

The Chronicle Of All Saints Petersham

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Wishing you All A Happy and Holy
Christmas

A MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR

My Dear Friends,

Once again the Annual Fete is over and we have beaten all records in the gross takings of £1,200. The result was magnificent and exceeded all expectations.

One realises that such a sum means many hours of labour and much self-denial on the part of many. The keenness of so many of our people to keep on breaking records is so great one feels overwhelmed at the respective stall takings.

The work of painting the Church is not only well in hand, but we now have the money to pay for it. I take this opportunity of expressing my sincere thanks to all who had a share in the success of the Fete.

The season of Christmas will soon be with us, and I take this opportunity of expressing the compliments of the season to you all from my wife, self, and family. Naturally, the season brings sorrow for some who have lost loved ones during the year, but through God's gift of His Son, we who believe have hope of seeing them again. "God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish but have everlasting life."

Christmas brings joy and everlasting hope to those who understand the value of God's gift to the world.

During the month of January, I shall be away, but will have the Rev. C. Smith, Th.L., Vicar of Willaura, Victoria, as locum until 16th January. Then D.V., the Rev. G. E. Foley, Th.L., of Mallanganee, Diocese of Grafton, will be in residence at the Rectory until the end of the month. I am sure that both these clergymen and their wives and families will find a warm welcome in our friendly Church of All Saints', Petersham.

God bless you all and may 1963 bring you personal joy and prosperity.

Yours sincerely,

ERIC CHAMPION

JANUARY "CHRONICLE"

Owing to the Christmas-New Year Holiday period, items for inclusion in the January edition of "The Chronicle" should be submitted to the Rector not later than 9th December, 1962.

NEW PARISH ARRANGEMENTS

As from 1st March next, the existing Parish of Christ Church, Enmore, will be added to the Parish of All Saints' and the Rector, the Rev. T. E. Champion, will have charge of both Parishes, his new title being "Rector of Petersham with Enmore."

This new arrangement was approved last month by His Grace the Archbishop of Sydney and by the Parish Councils of both Churches.

In practice, our incoming Curate, the Rev. John Green (at present with the Bush Brotherhood at Gilgandra) will reside in the Rectory at Enmore and will look after the affairs of that Church, but will be providing approximately one and a half days help each week in All Saints' Parish. Mr. Green will help the Rector in particular with work in the schools and in visiting.

The proposed arrangement is for approximately four years, but in the meantime, both Churches will continue to have their own finances, Parish Councils, and monthly Church papers.

This "double Parish" will bring greater responsibilities to our Rector, and it is hoped that there may be ways in which some of the folk at Petersham can utilise their talents in helping to build up the Church at Enmore to the stage where it may achieve independent status once again.

Further news of the Rev. John Green's arrival will be published in "The Chronicle" in the new year.

THE REV. MICHAEL VINE

After five months with us at All Saints', the Rev. Michael Vine, Th.L., preached his farewell sermon here on Sunday, 18th November, prior to leaving for a brief stay in Melbourne, and thence to an appointment on the mission field within the Diocese of New Guinea.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Vine became very well known to us during their stay in our Parish, while Mr. Vine was in training at the House of the Epiphany, and we wish them God's blessing in their new work.

We should also like to record our deep appreciation of a beautifully bound Prayer Book donated to All Saints' by Mr. and Mrs. Vine for use at our Communion Services.

STOP! LOOK! LISTEN!

Dates to remember for Christmas Parties

- Monday, 3rd—Physical Culture Concert.
- Friday, 7th—Girl Guides' Christmas Party.
- Saturday, 8th—Kindergarten Christmas Party.
- Tuesday, 11th—Guild Christmas Party, 2 p.m.
- Tuesday, 11th—Fellowship Christmas Party, 7.45 p.m.
- Tuesday, 11th—Young Marrieds' and Friends', 8 p.m.
- Wednesday, 12th—Bowls Club Christmas Party, 7.30 p.m.
- Friday, 14th—Y.C.I. Buck's Christmas Party, 8 p.m.
- Saturday, 15th—Senior Parishioners' Christmas Party, 2 p.m.
- Wednesday, 19th—Parish Christmas Party, 8 p.m.

ANOTHER RECORD BREAKING FETE

Once again, we are greatly pleased to say that takings at our Gala Fete continued to break all records. Last year's total of £1038 was surpassed by almost £170, and with some small amounts still likely to come along, the £1,200 mark has been reached.

