

# All Saint's Anglican Church, Petersham

STANMORE ROAD, PETERSHAM

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The Rectory,  
P.O. Box 241,  
PETERSHAM, 2049  
21st August, 1985

Dear Friends,

I begin by commending to you CELEBRATION '85 with Dr. Leighton Ford. CELEBRATION '85 began with St. Andrew's Cathedral Choir School wishing to celebrate their 100th Anniversary. The committee decided that they wanted to do something that would be of help to the many thousands of people who work in the city business area. This idea grew to encompass other churches of various denominations.

Gatherings will be held in St. Andrew's Cathedral, in Sydney Square and the Entertainment Centre. Some of them are in the evening, some during the day, some on week days, others on Saturdays and Sundays.

You ought not to miss CELEBRATION '85.

We often ask, "What can we do for God?" or "What can we do to help our fellow man?" We would all like to see ourselves as serving both God and man. Here is one opportunity of doing just that.

Ask your friend or neighbour do they know anything about the visit of Dr. Leighton Ford to Sydney. (He is a brother-in-law of Dr. Billy Graham and a member of his team). Say to your friend that you would like to hear him speak but you would prefer to go with someone—would they come with you? What a great opportunity with meetings in different places on different days and at different times.

This is one way you can help your neighbour.

Some might say, "Oh, I would be embarrassed to talk about religion to my friend or neighbour?"

You're not talking about religion. Dr. Leighton Ford will do that, and the truth is that your friend will want to know not just about religion, but about Jesus Christ and the difference He makes in the life of a person.

Serving God is not just you coming to church regularly, or you putting your money in the envelope each week, or even supporting the annual fete or the monthly newspaper pick-up.

Some people see fit to do these things, but God wants us to do our own thing for Him. God has given each of us different abilities and interests. We ought to see how they can be used to serve God and man.

The church that wants everyone to do exactly the same thing is a church out of step with reality.

The person who believes he or she has to follow what everyone else is doing at church is stifling the Holy Spirit who dwells within every believer. Christ came to make us free—free from a dull conformity, and free to use our interests and talents in His service.

From the beginning of creation men and women have served God with the various gifts He has given them. The sheer variety of the gifts comes because of the great variety of needs man has. When we fail to use our gift then someone out in the community is not receiving the help he needs. This is something worth meditating upon, praying about and seeking to do something about.

Yours in His service, BRUCE WOOLCOTT, Rector



**MEETINGS AT WHICH DR. LEIGHTON FORD  
WILL SPEAK:**

**September**—Sunday, 15th: 10.30 a.m., St. Andrew's Cathedral.  
 Tuesday, 17th, 1.00 p.m., St. Andrew's Cathedral.  
 Wednesday, 18th, 1.00 p.m. St. Andrew's Cathedral.  
 Thursday, 19th, 12 noon till 2 p.m. Sydney Square.  
 Friday, 20th, 7.30 p.m., Syd. Entertainment Centre.  
 Saturday, 21st, 7.30 p.m., Syd. Entertainment Centre  
 Sunday, 22nd, 3 p.m., Syd. Entertainment Centre.  
 7.00 p.m., Wesley Central Mission.  
 Tuesday, 24th, 6.00 p.m., Lyceum Theatre, Sydney.  
 Wednesday, 25th, 12 noon till 2 p.m., Sydney Square  
 6.00 p.m., Lyceum Theatre, Sydney.  
 Thursday, 26th: 12 noon till 2 p.m., Sydney Square.  
 6.00 p.m., Lyceum Theatre, Sydney.  
 Friday, 27th: 12 noon till 2 p.m., Sydney Square.  
 7.30 p.m., Syd. Entertainment Centre.  
 Saturday, 28th: 7.30 p.m., Syd. Entertainment Centre  
 Sunday, 29th: 10.30 a.m. St. Andrew's Cathedral.  
 3.00 p.m., Syd. Entertainment Centre.



**AT THE PARISH COUNCIL**

At the last month's Parish Council meeting a number of matters were discussed and decisions made.

**ILLUMINATED MEMORIAL CROSS:**

Ray Swankie reported that the memorial cross was being repaired at a cost of \$25.

**CHURCH ORGAN:**

A letter was received from Mr. George Thornton, pointing out the historical value of the organ and suggesting some repairs for our consideration. Mr. Thornton's letter with a covering request is to be sent to our organ tuner, to investigate the repairs and provide a quotation.

**NOTICE BOARD:**

The existing notice board showing service details is in a state of disrepair and the information is now out of date. It was resolved that a new sign with the up-to-date information be placed in the existing glass notice case.

**LAY INSTITUTE FOR EVANGELISM:**

Robert Bembrick suggested the formation of a branch of the Lay Institute for the purpose of visiting Anglicans in the Petersham Parish.

