

12<sup>th</sup> The Sisters returned at 3pm. Sister Emma  
+ Martha took a woman who had been beaten  
up by her man, to hospital

13<sup>th</sup> Miss Allen left after having stayed the  
weekend - arriving in the sisters car with  
D. F.

14<sup>th</sup> S' Emma went to a Denis Stalter committee

15<sup>th</sup> S' Joan Augustine came to stay. She went to  
the Budgetmen. Many at evening service

16<sup>th</sup> S' J. A. helped a girl who had a miscarriage.

~~S' Edith took S' J. A. to the coroner's~~  
S' Emma + the went to Rosethewells <sup>Mrs Oldham</sup> care

18<sup>th</sup> Mr. + Mrs (Midge) Walter came to hear  
S' Emma drove them home and then she and  
Nancy went to meet S' Ida who was re-  
turning from Rhodesia. They found a wounded  
man  
S' Emma went with Mrs Flanagan to Kingswood  
+ there met Miss Tompa + Fr Huddleston  
for a consultation

16<sup>th</sup> Yachudi Neuhuis played in Church.  
S' Irene, S' Janet, S' D. Joan + S' Emma  
went to Orlando and was caught in a  
heavy storm. The car refused - and Fr Jenkins  
went to the rescue. They were back at Sapho  
Town in time to hear the latter part of the music

17<sup>th</sup> S' Edith took S' J. Augustine to meet  
Matron Bernade at the coronation hospital

19<sup>th</sup> S' Emma + S' Violet Ruth took a child  
to Rosethewells to be confirmed + had  
tea with E. Kernack.

20<sup>th</sup> Fr H. came to hear confessions. Church.  
Council met.

21<sup>st</sup> Mabel Shaw (author of Treasure of Darkness) came  
to stay.

23<sup>rd</sup> S. Enno took N. Shaw to Orlando

25<sup>th</sup> Staff Meeting

25<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Bishop in the chair.  
About 50 came. Nutter came early with  
S. Isabel Ewend + stayed to tea. S. Isabel +  
S. Dorothy soon came from Waverly.

26<sup>th</sup> A fairly quiet Sunday - a woman who had  
been beaten asked to be taken to hospital <sup>S. Ida</sup> - her.

27<sup>th</sup> Sister Enno drove S. Edith + S. Violet Ruth to  
traveling for Retreat. <sup>after tea</sup> Barbara Parent + Monica  
and went early with Vazquez + Hobbs. The Fathers  
took Martha at 9:30. All returned for  
supper. S. Ida in bed.

28<sup>th</sup> S. Enno went to a meeting at Kuyperman  
re Nursery school. A dietician came from  
Pretoria to advise us re N.S. food.  
S. Enno bought a second hand bicycle to  
replace one stolen.

29<sup>th</sup> S. Enno + Dr. Kuyperman went to ...  
Dikanyany ...

30<sup>th</sup> Usual happening

31<sup>st</sup> S. Enno met Mr. K at ...  
S. B. Rose went to ...

April 1<sup>st</sup> Day of confession + a long ...  
Guilt ... Florence went away

" 2<sup>nd</sup> a lovely Palm Sunday with many  
attendances 307 Communion at 6am  
Noreen left for home with Eileen

4<sup>th</sup> A peaceful day  
5<sup>th</sup> S. Enno went shopping  
6<sup>th</sup> Fr. Huddleston, Fr. Seb. Botham + S. En  
decided to change over Noreen + Mary  
Hobson Monday.

6. Nonna + Ursula returned - a lovely service at  
5:30 - Hugh Dues + Fr Ross in charge of  
the singing. The Watch began after Mass

## Good Friday

The Liturgy + 3 Hours Devotion were both well  
attended. A heavy load of our parishioners left at 5:45 pm  
for the Union Grounds where they joined the Procession  
of Widows. This was joined by contingents from  
many parishes and was led by the Bishop and  
representatives from the Cathedral. S. Ems + S. B. Rose  
went in by car and joined the procession. Barbara  
Pruett went in the New Class bus + returned with  
the Sisters. The Procession was wonderfully organised  
and there were quite 3,000 taking part. They left  
the Union Grounds at 7 pm - proceeded along  
Pleas St. + Cliffe - to the City Hall. There a  
hymn - There is a green hill was sung and a short  
address delivered by the Bishop. Returning the procession  
went by Rye St. - de Villiers St. and Haack St. to the  
Cathedral where a service was held.

