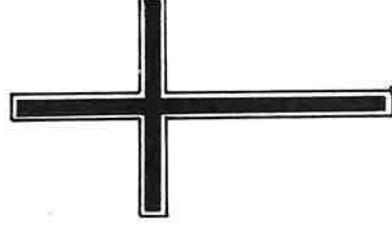


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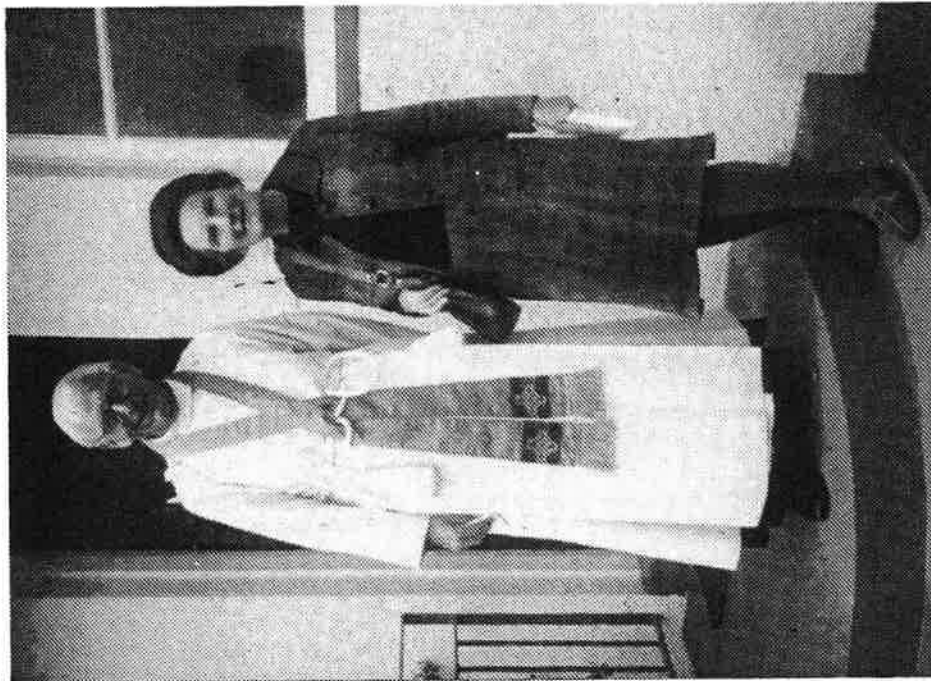
MAY 1, 1979 — APRIL 30, 1980

PAROCHIAL DISTRICT OF BRAMBLE BAY,
QUEENSLAND

Foreword

This record of the events leading up to the formation of the new Parochial District of Bramble Bay and the information it contains about the first year of its life will be of significant value to future generations of parishioners, as well as being of deep interest to those of us who were present at its birth. Historical accuracy soon becomes lost, unless someone takes great pains to record the facts in writing. We are reminded of the statement made by St. Luke in the preface to his Gospel: "It seemed good to me . . . to write . . . that you may know the certainty of those things wherein you have been instructed." This little book is a praiseworthy attempt "to set forth a declaration of those things which are most surely believed among us." Mrs. Vera White, its compiler, has taken great care to ensure its accuracy, and we believe it to be a faithful account of the history that led up to the birth of the new Parochial District and that of its first year of existence. It tells a story about men, women and children who served God not only with their lips but in their lives. We hope the book will be an inspiration to all who read it today, and to all who will read it in the years to come.

D. GIMBLETT,
Vicar.



Rev. Dennis Gimblett, first Vicar of the Parochial District of Bramble Bay, and Mrs. Gimblett.

The clergy through the years

CABOOLTURE MISSION DISTRICT

1886 — Rev. John Sutton
 1890 — Rev. Alexander Thomas Kirkpatrick, B.A.
 1892 — Rev. Joseph Wilson Henry
 1896 — Rev. John Francis Leighton, B.A., Oxon.
 1900 — Rev. Herbert Cranmer Beasley
 1903 — Rev. Zenas Albert Higgins
 1907 — Rev. William J. Gerrard
 1909 — Rev. Victor Harold Whitehouse
 1913 — Rev. Henry Robert Hobbs, M.A.
 1914 — Rev. Albert Davis Baker

REDCLIFFE PAROCHIAL DISTRICT

1920 — Rev. Carl Herman Fischer
 1932 — Rev. Alfred Wauby King
 1933 — Rev. Alfred W. Gilbert
 1936 — Rev. William Nicholls
 1937 — Rev. James Tweedie (Died Jan. 4, 1940, interred in the Redcliffe Cemetery)
 1940 — Rev. John Carmichael Ramsay
 1946 — Rev. Percy Demuth
 1946 — Rev. Charles Denne Gillman (Padre)

PARISH OF REDCLIFFE

1949 — Rev. Norman Michael
 1951 — Rev. Canon Alfred Stephen Jull (Installed as an Hon. Canon of St. John's Cathedral, 26/4/72)
 1977 — Rev. John Carver Thompson

PAROCHIAL DISTRICT OF BRAMBLE BAY

1979 — Rev. Dennis Gimblett

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First Vicar of the newly-formed Parochial District of Bramble Bay: Rev. Dennis Gimblett, The Vicarage, 59 Georgina Street, Woody Point, 4019.

Hon. Assistants to the Vicar: *Rev. J. LeRoy Noble, *Rev. John Tunstall.
 *Retired Clergy who assist the Vicar.

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Introduction

The history of the Church in the community has a special place in the lives of its parishioners, many of whom began their religious experience at Sunday School.

The Church's achievements over the years stand as an example to the people and links the past with both the present and the future. There have been many changes but the basic role of the Church has not altered, and although during the course of time many of its members have become scattered, it is pleasing to find their interest in their old Church does not wane.

On this first anniversary of the separation of the Parochial District of Bramble Bay from the Parish of Redcliffe, St. Mark's Guild believes an event of so much historical significance should not be overlooked, and ought to be permanently recorded for those who follow us in the years to come.

Early records were often somewhat sketchy, often incomplete, but after many months of searching, checking and re-checking, we confidently present this booklet commemorating the first anniversary of the birth of our Parochial District. To the best of our knowledge the information given is factual and correct, and we commend it to you as a record of our history and the links which bind us to those who, by their faith and vision, have left to us so rich a heritage.

DORIS ASHTON,
 President,
 St. Mark's Guild,
 Woody Point, Queensland.

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The names of St. Barnabas and St. Mark were linked in the earliest days of the Christian Church, and it is fitting that the two should be our Patron Saints in our Parochial District of Bramble Bay.

In our first year of working together as a parish we have learnt to look on St. Mark's as our Parish Church. Our Guild has learnt much from St. Mark's Guild, and we are grateful for the support their members have given us. We hope that we, in our turn, have been of some assistance to them.

Let us pray that 1980, and the years ahead, will show an increase in co-operation and united effort, that we may truly follow in the steps of our Patron Saints of whom it is written: "The Word of the Lord spread everywhere in that region."

MARY JAMISON,
 President,
 St. Barnabas' Guild,
 Clontarf, Queensland.

Beginnings

The Proclamation of the Parochial District of Bramble Bay is the latest link — to date — in a chain which relates back to the Anglican Church in India when, with the establishment of the first settlement in N.S.W., the new Colony came under the supervision of the Diocese of Calcutta.

As the Church in Australia strengthened and grew, Bishop William Grant Broughton was appointed to the growing Colony, and following settlement in Queensland, the new area came under the control of the Diocese of Newcastle. The first Bishop of Brisbane was Dr. E. W. Tuftnell, who was consecrated on June 14, 1859, and in September 1860 he assumed control of the newly-formed Colony of Queensland. At that time there were only three clergy in Queensland, but he did bring six new Priests with him.

The next link in the chain was the formation of the Caboolture Mission District in 1889, the Redcliffe district being in the south-east corner of a very large area, including what is now the Parochial District of Bramble Bay. In 1919 the Redcliffe Parochial District was established, with its own Priest, and in 1948, was raised to Parish status. Finally, in 1979, the Redcliffe Parish was divided into two areas — the Parish of Redcliffe, and the Parochial District of Bramble Bay.

IN THE EARLY DAYS: (FROM 1886)

The history of the Parochial District of Bramble Bay is inevitably linked with the early history of the Anglican Church on the Redcliffe Peninsula, and the Caboolture Mission District. From information available it would appear that the Rev. John Sutton gave some of his own land as a site for a Church building. The land is in Sutton Street, Redcliffe, with an area of 48 perches. He appointed trustees for the land, which was later transferred by the trustees to the Corporation of the Synod of the Diocese of Brisbane.

