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Petersham
The Friendly Church

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Wishing you
all
a Happy and
Holy Christmas

A MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR



My dear friends,

I offer you all my sincere thanks for the great achievements of our record-breaking Fete. The total of \$3,825 was just \$200 higher than our previous record established last year. A tremendous amount of hard work and self-denial was necessary to provide the stocks that raised this total, and I am most grateful to our stallholders, their assistants, and our customers for all they did. I would particularly like to pay a tribute to those who worked outside under the adverse wet conditions, as well as to the older group of our parishioners, on whom so much of the Fete work falls. I appeal to more

younger ones to come in and help to a greater extent next year.

Many comments about the Fete were made to me by people from near and far to the effect that ours is one of the best Fetes, with value for money, in the metropolitan area.

December will be another heavy month at All Saints' and we look for your support in our Christmas-tide programme. We are pleased to present the Royal Philharmonic Choir, backed by its own orchestra, in a performance of Handel's "Messiah" on Thursday, 11th December. Upwards of 100 persons will be taking part, with special guest soloists, and we look for a large congregation worthy of the magnitude of the performance, which begins at 8 p.m.

Our mid-morning services on the second and third Sundays of December have been exchanged so that the annual Sunday School Prize Giving can be held closer to school break-up. Thus, we shall have Family Service at 10 a.m. on Sunday, 14th December, and Holy Communion at 11 a.m. on Sunday, 21st December.

On the evening of 21st December, our annual "Carols by Candlelight" service will be held at 7 p.m. The most inspiring atmosphere of this service attracts one of our biggest congregations of the year. Many popular carols will be sung, and the traditional Nine Lessons will be read by parishioners from a wide range of our organisations.

The Christmas Day Services are outlined on the back of this "Chronicle." I also invite you to our New Year's Eve Watchnight Service to be held at 11.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 31st December. There will be a celebration of Holy Communion, with an address. I will not be going away straight after New Year, but hope to take part of my holidays at the end of January.

I would like to express our deepest sympathy to the family of the late Mr. William Charles Whiting, who passed away last month after a short but grave illness. Mr. Whiting was a Parish Councillor, regular worshipper and a constant worker at All Saints', and he will be sadly missed. Our sincere sympathy is also extended to the Misses Bayley of the Boulevarde in the loss of their sister, Miss Dorothy Bayley last month. I am sorry to learn that Mrs. B. Pullen is to enter hospital, and trust that she will have a speedy recovery.

As 1969 draws to its close, my wife and I wish to extend to you all the compliments of the season, and to thank you most sincerely for your faithful work for the cause of this parish throughout the year.

God bless you all, and may our Centenary year of 1970 bring you personal joy and prosperity.

Yours sincerely,

Eric Champion

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PARISH FETE REPORT

Despite continual rain from midday, the great traditions of our All Saints' fetes were excelled on 15th November, when the record total of \$3,825 was raised. This higher total was achieved despite the fact that only 1080 people signed the visitors' book—100 less than last year.

The proceeds are urgently needed to enable the general church fund to meet our regular operational and maintenance expenses. Because of falling congregations and offertories, our normal income is no longer sufficient to meet our regular expenses. We would also hope to put some money aside as a reserve for the future.

From the figures hereunder, we must deduct overhead expenses such as hire of the train, merry-go-round, tents, band, insurance, advertisements, etc, while a certain percentage must be sent, as in the case of all parish income, to the Diocesan authorities.

The following are the amounts received as at 17th November. Where names are given, they are of those personally taking charge of the stall concerned:

Stall	Conducted by	\$
White Elephant	Mrs. Humphreys	357
Fancy Work	Mrs. Jones \$588 Mrs. Clark \$334	922
Cakes and Sweets	Y.M. and Friends' Club	231
Clocks and Watches	Mr. Cook	279
Pottery and Cushions	Mrs. Ingoldsby-Brown	116
Dried Floral Arrangements	Mrs. Sopwith	54
Toys, Hoopla, etc.	Fellowship	202
Vegetables	Y.C.I.	72
Hot Dogs	Y.C.I.	22
Train, Merry-go-Round	Y.C.I.	115
Groceries and Jams	Sunday School	296
Children's Wear	Mrs. Bosward	260
Plants and Flowers	S.S. Mothers' Club	160
Books and Magazines	Mrs. Reid	145
Refreshments	Ladies' Guild	180
Jewellery	Mr. Giddings	261
Girl Guides	Mrs. Caralis	56
Donations		76
Fairy Floss	(Fete proportion)	20

GROSS TOTAL \$3825

● January "Chronicle" Because of the holidays, the January "Chronicle" will be printed early, and items should be left at the Rectory, or given to Mr. A. Jones by Wednesday, 10th December.

