

The Chronicle Of All Saints Petersham

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ALL SAINTS' RECTORY, PETERSHAM

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.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer. 7.15 p.m.—Evening Prayer.

9.45 a.m.—Sunday School. 9.45 a.m.—Kindergarten.

Churchwardens: Messrs L. C. CALVER (Rector's), W. SOPWITH, E. QUELCH.

Parish Council: THE CHURCHWARDENS and Messrs A. H. THOMAS, T. H. BOSWARD, J. M. BOYLE, H. G. BRODIE, J. HUMPHREYS, D. B.

HUNTER, H. F. JONES, B. PULLEN, H. J. SHAW, K. GRANT, A. COOK,

R. WRIGHT

Hon. Secretary: Mr. L. C. CALVER

Hon. Treasurer: Mr. W. SOPWITH

Organist: Miss KATHLEEN O'NEILL.

THE LAMBETH CONFERENCE

Once again, in this year of 1958, we hear there is to be another Lambeth Conference in England and already many Bishops have packed their bags and are on the way to London.

Many people might well ask what is the Lambeth Conference? Who attend it? How did it begin?

Lambeth Conference is a conference of Bishops belonging to the Anglican Communion throughout the world, and it is held every ten years and is presided over by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

For centuries the Church in England was anything but missionary minded. We might say she was "as dead as a dodo". At any rate she was conservative and concerned only with her own internal problems. The Church and State were closely allied and often the clergy were more politically minded than spiritually minded.

As Britain developed her naval power and established new colonies so her interests out side of Britain increased but it was a long while before the Church woke up to the fact that she had a part to play in world affairs.

Admittedly travel was a risk affair and many left England never to be seen again. The discovery and development of America challenged the English Church but she was slow to admit it.

The first European to be baptised in America was Virginia Dare in 1587 but she would have had to wait nearly 200 years to be confirmed as there were no Bishops in America during that period.

Many Clergy went to America but Bishops stayed at home. Eventually it was recognised that these overseas parishes should come under some Bishop so the Bishop of London was officially in charge but he was little concerned about America and their needs.

In 1728 Bishop Gibson, of London, asked the clergy of Maryland in America to nominate one of their men and send him over to England to be consecrated as his Coadjutor. The clergy gladly consented but the Maryland Colonial Government refused to allow the nominee to leave America. They looked upon the idea with suspicion.

On 25th March, 1783, fourteen Connecticut Clergy elected Samuel Seabury to be consecrated Bishop. Their great problem was by whom would he be consecrated. Seabury was born in America the son of an S.P.G. Missionary but had spent his youth in Scotland. So to Scotland he went for consecration. He was consecrated by four Scottish Bishops on 14th November, 1784, and then he returned to America.

One Bishop, however, was not enough to consecrate other Bishops. He could confirm candidates but no more. So in February, 1787, two more Americans arrived at Lambeth Palace for consecration as Bishops for work in America. William White and Samuel Provoost were their names.

In 1790 a further American Bishop was consecrated at Lambeth. Thus they had one of the Scottish and three of the English succession. Henceforth all American Bishops could be consecrated in their own country.

In 1851 when the Society of the Propagation of the Gospel was celebrating its 150th Anniversary an invitation was extended to the Bishops in the American Church to visit England, and to show how the Church in England was broadening its outlook, the American Bishops were allowed to preach without having their sermon notes censored.

Soon English and American Bishops were travelling between the two countries and fraternising as Christians should.

Now when the American Bishops returned to America from the 150th S.P.G. Commemoration, the Presiding Bishop in America expressed the hope that there should be a council of all the Church in communion with the Church of England. The suggestion was kindly noted in England and quickly forgotten.

However, the Provincial Synod of Canada in 1865 took action recording its concern over the Colenso controversy in Sth. Africa and expressed the desire to be invited to such a council or conference in England.

The Colenso controversy was the result of the Bishop of Natal, Dr. Colenso by name, developing sceptical opinions after his consecration as Bishop, and finally being charged with heresy and was deposed. The Archbishop of Canterbury upheld the deposition, but the privy Council held it null and void. The Privy Council ruled that Colenso was still Bishop of Natal and would remain so until he died or resigned or was legally removed.