This year's figure is absolutely marvellous—particularly considering the all-out effort which was made to raise the £1,000 in the last two years. With a fine sunny day, we had customers from many surrounding suburbs, and folk from as far away as Blacktown came to our Fete which was mentioned in one of the local papers as one of "the biggest and brightest" in the Western Suburbs.

We are obliged to remit a certain amount of the proceeds to the Diocesan authorities, and the rest will enable the painting of the Church interior, started from the profits of the 1961 Fete to be continued and, we hope, finished within the next couple of months.

The Rector and Mrs. Champion, who both worked hard and long towards the Fete effort, were delighted at the outcome.

The following are the amounts received by each stall to Tuesday,

20th November:—

Stall	Conducted by:	£
Cakes & Sweets	Y.M. Club	94 0 0
Fancy work	Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Jones, & others	221 13 6
Books, Toys, &c.	Mrs. Millarey	266 11 11
Watches, Clocks	Mr. Cook	166 10 0
Plants	Mrs. Sopwith	39 15 9
Children's Wear	Mrs. Bosward	100 0 9
Groceries & Jam	Sunday School	41 10 1
Refreshments	Guild	61 0 0
Hoop-la, Drinks, &c.	Fellowship	63 0 0
Pottery	Mrs. Brown Mrs. Champion	36 7 9
White Elephant	Mrs. Humphreys, Y.C.I.	59 1 3
Vegetables	Y.C.I.	15 7 6
Hot Dogs	Y.C.I.	10 0 9
Car Drive	Y.C.I.	12 2 0
Merry-go-round	Mr. Wright	9 14 3
Donation		3 3 0
Grand Total		1199 19 0

N.B.—We congratulate Mrs. Davis of Blacktown on winning the watch.

FROM THE STALLHOLDERS

The stallholders and the members of the various organisations conducting stalls at the Fete would like to convey their sincere thanks to all who assisted in their preparations for the Fete or on the great day itself. In particular, the following have asked that their appreciation be recorded in "The Chronicle": The Ladies of the Refreshment Stall

extend thanks to all who gave money, flowers, bread, butter, cakes, sandwich fillings, etc. The Ladies of the Children's Wear and Gift Stall express a very sincere thank you to all who gave donations, and for the sewing which helped to stock our stall.

From Mrs. Millarey—I would like very much to say a most sincere thank you to all those wonderful children and people who helped make our "Stalls" such a grand success. Every donation from the smallest to the greatest added to the wonderful result. A very sincere thank you to Mr. Stanley Nicholls who was so generous to us in disposing of so many books for such wonderful prices. To all those who helped on the Stall, some coming from distances to help us, to Mrs. Shaw, to Mrs. Win Dingle whose support and help to me for so many years has been so encouraging, a very sincere thanks. There are so many one could name, but to one and all a heartfelt thank you, and don't forget "keep filling up that 'Millarey' box".

The Y.C.L. is grateful to the Rector for lending his car and trailer for the collection of the vegetable stocks, and to St. Margaret's Hostel for giving us their week-end vegetable order.

APOLOGY

We are sorry that we were unable to provide the ponies and train as advertised. Less than a week before the Fete, we heard that the owner of these attractions had given up business on account of illness, and we were forced to look elsewhere so that the children would not be totally disappointed. We were, therefore, very lucky to get a big merry-go-round at short notice, and our share of the profits was sufficient to meet the cost of the magic and puppet shows presented as free crowd-drawing attractions during the afternoon.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Our thanks go to all who helped the Grocery Stall at the Fete on November 17th, to the people who served, to the customers, and especially to those throughout the parish who donated groceries and jams to stock this stall. The Sunday School has run the grocery stall for many fetes and it is good to know that we are still receiving the generous support of our parishioners. Our special thanks go to Mrs. Champion, who made over 100 jars of jam for sale on the stall. A really tremendous effort.

Our Sunday School Picnic is next on the list of functions for the end of the year, and it will have been held by the time this goes to print so that a report on it will not appear until the January "Chronicle". Provided the weather is as pleasant as it has been lately, a really enjoyable day should be spent by all who attend.

Kindergarten News:—Mrs. Quelch and staff wish to thank all those who helped in any way to make the recent "Open Day" for parents the success it was. It is hoped to hold another in the near future.

An important date to note for kindergarten children is the Christmas party on Saturday, December 8th, in the Parish Hall.

Sunday School Prize-giving service: Sunday, 16th December, in the parish Church at 9.45 a.m.

JOHN NANCE, Hon. Secretary

CLUB NOTES

Ladies' Guild:

Our Christmas Party will be held on Tuesday, 11th December, at 2 p.m. We will then go into recess until Tuesday, 12th February, 1963.

