

The Chronicle

Of All Saints

Petersham

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Wishing you all a Happy and Holy Christmas

THE RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear People,

Now that the great day of the Fete is over and we are clearing up and resting up, we may look back over the job with a sense of joy and accomplishment at the good work we have done. With the receipts of the day nearing \$3,900, we should all be very happy and thankful that The Lord was pleased not to let our labours go un-rewarded. You all of course realize that All Saint's Church is dependent upon the earnings of our annual fete, and so our work was no mere passing of the time of day for our amusement, but an absolutely essential part of our yearly activities. And so may I take this opportunity on behalf of the Church, the Parish Council, and the Rectory, to thank deeply all the fete workers, young and old, for a good job well done.

As your priest and friend I am hoping that we will see our efforts and gifts as given to the Lord. For if we keep in mind the central purpose of having the fete which is to finance the on-going work of the Christian Ministry in this place, then we realize that it was for the Lord that we did the work. And we know that the Lord, "from whom no secrets are hid," has seen us at work in his vineyard and will reward those who have openly declared themselves to be his friends by the willing gift of their time and substance and toil to His cause. Be assured, my people, that it is just such acts of charity that constitute treasures in heaven.

I am also very much aware of the tremendous amount of effort and hours of careful work that went into the preparation for that great day. On the Friday night before the fete I was astonished to see the stalls stocked to overflowing with the countless colourful and delightful things that we sold. I knew then that a lot of people had done a lot of work quietly behind the scenes. Not only the Fete Committee and its hard working chairman, but all the good men and women who made, sewed, cooked, bottled, collected, repaired, potted, bought, stored, transported, arranged, planned, painted, created, or otherwise procured and prepared the range of wares, games, and shows we presented. I think that all who shared in this great day's activities should enjoy a feeling of achievement. And our best reward is that good feeling of fulfilling accomplishment.

And besides all that, didn't we have fun? The skirl o' the pipes, the beat of the band, flags fluttering, and crowds of people everywhere in busy excitement. One of the great joys of such a fete is the good fellowship we enjoy working shoulder to shoulder for a common cause. And that in itself is worth the effort. And so may I say again to all who worked for this year's most successful fete, a hearty "Well Done", good and faithful friends. And may you rest in the sense of a worthwhile task beautifully discharged. May God Bless you all.

Yours most sincerely,

C. A. CAMPBELL.

Mr. W. SOPWITH RETIRES

Our Rector's Warden and Honorary Parish Treasurer, Mr. William Sopwith, is retiring from business, and he and Mrs. Sopwith will be making a trip to England next year. We are sorry to report that in consequence Mr. Sopwith has decided to relinquish his positions in the parish as from this month.

We wish to extend our grateful thanks to Bill and his wife for their many years of service to All Saints' and look forward to seeing them again, fit and refreshed, towards the end of 1972.

In the meantime, we all wish them God Speed on their journey.

DECEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

Changed Service Times: This month's Family Service will be held on the second Sunday, 12th December at 10 a.m., and will include the Sunday School's Annual Prizegiving. As a special feature, Mr. Allen and the Junior Choir will present the Christmas Message in a special selection of Carols with a linking narrative. All parishioners, including the parents of Sunday School children, are cordially invited to this Service.

On the third Sunday, 19th December, the mid-morning Service will be a Celebration of Holy Communion at 11 a.m.
"Carols by Candlelight"



What has been called the "Church's Christmas Present to the Parish" will be offered on Sunday evening, 19th December at 7 p.m. This is, of course, the popular "Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols" or "Carols by Candlelight".

The candlelit church provides a most appropriate atmosphere for the singing of the popular old Carols, and the lessons will be read by parishioners representing a wide range of our organisations. You will enjoy taking part, so please

join us. Candles will be available at the Church for a nominal sum.

Watchnight Service:

Give thanks for the benefits of the year past, and seek God's guidance and blessing for the year ahead at our special New Year's Eve Watchnight Service, Friday, 31st December at 11.00 p.m.

RESULTS OF A GREAT FETE

From the total below, we must deduct all overhead expenses such as hire of bands, tents, advertising, and insurance, while a fixed proportion must be sent, as is the case with all our parish income, to the Diocesan authorities.

The following are the amounts received as at 22nd November. Where names are given, they are of those personally taking responsibility for the stall concerned.

