

THE CHRONICLE

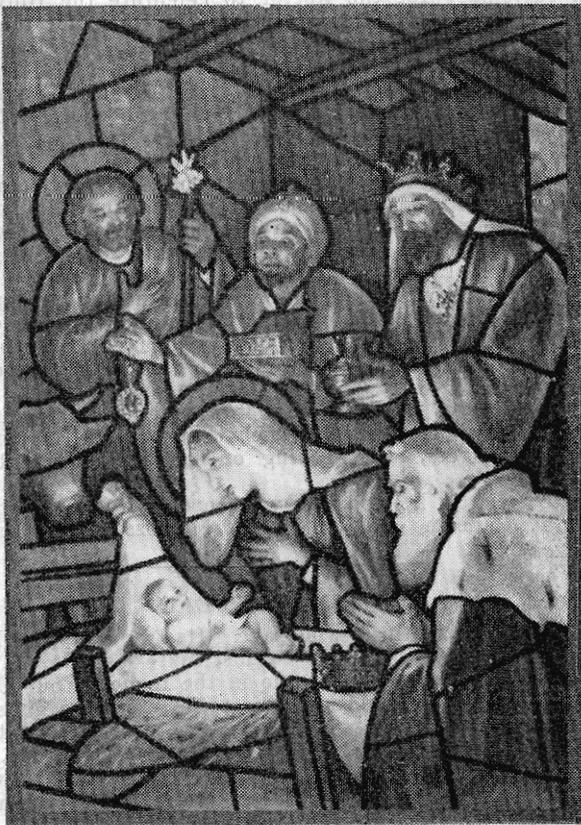
The Chronicle

Of All Saints

Petersham

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EPIPHANY

PARISH INFORMATION

8 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION (Every Sunday), 2nd and 4th SUNDAYS at 11 a.m.
3rd SUNDAY AFTER EVENING PRAYER.
SAINTS' DAYS AS ANNOUNCED.

9.45 a.m.—SUNDAY SCHOOL, KINDERGARTEN AND EXTENSION GROUPS

11 a.m.—MORNING PRAYER 7.15 p.m.—EVENING PRAYER

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS BY ARRANGEMENT WITH
THE RECTOR

CHURCHWARDENS: Messrs L. C. Calver (Rector's), W. Sopwith, E. Quelch

PARISH COUNCIL: The Churchwardens and Messrs V. Barrett, T. H. Bosward,
H. G. Brodie, K. Grant, W. H. Hall, J. W. Humphreys, D. B. Hunter,
N. T. Kennedy, B. W. Pullen, H. J. Shaw, W. R. Williams and R. Wright.

SIDESMEN: Messrs R. F. Atkinson, R. Boots, J. M. Boyle, J. Ditchburn, J.
Gorman, A. Jones, B. Livingston and G. R. Miniter.

ENVELOPE SECRETARY: T. H. Bosward—LM 2778.

PUBLICITY OFFICERS: Messrs H. J. Shaw and A. Jones—LM 5218

ORGANIST: Miss Kathleen O'Neill.

EXPANSION OF HOSPITAL SERVICES

Hospital services in the parish will be expanded in 1962. It has always been customary for the Rector to celebrate the Holy Communion at Christmas and Easter at each of the hospitals, but the past year has seen a growth in this vital ministry, spearheaded by groups of young people from All Saints' Church.

On August 13th a hospital service was held at "Otama" private hospital, in Fort Street. The service took the form of a shortened order of Evening Prayer. The Rev. D. Cobbett, who is now on missionary service in Korea, gave a short address on "Faith."

The success of this service prompted the group to continue the service monthly at different hospitals. A message on "Joy and Peace" was given at "Armon" rest home on November 26th. December 10th saw yet another service at "Roann" private hospital in Morgan Street, at which our parochial Lay Reader, Mr. K. Grant, spoke.

In those hospitals where a service of this nature is impracticable, the "Chronicle" is presented to each patient along with some words of comfort, and other practical help. Those who have been contacted by the chaplains of the large city hospitals are also being visited in their convalescence.

The scripture says: "Religion that is pure and genuine in the sight of God the Father, shows itself by such things as visiting orphans and widows in their distress, and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world."

Those interested in helping this work are invited to contact Mr. N. Kennedy, Mr. L. Ransom, Miss D. Wright or Miss J. Jenkins.

CHRISTMAS APPEAL

We wish to thank all those who gave gifts to our appeal last month. We were very pleased to be able to distribute parcels of soap, talc, etc., to local hospitals and aged people in the name of our Church during Christmas week. We would also like to acknowledge gifts of money from the following people, for which we are also very grateful: Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. I. Clark, Mrs. Wiley, Mrs. J. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Plowman, Miss Juleff, Mr. and Mrs. V. Bryce, Mrs. E. Bayley, Mrs. Kerry, Mr. R. Miniter and Mr. W. Williams; also thanks for an anonymous donation.