Holy Sat. Great preparations for Easter -

More flowers than ever before

## EASTER SUNDAY.

A perfect day with crowded services

Easter Monday - Mass in Chapel - 9 communicants.  
All stayed quietly at home until  
morning tea. S. B. Rose, Ursula + Nonna went  
up N. Cliffe. Nonna left <sup>for Dik</sup> and Mary came  
from "Dik". All from N. School came to tea

Easter Tues. The sisters had a lovely picnic at

Roadpoints. Miss Brown came for the day.

Wed. Sister Editha went to the Budgetman as usual  
and we all returned to Dik

Thurs. Staff Meeting. S. Ems went to Minkysale Dik +  
teaching

Fri. Normal happenings

Sat. Mary confessoria - preparation for Confirmation

Sun. A meet. day but many at 6a Mass and 130 at S. School. Eileen Kerneak brought Alice Fay to stay until Monday.

Mon. S' Eoin took a.P. to Dikonyaney. Eileen fetched Leo in the evening & drove her to Dik.

Tues. Residing meeting - Miss Ransbottom & Mr. Solomon brought an English teacher to see the Mission. S' Eoin took them to the Bant's High School.

Wed. Sister to Budgenan

Thurs. We heard that Harry Madigan's daughter was smitten with T.B. Harry left for Fort Hare. S' Eoin attended a Dean's shelter sub com. S' Eoin & B. Priest took a scalded child to the Convent Hospital.

Fri. We went to market and fetched flowers a day ahead because of the Norfolk Guest Day on Saturday.

Sat. All from Ekitilane except S' Ida and F. Firth went to Rosetown - High Mass at 11.30. Fr. Huddleston celebrant. Bishop. preacher. St. Benedict's Chapel - Foundation stone laid by Bishop. The sisters counted with <sup>Notley P.</sup> Waverly - A.S.F. and Innes sisters at St. Agnes. NB. Take food another time. After lunch we listened to speeches & saw the Saphirine film. We left at 5pm after a most happy & interesting day.

Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> A beautiful confirmation of 156. The Bishop came to tea. S' Ida left for Innes for long Retreat.

24<sup>th</sup> S' Eoin & S' Editha went with S' B. Roe and S' J. Rath. Who were staying for Retreat. S' Eoin and S' Editha had tea in the car on the way back - rain - must!

25<sup>th</sup> Daniel Lester came to stay. S. Evans went with Fr. Sudebotham to interview a Domestic Science Mistress but failed to find her.

26<sup>th</sup> P. Leslie out - S. Editha to Bridgeman.

27<sup>th</sup> Fr. Superior went to Iona to start his rest -

28<sup>th</sup> Sr. E went to town to get shipping tickets for July.

29<sup>th</sup> Sr. E went to Iona for Chapter - 4 of us returned leaving S.S. to continue her rest. Found Sr. Millard of the T here on our return - she stayed the night.

30<sup>th</sup> Lovely Mass - 1<sup>st</sup> Communion of the newly confirmed.

Fr. Sudebotham exhorted us all to spend May 1<sup>st</sup> as a day of prayer on the so-called Freedom day.

May 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Mass for S. Philip & S. James many people - armed police all around all day - Some trouble around the Bus stop but fairly quiet otherwise - people kept in their houses as much as possible by armed mounted police Ambulance rather in request around 6 p.m. All quiet by 9 p.m. - Many shop windows broken & a good deal of looting by roughs - Breaching & destruction 6 p.m. but very few people could get through.  
A quiet day -

3<sup>rd</sup> Sr. Ida went to Bridgeman - Sr. B. Rose took her & went on to the Welfare Store & Union Flour Mills - S. Editha went to the Bridgeman Annual Meeting in the afternoon with Fr. Usherall the Missionary Conference at Potchefstroom - the Fathers all went but no Sisters - No School Mass - A silent Holy Hour opened & closed by Sr. E with a hymn & prayers.

4. A Nursery School Meeting in the aft. very few present. The Fathers still away at the Conference -

5. S. V. R. went to Waterfall Hospital.

6. Mass in Chapel at 6 - Nuptial Mass & Marriage of Fr. O'Leah & Rachel Sexton at 9.30. Bishop married them & sang the Mass - Mrs. Reeve - Effie Gillett & a few others came for Morning Tea.

Guild of S. M. Magdalena at 3 p.m. - Mrs. Thompson came  
aching to help -

7<sup>th</sup> Masses 6 - 7 - + 11 as usual - Mrs. Thompson came to dinner  
went to look at S. Francis' + S. Martha's S. Schools.

Barbara Priest's farewell tea party - Fr Blake C.R. came in.

