

All Saints' Anglican Church, of Australia
Petersham

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DECEMBER 1986



Christmas Day Services

7-30 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION

9-30 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION



New Year's Day

8-00 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION



You are invited to join in the celebration of our Saviour's birth.

Further details:-

REV. BRUCE WOOLCOTT

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The Rectory,
325 Stanmore Road,
PETERSHAM.
20th November, 1986.

Dear Friends,

It hardly seems possible that we are fast approaching the last month of this year. Already we are planning for Christmas.

At All Saints' we will be having our usual activities. Our Family Service is planned for Sunday 14th December at 9-30am. Our Sunday School pupils will be taking part in this service.

On Sunday evening 14th December there will be a Combined churches Carol Service at Marrickville Baptist church commencing at 7pm.

Other activities will be advertised through our Weekly Bulletin.

You are warmly welcomed to take part in all these activities.

Christmas is one of the two major feasts of the Christian Year. The other one being Easter. Both show the great love of God.

Humanly speaking Christmas emphasises the glory and the majesty of God. God in Christ came to dwell amongst men. The angelic choir on the Judean hillside announced this to the shepherds. The star brought Wise Men from the East bearing precious gifts. The conception of the babe in Mary's womb was supernatural. All these things cause us mere human beings to wonder at the glory of God.

Looked at from God's view point we see things differently. Jesus left His majesty and glory behind when He came to earth to live with men. As Charles Wesley puts it.

"Emptied Himself of all but love,
and bled for Adam's helpless race."

It's hard for us to leave the comfort and security of an earthly home in order to embark on some uncharted path.

It is good for us midst the celebration of Christmas to contemplate the cost of Jesus coming to earth to live with men and die for men.

"Amazing love how can it be,
that thou my God should'st die for me."

At Christmas we have much to thank God for. The most important thing of all is His great love for us. His desire to identify Himself with sinful man in order to become our Saviour shows this greatness of the love.

I trust that this Christmas might again remind you of how greatly the Lord loves you.

May you Christmas be full of God's love.

Yours sincerely,
BRUCE WOOLCOTT.
Rector.

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SENIOR PARISHIONERS CLUB

The Senior Parishioners Club will have gone into recess until Thursday 29th January 1987, by the time you read this Chronicle.

We are very saddened to have lost another member in the passing of Mrs. Ellen Feeney and we extend our sincere sympathy to her family.

We'll finish the year on Thursday 4th December with the usual Christmas Party at which we hope Mrs. Beverly Champion and family and Mr. Ken Rowlands will again play Christmas Carols etc., for us. Thanks Beverly & Ken.

Many thanks for all the help and support from so many in their willingness to donate goods to our Housie table for prizes and also the sale table. Thanks to our wonderful cooks and sandwich makers. Those who set up the room and prepare for the days enjoyment. Thanks all who have helped in any way, also several monetary donations. Thanks all!!! Our Club is a good example of what can be done by so many people working happily to-gether to help one another.

We take this opportunity to wish all a truly Holy, Happy, & Healthy Christmas and New Year.

See you all on Thursday 30th January.

Ida Barrett - Hon. Secretary.

WOMEN-IN-FRIENDSHIP

Our Club year will end with the December meeting on Tuesday 9th at 1pm followed by a Christmas afternoon tea, to which we would be pleased to welcome any ladies of the parish and their friends who would care to come. We then go into recess until Tuesday February 10th 1987 at 1-30pm.

The first effort of the New Year will be a secondhand clothing and jumble stall in the Parish Hall on Friday 20th February, commencing at 9am. We are already collecting goods for this stall, so please think of us before you throw anything saleable away.

The proceeds of our cake and sweets stall at the fete was \$600. Many thanks to all who donated in money or kind, or helped in any way to enable us to reach this figure.

It's good to see Miss Joyce Perry back with us after her trip to hospital also to hear that Bessie Thompsons visit to hospital was only short. We wish all our members and friends good health, happiness and the blessing of a truly holy Christmas and New Year.

