

The Chronicle

of

The Parish of All Saints, Petersham

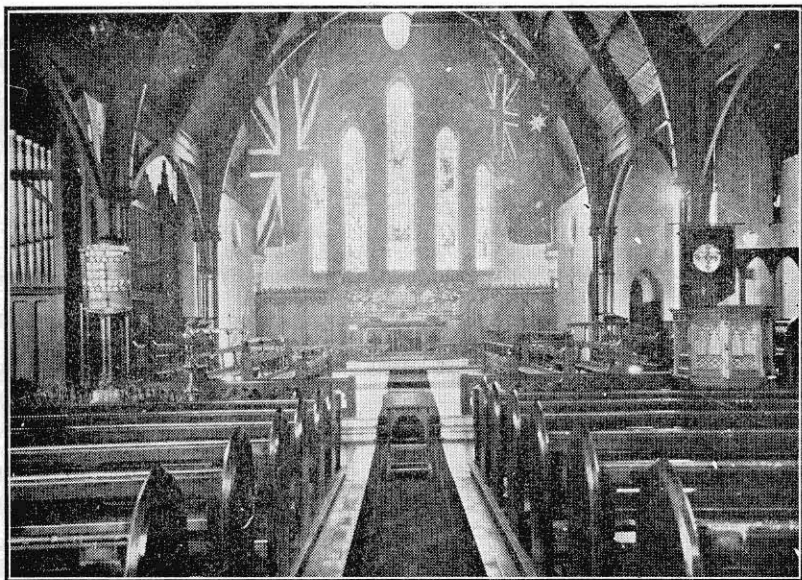
All Saints' Rectory, Petersham.

Tel.: LM 4735.

Rector: Rev. R. A. JOHNSON, Th.L.

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

JUNE, 1955



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

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, D. COOKE, D. B. HUNTER, H. F. JONES, B. PULLEN, E. HALE, K. GRANT, J. CARROLL, E. B. OLOFSSON.

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

Hon. Treasurer: Mr. W. SOPWITH

Organist and Master of the Chorists: 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.

THE RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

By the time you receive this letter a most important Festival will have passed, that of Whitsunday. On this day the Church celebrates her birthday, after Our Lord's Ascension the Disciples were instructed to wait for the coming of the Holy Ghost. After ten days of waiting the Disciples being assembled received the Holy Spirit. Whereas they had been filled with fear, unable to do anything they now were filled with power to proclaim the message of the Lord Jesus Christ boldly before men. The remarkable results that followed their proclamation of the Gospel of their risen Lord, added to the Church a large number of new converts. Just as Our Lord and Master had by Baptism received power to face his ministry among men, and later the agony of the Cross, for we are told in the New Testament that the Spirit descended like a dove and anointed Jesus. So the Disciples received Power from on High, to perform their work to which they had been called. It is often forgotten that without this day there would have been no Church. It ranks with the great festivals of Christmas and Easter, and should be observed as such. The Church of God in this land needs a modern Pentecost. Many have been converted, the Disciples were. They had followed their Master, they had now proof that He was risen from the dead. Yes they believed, but they yet had another experience to pass through, that of the coming of the Holy Ghost, the Comforter. We receive the gift of the Spirit at Baptism, but we need another blessing, the blessing as received by the Apostles at Pentecost, the blessing that brought power to the early Church. It is a blessing to be asked for and experienced by Christians still. We must receive it by the definite act of appropriating faith, just as the Disciples received Jesus. It is then that the Church will be filled with the Holy Ghost. The Church has made the fatal mistake that Pentecost was a miracle never to be repeated, God says, "It shall come to pass—I will pour." That was His promise through the prophet Joel, the first fulfilment was on the day of Pentecost. There is nothing in the New Testament to suggest that it was to be the one and only fulfilment of His promise. On the contrary we find the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Samaria, Ephesus, and on the Gentiles, and later in the history of the Church we find special outpourings of the Holy Spirit leading to the advancement of the Kingdom of God.

