

The Chronicle

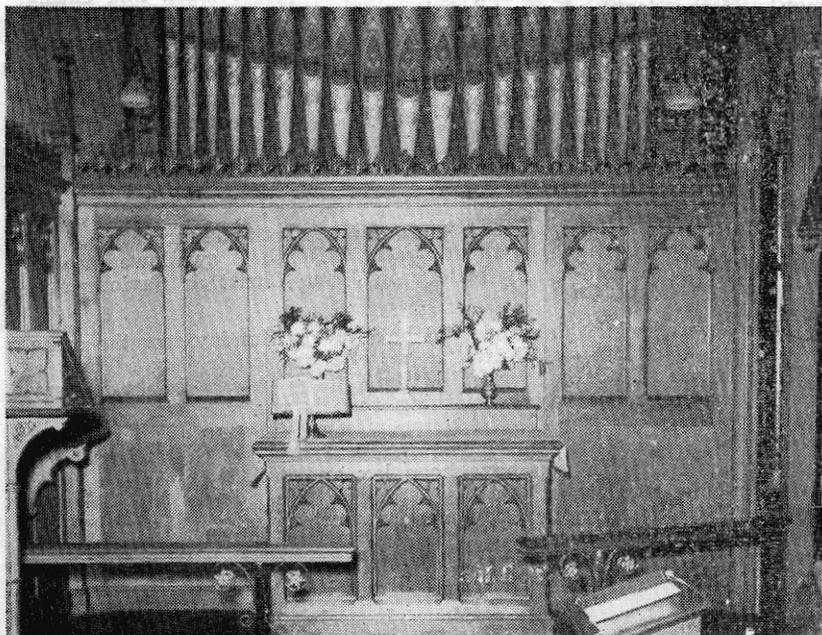
Of All Saints

Petersham

Rector: Rev. T. E. CHAMPION, Th.L.
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MAY, 1957



ERIC CHAMPION

PARISH INFORMATION

8 a.m.—Holy Communion (every Sunday), 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11 a.m.

Saints' Days as announced.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer. 7.15 p.m.—Evening Prayer.

9.45 a.m.—Sunday School. 9.45 a.m.—Kindergarten.

Churchwardens: Messrs L. C. CALVER (Rector's), W. SOPWITH, E. QUELCH.

Parish Council: THE CHURCHWARDENS and Messrs A. H. THOMAS, T. H. BOSWARD, J. M. BOYLE, H. G. BRODIE, J. HUMPHREYS, D. B. HUNTER, H. F. JONES, B. PULLEN T. J. SHAW, K. GRANT, A. COOK E. B. OLOFSSON.

Hon. Secretary: Mr. L. C. CALVER

Hon. Treasurer: Mr. W. SOPWITH

Organist: Miss KATHLEEN O'NEILL.

RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

Once more the season of Easter is behind us and the attendance at the various services on Good Friday and Easter Day were very encouraging. It is good to see thinking people observing Good Friday in the right way, rather than going to the Royal Easter Show and eating salmon! If the death of our Lord does not mean anything to us now, it will make all the difference in eternity. "There is no other name given among men, whereby we can be saved."

Easter Day services were well attended and as usual we saw many faces we do not see very often at Church. If the Resurrection of our Lord really means that we share his victory, then I fail to see how one can be satisfied attending Church only the minimum number of times per year, to retain one's membership. Every Lord's Day is a commemoration of our Lord's Resurrection and we do well to keep it. When we lay our loved ones to rest, it is the hope of the resurrection that consoles us, that we shall see them again. "Death is swallowed up in victory", for those who really believe in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord.

What a wonderful thing it would be if every Sunday saw the same crowd of people coming to Church as we had on Easter Day. What a wonderful witness! People outside the Church would begin to say "These Christians must have something that is worth having". What would any young lady think of a young man who professed to love her and only visited her three times a year? Jesus said "If ye love me keep my commandments." If you have been lax and satisfied with the minimum attendance at Church now is the time to turn over a new leaf and show that God and religion really mean something to you by regularly attending His House.

