

The Chronicle

Of All Saints

Petersham

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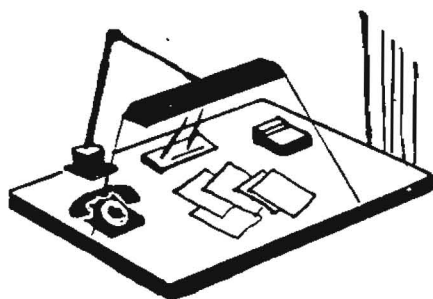
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OCTOBER 1992



**A Family Worshipping
at Petersham.**

From your Minister's Desk



My Dear Friends,

How will I remember as a mere lad sitting around the evening meal table as the family read in turn from the word of God. What a privilege it was to have christian parents who taught us the things of God.

What a pity that so many parents today leave the training of their children to the Sunday School and the Day School. The Bible counsels parents that it is their responsibility to train their children, especially in the things of God. The need is for parents themselves to be trained and then teach their children.

"These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children." (Deut 6:6). Now notice Deut 6:12 "Be careful you do not forget the Lord...."

Let me bring this challenge to parents; it is your responsibility to train your children and God will hold you accountable. Not so much the church, not the clergy, but you.

My prayer is that parents will realise their responsibility and fulfill it. Worship God each Sunday as a family.

Your friend and minister.
Walter Coller.

THE FAMILY THAT PRAYS TOGETHER, STAY TOGETHER.

THE CHURCH

The Family of God.

The Church is the Family of God, the company of men and women who have placed their faith and trust in Jesus Christ and have therefore become members of God's Family. the Gospel of St. John, Chapter 1 and verse 12 has these words "as many as received Him (i.e Jesus Christ) to them gave He power to become the Sons of God".

The Church is no mere human instrument created by man and under his control. The Church is a Divine Organism created by God and under the direction of His Holy Spirit. Every Christian is therefore a member of God's Family, the Divine Organism which God has created to carry on His work in the world. Every Christian is called upon to enjoy the privileges and to accept the responsibilities which membership in God's Family implies.

The Bible knows nothing of "Solitary Christianity", of a man or woman endeavouring to live a Christian life in their own way. The Family of God only becomes a effective unit as each Christian takes his place in the Family circle and assumes his share of the Family Responsibility.

The Church being the Family of God is called upon, to represent Jesus Christ to the world ... to set forth the standards which He exemplified and to call all men to receive the salvation which He purchased by His Death on Calvary.

You and I (if we have not already done so) can become effective members of the Family of God by linking ourselves with the Church, partaking of the Family Fellowship and sharing in the Family Responsibilities.

One Christian who absents himself from worship in God's House and from the Fellowship of God's people weakens the life of the whole family and so hinders the extension of the Kingdom of God.

THE CHURCH IS THE FAMILY OF GOD

**JOIN THE FAMILY OF GOD AT ALL SAINTS' ANGLICAN
CHURCH PETERSHAM.**

WHAT IS ON AT ALL SAINTS'?

EVERY SUNDAY.

9-30am Holy Communion on the Second, Fourth & Fifth Sundays.

Morning Prayer on the First Sunday.

Family Service on the Third Sunday.

4-30pm Youth Fellowship in the Parish Hall.

7-00pm Holy Communion on the First & Third Sundays.

Evening Prayer on the Second, Fourth & Fifth Sundays.

DURING THE SCHOOL TERM.

9-30am Junior Sunday School every Sunday except the Third Sunday when there is a Family Service.

EVERY THURSDAY EVENING.

7-30pm Home Bible Studies held at 4 Albert St., the home of Mrs. Willis. All welcome.

COMING EVENTS.

ANNUAL FETE. Our Annual Fete will be held this year on Saturday 21st November.

More than ever we need to make this fete a huge success. What can you do to help? The second of the fete meetings will be held on Monday 26 October

7-30p.m. in the vestry. All welcome.



**SUNDAY, 18TH OCTOBER
COME AND WORSHIP AS A FAMILY**



FLOWERS DONATIONS.

OCT 4 - In memory of my family from Mrs. E. Beatty.

Arranged by Mrs. E. Carr and Julie.

OCT 11 - From Arthur Richardson in loving memory of
Clarrie.

Arranged by Mrs. E. Hearn and Mrs. M. Essam.

OCT 18 - In memory of Alan Carr from Mrs. Carr, Julie,
Wendy and Alison.