For his retirement the Rev. Sutton built "Hurley House", on what is now known as Marine Parade, Redcliffe. This was raised, built around and under, and is now part of the present "Sutton House". It is recorded that it was in "Hurley House", on February 21, 1886, that the Rev. John Sutton began Anglican Church Services, and soon after this began a Church Building fund, for which he gained a number of subscriptions. He revived the fund on April 11, 1897. He died on June 9, 1897.

In 1889 St. Lawrence's Anglican Church was opened at Caboolture, and from October 1890 services were conducted at Redcliffe, once a month, by the Rev. Alex Kirkpatrick, B.A. (from Caboolture, and described as the "Curate in Charge"). In January, 1891, services were started in the Provisional School at Redcliffe (in Brisbane Avenue — now Anzac Avenue), and a small organ was loaned by "Mrs. MacDonald". In 1897, the Rev. John F. Leighton, B.A., Oxon., Vicar of the parochial district (which included Caboolture, Redcliffe, North Pine, Woombye, and "their neighbourhoods") started a Baptismal Register — "a small school exercise book" — for the early Baptismal services conducted in the district.

The marriage of a later Vicar, the Rev. Herbert Cranmer Beasley, to Florence Janey Sutton, daughter of the late Rev. and Mrs. John Sutton, took place on July 16, 1901. After the marriage, the Vicar and his wife lived at "Hurley House", which became, in effect, an unofficial early Vicarage. The present Rectory at Redcliffe was built in 1911.

It is implicit that St. Mary's, Redcliffe, and St. Mark's, Woody Point, were separated from Caboolture in 1919. On April 20, 1948, Redcliffe Parochial District attained the full status of a Parish, and the Rev. Chas. D. Gillman (Padre) was licensed as its first Rector. He was followed, on December 1, 1951, by the Rev. Alfred Stephen Jull, who occupied the position until his retirement in 1977.

It was during Canon Jull's term that the "new" St. Mark's Church at Woody Point was built, he himself joining the team of voluntary workers and taking an active part in its construction.

On December 9, 1977, the Rev. John C. Thompson took up duty as Rector of the Parish of Redcliffe. At the time of his appointment the Archbishop indicated that it was his (the Archbishop's) wish that steps be taken to create two Parishes within 12 months of the appointment — the actual date of the establishment of the new Parochial District of Bramble Bay being May 1, 1979. The boundaries of the new district extended from MacDonnell Road in the north to the eastern and southern coastal borders, and west to Hayes Inlet. It included two established Churches — St. Mark's at Woody Point, and St. Barnabas' at Clontarf.

On March 25, 1979, at 11 a.m., a Combined Open Air Eucharist, arranged by the Rector (Rev. John Thompson) was held in the grounds of St. Mary's Church, Redcliffe, as a final united Communion of parishioners from the four Churches (St. Mary's, St. Anne's, St. Mark's and St. Barnabas') before division of the Parish.

The service was conducted by the Assistant Bishop of Brisbane (the Right Reverend R. E. Wicks), assisted by the Rector and the Revs. Alan Haysom, John Tunstall, and Roy Noble. Rev. Alan Bulmer, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bulmer of Woody Point, preached the Sermon, and the Lessons were read by the Church Wardens of the Parish, Mr. Ashley Broad and Mr. Bill Jamison. The Gospel was read by Mrs. Eve Bellchambers, the longest serving woman sub-warden in the parish. During Communion the senior members of the G.F.S. sang, accompanied by guitar.

The opportunity was also taken to present an Ordination gift from the Parish to Alan Bulmer with congratulations on his recent Ordination as a Deacon.

The Service was a memorable one for the large congregation who attended, and was followed by an informal picnic luncheon on the lawns under the shade of the many beautiful trees which adorn the grounds of St. Mary's.

THE BEGINNINGS OF THE PAROCHIAL DISTRICT OF BRAMBLE BAY

The first Vicar appointed to the charge of the district was the Rev. Dennis Gimblett, who at the time of the division was residing in the United Kingdom. On the recommendation of the Rector of the Parish of Redcliffe, the Archbishop of Brisbane appointed Mr. Bill Jamison as Vicar's Warden to the Parochial District and Mr. George Thomas as Vicar's Sub-Warden, St. Mark's, these persons being charged with the initial responsibility of the district until the Inaugural Meeting of the Parochial District.

The inaugural "Easter Meeting" of the Parochial District was held at St. Mark's Hall, Woody Point, at 7.30 p.m. on May 2, 1979. It was presided over by the Venerable Archdeacon P. Newell and attended by 52 persons. The meeting determined a Parochial Council of 21 members resulting in the election of 14 councillors and leaving seven councillors to be appointed by Fr. Gimblett at his determination after his arrival in the district. The meeting also appointed the People's Warden, Mr. Warren Noble, to look after the affairs of the district.

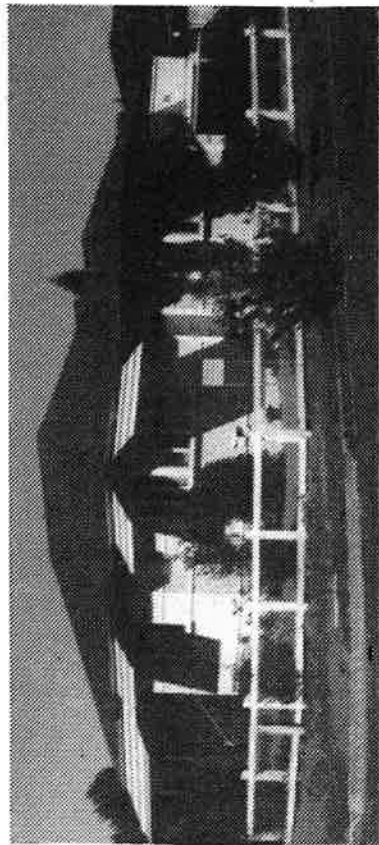
On May 12, 1979, Fr. Dennis Gimblett and his wife Betty made their first visit to the district when they dropped in on a working-bee of parishioners preparing the Vicarage for their arrival. The first Vicarage was a rented dwelling at 59 Georgina Street, Woody Point. Rev. and Mrs. Gimblett took up residence on May 21, 1979.

Fr. Dennis Gimblett was inducted and instituted to the Benefice by the Archbishop of Brisbane, the Most Rev. Felix Arnot, in St. Mark's Church on the evening of May 29, 1979. This service was followed by supper in St. Mark's Hall, at which the Vicar and his wife were welcomed to the district and were able to meet many of their parishioners.

On May 31, 1979, the first meeting of the newly elected Parochial Council was held in St. Mark's Hall at which the Vicar briefly outlined the history and responsibilities of Parochial Councils. This has since become the formula for a successful on-going Parochial Council. On June 3, 1979, the Vicar conducted his first service in the district.

Since this time the Vicar and Mrs. Gimblett have taken a keen interest in the growth of the area and have been largely responsible for the re-birth of interest in many of the associated bodies of the church.

Pastoral care has improved and this is borne out by the increased attendances at services.



First Vicarage in the Parochial District of Bramble Bay, 59 Georgina Street, Woody Point. (A rented property).

ST. MARK'S, WOODY POINT

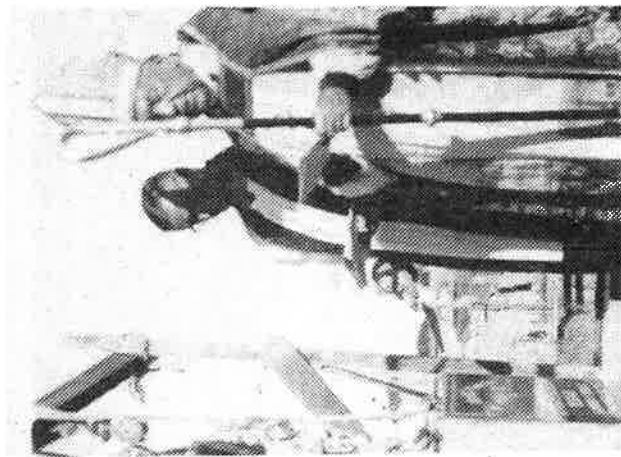
It is recorded that the first Service at Woody Point was held in Mrs. Harriet Bell's home "Klangur", on Sunday, January 11, 1891, at 4.15 p.m. There was a "fair congregation". Services were continued once a month. It was stated at that time that a suitable site for a Church building had been secured. It was not recorded where that site was. Records generally were somewhat sketchy in those days, but it is believed that between 1897 and 1902 services and baptisms were held at Woody Point. The only Easter meeting recorded was on May 2, 1900, when Mr. Hayes, Woody Point, was appointed a Vicar's Warden and Mr. Stubbins, Woody Point, a People's Warden.