God bless you all

Your sincerely,

ERIC CHAMPION

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING

On account of the Rector being laid aside with influenza the Annual Vestry Meeting will not be held until Tuesday, May 21. This is open to all parishioners and is the meeting at which Annual Reports and Balance Sheets are read. Please come and show personal interest in the progress of the Parish. The meeting will be followed by the usual "cup that cheers."

PERSONAL

We regret to know that Miss E. Browning is a patient in Prince Alfred Hospital. We hope and pray that she will soon be on the road to recovery and back in her place in the Choir.

PROMOTION

A meeting of members of the Parish Council and other men was addressed by the Rev. R. Walker, (Director of Promotion in this Diocese) on Monday, 15th April at 8 p.m. Mr. Walker outlined the steps to be taken and gave evidence of the outstanding success this system had brought to many parishes. The first step to be taken is a canvass of the parish to see that all who call themselves Church of England are on the Roll. The tragedy is that many Anglicans are unaware that we keep such a roll and never bother to see that their names are on it. The hardest job in any parish is keeping the Parish Roll up-to-date. Is your name on it? If you are in doubt will you please fill in the coupon herewith and either put it in the correspondence box in the Church porch or let the Rector have it. Your co-operation will be appreciated.

Name

Address

Number of Children

Names

APPRECIATION

Recently a young man who is an engraver by trade volunteered to make us some new blocks for our "Chronicle" and has supplied us with five new ones including one showing the title in old English lettering. It is nice when people use their talents to help God's work. Thank you Sir.

ANZAC SERVICE

The local Anzac Service was held on Sunday afternoon, 28th April in the Odean Theatre. The Rector, who is President of the Ministers' Fraternal this year, presided after being welcomed by the R.S.S. & A.I.L.A. President, Mr. T. Bosward. The Rev. Neville Horne (Baptist) and the Rev. C. Harwood (Methodist) took the prayers and Scripture reading and the address was delivered by the Rev. J. Dyer of the Hurlstone Park Congegational Church and a Chaplain of the R.A.A.F. (We regret the absence this year of the Rev. J. Fisher of the Petersham Congregational Church, who has been very ill. Our prayer is that he will soon be back amongst us, restored to health and strength. It was nice to see the Fort Street High School Cadet Unit at the service. The part they played was much appreciated.

CONFIRMATION

Those desiring to be Confirmed this year are asked to hand their names in to the Rector as soon as possible. Classes will begin during the month of May.

PHYSICAL CULTURE CLUB

Practices are well under way for the Presentation of our "Sub Debs" at the Fancy Dress Ball to be held on Friday, 28th June. Tickets will be available soon from Club members.

F. DITCHBURN, Hon. Sec.

LADIES' GUILD

We were pleased to have a very good attendance of members at our Annual meeting on 9th April and all expressed satisfaction regarding the result of our activities for the year. Our Street Stall on 12th April was once more well worth while, but our Social Afternoon on 24th April was poorly attended, owing, we feel sure, to it coming in the midst of the holidays. Will our ladies please note, our next Street Stall will be Friday, 17th May, donations of jams, pickles, cakes, groceries and vegetables will be much appreciated,

Wednesday, 22nd May we have a demonstration of Floral arranging in the Parish Hall at 2 p.m. and we extend an invitation to all ladies of the Parish. This demonstration is being given by a professional florist and will, we feel sure, be most interesting and will provide many useful hints, which we will be able to try out in arranging flowers in our homes. A donation of two shillings will include afternoon tea.

On Wednesday, 26th June we are to have a demonstration from the Singer Sewing Machine people for more details see the June Chronicle.

E. M. BOSWARD, Hon. Sec.

FLOWER ROSTER

- May 5th—Donated by Mrs. Martin, arranged by Mrs. Bosward.
 „ 12th—Donated by Mrs. Clinton-Smith in memory of her Mother, Mrs. Wedlock, arranged by Mrs. Colbert.
 „ 19th—arranged by Y.M.C.
 „ 26th—Donated by Mrs. Hoseason in memory of Dick Hoseason, arranged by Miss peight.
- June 2nd—Donated by Mrs. King and Family in memory of Mr. E. C. King, arranged by Mrs. Bosward.
- Flower for Easter Day were donated by Mrs. Nisbet in memory of her Mother and Father, Mrs Bryce, Y.M.C. and Ladies Guild.

