

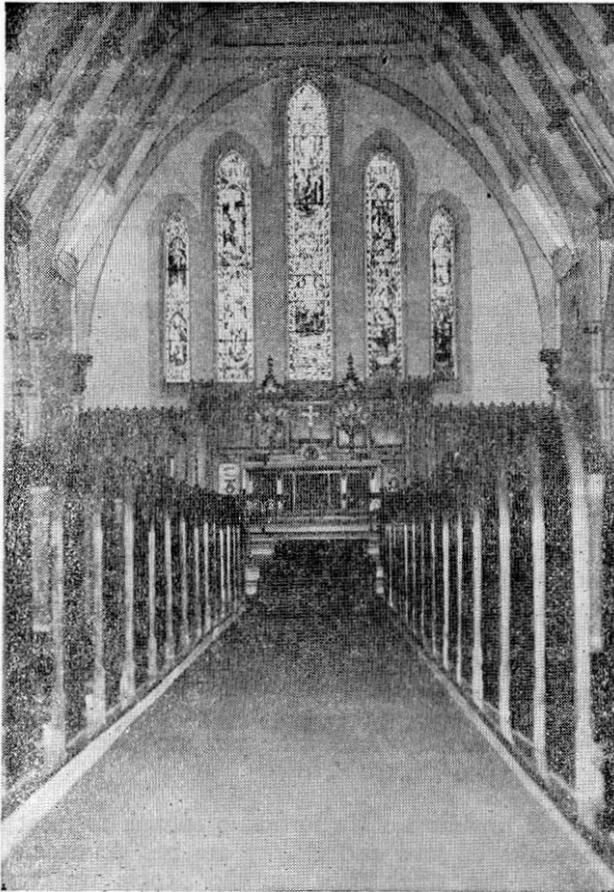
All Saint's Anglican Church, Petersham

STANMORE ROAD, PETERSHAM

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JULY, 1985



WE LOVE THE PLACE, O GOD,
WHEREIN THINE HONOUR DWELLS.

The Rectory,
P.O. Box 241,
PETERSHAM, 2049
26th June, 1985

Dear Friends,

The other day, listening to the radio, I heard a gentleman introduced by a rather grand title. He was the "Manager in charge of . . ." It all sounded so very grand, that is, until one stopped and realised that the organisation he worked for was very small and the particular section of which he was manager would have been lucky to employ one other person.

Titles are grand. Titles boost our ego, and no doubt all of us have fallen for the old trick of being offered a job with a grand title only to discover that it only meant—"you do what no one else is willing to do."

The Lord Jesus once told of how men and women would be welcomed in heaven. Never once did He say: "You were called because you have an important sounding title." What men may call us never mattered to Jesus. What does matter is what we do and how we do it.

"Inasmuch as you gave a cup of cold water to one of the least of these you gave it to me"—words of Jesus.

The Lord Jesus welcomes those who showed a living concern for others. Not people seeking to display their righteousness or expecting a great reward, be it in this world or the next, but, those who do such things because of love. A love which they found in Jesus Christ and which naturally, without effort, flows out to others.

We live in a world where "who you are" seems to matter more than "what you are."

From time to time we are fortunate enough to meet someone whose works of love and charity are not dependent upon some high sounding title. They are the people we trust, the people we depend on—the people whose purpose in life is to share the love of Christ, they seek like our Lord, to serve.

Our aim in life should be that people may know by what we do and by what we are

Yours sincerely,

BRUCE WOOLCOTT

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

COMING EVENTS:

At our last Sunday School Teachers' Meeting in June it was decided to hold a Family Picnic. This year the picnic is to be held on Saturday, 23rd November, following the Church Fete instead of October. Once again the Picnic will be held in Centennial Park.

We decided on the Saturday after the Fete because everyone is busy with their preparations during October.

The second date we fixed was the Sunday School Christmas Party. This is to be held on Friday, 13th December, commencing at 5.30 p.m.

Please keep these dates in mind,

NOEL CRAGG, Superintendent



WOMEN-IN-FRIENDSHIP

The next meeting of the W.I.F. will be held in the Guild Room of the Parish Hall on Tuesday, 9th July. If you could spare this afternoon at 1.30 p.m. we would love to welcome you. We always finish our meetings with a friendly cup of tea.

Please keep in mind our two next Jumble Stall dates: Friday, 19th July and Friday, 30th August, both to be held in the Parish Hall.

Our August meeting is to be followed by a speaker from The Home Mission Society, and the October meeting by a Herbal Encounter, at which you will be able to buy Herbal plants growing or dried herbs.

IDA BARRETT, Hon. Sec.



SENIOR PARISHIONERS' CLUB

The Senior Parishioners' Club continues to meet every Thursday at 1 p.m. in spite of the winter weather. It's warm in the Guild Room once you get there and the friendly company helps you forget the cold outside.

