

# The Chronicle

of

## The Parish of All Saints, Petersham

All Saints' Rectory, Petersham.

Tel.: LM 4735.

Rector: Rev. R. A. JOHNSON, Th.L., Rural Dean of Randwick.

Hon. Assistant: Rev. A. E. C. GARDNER, B.A., Th.L.

OCTOBER, 1954



IT'S YOUR CHURCH—WORK FOR IT, PRAY FOR IT, PAY FOR IT.

Churchwardens: Messrs L. C. CALVER (Rector's), W. SOPWITH, Colonel C. H. GRANVILLE.

Parish Council: THE CHURCHWARDENS, and Messrs R. F. ATKINSON, T. H. BOSWARD, J. M. BOYLE, H. G. BRODIE, D. COOKE, D. B. HUNTER, H. F. JONES, B. T. SAYERS, E. HALE, E. QUELCH, J. CARROLL, E. B. OLOFSSON.

Hon. Secretary: Mr. L. C. CALVER.

Hon. Treasurer: Mr. W. SOPWITH

Organist and Master of the Choristers: Mr. W. ROWLAND EAGAR, D.S.C.M., L.R.S.M., L.T.C.L., F.I.G.C.M.

Verger: Vacant.

The Rector would be pleased to receive immediate notification of any bereavements or sickness in the parish.

Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals by arrangement with the Rector. LM 4735.

## RECTOR'S LETTER

My dear Friends,

The year is rapidly drawing to a close and it seems amazing that I must talk to you all in this issue of the "Chronicle" about the Patronal Festival of our Church. All Saints' Day of course falls this year on the Monday the 1st of November. The Festival will therefore commence on Sunday, October 31, with special services and on the Monday there will be the usual celebrations of Holy Communion with a Festival Evensong and Film in the Church, and a Concert in the Parish Hall with Films. The Festival will close with Thanksgiving Services on Sunday, 11th November. Before the "Chronicle" goes to press I hope to have the full details of the programme for this period.

The Y.C.L are sponsoring an evening on the 6th October in the Parish Hall when the Film Unit from the G.P.O. will show a number of interesting films. The members of the Y.C.L have promised an audience of 100, will you please be one of them, a donation will be welcomed in aid of the Roof Fund.

Those who came to see the Fellowship Revue were rewarded by an excellent evening of entertainment, and I would like to take this opportunity of thanking the members for their hard work, and incidentally making and purchasing materials for props out of their own pockets so that the show could be a financial success. I heard quite recently that the takings so far are over £43 and there is more to come. Congratulations, Fellowshippers, it was a great effort!

In November we are to hold our Fete, November 11, with an official opening at 3 p.m. It is some 17 years since we had a big Fete at All Saints' and we are looking forward to it being a very successful one. I like Fetes because it gives everybody a chance to do something for their Church, and I hope that it will mean that during the day on that occasion we shall see all our parishioners. Will you all help, make something, or give something to the stallholders and then invite your neighbours and friends to come and share the great thrill of seeing our hall crowded with buyers. Gifts may be left at the Rectory, and we will sell anything from a pin to a motor car.

At long last the work has commenced on the Church Roof. The copper guttering has been almost finished and I think that you will agree with me that it reveals expert workmanship; the box gutters are the work of a skilled craftsman and add to the beauty of our Church. The slaters started work today, and I trust that our roof may soon be sound. It is unfortunate that with the commencement of this work we shall need more money to pay for it. The immediate work will cost £1,300 and that still leaves much to be done, the total cost will be £2,700. It is for this reason that we are re-issuing the Roof Fund Boxes again. I do hope that you will have one in your home, for every little helps.

In order to help the Fund I make the following offer: I am willing to give £5 if two hundred others will give five pounds, thus we would have in hand £1,000 and be able to complete the work on the roof and other essential repairs. Amounts may be given to the Rector or sent to the Rectory.