You will notice that this great event came after the Disciples had waited upon God. "These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication." One thing we need above all others today my friends is united prayer, the appointed means of bringing down the Holy Spirit. The neglect of prayer proves that there is a large amount of practical infidelity. If we believe in a personal God, real, existing then we should come to Him and ask for what we want. We do not ask because we do not believe or expect to receive. Will you, my friend, join us on Wednesdays for prayer, for that meeting for prayer is the powerhouse of the Church. God grant that this Church of All Saints' may be a place where the power of the Holy Spirit is ever present and that men and women, boys and girls, may meet their Saviour.

On June 11th, at the House of the Epiphany, the lectern given by our Women's Guild in memory of Miss Adams will be dedicated by His Grace the Archbishop at 3 p.m. It is hoped that All Saints' will be well represented.

We have now purchased a power mower at a cost of £90/12/6. A friend very kindly loaned us the amount so that our General Funds would not suffer at this time. The Churchwardens desire that this money should be repaid at the earliest opportunity and I know that all our friends in the

parish will rally and see that the debt is wiped out speedily. So far we have approximately £20 in hand. Already the grounds have much improved and I hope that we will be able to enter them in the Diocesan Garden and Church Grounds Competition.

The Fellowship is working hard on its Revue, this year it is to be called the Fellowship Follies of 1955. It will be held on the 12th July at 8 p.m. Do keep the date free and tell your friends about it.

With best wishes,
Your sincere friend and Rector,
RONALD A. JOHNSON.

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PARISH PARS.

We regret to report that Mrs. Vic. Barrett is seriously ill and has been in hospital for some weeks. We pray for a speedy recovery.

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We regret to record the death of Mrs. Byram, Mrs. I. S. Fairweather, John Sidney Smith, Mr. Teece, Mr. Everitt, Mrs. Cheesewright, Mr. Field, Mrs. Haynes, Mr. Howard. To the relatives and friends we offer our sincere sympathy and pray that God will bless and comfort them in their sorrow.

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Many thanks to Mr. Humphreys for doing many jobs on the Church grounds, and to Messrs. K. Grant, E. Olofsson, and H. Johnson for mowing operations. Messrs. K. Grant, E. Olofsson, K. Locke and Don O'Sullivan for removing the leaning tree.

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Congratulations to Mary Marsh on the occasion of her marriage. Mary taught in our Sunday School and was a member of the choir; we shall miss her. Mr. and Mrs. Bosler will be living at Regents Park.

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Remember the Y.C.I. Social Evening on the 18th June at 8 p.m. Come and bring your friends. Vice-president R. Atkinson promises everyone a very enjoyable night.

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Physical Culture are holding their Sub-Debs night on June 10th at 8 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Parents and friends are invited to help make the evening a success. Full particulars from Mrs. Ditchburn.

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The Empire Youth Service was a great success, many thanks to Miss Browning for sending out the notices and working so hard to make it a success. We welcomed Scouts, Guides, Cubs, Rainbows, O.E.S. and Police Boys' Clubs.

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Many thanks to the Rev. A. E. Gardner, for taking the evening services on Sunday 22nd. The Rector was suffering from influenza, and had no voice left.

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Many thanks to Mrs. Bosward for working the new Communion Veils. The Guild provided the linen.

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We are saving old rags, and bottle tops for our Funds, will you help us? If you have any rags we will be glad to call for them. Let the Rector know.

We welcome into the full fellowship and membership of the Church Mrs. E. Kennedy, Miss Joan Anderson, Mr. J. Humphreys, and Mr. Stanley Abrahams. They were confirmed at Saint Andrew's Cathedral on Whit-sunday by the Rt. Rev. C. Venn-Pilcher, Bishop Coadjutor.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

June 10—Physical Culture Frolic, Fancy Dress and Sub-Debutantes.
June 22—Tudor Singers and All Saints' Choir plus a Feature Film.
July 12—Fellowship Follies of Nineteen Fifty-five. Come and enjoy a good laugh.

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DONATIONS

MOWER FUND.—Anon. 10/-; Mrs. MacLean, 10/-; Mr. Bryce, £1; Anon, £1; Mr. Brodie, £1; Mr. and Mrs. H. Shaw, £1/1/-; E. W. Hutchins, 10/-; Mr. and Mrs. E. Quelch, £3/3/-; Women's Guild, £10. Total, £18/14/-, previously acknowledged, £6/13/-, grand total to date, £25/7/-.