ON AGAIN!

Following requests from many parishioners, we are organising a Sale of Good Used Clothing in the Parish Hall on Friday, 3rd February, and Saturday, 4th February.

We would appreciate gifts of clothing, blankets, curtains or similar items. Proceeds of the Sale will go to Church Funds.

Because the Sale will take place before the February "Chronicle" comes out, we ask you to make a note of the date now.

D. SHAW, Organiser.

"OVER THE FENCE"

Mrs. Critic sat reading the Church notices in the newspaper when she noticed a reference to "The Epiphany". She thought that this was indeed a strange name, and made a mental note to ask her neighbour, Mrs. Loyal what it meant. Mrs. Loyal goes to Church and she thought she would know all about it. Just as Mrs. Critic was putting the paper down, Mrs. Loyal came in to borrow a cup of sugar, as she had run short and was wanting to make a cake.

"Mrs. Loyal," said Mrs. Critic, "I've been reading the Church notices, and I see that early in January, they have the Feast of the Epiphany. What is it all about?"

"Oh", said Mrs. Loyal, "the word Epiphany is Greek and means 'Manifestation'; on the night when the Christ Child was born, it is said that the Wise Men or Shepherd kings of Arabia saw a large star in the east, and they believed it was the sign that a new king was born. They decided to follow it, and it led them first to Jerusalem, and then on to Bethlehem. It must have taken some days for the Gentile Kings to reach Bethlehem, so the Early Church fixed the date as 6th January, and the Feast is kept up each year on that date.

"The Greek Church does not observe 25th December as we do, but makes much of 6th January when the Christ Child was revealed to the Gentiles. In some years, the season of Epiphany is longer than others. In our Prayer Book, there are Collects, Epistles, and Gospels for six Sundays after the Epiphany, so when Easter is late, we need all these, but when Easter is early, like it was in 1961, we may only use three of them"

Mrs. Critic seemed very interested and said, "why is Easter at a different time each year?"

Mrs. Loyal replied, "Easter Day falls on the Sunday following the full moon coming after the 21st March. A lunar month is only four weeks, while our calendar months have anything from 28 to 31 days. Easter is always fixed by the moon, so sometimes we have it in March, and sometimes in April."

"By the way", said Mrs. Critic, "where do we get the name Easter from?"

Mrs. Loyal told her that it was originally a goddess named "Eostre" who was worshipped in Britain, and whose festival happened about the time of the vernal equinox; the name is probably derived from the same root as 'East' signifying 'to shine.'

Mrs. Loyal continued, "Easter as we know it was originally an observance of the Hebrew Passover Feast, when the Paschal (suffering) lamb was killed and its blood sprinkled on the door posts and lintel of every Hebrew home in Egypt, and the angel of death passed over and spared the inmates. You can read about this in the twelfth chapter of Exodus. Jesus Christ became our Paschal Lamb and gave His life for us."

"Thank you very much" said Mrs. Critic "for explaining this to me. I am sure many would like to hear what you have said,"

LENTEN MISSION

In each Rural Deanery of the Diocese of Sydney during Lent, a week-end has been set aside for Conferences of Clergy and lay-workers. The purpose of these Conferences is to deepen the concern for Evangelistic outreach throughout the Diocese, and their title will be, "Mission in Depth for the Church—Mission in Breadth for the Community."

We are situated in the Petersham Rural Deanery, and our Conference will be held from Friday evening, 9th March to Sunday, 11th March. The Ven. H. M. Arrowsmith will be leader of our Conference, but the exact Church within the Rural Deanery at which the meetings will be held, is still to be announced.

It is proposed that Clergy, Church Officers, Sunday School Teachers, and other parishioners interested in putting a new thrust into Evangelism throughout the Diocese, should attend the Conference.

CLUB NOTES

Physical Culture:

Our Concert held on Monday, 4th December proved to be an outstanding success both socially and financially. Our girls from tiny tots to seniors and "Mothers" are to be commended for their very fine performances, even more so when it is realised that Miss Lyn Anderson, our Instructress, was rushed to hospital just two weeks prior to the big night. However, we are pleased to report that Miss Anderson was allowed out on the night of the Concert, and her presence in the Hall that night did much to help the girls work better than ever.

We are grateful for the assistance of Messrs John Shaw, Bruce Harrison and Robert Champion, and all our good friends who helped to make our evening such a success. Thanks again, girls and mothers for a most enjoyable night's entertainment.

A special thanks to Mrs. Collis, our pianist, Mrs. Anderson who deputised for her daughter, Miss Anderson, and to all the parents who once again put such a lot of hard work into the frocks and costumes, our very grateful thanks.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all from the members of All Saints' Physical Culture Club.

