

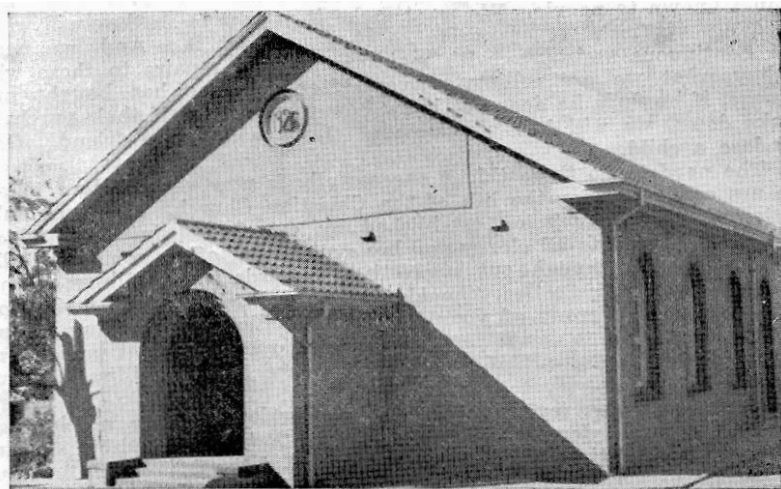
The Chronicle Of All Saints Petersham

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JOIN IN OUR GREAT FETE



SATURDAY, 18th NOVEMBER

THE RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear People:

One of the greatest single problems that mankind has to face is the pressure upon him to keep up with the times. It means continuous change, and change means upheaval and readjustment of familiar elements in our surroundings. Our natural humanity objects to this, and therefore resists it, because we gain strength and a sense of security from familiar things. The older we get, the more accustomed we become to the luxury of a stable environment and the more difficult becomes that task of making the necessary changes in order to keep up with the demands of an on-going world. Sometimes that world goes on at a dizzy pace, too.

The world wide Church of Jesus Christ, including our beloved Parish of All Saints', Petersham, now finds itself faced with this dilemma in a new and intense way. No one alive could be oblivious to the tremendous pressure upon us now to update, modernise, and re-orient our whole mode of thinking, teaching, and worship. The young world, on to which we hope to hand our great and historic Faith, is demanding this of us.

As converted Christians we have always acknowledged that we are all missionaries of our Faith. What is a missionary? Is he not a salesman, a seller of his merchandise? What did Jesus travel the length and breadth of Palestine to do, except to sell Christianity to the world. He was a great salesman and the story of his success, and that of his followers is contained in our New Testament. We who follow in the steps of our Master must also be salesmen of His life-giving message of love and salvation.

Now, having accepted this great task, we find ourselves faced with exactly the same kind of problem as any salesman. We must make our product known to people. We must make it attractive so they will want it. We must make it accessible so they can get it. And, we must offer continuous assistance with maintenance and repairs to those who do buy what we are selling. Even after someone has bought our message, if he finds he does not know how to use it, or if their purchase breaks down, we will lose a customer. Jesus will lose a friend. God may lose a child.

The need to do these things successfully is now very evident to all who are concerned for the life of the Christian Church. A recent publication of the Commission established by our Synod in 1970, which has been delivered to all clergy and lay synodsmen, offers some carefully and courageously thought-out suggestions towards the fulfilling of this need. The booklet is called, "Looking into the Parish" and I invite you all to read it. A group of your Parish Councillors are reading it and together we hope to make our parish life more efficient and more relevant for this age, out of genuine obedience to our calling in Jesus Christ.

There are many recommendations but perhaps the one which rings through the whole document is the concept that the Parish is a team ministry, a cooperative effort of every member of the fellowship, to bring the message of Christ to the people around us. The Commission hopes to restore the biblical principle of the mutual responsibility of all believers both towards each other in building one another up in the faith, AND toward the out-reaching ministry of evangelizing the unconverted world. It wishes to remove the popular but incorrect idea that the whole spiritual ministry of a parish devolves upon the ordained

minister there. The Rector and clergy are leaders in this ministry to be sure, but they are not the only workers.

History has proven that it is impossible for one clergyman to be all the things that the spiritual ministry in even a small parish requires of him. The attempt to do it this way is perhaps one of the main reasons why we are in such trouble today. For Christ to be successfully taught in a parish requires the deep loving concern and action of every member of that parish. The minister may preach the sermon, but the people must follow it up with mutual up-lifting love for each other.