When the Rev. Joseph Wilson Henry took charge of the Caboolture Mission District on October 4, 1892, he continued the services at "Klangur", riding to Woody Point on his bicycle for that purpose. There was a building mid-way on the northern side of Georgina Street, between Kate Street and Victoria Esplanade, which had been erected as a shop but had never been used for that purpose. The building was rented for use as a Church. Backless stools were procured, and curtains were hung across the shop windows. The makeshift Church was named St. Mark's. In it the first Services were conducted on January 1, 1893, at 7.30 a.m., 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. That building was used until the Vicar purchased the land and building, as his personal property, on November 10, 1898. Alterations were made to it to convert it into a suitable Church building. It was dedicated by the Bishop of Brisbane, the Right Reverend Thomas Thornhill Webber on April 22, 1900, the same day that he instituted the Rev. Herbert C. Beasley at Redcliffe. On May 8, 1900, the Rev. Joseph W. Henry transferred the property to the corporation of the Synod of the Diocese of Brisbane. Instrumental music was introduced to the Services on May 22, 1900, when an organ was used for the first time.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Minto, a daughter of Mrs. Harriet Bell, was organist at St. Mark's for 40 years. She devoted her life to the interests of the Church.

On August 31, 1942, a decision was made to move the "old" Church to a larger and more centrally situated site. Arrangements were made to purchase a block of land, one road 39 perches, on the corner of Kate and Annie Streets, from a Mrs. Broadribb. On November 5, 1942, Diocesan approval was received.

Early in 1945 St. Mark's building was moved to the site on the eastern side of Kate Street, between Georgina and Annie Streets where it remained until 1978. Regrettably, its condition deteriorated to such an extent that it was demolished in that year, after having served for many years as an extension to the Church Hall when the new St. Mark's Church was built on the site.



Setting and Blessing of the Foundation Stone by His Grace the Archbishop of Brisbane (The Most Reverend Dr. R. C. Halse, M.A., D.D.), with the Rector, Rev. A. S. Jull, April 26, 1953.

AN ACT OF FAITH — A LABOUR OF LOVE

DECISION: The building of the new St. Mark's Church was a sudden decision, made on Christmas Day 1952 — in the main a "family affair" of St. Mark's congregation. The first day of the New Year seemed a good starting time (in effect, it took more than four years to complete, the last nail being driven by Mr. Mark Kempthorne on March 30, 1957).

FIRST SOD TURNED: The Rector (Rev. A. S. Jull) and Mr. Mark Kempthorne, together turned the first sod, then all present, young and old, dug a spadeful from the trench on the site of the Sanctuary.

BLESSING OF FOUNDATION STONE: On Sunday, April 26, 1953, the Setting and Blessing of the Foundation Stone was performed by the Archbishop of Brisbane, Dr. R. C. Halse, M.A., D.D. The stone, of polished granite, had been lowered into position by Mr. Percy Richens, Mr. Harry Shepperson, and Mr. Stewart Lucas, with Mr. W. Manning at the organ. Afternoon tea was served by "the ladies of the Guild", outside, "in true Australian setting of Blue Gums". (Since disappeared! Ed.).

THE NEW CHURCH: A model of the new Church, made by Mr. James, was on display: later a front porch was added to the design. (The Bardon West Anglicans so admired our plans they ultimately borrowed them and copied the design for their own Church). The new St. Mark's Church proved to be too big to fit in a true east-west position without infringing council by-laws, so it was necessary to position it on a slight angle. The proposed Church was to be 82' 6" overall length and 56' wide, main walls 13' high rising to 30' from the ground to the top of the battlement parapet of the tower. The nave would be 60' x 30', the vestry and chapel each 16' x 11'. Walls were to be buttressed every 10', cement rendered and textured, and the Church would have a tiled roof. Foundations had been dug down 3' to a sound footing, and had a total weight for "mix" for foundations estimated at 100 tons.

FIRST ON PENINSULA: It was stated at the time that the new St. Mark's would be the first permanent Anglican Church on the Peninsula.

VOLUNTARY WORKERS: From then on it was to be "energy, sweat and goodwill" by the voluntary workers. The church was built mainly by voluntary labour at a cost of approximately five thousand pounds, thus saving an estimated 10 thousand pounds. In February 1955 the men decided to put the roof timbers on themselves, thus saving approximately a further two hundred pounds. The scaffold poles for the building were cut in the bush by St. Mark's Scouts (in charge of G.S.M. Henry), and transported gratis by Wally Somers of Scarborough.

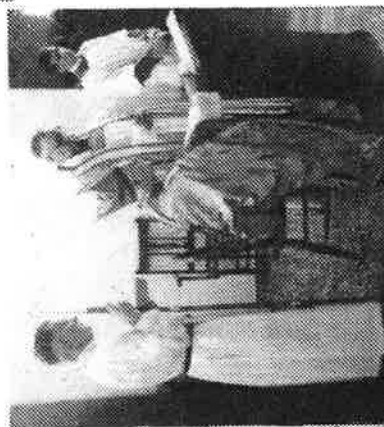
CROSS PLACED IN POSITION: In November 1955 the Cross was fixed on the ridge of the roof, and the porch almost completed.

CYCLONES: A cyclone in February 1954 caused anxious moments during the building of the Church, and again in September of that year, but "the job must have been good for there was not one extra minute's work caused".

CHURCH HALL SHIFTED: In March 1957 the Church Hall was moved to its present position on the northern side of the property, from alongside the Vestry of the new Church. (The fence was broken down during moving operations and had to be repaired!).

DEDICATION SERVICE

The Rector's Warden, Mr. Garth Noble, reads the Inditement to His Grace the Archbishop of Brisbane (The Most Reverend R. C. Halse, M.A., D.D.).



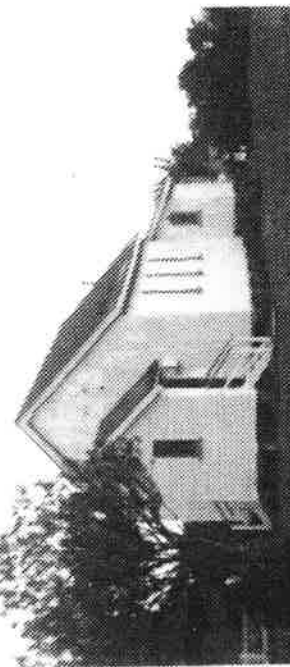
CONSECRATION SERVICE

The Archbishop of Brisbane and Primate of Australia, the Most Reverend P. N. W. Strong, M.A., Th.D., C.M.G. (with the Rev. A. S. Jull), signing the Sentence of Consecration (St. Mark's Church, Woody Point, Q.), Sunday, April 28, 1968.

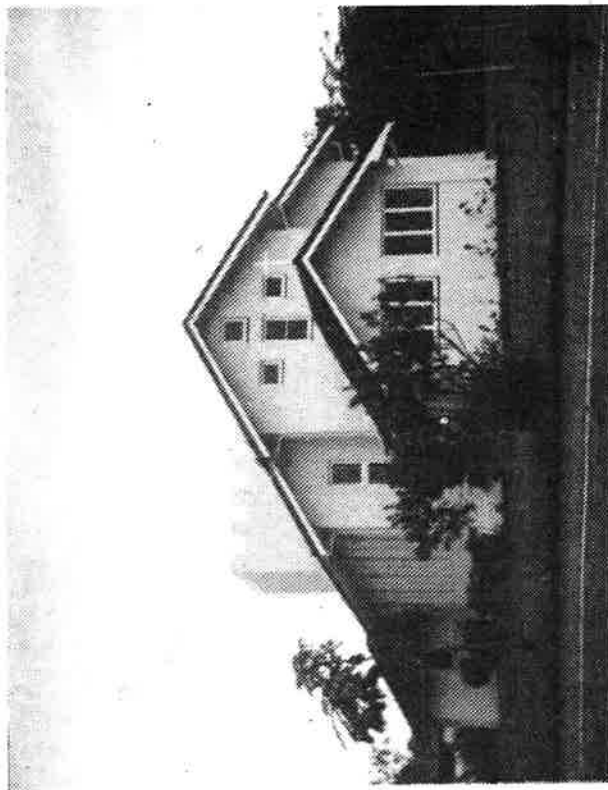
DEDICATION: On April 7, 1957, the new St. Mark's was dedicated by the Archbishop of Brisbane, Dr. R. C. Halse. At this time the "old" Church was 60 years old. More than 600 gathered for the Service; those who could not be accommodated in the Church listened to the Service from the lawns outside.