Stall	Conducted by	\$
Fancy Work	Mrs. Jones—\$696	
	Mrs. Clark—\$380	1076
Children's Wear and Clocks	Mrs. Bosward	353
White Elephant	Mrs. Humphreys—\$90	
	Mrs. Wright and	
	Mr. Kelly—\$167	257
Cakes and Sweets	Y.M. and Friends—\$319	
	Don. Rev. A. E. Gardner—\$50	369
Pottery	Mrs. Ingoldsby-Brown	122
Groceries and Jams	Sunday School	291
Jewellery	Mr. Giddings	350
Books	Fellowship	95
Toys, Hoopla, etc.	Fellowship	142
Refreshments	Mrs. Graham	158
Plants and Cushions	S.S. Mothers' Club	221
Floral Arrangements and Shells	Mrs. Sopwith	101
Vegetables	Y.C.I.	77
Hot Dogs	Y.C.I.	40
Model Railway Exhibition	The Rector	70
Train and Pony Rides	Mr. Hearn, Mr. Carroll	106
Balloons	Mrs. Essam	28

Fairy Floss	(Fete proportion)	16
Donations		12

Gross Total: \$3884

The amount from the Yardley's Demonstration has still to be finalised.

FETE APPRECIATIONS

Chairman of the Parish Council's Committee, Mr. H. J. Shaw, writes: "Congratulations to all the stallholders and other fete workers on the wonderful results obtained this year. We are deeply grateful to you all for your good work and co-operation.

The men in charge of the Visitor's Book were told by many people as they left the Hall that ours is the best fete in the whole of Sydney."

Mrs. D. Jones wishes to thank everyone who donated goods, sewed, and in any other way helped to stock the **Fancy Goods Stall**; the takings were a record and all this assistance was greatly appreciated. Thanks also to those who worked on the Stall on the day of the fete.

Refreshments: Mrs. D. Graham writes: "I would like to take this opportunity to extend grateful thanks and appreciation for an outstanding job well done by the stalwart band of ladies who assisted in the Refreshment Room. To the many other folk who also graciously made donations of cash or kind, 'THANK YOU'."

Mrs. Ivy Clark wishes to thank all the kind folk who sent gifts to her stall and who helped on the day of the fete. The stall would not have been such a success without this generous support. Mrs. Clark adds her best wishes for the Christmas season to all her friends at All Saints'.

Our thanks are extended to Yardley's for their display and donation. Their Representative and their Cosmeticians did a marvellous job.

Cakes and Sweets: On behalf of the Y.M. and Friends' Club, Mrs. Barrett writes: "We thank sincerely all our wonderful friends who helped make our stall such a wonderful success. We were very proud to hand in \$364 at the end of the day. Thanks again to all who helped make this possible."

The Y.C.I. wishes to express its sincere thanks to all those parishioners who helped the Y.C.I. stalls, by way of gifts, transport, and other support.

Mrs. Campbell writes: "The Sunday School Mums thank very much the people who made the **Plant Stall** such a green and attractive place with their donations. Much appreciation also to the men who carried the plants and helped set up tables, and to the Fellowship who helped clear up. We also thank those who donated cages; the budgie occupants came from Mrs. Pitt-Owen of Haberfield Rectory. We were glad to have so many attractive **Cushions**, and a large vote of thanks to all who did the sewing, including ladies of the Senior Parishioners' Club and Fellowship lasses."

Thanks are also extended to the countless other folk whose unselfish labours helped to amass such a grand total: to those who made and gave goods for sale, erected and dismantled the stalls, tents, flags, etc., distributed the coloured dodgers, cleaned up the hall and grounds both before and after the fete, collected donations, donated the hampers and other prizes, and performed countless other acts in a quiet anonymous way, we say "Thank You, one and all".

CLUB NEWS

Y.M. and Friends' Club:

The next meeting of the Y.M. and Friends' Club will be held

upstairs in the Y.C.I. Club Room of the Parish Hall on Tuesday, 14th December at 8 p.m. The Club will then go into recess until Tuesday, 8th February, 1972.

We take this opportunity to wish all our friends the Blessings of Christmas.

IDA BARRETT, Hon. Secretary.

Senior Parishioners' Club

Once again we draw to the end of another year. Looking back 15 years to the commencement of our "Senior Parishioners' Club", we have seen many of our Senior Citizens come and go. Most stayed just as long as their health permitted them to.

Our membership at present is over 50 and our average attendance is very good; we feel that everyone who joins our Club has something to give, otherwise we would not be such a happy band.

Our break-up for 1971 will be on Saturday, 18th December. We then go into recess until 13th January, 1972, when new members will be most welcome.