Another point to which the Commission wishes us to return is a central place in our thinking for our essential goal. In the business of our Parochial weekly round we can and have so easily forgotten our purpose. We have let the multitude of routine activities of maintenance and administration so fill our minds that we have let the weightier matter go. We are failing to build each other up in the faith. Perhaps we have been putting the cart before the horse. We want to build up bank accounts, buildings, services and groups, when we should be building up people unto the Lord with true Christian faith in their hearts. The Commission suggests that if we were to concentrate on this our real purpose, that the other things would take care of themselves. And isn't that what Jesus always said? "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added unto you." That Kingdom, He says, is within us, within the converted heart of love, out of which will come the necessary action to fulfill all other necessities. Our parish will not lack for any material thing if we can gain that absolutely essential spiritual thing—called faith!

Yours sincerely,

C. A. CAMPBELL.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Grocery Stall: With only a couple of weeks to the Fete, we are now appealing for donations of packet and canned goods. This year we have not had great support from the companies so we are depending on your support. There will be a box for donations in the church porch until Sunday, 12th or you could leave your donations at the Rectory.

Home Made Jam: We had to alter the dates of the jam bees because the mulberries ripened earlier than usual.

I would like to thank all the people who came along to help stalk the mulberries and make the jam, and also those who gave us sugar, bottles and money to buy sugar.

NOEL CRAGG, Hon. Secretary.

CLUB NEWS

Ladies' Guild:

On Tuesday, 14th November, our meeting will commence at 1 p.m. and at approximately 2.30 p.m., we will have a very interesting speaker, Mrs. Swain of Newington College. All ladies will be very welcome, and a donation of 30 cents will include afternoon tea.

December 12th will be our final meeting for this year.

E. M. BOSWARD, Hon. Secretary.

Y.C.I. (Young Churchmen's Institute):

The Y.C.I. will inspect Streets' Ice Cream Factory at Turella (near Arncliffe), on Friday evening, 10th November, and welcomes interested parishioners to come along. The party is limited to 24 people, so contact Mr. Frank Hearn early if you want to go; car transport will be pro-

vided from the Church. We regret that we are not able to take children under 15 years on the inspection.

The Y.C.I. will again be conducting the Vegetable and Hot Dog Stalls at the Fete and assures you that the highest quality "edible fungi" will be again on sale.

Our Annual Y.C.I. Commemoration Service will be held at Even-song, on Sunday, 12th November. We sincerely hope that a good number of our members, both past and present, will attend this Service, marking the 62nd Anniversary of our Club.

The transistor radio in our recent competition was won by Mr. Geoffrey Evans. We extend our sincere thanks to all who took part.

G. W. GORMAN, Hon. Secretary.

Youth Group:

Once again the Fete is only weeks away. We are appealing for books and toys. Paperbacks are in great demand these days and are a great favourite of the people at the Fete. However, at present, our stocks of paperbacks (and books generally) are nowhere near the desired level and any donation would be greatly appreciated. Collection can be arranged by ringing me on 56-2208.

Since my last article, the executive committee of the Youth Group has met, and as a result of that meeting, a "NEW - LOOK" Youth Group has arisen. Our aim is to present to you, the parishioners, an expanding group of young Christians, out to help, not only by doing work around the church, but also by doing community work (e.g. the Food Drive being carried out later on this year). We want to lose the image we have of being a group of young people out to enjoy themselves. We are going to try and encourage attendance at the Wednesday Bible Study Group by our members, and finally, build up a group of young people that any church would be proud of.

I know these aims must sound far-fetched and ridiculous to some people, but I believe, with people in the group such as Allan Granger, Margaret Green, Pat Prince, the Williams', the Walkers' to name a few, and also with the Rev. Colin Campbell behind us, we have a very good chance of succeeding. So if anyone knows of any young people in the Parish who would be interested in joining our happy group, please contact me on the above phone number. Minimum age of entry is First Form, High School.

We are arranging one Saturday each month to mow lawns and collect papers (usually the first one in each month). Afterwards there is a Bar-B-Que in the Rectory backyard. The first was held last month and was a great success with everyone enjoying themselves. If any parishioners haven't had their papers collected during October, would they please 'phone Allan Granger (56-3298) and their name will be added to our list.