F. DITCHEBURN, Hon. Secretary.

Senior Parishioners:

This popular Social Club is held every Thursday afternoon at 2 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Come and join us! Or just pop in for a friendly cup of afternoon tea.

Our 1962 activities resume on Thursday, 4th January.

D. SHAW, Hon. Secretary.

Indoor Bowls:

During December, our Annual Christmas Party was held in the Parish Hall. There was a good attendance of members, including our President, The Rector, the Hon. Secretary, Mr. H. Shaw, and members of the Association in which we play our matches. It was an enjoyable night, during which a pairs competition was played, the winning pair being Ben Pullen and J. Thompson. After this was over, we all adjourned for an excellent supper, for which our grateful thanks go to the ladies who prepared it—Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Humphries and Mrs. Wilson.

Looking back over 1961, our Club achieved much. Not in matches won, but in experience, the renewal of old friendships, and the making of new ones.

Any men desiring a good night's enjoyment playing indoor bowls are asked to come along to our Club night, every Wednesday at 7.30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Bowls members wish everybody a Happy New Year.

JACK GORMAN

Basketball:

The Club had its Annual Presentation Night on Tuesday, 28th November. A good selection of sporting films was shown, and the trophies were presented before supper.

Each of the girls in our Senior team was awarded a bronze medal for being a member of the Minor Premier side for 1961.

We would like to thank the Baseball Club for joining with us, since without their help, our evening would not have been such a success.

The Annual Meeting of our Club will be held on Saturday, 3rd February, 1962, at 2 p.m. in the Library of the Parish Hall. Any new members would be most welcome to attend.

MARJORIE McPHERSON, Hon. Secretary.

Baseball:

Our Club's Presentation Night, held recently in conjunction with the Basketball Club proved to be a great success.

Mr. Roy Atkinson made the main presentation of the evening, the Harold Jones Memorial Trophy, to Geoff Gorman, whilst Alan Humphries and Phillip Dingle were presented with pennants for outstanding pitching and batting respectively. These two players were adjudged the best in these two fields out of the entire Baseball Union's players. The Harold Jones Memorial Trophy is indeed a fitting tribute to a man who laboured so long and devotedly for the boys of All Saints'.

Presentations were also made to the team scorers and lady supporters, including Mrs. Gorman, Mrs. Waterfield, Mrs. Olofsson, and Miss Sanderson, for their valuable assistance during the season.

Popular team manager, Mr. Reg Minter, also received a present as a small token of thanks for the tremendous amount of energy he expended on the players' behalf.

The Club wishes to thank all who attended the function, and the Basketball Club for making the night a huge success.

Special thanks are due to Misses M. McPherson and J. Ferguson, and to Mr. Bernie Sayers for his valuable assistance.

Young Churchmen's Institute:

Popular member Richard Boots came to the rescue at our first December meeting by acting as Quizmaster for both sides; a good night's enjoyment was had by all members present, and our thanks go to Mr. Boots for his energy in compiling such a goodly quantity of stimulating and interesting questions. On Friday, 15th, we held our Annual Bucks' Christmas Party in the Hall, the programme being up to the high standard of former years. A miniature "Empire Games" plus the usual Test Cricket match preceded our Christmas spread organised by the Social and Club Room Committee, while the presence of a real live "Christmas Fairy" distributing presents topped off the night.

During January, we will be having Impromptu Speeches on 5th, and a "Manuscript Journal" issue on Friday, 19th. Members are asked to note that the Y.C.I. Corporate Communion will be held on Sunday, 7th January.

An important date to keep in mind is Friday, 16th February, when the 51st Annual Meeting will take place.

C.E.N.E.F. RESTAURANT

The Restaurant in the former C.E.N.E.F. Memorial Centre closed for business on 22nd December.

This is the result of the sale of the Castlereagh Street property, following on which the Hostel was transferred to a large home in Darley Road, Randwick and the W. D. and H. O. Wills building on the corner of Bathurst and Kent Streets was acquired for the establishment of a new Memorial Centre for Youth.

A Coffee Lounge-Snack Bar—Milk-Bar will be provided in the Kent Street ground floor portion of the building, entering off the street at the southern end of the property, and any parishioners may avail themselves of this service when it commences this month.

In the new Centre, there will be an auditorium and meeting rooms and functions in the way of lunches, dinners, etc., will be catered for in a similar manner to that in the old Centre.

As well as providing a splendid Centre for Youth, the new premises will provide a home quite close to the Cathedral for many Church and similar organisations.

FLOWER ROSTER

- Jan. 7th—Donated by Mrs. Adams in memory of the Rev. C. E. Adams arranged by Mrs. Morris.
 „ 14th—No donation; arranged by Mrs. Colburt.
 „ 21st—No donation; arranged by Mrs. Ingoldsby-Brown.
 „ 28th—No donation; arranged by Mrs. Bosward.
 Feb. 4th—No donation; arranged by Mrs. Malone.

