

The Chronicle

Of All Saints

Petersham

Rector: Rev. T. E. CHAMPION, Th.L.
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THE REV. C. E. ADAMS Rector 1931-54)

PARISH INFORMATION

8 a.m.—Holy Communion (every Sunday), 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11 a.m.
3rd Sunday after Evening Prayer.

Saints' Days as announced.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer. 7.15 p.m.—Evening Prayer.

9.45 a.m.—Sunday School. 9.45 a.m.—Kindergarten.

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, J. HUMPHREYS, D. B.

HUNTER, V. BARRETT, B. PULLEN, H. J. SHAW, K. GRANT, A. COOK,

R. WRIGHT

Hon. Secretary: Mr. L. C. CALVER

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Envelope Secretary: Mr. T. BOSWARD—LM 2778.

Organist: Miss KATHLEEN O'NEILL.

RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends.

By the time this "Chronicle" comes into your hands the year of activities will have truly begun. December brought its usual round of social gatherings which were all a great success. On Christmas eve some of us called at the Diocesan Registry, George Street, Sydney, and presented Bishop Hillard with his gift from this Parish, of a Th.D. gown. The Bishop is an old All Saints' boy and is retiring next May as Co-adjutor Bishop. The Bishop appreciated the gift very much.

Our Christmas decorations in the Parish Hall and in the Church were more attractive than in the past, thanks to the artistic work of Mr. Bert Shaw our "ever-willing" signwriter. We give sincere thanks to all who helped make the hall and Church so attractive with floral and other decorations too.

De regret to record the sudden passing of Mrs. Humphreys, Senior, on 8th December. Mrs. Humphreys had not been well for some time but was looking forward to the Senior Parishioners Christmas Party. She visited her daughter at Thirroul on 7th December and passed away suddenly on the 8th. The funeral service was conducted by me at Thirroul. We offer our deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. J. Humphreys in their loss.

During Christmas week the usual tour of the Parish was made by representatives of the Senior Parishioners' Club, Mesdames Shaw, Cook, Dingle and Sayers and numerous gifts were given to the sick and aged which were much appreciated.

In December we were pleased to receive a gift of £400 from the estate of the late Mrs. Oldfield who died last April. We deeply appreciate the thoughtfulness of this fine Christian woman, who remembered the Church in her will.

I am sincerely grateful to the Rev. Ernest and Mrs. Wheatley for holding the fort at the Rectory during January. I know Mr. Wheatley's services were much appreciated. I am also grateful to my old friend the Rev. A. Gardner for taking the services on the fourth Sunday in January and to Mr. James Bromley for his work during my absence.

Again, I want to thank Mr. Bosward who, as liason officer, and being conversant with parish workings helped to keep things on an "even keel".

This year of 1960 is an important year in the history of the Parish, being the 100th anniversary of the first Church of England service in Petersham. There will be a special service on Sunday, 15th May at 11 a.m. when we hope the Archbishop of Sydney will dedicate electronic bells as a memorial in our Church. Already some good donations have come in for the bells but we ask you to please help us as generously and as promptly as you can with this project. The bells should transform Petersham on Sundays and make a real Church atmosphere. A box will be placed in the Church for donations very soon—please help us. We would be pleased to receive names and addresses of former parishioners who would like to be invited to the service in May.

On Sunday, 31st January, I welcomed at the 11 a.m. service the new Warden of St. Margaret's Hostel, Stanmore, Mrs. G. Dudley (and her daughter Helen). Mrs. Dudley is the widow of the late Archdeacon L. S. Dudley of Tasmania, but was well known in this diocese where he was Rector of the Parishes of Belmore, Woolwich and Katoomba and a lecturer at Moore College for many year. We wish Mrs. Dudley every blessing in her new work.

May 1960 bring you all God's richest blessing.

Yours sincerely,

ERIC CHAMPION

CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

Parishioners are reminded that it is but three months to the great centenary celebrations of the first service in our parish. On May 15th, Archbishop Gough will be the preacher at the morning service when he will dedicate the thanksgiving bells to the Glory of God.