The Church excommunicated Colenso in 1865 but when the matter was brought before the Privy Council, the Council invalidated the Letters Patent of Bishops in self-governing colonies, declaring that the English Church had no authority whatever over the overseas Bishops. The Canadian Church feared that such an act would sever the connection between the Canadian Church and the English Church, so they appealed to the Archbishop of Canterbury to call a General Council or National Synod of the Anglican Church Bishops at home and abroad without delay.

Enthusiasm for the idea was lacking in many quarters in England the Archbishop of Canterbury (Longley) saw the need and stood firm. Convocation not only supported the request, it broadened the idea and invited all Bishops in communion with Canterbury to attend.

Archbishop Longley called the first Lambeth Conference for 1867 when 73 Bishops out of a possible 144 attended. To show how the Church of England has developed, in 1948, Lambeth Conference was attended by 329 Bishops out of a possible 400 who were invited.

Knowing that the Colenso controversy was going to be discussed at the first Lambeth Conference induced some to come whilst others felt that there would be too much confusion in an already tangled web and they declined to attend.

Among these were the Archbishop of York and the Bishop of Durham, Carlisle, Ripon, Peterborough and Manchester. Others, including Bishop Thirlwell of St. Davids postponed their acceptance until the official agenda paper or programme was published.

The Conference met on Tuesday, 24th September, 1867, the opening service being preceded by a celebration of Holy Communion in Lambeth Palace Chapel.

The Meetings of the Conference were held in the upstairs dining hall or "guard-room" of Lambeth Palace. On the Archbishop of Canterbury's right sat the Archbishop of Armagh, the Bishop of London, the Presiding Bishop of the American Church and the Bishop of Sydney. On the left were the Archbishop of Dublin and the Bishops of Montreal, New Zealand and Capetown, the other Bishops sat in front of him. The Bishop of Gloucester and Bristol acted as episcopal secretary to the meeting throughout its deliberation.

In his opening address Archbishop Longley outlined with great care the position of the conference. He said, "It has never been contemplated that we should assume functions of a general synod of all the Churches in full communion with the Church of England and take upon ourselves to enact canons that should be binding upon those here represented. We merely propose to discuss matters of practical interest and pronounce what we deem expedient in resolutions which may serve as safe guides to future action.

Thus it will be seen that our first essay is rather tentative and experimental, in a matter in which we have no distinct precedent to direct us."

The preamble to the subsequent resolutions which outlines the intentions of the Conference ran as follows:—

"We, Bishops of Christ's Holy Catholic Church, in visible communion with the United Church of England and Ireland professing the faith delivered to us in Holy Scripture, maintained by the primitive Church and by the Fathers of the English Reformation, now assembled by the good providence of God, at the Archiespiscopal Palace at Lambeth, under the Presidency of the Primate of all England, desire, first, to give hearty thanks to Almighty God for having thus brought us together for common counsels and united worship; Secondly, we desire to express the deep sorrow with which we view the divided condition of the flock of Christ throughout the world, ardently longing for the fulfilment of the prayer of our Lord: "That all may be one, as thou, Father, Art in me, and I in Thee, that they also may be one in us, that the world may believe that Thou hast sent me."

And lastly we do here solemnly record our conviction that unity will be most effectually promoted, by maintaining the faith in its purity, as taught in Holy Scriptures, held by the Primitive Church, summed up in the Creeds and affirmed by the undisputed General Council and by drawing each of us closer to our Common Lord, and by giving ourselves to much prayer and intercession, by the cultivation of a spirit of charity, and a love of the Lord's appearing."

It is interesting to note that of the 76 Bishops at the first Conference, 18 were English, 5 were Irish, 6 were Scottish, the Colonial Church sent 24 including 5 Metropolitans, U.S.A. sent 19. At no one session were all the Bishops present but the Encyclical Address received the signatures of all and the President was subsequently authorised to affix the names of several others who had been prevented from attending.

(To be Continued)

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday, 13th July—Confirmation classes begin at 2.30 p.m.

Sunday, 27th July—7.15 p.m. Preacher the Rev. G. Fletcher, General Secretary of C.M.S.

Sunday, 10th August—Consecration Festival of our Church Services as follows:—

8 a.m.—Holy Communion.

10.30 a.m.—Family Service, The Rev. R. Bosenquet, B.A., Th.L. (No Sunday School or 11 a.m. service)

7.15 p.m.—Evensong. Preacher: The Rural Dean of Petersham, the Rev. J. R. LeHuray.