● The Rector is grateful to Messrs. L. Carroll and B. Sayers for putting up the two large flags above our First World War Memorial. The flags are similar in size to those that formerly hung above the chancel.

FETE APPRECIATIONS

Chairman of the Parish Council's Committee, Mr. H. Shaw, writes: "Our best-ever fete is now over and I am sure God is watching over us in our efforts to keep our doors open. On behalf of our committee, I wish to thank all the Stallholders who went out of their way to co-operate with the committee unselfishly. The majority attended the meetings arranged, although a few fell by the wayside. To these I say, only by the maximum co-operation can you get the maximum effort, and our Church needs it.

"We would like to congratulate all stallholders on the decoration of each stall—they looked magnificent and well-stocked with quality and low-priced goods. Our thanks to Mrs. Reid who when approached to come out of retirement and take charge of the Book Stall, once again graciously consented (and this job is dirty), and to Mrs. Fagg who assisted Mrs. Reid on several days, although she had her own stall to worry about. This is good fellowship.

To my committee, the best we have ever had, I say thank you for your loyal and willing help over the past months; thanks also to the Rector for his help in making shelving and new stalls: where he finds the spare time we do not know.

This is also the saddest fete this committee has known, owing to the grave illness and passing of one of our well loved and respected members, Mr. Charles Whiting. We will all miss him very much."

Mrs. D. Jones wishes to thank everyone who donated gifts and helped in every other way on the Faney Goods Stall; their help was greatly appreciated.

The Mothers of the Sunday School Mothers' Club wish to thank all donors for their very kind and generous gifts of plants and flowers. A special pat on the back to Mr. Champion, Mr. Shaw and his committee for their help in organising and setting up our stall. For all help, we are sincerely grateful.

Mrs. Reid writes: "To those who donated, I give my sincere thanks. Because of this generosity, my assistants and I were able to take over \$145—an incredible amount when considering that over 1,000 books were sold at only one cent each. I would like to thank Mr. Shaw for his assistance in organising the stall, making the signs and price tickets, and my assistants, Mrs. M. and Miss J. Trenerry, Mr. Les Brigg, Master Arthur Brigg, and my son John.

The basket of cosmetics, donated by Innox, was won by Mrs. Humphreys, and the talc presentation gift, donated by Yardley's, was won by S. Howlett. I thank Innox and Yardley's for these donations. I also wish to thank those who assisted in erecting and dismantling the stall, and finally, the many 100's of book-buyers who made the whole effort worthwhile."

Mr. Arthur Cook wishes to express his sincere thanks to all the kind folk who donated clocks and watches to his stall, as well as the old gold. Thanks also to all who patronised the Watch and Clock Stall.

From the Children's Wear and Gift Stall, Mrs. Bosward extends a very sincere thank you for all donations sent in; your thoughtfulness is appreciated. Also thank you to all who helped on the Stall.

From the "White Elephant" Stall, which was again second highest in the amounts raised, Mrs. Humphreys extends her sincere thanks to all who gave stocks, to all who bought, and especially to those who served on the stalls.

Mrs. Champion writes: "A sincere thank you to all who helped the Refreshment Room with cash donations, goods, etc. and last but not least my grateful thanks for the cheerful and willing helpers who

served or worked in the kitchen all day. Without all this help, the total of \$180 would not have been possible. Thank You."

Mrs. Clark expresses her thanks to all who helped or bought from her stall, especially those who served. She adds her best wishes for the Christmas season, and hopes to see all her friends at the Social Afternoon to be held in February. Further details will be given in the next "Chronicle".

The Y.C.I. is grateful to all who patronised or worked on the Vegetable and Hot Dog Stalls, to those who donated towards the stocks, to Mr. Robert Champion for collecting the vegetables, and the Rector for making his trailer available.

Thanks are also extended to the countless other folk who worked for the Fete and helped to amass our record total; those who gave goods for sale, erected and dismantled the stalls, donated the hampers, distributed the dodgers, cleaned up the hall and grounds before and after the fete, picked up donations, and performed countless other acts in a quiet anonymous way. Thank you, each and every one.