Ida Barrett - Hon. Secretary.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

We are fast coming to the end of the third term for this year, and the Sunday School will go into recess following the Family Service on 14th December.

At the the final Family Service for 1986 the entire Sunday School will be presenting the Christmas message, with a play, tableau and carols. Parents and their friends are invited to this service.

The Sunday School will resume classes on Sunday 1st February, 1987 at 9-30am.

The Sunday School Christmas party will be held on Saturday 13th December, commencing at 2pm.

I would like to congratulate the pupils of the Sunday School for the effort they put into the Toy Stall at the fete. Through their work \$282 was raised. Thanks are extended to all who made donations to the stall. The Grocery stall was also successful, \$364 was raised for the parish. I would like to thank all who

made donations to the grocery stall and all who helped run the stall, on fete day.

Noel Cragg - Superintendent.

FLOWER DONATIONS

- DECEMBER 7TH - By Mr. & Mrs. R. Swankie in memory of their mother & nanna.
Arrangement Mrs. A. Steed.
- DECEMBER 14TH - By Mrs. M. Willis in memory of Mrs. Willis Snr.; by Mrs. Rhodes in memory of friend Vera Dearing & son Peter Brian Moran.
Arrangement by Mrs. E. Hearn.
- DECEMBER 21ST - By Mrs. Marjorie Glanville in memory of her parents William & Mary Glanville
Arrangement by Mrs. A. Steed.
- DECEMBER 25TH - By Mrs. Heap in loving memory of her mother & daughter Betty; by Mrs. Carr in memory of her parents; by Barbara & Stella in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Baxter & sister Ena.
Arrangement by Mrs. E. Hearn.
- DECEMBER 28TH - No Donation.
Arrangement Mrs. E. Hearn.

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You are invited to enquire about our funeral fund.

People of all ages are accepted without medical examination.

THE FETE

The 1986 Fete has come and gone and all physical indications have been removed from the church grounds. The final traces were removed by Marrickville Council on Wednesday morning.

Our fete this year netted a total of \$5096 which was excellent.

A welcome and reassuring sign has been the participation of our Sunday School children in manning a stall and assisting with the dismantling and stacking of the stalls. It is doubly pleasing in that they enjoyed it.

Editor

STALL RESULTS

Details of monies received are as follows:-

White Elephant.....	\$1054.95
Work Stall.....	\$1552.30
Cakes & Sweets.....	\$ 600.00
Groceries.....	\$ 364.75
Pottery.....	\$ 327.10
Plants.....	\$ 141.07
Refreshments.....	\$ 185.42
Books.....	\$ 193.66
Toys.....	\$ 282.30
Castle.....	\$ 77.10
Donations.....	\$ 318.00

Total.....	\$5096.65

FETE POTTERY STALL

My thanks are due to Helen and Georgina who helped out on the stall at a critical time, and to Gary Edwards for his contribution.

Mrs. M. Essam.

THE OPENING OF THE QUEEN VICTORIA BUILDING

We are able to publish a firsthand account of this event. Two of our parishioners were privileged to have front row positions to observe the happenings and their discription is given below. There is no prize for dicovering who they are but they have every reason to be proud of their association with it.

OUR CORRESPONDENT WROTE

We watched the opening from a Town Hall window right opposite the main entrance of the Queen Victoria Building where the ceremony took place, under three Q.V.B. flags. The Q.V.B. Wishing Well was on one side and two huge round lights on very high posts on the other. This will be most attractive at night.

The entrance was lined with guards in Beefeater uniforms (red coats white trousers etc). Between these two ranks continual entertainment from bands, clowns, jugglers and dancers took place from 10am until 11am, when the town cryer in uniform announced the arrival of the Lord Mayor. After giving an address he asked our Jim to cut the ribbon with him and declared the Q.V.B. open for business.

The public were invited to enter the building which soon became a surging beehive of people, on every level.

Using the Lord Mayor's words in his address, "This is truly one of the most significant tourist attractions of the future."

Telegrams of congratulations were received from The Queen, the Minister of Tourism, Mr. John Brown and Mr. Milton McCrae grandson of the original builder.

A Proud Mother.