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GENERAL FUND.—Per late Howard Estate, £1; Women's Guild, £10.

ADAMS MEMORIAL.—Mrs. and Miss King (West Ryde), £2/2/-.

MISSIONS.—Womens' Guild to A.B.M., £8/11/6; C.M.S., £8/11/6. Total, £17/3/-.

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PHYSICAL CULTURE CLUB

Preparations are well under way for the Club's Fancy Dress Ball, to be held on Friday, 10th June. Presentation of our "Sub-Debs" to Mrs. Johnson at 8.30 p.m. should be the highlight of the evening, as well as the floor show by our junior members. A good night's entertainment is assured for all attending.

Prices: Adults, 2/6; Children, 2/-.

Prizes galore. Proceeds to the Church Fund.

—F. DITCHBURN, Hon. Sec.

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FELLOWSHIP

Good attendance at meetings continues. On Sunday, 22nd May, we held our tea and initiation service when we welcomed Michele Hearn, Gwenda Smith, Pauline Hourn, Lynette Sanderson, Gretel Lockie, Bruce Taylor, John Rowe, Bruce Harrison and John Minter as full members of Fellowship. Rehearsals are being held each week for our Follies of 1955 to be held in the Parish Hall, on Tuesday, 12th July, at 8 p.m. We invite all parishioners to come along and join in the fun. Tickets: adults, 3/-; children, 1/6. Available from all members.

—DOROTHY LOCKE, Secretary.

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L.H.M.U.

The President and Treasurer wish to thank all who, in any way, helped to make a successful evening of our Home Mission Evening which was held in the Hall on Friday night.

Particularly, do we thank the visiting artists and the boys from the Charlton Memorial Home—the artists for delightful items and the boys for very clever gymnastics. We all look forward to meeting them again in the future.

—A. ALLEN, Pres., J. SMITH, Treas.

WOMEN'S GUILD

Our activities over the past two months included: April 12th, an American Tea, a Street Stall on April 29th, and a Cake and Apron Afternoon on May 24th. All functions were very satisfactory, but we would like to see more of our Church ladies come along to join and enjoy our meetings. Our annual meeting on May 10th was well attended and we look forward to a happy and successful year, all making a special effort for the Fete.

—E. M. BOSWARD.

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FLOWER ROSTER

June 5—Donated by Miss King, arranged by Mrs. Morris.
 June 12—Donated by Mrs. Martin, arranged by Mrs. Johnson.
 June 19—Donated and arranged by Fellowship.
 June 26—Donated and arranged by Y.M.C.
 July 3—Arranged by Mrs. Morris.
 July 10—Donated by Miss Turner, arranged by Mrs. Johnson.
 July 17—Donated by Kindergarten, arranged by Mrs. Grant.
 July 24—Donated and arranged by Mrs. Quelch.
 July 31—Arranged by Mrs. Bosward.

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DONATIONS TO FLOWER FUND

Mrs. Martin, £1/1/-; Mr. A. W. Carr, 12/6; Miss Brown, 10/-.

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Y.C.I.

The 174th issue of our "Manuscript Journal" was well up to Y.C.I. standard, and great interest as well as amusement, was created by the various articles included in the issue. On the 13th May we had Club Room Games at the conclusion of our Business Meeting. At the second meeting in May, Vice-president, M. A. Buckley, gave a "Talk" dealing with his experiences in the legal world. The "Talk" was greatly appreciated by the large number of members who attended. Coming fixtures include a Documentary Film Night at the meeting set down for Friday, 10th June. It will be held in the Y.C.I. Club Room, and will be preceded by a short Business Meeting, which will commence at 8 p.m. The meeting on Friday, 24th June will be President's Night, and we look forward to an interesting "Talk" by our President, the Rev. R. A. Johnson, Th.L. The Y.C.I., which is the Men's Club of the Parish, meets in the Y.C.I. Club Room on alternate Friday nights for Business Meetings, and all men of the Parish are invited to come along. Copies of the Syllabus will be gladly supplied by the Rector or any of the Church officers.

