

The Chronicle

Of All Saints

Petersham

STANMORE ROAD, PETERSHAM

Rector: BRUCE WOOLCOTT

Phone: 569-4735

OCTOBER, 1984



WORSHIP TIMES:

9.30 a.m. — Morning Prayer (H.C. on 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays)

Sunday School and Kindergarten.

7.00 p.m.— Evening Prayer (H.C. on 1st & 3rd Sundays)

The Rectory,
325 Stanmore Road,
PETERSHAM 2049

Dear Friends,

We are coming to the time of the year when there is always a great deal of activity. I guess Spring has sprung.

There are a number of important events happening over the next few months.

At the beginning of October we have our Diocesan Synod. Synod is the parliament of the Church. Our synod meets every year and passes the rules and regulations which govern the way things are done.

It is good to remember that our Church is not just run by the whim or desire of the minister, churchwardens or even the parish council. Synod is an elected body. It has elected representatives from every parish of the diocese, and there are two lay members to every clergyman.

Do pray for God's guidance upon the meetings of Synod and for the two laymen and your Rector as they represent you at those meetings. Prayer is important. We live in a society where Christian standards are constantly being attacked and some matters that come before Synod need a great deal of Godly insight. Pray for our Synod meetings.

Then at the end of October we will be host to the H.M.S. Op Shop supporters. The Home Mission Society, part of our Church work in this diocese, has been running opportunity shops for twenty-five years. These Op Shops have been a great benefit to low income families.

On Wednesday, 31st October (the eve of All Saints Day), the Home Mission Society will be holding a service and a dinner at All Saints', Petersham, to mark the twenty-five years since the first Op Shop opened, in Petersham.

We at All Saints are privileged to be celebrating this anniversary with H.M.S. Op. Shop.

If you remember anything of that first Op Shop, or if you would like to attend this anniversary, let the Rector or the Op Shop headquarters (798-7888) know. The cost of the dinner is \$5.00 per head.

October brings us our Sunday School Family Picnic. This is planned for Saturday, 20th at Centennial Park. It is good to have parents and children join together for such an outing. Keep the date free.

Then, of course, November. we shall have our Fete. The date: November 17th. We are looking forward to seeing everyone on that day.

Each year we are always looking for folk to help with the Fete. This year is no exception. As many members of the congregation get older we look for new folk to help. Maybe this is the year you might consider helping; your assistance would be appreciated.

With this activity in October and November I am sure we will be looking forward to the Christmas break — or, perhaps Christmas will be just as busy for you.

Yours sincerely,

BRUCE WOOLCOTT

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

FAMILY PICNIC: This year our Family Picnic will be held on Saturday, 20th October.

It is to be held in the same area of Centennol Park as last time. That is, Stringybark Grove, to the left of the Lang Road entrance as you drive into the park. We will meet there at approximately 10.30 a.m.

All parishioners are welcome to join in with the Sunday School pupils and their parents.

Please bring your own lunch and cup. Tea, coffee and cordial drinks will be provided. Electric barbecues are available in the park, coin operated.

If you require transport, please contact Mrs. Essam or myself, so that arrangements may be made.

FETE GROCERY STALL: The Annual Fete is now 7 weeks away and preparations are underway for the grocery stall. We are now looking for help with the jam making as well as donations of sugar.

If you are able to assist in any way please contact me on 569-9972.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS: We are still in urgent need of Sunday School teachers for High School and Infants aged groups. If you are able to help by taking one of the groups please contact the Rector, Mrs. Essam or myself. At present, the High School group is remaining in the Church until a teacher can be found.

NOEL CRAGG, Superintendent

WOMEN-IN-FRIENDSHIP

Our next meeting on Tuesday, 2nd October in the Guild Room of the Parish Hall at 1.30 p.m. will be followed at 2.00 p.m. by an Amway demonstration, conducted by Mrs. Sharon Asimus. All ladies are very welcome. The demonstration will be followed by afternoon tea. No charge.

The second hand clothing and jumble stall on 21st Sep-

tember was the best ever, the proceeds being \$246. A very big thanks to all who helped or contributed in any way.

On Saturday, 17th November is "The Big Annual Fete" at which our club will conduct the Cake and Sweets Stall. We would very much appreciate any cakes, scones,, biscuits, etc. on the day or sugar for sweet making beforehand.