Wednesday, 20th August—

Festival Tea 6 p.m.

7 p.m.—Organ Recital.

7.30 p.m.—Shortened Evensong.

8 p.m.—Beautiful coloured slides of England and America will be shown by Mr. Warren Hackett, of Marrickville.

Tea Tickets 4/-

All Welcome

CHOIR NOTICE

Would any choir member or ex-choir member who may have a Nicholson Psalter at home please return same to the Church as we are three short.

LADIES' GUILD

Our Street Stall on 20th was once again very well stocked with home-made cakes and jams; we would like to thank all those kind folk who give to the stall month by month and not least to say thank you to those who come and sell the goods.

The Cooking Demonstration at David Jones' on Wednesday, the 26th June, was very well attended, the Congregational Church, Petersham, joined with us to make up the required number, also some members from the St. Luke's Hospital Centre. We charged 2/- for the afternoon, which included afternoon tea, and with the sale of the cooking, our amount came to £3.

The next Guild meeting will be on Tuesday, 8th July, at 2 p.m. in the Parish Hall and our next Social afternoon, Tuesday, 22nd July, commencing at 2 p.m. This afternoon will be run by the Tea Bureau when a short film will be shown, afternoon tea will be served and a charge of 2/6 will be made. We would be very pleased to see as many as possible at this afternoon as the Tea Bureau would like at least 50 present. Please make a note of the date and please come. St. Luke's Committee and the Young Married's Club are joining in with the Guild to help make this afternoon a success and to help get the required number, so please make an effort to be present, date 22nd July—time 2 p.m. The next Street Stall will be on 18th July.

FLOWER ROSTER

- July 6th—Donated by Mrs. Nisbet in memory of Mr. Nisbet, arranged by Mrs. Champion.
- „ 13th—Donated by Mrs. Pryor and daughter in memory of Mr. Pryor, arranged by Mrs. Colburt and Mrs. Bellamy.
- „ 20th—Donated by Mrs. Greswell in memory of Mr. Greswell, arranged by Miss Speight.
- „ 27th—Donated by Mrs. Champion in memory of her Mother, arranged by Mrs. Champion.

- Aug. 3rd—Donated by Mr. A. Carr in memory of his Mother and donated by Mrs. Spencer in memory of her Father, arranged by Mrs. Spencer.
- „ 10th—Donated by Mrs. Colburt, arranged by Mrs. Colburt and Mrs. Bellamy.
- „ 17th—No donation. Arranged by Miss Speight.
- „ 24th—Donated by Mrs. Fogwell in memory of her husband, arranged by Mrs. Malone.
- „ 31st—Donated by Mrs. Furnell in memory of her husband, arranged by Mrs. Champion.

YOUNG MARRIEDS' CLUB

The next meeting of the above Club will be on Tuesday, 8th July, in the Y.C.I. Room, Parish Hall. New members and visitors most welcome.

Our next function will be another Family Social on Friday evening, 18th July, in the Parish Hall commencing at 8 p.m. We hope as many of our friends and their families will come along and help us make this evening a social and financial success.

Another Street Stall is to be arranged for Saturday, 9th August. We very much thank and appreciate the donations and support given us at our Street Stall last month.

We hope all the ladies of the Parish are keeping in mind the Young Marrieds' Annual Luncheon, which will be held on Wednesday, 17th September, commencing at 12 noon. Further particulars will appear in the next Chronicle.

I. BARRETT, Hon. Secretary

PHYSICAL CULTURE

Our Club is having a "Mixed-up-Tea-Party" on Saturday, 19th July, at 2.30 p.m. Friends are cordially invited to come along and be entertained by our girls display. Competition is very keen to see whose table brings in the most pennies for our funds. There are prizes for various sections. "Stick-jaw" toffee has already been on sale each Monday night by some of our enterprising girls who are so keen to make this afternoon a real success.

Afternoon tea will be served, admission is 2/- Adults; 1/- Children. Everyone will be very welcome and we hope to have a "Full House" sign before commencing at 2.30 p.m.

F. DITCHBURN, Hon. Secretary

LOST AND FOUND

A new prayer book has been found in the Ladies room in the Parish Hall, owner can have same by applying at the Rectory.

TABLE TENNIS

New South Wales Table Tennis Association 1958

Winter Competitions

All Saints' teams have performed as follows during the past months:—

Round 6 of Competition—22nd May:

No. 1 Team defeated No. 3 Team 11-0.

