

The Chronicle

Of All Saints

Petersham

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JULY, 1970



The site of the long and consecrated services of Miss O'Neill, our late organist, which will be to many a constant and happy remembrance of her loving labours.

MISS KATHLEEN O'NEILL: 19th JUNE, 1970.

Miss Kathleen O'Neill passed away after a weeks illness with pneumonia. Miss O'Neill was 89 years old and played at service here only 10 days before her death.

She had been organist and choirmaster for nearly fourteen years, so that when she came to us she was 75 years old. In all that time she missed only five services. In addition she filled in as organist at Christ Church of St. Laurence, Broadway.

In her younger days when organ playing was a feature of Sydney theatre entertainment Miss O'Neill entertained picture goers at the Prince Edward Theatre, and we do not doubt that she got from the organ all that it had to give.

Miss O'Neill lived these last years for the organ and All Saints and we thank God for her contribution to life and the help of her talent in our worship. Few have given so much with so little complaint. May God bless her and grant her an eternal reward.

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ALL SAINTS' CENTENARY

At the meeting of the Centenary Steering Committee on 22nd May, 1970 the nucleus programme for the twelve months celebrations was reviewed.

Details of the opening service on All Saints' Day, 1st November, 1970 were drafted for finalisation at the next Committee meeting.

Some months ago the various organisations were asked to advise the Committee of any special functions which they desired to hold, which when approved would be included at an appropriate place in the overall programme. As yet the Committee has received advice from two organisations only, such requests being approved and included in the proposed official programme. Organisations are asked to give the matter consideration and advise the Committee as soon as possible. If desired a meeting will be held to discuss their suggestions or ideas in regard to such functions.

It is proposed that the complete programme of the principal functions will be available for distribution at the inaugural service on 1st November, 1970.

The address of former parishioners would be appreciated.

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FETE NEWS

Fete Stall Holders' Meeting: The Saturday afternoon meeting of the stall holders and fete committee was very well attended and a great success. There was plenty of discussion and many fine suggestions came from the meeting. Unfortunately these suggestions cannot be printed until they have been discussed with the Parish Council.

Arrangements for all the Fete Attractions have now been finalised.

PARISH NEWS

● **Rector's Holiday:**

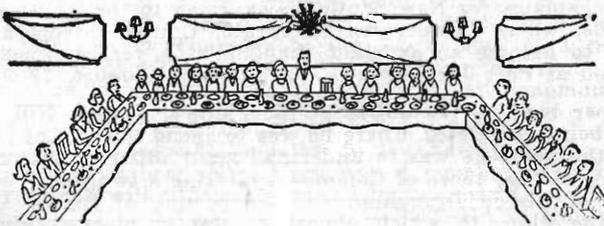
The Rector is grateful to his good friend the Rev. A. H. Gallop, B.A. for taking the services at All Saints' during his holiday at Katoomba. The Rev. A. H. Gallop was with us for two Sundays, June 21st and 28th, and we were very pleased to hear from him again.

● **Petersham O.E.S. Fete:**

The Petersham Chapter, O.E.S. will be holding their Annual Fete in the All Saints' Church Hall, on Saturday, 11th July, commencing at 9.30 a.m.

There will be all the usual stalls—Fancy Goods, Groceries, Cakes, Hoop-la, etc. Lunch will also be available in the Hall. The parishioners of All Saints' are invited to attend.

● **Parish Tea: Friday, 14th August.**



Programme: Parish Tea 6.15 p.m. — Hot meal for 50 cents. — 8.00 p.m. The St. Andrew's Cathedral Choral Society will entertain in the church.

A special Centenary composition by Mr. Eric Gross will be sung. This will be the first performance of this work. A Psalm composed by the Rector of Enfield, Rev. Laurence Bartlett, will also be included in the programme.

Supporting items will be given by the Petersham Girls High School Choir and the Cathedral Choir, and the organ will be played by the Rev. Laurence Bartlett, Michael Hemans and Alan Moffat.