The Club was saddened last month by the passing of Mrs Ellice Rhyder, one of our oldest and very regular members. We all extend our sincere sympathy to her relatives and friends.

Mr. Bill Johnson, who has been with us most of this year, also passed away. We extend our sincere sympathy to his family.

IDA BARRETT, Hon. Sec.

SILENT SAMARITANS GATHER IN THE GOODS

Good Samaritan clothing bins in a variety of colours are a familiar part of the landscape in Sydney. Squatting in car parks and church grounds, these Samaritans gather 27,000 kilograms of clothing and other goods in an average week.

HMS Op Shops could not do without the bins. "We would have closed down long ago if we did not use them," says John Dring, manager of HMS Op Shops.

The 211 bins in Sydney suburbs are serviced by three HMS and three contract drivers. Twenty-seven people, including sorters, packers and office personnel, work at the Summer Hill depot where the goods are taken for sorting and distribution. More than 200,000 customers buy clothes at HMS Op Shops each year. An annual profit of about \$60,000 is channelled into HMS General Fund through the combined efforts of Opportunity Shops and the Industrial Wiper and Salvage divisions and forms part of subsidies given to the caring divisions.

Mr. Dring, however, expressed real concern as he pointed to a rapidly filling rubbish truck destined for the dump. "We've already filled another one this month," he sighed.

About 20% of the clothing bins' contents these days are made up of an assorted mess of dirty and worn-out clothing, old shoes and rubbish and it will cost about \$9,000 this year to take it all to the dump, where it should have gone in the first place. The Society must rely on each donor's discretion and their genuine wish to help others. Although some damaged clothing can be utilised in the Industrial Wipers and Salvage Division, it would be far more satisfactory and more directly useful if donors dropped their used clothes into the slot only after considering, "Would I wear this myself?"

Mr Dring also has to contend occasionally with those who are thoughtless and even malicious, the sort of person who deposits an old tyre or a dead animal in a bin. But arson is the greatest problem — 20% of HMS Good Samaritan bins are burnt out each year, especially in those weeks when fireworks are on sale.

Mr. Dring, however, praises the majority of Good Samaritan bin supporters. Their generosity fuels the activities of HMS

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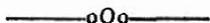
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and makes Op Shops possible. Two parishes in particular—St. Matthew's, Manly, and St. Mark's, Darling Point—contribute so keenly that their Good Samaritan bins usually must be emptied twice a week.

People who drop useful items through any HMS Good Samaritan bin slot can be assured that their donations will be used in a Christian way.

All profits made are ploughed back into other HMS missionary welfare and social services and do not end up in someone's private pocket.

— Care Force



THE ARCHBISHOP OF SYDNEY'S

WINTER APPEAL

What is the Winter Appeal for?

The Archbishop's Winter Appeal is an annual appeal to raise funds for the poor and disadvantaged in our community. Funds raised are used as a resource to be drawn upon by local clergy to meet the needs of those within their parish.

The fund, however, is not intended to absolve individual Christians from meeting the needs of the neighbours they see in need. It is rather a mechanism of sharing the resources we have within our diocese in order that one person's abundance at this time might be given to meet another person's need.

Parishes are often in the forefront of meeting the needs of those in their local community. Funds from the Archbishop of Sydney's Winter Appeal are regularly used to help people in all such situations of crisis. In some cases funds are also used to support small-scale community projects organised by the local parishes.

Many parish clergy call on funds from the Winter Appeal to help those with immediate needs. As such these clergy — supported by the skills of others within their congregations — form the crucial front line of help to those in need.

Sometimes funds are used to pay medical or electricity bills, in others to provide food or train fares. Single parents are often in particular need, and on many occasions funds from the Winter Appeal have eased times of great hardship and even saved families from eviction. Many unemployed people and pensioners have also found relief through the fund in times of crisis.

As one example, a young married couple with two children had been surviving well enough in their small Housing Commission cottage. But the father was soon retrenched and the budget became harder to manage. Their eldest child became ill

and needed surgery. While the medical and hospital bills were mostly met by government schemes, some of the medication and "extras" which followed were not. All savings went and soon expenses cut into the food budget. The child then had to be re-admitted due to a secondary illness, and the parents didn't even have the money to buy petrol to visit their child in hospital. The local minister soon learnt of the family's need, and offered them funds from the Winter Appeal. Some money went towards petrol, some for food and medication. The child is now on the mend, as is the family budget. Help offered in this way can ease the trauma and help prevent the family from entering a time of hardship.

Tranby Aboriginal Training Centre

Tranby, in Glebe, provides hostel accommodation for Aborigines who come to the city seeking training. At present, between 40 and 50 are engaged in learning new skills.