We wish a Happy and Holy Christmas to our Rector, Mrs. Campbell, and family, and thank them for the interest they have taken in our Club. To our members and all of our friends at All Saints' we wish a very Happy Christmas and God's richest blessings.

DOT. SHAW, Hon. Secretary.

Ladies' Guild:

Tuesday, 14th December will be our final meeting for 1971, when we hold our Christmas break-up party at 2 p.m. in the Guild Room. We then go into recess until Tuesday, 8th February.

We take this opportunity of wishing the Rector, Mrs. Campbell and family the Compliments of the Season.

E. M. BOSWARD, Hon. Secretary.

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

The 61st Commemoration Night of the Institute was held on Friday night, 5th November. The program consisted of a selection of color slides of past Y.C.I. functions, screened by Mr. Alan Jones, after which Mr. David Hunter, M.L.A. spoke to the Institute about many interesting happenings involving him both here and overseas, in his role as a Member of Parliament. Supper was kindly prepared and served for us by Mrs. Ivy Clark.

Commemoration Service: Nine members attended the 61st Commemoration Service of the Y.C.I. on Sunday evening, 7th November. The Lessons were read by Messrs. Alan Jones and Fred. Evans.

GEOFFREY GORMAN, Hon. Secretary.

Youth Group:

This is the first report of the newly-formed Youth Group. You may have been inundated with notices about our group, so one more won't make much difference. We are looking for new members, mainly teenagers and young married couples. We generally meet twice a week—on Fridays for activities and Bible Studies, and on Sundays after Evensong for a general get-together and sing-a-long with accompaniment by two gorgeous girls, Fritz Walker and Pat. Prince, and occasionally by Mr. Campbell on his piano accordion.

We now have approximately 20 present at each meeting. If you are interested, or know anyone who could be, please contact the Rector (56-4735) or Peter Gray (56-2208).

As you know, the Fete was a great success. The Fellowship managed to raise \$237.27. This would not have been possible without the generous donations of Miss Wilkes, Mrs. Gorman, Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Gibb and Frank Hearn, and the great amount of time Mrs. Elliott gave to the Book

Stall. Thanks also to the members of the Youth Group who spent the whole day behind the stalls and also for their time preparing and cleaning up afterwards. While on fetes, we would be grateful for any donations of books for our stall, which we are going to try to build up into something really worthwhile.

Our Christmas Party will be held on Friday, 10th December at 75 Moratai Road, Revesby. Anyone interested in coming should ring me on the above number.

I would like to thank the Rector and Mrs. Campbell for their unending support throughout the year; if it were not for them, we probably would not have started this group. Also, on behalf of our members, I would like to extend to all parishioners our best wishes for Christmas and the best of luck for the coming year.

PETER GRAY, Hon. Secretary.

PARISH CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Once again we look to the generosity of parishioners and their friends in donating soap, washers, talc, handkerchiefs, or anything else suitable as Christmas gifts for the aged and ill in the convalescent hospitals in the parish.

Donations may be placed in the special box in the front porch of the Church, left at the Rectory, or given to a member of the Sunday School Mothers' Club. Gifts of cash for use in purchasing goods will also be most welcome.

The Mothers' Club acknowledges with thanks donations from the Senior Parishioners' Club, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Shaw, Miss E. Sutherland, Mrs. J. Wilson, Mrs. E. Kerry, Mrs. G. Barron, Misses E. Craigie, N. Street, Rita Heges, M. Frost, Mr. W. Williams and Anonymous.

THE WEEKLY ENVELOPE SYSTEM

Quite a number of parishioners using the Weekly Church Envelopes have been subscribing regularly since the scheme was introduced in our 1957 Promotion Drive; the actual pledges they signed at that time have never been altered, although it is appreciated that many would now be subscribing higher than what they pledged in 1957. Also, those who have joined in later years have not been asked to make a commitment for a regular amount.

Thus, we do not have a reliable guide of what total we can expect each week from our subscribers, who comprise a large proportion of our regular parishioners. Because of our continuously growing expenses, due to rising prices, costs of maintenance, etc., it is imperative that we have a more assured basis on which to plan our finances, and the Parish Council will shortly be contacting all parishioners on this problem.

Even taking into account Fete proceeds, our expenditure this year will be about \$2,000 more than our income. The urgent need to rectify this situation is the reason why we shall be asking you to re-consider your present method of contributing to your Church's funds.

● **Christmas Cards:** It is not Christmas without Christ! Therefore, when buying your Christmas Cards, please be sure to buy only those that have a Christian message. CHRISTmas cards depicting Santa Claus, his reindeers, the opera house or jingle bells are hardly appropriate ways of signifying to your relatives, friends, and fellow parishioners your personal joy on the anniversary of Christ's birth.