The Council and Wardens are ordering the Carillion this month believing that the people will support such worthy project on such an important occasion.

A hundred years ago someone said "let us create a parish of All Saints, Petersham", and in the years since hundreds and hundreds have thanked God for their faith and confidence. May the folk a hundred years hence thank us because each service they are called to prayer (or reminded of their God) by the lovely music of our bells.

Donations may be sent to the Centenary Bell Fund, care of the Rectorry.

D.H.

FLOWER ROSTER

- Feb. 7th—Donated by Mrs. Perkins in memory of her parents, arranged by Mrs. Malone.
,, 14th—Donated by Mrs. Colbert, arranged by Mrs. Colbert and Mrs. Bellamy.
,, 21st—No donation, arranged by Mrs. Bosward.
,, 28th—No donation, arranged by Mrs. Speight.
Mch. 6th—No donation, arranged by Mrs. Malone.
Jan. 17th—Flowers were donated by Mr. and Mrs. J. Humphreys in memory of Mrs. Humphreys, Senior.

„ 31st—Flowers were donated by Mrs. Holland, Mrs. Ware and Mr. Charlton in memory of Eric Charles Holland.

We extend our thanks and appreciation to the following for donations of flowers and money for flowers for Christmas Day.

Petersham R.S.L. in memory of the boys who had passed on during the year. Mr. and Mrs. Pullen and family and Miss Pullen in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Pullen, Senr. Mrs. Ayrton in memory of her husband. Miss Fletcher in memory of her mother. Mrs. Willis, Mr. and Mrs. Meatyard, Mrs. Fogwell, Mrs. Alderman, Mrs. Quine, Misses Street. Miss Dobson, Mrs. Slee, Miss Preston, Mrs. Mervyn; Mrs. Cook; Mrs. and Misses Nisbit, Miss Fry, Miss Payne and to any others whose name may have been mislaid.

LADIES' GUILD

Our first meeting for 1960 will be on Tuesday, 9th February, when we hope to have a good attendance of members, to arrange for our Annual Luncheon on 16th March.

Any donations of cakes, scones, jams or pickles for our Street Stall on February 19th will be very much appreciated.

E. M. BOSWARD, Hon. Secretary

Y.C.I.

[The Meeting of the Y.C.I., held on the 8th January was greatly enjoyed by members and visitors alike. We had as our Guest Speaker Mr. George Borwick, an ex-Test Cricket Umpire, and he was supported by Mr. Alan Fallon, President of the N.S.W. Cricket Umpires Association, and Messrs E. Wykes and R. Burgess, the latter two gentlemen being Sheffield Shield Cricket Umpires. It was a great delight to all Cricket lovers, and we look forward to another visit from these friends. We are now approaching our 49th Annual Meeting, which will be held in the Y.C.I. Club Room on Friday, the 19th February, 1960, commencing at 8 p.m. The past Institute year will be reviewed in the 49th Annual Report and plans for the coming Institute year will be discussed. The Financial Statement will be presented and Office-bearers will be elected. Altogether the meeting is a most important one, and the attendance of all members is earnestly desired. An invitation to attend this meeting is extended to all men of the Parish. You will learn much about the Y.C.I., which is the Men's Club of the Parish. In the meantime you can secure information about the Y.C.I. from the Rector or from any Church officer.

PHYSICAL CULTURE

Our Club has been in recess during the school holidays and will resume classes on Monday, 8th February at 6 p.m. when we will be pleased to welcome all girls from the 5 year group to Seniors and Ladies Classes.

F. DITBURN, Hon. Secretary

SENIOR PARISHIONERS' CLUB

After celebrating a very happy Christmas Party on 19th December the Senior Parishioners' Club resumed again on 7th January, 1960.

Although we have already accepted several new members we can accommodate many more and invite any ladies or gentlemen of the Parish to come along to the Parish Hall any Thursday at 2 p.m.

This Social Gathering will introduce to you many of your fellow-parishioners and keep you in touch with all parish events.

