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THE MORE YOU HONOUR ME THE MORE I WILL BLESS YOU

THE COMMUNICATOR

In the city newspaper I read, obituaries have changed. They used to describe the achievements of only leaders in business, government, church or entertainment; now the lives of some ordinary folks are included.

One such obituary described the mother of a large family who, besides feeding and clothing her own children, also took care of the sick in her neighbourhood.

Another told of a teacher who, though tired at the end of a long day's work, taught reading in the evenings to children who needed extra help.

I like to read about these ordinary neighbours who loved extraordinarily well. They will never be canonised saints, but they loved God in simple and heroic lives.

Thank you, God, for the ordinary people who loved extraordinarily well.

We have had three of these such people, close to the Movement, who have gone to their reward. Please read what some of our members have written about them – very inspirational!

Rose and I worked together for many years in different places with other members of L.K.M.

The Fete days with Bill and crew were always busy, but most enjoyable. Our Sundays at Ipswich with Marge and Elaine were great, and our wonderful bus driver, John, kept us supplied with his special lollies for the trip.

L.K.M. Bingo at the Valley Plaza on a Saturday afternoon with Berna and Joy was also busy, but very interesting.

Our many years together working with wonderful people like Jack, Dorrie, Joy, Rita and Elaine were fantastic. When Rose and I went to the Thrift Shop she could never understand how, with our Tina's help, I always came away with a parcel. Always a lengthy phone call to tell me she had arrived home safely at the Gold Coast.

Rose was a gentle, caring and a wonderful person, and over the many years we had formed a lasting and beautiful friendship. I miss our weekly phone calls, Rose, but I know that our Little King has taken you home to enjoy his Peace and Love forever. We both liked this prayer –

"The Goodness of God's Love Was the Happiness of our day."

Vale our Rose.

Vonnie



ANNE DENNIS

I have been asked to recall some funny incidents that may have occurred during the time I have known Anne – which goes back over 40 years. I don't really think they would pass the censor. However, I just want to say a few things.

Some people, who don't know better, might have considered that Anne's was a pointless life. For those of us who knew Anne know that is completely wide of the mark.

Although there was no University degree to confirm it, Anne was one of the finest teachers I have ever known.

Anne taught me all about **PATIENCE** – except if there was cheesecake or marshmallows involved.

Anne taught me about EMPATHY, FRIENDSHIP, ACCEPTANCE OF WHAT LIFE DEALS YOU, AND IMPORTANTLY HOW TO HAVE A GOOD BELLY LAUGH.

Anne taught me that you learn more by being a **LISTENER** rather than a talker. (Boy, I bet she knew many things about many people by just listening – but we never found out because she wasn't a dobber).

And last Saturday morning (9th April) Anne taught Margaret and myself how to die beautifully and peacefully.

Most significantly, though, Anne taught me to look beyond her disability and discover that beautiful woman with that wicked sense of humour.

Thank you Anne for all you have taught me – I don't know whether I have been a good pupil, but with a bit of luck I have passed.

Cathy



MONICA PAVELIEFF

When I first visited the Little King's Movement I was shown the Craft room and introduced to the group of ladies doing craft. This is the first time I met Monica. Monica worked for the Movement for 15 years. She enjoyed working in the Thrift Shop with Olive Dougherty.

It was in the craft room that I remember her mostly, her friendly greetings when she arrived, and making beautiful lace cushions for the raffle. There was a friendly rivalry between her and Dorrie Howard in fund raising, Dorrie with her jams and Monica with craft – it was all fun to see.

Monica loved her nieces and nephews and always spoke of them and their achievements. Monica and her beloved husband Nick had a wonderful union of love, care and devotion that endured for many years.

