

# The Chronicle

Of All Saints

Petersham

STANMORE ROAD, PETERSHAM

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DECEMBER 1987

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Christmas Day Services

8-00 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION



New Year's Day

8-00 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION



The Rectory,  
325 Stanmore Road,  
Petersham. 2049.  
16th November, 1987.

Dear Friends,

This is our Christmas - New Year issue of The Chronicle. May I begin by wishing you a happy and meaningful Christmas.

Christmas is the time when we remember God's gift to man - His Only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.

St. John tells us "that God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him shall have eternal life". (John 3:16)

To have eternal life simply means to live with God for ever. Death has no fear. Sick and sadness; anxiety and grief; poverty and want - will all vanish when we enjoy life with God.

Without Christ there is no meaning in Christmas.

This year our Christmas activities begin with our Family Service on Sunday 13th December at 9-30am. As usual our Sunday School will be involved (Note: It is the second, not third Sunday). Our Sunday School will recommence on February 7th, 1988.

On Christmas Day we shall have one big service at 8-00am. This is different to last year's time, so please, please, make a note about it. I look forward to seeing all of you gathered together on that morning as a large happy family celebrating our Lord coming among us.

Remember 8am Christmas Day - just the one service.

Again this year the Marrickville - Petersham Ministers Fraternal are organizing two Carol Service.

The first is outdoors in Enmore Park on Friday 11th December commencing at 7-30pm. The second an indoor service at Roseby Memorial Uniting Church in Marrickville at 7-00pm on Sunday 20th December. You are invited to both these services. (There will be no evening service at All Saints', Petersham on that day - Sunday 20th December).

On New Year's Day we will again have a service of Holy Communion at 8-00am. Last year we moved our New Years Eve service to the morning of New Years Day and were thrilled at the greater numbers attending and the quietness of the morning hour.

New Years Day holds added significance this year as it begins our Bi-Centennial Year.

No doubt there will be many events connected with the Bi-Centennial both within the municipality, the city of Sydney and the country as a whole. Two events I would especially draw to your attention.

On Wednesday 3rd February at Macquarie Place, Sydney there will be a ceremony marking the Bi-centenary of the first christian service held in Australia. This commemoration will begin at 5pm. Following this there will be a service at St.Philips Church Hill. This marks an important event in the life of our country and in the history of the Australian Church.

On the Sunday following, 7th February at 10-30am there will be held a special service in St.Andrews Cathedral Sydney at which the bishops of the Anglican Church pf Australia will be taking part. The two Bi-Centenary Services will be the high point of the celebration for us in 1988.

Later in the Bi-Centenary year a week of prayer is planned details of this will be available later. How we need to confess our individual and national sins - our neglect of others our greed, our selfishness. We need to return to God, to be obedient to the teaching of

God's Word, to accept the gift of salvation which comes to us through Christ Jesus - the babe whose birth we celebrate at Christmas.

May you find peace and joy in believing.

May you have a blessed Christmas.  
BRUCE WOOLCOTT.  
Rector.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

The Sunday School ran another successful grocery stall at this years fete. \$259 was raised. We would like to thank all who made a contribution to this success either through a donation or help on the stall on the day.

The Sunday School pupils ran the toy stall, which raised \$173. Thanks to all who helped with a donation. Thanks also to Mrs. Essam for organizing the stall and Sarah Essam and Sarah Forsyth for running the stall on the day.

The Sunday School will finish the fourth term of 1987 at the Family Service on Sunday 13th December at 9-30am. Classes will recommence on 7th February, 1988.

Sunday School pupils will be taking part in the December Family Service and parents and friends are invited to attend.

The Sunday School Christmas party is to be held on Friday 11th December, 1987 commencing at 5-30pm.

Noel Cragg - Superintendent.

**FLOWER DONATIONS**

- DECEMBER 6TH - By Mr. & Mrs. R. Swankie in memory of their mother & nanna.  
Arrangement by Mrs. E. Hearn and Mrs. M. Essam.
- DECEMBER 13TH - By Mrs. M. Willis in memory of Mrs. Willis Snr.  
In loving memory of my friend Emily Abrahall from Phil Heap.  
Arrangement by Mrs. E. Hearn and Mrs. M. Essam.
- DECEMBER 20TH - In loving memory of our dear sister Elsie Hillery from Bert & Kath Gamble.  
By Mrs. Rhodes in memory of Friend Vera Dearing & Son Peter Brian Moran.  
Arrangement by Mrs. J. Hadley.
- DECEMBER 25TH - In loving memory of my mother and daughter Betty from Phil Heap.  
From Mrs. Carr in memory of her parents  
In memory of Mr. & Mrs. Baxter, sisters Ena & Stella from Barbara.  
Arrangement by Mrs. E. Hearn and Mrs. M. Essam.

