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HARVEST THANKSGIVING



SUNDAY 15th FEBRUARY, 1987

9-30a.m.

The Rectory,
325 Stanmore Road,
PETERSHAM.
23rd January, 1987.

Dear Friends,

How quickly things change in this world of ours. The change has become so rapid that it is impossible to keep up with what is happening.

Just recently television, radio and newspapers have been full of the take over bids, and counter bids for newspapers and television channels and radio stations. Sometimes its all happening in Australia, sometimes our brothers across the Tasman are trying to buy us out, or sometimes overseas interests, for international giants come into view. Its all cloak and dagger stuff - or is it?

One thing I can assure you of is that as yet no take over bids have yet been made for this monthly magazine.

Jokes aside it has become difficult to keep up with the changes in the world of big business, and many other areas of life.

For some people, perhaps even most people, coping with change is very difficult even frightening. Many people seek security in areas where little or no change has taken place. I think that all of us in some form or another retreat into the past.

As children attending Sunday School we used to sing
"Yesterday, to-day, for ever
Jesus is the same
All may change but Jesus never
Glory to His Name."

A simple chorus which as children spoke to us about Jesus. He is a trust worthy friend. In those days I guess to have a reliable friend was important. To-day as one gets older and rapid changes overtake us our thoughts turn to the Lord Jesus as being one who can be trusted and relied upon in a world where even the basics of life; of human relationship; of worship; of morality are changing. The only firm anchor is found in Christ our Lord and Saviour.

How important it is to know Him and have our confidence in one who changes not.

"All may change but Jesus never.
Glory to His Name."

May your confidence be in Christ Jesus the Lord.

Yours sincerely,
BRUCE WOOLCOTT.
Rector.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

On Sunday 15th February we will celebrate Harvest Festival. On this day the church is decorated by gifts of food given by Sunday School pupils, members of the congregation and friends. After the services on Harvest Festival Sunday these gifts are given to either the Home Mission Society Careforce or the Braeside Hospital.

If you would like to contribute towards our Harvest Festival, then gifts may be left at the church or rectory before midday on Saturday 14th.

The object of Harvest Festival is to give thanks to God for supplying our needs throughout the year past.

You are invited to join us on Sunday morning February 15th at 9-30a.m. at our festival of thanksgiving.

AN INVITATION TO THE WOMEN OF THE PARISH.

"Come for Coffee" (or a cup of tea)
7-30pm to 9-00pm at the Rectory
Tuesday Evening February 17th

An informal time to meet and talk with each other. If transport is needed, please let us know - 569-4735

Helen Woolcott.

FLOWER DONATIONS.

- FEBRUARY 1ST - By Mrs. M. Willis in memory of her Mother, Mrs. Sheriff.
Arrangement by Mrs. A. Steed.
- FEBRUARY 8TH - By Mrs. T. Hitchins in memory of her husband.
Arrangement by Mrs. E. Hearn and Mrs. M. Essam.
- FEBRUARY 15TH - By Miss. Leslie in memory of her family.
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WOMEN-IN-FRIENDSHIP

Our first effort for 1987 will be a secondhand clothing and jumble sale on Friday 6th February commencing at 9 a.m. Those who are helping please come to the hall Thursday morning about 9-30 a.m. to help put the goods out.

The first general meeting will be held in the Guild Room of the Parish Hall on Tuesday 10th February at 1-30p.m. Please all members make an effort to attend.

The March meeting on Tuesday 10th at 1 p.m. will be our Annual meeting followed by the annual Happy Home Party, presented by Mrs. Molly Sainsbury, at 2 p.m. We would be very pleased to welcome any ladies who would care to join us. There is no need to buy anything, just swell our numbers. A nice afternoon tea will follow. See you there.

Ida Barrett - Hon. Secretary.

SENIOR PARISHIONERS CLUB

By the time you read this Chronicle the Senior Parishioners Club will have recommenced on the 29th January.

We play "Housie", every Thursday afternoon in the Parish Hall for small useful gifts such as Matches, Jelly Crystals, Fruit and pieces of vegetables etc. There is always a lovely afternoon tea, fresh sandwiches, and home made cakes. So if you have Thursday afternnoons to fill in, in happy surroundings please come and join us. Time 1-00p.m. to 4-00p.m., all this for 80 cents.

Ida Barrett - Hon. Secretary.

RECYCLING

We have been finding it increasingly difficult to maintain our newspaper recycling service. As each day goes by we get older and consequently our available labour diminishes and more effort is required of the survivors.

This is an early warning to inform supporters that we expect to close down the operations on Saturday 13th June 1987. We think it only fair to give all our friends and helpers this prior warning in the hope that they can find other means of disposing of their newspapers and magazines.

Further warnings will be given in March and succeeding months.

In the meantime the parishioners of All Saints, thank all our helpers for their efforts.

Editor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

The Sunday School resumed for the 1987 classes on 1st. February.

Following the Sunday School classes on 8th February the Annual Meeting of teachers will be held. One item on the agenda will be the date of the annual picnic.

Harvest Festival will be held on the 15th February at the Family Service and the pupils are asked to bring along a thank offering of tinned goods, vegetables or fruit. Following the Sunday services the offerings are taken to Braeside Hospital or the H.M.S. Careforce.

The Sunday School prize giving will be held at the Family Service on 15th March 1987.

Noel Cragg - Superintendent.

BOOK REVIEW - Helen Woolcott

I suppose most of us have seen the film "A Man Called Peter", at least once or twice. It is a regular event on TV. But having also read Catherine Marshall's book, I sometimes wonder what had happened to Peter Marshall's widow and son after his death in 1949.

Facing a lonely future, Catherine Marshall was challenged to write, and produced nearly twenty books. One of the last before she died in 1983, was MEETING GOD AT EVERY TURN.

Following ten years of widowhood, Catherine married a widower with three children, and her thus "adopted" daughter, Linda LeSourd, urged her to write "what she had learned about God and His plan for life and for families". The result is a personal and moving book of twelve easy-to-read episodes in MEETING GOD AT EVERY TURN.

The twelve key points in the book are some which face most of us during our lives, and are times when God can provide special care and guidance for us. These include, Illness, Grief, Single Parenthood, Loneliness, Second Families and Grandparenting.

Not all the experiences are unhappy, and there are delightful sections of joy and laughter in the book as well. But she writes: "I have met God at moments when the straight roads turn. He has picked me up, wiped away the tears, and set me back on the path of life".

From childhood to old age, Catherine Marshall has "met God at every turn", and she finally wrote this book to share her experiences and God's goodness with her readers.

MEETING GOD AT EVERY TURN is available from bookshops at around \$6.00. A few copies are available for \$4.00 from the Church Bookstall.



BAPTISMS

"Suffer the little children to come unto Me"

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August 3rd	Todd Barrie Lawson.
September 14th	Annaliesse Marie Szota.
October 5th	Shane Gordon Edward Joyce.
December 23rd	Juliet Michele Yvette Adamson.

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January 3rd	Christopher John Spinks.
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MARRIAGES

"Those Whom God hath joined"

1986

September 26th	Shayne Robert Adford to Sharon Isabell Nicholls.
November 1st	Jeffrey Wilhelm Hart to Ledayne Maree Drinkwater.

FUNERALS

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord: Even so, saith the Spirit,
for they rest from their labours"

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August 12th	Violet Evelyn Downes.
August 24th	Ida May Frost.
October 2nd	George Bernard Louis.

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