

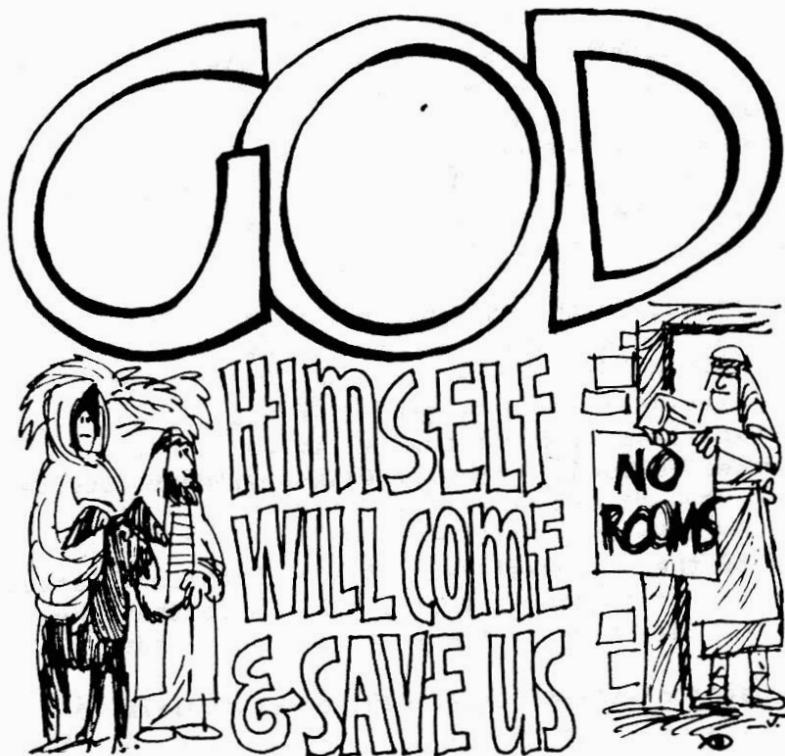
The Chronicle Of All Saints Petersham

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JULY 1990



The Rectory.
All Saints' Church.
PETERSHAM. N.S.W.
14th June, 1990.

Dear Friends.

I guess I spend much time contemplating the future of All Saints'. I get concerned that despite the efforts made, the congregation does not grow. At present, it remains constant on Sundays because of the Fellowship on Sunday Evenings. This group has brought a new dimension to Sunday Worship.

The style of ministry that I exercise has brought good success in other parishes. We have a service which is faithful to our Anglican Prayer Book. We have well planned services with carefully prepared sermons. We have congregational participation and known hymns, but not endless repetition. The sick are faithfully visited when they are known to be in hospital. I certainly make myself available to help members of the congregation in their needs.

Unfortunately this has not met with great success in Petersham. We are only holding our own.

The missing link in my mind is a plan of outreach and evangelism. I doubt however if we have the resources to mount such a programme without outside help.

One of the strongest reasons for a person to attend a particular church is that it was there that they came to know Jesus as their Saviour and Lord.

We need to ask our Department of Evangelism to conduct a Parish Mission.

Yours sincerely,
Bruce Woolcott - Rector.

WOMEN-IN-FRIENDSHIP

We have decided not to hold a club meeting in July, (midwinter) so that the next meeting of the Women-in-Friendship will be held on Tuesday 14th August in the Guild Room of the Parish Hall at 1-30p.m.

Our last meeting was followed by Deaconess June Horne telling us of the History and Work of the Deaconess Institute. It proved a very interesting and informative afternoon; Thanks June.

Yet another very successful second hand clothing and jumble sale has been held. The proceeds were \$245.00. We made this up to \$250.00 to donate to the Parish Council bringing this years total to \$1070.00. The next sale will be in our Parish Hall on Friday 20th July.

Ida Barrett - Hon. Secretary.

SENIOR PARISHIONERS' CLUB

Our Senior Parishioners have decided to have a holiday over July anticipating cold weather. There will not be any club meetings during July but we hope to start again on the first Thursday in August (Thursday 2nd August). We hope to see everybody back well and happy.

We are all sad to hear that Elizabeth Van Weiji has had a sudden illness and is in Balmain Hospital and we pray she will soon be back with us.

Ida Barrett - Hon. Secretary.



