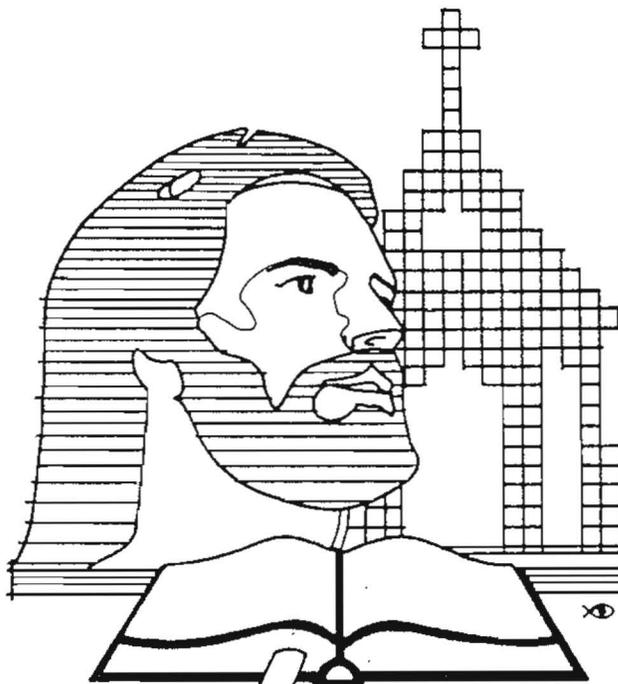


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CHRIST / HIS WORD
GOD'S WORD
OUR SURE FOUNDATION

**All Saints' Church
Petersham.
May, 1994**

Dear Readers,

A group of Christian leaders in an American city had gathered together to make plans for a city-wide evangelistic campaign. One of the men suggested that the well-known evangelist D.L. Moody be considered as a possible speaker. The pastors discussed the suggestion and several spoke favourably about Moody. But one young preacher who wasn't in favour of inviting him stood up and said with a note of sarcasm, "From the way some of you talk, you'd think Mr. Moody has a monopoly on the Holy Spirit."

The room became quiet. Then another pastor said, "No, Mr. Moody doesn't have a monopoly on the Holy Spirit. But the Holy Spirit does have a monopoly on Mr. Moody!"

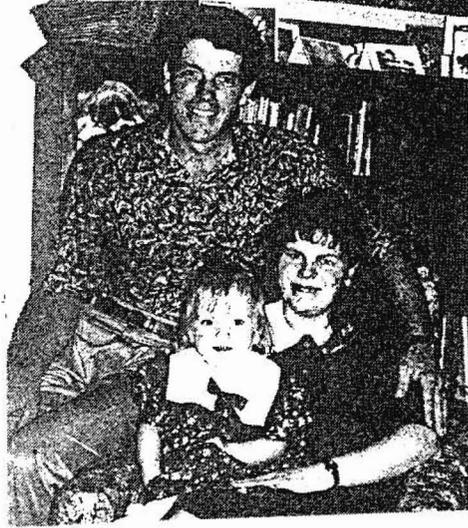
Ephesians 5: 18 says "... be filled with the Spirit." When a person accepts Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord, he or she receives the Holy Spirit who then lives within. His role is to work in the Christian to gradually make us more like the people God wants us to be:- to smooth the rough edges, to weed out the garden of our life, to clear the soil of boulders and rocks. In other words, God's Spirit is seeking to make us more like Jesus. He wants us to love like Jesus, serve like Jesus, to forgive like Jesus, and to obey God like Jesus. I don't know about you, but in me he has a tough time. There is much to change. How does this change occur? Well, we must be filled with the Spirit. It means opening up our lives to the influence of God. It means allowing Him to be boss. It means saying to Him, "Lord, I give up trying to run my life my way, trying to make it work. I can't do it. I want you to take charge." If we ask him to, He will fill us, He will have a monopoly on us, and our lives will be transformed.

May God Bless You,

Paul Watson.

Meet the People

This Month we begin to introduce members of our Church family to readers of the Chronicle



The Dunlop Family

Scott, Joanne, Deanna and Jonathon

History -

Scott was brought up in Tamworth, then went to Ag College before going around Australia for a year and then settling down as a farmer for 6 years.

Jo also grew up in the Tamworth area but unfortunately we didn't come across each other until 1987 and were engaged and married in 89.

Interests -

Scott - sport, spear fishing, Jo - sewing, cooking, Deanna - swings, dolls, Jonathon - milk, sleeping

Favourite food -

Baked dinners, chocolate, bikkies, milk.

Jo and I have known the Lord Jesus for a bit over ten years and knowing the peace and meaning he has brought in our lives, we were keen to let other people know how they could know him too and be certain of eternal life, After a lot of praying and seeking God's guidance we decided to come to Moore College to get better equipped for full time ministry. We are not extremely talented or gifted but if we or anybody loves Jesus and seeks to serve him with our all, he will use us to the glory of his Kingdom. So here we are and that's how we came to be at All Saints'. We have greatly appreciated the way we have been warmly welcomed here and look forward to the rest of the year.