Last year we organised a second-hand clothing sale, and at the request of our many friends, it has been decided to hold another in the near future.

Donations of good clean clothing will be accepted at the Rectory or will be called for if previously arranged by the Rector or by Mrs. Shaw.

D. SHAW, Hon. Secretary

INDOOR BOWLS CLUB

Membership of this Club is still open for men of all ages within our Parish. Come along and learn how to play this popular game, any Wednesday evening at 7.45 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

We are looking forward with great interest to challenge matches to be played early in the year with other Church Clubs.

H. J. SHAW, Hon. Secretary

BASEBALL

The baseball season will soon be with us again and we are now looking for prospective players. Our Annual Meeting will be held in the Y.C.L. Clubroom on Monday, 8th February at 8 p.m.

This season we will again be having an under 15 team and it is also hoped to re-start a senior team, both of which will compete in the Western Suburbs Churches' Baseball Union.

Anyone interested in playing during the coming season is asked to contact Mr. Miniter, Mr. Jones or myself as soon as possible and attend the annual meeting mentioned above.

J. MINITER, Hon. Secretary

CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

DO YOU KNOW ANY OF THESE FOLK?

In connection with the Centenary Celebrations of your Parish next May, it is desired to contact as many ex-parishioners as possible and with that aim in view we appeal to all who know the present address of people, who worshipped in this Church in past years, to supply the Centenary Committee with such names and addresses.

Should you have any such information please notify Mr. Harold Jones, 65 Wardell Road, Petersham (LM 5218) or leave it at the Rectory. We rely to a great extent on you to help in securing this information.

H. JONES

JUNIOR CRICKET

The boys of the "D" grade cricket team are a credit to their Church, their behaviour both on and off the field leaves nothing to be desired and we thank the parents of these boys that each Saturday, wet or fine, the whole team arrives correctly attired ready for the fray.

Our team at the present time is in the 4th position in the Competition and on the present standard of play, it seems possible to show considerable improvement in our points score.

The Captain and Vice-Captain of the team, R. Cornford and G. Gorman are both doing a first class job.

D. Callanan is a bowler with a future and always causes the opponents some concern.

D. Young and G. Gorman the opening batsmen always greet the ball with the straight face of the bat.

D. Sayers is the utility player of the team as bowler, batsman and wicket keeper.

K. Kitt is a boy who rises to the occasion.

Another is G. Castles who together with G. Young dismissed a team for 74.

P. Keen lives up to his name—being one of the keenest players in the team.

J. Phillips was responsible for an outright win and was one who stopped a collapse—scored sufficient runs for a 1st innings lead with the support of B. Ash, P. Evans, R. Shoetham and W. Vixon. These boys saved the day for the team after a disastrous start.

As Team Manager I would like to thank Mr. Ash, Mr. Cheetham and Mr. Castles for their interest and assistance.

H. CORNFORD, Manager

TABLE TENNIS

The performances of the seven All Saints' team in the summer competition of the N.S.W.T.T.A. to the end of round eight, are as follows:

"D" Grade No. 1 team—Seven wins and one defeat.

"D" Grade No. 2 team—Three wins and five defeats.

"E" Grade No. 1 team—Eight wins.

"E" Grade No. 2 team—One win and seven defeats.

"E" Grade No. 3 team—Two wins and six defeats.

"E" Grade No. 4 team—Two wins and six defeats.

"E" Grade No. 5 team—Eight defeats.

The "D" Grade No. 1 team suffered a shock reversal at the hand of Arncliffe Y.M.C.A., but despite this handicap have established a clear lead of four points from their nearest rivals with seven round yet to be played.

The "D" Grade No. 2 team have rallied brilliantly to move into fourth position and must be given an excellent chance of qualifying for the finals.

Congratulations to the "E" Grade No. 1 team on their consistent play which has enabled them to maintain an undefeated record two points ahead of their nearest rivals.

Metropolitan Championships

Congratulations to the following members on their performances in the Metropolitan Championships.

"D" Grade Singles—C. Wellington, J. Minter, C. Hemmings, T. Thompson and R. Reid—performed well but eliminated in early rounds.