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DISTRICT VISITORS

May

Per: Mrs. Mitchell, £1/14/-; Mrs. Robertson, £5/1/6; Mrs. Cook, £2/11/-; Mrs. Smith, £2/7/-; Mrs. Barrett, £2/17/-; Mrs. Humphreys, £6/13/-; Mrs. Milarey, 18/-; Mrs. Grant, £1/2/6; Mrs. Pullen, £1/17/3; Mrs. Taylor, 17/-; Mrs. Craigie, £4/6/-; Physical Culture Club, 10/-; Mrs. Oldfield, £3/12/6; Mrs. Olofsson, £1; Mrs. Thomas, £1/12/-; Miss Bayley, £2/6/-; Mrs. Furnell, £3/5/-. Total, £42/10/9.

N.B.—The above amounts include Assistant Clergy Fund, £1/2/-.

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ROOF FUND

In Memoriam "E.A.W.," £1.

COLLECTIONS AND COMMUNICANTS—APRIL-MAY, 1955

	General Fund	Missions	Total	Communi- cants
April	£145 5 3	£26 4 11	£171 10 2	747
May	£ 84 8 1	£21 11 10	£105 19 11	334
Total	£229 13 4	£47 16 9	£277 10 1	1,081

Missions include Archbishop's Winter Appeal, £5/0/2; C.E.N.E.F. Appeal, £3/7/6; Barker Fete, Moore College, £1/6/3.

N.B.—It should be noted that Easter Collections are included in April amounts.

THE PARISH REGISTER

"One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism."

- April 3—Keith Robert Baines.
 April 10—Kim Elizabeth Robinson, Peter Douglas McNevin.
 April 17—Stephen John Krinks, Jennifer Christmas
 May 8—Lynnette Maree Anderson, Mark Andrew Kitching.
 May 15—Jennifer Anne Croker.
 May 19—Debra Jane McIver.
 May 22—Rodney William Derley.
 May 29—Susan May Yuile.

CONFIRMATION

"Defend them, O Lord—that they may continue thine for ever."

- May 29—Whit Sunday, at Saint Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney, by the
 Rt. Rev. C. Venn-Pilcher:—
 John William Humphreys, Stanley Abrahams, Joan Anderson,
 Edith Alfreda Kennedy.

HOLY MATRIMONY

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

- April 2—Allan John Cunningham to Yvonne Marjorie Buderus.
 April 11—Norman Sydney Snars to Adrienne Dawn Ingram.
 April 23—Frederick John Cotterell to Beverley Loretta Cameron.
 Roy Graham MacAuley to Lorna Ann Rice.
 Donald John Craig to Juane Isabel Carpenter.
 David Kirkpatrick Brown to Marie Gladys Sturt.
 April 30—David Southerland to Yvonne Joyce Pettit.
 May 14—Norman Edward Staples to Elaine Margaret Mustow.
 May 21—Cecil Walter Thompson to Veronica May Kilroy.
 May 28—Noel Bosler to Winifred Mary Elizabeth Marsh.

BURIALS AND CREMATIONS

- April 4—Ida Sarah Fairweather (Northern Suburbs Cemetery).
 April 12—Ann Moffatt Byram (Waverley Cemetery).
 May 12—John Sidney Smith, aged 41 years (Rookwood Cemetery).
 May 14—William Tinsley Teece (Rookwood Cemetery).
 May 17—William Everitt (Rookwood Crematorium).
 May 24—Lilian Cheesewright (Rookwood Crematorium).
 May 24—Thomas Field (Rookwood Crematorium).
 May 27—Leslie Howard (Prospect Cemetery).
 May 28—Isabel (Bonnie) Haynes (Rookwood Cemetery).

THE PROBLEM OF SOCIETY

The heart of any social problem lies in the heart of individual men and women. New social structures and systems, new laws, can never solve the problem, so long as the heart of man remains selfish. Only when men, one by one, pass over by conversion from self-centredness to God-centredness can we achieve a social structure which will be acceptable to all classes, all nations, and all races.

—CHARLES F. WINSTON.