On the 24th of this month at 11 a.m. the Confirmation Service will be held. I trust that the parents and friends of the Confirmees will make a special effort to come. On the Wednesday Evening before the Confirmation date I will hold a Special Preparation Service when the parents and friends of the candidates are invited to be present with them. I do trust that you will make a real effort to be present on this occasion. Members of the congregation are invited also. The Confirmees are starting out on their Christian pilgrimage, and it is for us to encourage them as much as possible. They are about to renew the solemn vows which were promised on their behalf at their Baptism. It is a day of decision for them, when they decide to follow their Lord and Master Jesus Christ as His faithful soldiers and servants. The greatest need of today is something very much

greater than a knowledge about Christianity, intellectually or socially. It is the rediscovery of Christianity as a decisive personal relationship to Jesus Christ, there is nothing so fundamental as this, and the more we think about the crisis in our world today the clearer does this become. As Christians we have no chance at all unless we are in vital contact with Jesus Christ. These candidates are being faced with that truth, will you then pray for them, and help them by a virile Christian witness in your own life. How can we expect them to be enthusiastic about the Faith if we older ones never bother about it. I do hope that as the days go by there will be a greater emphasis on the family worshipping together. If mother and father come with the family to church it will not only strengthen the witness of the Church at Petersham but they will find that greater blessing and happiness will come to their own homes.

May I take this opportunity to express the deepest sympathy of Mrs. Johnson and myself with those who have recently lost loved ones. We pray that God will bless and comfort you all.

With best wishes,

Yours very sincerely in His Service,  
RONALD A. JOHNSON.

**PARISH PARS**

We are indeed sorry to learn that Miss Moxham, while out shopping, fell and fractured her hip. Miss Moxham is in the Private Section of St. Vincent's Hospital, and is now well on the road to recovery.

\* \* \* \* \*

Mrs. Handel is still busy with her hobby of making baby garments, and looks forward to hearing the news from All Saints, which she worked so hard for for so many years.

\* \* \* \* \*

Congratulations to Ken and Elvy Grant on the arrival of a daughter, Sonja Laura, and to Mr. and Mrs. Bosward Jnr. on the arrival of a son.

\* \* \* \* \*

Congratulations to Mrs. F. Gunner who won the Bach Section of the Sun Aria.

\* \* \* \* \*

The Cricketers have started off well and are looking forward to a very good season.

\* \* \* \* \*

Our deepest sympathy is expressed with Mr. Harold Jones and family in the loss of Mr. Jones' mother. Mrs. Jones had reached the grand old age of 86 years, and right up until the last was able to take an interest in the family doings. The Rector conducted the funeral service which was held in our dear old church, and also at the Waverley Cemetery. We pray that God will bless and comfort the bereaved in the knowledge of a "Sure and Certain Hope of a resurrection to eternal life."

\* \* \* \* \*

The sudden home-call of Mr. Barton of 17 William Street came as a great shock to all his dear ones and friends. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Barton and the children, and pray that God will bless them and undertake for them all.

\* \* \* \* \*

To the relatives and friends of Mr. Southern and Mr. C. A. Smith we extend our sympathy in their bereavement.

\* \* \* \* \*

Do not miss the Film Night on October 6, 8 p.m., in the Parish Hall. A splendid programme has been arranged—films in colour—cartoons—come and help the Roof Fund.

\* \* \* \* \*

Mr. Eagar and the Tudor Choir are arranging a Concert for the 13th October, do not miss this evening! This will also be in aid of the Roof Fund. Tickets are available.

Many thanks to the menfolk who came to the last working bee on the Church Grounds—our grounds are now looking more ship-shape. Another working bee will be announced later.

\* \* \* \* \*

We were very pleased to welcome the Scouts, Guides and Brownies to the Youth Service on Sunday last, and to see our Sunday School scholars and their parents joining in this service.