Arranged by Mrs. E. Hearn and Mrs. M. Essam.

OCT 25 - In memory of dad from Ross and Pat Hitchins.

Arranged by Mrs. E. Hearn and Mrs. M. Essam.

WALTERS & SON FUNERAL DIRECTORS

Offices and Chapels:

433-35 NEW CANTERBURY ROAD, DULWICH HILL—560-9999

890 CANTERBURY ROAD, LAKEMBA—759-4044

You are invited to enquire about our funeral fund.

People of all ages are accepted without medical examination.

THE FAMILY ---IN THE WORLD.

THE CHURCH BEING THE FAMILY OF GOD is obedient to Jesus Christ who is the head of the Church. This obedience involves obedience to the parting Command of our Lord, the Command given immediately prior to His Ascension to Heaven.

"GO YE THEREFORE AND TEACH ALL NATIONS BAPTISING THEM IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY GHOST. (Matthew 28: 19)

THE CHURCH BEING THE FAMILY OF GOD, MUST HAVE A WORLD VISION, the extension of the Family of God to the very ends of the earth. Jesus Christ did not die for any one race or body of people. He died that all might be saved, that all men should have the opportunity of receiving the Salvation which He purchased through His shed blood.

OUR CHURCH, BEING PART OF THE FAMILY OF GOD, HAS TAKEN A MOST ACTIVE SHARE IN THE WORLD VISION OF THE CHURCH. During the past year much has been done to build up the Family of God, throughout the world.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.

Our Church Family are supporters of the Bible Society. The Bible Society distributes world-wide the printed Word of God.

CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Family of God at Petersham is fully aware of its responsibility to Asia, Africa and has been most active in their support of C.M.S.

People of South America, India, Japan come within our care, A.B.M and C.M.S. working in these fields have been supported by the Family of God at Petersham.

THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE.

Nothing can take the place of home and family life as God meant it to be. One man and one woman committed to each other for life, and living in that union for richer or for poorer, for better or worse, and in sickness or health, until the death of one or other. Marriage of this durable quality not only reflects the mind of our Maker, but emphasises the covenant nature of the marriage contract. When the Bible says, "Husbands, love your wives... a man who loves his wife loves himself.. every husband must love his wife as himself.. (Ephesians 5) it is far more than infatuation or sexual desire. The love that a man should have for his wife and the respect that a wife should have for her husband can only find its true fulfilment in the Gospel and is based upon the value that God places upon us all, including our children, not upon beauty or intelligence. Our heavenly Father loves and accepts us on the ground of

Christ's death for our sins. What does it benefit a person to gain the whole world and forfeit his own life? For what will a man give in exchange for his life (Mark 8: 36-37). Give your life to Christ and discover the wealth of God's richest treasures that are in store for those who love Him and keep His commands and teachings.

In a society where Christian values are still respected by the majority we all need to believe in them and work at them, and we need to set aside one day in the week when we participate in public worship on Sunday - the Lord's Day - and some time each day when we share in family prayer.

THE FAMILY THAT PRAYS TOGETHER, STAYS TOGETHER.

There will be someone who reads this magazine whose marriage has suffered an irretrievable breakdown and who may be a lone person or a lone parent. The Gospel of Jesus Christ is the heart of the Church's message and mission and offers new hope and a practical plan for your life.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

ALL SAINTS' ANGLICAN CHURCH PETERSHAM. STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS - AUGUST 1992

RECEIPTS	\$	PAYMENTS	\$
Offerories	1,282.62	Rector's Net Stipend	2,147.33
Donations		Rector's Trav. Allowance	568.00
Anonymous	61.25	Organist	0.00
Investment Interest		Church Cleaning	0.00
J.H. Douglass Endow	408.68	Hall Cleaning	0.00
		Telephone Account	84.75
		Cleaning Purchases	8.02
		Flowers	60.00
		Morning Tea Expenses	17.00
		Glass Bowl for Baptisms	5.50
		Stationery for Baptisms	8.10
		Locum Stipend	1,522.94
		Locum Trav. Allowance	418.73
		Water Board	172.95
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Deficit for Month	3,258.79		
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		Surplus for Month	0.00
BALANCE 1-8-92	8,037.70		<hr/>
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PLUS SURPLUS FOR MONTH	0.00		
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BALANCE 31-8-92	4,778.91		