This promises to be a most attractive musical evening and full parish support is needed to make it a success.

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PERSONAL

We regret that Mrs. J. Nance is seriously ill in Sydney Hospital. We pray that with God's help she may be comforted and relieved.

It is pleasing to report that Mrs. Quinlevan has now recovered from her accident which laid her up for some weeks.

PIONEER CHURCHMEN

4. William Cowper (1778-1858)

For almost fifty of his eighty years fervent Evangelical, William Cowper, was identified with the life of St. Philip's on Church Hill and for the first ten years of his ministry there he was the only clergyman living permanently in Sydney.

Yet as a clergyman he was "a late starter" because he was not ordained until he was 30. He was born at Whittingham in Lancashire, the son of a yeoman farmer, and educated locally. At 17 he became tutor to a Yorkshire clergyman's family, and later he became a clerk in the Royal Engineers' Department in Hull, a centre of Evangelical revival, where he came under the influence of the Rev. Thomas Dykes. This led, after a course of reading under Dykes, to Cowper's ordination in 1808. In that year the Rev. Samuel Marsden, back in England to seek two chaplains for New South Wales, came to the parish of Rawdon, near Leeds, where Cowper was a curate. Cowper accepted Marsden's invitation to become an assistant chaplain at a yearly stipend of £260, and arrived at Port Jackson with his family in August, 1809.

Cowper took up his duties at St. Philip's, Church Hill, which was then just being completed. There he was to spend the rest of his ministry, but over the years he was to undertake many other duties, including in his extreme old age those of Commissary during a two years' gap between the death of Bishop Broughton and the coming of Bishop Barker. In view of the ill-health which almost constantly plagued him after an attack of rheumatic fever in 1812 the way in which he sustained the weight of his responsibilities was remarkable. In 1842 the formation of cataracts on both his eyes caused him to seek treatment in England. The esteem in which he was held by, then was reflected in a gift made to him by his parishioners and the citizens of Sydney, which defrayed all the expenses of his journey. The treatment was successful and Cowper returned to Sydney.

In 1848 Bishop Broughton chose Cowper, then aged 70, as his first archdeacon. Four years later Broughton, before going to England, appointed Cowper his Commissary for the diocese. Broughton died in England in 1853 and it was not until May 1855, that Frederic Barker, the second Bishop of Sydney, arrived. Cowper was then in his 77th year. The present St. Philip's Church was completed and opened on March 24, 1856. Cowper saw that event as the coping-stone of his work. He continued to direct the life of that church almost to his death just over two years later on July 6, 1858, although by then he had yielded the active duties to his assistants.

In his earlier life in Sydney, Cowper had stood in the relation of lieutenant to Marsden, whose activities were centred on Parramatta, and whose interests as magistrate, farmer and evangelist to the Maoris were wider than those of Cowper. Cowper, indeed, persisted in his refusal to accept appointment as a magistrate and divorced himself as much as possible from the political life of the colony.

But Cowper was a moving force in founding branches of many Evangelical societies, including an auxiliary of the British and Foreign

Bible Society, a Religious Tract and Book Society, a district committee of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, the Church Missionary Society and the Benevolent Society of N.S.W. Cowper also took a lively interest in the Aborigines. After Marsden's death in 1838 much of the responsibility for Aboriginal and general missionary work devolved on Cowper.

A memorial tablet in St. Philip's Church sums up his long ministry there: "He laboured with constancy and zeal for the salvation of his fellow men". His son, William Macquarie Cowper, who was born in Sydney, later became first Dean of Sydney.

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AROUND OUR ORGANISATIONS

Senior Parishioners' Club: We are most anxious to contact new Club Members. Both ladies and gentlemen are welcome to join our Social Club which meets every Thursday in the Parish Hall at 1 p.m. Cards and other games plus afternoon tea will make your afternoon most enjoyable. Donation is only 20 cents and people of all denominations are welcome.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the Family of the late Mrs. Dulcie Fagg of Petersham. Mrs. Fagg was a member of our club for about 12 years and will be greatly missed by her many friends.