P. Whalan, won first round match in fine style but met an outstanding player in the second round and was beaten narrowly.

B. Livigstone, qualified for semi-finals but was outclassed by a superior player 21-18, 15-21, 21-18 in one of the semi-finals ties.

E. Redmond qualified for the other semi-final and was unlucky to be eliminated by the eventual winner 18-21, 21-18, 19-21.

"D" Grade Doubles—C. Hemmings and T. Thompson performed brilliantly to qualify for the final, before being eliminated in a closely contested tie over three games.

J. Minter and B. Livingstone qualified for semi-finals before being eliminated by the eventual winners over three games.

C. Wellington and E. Redmond eliminated in first round by C. Hemmings and T. Thompson.

"E" Grade Singles—J. Yard and N. Moore, E. Faram and A. Humphreys performed well but were eliminated in early rounds.

P. Whalan played good attacking table tennis but was eliminated by a fine player in the semi-finals.

Under 15 Grade—P. Keen and R. Cornford played enthusiastically but were eliminated in the first round. G. Gorman and J. Durham performed well to qualify for the semi-finals before being eliminated by superior players.

The sportsmanship and gentlemanly bearing of All Saints' players throughout the tournament earned the club liberal praise from former world champion, Miklos Szabados.

Christmas Party

The "D" Grade No. 1 and "E" Grade No. 1 teams met in a friendly match on 23rd December. The "D" Grade side ran out comfortable winners after the "E" Grade players had established an early lead. The match was followed by a Christmas Party for all members and this social venture proved an outstanding success.

The Club was honoured in having the Rector in attendance on this occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Gorman deserve special praise for their efforts in this regard. The Club would also like to take this opportunity of thanking Mrs. Thompson for the donations of pikelets.

R. MOORE, President

B. LIVINGSTONE, Hon. Secretary

PERSONAL

We congratulate the young people who recently passed their Intermediate and Leaving Certificate examinations and wish them every blessing in their future careers.

We are sorry to lose John Nance from our Sunday School Staff, but wish him every success at Bathurst Teachers' Training College. Congratulations to Jan Sayers on getting honours in Music at the Leaving Certificate. Jim Barrett is another one who passed with credit in his Accountancy Exam. Congratulations too to Alan Jones, our Sunday School Registrar, who completed his B.A. this year.

On Sunday, 14th February at 11 a.m. our Special Preacher will be the Rev. K. Appasmy, Headmaster of All Saints' College, Lambasa.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, 14th February—Septuagesima.

Sunday, 21st February—Sexagesima.

Sunday, 28th February—Quinquagesima.

2nd March—Ash Wednesday.

Commencing on Ash Wednesday and each successive Wednesday during Lent there will be a 7 a.m. Holy Communion and at 7.30 p.m. a Devotional Service. The studies in the evening will be based on "Historic Facts about the Church of England."

THE MONKEY'S VIEWPOINT

Three monkeys sat on a cocoanut tree
Discussing things as they're said to be,
Said one to the others, "Now listen you two
There's a certain rumour that can't be true
That man descended from our noble race—
The very idea is a disgrace.

No monkey ever deserted his wife,
Starved her babies and ruined her life;
And you've never known a mother monk
To leave her babies with others to bunk;
Or pass them on from one to the other
'Till hardly is known who is their mother.

And another thing you'll never see
A monk build a fence round a cocoanut tree
And let the cocoanuts go to waste
Forbidding all other monks to taste;
Why, if I put a fence round a cocoanut tree
Starvation would force you to steal from me.

Here's another thing a monk won't do—
Go out at night and go on the stew;
Or use a gun or club or knife,
To take some other monkey's life.
Yes—man descended—the silly ass—
But Brother, he didn't descend from us".

HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICES

Sunday, 21st February:

8 a.m.—Holy Communion.

9.30 a.m.—Children's Service

11 a.m.—Morning Service.

7.15 p.m.—Evensong.

All gifts will be given to the Home of Peace

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