FLAT WANTED

A young couple connected with All Saints' Church, urgently need a flat. Can anyone please help.

BASEBALL CLUB

The Club has won one game and lost one in each grade as a result of the first two rounds in the 1957 Churches competition. Both games were won against St. Paul's "A" Grade 12-2, and "B" Grade 9-7. These wins may have given the teams too much confidence and the games against Latter Day Saints were both lost "A" Grade 9-6 and "B" Grade 11-8.

At this early stage of the season there have been some remarkable performances. In "A" Grade, Don O'Sullivan hit a home-run off the second pitch of the season, and in "B" Grade Peter Whalan has already struck out 20 batters 1A in the first game.

The competition for the juveniles started on the 27th April and anyone interested may still see Erik Olofsson about playing. This competition is open to boys under 16 and is played on Saturday mornings.

In future it is hoped that the Club's fixtures will be played on the Church's weekly notice sheet, so that any one interested may find it possible to follow the club's activities.

J. MINITER, Hon. Sec.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

We were pleased to report that the Lenten offerings of the scholars was a record. The number of parents and scholars who attended the Good Friday and Easter Day services was good.

It has been well said "The family that prays together stays together" and if more people adopted that motto the Church would benefit considerably.

The appeal for lady teachers is being made again, and if any one would help in this respect we would be glad to hear from them. We have children waiting for someone to teach them. Will you please help us?

TABLE TENNIS

The following members of the All Saints' Extension Group are participating in table tennis each Thursday night:—Tony Bonner, Noel Cragg, Harvey Ellis, Edward Faram, Rodger Harborne, Charles Hemmings, Alan Humphreys, Rodney Kennedy, Neil Moore, John Rowe, John Swankie and Peter Whalan.

The players are showing a marked improvement in their play following several weeks of enthusiastic match play.

Peter Whalan has proved to be the most outstanding player up to this stage but Tony Bonner, Harvey Ellis, Edward Faram, Charles Hemmings, Alan Humphreys, Rodney Kennedy, Neil Moore and John Swankie are fast bridging the gap.

Charles Hemmings in displaying greatly improved form. The Table Tennis is held in the Y.C.I. room each Thursday night between 7 p.m. and 9.30 p.m.

BRUCE LIVINGSTONE

YOUNG MARRIED'S CLUB

The next meeting of the above Club will be held in the Y.C.I. Club-room in the Parish Hall on Tuesday, 9th May at 8 p.m. New members always welcome.

Our Fancy Hat Social is to be held on Friday, 17th May, in the Parish Hall at 7.45 p.m. Come and help us make this evening a social and financial success. Wear a Fancy hat representing a song or a nursery rhyme. Tickets 2/6, children 1/-, which will include supper. Prizes will be awarded, each child will receive a small gift, soft drinks will be on sale.

The Street Stall held on 5th April proved very successful £8/10/- being the proceeds which have been allocated to the Stove Fund. Many thanks to all who donated to the stall or sent in donations towards the Stove Fund, through the Rector or Y.M. Members. The donations last month totalled £4/5/- bringing our Stove Fund total to £21/6/-.

We propose to hold a Theatre Party in June. Please watch next month's Chronicle for further details of this evening.

I. BARRETT, Hon. Sec.

Y.C.I.

We had a very enjoyable Social in the Parish Hall on Friday the 12th April, the occasion being Ladies' Night. Previous functions under this designation had been usually held in the Y.C.I. Club Room, but in the view of the large attendance at last year's gathering it was decided to hold the April Ladies' Night in the Parish Hall. There was a large attendance of members and their lady guests and the programme was appreciated by all as was the excellent supper, which was served towards the end of the evening. The Special Committee of the Y.C.I., which organised the function did a good job and earned the commendation of their fellow members and guests. We have two important meetings in May. On Friday, the 10th, the 182nd issue of the "Manuscript Journal" will be presented to the meeting. All members are urged to contribute to the night's issue in order to ensure the success of the meeting. The second meeting in May will be on Friday the 24th, and will take the form of a Film Night, after a short business meeting. Last year's Y.C.I. members are eagerly anticipating another good "Show" in the Parish Hall. Both May meetings should prove of interest to visitors, and all men are cordially invited to attend. Y.C.I. Meetings are held on alternate Friday evening in the Y.C.I. Club Room, Parish Hall, and commence at 8 p.m. The Rector or Church Wardens will gladly supply further information regarding the Men's Club of the Parish.

