and their loved ones mourn their passing, we give thanks to God for their victory over death and their good works in our midst, and pray that God will send us new souls to join arms with us in this great work on earth.

We were happy to receive this year as memorial gifts two wooden Offertory Plates and the portable communion set—useful tools in His Service.

Annual Statistics

Some statistics of the year's work: there were 25 weddings (37), 66 baptisms (48), 55 funerals (80) and 2,997 acts of Communion

(4,137) this year. Last year's figures are in parenthesis. No confirmation class was convened in 1970. It is encouraging to note that a large number of young people are signing up for the 1971 Confirmation class.

Our Lively Groups

Your new Rector is happy to see the lively on-going work of all the parish social and service groups. We notice that the choir, both junior and senior branches, is growing and we look forward to great things in the future. We are happy to hear the lovely music from the organ under the skilled hands of our cheerful new organist.

It is good to see the Senior Parishioners' Club continuing to give its useful service to the elderly. We are grateful for the dedicated work of the Ladies' Guild, the Young Marrieds' and Friends' Club, the Sunday School Mothers' Club, and the Young Churchmen's Institute. The Sunday School Teachers and Superintendents continue to do their essential work. We are happy to have the Bowls Club in our midst. The Young Peoples' Fellowship continues its program and is giving useful service in the care of the lawns and in many other ways.

We should be lost without the services of our dedicated cleaners who also do a very great deal more than clean to be sure. The Rector is most deeply grateful to the men of the Parish Council and is so happy that in his first year he can lean so heavily upon them, and upon the three hard-working Wardens. These men have been a great service and comfort to us all.

Needless to say, we wish to acknowledge and thank the dozens of other people who by their regular and faithful work and attendance upon Divine Services, quietly and surely sustain the Ministry in this place. We know that God who sees in secret, rewards in the open.

Our Wonderful Inheritance

Finally, may I ask you all again, as we look ahead, to be faithful to your Christian calling and to be good Missionaries of the Lord. Go out and seek his flock and bring them into the fold where they may be fed with the Eternal Bread of Christ Jesus. Remember that a million dollars is made up of one million **one dollar** notes. So never think that your part, however small, will not count.

We have inherited from the past a truly beautiful Church building, fully equipped, a gracious Rectory, and a sound Hall. Let us go forward then, and build on that good foundation a flourishing community of God's children, who through the weekly preaching, hearing and reading of God's Word, the worship of our Heavenly Father, and the service of our fellow man, may be led in the true way of Christ to inherit in the end those unspeakably rich promises that our God offers to all who will love and serve Him.

May God's Blessing be always with us.

Yours sincerely,

C. A. CAMPBELL, Rector.

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YOUR CENTENARY CALENDAR 1971

15th August: 68th Consecration Festival; Education Sunday.

12th September: Sunday School Centenary Service—

Guest Preacher: Mr. Bruce Menzies of Channel 9.

10th October: Marriage Re-Dedication Service; 7 p.m. Confirmation Service.

31st October: Dedication Service.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Teachers' Meeting: The annual general meeting was held on 18th May. The meeting was told that \$50 was raised for the Australian Board of Missions through the Lenten boxes. The following donations were made to other missions from Sunday School funds: All Saints' Centenary Endowment Fund \$50; C.M.S. \$10; Home Mission Society \$10; Archbishop's Winter Appeal \$10; Bush Church Aid Society \$10; Mission to Seamen \$5; Bush Brotherhood \$5.

At the beginning of the year, a committee was formed to revise our Order of Service sheets. So far, the committee has revised the Lent and Easter sheets, but they still have a lot of **work ahead**. I wish to thank them for all the work they have done.

On Sunday, 12th September, the **Sunday School** will be holding a special Family Service for the **Centenary Year**. We shall be inviting ex-pupils to the Service, at which **Mr Bruce Menzies** will give the address.

The Sunday School Fete Committee was formed to organise the jam and groceries for the stall. At this time, the fete committee is appealing for help in making jam. We shall supply all ingredients. If anyone could help, please leave your name with the Superintendent, Mr. Jones, Kindergarten Leader, Mrs. Carroll, myself, or at the Rectory.

NOEL CRAGG, Hon. Secretary.

SOCIAL AFTERNOON

All parishioners will be welcome at a **Social Afternoon** to be conducted in the **Parish Hall** on **Saturday afternoon, 12th June**.

There will be cards, games, prizes, a stall, and the **donation of 30 cents** includes afternoon tea. Proceedings begin at 1 p.m.