In closing, I would like to wish everyone involved in the Fete all the very best and I hope this year will break all existing records.

PETER GRAY, Hon. Secretary.

PARISH NEWS

● **Patronal Festival:** Sunday 5th November, being the Sunday immediately following All Saints' Day (1st November) is always commemorated as our Patronal Festival. The Organist and Choir are preparing special anthems to mark the occasion.

● **Carols by Candlelight:** The popular annual Service, entirely

in the light of candles held by the members of the congregation, will be at 7 p.m. on Sunday, 17th December.

● **Parish Christmas Party:** Because of the heavier programme of activities this December, including individual Christmas Parties for all our parish organisations, the Parish Council has decided not to hold the combined parish Christmas Party this year.

● We are happy to see Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sopwith back after their trip to England, and also that Mr. and Mrs. Barron have recovered from their recent illnesses. Mrs. Jones of Middleton Street underwent an operation last month in Marrickville Hospital, and we trust that she will make a swift recovery and be back with us at All Saints' very soon.

● **Parish Council Report:** At its October meeting, the Parish Council amongst other matters made a review of the parish financial situation, decided to have next year's Weekly Envelopes ready to issue by the beginning of December, and expressed compliments to the members of the Youth Group for their care of the grounds.

● **December "Chronicle":** Items for next issue will be due on Sunday, 19th November.



SPECIAL FETE SUPPLEMENT

SATURDAY, 18th NOVEMBER, 1972

Our Fetes are always great social occasions, and demonstrate how so many people from near and far are prepared to do such a lot of hard work to ensure the success of the venture. On the financial side, we aim to bridge the ever-widening gap between our annual income and expenditure, caused by continually rising costs, and a fall in offertories resulting from loss of parishioners. The seriousness of this position is revealed in this year's figures: our payments each month have averaged \$250 more than our income, this is a "loss" of \$3,000 in a 12 month period.

Perhaps you may not have realised how grim the financial position is: for this reason, the Parish Council has decided to publish a brief summary of the monthly position in each "Chronicle". These figures show how dependent we are on the Fete to keep going at All Saints'.

We have been greatly blessed in every Fete we have held over the last 13 years, and with your help, we look forward to another wonderful result on 18th November. Please do whatever you can to help us, support the stalls and entertainments, and by your attendance, make this another joyous day.

Special Attractions This Year:

In the grounds, there will be pony and train rides for the young-

sters, two bands, and free performing monkeys and dogs at 2.30 p.m. and 3.30 p.m. The Fellowship will have Hoopla, and the Sunday School will have 100's of prizes on its "Great Game of Skill".

The Rector's "O" gauge model railway exhibition will be in the Y.C.I. room this year to enable more track to be laid and more trains to be run.

Come for the Day:

You can stay at the Fete all day—we've arranged ample nourishment for everyone. The Refreshment Room will serve salad meals, meat pies and teas from morning to night, while the Y.M. Club, Y.C.I. and Sunday School will have cold drinks, ice cream, and the ever popular "hot doys" on sale all day.



MEN WANTED

The Rector asks the men of the parish to help him set up the Hall for the Fete. The stalls will be put up on Thursday night, 16th November, and decorations such as flags and coloured lights on the night of Friday, 17th. The Rector looks forward to receiving practical help from all the menfolk of the Parish on these nights, and also from 9 p.m. on the Saturday night, when everything must be cleared away.

LATEST FETE NEWS

Stop Press News from Stallholders:

Stallholders extend their thanks to the many folk who have made donations to their stocks. The generosity of the people of All Saints' and our friends beyond the parish is truly amazing.

● **Refreshment Room:** We would appreciate any gifts of goods suitable for use in the Refreshment Room, or donations of cash towards our effort. Also, if any lady (or young lady) has an hour or more to spare on the day of the Fete to assist, we would be most grateful to hear from you. Kindly advise Mrs. E. Jones (56-5218), Mrs. D. Graham (56-8876, evenings only) or the Rectory if you can help us.

● **Books:** The Fellowship still needs lots more books and magazines for its stall. Comics, paperbacks, antique books, etc., are all sought. Just ring Peter Gray on 56-2208 and he will organise collection.

● **Groceries:** Because of its very small enrolment, and the falling number of grocery firms willing to help, even by selling their products at wholesale prices, the Sunday School has problems in getting as much stock as in previous years. Any gifts of all types of groceries would be greatly appreciated, and may be left in the box in the Church porch, at the Rectory, or given to any Sunday School member.