Miss Lester left - Mary Harding went to Ione for few days holiday

5. Requiem Mass in Chapel at 6. Fr Blake C.R.

Sr Ione + 3 Sisters came from Pretoria to dinner +  
tea - arrived 1 p.m. Went round S. Cyprian's + Nursery  
Schools - Fr Huddleston came + gave an address  
+ heard confessions at 4.45.

9. S.G. went to S. Elizabeth Nursery School to see it + say  
Goodbye - visited in N.V.T. Barbara left for Groyets  
+ then Mantzberg. Sr Mary Gabrielle C.R. arrived from  
Grahamstown.

10. Party of 20 Canadian Working Teachers came to see the  
Mission; came to morning tea - S.G. took Sr Mary G. C.R.  
round S. Cyprian's + S. Mary M. Schools. She went with  
S.I. + S.B.R. to the Bridgman. S.B.R. took Sr Mary G. to  
S. Joseph's home at 5 p.m. The Nursery School Students sang  
to her at 7.45 p.m.

11. 7 o'clock Mass late because Cupboard key lost!  
Staff Meeting very long because resolutions at Missionary  
Conference at Potchefstroom discussed - S.B.R. took Sr Mary G. C.R.  
to Rosettenville at 10.30 pitched her back at 5.

12. S.V.R. took Sr. Mary Gabrielle to see Sr Johanna's Father who is  
sick at the Convalescent Hospital - S.V.R. went to Waterfall H in  
afternoon + she + Lockhart saw Sr. M.G. off to Rhodesia  
by the 8.45 train.

13. Requiem at 7 for Matilda Opperman + Mistress Iris.  
Lockhart took S.V.R. to Newlands for flowers + then  
Sr Ida for vegetables. S.V.R. went with Mr + Mrs Modibane  
+ 2 chor to Reitzfontein to see Willem + Violet. Mrs Gregg  
came for club + stayed to tea.

950

Sun:

May

14

Mass at 6 & 7 as usual.

at 11 a.m.

Zachariah took Sr. Ida Jane & Sr. E. to Ferndale - at request of Fr Jenkins to meet the Guild of S. Mary Magdalen there - letter did not arrive so only saw Mrs. Finke

Zachariah took Sr. E. Jane & Martha Nywanga to the confirmation at S. Mary's Orlands - Martha was confirmed as she missed the confirmation here through illness.

15. Mass in Chapel 6 a.m. Fr. Ross

Mrs Sherwood (husband doing research work in Psychology among Swazis) & her Mother-in-law (who has a Nursing School in Canada) visited Nursing School & heard Primary School choir sing.

16. Guild Mass - large no. present. Fr. Frost celebrant.

S.E. to town - had morning tea with Agnes Walwood.

Gileen Kermark came about & took Barnabas back

Ida went to Orlands.

17. S.B.R. took S.V.R. to get Ascension Day flowers for Church & Chapel

S.B.R. took S.E. & S.T. to Bridgman & S.E. to town to get

Buns etc for Vating calling at Welfare & Station -

English Brewing & Devotions in preparation for Ascension Day.

18. Ascension Day. 5.30 High Mass - very lovely big

congregation - Mass at 7 & 9 for children.

Sr. Ida & S.E. took 40 S. Mary Mag. Guild women to

Roadpoint - dinner at Groszyskiewicz's tea & Margaret

Bollinger's Home - arrived back at 5 -

heavy thunderstorm & rain all the evening.

S.B.R. & S.V.R. stayed at home - latter made sweets.

19. S.E. & S.B.R. went to dentist 9.20

Fr. Huddleston came for confessions 11 p.m.

S.B.R. took S.E. to Waltham Station about railway tickets

& S.F. went in Father's Van with Fr. F. to get vegetables

Arthur drove Fr. F., S.V.R. & S.E. to Watford

then S.E. to dentist - got Church flowers on way back.

1950  
Sun:  
May  
14

Mass at 6 & 7 as usual. at 11 a.m.

Laccharik took Sr. Ida Jane & Sr. E to Yendale - at request of Fr Jenkins to meet the Guild of S. Mary Magdalen there - letter did not arrive so only saw Mrs. Fincka

Laccharik took Sr. E. Jane & Martha Nywanga to the confirmation at S. Mary's Orlando - Martha was confirmed as she missed the confirmation here through illness.

15. Mass in Chapel 6 a.m. Fr. Ross

Mrs Sherwood (husband doing research work in Psychology among Swazis) + her Mother-in-law (who has a Nursing School in Canada) visited Nursing School + heard Primary School choir sing.