Tranby was founded by Anglican clergyman—the Rev. Alf Clint—who helped Aborigines to establish co-operatives. The Rev. Fred Wandmaker, who works closely with Tranby's staff, continues that tradition.

The hostel plays an important part in educating Aborigines and helping them to take their place in our State. For the next four years, the Winter Appeal will support Tranby as a Bi-centenary project. Funds raised will go towards buying a house which will offer urgently needed extra hostel accommodation.

— Southern Cross



PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

At its June meeting the Parish Council accepted the Wardens recommendation that the property bequeathed All Saints would be sold and the proceeds used to set up an endowment to be known as the "May Ruhle Endowment Fund" and that the Church Wardens would be the trustees. The income derived will be transferred to general funds and if not required will be re-invested.

Mr. Ray Swankie was authorised to arrange for examination of the condition of slates on the Northern side of the Church at the extremities of the gully between the main roof and the sides, and to oversee such repairs as are necessary.

N.B. The transfer of the property to All Saints has not yet been completed.

The following is a copy of the By-Laws governing the May Ruhle Endowment Fund as adopted by the Parish Council.

**ALL SAINTS' ANGLICAN CHURCH, PETERSHAM,
MAY RUHLE ENDOWMENT FUND — BY-LAWS**

1. The All Saints' Anglican Church Petersham May Ruhle Endowment Fund (hereinafter called the "Fund.")
2. The Fund shall consist of all monies received from the estate of the Late Edith May Ruhle including proceeds of sale of house property at 107 Crystal Street, Petersham, N.S.W.
3. The Trustees shall consist of the three Church Wardens of All Saints' Anglican Petersham and they shall appoint one of their number to be Secretary, Treasurer of the Fund.
4. The Trustees will invest the total amount received with complete bank safety as the Trustees shall determine
5. The capital Fund shall be preserved and the interest credited to the general fund of the parish.
6. In event of the interest being surplus to the requirements of the general fund the proceeds will be re-invested and added to the principal.
7. The Trustees shall maintain the following records:-
 - (a) minute book recording proceedings of all meetings;
 - (b) bank accounts and associated accounting records as determined by the Trustees.
 - (c) all bank accounts to be opened in the name of the fund three trustees as signatories with any two signatures required for withdrawals.
8. Meetings will be held as deemed necessary by the Trustees.
9. Accounts of the Fund shall be audited by the church auditor each calendar year.

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SOME MORE OF OUR CHURCH HISTORY

In the following year the Consecration anniversary was kept on the Saturday afternoon but since then has been observed on the nearest Sunday.

The Reverend R. E. Goddard, Mrs. Goddard and their sons left for England on a twelve months trip by the P. & O. steamship "Marmora" on March 28th, 1906. On Friday, 23rd March, 1906, the parishioners held a conversazione to bid them farewell at which Reverend J. F. Russell, M.A., Th.L., his locum tenens, was present. On his return the Reverend R. E. Goddard and his family were welcomed at a reception at the Town Hall on Wednesday, 20th March, 1907.

During the Incumbency of the Reverend Canon Goddard, the old Rectory built in 1872 and located at the rear of the present rectory, was demolished and the present imposing structure was erected as a replacement.

At 8 p.m. on Saturday, 8th August, 1908, the new Rectory was officially opened by the Right Reverend Lord Bishop of Bathurst, with a special service of Benediction prepared for the occasion by the Rector.

In consequence of the inclemency of the weather the service which was to have taken place in front of the house was held in the Church, where a large congregation had assembled. The bishop was received by a guard of honour from the Church Lads' Brigade and the Rector's Warden, Mr. A. J. Gaston, accompanied by his colleagues, Messrs. R. C. Wills and A. S. Cusiter, presented a petition to the Bishop, praying him to conduct the service of Benediction according to ancient custom.

The Bishop delivered an impressive address on the sacredness of home life, pointing out the great influence of home for good or evil on the individual character and upon the welfare of the nation.

(To be continued)

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FLOWER DONATIONS FOR JULY

- JULY 7—By Mrs. E. Hillery in memory of Katie O'Neil.
Arrangement by Mrs. A. Steed.
- JULY 14—By the Misses Nisbet, in memory of our parents.
In memory of Aileen by Bill Williams and family.
Arrangement by Miss Nisbet.
- JULY 21—By Miss Leslie in memory of her parents.
Arrangement by Mrs. A. Steed.
- JULY 28—Donation by Miss Perry.
Donation by Iris and Colin in memory of Grandad Field.
Arrangement by Miss Nisbet.

DONATIONS TO THE CHRONICLE

From Mrs. F. Price	\$5.0
From Mr. E. Beatty (Merimbula)	\$2.0
From Mr. B. Livingston for Mr. Phil. Gawthrop	\$5.0
From Mrs. Ingolsby-Brown	\$10.0

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