● **Toys:** Manned by the Fellowship, we hope to have a wide range of toys for children of all ages. However, it is still not too late to send along donations; toys needing minor repairs are also welcomed.

● **Vegetables:** The proceeds of the Car Drive will be used to buy a large stock of vegetables, straight from the Chinese gardens around Arncliffe. At this time of the year, they usually have lettuce, beetroot, carrots, shallots, celery, radishes, and rhubarb. Additional gifts of home-grown fruit or vegetables from parishioners would be most welcome, and could be left at the parish hall on Friday, night or at the stall on Saturday morning.

● **"White Elephant":** This is the famous stall that sells what other people don't want, and which has achieved remarkable sales figures in past years by disposing of articles donated by parishioners. We will have two tents in front of the parish hall, and urgently need your help, to stock them full of goods. There must surely be a few things around your home that are no longer needed: just drop them along to Mrs. Humphreys, or leave at the Rectory garage. Every little helps.

Mrs. I. Clark would still be glad to receive donations of wool and material for her Fancy Work and Gift Stall.

● **Plants and Flowers:** The Mothers' Club will welcome more plants for their stall. They will pot them if required. We may also be given some budgerigars, but need some cages in which to sell them. Mrs. Campbell would welcome any small cages at the Rectory.

HELP!

Can you help with the following please?

● **Publicity:** All Parishioners can widen our Fete publicity by asking their shopkeepers to put one of our coloured dodgers in their shop windows. Copies are available from the Rectory or from the Church Officers. Also would you please pass copies to your relatives, friends, and neighbours.

● **Word of Mouth Publicity:** In addition to handing around the dodgers, tell everyone you know about the Fete. Point out the great bargains and attractions we shall have this year, the quality of the goods on our stalls, and the two big hampers of poultry and groceries. These prizes go to the two lucky people who sign the Visitors' Book at the front door of the Hall, and the winner will be drawn at 8 p.m.

BAPTISMS

"Born Again"

September 24: Anne Elizabeth Taaffe.
 September 24: Sacha Selina Kuglbere Jensen.
 September 24: Todd Boyd Warner.
 October 1: Shannan Lee Brannelly.

MARRIAGES

"Heirs together of the Grace of Life"

September 30: John Leslie Cardell to Carmel Terese Lewis.

FUNERALS

"I am the Resurrection and the Life"

September 19: Edward Naftel.

SANCTUARY FLOWER ROSTER

November 5: Donated by Mrs. Kent in memory of her Son, Charles and Daughter, Elsie; arranged by Mrs. Clark.
 November 12: Donated by Mrs. Calver and family in memory of Mr. L. C. Calver and her Son, Robert, and by Mr. and Mrs. Pursehouse in memory of Mary Jane and Glen Kenneth Hammond; arranged by Miss Nisbet.
 November 19: Donated by the Craigie family in memory of their Mother; arranged by Mrs. Clark.
 November 26: No donation; arranged by Miss Nisbet.
 December 3: Donated by Mr. and Mrs. Swankie and family in memory of their Mother and Grandmother; arranged by Mrs. Clark.

We'll See You at Our . . .

MONSTER FETE

SATURDAY, 18th NOVEMBER, 1972

9 a.m. — 9 p.m.

A GREAT "BARGANZA"

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Many Attractive Stalls:

- Books, and Magazines
- Jewellery
 - Cakes and Sweets
 - Children's Wear
 - White Elephant — Terrific Bargains
 - Groceries and Home Made Jams
 - Dried Floral Arrangements
 - Pottery
 - Vegetables
 - Fancy Work and Christmas Gifts
 - Plants and Flowers
 - Ornamental Shells
 - Toys and Balloons

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- **HOOPLA AND THE "GAME OF SKILL"**
- **WORKING MODEL RAILWAY EXHIBITION**
- **TRAIN AND PONY RIDES**
- **FREE; PERFORMING DOGS & MONKEYS, 2.30 and 3.30 p.m.**
- HOT DOGS, COLD DRINKS, ICE CREAM, HOT PIES**
- MORNING AND AFTERNOON TEAS**
- COLD SALAD LUNCHES**

Sign the Visitors' Book and secure the opportunity of winning one of the Free Poultry Dinners and Hampers — Drawn 8 p.m.

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