\* \* \* \* \*

Many thanks to Miss Browning, Mr. Eagar and Mr. Frank Gunner for training the Junior Choir for the Youth Service. Mr. Ron Thomas played for many of the practices and our thanks are extended to him also.

\* \* \* \* \*

The new Notice Board is under way now and is looked after by Mr. J. Carroll. Many thanks Jim, for the good work!

\* \* \* \* \*

The Y.C.I. have got an idea from Jack and the Bean Stalk. A packet of beans has been issued to each member, with instructions to grow beans for the forth-coming Fete. Y.C.I. are running the Produce Stall. If you grow vegetables and can spare some in November, let Roy Atkinson know or any Y.C.I. member, they will be glad to relieve you of them.

\* \* \* \* \*

The Y.C.I. Club Room "Off Night" is now popular. All menfolk welcome—come up and spend an hour with us!

\* \* \* \* \*

DOES YOUR SON OR DAUGHTER COME TO SUNDAY SCHOOL?—DO THEY COME TO FELLOWSHIP?—YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION?—ARE THEY IN THE CHOIR? AND FOR YOU THERE IS Y.C.I. FOR MENFOLK—YOUNG MARRIEDS' CLUB—WOMEN'S GUILD. WE WANT THE WHOLE FAMILY—COME AND JOIN US AT ALL SAINTS'—YOUR OWN PARISH CHURCH—HELP IT TO HELP YOU.

\* \* \* \* \*

Thanks to Mr. Quelch for all the work he is putting into the ROOF BOX FUND—and for painting the Kindergarten exterior woodwork.

\* \* \* \* \*

#### **VISITING DRAMATIC SOCIETY—HOLY TRINITY, KINGSFORD**

On November the 27th at 8 p.m. the KINGSFORD DRAMATIC SOCIETY will present the play "THE FEMININE TOUCH," a 3-Act Comedy, in aid of CHURCH FUNDS. Do come and see this excellent play—thrills—and laughter—entertainment for young and old. This play has drawn packed halls in the Eastern Suburbs and is well worth seeing. A talented company will present this comedy under the direction of Mr. Richard Boyt. Tickets available now, 3/- adults, 1/6 children.

\* \* \* \* \*

#### **A LAYMAN'S VISITATION OF THE PARISH**

Plans are in hand for laymen to visit in the parish to gather information and contact the Church of England in this area. They will be happy to tell you about the work here, the organisations connected with the church and to enlist your support. This method has been tried in other parishes with great success, and we trust that you will receive these good folk and help them as much as possible. The visitors are issued with an authority from the Rector so that you will know that they are not imposters.

\* \* \* \* \*

\* \* \* \* \*

#### **WOMEN'S GUILD**

The Guild held a very successful stall in the Church grounds recently and made over £13. It is hoped that these stalls will be held once a month to assist with the Funds. A very pleasant afternoon was held at Mrs. Holland's last week, the proceeds being in aid of the Pottery Stall at the forthcoming Fete. We would welcome more members and trust that you will join us.

**CONFIRMATION SERVICE**

On Sunday, 24th October, the Rite of Confirmation will be administered in this Church at 11 a.m. It is hoped that all parents and friends of the candidates will endeavour to be present. The following Sunday at 8 a.m. the newly confirmed will make their first Communion.

\* \* \* \* \*

**ALL SAINTS' PATRONAL FESTIVAL—ALL SAINTS' DAY**

31st October to 7th November, 1954

SUNDAY, 31st OCTOBER, 1954:

8.00 a.m.—CHORAL COMMUNION — REUNION OF CONFIRMEES — FIRST COMMUNION OF NEWLY CONFIRMED.

11.00 a.m.—MATINS & SERMON. ANTHEM: "Lo Round the Throne"—Ley.

Preacher: The Ven. Archdeacon R. B. Robinson, L.Th., Archdeacon of Redfern.

7.00 p.m.—ORGAN RECITAL—Mr. Rowland Eagar.