Our best wishes to the Rector, Mrs. Champion, Robert and Ruth for Christmas and the New Year.

E. M. BOSWARD

Cricket Club:

The "D" Grade team got off to a bad start in the 1962-63 season, losing the first three matches outright. However, they have shown a great improvement in the last two matches, being unlucky to lose to Randwick Methodist by two runs on the first innings. In this game, we batted well, making 99 runs in only 70 minutes.

The side had their first victory of the season by a first innings win over St. Luke's, Concord. The batting and fielding in this game were the best of the season.

The main reason for the bad start to the season was the lack of sufficient players. The team often competed with only seven players, but this has been overcome in the last two matches and we look forward to more successes in the future.

Table Tennis:

News from the Table Tennis Club is good. The "E" Grade team, R. Cornford, P. Keen, G. Davies, A. Bell and J. Gorman has made a good start, being undefeated in its five matches. The side has been strengthened by the return to table tennis of Peter Keen and Graham Davies who are both in top form. The hard hitting Richard Cornford is playing very well, and the youngster of the team, Alan Bell, is showing great improvement and is winning most of his games.

The Table Tennis Club meets every Thursday night at 7 o'clock in the Parish Hall. We have hopes of entering more teams in future competitions, and have some young players who are showing great promise.

Any boy wishing to join the Club is welcome to come along and see me any Thursday night.

R. MOORE, President

Young Marrieds' and Friends':

The next meeting of the Young Marrieds' and Friends' Club will be held on Tuesday, 11th December, in the Y.C.I. Club Room of the Parish Hall at 8 p.m. Members are reminded that this is their Christmas night, and we would like as many as possible to be present.

Many thanks to our members for their wonderful effort in working for the Club's Stall at the Fete. We were very happy to hand in £94 as our profits for the day.

Thanks also to those who contributed in any way with donations of cakes, sweets, money, or with help on the Stall.

Our next paper collection will be held during the second week in December. It will be our last for this year, so please let us know if

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you have any papers to be picked up, or you may bring them to the Hall before Tuesday, 10th December.

After our Christmas meeting, the Club goes into recess until the second Tuesday in February (12th February).

I. BARRETT, Hon. Secretary

Senior Parishioners' Club:

Members of our Club are asked to note that their final meeting for the year will be held on 13th December.

Our Christmas Party will be held in the Parish Hall on Saturday, 15th December, at 2 p.m. We ask all members to attend.

After a short recess, our Social Afternoons will résume on Thursday, 3rd January.

To the Rev. T. E. Champion, Mrs. Champion, and family, and to the many friends whose valuable assistance is deeply appreciated, especially Mrs. I. Clark and Mrs. J. Wilson for their tremendous help in organising our Club, we extend the Season's Greetings.

D. SAW, Hon. Secretary

Indoor Bowls Club:

During November, our cupboards were completed and are a great boon to our Club. As well as preserving our mats, they make them much easier to handle and put away after use. Our thanks to the Rector, Mr. Jim Alder and Mr. Taylor for their wonderful solid job. Our Christmas Party will be held on Wednesday, 12th December.

We take this opportunity of wishing the Rector, Mrs. Champion, Robert, Ruth, and Geoff, and all our fellow organisations of All Saints' a happy and blessed Christmas.

H. SHAW, Hon. Secretary

MEMORIALS

At the last meeting of the Parish Council, two proposals were approved for the erection of memorials to three of our Parishioners who passed away during the year.

The first was for the erection of two gates on the Church Street frontage, enabling cars to enter and leave by a new driveway to be constructed. It is proposed that this pair of gates should perpetuate the memory of the late Mr. J. W. Humphreys and Mr. J. B. Ditchburn.

The second memorial will be to the late Mr. T. H. Bosward, and will comprise wooden panelling on the walls above the stonework of the Memorial for the Second World War. This panelling will be somewhat similar to that at the eastern end of the Church and will complete the setting for the War Memorial.

Donations towards the cost of providing both memorials are now being received, and any parishioners who would like to contribute may forward their donations either to the Rector or to the Churchwardens.

CHRISTMAS COMMUNIONS

The Rector will again be arranging to provide Holy Communion during the week before Christmas, to aged and sick folk who will not be able to come to Church on Christmas Day.

However, the Rector would like Hospitals and other parishioners knowing persons who wish to partake of private Communion, to let him know by Sunday, 16th December. This notice is necessary so that the Rector may be able to arrange his schedule to visit all concerned in the limited time that is available.