L.C.C.

Y.C.I. CLUBROOM

The Y.C.I. team of voluntary workers, under the leadership of Mr. Roy Moore, has completed the re-painting of the Y.C.I. Room. A complete change in the colour scheme had been decided upon, and this made the task of the members more formidable but the result was quite pleasing and reflected great credit upon the voluntary workers, who have, in effect, brightened up the room in a modern colour scheme. The cost of the paint is being met by donations, restricted to Y.C.I. members, and by the same means it is hoped to instal fluorescent lighting in the near future, and to carry out other improvements in the furnishing of the room.

STORM DAMAGE AT TANGANYIKA HOSPITAL

A freak storm caused serious damage to the C.M.S. Hospital, Kongwa, last month.

"Roof beams and galvanised iron were all ripped off or snapped, and iron buckled and hurled over the back walls," reported Sister Narelle Bullard. "Heavy stones crashed to the ground and a lot of the cement tuckpointing broke away."

"Patients fled—fortunately they could as there was no one immobile at the time. Mothers grabbed their children and ran out. One mother was slightly hurt as she stumbled and fell, and a huge stone fell into her child's cot just after she had taken her baby."

On the positive side, Sister Bullard reports:—"Work has been so thrilling and some of this year's pupils are beginning to show something for their training. The hospital has been full up—last year we had 694 in-patients at Kongwa".

FELLOWSHIP

On Tuesday, 2nd April, the Fellowship members met at Ken Locke's home for a record evening, which I trust was enjoyed by all.

On 9th April, while members played games in the hall, a committee met in the Library to arrange a programme for the rest of the year which is as follows:

- May 14th—Local Pictures.
- „ 28th—Spit and Polish Night.
- June 11th—T.V. or Radio.
- „ 25th—Invitation to Ashbury.
- July 9th—Amature Night.
- „ 23rd—All Saints' Games.
- „ 30th—Guest Speaker.
- Aug. 13th—Lecturettes and Chalk Chase
- „ 27th—Local Pictures.
- Sept. 10th—Spit and Polish Night.
- „ 24th—Bible Society Film.
- Oct. 8th—Hobbies Night.
- „ 22nd—Games Night.
- „ 29th—Moonlight Hike.
- Nov. 12th—Tivoli.
- „ 26th—Manuscript Journal.
- Dec. 10th—Games Night.
- „ 17th—Christmas Party.

On Tuesday, 16th April, the Fellowship members made Palm Crosses which were given to the Sunday School children on Palm Sunday.

The meeting on 23rd was a Manuscript Journal Evening, which proved to be a very amusing one.

We cordially invite anyone of Confirmation age to come along any 2nd, 4th and 5th Tuesday evenings in the month.

GWENDA SMITH, Hon. Sec.

PARISH REGISTER

Baptisms. Kenneth Allan Moses, Mark Richard Manson, Eric John Daujotas, Kevin John Taylor, Dean Raymond Ward, Lorraine Anne Fieldus, Stephen James Rixon, John Erian Rixon, Walter Raymond Smith, Janice Louise Fokes, Karen Elizabeth Frame.

Marriages—Neville James Bartle to Jeanette Ann Cornish; John Charles Antaw to Desda Elizabeth Millarey; Walter John Parker to Maureen Elizabeth Jeffcoate; Barry Alan Mawby to Cynthia Margaret Bayly.

Funerals—Lillian Sylvia Paull, Mildred Agatha Edwards, Mary Ellen Simmons, Georgina Catherine Nicholson, Selby James Coles, John Frederick Morton, Wallace Fearnley.

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