

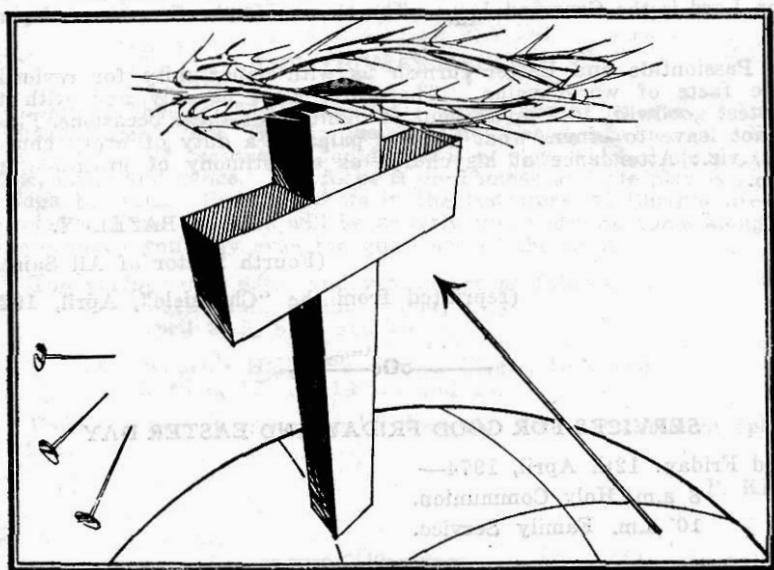
The Chronicle Of All Saints Petersham

Rector:

The Rectory, 325 Stanmore Road, Petersham, 2049—56-4735

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

APRIL, 1974



Jesus said "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die,"

St. John 11:25.

As one scans the horizon of human affairs, it is difficult to keep up one's spirits. Turn where you will, you are confronted with the things that depress and tend to pessimism, rather than optimism. Competitions and rivalries with their suspicious and jealousies, are a discouraging feature of our modern life, and when to those factors are added, the tragic issues of a pure materialism, there is cause to despair of the future.

To rightly classify the man who had become a pessimist, the ancients gave him the name kune or dog—from kune comes our word cynic. We might easily become cynics, and life need not greatly blame us for our attitude. There are, however, thank God, antidotes for despair, and of these one of the greatest is conveyed by the message of Easter—which is essentially a message of Hope. Should you require evidence of the value of the doctrine of the Resurrection, stand sometimes with me, and mark the effect upon a group of mourners, when death has sounded the death-knell of hope and love, and mark how despair, doubt and remorse are banished by the assertion of the fact that Jesus lives, and that the eternal life overweighs the gloom and discouragements of human hearts.

All men would do well to discover afresh the meaning and value of Easter. Its meaning can only be discerned as we relate it to the Life and Mission of our Lord. Especially must it be related, with the Passion, to God's redemption of mankind. "The grain of wheat must fall into the ground and die," if it is to "bring forth much fruit." The risen Lord is the Crucified Jesus—The Cross and the Crown are dependent.

Passiontide and Easter furnish us with opportunity for reviewing these facts of world value. Therefore, most heartily and with the greatest goodwill, do I invite your recognition of these occasions. Please do not leave to others what is most palpably a duty of every churchman, viz.: Attendance at his church as a testimony of gratitude and faith.

P. J. BAZELEY.

(Fourth Rector of All Saints')

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SERVICES FOR GOOD FRIDAY AND EASTER DAY

Good Friday: 12th April, 1974—

8 a.m. Holy Communion.

10 a.m. Family Service.

Easter Day: 14th April, 1974—

7 a.m. Holy Communion.

8.30 a.m. Holy Communion.

11 a.m. Holy Communion.

7 p.m. Evensong.

WOMEN PRAY FOR PEACE

On Friday, 1st March, a group of women, representative of the several denominations and churches in the area, met for worship and prayer at Dulwich Hill Baptist Church. The occasion was the Women's World Day of Prayer.

The fact that women all over the world were participating, and that the theme was "make us builders of peace" suggests an emphasis on the rather remote concept of international co-operation. However the service provided more than an opportunity to lament the state of international relations. It presented a serious challenge to each individual woman to seek first peace in her relationship with God as the foundation for interpersonal and international peace.

On the occasion of the Last Supper, Christ said "Peace is my parting gift to you, my own peace such as the world cannot give. Set your mind at rest and banish your fears." (John 14: 27, 28)

The wonder is that such peace is a gift, already offered, ours for the asking.

P. KIDD.

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THE THOMAS TOUCH

Harvest Theatre (The Church of England Youth Department Drama Group), presents The Thomas Touch as its Easter production. Billed as a "conflict of reasonable doubt", it is a play which includes songs music, mime and dance. The focus is on Thomas and the play is viewed through his eyes. Certain events in the last week of Christ's life are included and the audience will be actively involved. So come along, all are welcome—you may even recognise one of the cast!