It was decided to send a letter to the Institute requesting their assistance with the necessary steps to form a branch at All Saints'.

**ESTATE OF THE LATE MAY RUHLE:**

It was resolved to instruct the Estate Solicitors to arrange for the Executrix to sell the property on behalf of the Trustees.

Items for discussion at the next Parish Council meeting:-

- Further restoration of the church building;
- 1985 Fete.

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**AN APPRECIATION**

We are sorry to hear that Miss E Nisbet has not been well and is in Braeside Hospital.

We are missing her assistance with the flowers as she has been arranging them for a long period of time. We trust that she may soon be feeling much improved in health.

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**WOMEN-IN-FRIENDSHIP**

The next meeting of the Women-in-Friendship will be held in the Guild Room of the Parish Hall on Tuesday, 9th September at 1.30 p.m. It is hoped all our members who are suffering from, or have had, 'flu will be back with us again by then.

Thanks to all who emptied the crockery and cutlery cupboards washed and re-stacked it, after Flick and Co. had finished spraying the cupboards and hall.

Our next secondhand clothing and jumble stall promises to be well stocked. Thanks to all who are sending in goods. We couldn't run these stalls without your help.

The October meeting on Tuesday, 8th will be followed by a Herbal Encounter by Mrs Margaret Nyle (who some of you will remember as Margaret Calver). Plants and dried herbs will be for sale.

This year's fete will soon be here and our Club will again hold the cake and sweets stall. Donations of sugar for sweet-making would be greatly appreciated.

IDA BARRETT, Hon. Secretary

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### SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS:

The Sunday School is at present in recess. We will resume on Sunday, 15th September at the 9.30 a.m. Family Service.

#### FETE TOY STALL:

This year the Sunday School pupils will be running a toy stall, as well as our usual grocery stall, at the November 16th Fete. They would appreciate donations of any unwanted toys to stock this stall. To arrange collection please phone Mrs. Essam on 569-1852.

#### COMING EVENTS IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL:

A Family Picnic is to be held again this year at Centennial Park, the date of the picnic is Saturday, 23rd November. This date was chosen following the Fete so that you could relax in the park after the activities of the previous week. All Parishioners are invited.

The Sunday School Christmas Party will be held on Friday, 13th December, commencing at 5.30 p.m.

Please keep both of these dates in mind.

NOEL CRAGG, Superintendent

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### SENIOR PARISHIONRS' CLUB

It has been very pleasing to see so many of our members back in good health again over the last few meetings, but we are still waiting to welcome YOU. Any Thursday, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. We play "Housie" for small useful gifts, such as jellies, lollies, fruit and vegies. Come and visit us. I'm sure you will come again if you do.

We always have a lovely afternoon tea all for 60 cents.

IDA BARRETT, Hon. Secretary



### FLOWER DONATIONNS

- September 4—By Miss Leslie in memory of her family.  
Arrangement by Mrs. A. Steed.
- September 8—By Michele in memory of Don.  
Arrangement by Mrs. M. Essam.
- September 15—By Mr. and Mrs. Swankie in memory of our  
Mother and Nanna.  
Arrangement by Mrs. A. Steed.
- September 22—By Mrs. Willis in memory of her mother, Mrs.  
Sheriff.  
By Audrey in memory of her parents.  
Arrangement by Mrs. M. Essam.
- September 29—By Dot Pullen, Judith, Arthur Payne and  
family in memory of Ben Pullen and David Payne.  
Arrangement by Mrs. M. Essam.



### NEW ZEALAND ARCHBISHOP NAMED GOVERNOR-GENERAL

The Anglican Primate of New Zealand has been named by the Queen as Governor-General of New Zealand.

Archbishop Paul Reeves, 52, who is of Maori descent, is the first clergyman ever to hold such an office. He will resign his ecclesiastical offices as of September 30 in preparation for his new duties, and his resignation has been accepted by the Anglican bishops of New Zealand.

The archbishop will succeed Sir David Stuart Beattie, a barrister and former judge of the New Zealand Supreme Court. The appointment was made by the Queen on the recommendation of the New Zealand Government.

## PARISH REGISTER

### HOLY BAPTISM:

Sunday, 16th June—Caine Garrett Michael BUGDON.  
Samantha Lee DONOHUE.

### BURIAL OF THE DEAD:

4th July—Ellice Isobel RHYDER.  
29th June—Aisilisleen Muriel LAWSON.  
19th July—Violet May GRAHAM.  
22nd July—Ruby Eileen MILLER.  
Rose Annie TROUNCE.  
23rd July—Hazel Beatrice HOBBS.  
29th July—Alberta Priscilla QUINLIVEN.  
31st July—Jane (Jenny) Creo WILSON.  
7th August—Vera Eliza Alice ELVY.

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## DIARY OF A BIBLE

**JANUARY:** A busy time for me. Most of the family decided to read me through this year. They kept me busy for the first two weeks, but they have forgotten me now.