CONSECRATION: On April 28, 1968, at 9.30 a.m., the Consecration Service was conducted by the Most Reverend P. N. W. Strong, M.A., Th.D., C.M.G., Archbishop of Brisbane and Primate of Australia. Again the congregation filled the Church to capacity and overflowed on to the lawns outside.

CHAPEL OF THE EPIPHANY: At the time of the Consecration of St. Mark's, the small side Chapel was also blessed and named The Chapel of the Epiphany.



The old St. Mark's Church, Woody Point, prior to demolition in 1978.



The new St. Mark's Church, Woody Point. Dedicated April 7, 1957. Consecrated April 28, 1968.

Special Note: The original Chalice in use at St. Mark's has an interesting history. It was brought out from England by the Rev. F. DeWitt Batty, Chaplain to the Bishop-Elect of Brisbane (the Rt. Rev. St. Clair Donaldson) in 1903. Records show it was in use in 1909 by the then Vicar of Redcliffe, the Rev. Victor Harold Whitehouse. It was originally sent on loan to St. Mary's, and was still in use there in 1936/37 during the time the Rev. W. Nicholls was Vicar. Following his taking up an appointment at Lockhart River Mission, he wrote to St. Mary's Church Warden on December 1, 1937, reminding them "the Communion Set in the leather case" was only on loan from the Archbishop. As the years went by this loan was apparently overlooked, and in 1945 the Chalice was given, in apparent good faith, to St. Mark's, where it has been in service ever since, the "loan" arrangements having since been regularized by the Archbishop. (Prior to the gift of this Chalice, St. Mark's did not have any Communion Vessels, these all being brought down from Redcliffe on each occasion and returned there after the Service.).

The inscription on the base of the Chalice reads: "In memory of T. T. Carter, for 35 years Superintendent-General of the confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament, R.I.P. October, 1901". Thomas Thelluson Carter was born in 1808, and was educated at Elton and Christ Church, Oxford. He was one of the second generation of people connected with the Oxford Movement, and spent most of his life as the Rector of Clewes, near Windsor. Here he founded, about the middle of the last century, a "House of Mercy" for 'fallen women', and out of this emerged the Community of St. John the Baptist. He was one of the founders and, later, Supervisor, of the confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament, and was the author of one of the best known of the older books of devotions which were often given to confirmation candidates, known as a "Treasury of Devotions".

He died on the Feast of St. Simon and St. Jude, in 1901.

Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament: is a group of Anglicans — Priests, Servers and laymen, etc. — originating in England and still operating within the Church — dedicated to the deepening of the quality of worship through regular, and more widespread, participation in the Eucharist.

Ode to the Voluntary Workers

(Written at the time of the building of the "new" St. Mark's Church)

They had little but faith when they started,
When, with joy, they turned the first sod,
But a vision to them was imparted
To build for the Glory of God.
So slowly and patiently striving,
They cheerfully worked on and on,
With hearts forever reviving
As they saw the work coming along.

They had setbacks and troubles and trials
To struggle and overcome.
But from duty took no denials —
The victory was theirs to be won.
They gave of their time and their leisure,
They gave, not counting the cost.
And to us, who've been left this fine treasure,
We must see that their time isn't lost.

Now it stands as a symbol of Glory,
As a symbol of work carried through.
And to us who would read the plain story,
It just shows you what strong faith can do.
If this building will help us to follow
The Path which our Church shows so plain,
'Twill be said by those of tomorrow,
This building was not built in vain.

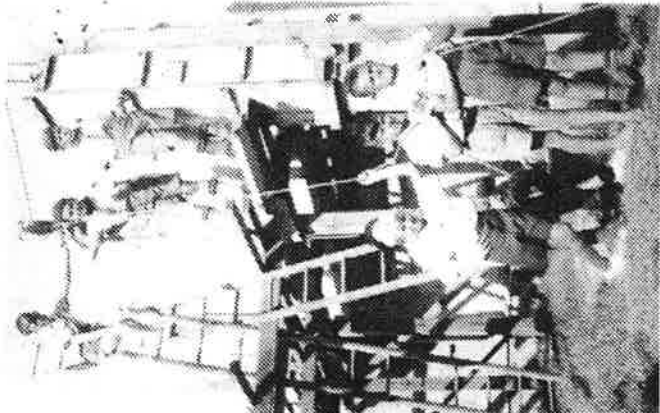
V. C. CLARKE,
(Past People's Warden)

Do you recognise these voluntary workers?

St. Mark's Cub Pack, the Youth of Yesterday (March, 1955), lending a hand to lift bricks onto scaffolding with the help of a home rigged "flying fox". A total of 100 bricks had been lifted and stacked at the time of this photograph.

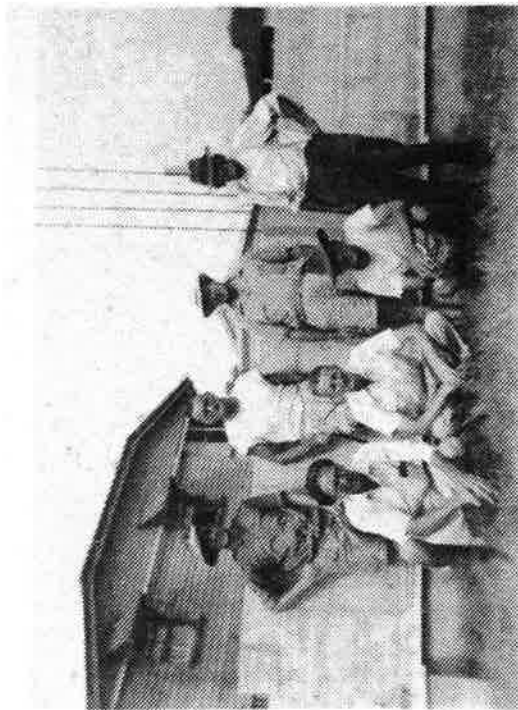
Top row: Chris Lovelock, David Jull, Brian Wilson.

Bottom row: John Rauwendaal, Michael Thomas, Clinton Bott.



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BUILDERS OF A HERITAGE



SOME MORE VOLUNTARY WORKERS: St. Marks

Back Row: Messrs. Garth Noble, (Rector's Warden); The Rector, Rev. A. S. Jull; Perc. Richens; Mark Kempthorne.

Front Row: Ray Henry; Vic Clarke (People's Warden), and Stu. Lucas.

ST. BARNABAS', CLONTARF

With the opening of the Hornibrook Highway in 1935, development increased in the south-western section of the Peninsula, and the area was designated Clontarf Beach.

In 1948 the need for a Church there was recognised and on July 5, 1950, a property in Cornelius Street, comprising one rood, 17.6 perches and including an old caravan on site, was purchased for the princely sum of £200. A hut was purchased from the Church of England Boys' Home at Enoggera and with the help of voluntary labour was dismantled and moved to the Peninsula; reconstruction commencing on February 7, 1951.

By August of that year the building was complete and was named St. Barnabas. It was blessed on September 15, 1951.

At the October meeting of the Parochial Council the Rector, Rev. A. S. Jull, advised the meeting that a parishioner, now resident at Coorparoo, had donated an organ; however the organ did not warrant the expense of renovation and in November 1951 was sold, and the present organ purchased from an unknown source at Burleigh Heads.

Early in 1952 representatives of the Church Army spent some time working in the Clontarf area, and as a result attendances at Church began to increase. On March 20, 1959, the old St. Mary's Church, Redcliffe, was moved to Cornelius Street, Clontarf: Redcliffe deciding to build a new brick church to replace this building.