WANTED

We regret to advise that Mrs. Reid will not be able to undertake the Book Stall next year. It is hoped, therefore, that volunteers can come forward to take on the strenuous work connected with this stall. For those persons who are sincerely interested in their Church, and who wish to have an active and realistic participation in its welfare—this is your opportunity.

All enquiries should be directed to the Rector or Mr. Shaw.



AROUND THE ORGANISATIONS

Christmas Time Highlights

Y.M. and Friends' Club:

The next meeting of the Y.M. and Friends' Club will be held at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, 9th December at the home of Mrs. Sayers, 12 Middleton Street, Petersham. This will be our Christmas meeting, and it is hoped that all members will be able to attend. After this meeting, the Club will be in recess until Tuesday, 10th February, 1970.

Many thanks to all who are saving papers for us. If possible, we would like you to retain your papers until early January, as there are many parties during the Christmas period, and lack of storage space is a problem in the Hall.

Thanks to all who contributed in so many ways to make our stall at the Fete such a success. We were proud at the end of the day to hand in \$231.

We take this opportunity to wish you all the Blessings and Peace of Christmas, and Health and Happiness in the New Year.

—IDA BARRETT, Hon. Secretary

Indoor Bowls Club:

The members of the Bowls Club were saddened and shocked by the passing on Monday, 17th November, of our popular President, Mr. Charlie Whiting. Charlie was held in the highest esteem by everybody who knew him. It was decided to cancel bowls on Wednesday Night, 19th November as a tribute to his memory.

At our Annual Meeting in October, the following were elected: Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, F. Hearn; Assistant Treasurer, Mrs. I. Clark; Vice Presidents, L. Carroll and J. Gorman; Selectors, G. Clark, J. Gorman, B. Sayers and D. Sayers. It was also decided to donate \$10 towards the cost of lighting in the Hall,

The Club wishes the Rector and family a very happy Christmas.

—J. GORMAN

Senior Parishioners' Club:

All Saints' Senior Parishioners' Club has proved its value to the community by the wonderful attendances each week. We especially invite Senior Citizens to join us for a Happy Social Afternoon when our Club resumes in the new year. Our last Club meeting will be held on Thursday, 11th December, and our end-of-year break-up on 13th December, after which we go into recess until Thursday, 15th January, when we shall be most happy to welcome newcomers.

Many thanks to Mr. G. Clarke, Mr. G. Barron, Mrs. Humphreys, and all the other kind folk who help with the Club tasks. We are grateful, too, to the kind and generous parishioners who send along donations to our Club funds: thank you and God bless you for your kindness.

A very happy Christmas to you all from the members of the Senior Parishioners' Club. We wish our Rector, Mrs. Champion and family a Happy Christmas and thank them all for the help they have given us during the year.

—DOT SHAW, Hon. Secretary

Ladies' Guild:

Our final meeting and break-up party will be held on Tuesday, 9th December at 2 p.m., and meetings will resume on Tuesday, 10th February, 1970. To our Rector, Mrs. Champion, and family we extend our best wishes for a joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year.

—E. M. BOSWARD, Hon. Secretary

Fellowship:

Another Fete has come and gone, and another record set. In keeping with this setting of records, the Fellowship also set a record, its \$200 being \$30 higher than last year's.

For reaching this target, we wish to thank Mr. Champion for the time and money he put into making the toys. We would also like to thank Mrs. Gorman for donating toys, Mr. Hearn for part-payment of the ice creams, and Mr. Cook for donating the dollar prize for the hoopla (many people tried, but no-one succeeded.)

I would also thank the whole Fellowship, especially Robert Cooper, Judith Hancock and Robert Cheetham for their whole-hearted effort in manning our stalls.

—JOHN WILLIAMS, Leader

Sunday School Mothers' Club:

We will be holding a street stall on Friday, 12th December at the corner of New Canterbury Road and Gordon Street (outside Mellor's Chemist's shop). On sale will be everything for Christmas plus jams and cakes. Your support would be appreciated.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Fete: I would like to report that \$296 was raised by the Groceries and Home Made Jams Stall.

We owe the success of this stall to many people. Therefore, I would like to thank the boys and girls of the Sunday School, their parents, the parishioners, and their friends in the surrounding suburbs for the support. A special "thank you" to Mrs. Champion and all the ladies who made the wonderful stock of jam we had for sale.

We also thank the following companies for their help: Pepsi Cola, Arnott's, Colgate-Palmolive, Hoadleys, Sanitarium; Life Savers, Bushells, Peerless Products, Winn Food Products, Woolworths, Samuel Taylor, G. J. Coles, Fielder's Foods, H. Jones and Co., Kellogg Aust., Marrickville Holdings, Traders, Shelley's Drinks, and for money boxes, the Bank of N.S.W.