During November, flowers were donated by Mrs. E. Brown in memory of Mrs. Lehn; the donation of flowers by Miss Meyer in memory of her Sisters has been altered to December 17th, while we also acknowledge donations for that day from Mr. and Mrs. T. Pegrum, and from Miss M. Cole in memory of her Father.

We are also grateful for the donations towards the Church flowers for Christmas Day.

*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.*

NEWS BRIEFS

● **Appreciation:** The Rector and Mrs. Champion wish to express their sincere thanks to all their friends at All Saints' for the gift of a Christmas Hamper, presented at the Parish Party last month.

The Parish also gratefully acknowledges the anonymous donation of a Westinghouse electric fan, which brings to four the number of such fans located within the nave of the Church.

● Additional to the list in the last issue of the "Chronicle," the Honorary Treasurer acknowledges a donation towards Fete Funds from Mrs. M. G. Robertson. The Y.C.I., which had originally arranged its Hawkesbury Car-Drive in aid of Fete funds, has now purchased stack-a-bye chairs for the Parish Hall with the proceeds from that outing. "Weekly" have no sale, but we would be glad to receive any current

● Early in December, we said good-bye to the Reverend Phillip Thirlwell LL.B., who had been helping the Rector with our Services during the preceding three months. Mr. Thirlwell, who was formerly of the Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn, has been appointed Priest Evangelist at Labasa, Fiji, Diocese of Polynesia, and will take up his duties there at the beginning of next month.

● Congratulations to John Nance on graduating as Dux of the Teachers' College, Bathurst. John was a member of our Sunday School staff before going to Bathurst, and he has frequently returned to All Saints' during his two-year course, helping in the Sunday School and playing the Carillon. John is at present awaiting news of his teaching appointment.

● 1962 Fete—It goes without saying that we will have a Parish Fete in 1962; at the moment, the date looks like being Saturday, 17th November. Mrs. Millarey is already working for her stall, and is seeking 1961 or 1962 "Reader's Digests" which make a good sale. Unfortunately, older Digests, and other weekly magazines such as "Pix" and Woman's Weekly" have no sale, but we would be glad to receive any current "Digests" which parishioners can supply.

● We should like to thank Mr. Paul Henningham, Editor of "The Guardian" for donating us space regularly in his paper for publicising special events and reporting news from our organisations.

If any clubs have news which could be of interest to the people of the district, would they please give the details to our Publicity Officers by the Saturday preceding the Thursday of publication.

● Colour Film—On the fourth Sunday of this month, a 30-minute colour film entitled "The Son of Man" will be screened during our Social Hour after Evensong. It would be appreciated if the Guild would arrange the supper for this night.

● Welcome back to Mr. Geoff Bloomfield, who is staying at the Rectory during his mid-summer vacation from his theological course in Hobart. Geoff has just completed the first year of his training for entry to the ministry of the Diocese of Tasmania.

● Church Decorations—Once again, the Church and Parish Hall were specially decorated for the Christmas season, thanks to Mr. Bert Shaw, who organised the decorations, and his band of assistants. In addition, an attractive All Saints' Christmas Card was distributed to all who attended on Sunday, 17th December, incorporating the times of the Christmas Day Services, and a special Christmas verse.



PARISH Register

BAPTISMS

"Born Again"

- Oct. 29th—Douglas Grahame Menzies.
 Nov. 26th—Anthony Colin Gilliver.
 Dec. 2nd—Craig Rowland Trent Henningham.
 „ 3rd—Nina Susan Howarth.
 „ 3rd—Jane Isabella Critchley.

MARRIAGES

"Those whom God hath joined"

- Nov. 24th—William Robert Nash to Pauline Mary McAuliffe.
 „ 25th—Ernest John Pope to Margaret Annette O'Brien.
 „ 25th—John Michael Prindable to Patricia Alma Wright.

FUNERALS

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

- Nov. 20th—Ada Edith Shepherd.
 „ 25th—Minnie Jane Thomas.
 Dec. 5th—Ethel Maude Allmon.
 „ 6th—May Sarah Leslie.
 „ 7th—Rita McKay; William Charles Crust; Thomas Turner.

RECTOR ON VACATION

The Rector and his family will be on holidays during January and the Rev. Arthur Rutter, Vicar of Stawell, Victoria, together with his family, will be in residence at the Rectory during Mr. Champion's absence. Mr. Rutter is well known to All Saints' folk, as he previously took over during the Rector's holiday in 1958. He will be taking the Services on 7th and 14th January, whilst the Rev. A. E. Gardner will be preaching on 21st January.

WALTERS & SON

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