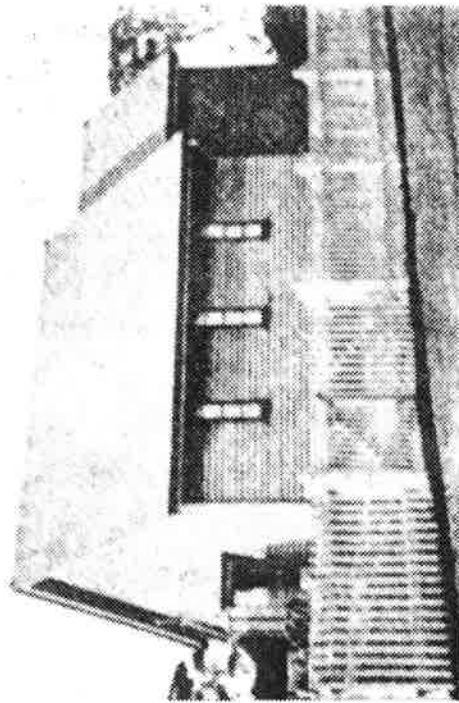
The move did not take place without some difficulty. It was necessary to remove the roof as the peak was too high to pass under electric power lines.

The building was set on concrete stumps and considerable repainting carried out. It is reported that this building was the first church erected on the Peninsula, being built in 1898. On July 5, 1959, at 3 p.m., this historic building was re-dedicated by His Grace, Archbishop R. C. Halse.

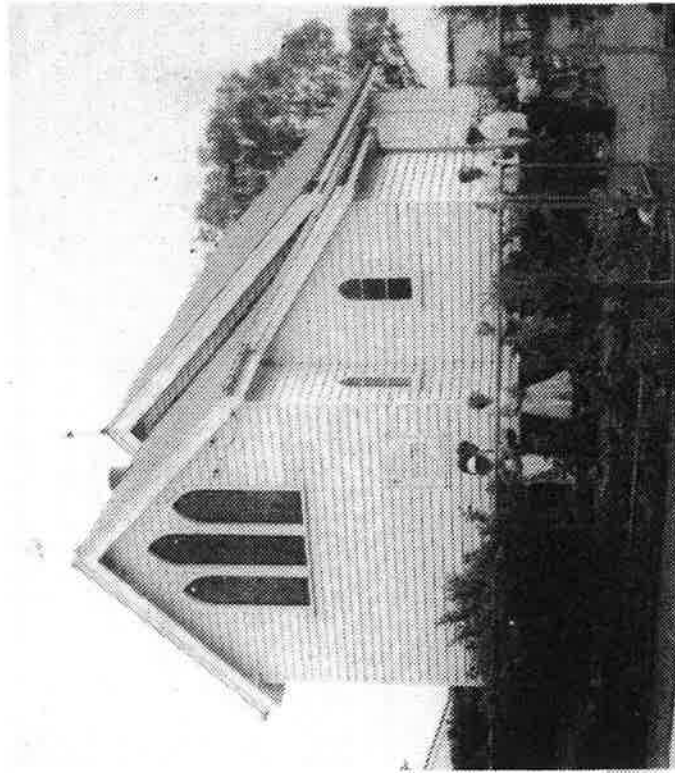
A great deal of renovation has been carried out on St. Barnabas. In 1977 a set of stained glass windows was installed in the sanctuary, a gift of Mrs. Emily Bulck.

St. Barnabas' Guild arranged for the lining and ceiling of the sanctuary and just prior to division of the parish in 1979 the Parochial Council arranged for the Nave to be similarly lined and ceiled.

The Guild added the final touch by providing carpet for the sanctuary, chancel and main aisle. The old hall, purchased from Enoggera Boys' Home, which had served parishioners well, was condemned and demolished in 1976. To take its place a transportable storage building together with adjoining concreted area was provided for Guild and Sunday School use.



The old St. Mary's Church, Redcliffe, built 1898. Moved to Clontarf in 1959 and re-named St. Barnabas' Church.



St. Barnabas' Church, Clontarf. 1980.

THE PATRON SAINTS ST. MARK



Someone who once undertook to compose a hymn in honour of St. Bartholomew, found he couldn't get past the end of his second line:

O Blessed St. Bartholomew
There isn't much we know of you,

and that highlights the fact that we don't know a great deal about many of the early apostles and disciples — what we do know is often a mixture of legend (which could well be true) and recorded brief references in the New Testament. Fortunately, in the case of St. Mark and St. Barnabas there is enough basic information in the Acts of the Apostles to enable us to draw reasonable word pictures of them.

It is thought St. Mark was the young man — John Mark — who tried to follow Jesus when he was arrested in the Garden of Gethsemane, but who "fled naked" when the soldiers tried to detain him. It is also thought that it was in the house of Mark's mother — Mary — that the Holy Eucharist was instituted in that "upper chamber". Thus, Mark would have had early contact with the beginnings of the infant Church, and through his travels with Paul and Barnabas, is also linked historically with the growth of the early Church, and in the spreading of the Gospel. He was one of the 72 disciples, a companion of St. Paul and St. Barnabas (it is thought that Barnabas was uncle to Mark), and later of St. Peter, from whom he received the facts he related in the second gospel. In about the year 140 A.D., Papias, an early Christian historian, says: "Mark, who was Peter's interpreter, wrote down accurately, though not in order, all that he recollected of what Christ had said or done" This means that St. Mark's Gospel is really a record of Peter's account of what he (Peter) knew of Christ and his times.

St. Mark's is the earliest of the Gospels — about 65 A.D. — and probably was finally compiled in Rome where Peter was also a prisoner, along with Paul. Both Peter and Paul were put to death in that city in 64 A.D. at the order of Nero.

There is a tradition that Mark became the first Bishop of Alexandria and founded the first Church there, which contained one of the best ecclesiastical libraries in the world; and that he was martyred there defending the Faith.

St. Mark's Feast Day is April 25th and the liturgical colour is Red.

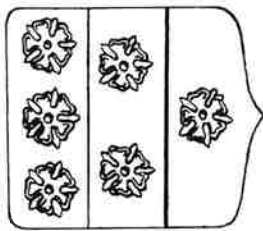
Some points of interest about St. Mark's Gospel:

He rarely quotes from the Old Testament; he explains particular Jewish customs and translates Aramaic expressions into Greek; thus we assume Mark was writing for non-Jewish readers.

St. Mark was one of the four Evangelists, the other three being Matthew, Luke and John.

The Winged Lion, ancient symbol of St. Mark, refers to his Gospel, which informs us of the royal dignity of Christ. It is usually depicted as a gold winged lion and nimbus on a red field, and is supposed to be one of the legendary creatures from "Revelations" which the Saints adopted as their symbols.

ST. BARNABAS, A.M.
(Apostle and Martyr)



According to St. Luke, Barnabas — a land-owner from Cyprus — was originally named Joseph (which is also Joseph). It appears he was a Levite, which could mean he was a descendant of Levi, the father of one of the original Twelve Tribes of Israel, and was possibly connected with the Temple Priesthood responsible for Temple sacrifices. We do not know how he was converted to Christianity, but when that happened the Apostles gave him the name of "Barnabas", which means "Son of Consolation". It appears he lived up to his name and was a kindly, sympathetic friend to those in need; and courageous even unto death. In (Acts 11:24) St. Luke says: "He was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit". He was one of those Christians who sold their possessions and paid the money into a common fund to be shared in a community style of living.

After Paul's conversion on the road to Damascus, he was feared and mistrusted by the Apostles because of his previous harsh treatment of Christians, but was befriended by Barnabas and became closely associated with him in spreading the Gospel. Paul and Barnabas together spent a whole year in Antioch and saw the Christian Church firmly established there. Meanwhile, a great drought occurred in Palestine. Food was scarce, and Paul and Barnabas were chosen to take a relief offering from the Antioch Church. On their first Missionary trip, they took Mark, but Mark left them and returned home. Why, we don't know, but Paul regarded Mark as a deserter. Barnabas defended Mark, and unhappily Paul and Barnabas quarreled. (Paul and Mark were eventually reconciled but, sadly, not Paul and Barnabas).

There is a strong tradition that Barnabas founded the Church in Cyprus and became its first Bishop, and that finally he was killed by Jews in Salamis, a city of Cyprus, because of his preaching, and so became one of the early martyr-heroes of the Christian Church.

St. Barnabas' Feast Day is 11th June and the Liturgical colour is Red. It is believed his Feast Day in olden times was celebrated by young lads and clerks bedecked with roses.

His symbol is a Shield divided into three horizontal sections: the top section contains three silver Tudor Roses on a red field, the centre section bears two red Tudor Roses on a silver field, and the bottom section has one silver Tudor Rose on a red field.

St. Barnabas is often referred to as one of the Apostolic Fathers.