**FEBRUARY:** Clean-up time. I was dusted yesterday and put in my place. My owner did use me for a few minutes last week. He had been in an argument and was looking up some references to prove he was right.

**MARCH:** I had a busy day, the first of the month. My owner was elected president of the P.T.A., and he used me to prepare a speech.

**APRIL:** Grandpa visited us this month. He kept me on his lap for an hour reading 1 Corinthians 13. He seems to think more of me than do some people in my own household.

**MAY:** I have a few green stains on my pages. Some flowers were pressed in my pages.

**JUNE:** I look like a scrapbook. They have stuffed me full of newspaper clippings—one of the girls was married.

**JULY:** They put me in a suitcase today. I guess we are off on vacation. I wish I could stay home; I know I'll be closed up in this thing for at least two weeks.

**AUGUST:** Still in the suitcase.

**SEPTEMBER:** Back home at last and in my old familiar place. I have a lot of company. Two women's magazines and four comic books are stacked on top of me. I wish I could be read as much as they are.

**OCTOBER:** They read me a little bit today. One of them

is very sick. Right now I am sitting in the centre of the coffee table. I think the pastor is coming for a visit.

NOVEMBER: Back in my old place. Somebody asked today if I were a scrapbook.

DECEMBER: The family is busy getting ready for the holidays. I guess I'll be covered up under wrapping paper and packages again—just as I am every Christmas.



### CHURCH HISTORY (Continued)

Saturday, 29th May, 1915, saw the somewhat delayed completion of the Jubilee project when His Grace the Archbishop dedicated the memorial wall and gates in the presence of Reverends Canon Martin, R. Noake, A. J. Priest, H. Crotty, R. Rook and H. G. Howe.

The Dedication Service commenced with a Hymn, "All People that on Earth do dwell", during which the Choir, Clergy and Archbishop proceeded to the main Entrance Gates where the Churchwardens presented the petition for dedication to the Archbishop in response to which His Grace dedicated the Gates with appropriate prayers and read the following inscription which was unveiled by Mrs. H. Wippell:

"To the Glory of God and in loving memory of  
Frederick Walter Wippell these gates were erected  
by his Widow and Family, 1915."

Singing the hymn, "O God our help in ages past", the procession continued to the "Children's Gate" where the Churchwardens unveiled and read the inscription on the Gateway and the Archbishop dedicated the memorial. The inscription reads thus:

"To the Glory of God this wall was erected by the Parishioners to commemorate the Jubilee of the First Service held in this Parish in 1860, this Gateway being the gifts of the School Children in the year of the Jubilee 1910."

After the Service of Dedication, Short Evensong was held in the Church, the Archbishop giving a most helpful and inspiring address on the words of St. Paul, "Walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called". The service was attended by a large number of former and present parishioners, including Mrs. Wippell and members of her family.

For many years during the Incumbency of Canon Goddard, All Saints' conducted a "Day School" on a site adjoining the Town Hall in Crystal Street, Petersham, which provided for boy and girl pupils from kindergarten to school leaving age. Miss

Green, Principal for many years, possessed a wonderful personality and the school was generally known in this period as "Miss Green's School". The school concerts, referred to as "Miss Green's Concerts", were a feature not only of the Parish but of the whole district. Miss Green's sister, Mrs. Shuttleworth, and the latter's daughter, were on the teaching staff. Those who were pupils at the school in those days will also remember other teachers, Mrs. Murcott (Art), Mrs. Edith Glanville (Elocution), Miss Worsley and Miss A. Chandler.

**ALL SAINTS' ANGLICAN CHURCH, PETERSHAM**  
**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS—JULY, 1985**

RECEIPTS		\$	PAYMENTS		\$
Offerteries		892.66	Rectors Net Stipend	1931.30	
RECYCLING—			Rector's Trav. Allow.	359.96	
Cans	101.50		Organist	37.50	
Papers	614.66		Church Flowers	100.00	
		716.16	Chronicles	75.20	
Church Flowers	51.00		Church Cleaning	120.00	
1985 Fete—			Toilet Rolls	2.39	
White Elephant Stall	100.00		Mop Head	5.00	
Grocery Stall	1.40		Hall Gas A/c.	28.50	
Deposit Interest	24.88		Hall Electricity A/c.	89.36	
Rector's Phone Contrib.			Church Electricity A/c.	31.19	
6/85	8.25		Confirmation Service		
		1794.35	Offerteries to H.M.S.	130.45	
Deficit for Month	645.50		Editors' Clip Sheets	42.00	
			Organ Tuning and		
			Minor Repairs	96.00	
		2448.85			2448.85

BALANCE 1/7/85	\$1570.11
LESS DEFICIT FOR MONTH	\$ 654.50
BALANCE 31/7/85	\$ 915.61

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