The performance dates and venues are as follows:

St. James' Hall, Phillip Street, City:

April 2, 5, 8, 9 and 10.

St. Stephen's Hall, 189 Church Street, Newtown:

April 6, 12, 13, 14, 19 and 20.

Further information is available from the Youth Department (phone 61-9243).

P. KIDD.

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PERSONAL

We extend our sympathy to Mrs. J. Thompson whose mother Mrs. Doris Gray of Morgan Street, passed away recently.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

The following letter was received during the month:

We would like to thank you for the kind thoughts and for the fruit and groceries received from the congregation of the All Saints' Church of England, Petersham, during the Harvest Festival.

This gesture is much appreciated and you may be assured that the goods will be put to good use.

Yours sincerely,

A. G. MURRAY, Executive Officer,
Eversleigh, Naringah & Greenwich Hospitals.

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PAX VOBISCUM

Friend, you have come to this Church, leave it not without a prayer.
No man entering a house ignores him who dwells in it.

This is the House of God and He is here.

Pray then to Him who loves you and bids you welcome and awaits your Greeting.

Give Thanks for those in days gone by who built the place to His glory; and for those who, dying that we might live have preserved for us our heritage.

Praise God for His Gifts of beauty in painting and architecture, handicraft and music.

Ask that we who now live may build the spiritual fabric of the nation in Truth, Beauty and Goodness; and that as we draw near to Our Father through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ we may draw nearer one to another in perfect brotherhood.

The Lord preserve thy going out and thy coming in.
(The above appears in the porch at the southern door of the church.)

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SANCTUARY FLOWER ROSTER

- April 7: Donated by the Hird Family in memory of their Parents; arranged by Mrs. Clark.
- April 14: Donated by Iris and Colin in memory of their Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter; arranged by Miss Nisbet.
- April 21: Donated by Mrs. Hayes and Family in memory of Mr. Hayes; arranged by Mrs. Clark.
- April 28: Donated by Mrs. Hanson and Family in memory of Mr. Hanson; arranged by Miss Nisbet.
- May 5: Donated by Mrs. Dark in memory of her husband Mr. Eddie Dark, arranged by Mrs. Clark.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

We welcome back Miss Kerrie Cheetham to the teaching staff. Kerrie left the staff twelve months ago and has to help us again as there has not been any response to our advertisement for teachers in the "Chronicle" and weekly notice sheet.

Hugh Quelch is leaving the teaching staff and I would like to thank him for his time and help to the Sunday School pupils over the past 12 years.

While we are without a pianist, Mr. John Badger of North Ryde, has been recording organ music for us and our thanks to him for his help.

Lenten Boxes: The Lenten Boxes that were given out at the beginning of Lent should be returned on Easter Day. The money collected will be sent to the Church Mission Society.

NOEL CRAGG, Hon. Secretary.

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CLUB NEWS**Ladies Guild:**

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, 9th April, at 1 p.m. At our March meeting it was decided to arrange our Annual Luncheon for 22nd May. Full details will appear in the May "Chronicle".

E. M. BOSWARD, Hon. Secretary.

Y.M. and Friends Club:

Our next meeting for the year will be held on Tuesday, 9th April, at 8 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

IDA BARRETT, Hon. Secretary.

Senior Parishioners' Club:

The Senior Parishioners' Club does not meet during Holy Week—members please take note.

It was so nice to welcome 5 or 6 new members—it really does pay to advertise our Club in the "Chronicle".

We tell you all the nice things about it—why not come along and see for yourself.

Mrs. Whitehouse has been hospitalized and also Mrs. Callaghan. We wish them both a speedy recovery.

We invite Ladies and Gentlemen to join us in the Parish Hall, each Thursday, at 1 p.m. for a happy social afternoon.

DOT. SHAW, Hon. Secretary—797-6967.

Youth Group:

The Youth Group has, once again, had a very enjoyable month of interesting and varied activities which included visits to Luna Park and Coogee Beach (for an invigorating game of beach football) and two games nights in the parish hall. Average attendance at these functions has been in excess of 15 members and from all reports received, everyone had a really enjoyable time. However, I am still pleading for new members. It's a shame to see such good facilities as we have at All Saints' left lying idle because of lack of people to take advantage of them. If you know of anyone between the ages of 12 and 25 who would be interested, please contact Debbie Mason (560-8629) or Virginia Legg (51-5220) for further information.

It gives me great pleasure to announce that once again the Youth Group is launching its Easter Egg Appeal this year. The response was so fantastic last year, not only from the parishioners in giving, but also from the children receiving, that we decided to make this an annual event. Donations of Easter Eggs or cash can be left in the special box in the vestry.