IDA BARRETT, Hon. Sec.

SENIOR PARISHIONERS' CLUB

The club is still meeting every Thursday at 1 p.m. Our members all seem to have had their share of viruses this winter. We are pleased to see some of our members who have been absent returning looking as bright as ever. We hope it won't be long before we can again say, "All present, Sir."

It's lovely to see Braeside Ladies so regularly, and appearing to be so happy coming. Thanks Neta and Ken for bringing them.

IDA BARRETT, Hon. Sec.

PARISH REGISTER — SEPTEMBER

HOLY MATRIMONY

- 7th — Peter Christopher Nicholas and Linda Fung.
 15th — Mark George Murphy and Helen Louise Sorby.
 22nd — Graham Robinson Best and Karen Anne Newey.

INTERMENT OF ASHES

- 23rd — Henry Joseph Meekings. Died 16th May, 1984.

FLOWER DONATIONS FOR OCTOBER

- October 7th — By Miss Esther Humphries in memory of Daphne.

Arrangement by Mrs. A. Steed.

- October 14th — In memory of Alan Carr. From Eunice Julie and Alison.

For the Stone of Remembrance by Mrs. E. Bosward.

FRESH FLOWERS PTY. LTD.

439 NEW CANTERBURY ROAD, DULWICH HILL, 2203

Phone: 569-1505 — A.H. 349-1427

For all Floral Arrangements at Shortest Notice

Wedding Bouquets a Specialty — Deliveries Anywhere

Arrangement by Miss Nisbet.

October 21st—Mrs. P. Hitchens in memory of her husband.

Arrangement by Mrs. A. Steed.

October 28th—By Mrs. M. Glanville in memory of her parents.

Arrangement by Miss Nisbet.

COMING EVENTS

SATURDAY, 13th OCTOBER: Newspaper pick-up, sorting and tying, from 7 a.m. onwards. Help is needed and just one hour of work from anyone will be greatly appreciated. We are particularly short of male labour for tying and stacking.

MONDAY, 15th OCTOBER: We have to call on our small team of men to load the truck. Ten tons of paper is not light work for men who have passed retiring age and would expect to be taking life easily.

WEDNESDAY, 31st OCTOBER: On this day in the evening the Home Mission Society will hold a Service and a Dinner at our Church to celebrate 25 years of operation since the first Op Shop was opened in Petersham.

SATURDAY, 20th OCTOBER: The Sunday School Picnic will be held at Stringbark Grove in Centennial Park, beginning around 10.30 a.m. Transport will be available for anyone contacting Mr. Cragg or Mrs. Essam.

SATURDAY, 17th NOVEMBER: This being the third Saturday in November, it is Fete Day. The Fete will open at 9 a.m. and run until 3 p.m. We look forward to meeting old friends and supporters from near and far. A fete is not possible without a lot of prior work by stallholders, culminating in a busy Thursday night erecting stalls and a Friday occupied with decorating and stocking.

We will find a seller for any articles that are in good condition and a White Elephant for the re-usable things that are not in good condition and can be handled easily.

We will be selling—

Plants — groceries — childrens clothes — books — refreshments — cakes and sweets — pottery and ornaments.

WALTERS & SON

FUNERAL DIRECTORS

Offices and Chapels:

433-35 NEW CANTERBURY ROAD, DULWICH HILL—560-9999
890 CANTERBURY ROAD, LAKEMBA—759-4044

You are invited to enquire about our funeral fund.
People of all ages are accepted without medical examination.

After the Fete is closed we still have to dismantle the stalls and return it all to the basement beneath the stage. This is men's work and we hope that many husbands and fathers will be around at that time. It is easier and quicker to dismantle than it is to erect, so it does not take long if the labour is available.

You've Got To Be There!