● **How does the Centenary Fund work:** Interested parishioners may obtain copies of the Centenary Fund by-laws from Mr. E. Quelch or Mr. F. Hearn. Although the Centenary Year has ended, the endowment fund is open in perpetuity, and donations may be made at any time through the Wardens.

BAPTISMS

"One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism"

- October 24: Samantha Yvette Kalkis.
 November 7: Allyn Thomas Williams Sayers.
 November 14: Adrian Malcolm Boyd.
 November 14: Shawn Graham Brown.

MARRIAGES

"Whom God hath joined together, let no man put asunder."

- October 30: William John Hunter to Janise Gay Davies.
 November 6: William Christopher Evans to Myrtle Eileen Howard.
 November 13: Michael Francis Shapter to Roslyn Eleanor Kirkby.

FUNERALS

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

- October 26: Charles George Marler.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Fete: \$291.00 was raised this year by our Fete Stall. I would like to thank all the people who made jam, gave donations of cash, groceries, sugar, and bottles, and also the following companies for their help: Kellogg's (Aust.) Pty. Ltd., G. J. Coles & Coy. Ltd., Samuel Taylor Pty. Ltd., H. Jones and Company (Sydney) Pty. Ltd., Fielders' Foods Pty. Ltd., Colgate-Palmolive Pty. Ltd., Kraft Foods Ltd., Pepsi-Cola Metropolitan Bottling Company Inc., Westons Biscuits, Lifesavers (Australasia) Ltd., Hoadley's Chocolates (N.S.W.) Pty. Ltd., Sanitarium Health Food Company, and Bushells' Pty. Ltd.

Mr. Lindsay Nance is leaving for England early in January. On behalf of the Sunday School staff and scholars, I would like to thank him for his work in the Sunday School and wish him all the best on his trip.

The annual prize-giving will be held at the 10 a.m. Family Service on Sunday, 12th December.

NOEL CRAGG, Hon. Secretary.

SANCTUARY FLOWER ROSTER

- December 5th: Donated by Mr. and Mrs. Swankie and family in memory of their Mother and Grandmother; by Mrs. M. Willis in memory of Mrs. Willis Senior; by Mrs. I. Clark in memory of Mrs. Hilda Coates, and in memory of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Hunt by their Daughters; arranged by Mrs. Clark.
- December 12th: Donated by Mr. R. Miniter, John and Margaret in memory of Mrs. Miniter; arranged by Miss Nisbet.
- December 19th: No donation; arranged by Mrs. Clark.
- Christmas Day: Donated by Mrs. M. Willis in memory of Mrs. Shiels. Extra flowers or money for flowers for Christmas would be greatly appreciated; if giving flowers, please leave at Church by 10 a.m. on Friday, 24th December. Arranged by the Ladies of the Flower Roster.
- January 2nd: Donated by Mrs. Adams in memory of the Rev. C. E. Adams; arranged by Mrs. Clark.

We gratefully acknowledge flowers on Sunday, 31st October from Ruby and Lex Graham (Cremorne Point) in memory of Eulalie Graham and Alice Sandoval; on Sunday, 7th November from Miss Bayley, and on Sunday, 14th November from Mr. and Mrs. Pursehouse in memory of Mary Jane Hammond and Glen Kenneth Hammond.

● **January "Chronicle":** Because of the printers' holidays, the January "Chronicle" will go to press early, and all items for inclusion must be with Messrs. Gorman or A. Jones not later than Sunday, 12th December.

Christmas Services

SUNDAY, 12th DECEMBER

10 a.m. FAMILY SERVICE & SUNDAY SCHOOL PRIZEGIVING

SUNDAY, 19th DECEMBER

7 p.m. THE FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

Our Annual "Carols by Candlelight" Service

CHRISTMAS DAY, SATURDAY, 25th
DECEMBER



7.00 a.m.—Holy Communion

8.15 a.m.—Holy Communion

10.30 a.m.—Holy Communion

Note: There will not be an Evening Service on
Christmas Day

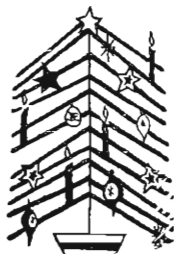
PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY
OPEN TO ALL PARISHIONERS

Parish Hall.— Wednesday, 8th December
at 8 p.m.

Entertainment

Dancing

Supper



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