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## 1987 FETE RESULTS

The results of the 1987 fete stalls are:-

	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR
White Elephant Stall.....	993.20	1054.95
Work Stall.....	905.40	1552.30
Cakes, Sweets & Drinks Stall.....	566.00	600.00
Groceries.....	274.13	370.35
Refreshments.....	249.10	185.42
Pottery Stall.....	242.00	327.10
Jewellery Stall.....	215.00	Nil
Books Stall.....	185.25	193.66
Toy Stall.....	173.45	282.30
Plant Stall.....	95.90	141.07
Hot Dog Stall.....	22.00	Nil
Donations.....	200.00	318.10
Castle.....	Nil	77.10
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Total.....	\$4121.43	\$5102.35
Less Expenses.....	Nil	\$ 371.45
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	\$4121.43	\$4730.90

The Lucky Door Prizes were won by:-

Ticket 26. Mr. W. Williams of 22 Gordon Square, Marrickville; and ticket 141, Mr. K. Shearman of 8 Lofts Avenue, Lakemba. (local butcher of 560 New Canterbury Road Petersham).

Another winning ticket (No.37) was held by Mr. Robert Hutchinson, 2 Terminus Street, Petersham who donated the prize back to the fete for which we thank him.

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## 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.

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**WOMEN-IN-FRIENDSHIP**

The next meeting of the Women-in-Friendship will be a brief meeting on Tuesday 8th December followed by our Christmas break-up party, to which we invite any ladies of the parish who would care to attend. We then go into recess until Tuesday 9th February, 1988.

The first secondhand clothing and jumble sale next year will be held on Friday 19th February in the Parish Hall. The last this year held in October we made \$150. Thanks again to all our helpers. This year we will have given the church \$1700 from these stalls.

The takings of the Cake, Sweets & Drinks Stall at the fete was \$556 a wonderful effort. Thanks to all who helped or donated in any way.

We take this opportunity to wish all the blessings of a truly Happy, Holy Christmas and New Year, to all of you

Ida Barrett - Hon. Secretary.

**SENIOR PARISHIONERS CLUB**

By the time you read this Chronicle the Senior Parishioners Club will have terminated for this year.

We expect to recommence on Thursday 4th February at 1pm.

We will be looking for some new members to build up our numbers in 1988. Please keep us in mind, every Thursday at 1pm.

To All a very Happy, Holy Christmass and good health for the New Year.

Ida Barrett - Hon. Secretary.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

ALL SAINTS' ANGLICAN CHURCH PETERSHAM.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS - OCTOBER 1987.

RECEIPTS	\$	PAYMENTS	\$
Offeratories	1111.63	Rector's Net Stipend	1548.75
DONATIONS:		Rector's Trav. Allowance	477.05
Women-in-Friendship	200.00	Organist	60.00
Parishioners towards cost		Flowers	65.00
of Good News Bibles	130.00	Church Cleaning	80.00
Fete - White Elephant	80.00	Hall Cleaning	80.00
Telephone Reimbursement	49.40	Aussie Skip - Rubbish	
Investment Interest		Clearance	210.00
J.H.Douglass Endow	941.04	Operation Good News '88	160.00
All Saints' Endow	333.64	Church Electricity	161.20
		----- Electrical Maint Rectory	31.00
	2910.71	Toilet Rolls	2.66
Deficit for month	53.78		-----
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BALANCE 1-10-87.....\$3707.58

LESS DEFICIT FOR MONTH.....\$ 53.78

BALANCE 31-10-87.....\$3653.80

ACCOUNTS PAID DURING OCTOBER 1987.

Centrelease Equipment Finance Pty Ltd. - Monthly Lease on	
Copy Machine.....	88.83
Aussie Skip - 3 Rubbish Bins for Clearance of Rubbish in	
grounds.....	210.00
Cash - 8 Toilet Rolls.....	2.66
Fresh Flowers Pty Ltd - September Flowers.....	65.00
Operation Good News '88 - 30% deposit on 400 Bibles ..\$120	
Plus 400 Leaflets.....\$ 40.....	160.00
Stanmore Electrics - Electrical Maintenance in Rectory.....	31.00
Sydney County Council - Church Electricity.....	161.20

## CHRISTMAS SERVICES

- DEC. 6th 9-30am Holy Communion & 7-00pm Evening Prayer  
 13th 9-30am Family Service & 7-00pm Holy Communion  
 20th 9-30am Holy Communion & 7-00pm Combined  
       Church Carol Service Roseby Memorial Church  
 25th 8-00am Holy Communion.  
 27th 9-30am Holy Communion & 7-00pm Evening Prayer  
 NEW YEAR'S DAY 8-00am Holy Communion.