PARISH HISTORY

"The foundation stone of the new Anglican Church at Petersham to be called 'All Saints' Church' was laid on Saturday afternoon, the 17th instant at 5 o'clock, by the Metropolitan Bishop, his assistants and clergy assembled in the School House, the temporary Church building, about two hundred yards from the intended edifice. The site for the new Church is a truly admirable one. Almost upon the summit of the heights of Petersham, it commands a very beautiful and extensive view to the west, to the north and to the east, but it is somewhat protected from the storms of the south by a gentle elevation. The Spire (one hundred and twenty feet high) will be visible for many miles in every direction; a new centre of civilisation, and a pleasing mark of religion and social progress in the picturesque locality, day after day becoming more densely populated. The size of the completed Church is to be almost eighty-three feet by fifty-four feet divided internally into the nave and aisles. The Chancel (thirty feet by fifteen feet) is a continuation of the nave or body of the Church and is elevated by three stone steps, with a foot space at the altar rail. The nave roof will be of clasped iron columns on stone bases. The aisle walls are to be seventeen feet high, and the roof of the nave, fifty feet from the level of the floor to the apex. The walls of the Church are to be built with a superior kind of pressed bricks, used in two colours, on the internal and external faces. The roofs are to be open timbered, boarded and slated. The parts of the floor to be seated will be of wood, the aisles and open spaces being concreted, as a provision for encaustic tiles at a future period. The tower is designed to stand at the south-west angle of the structure. The style of architecture is that generally known as 'Early English', plainly and economically arranged; The general effect being obtained by a good outline and to be further secured by the use of suitable material. A very tasteful little photograph of the intended building was exhibited on the ground, and universally approved. The design is in every respect a proper one for a country Church, and reflects the greatest credit on the architect, Mr. Benjamin Backhouse. Mr. Thomas Lane is the contractor for the first half of the Church, which he has agreed to have ready for use in six months' time.

Some little delay was caused by the size of the foundation stone, which was so large (being nearly two tons in weight) that the machinery employed by the workmen to re-hoist it, repeatedly gave way when the ropes were brought to bear upon the mass. This difficulty was, however, after a while, got over by the voluntary aid of some of the intelligent bystanders who, by means of a timely leverage, when all was done that was required, lifted back the dead weight into its appointed place. This little circumstance, arising out of hurried preparations for the ceremony in view of the approaching departure of Dr. Barker, was very happily alluded to by the Metropolitan in his address to the people, and was generally accepted as an omen of good success.

The Metropolitan Bishop in his address to the people said amongst other things that around this elevated and beautiful site resided many whose duty and privilege it would be to assemble for worship and for hearing His Holy Word read and for listening to the preaching of the Gospel. He trusted that they would co-operate with their Minister as to encourage him in his designs to raise that Church for their use and to labour in other ways for their spiritual advantage. He trusted that the clergy of the Parish would have the goodwill of all and that the members of the Church of England would ever bear in mind that it was their duty to strengthen his hands and support him in every good word and work.

NEW TENANTS

We have recently let the Guild Room to Alcoholics Anonymous for a weekly meeting on Monday nights at 7 p.m.

ALL SAINTS' ANGLICAN CHURCH, PETERSHAM STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS — 31/8/84

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Offertories	983.56	Rector's Net Stipend	1240.00
RECYCLING—		Rector's Trav. Allow.	324.87
Cans	111.00	Church Flowers	52.50
Papers	474.91	Chronicles	75.20
	585.91	Church Cleaning	60.00
DONATIONS—		Hall Gas Account	25.02
Women-in-Friendship ..	200.00	Hall Electricity	80.91
C'wealth Bank of Aust.		Church Electricity	74.10
for 84 Pete	75.00		
Rector's Telephone			1932.60
Contrib. June./July ..	21.20		
Flowers	56.00		
	1921.67		
Deficit for month	10.93		
	1932.60		

STAGE ONE — RESTORATION APPEAL

WHAT IS TO BE DONE?

- A — Restoration of Window Frames and repair of Stone Guards.
- B — Installation of Sub-Floor Ventilation to rectify dampness under the floor.
- C — Replace flooring — due to dampness.

WHAT WILL IT COST?

- A — A conservative estimate for Stage One: \$20,000.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

You can support Stage One fund raising — with a cash donation.

AND ALSO —

Support future fund raising activities.

ALL SAINTS' ANGLICAN CHURCH
STAGE ONE RESTORATION APPEAL
325 Stanmore Road,
PETERSHAM 2049

Mr., Mrs., Miss

Address

.....
.....
.....

Phone

DONATION: \$.....