Rest in peace Monica

Imelda



Prayers Requested

Please include the following sick members in your prayers:

Christine Peters, Rita Hunter, Rita Ryan, Carmel Curran, Joan Lakeland, Heather Stabler

Recently Deceased:

Monica Pavelieff, Anne Dennis

Anniversaries to remember:

July:

Maureen Rogers 2010 Kath Winter 1997 Coralie Keogh 1971 Sr Helen Rheaume fmm 1999 Archbishop Francis Rush 2001 Cathy Bones 2001 Bernadette Andersen 2006 Betty Bird 1995 St Valerie Healy fmm 2013

Una Garrahy 2001 William Nisbet 1984 Father C Shand 1995 Nancy Brace 2002 Ethel Smith 2000 Neville Ryrie 1984 St Patricia Phillips 1994 Bernard Rhodes 2008 Br Julius Walsh 2015

August:

Philomena Barrett 2008 Lissa Martinez 2009 Joan Dennis 2001 Sr Enda O'Sullivan fmm 1991 Carol Brace 2001 George Haseler 2003 Claire Wheeler 1997 Noel Dennis 2008 David Cleland 2005 Sr Ann O'Conor fmm 1999 Marion O'Connor 1980 Keith Howard 2011

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Movement was held on Sunday, 3 April 2016. Seventeen members attended in person, five apologies were received, and six members were represented by proxies. Helen Deakin took Chair, and thanked those present for their attendance.

In her report Helen said that the main theme of all of the unit reports was deep thankfulness for the assistance given by both the volunteers in the various units and the priests, schools, students, entertainers, drivers, and others. She said there is in the reports a spirit of hope for the future, in spite of numbers not increasing, and in some areas are falling.

2015 was the year of "make and mend" around the property. The hail damage in 2014 took some time to be completed, and repairs and alterations have been effected to other parts of our property. Blinds, carpeting and air-conditioning have been installed in various positions to improve conditions.

Nominations had been invited for members of the Board. Seven nominations had been received, and prior to the meeting one nominee had withdrawn acceptance of the nomination. The following members had been nominated – Brian Prove, David Green, Janice Haines, Moira O'Reilly, Imelda Swifte, Phillip Webster. As there were only four positions to be filled a ballot was necessary. After the votes were counted, the following were elected – Brian Prove, Phillip Webster, Moira O'Reilly, Imelda Swift. The three executive members and Patricia Mackie were available for re-appointment, and the Board is now –

Helen Deakin, President; Joan Martin, Secretary; Marjorie Norris, Treasurer. Members: Patricia Mackie, Brian Prove, Moira O'Reilly, Imelda Swifte, Phillip Webster.

A PENTECOST REFLECTION

Anyone who has ever owned a pet knows the silent communication that binds animal to human; four-legged friends know when their owners are returning home or leaving, whether they are happy, sad, in need of attention, or better left alone. Babies, too, understand non-verbal communication such as facial expressions and "baby talk". Lovers merely have to look at each other to know the language of the heart.

Filled with God's love, the disciples at Pentecost felt divine power come upon them, giving them wisdom and courage, moving them beyond all sense of limitation. Words come, arising from that place deep within where God's heart meets our heart. Proclaiming God's glory, they brought to speech hidden mysteries, with no language barrier, those with ears to hear listened in wonder, while the cynics in their midst attributed the phenomenon to "too much new wine." When our ears and hearts are open, we too can hear the voice of the Spirit speaking a language that is completely intelligible.

Speak, O Spirit of love, that we might hear with our hearts.



ANNUAL APPEAL - Result to 17 May 2016.

	2015	2016	
Direct	823.80	1,365.70	
D/Knock	48,924.10	15,868.40	
Parishes	61,466.30	49,089.90	
TOTAL	113,229.20	66,324.00	
as at	End of 2015	17th May 2016	3



Faith

Faith is a gift of God. It is not a material that can be seen, heard, smelled, tasted, or touched; but is as real as anything that can be perceived with these senses. One can be aware of Faith as easily as one can be aware of earth. Faith is as certain as is the existence of water. Faith is as sure as the taste of an apple, the fragrance of a rose, the sound of thunder, the sight of the sun, the feel of a loving touch. Hope is a wish, a longing for something not now possessed, but with the expectation of getting it. Faith adds surety to the expectation of hope.

Today is the tomorrow you worried about yesterday.

I am to be so busy today that I must spend more time than usual in prayer.

Inexperience is what makes a young man do what an older man says is impossible.

When you get to the end of your rope, tie a knot in it and hang on.



The world's greatest symphony starts with one solitary note.