—DOTSHAW, Hon. Secretary

Ladies' Guild: Morning Coffee and a Stanholme Demonstration will be held at the home of Mrs. Bosward, 10 Denning Street, on Tuesday, 7th July at 10 a.m. Donation will be 40 cents. Proceeds of the Demonstration to go towards the fete stall. Guild members are asked to note, that our monthly meeting will be held at the conclusion of the demonstration.

—E. M. BOSWARD, Hon. Secretary

Young Churchman's Institute (Y.C.I.):

"78" Record Night: The "78" Record Night held on Friday, 29th May proved to be a most enjoyable evening. Although only 10 members attended, they all reported that the meeting was a relaxing one and a pleasant change from the usual.

Fellowship Challenge Games: The Fellowship at this year's Challenge Games, held on Friday, 12th June, dominated the proceedings. From those present 6 teams were selected, four from the Fellowship and two from the Y.C.I. The teams played each other at Billiards, Table Tennis and Darts, with the Fellowship running out easy victors.

Dinner for All Saints' Centenary: Friday, 27th November—The Y.C.I. wish to go on record and thank the Young Married's and Friend's Club for their kind offer to cater for the Institute at the coming Y.C.I. Centenary Dinner. Arrangements for the dinner are going ahead smoothly, with a list now being compiled of past and present members of the Institute. Formal souvenir invitation cards will be printed and sent out when all arrangements for the Centenary Dinner have been finalised.

—GEOFF. GORMAN, Hon. Secretary

Indoor Bowls Club: The Bowls Club continues to function and so far we have been able to provide two mens teams for the mens triples competition.

We have been delighted to welcome a new member, Chris Acland of Newington Road. Chris is by far our youngest member and has already played for us in competitions. We hope that this marks the turning of the tide for our club.

We have recently been engaged in riotous living and spending some of our money on ice cream for supper. In spite of the apparent cold weather no one has hesitated to tuck in and make sure that none was wasted.

Mr. B. Sayers is now President of the club and has the support and best wishes of all members. Mr. G. Clarke has been off colour. Painting the columbarium gates in a cold west wind is bad for you George.

Y.M. and Friends Club: The next meeting of the Y.M. and Friends Club will be held in the Guild Room of the Parish Hall on Tuesday, 14th July, at 8 p.m. We were very pleased that our appeal for new members in last month's Chronicle was answered by Mrs. Lynette Levy joining our club. We welcome Lyn and hope she will spend many years of happy fellowship in our club. Perhaps someone else will follow Lyn's example and join us this month. I do hope so.

I would like to give advance notice of our next Euchre and Games night, to be held in the Parish Hall on Thursday evening, 20th August. The evenings should be a little warmer again by then, so we are looking forward to a good attendance.

Thanks once again to all those who are saving newspapers for us and please ring me at 56-2291 if you want them collected from your home.

—IDA BARRETT, Hon. Secretary

Fellowship: The annual Fellowship-Y.C.I. clash was held on Friday, 12th June. The 24 members who were present had an enjoyable evening, with the Fellowship taking out first and second places. A Bowling Night was held on Friday 19th, at Rockdale, and it proved to be a great success. Everyone who participated enjoyed themselves.

Our meetings for July will be: Friday 3rd, Mini-Golf; 10th, Ice-Skating; 17th, Theatre Party; 31st, Slide Evening. These dates are liable to change, so if you are not sure what will be on please contact Peter Gray (56-2208) or John Williams (560-7871).

We are still appealing for new members, so if any parishioners know of any teenager who wishes the companionship of young people their own age, please let us know by contacting Mr. Champion (Rectory) or John Williams.

Well, less than 5 months before the Fete and still no suggestions for toys. We would welcome your suggestions and orders as soon as possible.