THE GUILDS

The history of our Guilds — like most Church Guilds — is a saga of dedicated and hard-working women, not always young, undaunted by — at times — a seemingly endless array of work waiting to be done. Down through the years, whatever the occasion, the Guilds have been there, usually in the background, often unseen and unsung, with endless cups of tea and plates of cake; cleaning and caring for the Church and Hall and their contents, arranging the flowers in the Church; raising funds to supplement the finances of the Parish, with fetes and luncheons, tea parties and flower shows; with hours of making and baking and "doing", in the interests of the Parish family.

ST. MARK'S GUILD

The first meeting of "St. Mark's Women's Guild" was held in St. Mark's (old) Church, Woody Point, on 12 June, 1946. The Rev. Demuth introduced the new Vicar, Rev. Gillman, and Mrs. Gillman, and outlined the procedure necessary for forming a Guild. He then vacated the Chair in favour of the Vicar. Membership Fee of 6d (5c) per month was agreed on, and a cleaner was engaged at 5/- (50c) per month to clean the Church, including the Brass. A decision was made at that meeting to "stand by the Wardens and Councillors in any plans they may make in regard to a new Hall".

Conditions were often rugged in those early days. In 1950, a Flower Show was arranged, and "Mrs. Wilson's offer to loan her copper and stand, and supply of firewood, was gratefully received". For a Rose Morning Tea "members loaned sheets, to use as tablecloths". At that time there was no water connected to the Hall, and in 1961 "a plumber was engaged to connect water from the Church to the sink in the Hall". And so the story unfolds —

EARLY RECORDS: show that St. Mark's Guild donated three hundred and ninety five pounds to the "new" Church Building Fund, made donations for Sunday School prizes and picnics, donations to the Scarborough Church Building Fund, and to the Clontarf Church, donated a Pew and two Flower Pedestals to St. Mary's, donated and planted trees in the grounds of St. Mark's, paid for Church accessories including an Altar Prayer Book and a pair of Sacramental Cruets.

In 1965, payment was made towards the cost of moving the Church Bell to its present position in the grounds outside, and numerous other contributions have been made to Parish expenses: such as the Organ Fund, Consecration of the "new" Church, the Parish duplicating machine; and a special project resulted in a large sum being paid towards the cost of Vestments for Mr. Alan Bulmer, a local parishioner, on his entering the priesthood.

During 1979/80 — in the first year of the new Parochial District of Bramble Bay — with the generous help and support of parishioners — the Guild has paid for the painting of St. Mark's Hall, has received donations of a new refrigerator and electric stove; has purchased new hall furniture and catering equipment and a public address system, which has proved invaluable at many Parish functions. They also sponsored a child from a remote area to a holiday at the seaside.

In 1979, for the first time, St. Mark's were happy to arrange a joint Guilds' (St. Barnabas' and St. Mark's) Christmas Party, on which occasion they were proud to honour Mrs. Marj. Johnson with an Honorary Life Membership Citation and presentation to mark her 31 years as Honorary Treasurer and Secretary/Treasurer of the Guild.

An always popular function held by the Guild is the Annual Rose Luncheon, now taking the form of a Chicken and Cider Rose Luncheon. It is interesting to note that the first Rose Luncheon was held on 1st October, 1961 — when it, too, was reported as being "a very successful function".

During this first year in the life of the new Parochial District of Bramble Bay St. Mark's has donated \$500 to parish funds, it's current project is the compiling of this First Anniversary booklet, proceeds from which are to be directed to the Development Fund for the preservation, repair and maintenance of church buildings.

In conjunction with this project, St. Mark's Guild has commenced a collection of photographs, press clippings and other documentary records concerning the history of our Parochial District and its churches. These records are to be catalogued, collated and preserved in archival records for the information of future parishioners.

Contributions to these records — remembering also that **today's happenings** are **tomorrow's history!** — will always be sincerely appreciated.



ST. MARK'S GUILD (with Church Bell in background) 1979-1980
Left to Right: Tess Giles, Shiela MacDougall, Mary Truman, E. Slaughtier, Phyl Webster, Margaret Richens, Marj. Johnson, Jean Bulmer, Noela Miller, Doris Ashton, Rose Smith, Mrs. Broadbridge, Ethel Harvey.
Absent: Mrs. Hilda Richens, Vera Gaboret (Associate Member), Win. Elton, Mrs. B. Gimblett, and Vera White (taking the photograph).

ST. BARNABAS' GUILD

With the opening of the Church at Clontarf, a Women's Guild was formed, but some dissension occurred and the group was disbanded. On 20th May, 1963 a small group of 8 women met at St. Barnabas' Hall, Clontarf, and, under the guidance of the Rector (Rev. A. S. Jull), who appointed the necessary officers, a new St. Barnabas' Guild was formed. The first business discussed at that meeting was the condition of the piano, and application was made to the Parochial Council for a loan of twelve pounds to have it repaired.

This small but enthusiastic group immediately began plans for a variety of money-raising functions, and, with an increased membership, their interests over the years have widened to include many activities both within and outside the Church.

Records show St. Barnabas' Guild regularly sent Christmas parcels to Bro. Timothy, at Popondetta; they made donations to flood relief appeals, St. Francis' College, Home Mission work, Bible Society Funds, Tufnell Homes Appeal, Women's Shelter, to the Sunday School for Teaching Aids, the Friary at Brookfield, National Heart Foundation, Church Army Mission, and other causes; they provided money for the repair, maintenance and equipment of the Church and Hall, and made regular contributions to Parish finances and the paying-off of the church debt. They joined with the other Guilds in presenting Annual Floral Displays at St. Mary's; shared in joint Mission projects, and in 1972, began a Fund for a new Organ.

St. Barnabas' Guild for many years maintained close links with the British and Foreign Bible Society, and were presented with the Society's Pennant to display in their Church.

They make Palm Crosses for distribution on Palm Sunday, and posies and Simnel cake for Mothering Sunday; they made contributions to St. Mary's and St. Anne's, and assisted with the catering for the Consecration Service at St. Mark's.

ST. MARK'S ORGAN FUND COMMITTEE

At a sub-centre Easter Meeting in 1971 it was decided St. Mark's Church really needed a new organ and a fund was started, all money to be raised by direct giving only. Parishioners responded generously but the goal was not achieved and interest waned, with only about half the required amount of money raised. In 1978, the Parochial

Council offered to lend St. Mark's \$3,000, free of interest, repayable in three years or earlier, so that the purchase of an organ could be finalised. Authority was given to form a special money-raising committee for the purpose: any surplus amount raised to be channelled to St. Mary's Organ Fund account, at Redcliffe.

St. Mark's Organ Fund Committee was promptly formed and raised in excess of the required \$3,000 in four months! A small Pipe Organ, made to our order in England, was installed at St. Mark's in October 1979 with an organ recital and demonstration in the Church by Mr. F. Rogers, Organist at All Saints' Church, Wickham Terrace, Brisbane, on the evening of 9th December, 1979. Miss Hebdon, also of Brisbane, accompanied Mr. Rogers and presented a bracket of classical and religious vocal numbers — a truly delightful evening.

The Organ Fund Committee worked harmoniously and well together as a group, and expressed the wish to continue working together to raise finances for the Parish as a whole.

And so was formed —

THE BRAMBLE BAY PROJECT COMMITTEE

which met for the first time in July 1979 and included all past members of the now defunct Organ Fund Committee, plus representatives from St. Barnabas' Church, and other groups and individuals in the Parish. The stated purpose of this new Committee was to raise funds on a Parish-wide basis, and to assist and support the work of all other groups in the Parish with their respective activities; and to provide a forum at which all parishioners be invited to express opinions and views. It was felt the Committee could fulfil a valuable function within the Parish structure, both from a finance-raising point of view and in terms of the social and fellowship opportunities it promoted.

Some functions organised or supported by these two Committees included a Halloween Party, Olde English Fair, South Sea Islands Fete, Old Time Dances, May Queen Celebrations, Progressive Dinner Party, Parish Picnic, Hernando's Hideaway Cabaret Evening, Christmas Carol Night, Christmas Hamper Raffle (and other raffles), Organ Recital and Barbecues, etc.

THE MOTHERS' UNION

Patron: Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II

The Mothers' Union is a world-wide organisation of women, within the Anglican community, dedicated to upholding the sanctity of marriage and family life. It was started in England in 1876, by Mrs. Mary Sumner, wife of the Rector of Old Aylesford, who died in 1921. The Society was granted a Royal Charter in 1926. Recent records show there are around 14,500 branches throughout the world with a membership of nearly half a million, and includes full-time workers in developing countries, many of whom are nationals of their country. At a meeting of Central Council in July 1973 attended by representatives from many parts of the world, it was agreed to petition for a new Supplemental Royal Charter in which the aim and objects of the Society were re-worded, the rule of membership was changed, and authority was sought for the right to grant autonomy to those Provinces and Dioceses overseas which requested it. This was granted by Her Majesty the Queen through her Privy Council in 1974.