ALL SAINTS' CHRISTMAS APPEAL

We urgently need donations of soap, talc, handkerchiefs, and face washers, also gifts of money to purchase these articles for distribution during Christmas week.

Each year, we wrap and deliver nearly 300 gifts to the "Home of Peace", hospitals, nursing homes, and to some private homes within our Parish.

Many of our little gifts are the only ones received by the elderly folk.

Please let us remember the older folk at Christmas time—so many of them are sad and lonely and look forward each year to a visit from our Rector and the ladies who accompany him to deliver these gifts.

A box will be left at the Church entrance from December 1st, so please leave your donation there.

Gifts of money (always acceptable to buy gifts for the menfolk) can be left with the Rector or with Mrs. Shaw.

We are grateful for gifts of money already received from Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Teal, Mrs. Ayrton, Mr. Williams, and Miss Payne.

MEMORIAL CROSS

A Luminous Cross, donated in memory of the late Mr. and Mrs. Furnell, was dedicated by the Rector during the Service of Morning Prayer on Sunday, 18th November.

This distinctive Cross, erected over the outer doors at the main porch of the Church, is both symbolic in its conception, and practical in its design, providing much greater light in the evenings than the small lamp which it replaced.

This memorial is the gift of the sons and daughters of the late Mr. and Mrs. Furnell, and the inscription on the tablet in the main porch reads in part:

The Fluorescent Cross
at the Entrance to this Church
was erected in loving memory of

LINDEN MILES FURNELL

12 Years a Parishioner of the Church and
ELIZABETH KATHLEEN ROSE FURNELL

32 Years a Parishioner of this Church
17 of which She was a District Visitor
and a Member of the Women's Guild

PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY

This is a gathering open to all—young and old—and we shall be happy to see you there. We would like to continue the successful and pleasant custom of giving and receiving gifts at this Party, and we ask all attending to bring a small gift, costing not more than 3/-, and they will receive a gift in return.

It would be appreciated if Parish Organisations could assist in the catering as follows—

Guild: Sandwiches.

Y.M. and Friends: Fellowship and Centenary Club: Cakes

Y.C.I.: Tea, Milk and Sugar.

Please come and enjoy the companionship of your fellow parishioners at this, the biggest Christmas function of our 'season'.

"CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT"

On Sunday, 23rd December, in lieu of Evening Prayer, a special "Carols by Candlelight" Service will be held at All Saints'. All who have attended this service in the last few years have enjoyed it greatly, and we confidently expect that again in 1962, it will be a memorable and very special Christmas Service. If you have not been before, do join us this year.

The Service will commence at 7.15 p.m. and special candles can be obtained at the Church door.

COME AND SEE OUR

PHYSICAL CULTURE GIRLS

in their big

ANNUAL CONCERT

ALL SAINTS' PARISH HALL—MONDAY, 3rd DECEMBER, 1962

See Club Notes for further details

OH YES, I'M CHURCH OF ENGLAND!

How often is this said by people who have no idea what constitutes an Anglican. Many might just as well call themselves by any other name and one could not dispute it.

Correctly speaking, what is an Anglican or member of the Church of England? An Anglican is a person who is baptised and **confirmed**, and attends Holy Communion not less than three times each year, of which one occasion is Easter Day.

Naturally too, a true member not only shares in the worship but in the financial support of his Church. You need no **invitation** to attend Church if you really are an "Anglican".

It is your duty to be there making your contribution to the life of the Church.

You are part of the Church and have as much right to be there as the Minister himself, for "the Church is a congregation of faithful men, in the which the pure Word of God is preached, and the Sacraments duly ministered according to Christ's ordinance in all those things that of necessity are requisite to the name". (Article 19).

Every responsible member of the Church should share in helping with the work of the Church by bearing a true witness in faith and demonstration of what is Christlike.

What kind of an Anglican are you? Do you think God is satisfied with your sincerity? A chain is as strong as its weakest link. The Church alas has too many missing links!

THE PAINTING OVER—WHAT NEXT?

Is All Saints' Church "Treasury" overflowing with money as a result of all their successful Fetes? Those present at Morning Prayer on the Sunday after the Fete were made aware by the Rector of a number of pressing jobs that should be done if only we had the money.

The brick fence in Frederick Street has a bad lean, and will have to be pulled down and re-built before too long; the Hopetoun Street paling fence has been damaged by White Ants; the car park in front of the Church needs tar-sealing to prevent erosion in wet weather, as well as to keep our new carpets clean; an amplifying system is needed in the Church; the Columbarium is shortly to be erected; and the organ, now valued at several thousand pounds, needs a major overhaul estimated at the moment to cost £1,000. All these jobs are likely to cost more, the longer they are left undone. In addition, the new drains in the grounds require the old path from the front porch to Church Street to be relaid and raised three inches.