In closing, I would like to share with you all a little prayer that one of our new members prays every morning before beginning the days work.

God grant me SERENITY to accept the things I cannot change,
COURAGE to change the things I can,

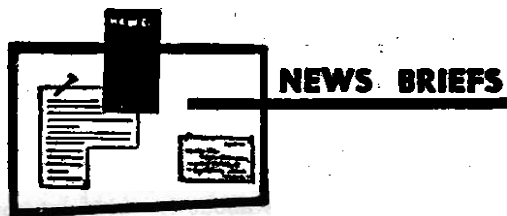
and WISDOM to know the difference. Amen.

PETER W. GRAY.

Indoor Bowls Club:

The Bowls Club is progressing nicely and competition matches commenced during the week of the 25th March. We have entered two teams—Skippers: Mr. Frank Hearn and Mr. Bert Shaw. A cordial invitation is extended to anybody wishing to join the club which meets every Wednesday in the Church Hall, at 7.30 p.m.

B. SEE, Hon. Secretary.



● A special Anzac Service will be held at All Saints' Petersham, on Sunday, 21st April, at 3 p.m.

● Articles for the May "Chronicle" are due no later than 21st April, 1974.

PARISH INFORMATION

HOLY COMMUNION—Each Sunday at 8 a.m., 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11 a.m.
3rd Sundays after Evensong.

MATINS—1st and 5th Sundays at 11 a.m. LITANY—5th Sundays at 11 a.m.

EVENSONG—Each Sunday at 7 p.m.

FAMILY SERVICE—3rd Sundays at 10 a.m. Sunday School and Kindergarten
on other Sundays at 9.45 a.m.

BAPTISMS, MARRIAGES AND FUNERALS BY ARRANGEMENT WITH
THE RECTOR.

CHURCHWARDENS: Messrs. E. Quelch (Rector's), F. G. Hearn, W.
Williams.

PARISH COUNCIL: The Churchwardens and Messrs. J. H. Bretherton, N.
Cragg, F. Evans, A. Graham, A. L. Granger, P. Gray, and A. F. Jones.
Miss F. Kidd, Messrs. B. Livingston, H. E. Quelch, H. Swankie, and J. R.
Williams.

HON. TREASURER: Mr. E. Quelch. HON. SECRETARY: Mr. A. Jones.

SIDESMEN: Messrs. V. C. Barrett, G. Clarke, A. Ingoldsby-Brown, G. R.
Minister, and H. J. Shaw.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT: Mr. A. Jones.

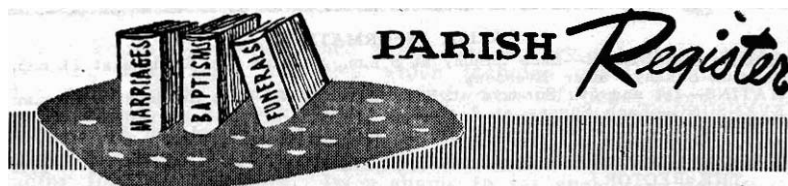
KINDERGARTEN LEADER: Miss K. Williams.

EXTENSION GROUP LEADER:

PUBLICITY OFFICER: Mr. H. J. Shaw (797-6967).

ORGANIST AND CHOIRMASTER: Mr. C. Sillince.

*Give me a good digestion, Lord,
And also something to digest.
And give me a healthy body, Lord,
And sense to keep it at its best.
Give me a healthy mind, O Lord,
To keep the good and pure in sight,
Which seeing sin is not appalled,
But finds a way to set it right.
Give me a mind that is not bored,
That does not whimper, whine, or sigh.
Don't let me worry overmuch
About that fussy thing called "I."
Give me a sense of humor, Lord,
Give me the grace to see a joke,
To get some happiness from life
And pass it on to other folk.*



BAPTISMS

"Grafted into the Body of Christ's Church"

- February 22: Melanie Anne Wibrow.
February 24: Stephen Robert Richter.
March 10: Elizabeth Anne Victoria Alice Sayers.

WEDDINGS

"Heirs together of the Grace of Life."

- February 23: Allan Laird Granger and Margaret Bronwyn Green.
February 23: Alan Frederick Jones and Colleen Fay Hill.
March 1: Graham Walter May and Maria Ada Florentine.
March 2: Robert Arthur Glase and Ruth Margaret Appleyard.

FUNERALS

**"In the midst of life we are in death; of whom may we seek for succour
but of Thee, O Lord."**

- February 19: Caroline Price Jamieson.

WALTERS & SON

FUNERAL DIRECTORS

Offices and Chapels:

433-35 NEW CANTERBURY ROAD, DULWICH HILL—560-9999

890 CANTERBURY ROAD, LAKEMBA—759-4044

You are invited to enquire about our funeral fund.

People of all ages are accepted without medical examination.