Parish News

Church Property Report.

The firm which we commissioned to undertake an evaluation of the condition of our property has submitted its preliminary report. The report is comprehensive and very helpful in setting before us what needs to be done so as to maintain our buildings. The total estimated cost to carry out all that needs to be done is \$260,000. We don't have this amount of money. However we can begin immediately to carry out essential work. This includes fixing the roof to stop water entering the church building, repairing brick and stonework, internal timber repairs, and upgrading the electrical system. This would cost around \$90,000. Later, we will need to repaint the interior, costing \$25,000. If we receive the Heritage Grant of \$30,000 the cost to us would then be around \$85,000.

The question that has been asked, and quite validly bearing in mind our Vision Statement, is this:- At what point is it prudent to stop pouring limited financial resources into a decaying building when it probably can be used far more effectively to have an impact for the Kingdom in other ways?

This question must be addressed, and we need God's wisdom in doing so. Please pray for our Parish Council as we meet and discuss these important issues.

How do you know when you are growing old? (part 2)

- The gleam in your eyes is the sun glinting on your bifocals
- You turn out the light for economy instead of romance
- You sit in a rocking chair but can't make it go
- You look forward to a dull evening.

God's Love

Perhaps you did not know it,
but you are a very special
person
in the sight of God.
God fully understands
the trials in you life.
He knows full well
the hurts that you have had.
Your life is very precious to him,
and every hurt of yours
is of concern to him.

God's love and care for you
are so real and strong
That he sent his only Son
into this broken world
To share your deepest hurts
and to die
for all your sins.

What more could
he have done
To show how much
he cares?

Perhaps he has permitted
some of the hurts
to enter your life
So that you will
turn to him
And learn just how much
he loves you.

Is your life open to his love?

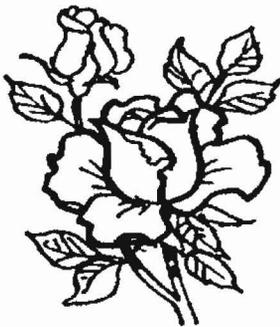
"This is how we know
what love is:
Jesus Christ laid down
his life for us."
1 John 3: 16a

"Greater love has no man
than this,
That one lay down his life
for his friends."
John 15: 13

"God demonstrates his own love
for us in this:
While we were still sinners,
Christ died for us."
Romans 5: 8

"For God so loved the world
that he gave his one and only Son
That whoever believes in him
shall not perish
but have eternal life."
John 3: 16

"How great is the love
the Father has lavished on us,
That we should be called
children of God!
And that is what we are!"
1 John 3: 1



**FLOWER
MEMORIALS**



**June 12 - In memory of Ruby Kathleen McPherson
The Stone of Remembrance**

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

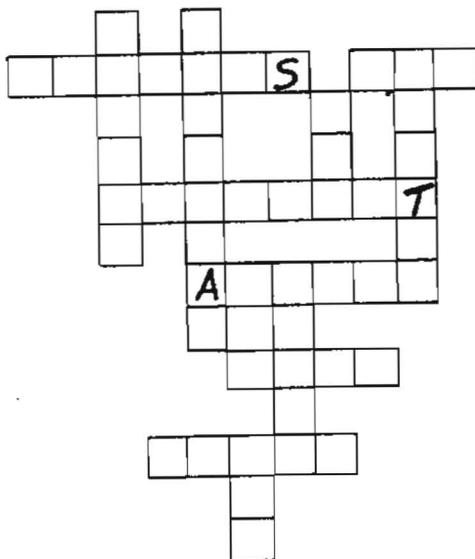
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Summary Only:

Offeratories	\$2110.37
Expenditure	\$4435.46
Short-fall	\$2325.09

Genesis 1:9-10 And God said,
 “Let the waters under the heavens
 be gathered together into one place,
 and let the dry land appear.” And it was
 so. God called the dry land earth.

*The underlined words in this Bible verse
 can be filled into the spaces below. Can
 you get the right combination to fill in all
 the squares? Words are up, down, forward
 and backward.*



What's On This Month of Sundays?

June 5	8-30am 10-00am Sermon: 6-30pm Sermon:	Morning Prayer Holy Communion Series on 1 Peter - Introduction Evening Worship Series "Loving Lessons" Tender Love
June 12	8-30am 10-00am Sermon: 6-30pm Sermon:	Holy Communion Morning Worship Series on 1 Peter - Who are We? Evening Worship Series "Loving Lessons" Tough Love
June 19	8-30am 10-00am Sermon: 6-30pm Sermon:	Morning Prayer Morning Worship Series on 1 Peter - What is our Destiny? Holy Communion Series "Loving Lessons" Sacrificial Love
June 26	8-30am 10-00am Sermon: 6-30pm Sermon:	Holy Communion Morning Worship Series on 1 Peter - What is Happening to us? Evening Worship Series "Loving Lessons" Radical Love

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