—PETER GRAY, Hon. Secretary

NEWS BRIEFS

● **Seamen's Mission Fete:** The Seamen's Mission, George Street North (opp. Overseas Terminal) will hold its annual fete on Saturday, 1st August from 10.30 a.m. onwards, and parishioners are invited to go along. There will be all the usual stalls, plus refreshments, games and slides of Expo' 70 Japan. Proceeds are used to provide the Church Services and other facilities of the Mission. Fete stall holders might keep this date in mind as an opportunity to get some extra ideas for their own stalls. While you are there have a look at Cadman's Cottage and the many other old and historic buildings in the area.

● **Evensong new time:** Please note the earlier time for Evensong in the winter months of July and August, 6.00 p.m. Services will revert to 7.00 p.m. on September 6th.

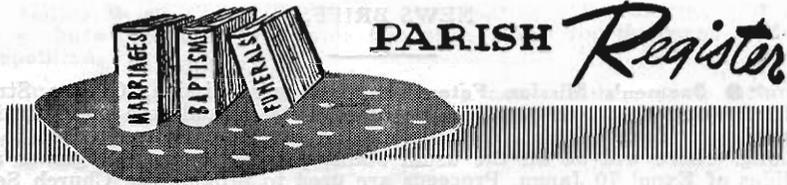
● **August "Chronicle":** Items for next month's issue will be due by Sunday, 18th July.

● **American Holiday:** Mr. Alan Jones now in America reports that both he and his mother are enjoying their holiday. The trip over, took 11 days, staying at four separate points, to avoid lengthy plane journeys. Alan is now staying in Champaign, Illinois, about 100 miles from Chicago.



SANCTUARY FLOWER ROSTER

- July 5th: Donated by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Boots in memory of Richard's Grandmother Mrs. Fowler, and by Mrs. Kent and Edna in memory of Robert Blenheim; arranged by Mrs. Malone.
- July 12th: Donated by Misses Nisbet in memory of their Parents, by Mrs. Ayrton and Ron in memory of Mr. Ayrton, by Mrs. G. Sharp in memory of her Grandson Guy Anthony Shoram, by Mrs. Dunne in memory of her Parents, and by Mr. and Mrs. Atkinson and Family in memory of Archdeacon Dudley; arranged by Miss Nisbet.
- July 19th: Donated by Mrs. P. Everett and Mrs. G. Sharp in memory of their Father Mr. H. Pryor; arranged by Mrs. Clark.
- July 26th: Donated by the Quin Family in memory of their Father, by Michele O'Sullivan in memory of Don, by the Hird Family in memory of their Mother, by Mr. G. Clark in memory of Mrs. Clark and in memory of Mrs. Goodwin from her Daughters; arranged by Mrs. Clark.
- Aug. 2nd: Donated by the Rev. and Mrs. Champion in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Sugden, by Mr. and Mrs. Everett and Family and Mrs. G. Sharp in memory of their Mother Mrs. V. Pryor, by Mr. and Mrs. Byrnes (Andrea Street) in memory of their Parents, and by the Relatives of Peter Alder in his memory; arranged by Mrs. Champion.



BAPTISMS

"Grafted into the Body of Christ's Church"

- May 3rd: Jacqueline Anne Phillips
 May 3rd: Jason Phillip Bennett
 May 10th: Wendy Charlotte Turner
 May 10th: Debra Elizabeth Pearson
 May 10th: William James Pearson
 May 31st: David Spencer Blackshaw
 May 31st: Jonathan Anthony Caine
 May 31st: Leanne Emily Macready
 June 7th: Peter Alan Yard
 June 10th: Brian Desmond Luck
 June 21st: Robert Norman Long

FUNERALS

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord; even so, saith the Spirit, for they rest from their labours".

- May 26th: Marion Mary Elizabeth Bridge
 June 2nd: Vera Frances Fagg
 June 18th: Duncan Sinclair
 June 19th: Kathleen Sybil Wilhelmiein O'Neill

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