7.15 p.m.—FESTAL EVENSONG. ANTHEM: "O What Their Joy and Their Glory Must Be"—Harris.

Preacher:

MONDAY, 1st NOVEMBER, 1954—ALL SAINTS' DAY:

7.00 a.m.—HOLY COMMUNION.

10.00 a.m.—HOLY COMMUNION.

7.30 p.m.—FESTAL EVENSONG—Film. ANTHEM: "Ring Out Wild Bells"—Fletcher.

8.00 p.m.—CONCERT IN PARISH HALL.

SUNDAY, 7th NOVEMBER, 1954:

8.00 a.m.—HOLY COMMUNION.

11.00 a.m.—CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL—Music by Sunday School.

7.15 p.m.—SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE. ANTHEM: "How Lovely Are the Messengers"—Mendelssohn.

\* \* \* \* \*

**THE PARISH CALENDAR**

**Important Dates at All Saints**

October 6—FILM NIGHT G.P.O. FILM UNIT—8 p.m.

October 13—TUDOR CHOIR CONCERT—8 p.m.

October 18—St. Luke, Evangelist. Holy Communion 7 a.m. and 10 a.m.

October 27—Kingsford Dramatic Society presents The Feminine Touch, at 8 p.m.

October 28—St. Simon and St. Jude, Holy Communion 7 a.m. and 10 a.m.

\* \* \* \* \*

**PHYSICAL CULTURE CLUB—SEPTEMBER, 1954**

We have much pleasure in congratulating our girls for their fine work in the Western Suburbs Zone Competitions. Despite the set back we had in the early part of the year, we were successful under the instruction of Mrs. Leary in securing 3rd and 4th places in the 11-year champion girl. Pam Hunter, 3rd, and Sandra Rosenberg, 4th, had the honour of gaining these awards. Janice Sayers, Jan Locke, Jill Pullen, Joan McMillan and Sandra Hunter were also semi-finalists in their respective age groups. Good work girls and congratulations to Mrs. Leary. Our girls from now on will be practising for their Annual Concert to be held on the 6th December.

—F. DITCHEBURN, Secretary.

\* \* \* \* \*

**LADIES HOME MISSION UNION**

A meeting of the branch of the L.H.M.U. will be held on Tuesday, 5th October, 1954, at 2.30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

\* \* \* \* \*

**DONATIONS TO FLOWER FUND**

Mrs. Argus, £1; Mr. Atkinson, £1; Mrs. Johnson, 12/6.

### YOUNG MARRIEDS' CLUB

The Y.M.C. are anxious to enlist more tennis players. We play every Tuesday from 10.30 a.m., at 287 Stanmore Road. Charge is 2/- and Tea is provided for lunch and afternoon tea.

Our meetings are the second Tuesday each month at 8 p.m. in Y.C.I. Room in the Parish Hall. Do come and join us.—J. BARRETT, Hon. Sec.

\* \* \* \* \*

### FELLOWSHIP

Our revue, "Let's Raise the Roof Again," which was held on the 14th September was a great success. Our net proceeds were £43 and the attendance was about 300. We would like to thank the physical culture for their items, also the parishioners for their staunch support. Some members attended a dance run by Botany Fellowship on the 11th September and had quite an enjoyable time. Our meetings this month are on the 12th and the 26th.—JOY SANDERSON.

\* \* \* \* \*

### TUDOR SINGERS' CONCERT

In the time of Elizabeth I of England, music was much more a part of everyday life than it is now. After meals, we are told, sheet music was passed to the guests who each took a part in the madrigal, which is a song for five or six different voices, and these madrigals are some of the finest music for voices ever written.

In recent years this music has been rediscovered and the great beauty of the songs has become popular again with small choirs and other groups.