The interior painting will take a major proportion of the proceeds of last month's Fete; it will thus be clearly seen that we will have plenty of goals to aim for when we start working for the Gala Fete of 1963.

FROM RAGS TO RICHES

When a title like this is seen it usually implies the story of the poor little girl who turns out to be a princess or the rise of a young man from poverty to wealth.

Our story is a little different, but nonetheless remarkable.

It is the story of one aspect of the Home Mission Society's work here in the Diocese of Sydney.

Every day of the week someone is at work in one or other of the departments of the Home Mission Society bringing Love, Peace and Hope into the lives of many people through the words of Jesus Christ to all who would hear and believe.

As well as this, many too are being reintroduced to the love of one person for another by the devotion of those who serve as parish nurses, nursing sister at one or other of the Chesalon homes, others at Charlton Boys' Home, Carramar Maternity Hostel, the special Chaplains, Deaconesses etc., who serve God and their fellow creatures.

All this costs money—thousands of pounds in fact—and to help meet these costs many people support the Home Mission Society very generously with gifts of money and we are thrilled that they do. In fact we couldn't do without them.

But there is also another way to help. **The Opportunity Shops** collect used clothing and numerous other items no longer wanted and sell these things through their six shops at very low prices.

In doing this they provide a service to those who, because of circumstances, must buy at such shops and a small profit is made too.

This profit is turned over to the Home Mission Council who then use it in whatever direction it is most needed.

From Rags to Riches!—Your cast offs and literally even Rags are thus used to bring the riches of the Gospel, the richness of a new experience of Love, Faith and Hope to all whom we reach.

All you have to do is Phone 51-4341 and our van will call for your gift.

 SANCTUARY FLOWER ROSTER

- Dec. 2nd—Donated by Mrs. Archer and Family in memory of Mr. C. Archer; arranged by Mrs. Malone.
- „ 9th—Donated by Mr. R. Minter and John in memory of Mrs. Minter; arranged by Mrs. Bosward.
- „ 16th—Donated by Miss Meyers in memory of her Brother and Sisters; arranged by Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Ingoldsby-Brown.
- „ 23rd—No donation; arranged by Miss Speight.
- „ 30th—Donated by Mrs. Bryce in memory of her Parents; arranged by Miss Nisbet.
- Jan. 6th—Donated by Mrs. Adams in memory of the Rev. C. E. Adams; arranged by Mrs. Malone.

Donations of flowers, or money to purchase flowers, for our Christmas Day Services would be very much appreciated.

For our Patronal Festival on 4th November, flowers were donated by the Misses Sergent of Croydon in memory of their cousin, Mr. T. H. H. Bosward, by Miss D. Brown in memory of her Parents and Aunt, by Miss Fry, and by the Guild.

On Sunday, 11th November, flowers were given by Miss Budd, and on Sunday, 18th November, by the residents of John Street in memory of Mrs. Hendrick and Mrs. Bunting and by Miss Holt in memory of her Parents and Sister.

BAPTISMS

“Born Again”

- Oct. 21st—Peter Norman Staples.
 „ 27th—James Richard Bayliss.
 „ 28th—Vicky Lorraine Mary Woods.
 „ 28th—Laura Janice Neville.
 Nov. 11th—Robert Harvey Barnett.
 „ 11th—Lucinda Robyn Constable.
 „ 11th—Gail Renee Medhurst.
 „ 11th—Julie Gay Medhurst.

MARRIAGES

“Those whom God hath joined”

- Nov. 2nd—Warren Bruce Watt and Sandra Grace Rosenberg.
 „ 10th—Allan George Gault and Betty Edith Arnold.

FUNERALS

“Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord”

- Oct. 23rd—Grace Mitchell.
 „ 26th—Reginald Ernest Pakes.
 „ 30th—Ida May Hendrick.
 „ 30th—Victor John Beck.
 Nov. 2nd—Alice Flora Andersen.
 „ 5th—Elsie Irene Bunting.
 „ 12th—John Thomas Moore.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

CHRISTMAS DAY—TUESDAY, 25th DECEMBER

6 a.m.—Holy Communion.

7 a.m.—Choral Communion.

8.15 a.m.—Holy Communion.

10.30 a.m.—Family Service and Shortened
 Holy Communion.

NOTE: There will not be an Evening Service on Christmas Day.

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