The afternoon is being organised by Mrs. Ivy Clark in aid of Church funds, and we hope that lots of our readers will attend. These socials have proved highly popular in previous years, and a most enjoyable time will be had by all who come along.

CLUB NEWS

Ladies' Guild:

Our luncheon on 11th May was well attended and all present enjoyed the address given by Mrs. Wong from the Seamen's Mission. A short business meeting was held later in the afternoon, at which we were very pleased to welcome two new members.

Our grateful thanks are extended for all donations for our **clothing sale** on 4th June. Our next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, 8th June**, at 2 p.m. in the Guild Room. We would be pleased to welcome **any ladies** who would care to come along and learn more of our activities.

E. M. BOSWARD, Hon. Secretary.

Y.M. and Friends' Club:

The next meeting of the Y.M. and Friends' Club will be held in the Parish Hall on **Tuesday, 8th June** at 8 p.m. We are very much in need of more members, and if you can spare a few hours on the second Tuesday of each month, please come and join us, or at least visit us at one of our meetings and then perhaps you may want to come again.

On **Thursday, 17th June**, we are going to a **Morning Show** at **Grace Bros., Broadway**, at 10.45 a.m. If you would like to join us for this show, presented by Women's Weekly personalities, please contact a Club member to obtain a ticket: donation 40 cents.

On **Thursday, 1st July**, we are again going to **Grace Bros.** at the same time, for a **Fondue Party**. Donation will be 40 cents.

Recent activities have included a **Nutrimetics Demonstration** on 15th

May, and a Street Stall on Saturday, 5th June. We are grateful to all who supported us in these efforts.

Many thanks to all who are saving clean newspapers for us. If you have any we could pick up, please ring me at 56-2291.

IDA BARRETT, Hon. Secretary.

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

It is pleasing to report that our Theatre Party to "Song of Norway" held on Friday, 21st May was a most successful function. It was our best attended theatre party, with 32 tickets sold for the performance. Parishioners have suggested that the Institute should arrange more than one Party a year, and this will be done if suitable films can be found.

June Meetings: All Y.C.I. and Fellowship members are reminded of the Fellowship—Y.C.I. Challenge Games Evening on Friday, 18th June. A supper will be provided by the Institute. The Y.C.I. has a Work Night set down for Friday, 2nd July.

Open Evenings: On our current year's Syllabus, we have set down eight Open Evenings. These are designed as informal parish socials, to which all parishioners, their relatives and friends are invited. If you would like to attend the next Y.C.I. open evening, but are worried about going out at night, please contact myself or Alan Jones (56-5218) and we shall arrange to pick you up and return you home.

The next Open Evening will be a Movie Film Night on 16th July. Please attend; there is no charge.

GEOFF GORMAN, Hon. Secretary.

Senior Parishioners' Club:

Many thanks to Mrs. Gill for making and donating a lovely handbag as a Mothers' Day gift for our Club meeting prior to that special day. We had three lovely gifts, and our Rector kindly presented them to three happy mothers; incidentally, our attendance on that occasion was just under 50 members.

Now 50 people just can't be wrong in saying that All Saints' Senior Parishioners' Club is the best and most popular social club of its kind in the western suburbs. Why not come along any Thursday at 1 p.m. to the Parish Hall? Your donation of just 20 cents provides afternoon tea, and you might win one of the small prizes we give away each week.

Card players are always welcome and we also have a popular game (with a chat in between) for those who don't play cards. We invite people of all denominations to join us and keep them in touch with all the activities at All Saints'.

DOT SHAW, Hon. Secretary—797-6967.

Fellowship:

The members of the Fellowship wish to congratulate Judith and Robert Cooper on their recent marriage. They have been members in the past and we wish them every happiness in the future.

This year, the Fellowship has taken over the Book Stall at the Fete. We shall be looking forward to hearing from anyone with books and comics they do not want, as they will be gratefully accepted for our Stall. Please phone the undersigned at 560-8201, preferably in the evening, and we shall arrange collection.

In recent months, we have re-arranged our committee leaders. They are now: Allen Granger, Leader; Laramie Elliott, Assistant Leader; Stephen Blackwood, Secretary; Con. Constanti, Treasurer. The Fellowship as a whole welcomes two new members, Grant Elliott and John Bretherton; we hope we will continue to see them each week.

We are asking for any young people, especially girls, who wish to join us; we meet every Friday night at 7.30 p.m. at the Church Gates. We hope we shall be seeing some new faces among us.

LARAMIE ELLIOTT.

