

The Chronicle Of All Saints Petersham

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THE BUSH CHURCH AID SOCIETY

70 YEARS OF MINISTRY

The Rectory,
All Saints' Church,
PETERSHAM. 2049.

Dear Friends,

All Saints' Petersham is changing in some delightful ways.

At Family Service the children from the Sunday School are now reading the Bible Lessons and taking up the collection. From time to time they also give a musical item during the service.

At Morning Services members of the congregation read the set lessons (Bible Readings). This has discovered some hidden talent and given a great number of people a sense of belonging. (Of course no one is forced to do this). Of a Sunday morning we have made the Vestry available for mothers who find their young children a little noisy in a service. We have amplification into the Vestry.

In the evenings the young adults (NOTE- not the teenagers) regularly take part - reading, taking the service and singing, etc. Things are just a little less formal. The same young people gather for Fellowship and tea on the Sunday afternoon at 4-00pm. They are from 16 yrs upward.

Sunday at All Saints' is busy but beautiful.

At the moment we are in the midst of "Looking into the Community" a workshop programme planned by the Home Mission Society whereby as a congregation we seek to discover our church's role in the community. We expect to gain many insights from this programme and to help us plan for the future. All members of the parish are encouraged to join in this workshop.

At a recent Parish Council Meeting we also examined our giving to missionary work and made an important decision. For many years the parish has used Duplex

Freewill Offertory Envelopes. Each week members put their money into such envelopes and place the envelope on the collection plate. A scheme used throughout Australia. (This is not pledging, it is an anonymous but regular method of supporting our church) This envelope has two parts, one for work within the parish and the other for work outside the parish - missionary work. Unless the giver nominates a specific mission Parish Council gives that collection to a cause they consider worthy.

The Parish Council's decision means that every two months a mission will be named as the cause to which those month's collections will be given. The work of that particular mission will be featured in THE CHRONICLE, in the Weekly Bulletin, and in services, including a guest preacher from that organisation. We believe this will also enrich parish life.

In this issue of THE CHRONICLE the mission of the month is featured. That mission is the Bush Church Aid Society.

On Sunday 26th June the Rev David Mulready, the NSW State Secretary of the Bush Church Aid Society will be our special preacher at the 9-30am service.

I trust this gives some idea of the direction we are heading at All Saints', Petersham. These have not been sudden decisions. They have been taken after much thought and prayer. I ask that you will continue to support us with your prayers and goodwill.

Yours sincerely,
Bruce Woolcott.
RECTOR.

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You are invited to enquire about our funeral fund.
People of all ages are accepted without medical examination.

WINNING AUSTRALIA FOR CHRIST.

This is the motto of the Bush Church Aid Society, The society celebrated its 70th Anniversary last month. The Thanksgiving Service began with these words.....

'Tonight we celebrate our 70th Anniversary -

On 26th May, 1919, a meeting was called in St. Andrew's Cathedral Chapter House.

"to discuss the formation of a Society which could operate in all states, organise the resources of all capital cities and concentrate energy and services upon the neglected bush areas"

Only twenty five people braved that very wet evening in Sydney, they might well have retreated when faced with the magnitude of the task ahead of them - no resources, no office, nothing, only a burning desire to share the gospel of Christ with outback people and a firm conviction that God would provide. And so THE BUSH CHURCH AID SOCIETY was born.

Here we are tonight seventy years down the track still providing ministry resources for work in twenty eight centres across the nation. There is enormous goodwill towards BCA in the Australian Church and thankfulness to God for our continuing role in providing "church aid".

Following is the BCA prayer.

'Our Lord God, help us to remember the people who live in the remote parts of our land. We ask You to bless those whom You have called into the fellowship of the Bush Church Aid Society, and to call others to stand with them in the task of making Christ known. Grant that, through the ministry of the Word and Sacraments, through healing, and through caring for the young the message of Your redeeming love may be proclaimed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

WOMEN-IN-FRIENDSHIP

The next meeting of the Women-in-Friendship will be held in the Guild Room of the Parish Hall on Tuesday 13th June at 1-30pm.

Please all members try too attend. We want to discuss going into abeyance with our meetings for July and August. We have the dates set for our next three Secondhand Clothing and Jumble Stalls. They will be June 16th, July 14th and August 25th. These will be held as usual. Only the meetings will be discussed.