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WORTH THINKING ABOUT

MORE people are sick because they are unhappy than unhappy because they are sick.

—LESLIE WEATHERHEAD.

ZEAL is like fire. It needs both feeding and watching.

—W. G. BENHAM.

UNTIL you share Christ's victory, you are involving Him in all the consequences of your own defeat.

—Bishop E. A. BURROUGHS.

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THE MAKING OF A HOME

Anyone can build an altar; it requires a God to provide the flame. Anyone can build a house; we need the Lord for the creation of a home . . . The New Testament does not say very much about homes; it says a great deal about the things that make them. It speaks about life and love and joy and peace and rest! If we get a house and put these into it, we shall have secured a home.

—John Henry Jowett.

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A SALE OF WORK

The Australian Church Record is holding a Sale of Work in the Chapter House, George St., Sydney, on June 10th. The Official Opening will be at 11.30 a.m. If you are in the City, drop in and help a good cause.

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A.B.M. NEWS!

A new film on the work of the Church in Central Australia entitled "The Live Heart" will shortly be released. We hope to have this film at Petersham soon.

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The Rev. David and Mrs. Hoey and son, Michael, Miss Webster, and Mr. Roger Mountford sailed recently for Melanesia. We greatly enjoyed Mr. Hoey's address when he visited All Saints.

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Remember the Diocese of Borneo as it celebrates its centenary from June 8th to 15th. A.B.M. and C.M.S. are working in the Diocese. Pray for the work there.

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GENERAL SYNOD

The General Synod of the Australian Church will be held in September. A great Missionary meeting will be held in the Town Hall, under the Chairmanship of our Primate.

Sydney will be entertaining distinguished guests from overseas, the Presiding Bishop of the Church in U.S.A., also the Bishops of Borneo and Singapore.

A THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

by Canon I. Renshaw

Ordered to bow and scrape to that colossal golden image which the king had set up, how could those three gallant young Hebrews have the courage and daring to defy the king, and the threat of his burning fiery furnace unless, aforetime, and many a time, they had passed through some testing ordeal, and by that testing had been made strong and courageous?

They accepted the fact—did these three brave lads—that life would bring its varying fiery furnaces, and their testing experience had given them that faith that God would be with them, even in the midst of the fire. And He was. "Lo," cried the king, "I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like unto the Son of God."

There, just there, is the truly religious man's confidence, not that God will necessarily get him out, but that whatever comes, God will see him through.

"Say a prayer for me when I go through that wood," said a somewhat sensitive highly-strung boy of fourteen to his aged relative with whom he had been spending the evening. The wood was a quarter of a mile long midway on his three-mile journey home. And it was night. And there had been one or two nasty incidents in that wood when it was dark. "Of course, I'll say a prayer for you," said the boy's relative. "And I will do more than that. I will come with you and see you through."

And he did.

God did not save those three gallant young Hebrews from the fire, but He did see them safely through the fire—an infinitely bigger and better thing.

And God can do even more, as this story plainly shows. He can give us as we pass through the fire the experience of a fellowship supremely sufficient, a fellowship of one not only "like unto the Son of God," but the companionship of the Son of God Himself Who, for our encouragement, distinctly said, "Be not anxious for the morrow."

CHURCH MUSIC, JUNE 12 TO JULY 3, 1955.

Sunday	Morning	Evening
June 12 Trinity 1	Holy Communion. Choral (Merbecke). Hymns 246, 412, 168, 232.	Hymns 657, 413, 438, 321. Psalm 4. Anthem: "Had we but hardened" (Davies).
June 19 Trinity 2	Hymns 261, 704, 218, 197, 8. Psalm 12.	Hymns 214, 415, 685, 23. Psalm 16. Anthem: "Save us Lord" (Bairstow).
June 26 Trinity 3	Hymns 704, 311, 414. Psalm 19.	Hymns 274, 415, 290, 23. Psalm 20. Anthem: "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace" (Williams).
July 3 Trinity 4	Hymns 4, 417, 197, 362, 8. Psalm 24.	Hymns 224, 432, 298, 28. Psalm 23. Anthem: "The King of Love" (Bairstow).