CHURCH NEWS

● **Earlier Evensong:** The Easter Vestry Meeting agreed that Sunday evening Services should commence at 6 p.m. during June, July, and August. We hope that starting 60 minutes earlier will be more suitable to you. A special note: please remember that the Church is heated for ALL services in winter.

● **Scripture Classes:** We are deeply grateful to the Rev. John Hebblewhite, Warden of St. Margaret's, for taking the extra scripture class at Stanmore School. This means we are now able to provide weekly instruction to all Anglican children at the five schools in our Parish.

● **Confirmation:** Wednesday night classes have begun for those seeking to be confirmed in October. Any of the young folk, or adults who wish to be confirmed, and who have not yet spoken to the Rector, are asked to contact him as quickly as possible.

● **Parishioners attending the Service on Mothers' Day** appreciated the gift of a white flower from the Church Officers.

● **Vestry Meeting:** A good attendance from all walks of parish life, marked the Easter Vestry Meeting on 13th May. Reports from most organisations showed they are holding their own. The Parish Treasurer's Statement showed that we ended the year \$1,064 worse off than when we started, notwithstanding a record Fete result. Smaller offertories, consequent upon smaller congregations over the past year, are the main cause of this decline. A high degree of interest in parish administration was shown by the 14 nominations for the nine elected positions on the Parish Council. One new member, Mr. Paul Levy, and eight re-elected councillors will fill these positions. The Rector also has the right to appoint three members.

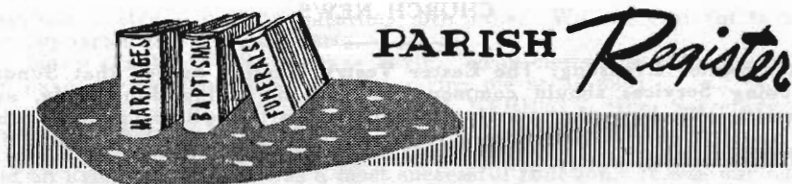
● **Lodge Service:** We welcomed the Sydney District Grand Chapter of the O.E.S. at Evensong on Sunday, 23rd May. A special order of service was used for the occasion.

● **District Visitors:** We are in need of some ladies or gentlemen to volunteer to deliver "Chronicles" and receive contributions to Parish Funds, in various parts of the district. Please contact the Rector or Mr. E. Quelch if you could aid us in either a permanent or temporary capacity.

● **July "Chronicle":** Material for our next issue will be due by Sunday, 20th June.

● **New Fete Attractions:** Clarifying an item in our last issue, the Rector has built up a large collection of model "O" gauge trains which he will demonstrate at regular sessions throughout the day of the Fete. The complex tracks will take some weeks to set up.

● **Wanted for Fete:** Left-over wool and pieces of material. Please contact Mrs. I. Clark if you can help, or leave c/o The Rectory.

**BAPTISMS****"Grafted into the Body of Christ's Church"**

- April 25: Andrew Everett Jones.
 May 9: Catherine Ann Friedrichs.
 May 16: Marika Martha Muder.
 May 23: Megan Elizabeth Watson.
 May 23: Therese Debbie Barran.
 May 23: Andrew Peter Baran.
 May 23: Kelvin Stanley Pilgrim.

FUNERAL**"Blessed are the dead which die in 'the Lord"**

- May 25: Isaac Scott McDonald.

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SANCTUARY FLOWER ROSTER

- June 6: Donated by Miss N. King and Mrs. Cleary in memory of their Parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. King, and by Mrs. J. Dark in memory of her Husband, Mr. Eddie Dark; arranged by Mrs. Clark.
 June 13: Donated by the Sisters and Brothers of the late Martha Quinn in her memory, by the Craigie family in memory of their Brother Don, and by Mrs. McKnight in memory of her Brother Douglas McPherson; arranged by Miss Nisbet.
 June 20: Donated by Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Craven in memory of Mrs. V. Breadon, by Mrs. Hilary in memory of Miss Kathleen O'Neill, and an anonymous donation for the War Memorial; arranged by Mrs. Clark.
 June 27: Donated by Mrs. Gordon in memory of her Brother, Mr. J. Oliver and in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Baxter by their daughters, Stella, Ena, and Barb.; arranged by Miss Nisbet.
 July 4: Donated by Mrs. Kent and Edna in memory of Robert Blenheim; arranged by Miss Nisbet.

We gratefully acknowledge the flowers in memory of Stella Williams from her loving family, and in memory of Mrs. Yarrington from her family.

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