The Mothers' Union on the Redcliffe Peninsula was formed in 1952 and had a membership of 100, Mrs. Olwyn Jull, wife of the then Rector, being its first President (and, later, Commonwealth President). After division of the Parish a new Branch was formed in the Parochial District of Bramble Bay. The first meeting, which was chaired by the Vicar, Rev. Dennis Gimblett, was held in St. Mark's Hall, Woody Point, on 29th August, 1979 with an attendance of 27. Mrs. Rose Freeman, Deanery President, attended, and assisted in the establishment of the new Branch. The inaugural Meeting on 14th September, 1979, was held, commencing with a service of Holy Communion, and later, election of additional office-bearers; a Commissioning Service for all office-bearers being conducted by the Vicar the following month, on 12th October, 1979.

Some activities of the local Branches have included regular meetings and frequent outings for fellowship and recreation, and a variety of social service work, such as hospital visiting and hospital flower rosters, providing and serving afternoon teas to elderly patients, home visits to "shut-ins" and invalids, a library and literature service for members, and, combined with other State Branch members, an Annual Lady Day Service at St. John's Cathedral, in Brisbane.

Members are united in prayer and service to show forth the Glory of God and to help forward the work of the Church.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY (G.F.S.)

Patron: Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth, The Queen Mother.



The G.F.S. is a society of girls and women who accept the Christian Faith and seek in the fellowship of worship, study, work and play, to serve God and extend His Kingdom. It began in England in 1872, when a Mrs. Townsend was asked by the Bishop of Winchester (Samuel Wilberforce) to join him in "rescue work" in his Diocese "to seek to strengthen girls against the power of temptation through prayer and friendship". Work began in the Parishes, and in May 1874 at Lambeth Palace, the Girls' Friendly Society was formed, to commence activities on 1st January, 1875, with Headquarters at the Lodge, St. Jude's Servants' Home, at Brixton. Her Majesty, Queen Victoria, became the first Patron of the Society.

The work rapidly spread throughout the Empire and the world, and filled such a need in the lives of girls then and now that many in England today, who joined as young girls and are now in the 50 and 60 year age group, did not want to leave as they grew older and are still members, enjoying the friendship and programmes offered.

The Centenary of the G.F.S. in Australia, in 1979, coincided with the Proclamation of the newly-established Parochial District of Bramble Bay. It was in 1879, in South Australia, that Lady Jervois (wife of the then Governor) and her two daughters, Lucy and Carrie, became concerned for the welfare of young emigrant girls, without family or friends, working as servants in the new Colony. A committee of "ladies...who knew a great deal about G.F.S. from their earlier days in England", was formed, with Lady Jervois the first President, and Lucy and Carrie Secretary and Treasurer. They met Emigrant ships and befriended the girls, started a library for them, arranged gatherings in the homes of associates, soon the City Parishes became the venue of meetings and classes, and later, Branches spread to the country parishes.

In the late 1930s, a Junior G.F.S. was formed at Clontarf. It is not known how long it operated, but on 10th March, 1952 another G.F.S. group was organised under the direction of Mrs. K. McGaw, with 15 members, and was re-formed on 17th May, 1959, by the Misses E. and E. Ball as leaders. On June 9th, 1963, Mrs. Beryl Wilson was given permission to form a group and this met for the first time on 15th June, 1963. It was abandoned on 16th February, 1964 through lack of interest.

On 14th May, 1965 a Junior G.F.S. was formed at St. Mary's, Redcliffe, under the leadership of Mesdames Jean Bulmer and Reeves, and the Misses Lloyd and Topiel. There were 24 girls present. The gathering was addressed by the Rector, the Rev. A. S. Jull. The business of meetings was conducted in a properly organised manner, with programme emphasis on worship, church projects, citizenship, friendship and recreation, and these standards are maintained today. G.F.S. girls are on roster for Church cleaning, and assist in many Church projects. They make and distribute Palm crosses on Palm Sunday, have projects for missionary work, share camps and outings, sport, and other recreations, make project books and handicrafts, and raise money for special causes. In 1973, they "took children of Tufnell Home on a picnic by bus to Shorncliffe — picnic lunch, games, etc. — and even the bus driver joined in!"

Many senior G.F.S. girls become Servers in the Church, assisting the officiating Priest at the Holy Eucharist.

In 1971, a G.F.S. Banner, made by Mrs. Druery, was presented to the Group.

To mark the Australian Centenary, a 19th Century Gala Day was held at the Church of England Grammar School, East Brisbane, with a Dinner Dance in the evening, and a World Day of Prayer Service in St. John's Cathedral the following day. The occasion was also marked with a Ceremonial Candle Lighting Service, procession of Branch Banners, a Birthday Cake Cutting Ceremony, and presentation of Long Service Awards.



MOTHERS' UNION
ANGLICAN PAROCHIAL DISTRICT OF BRAMBLE BAY INAUGURAL MEETING, 1979

Back Row: Left to Right: B. Gimblett, P. Webster, M. Jamison, G. Alexander, K. Daniels, E. Lucas, J. Bulmer, M. Richens, A. Flude.

Front Row: Left to Right: T. Giles, J. Keeton, P. Stirling, E. Smith, L. Jones, K. Tadd, J. Noble, M. Johnson, D. Duffield.

Absent: (Taking the photograph): D. Ashton.

ST. MARK'S WORK CIRCLE (Formerly the Woody Point Work Circle)

In 1934, a small group of women calling themselves the Woody Point Work Circle first met, in private homes, to make hand-knitted clothing for needy folk in England, each member contributing 6d per month to purchase wool. (In 1941, a Junior Work Circle was formed, also meeting in private homes, "on Tuesday evenings nearest to the full moon"). There is no record of how long the Junior Group operated.

In March 1968 the Woody Point Work Circle came under the auspices of the Anglican Church, changing the name to St. Mark's Work Circle, and concentrating their efforts on the local Church of England Homes and similar institutions. The 6d per month subscription, supplemented by the sale of "pretty hand-made aprons" and "dainty tea cosies", increased over the years to 30c, with every cent stretched to its limit. Meeting after meeting recorded the sad tale of "No money in box" — "No money" — "No money-box empty", but still the work (somehow!) went on. Then, in 1953, the Minutes record a major breakthrough, and I quote: "The Secretary, Mrs. Cosgrove, heard of some cheap wool on sale at Redcliffe, so took the responsibility of buying some without consulting the President and members — 68 ozs. at 10½d oz. — 4½ lbs. for two pounds eighteen shillings and eightpence. When Mrs. James heard of the cheap wool she bought some too — 74 ozs. at 10½d oz — 4 lbs. 10 ozs. for three pounds four shillings and ninepence. Received with acclamation!! (hear the clapping?). She then went on to say she did not know how the wool would be paid for as there were no funds on hand. Mrs. James conceived the happy idea — "make her an Honorary Life Member" (no monthly subscriptions to pay! Ed.) "So everyone was happy! and the knitting went on!!!" (un-quoted).

And the knitting still goes on! In the 10 years when records were kept, between 1969 and 1979, 2,495 garments were made and distributed by these dedicated women, including 22 pairs of socks by Mrs. E. Slaughter, long-time parishioner and member of the group.

In later years, prior to distribution of the garments, the Work Circle have arranged an Annual Display for public inspection of the articles made. An admittance charge is made and proceeds used to supplement their supply of wool for the following year's knitting.



Some earlier G.F.S. members with leader Mrs. Jean Bulmer: 1977.
From back — L. to R.: Cathy Stephens, Alison Battersby, Gillian Smith, Lenore Wilson, Deborah ("Rusty") Tuffin, Lynelle Marriott, Sarah Stephens, Annette Marriott, Debbie Plant, Sheila Parkinson, Meredith Brown, Julie Walters, Tracey Kunowski, Helen Bust, Angela Gray.

ST. MARK'S CHOIR

Early records show that in 1957 a Choir was formed at St. Mark's, and a donation of five pounds was received from Mrs. M. M. Clyde "to buy suitable music"; her preferences being Woodwards and Stainers Communion Services. There is no record of how long this Choir operated.