We made \$310 at the Clothing Stall on May 5th. Thanks once again to all who helped in any way. We look forward to your continued support. Our club has already donated \$850 this year to our church.

Ida Barrett - Hon. Secretary.

SENIOR PARISHIONERS CLUB.

We are still meeting every Thursday in the Parish Hall at 1-00pm. Our numbers remain small but those who come are very regular, which shows us they enjoy it. Do come and see for yourself. A big welcome awaits you. Age and Creed does not matter.

Ida Barrett - Hon Secretary.

COME & HEAR

Sunday 26th June, 1989 at 9-30am

Rev. David Mulready

State Secretary of the

BUSH CHURCH AID SOCIETY

at All Saints' Church, Petersham.



FLOWER DONATIONS

- JUNE 4TH** - Donation from Miss Perry.
Arranged by Mrs.E. Carr & Julie.
- JUNE 11TH** - Donated by Noel Cragg in memory of his
parents Gladys & Hector Cragg & aunt
Louisa Lawson. An Anonymous donation for
Stone of Remembrance.
Arranged by Mrs.E. Hearn & Mrs.M. Essam.
- JUNE 18TH** - Donated by June Hadley in memory of her
mother, Ivy and mother-in-law, Rose.
Arranged by Mrs. J. Hadley.
- JUNE 25TH** - Donated in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Baxter &
sisters, Ena & Stella from Barbara.
Arranged by Mrs.E. Hearn & Mrs.M. Essam.

Many thanks to Miss Nisbet for providing all of the
Chrysanthemums in the church on Mothers Day, from her
garden.

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BISHOP BRUCE WILSON FOR BATHURST

Bishop Bruce Wilson , the assistant bishop of the Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn, has been elected as the new bishop of the Diocese of Bathurst. He will succeed Bishop Howell Witt, who retired in January.

Trained at Moore College, he served as rector of St. George's, Paddington. Bishop Wilson has also served as a director of Eremos Institute and as head of St. Mark's Theological College in Canberra.

Bishop Wilson may be installed in the diocese before 20 August, in order for him to vote on the issue of women's ordination at General Synod.
News from 'Southern Cross'

CANADIAN LUTHER- LICANS

The General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada and the National Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada are to vote later this year on the proposals to bring the two denominations closer together.

This move is patterned after an Anglican-Lutheran relationship which has existed since 1982 in the US, but the Canadian plan also provides for ordained ministers of either denomination to serve people of both in sparsely populated regions. Representatives will also be able to attend ordination liturgies of the other denomination.
News from 'Southern Cross'

JESUS IN EVERY LOUNGEROOM

The Bible Society and the Lay Institute of Evangelism have launched a campaign to have Jesus 'seen' in every home in NSW. A video based on Luke's Gospel will be

loaned free of charge to those interested. When a member of the trained team return to collect the video a further explanation of the Gospel will be given, and follow-up provided.

News from 'Southern Cross'

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

ALL SAINTS' ANGLICAN CHURCH PETERSHAM.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS - APRIL, 1989

RECEIPTS	\$	PAYMENTS	\$
Offertories	1,461.49	Rector's Net Stipend	1,812.95
DONATIONS		Rector's Trav. Allowance	489.36
Mr. C. Caldwell	2.00	Organist	0.00
CENTENARY C'TEE ST. IVES PS	25.00	Church Cleaning	0.00
OES Members for Floodlights	3.00	Hall Cleaning	0.00
Women-in-Friendship	250.00	Flowers	50.00
Flowers	140.90	Monthly Lease Copy Machine	88.83
Rector's telephone contrib		Telephone Account	82.99
March 1989	18.00	Electrical Maintenance	
DISTRICT VISITORS.		in Rectory	254.00
Mrs. Carr	45.00	Service Copy Machine	226.81
Mrs. Willis	20.00	Hall Electricity	65.76
Recycling of Cans	20.00	Church Electricity	89.01

INVESTMENT INTEREST

J.H. Douglass Endow A/c 1,069.88

	3,855.27		
Deficit for Month	104.44		
	3,159.71	Surplus for Month	0.00
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BALANCE 1-4-89	2,260.82		
LESS DEFICIT FOR MONTH	104.44		
PLUS SURPLUS FOR MONTH	0.00		
BALANCE 30-4-89	2,156.38		

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