You are given a great opportunity to hear and enjoy some of these songs on October 13, in the Parish Hall, when the Tudor Singers present their concert recital. They will be assisted by several good soloists, and also the Parish's Junior Girls' Choir who will sing a group of modern songs.

The concert is under the direction of Mr. W. R. Eagar.

We hope you will come and bring your friends to enjoy this evening on October 13.

\* \* \* \* \*

### CHOIR

We have received another gift of £1/1/- from some interested folk and we thank them very much for their help.

At the youth service on September 26, the Junior Girls' Choir sang an anthem, which sounded very good, from the body of the church. Their words were clear and the singing accurate. It is a credit to them to have achieved so much in so short a time.

All choir members are asked to help in the distribution of tickets for the concert on October 13.

The Fete in November will occupy a lot of time in preparation for our part in it. Any suggestions and ideas for stalls will be welcomed and we will have a discussion soon about them.

\* \* \* \* \*

### Y.C.I.

At the meeting held on the 10th September a team representing the Y.C.I. contested a debate with a team from the senior group of the Sunday School. There was a large attendance of Y.C.I. members and the visiting team also had a good array of supporters. The debating was of a high standard and the "home" team won by a narrow margin. On the 24th September we entertained a large number of members of the St. John's, Glebe, Fellowship, who were accompanied by their Rector. There was a programme of games, which was greatly enjoyed by members and their guests. At the conclusion of the games, supper was served and our President expressed the Institute's pleasure at the presence of our friends from St. John's, Glebe. We have a busy time ahead with an issue of the "Manuscript Journal" set down for the 8th October, Corporate Communion on the 10th and Ladies' Night on the 22nd October.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

The Children's Library will be opened for the use of Sunday School pupils on Sunday, 17th October, at 9 a.m. It is hoped that the library will be well patronised. We are still appealing for donations of unwanted books suitable for children.

On Sunday, 26th September, the Sunday School pupils took part in the Youth Service held at 11 a.m. The Junior Girls' Choir sang one of the anthems at this service and must be congratulated on their splendid effort.—K. GRANT, Secretary.

\* \* \* \* \*

**SANCTUARY FLOWER ROSTER**

- October 3—Arranged by Mrs. Morris.
- October 10—Donated by Kindergarten, arranged by Mrs. Spencer.
- October 17—Arranged by Mrs. Grant.
- October 24—Donated and arranged by Mrs. Quelch.
- October 31—Arranged by Mrs. Bosward, donated by Mr. Atkinson.
- November 7—Donated by Miss Speight, arranged by Mrs. Morris.
- November 14—Donated and arranged by Miss Norman.
- November 21—Donated by Mrs. Jones, arranged by Mrs. Grant.
- November 28—Donated and arranged by Fellowship.
- December 5—Donated by Mrs. Sayers, arranged by Mrs. Morris.
- December 12—Donated and arranged by Y.M.C.
- December 19—Arranged by Mrs. Grant.
- Christmas—Arranged by Mrs. Johnson.

\* \* \* \* \*

**COLLECTIONS AND COMMUNICANTS — SEPTEMBER, 1954**

September 5th	£13 17 9	43	Communicants
September 12th	£12 9 8	75	"
September 19th	£13 3 7 (a)	39	"
September 21st	8 1	12	"
September 26th	£22 1 0	89	"
St. Margaret's Hostel and House of the Epiphany		35	"
Private Communions		8	"
	£62 0 1	301	

(a) A.B.M., C.M.S., B.C.A. 16/6.

**ADAMS MEMORIAL FUND**

Mrs. Holland, £2/2/-.

**ROOF REPAIR FUND**

Mr. H. Jones and Family, £4/4/-; Mr. L. Craven, 10/-.