With the help and encouragement of Rev. Dennis Gimblett, in 1979 a new Choir was formed, and on Sunday, 9th September of that year led worshippers for the first time at a 10 a.m. Choral Eucharist, adding considerably to the pleasure and quality of worship for the large congregation present. Sung Eucharists have since become a regular part of the Sunday Services.

It is interesting to note that the Stalls used by the present Choir are Pews from the 'old' St. Mark's Church — another link in our heritage from the past.

YOUNG MOTHERS' COFFEE CLUB

A group of young mothers met together on 19th September, 1979 at St. Mark's Hall, to discuss plans for informal social gatherings for fellowship and programmes of cultural and entertainment activities; incorporating also a supervised play-club for the children. Programme suggestions included handicrafts, talks and demonstrations, slides, and floral arrangements, etc.

The Club is at present in the formative stage but should afford a welcome opportunity for young mothers with pre-school children to meet together and share common interests and recreation.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS

St. Mark's:

The Sunday School at St. Mark's has, over the years, played an important part in the life of the Church, and during this first year of the new Parochial District has an enrolment of 66 children.

Besides the usual presentation of prizes, Bibles and Prayer Books are given to regular attenders, and an annual money-raising function is organised for the purchase of these books, and the required teaching materials.

The children are taught to pray, sing praises to God, and study the Bible; and their many "works of art" are displayed in the Parish Hall for all to share. A mini-library has been established in the Church Vestry and is available for general use; donations to which are always gratefully received.

Sunday School children and teachers play a prominent part in organising the Annual Parish Picnic, and during the year make special efforts to worship with the adult congregations in the Church.

St. Barnabas:

Since 1951, a very active Sunday School has operated at Clontarf. Many pupils and teachers have been associated with the Church and Sunday School over the years, with perhaps the greatest example having been set by Mrs. T. M. Munt, who was Superintendent for many years. Mrs. Munt was dedicated to the work of the Church, and was much loved and respected by children and parishioners alike. On her retirement in 1979 they showed this esteem by arranging a function in her honour.

Mrs. Munt was also a Foundation Member of St. Barnabas' Guild.

Apart from their many gifts to the Church, the children have provided regular contributions to missionary work, both within and outside the Parish, and have taken an active part in Parish life on many occasions.

Special Note:

On 11th December, 1962, Miss Eunice Ball, a teacher from Clontarf Sunday School, who had undertaken a course of study at Epiphany House in Sydney, was farewelled at a Service in St. Mary's Church, Redcliffe, on the eve of her departure for Lockhart River Mission. According to Parish records, Miss Ball was the first parishioner to offer herself for Missionary service, and following this experience she became a Sister of the Sacred Advent in Brisbane, where she is currently (1979/80) in charge of the section which makes and supplies the Altar Bread used in our Churches. (Sister Eunice is the second person from the Redcliffe Peninsula to join the Order, the other being Sister Agnes. However, she is the first Sister from this end of the Peninsula, from what is now the newly-formed Parochial District of Bramble Bay).

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A TRIBUTE TO THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE — A CHALLENGE TO THOSE WHO FOLLOW AFTER!

There are many names which should be mentioned in this booklet — people who, with Faith and fortitude, have, over the years, given so much of themselves, their labour, their talents and their resources; and we today are the richer for it. It is impossible to mention some and not others, but now, as we look back with gratitude, we thank God for the vision and dedication of those who have gone before, and for this, the wealth of our heritage, on the first Anniversary of the Proclamation of our new Parochial District.

May we who follow after hold high the Torch they have left to us and work together — steadfastly, and with love and understanding — to further the Kingdom of God in our midst, so that those who follow us may say that we too have "kept the Faith unbroken".

From the Past — A Vision for the Future

Prologue recited by Sunday School Children at the opening of St.
Mark's Annual Fete, September, 1954.

Ladies and Gentlemen, we want to say,
Welcome to our Fete today!
You know the Church, St. Mark's the name,
The Church of England we all acclaim.
Now many of you will know full well
The story we are going to tell.
Our dear old Church is drooping sadly,
And we all need a new Church badly.
At last, and as you all well know,
Our new Church has begun to grow
At Woody Point, where two roads meet,
On the corner of Kate and Annie Street.
And now each week some progress brings,
By workers who toil with many things;
Such as mortar and mixers and — Oh dear me!
Huge blocks of stone and cups of teal
We have been told it's a sight to see
Big men in shorts high above the knee!
But really it wouldn't be very funny
If they suddenly found they were short of money.
Oh dear, how terrible that would be,
No mortar, no stones, no cups of teal!
But no, this Church, this power for good,
It must go on, it must, it should.
For those who cannot toil and build,
In other ways their help can yield.
You people may on this very date,
Give freely, and support our Fete.
We too have thought of many a plan
How we can earn pennies and help all we can.
So now we will tell you in word and song,
How we can help this work along.

FOOTNOTE: Hereafter to be known
as "REVELATIONS" — by Mr. Vic.
Clarke. ("Cups of Teal!!").

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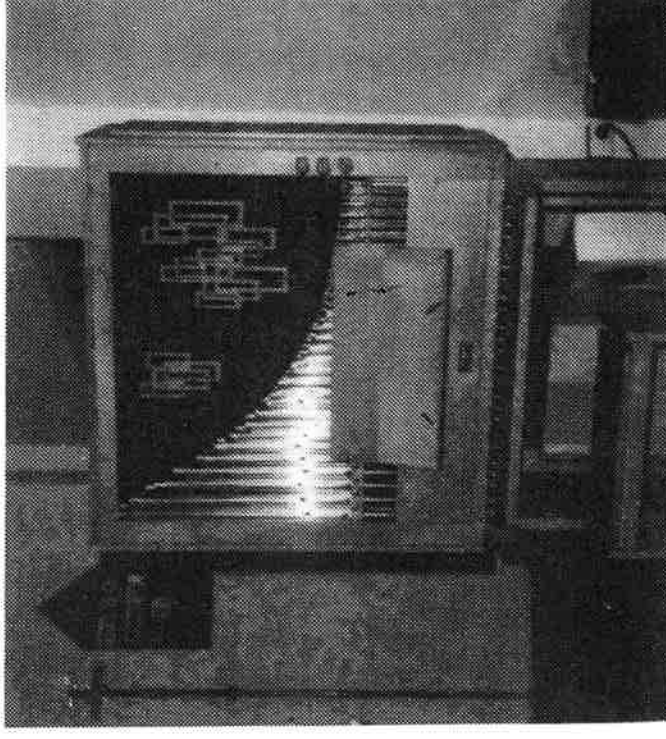
CREDIT: Some information regarding the early history of the Churches is derived
from "Redcliffe's 160 Years", by (the late) Leslie E. Slaughter, and to the best of our
knowledge the details recorded in this booklet from that source are correct.

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A St. Mark's Guild Project.

Edited and revised by Church Wardens, and approved for publication by the Parochial
Council of the Anglican Parochial District of Bramble Bay, Q.

THE NEW ORGAN, ST. MARK'S



This new Pipe Organ in St. Mark's Church, Woody Point, arrived during the first
year of the new Parochial District — in October, 1979 — and was acquired through
generous contributions by parishioners and the efforts of the Organ Fund Commit-
tee.

It was built by P. D. Collins and Co., of England, in conformity with the
specifications of the Royal College of Church Music, and is a replica of one built by
the same firm and installed as an auxiliary Organ in Canterbury Cathedral.

There have been many fine men and women who, over the years, have dedicated countless hours to the service of the Church, and the Church will be ever thankful for their efforts. Regrettably, their names may not always have been included in the records of the time, so that any list we may compile would necessarily have to be an incomplete one, and for this reason the names of office-bearers during this first year of the life of the new Parochial District only have been included in this booklet. However, every other item of information we can find, now or in the future, will be filed in the Archives of the Church and available for reference to those who may require such information.

PAROCHIAL DISTRICT OF BRAMBLE BAY FIRST OFFICE BEARERS

VICAR: Rev. Dennis Gimblett.

VICAR'S WARDEN: Mr. W. Jamison (May-December, 1979): Mr. G. A. Thomas (December 1979-May 1980).

PEOPLE'S WARDEN: Mr. W. L. Noble.

VICAR'S SUB-WARDENS: (St. Mark's): Mr. G. A. Thomas (May-December, 1979); Mr. H. Bulmer (From December, 1979). (St. Barnabas): Mrs. J. H. McWilliams.

PEOPLE'S SUB-WARDENS: (St. Mark's): Mr. T. Smith. (St. Barnabas): Mr. F. Horrocks.

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