FLOWER DONATIONS

- JULY 1ST - In memory of Mr. & Mrs. Baxter, sisters
Ena & Stella from Barbara.
Arranged by Mrs. E. Carr & Julie.
- JULY 8TH - In loving memory of our son John Swankie
from Mum & Dad.
Arranged by Mrs. E. Hearn & Mrs. M. Essam.
- JULY 15TH - In loving memory of Bert Gamble from his
wife Kath.
Arranged by Mrs. J. Hadley.
- JULY 22ND - Michele in memory of Don.
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- JULY 29TH - Frank with love from Edith.
Arranged by Mrs. E. Hearn & Mrs. M. Essam.

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DO THIS?

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THE PERSONAL TEST Will doing it make me a better or worse Christian?

THE SOCIAL TEST Will doing it influence others to be better or worse Christians?

THE PRACTICAL TEST Will doing it be likely to bring desirable or undesirable results?

THE UNIVERSAL TEST Suppose everyone did it?

THE SCRIPTURE TEST Is it expressly forbidden in the Word of God?

THE STEWARDSHIP TEST Will doing it involve a waste of the talents God has invested in me?

THE MISSIONARY TEST Will doing it be likely to help or hinder the progress of the kingdom of God here on earth?

THE CHARACTER TEST Will doing it make me stronger or weaker morally?

THE PUBLICITY TEST Would I be willing for my friends to know about it?

THE COMMON SENSE TEST Is it good, plain, everyday, ordinary common sense?

From Belfield Church News.

OPEN LETTER TO GOD

Dear God,

It is unfortunate that you made Sunday where you did. You see, its like this. We could attend Church more regularly if 'Your Day' came some other time. You have chosen a day that comes at the end of a hard week and we are all tired out.

Not only that, but it is the day following Saturday night. Saturday evening, is one time we feel we should enjoy ourselves. We watch the T.V. or spend the evening with friends, and often it is midnight or later when we return home. The result is it is almost impossible to get up much before lunch on Sunday. You have chosen the very day we want to sleep-in. It makes it mighty hard even to get the children to Sunday School, especially when they have it so early. It would be no help really, if they held it in the afternoon, as often we go out for a drive after the midday meal, and take the children with us.

I am telling you these things, dear God, because I want you to get our viewpoint. It is not our fault that we are often unable to get to Church on Sunday. We would like to go and we know that we should. It must be clear to you that you have chosen the wrong day.

If you select another day we may be able to be more faithful in our church attendance. We hardly know what day to suggest, there would be difficulties with them all but any day would be better than Sunday.

Yours very sincerely,

Nomin L. Anglican.

WHAT'S ON AT ALL SAINTS'

EVERY SUNDAY.

9-30a.m. Holy Communion on the Second, Fourth and Fifth Sundays.

Morning Prayer on the First Sunday.

Family Service on the Third Sunday.

4-00p.m. Fellowship Group Meeting in the Guild Room of the Parish Hall.

7-00p.m. Holy Communion on the First, and Third, Sundays.

Evening Prayer on the Second, Fourth and Fifth Sundays.

DURING THE SCHOOL TERM.

9-30a.m. Sunday School every Sunday except the Third Sunday when there is a Family Service.

EVERY TUESDAY AND THURSDAY.

7-30p.m. Home Bible Study Groups. For details contact the Rector.

EVERY THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

1-00p.m. Senior Parishioners' Club in the Parish Hall.

SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH.

1-30p.m. Women-in-Friendship in the Guild Room of the Parish Hall.

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR JULY.

During the month of July there will be no Senior Parishioners' Club or Women-in-Friendship meetings. Also there will be no Sunday School on the Sundays 1st, 8th, and 15th July.

A SPECIAL CIVIC SERVICE.

This will be held on Sunday 29th July at 9-30a.m. (Further details in Bulletins).

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

ALL SAINTS' ANGLICAN CHURCH PETERSHAM.
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS - MAY, 1990

RECEIPTS	\$	PAYMENTS	\$
Offerotices	1,419.83	Rector's Net Stipend	1,999.15
DONATIONS		Rector's Trav. Allowance	523.02
Women-in-Friendship	300.00	Organist	60.00
		Church Cleaning	80.00
		Hall Cleaning	80.00
		Flowers	100.00
		Monthly Lease Copy Machine	88.83
		Telephone Account	67.70
		Cleaning Items	29.47
		Tfr funds to Rest. Fund.	573.20
		New lamp floodlight grounds	165.00
		New time switch for outside hall light	110.00
	1,719.83		
Deficit for Month	2,156.54		
	3,876.37	Surplus for Month	0.00
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BALANCE 1-5-90	2,419.38		
LESS DEFICIT FOR MONTH	2,156.54		
PLUS SURPLUS FOR MONTH	0.00		
BALANCE 31-5-90	262.84		

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