**DISTRICT VISITORS' COLLECTIONS**

Miss Bayley, £2/13/-; Mrs. Barrett, £2/3/-; Mrs. Milray, £1; Mrs. Oldfield, £3/11/-; Mrs. Furnell, £3/2/6; Mrs. Craigie, £4/1/-; Mrs. Cook, £4/11/-; Mrs. Humphreys, £7/5/6; Mrs. Calver, £1/4/6; Mrs. Thomas, £2/1/-; Mrs. Taylor, 15/6; Mrs. Grant, £1/6/-; Miss Sanderson, £1/8/-; Mrs. Robertson, £4/8/-; Mrs. Mitchell, £2/-/-; Mrs. Smith, 17/-; Total, £42/7/-.

Note the Assistant Clergy Fund is included in the above amounts.

**PARISH REGISTER**

**HOLY BAPTISM**

"One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism."

- September 19—Craig Stephen Foster; Sonja Laura Grant.
- September 26—Kevin James O'Hara.

**HOLY MATRIMONY**

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

- September 4—Trevor Lawrence Christian to Valma June Young.
- September 18—Harry Jacques Fowler to Isobel Adams.
- September 18—Herbert Ernest Jones to Shirley Marion King.
- September 25—Derek Clowes to Pamela Grace Jenkins.

## BURIALS AND CREMATIONS

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord,"

September 6—Fred Harold Southern, aged 72 years (Rookwood Crematorium).

September 7—Edward John Barton, aged 38 years (Woronora Crematorium).

September 8—Elizabeth Jones, aged 86 years (Waverley Cemetery).

September 23—George Albert Smith (Rookwood Crematorium).

**ALL SAINTS FETE, 11th NOVEMBER, OFFICIAL OPENING 3 P.M.**

By Mrs. E. A. Pitt, Wife of the Dean of Sydney.

ATTRACTIVE STALLS: REFRESHMENT STALL, WORK AND CHRISTMAS GIFTS, POTTERY STALL, OPPORTUNITY STALL, GROCERY STALL, CAKE STALL, SWEET STALL, PRODUCE STALL, BOOK STALL, HOOPLA STALL, JAMS AND PICKLES STALL, NAIL DRIVING. DARTO. COME AND BUY YOUR XMAS GIFTS. REMEMBER, NOVEMBER 11th.

**CHURCH MUSIC, OCTOBER 10 TO NOVEMBER 7, 1954**

Sunday	Morning	Evening
October 10 Trinity XVII	Holy Communion. Choral Merbeche. Hymns 724, 356, 555, 5.	Hymns 531, 530, 540, 701. Psalm 101. Anthem: "Thou knowest, Lord" (Purcell).
October 17 Trinity XVIII	Hymns 511, 425, 658, 254, 267. Psalm 103.	Hymns 20, 229, 300, 534. Psalm 107. Anthem: "The King of Love my Shepherd is" (Bairstow).
Wednesday at 7.30 p.m.		Confirmation preparation service. Psalm 111. Hymns 349, 271, 280.
October 24 Trinity XIX	Confirmation Service. Hymns 349, 271, 280. Anthem: "O For a Closer Walk" (Glover).	Hymns 274, 276, 733, 679. Psalm 121. Anthem: "Wash me thoroughly" (Wesley).
October 31 Trinity XX	8 a.m., Holy Communion, Choral (Service Aggatur in G). Hymns 437, 316, 446. 11 a.m., Matins. Hymns 439, 675, 222, 427. Psalm 111. Anthem: "Lo round the Throne" (Ley).	Festal Evensong. Service Stanford in B Flat. Psalm 112. Hymns 437, 436, 438, 604. Anthem: "O what their joy and their Glory must be" (Harris).
Monday, November 1 All Saints' Day	7 a.m., Holy Communion. 10 a.m., Holy Communion.	Evensong 7.45. Psalm 112. Anthem: "Ring out Wild Bells" (Fletcher).
November 7 Trinity XXI	Children's Festival. Psalm 116. Hymns by Sunday School.	Service of Remembrance. Psalms 130-131. Anthem: "How Lovely are the Messengers" (Mendelssohn).