No. 2 Team lost to H. & J. 0-11

No. 4 Team lost to Table Tennis Centre 0-11.

Round 7 of Competition—29th May:

No. 1 Team lost to North Shore Academy 0-11

No. 2 Team defeated No. 4 Team 10-1.

No. 3 Team lost to O.P.S.M. 0-11.

Round 8 of Competition—5th June:

No. 1 Team lost to O.P.S.M. 4-7.

No. 2 Team lost to Table Tennis Centre 0-11.

No. 3 Team lost to Shell 1-10.

No. 4 Team defeated Grace Bros. 11-0.

Round 9 of Competition—12th June:

No. 1 Team defeated Shell 9-2.

No. 2 Team defeated Grace Bros. 11-0.

No. 3 Team lost to Night Owls 0-11.

No. 4 Team lost to Northbridge Methodist Youth 2-9.

Round 10 of Competition—19th June:

No. 1 Team defeated Night Owls 6-5.

No. 2 Team defeated Northbridge M. Youth 6-5.

No. 3 Team lost to Green House 0-11.

No. 4 Team lost to Macdonald Hamilton 0-11.

The No. 1 team is now performing consistently and must be given an outside chance of qualifying for the finals for the first time since the inception of the club in 1957. This team proved its worth with a sensational victory by nine rubbers to two over the powerful Shell combination in the ninth round of the competition. The boys followed this fine performance with a thrilling six rubbers to five win over Night Owls in the next competition round.

The No. 2 team struck form with a vengeance against Northbridge Methodist Youth in the tenth round of the competition and won a soul gripping struggle by the narrow margin of six rubbers to five.

The No. 3 and No. 4 teams continue to perform with plenty of hard work and enthusiasm and better results must follow in the near future.

Table Tennis Snapshots

Jim Ball, Brian Strauss and Skipper Bill Rowe were proud members of the No. 4 team which won on a forfeit from Grace Bros. in the eighth round of the competition.

Mr. Roy Moore, team manager of the No. 1 team, has reported that the members of his team, Peter Whalan, Charles Hemmings, Rodney Lumby and Neil Moore, are playing superb table tennis.

Mr. H. Reid, team manager of the No. 3 team, gives his players Noel Cragg, John Rowe, Graham Allan and Robert Reid, full marks for enthusiasm and has noted a vast improvement in the standard of play.

Ted Faram, as skipper of the No. 2 team, is performing a wonderful job of work. Ted wishes to acknowledge the splendid support of the team members, John Yard, Carl Lumby, Alan Humphreys and Bruce Montgomery.

Trevor Thompson, a popular member of the No. 4 team, won a singles rubber in grand style in the ninth round of the competition. The Club is sorry to hear that Trevor will be unable to take any further part in the current competition owing to a recurrence of his appendix trouble and all members wish him a speedy and complete recovery.

Graham Davies and Geoffrey Gorman are enthusiastic members of the No. 4 team.

BRUCE LIVINGSTONE, Secretary

REMEMBER—**PARISH FETE****ALL SAINTS' CHURCH PETERSHAM****SATURDAY, 22nd NOVEMEER, 1958 — 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.****Y.C.I.**

There was an excellent programme at the Y.C.I. Concert, which was held in the Parish Hall on Friday, the 6th June. The Committee is to be congratulated on the excellence of the arrangements, and the assistance of those who provided the items is greatly appreciated. The Concert was, however, worthy of larger patronage both by Y.C.I. members and parishioners. At the meeting held on Friday, the 13th June, we had Club Room Games at the conclusion of the business meeting. "Skittles" is still the favourite game for these occasions, and great enjoyment was derived from it. We have an Open Debate set down for Friday, the 11th July, and although the Leaders and the Subject have not yet been decided upon it is sure to be an interesting meeting. On Friday, the 25th July, we will have Lecturettes from several of our own members, and from past experience some varied and interesting matters will be dealt with. Y.C.I. members are reminded that the 187th issue of the "Manuscript Journal" will be released on Friday, the 8th August. Write right now!

L.C.C.**BROWNIES**

The 1st Petersham Brownie Pack will be starting in All Saints' Parish Hall on Saturday, 5th July, commencing at 2 p.m. Any girls desiring to join are asked to attend on that date. The age group is from 7 to 11 years.

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