—NOEL CRAGG, Hon. Secretary

**BAPTISMS****"One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism"**

October 26th Karen Lee Northey
 November 9th Jacqueline Monaghan

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

November 1st Ronald Gordon Markwick to Margaret Mary Payne
 November 18th Raymond Sum-Yiu Choi to Monika Fazekas

FUNERALS**"I am the Resurrection and the Life"**

October 27th John Johnston
 October 29th Robert Jon Burgess
 October 30th Eulalie Louise Graham
 November 3rd Mary Palmer
 November 11th Dorothy Winifred Bayley
 November 17th Elizabeth May Fisher
 November 18th Cecil Raymond Daniels
 November 18th Helen Holt
 November 19th William Charles Whiting

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DISTRICT VISITORS' COLLECTIONS

(Since last report)

Miss Bayley, \$12.00; Mrs. Cook, \$22.48; Mrs. Humphreys, \$9.00;
 Mrs. Malone, \$6.80; Mrs. Robertson, \$9.50; Mrs. Smith, \$3.60; Miss
 Speight, \$5.00.

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SANCTUARY FLOWER ROSTER

December 7th Donated by Mr. G. R. Minter. John and Margaret in
 memory of Mrs. Minter, by Mrs. M. Willis in memory
 of Mrs. Willis Senr., by Mr. and Mrs. Swankie in mem-
 ory of their Mother, Ellen, and by the daughters of Mr.
 and Mrs. E. A. Hunt in their memory; arranged by
 Mrs. Malone.
 December 14th No donation; arranged by Miss Nisbet.
 December 21st Donated by Mr Meyers in memory of bis Sisters and
 Brother; arranged by Mrs. Clark.
 December 25th **Christmas Day**—donations of flowers or money to buy
 flowers will be greatly appreciated; arranged by the
 ladies of the Flower Roster.
 December 28th Donated by Mrs. Quine in memory of her Parents;
 arranged by Mrs. Clark.
 January 4th Donated by Mrs. Adams in memory of the Rev. C. E.
 Adams; arranged by Miss Speight.

If giving flowers for Christmas Day, would you kindly leave them
 at the Church by 10.30 a.m. on Christmas Eve.

On 30th November, flowers were also donated by the family of Mr.
 and Mrs. C. Archer in their memory.

ALL SAINTS' CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Once again, we are appealing to the generosity of Parishioners and their friends for gifts of soap, washers, talc, ladies' and gents' handkerchiefs, and anything else suitable as Christmas gifts for the aged and ill folk in the various hospitals and nursing homes in our parish.

A box will be left in the front porch of the Church from 7th December, and donations may be placed therein, left at the Rectory or given to Mrs. H. J. Shaw or any member of the Sunday School Mothers' Club. Gifts of money that we can use to purchase gifts will also be most welcome.

We acknowledge the following cash donations with thanks: Mrs. Dickson, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Moses, Mrs. Hillery, Mr. and Mrs. Barron, Mrs. J. Wilson, Miss Bayley, Mrs. B. Smith, Mrs. L. Stokes, Mrs. Rita Strauss, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Williams, Sunday School Mothers' Club, and an anonymous donation. We also thank those who have made gifts of soap, face washers, etc.

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NEWS BRIEFS

● **Holy Communion:** The Rector will again provide Holy Communion to those unable to come to Church on Christmas Day. Hospital Matrons and other parishioners knowing of persons wishing to partake of private Communion are asked to let Mr. Champion know not later than Sunday, 7th December, so that he can arrange to visit everyone in the very limited time available before Christmas.



● **"Carols by Candlelight"** This year's Service will again be a most impressive occasion. The popular "Festival of Nine Lessons" will be the central theme, plus carols sung by soloists, the choir, and the congregation. You will enjoy taking part, so join us on Sunday, 21st December at 7.00 p.m. Candles will be available at the Church.

● **Christmas Cards:** It is not Christmas without Christ! Therefore, when buying your Christmas Cards, please don't forget to select ones that have a Christmas message.

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CHRISTMAS DAY—THURSDAY, 25th DECEMBER

7.00 a.m.—Holy Communion

8.15 a.m.—Holy Communion

10.30 a.m.—Family Service and Shortened Holy Communion

NOTE:—There will not be an Evening Service on Christmas Day

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