16. Guild Mass - large no. present. Fr. East celebrant.

S.E. to town - had morning tea with Agnes Walmond.

Bileen Kermark came about & took Barnabas back. She went to Orlando.

17. S.B.R. took S.V.R. to get Ascension Day flowers for Church + Chapel

S.B.R. took S.E. + S.I. to Bindiga + S.E. to town to get Buns etc for Vating collig at Welfare + Station -

English Massing + Devotions in preparation for Ascension Day.

18. Ascension Day 5.30 High Mass - very lovely big congregation - Mass at 7 + 9 for children.

Sr. Ida + S.E. took 40 S. Mary Mag. Guild women to Roundpoint - dinner at 'Kroegenzelen' tea + Margaret Ballinger's Home - arrived back at 5 -

heavy thunderstorm + rain all the evening.

S.B.R. + S.V.R. stayed at home - latter made sweets.

19. S.E. + S.B.R. went to dentist 9.20

Fr. Huddleston came for confessions 11 p.m.

S.B.R. took S.E. to Weathering Station about railway tickets.

S.I. went in Father's Van with Fr. G. to get vegetables.

Arthur drove Fr. G. S.V.R. + S.E. to Waterfall.

Then S.E. to dentist - got Church flowers on way back.



- 20<sup>th</sup> Nether Provincial + S'Emo' returned from S. Colkath  
Nether stayed for the night
- 21<sup>st</sup> The Waverly Sisters + E. Kennack came for M. Ten  
+ Mass. Nether left with the Waverly Sisters  
before the sermon.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Mass in Chapel - S.E. preparing to leave
- 23<sup>rd</sup> A fairly big guild Mass. S'Emo' went to a  
Dealin's Station Committee Meeting
- 24<sup>th</sup> S' Ethel ~~of~~ the Cross arrived from Jane Fure  
at N. Sea line. S'Emo' took her + S' Editha to  
book luggage. All said office early + went to  
see the Sisters off on the 10 pm train to the Cape  
The Waverly Sisters - M. + Mrs Kennedy + Miss  
Brown were also there. S.B. Rose took her guild to <sup>Roads</sup> <sub>points</sub>
- 25<sup>th</sup> Staff meeting at 10 - Ek' executive at 3 pm
- 26<sup>th</sup> S'Emo' ill - had the others very busy
- 27<sup>th</sup> - - - - -
- 28<sup>th</sup> Eileen Kennack came to Mass. S'Emo' got up to  
see her but was forced to return to bed. Dr Booker  
prescribed a week or ten days in bed.
- 29<sup>th</sup> A Mass in Chapel S.E. received sick Communion  
a quiet day.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Mrs Hale brought visitors to see the Nuns  
S.B. Rose took Miss Brown to Ontario
- 31<sup>st</sup> S' Editha did not go to the Budget man
- June 1<sup>st</sup> Eileen Kennedy went to All Saints Bonaparts instead  
of S'Emo' who had promised to speak to a guild  
She was given groceries for Ek'
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Nether Provincial + the Assistant came to  
dinner. O' Tucker came as usual.
- June 3<sup>rd</sup> S.E. had sick Communion. Fr Huddleston paid  
a formal visit to the Nuns - gave S.E. ~~his~~ a  
blessing
- June 4<sup>th</sup> A usual Sunday

5<sup>th</sup> Fr Huddleston gave an address + heard the sisters' confessions  
S. Mary Beatrice paid a visit to S. Euse. The

latter got up to ten.  
6<sup>th</sup> S. E. went to see Dr Goldwater who gave her an  
injection. S. B. Rose went to St. Elizabeth's hospital  
to Orlando.

The sisters had tea in the community room  
followed by recreation + then S. Euse returned  
to bed. Jane went down with double

7<sup>th</sup> quinsy  
Sister Ida went to the Budgeona. - Verelle Hales  
brought a friend to see the nurse

8<sup>th</sup> CORPUS CHRISTI. Sung Mass at 5:30. Fr Sudekotham  
brought S. Euse her Communion - Chapel at 6:30  
S. Euse attended 8:30 Sung Mass.

9<sup>th</sup> The Narkas came to stay for the weekend  
10 S. Euse started drawing again. Miss B. Maeder  
came for a night - had supper in bed.

11 Guilds were admitted - Corpus Christi  
Procession - lovely - church full.

12 Committee to discuss transport at 2:30 in 'EK'  
Lesedny committee at Doreagh Home  
S. V. Ruth in Retreat - Supper in bed.

13 S. Ida in Retreat - Supper in bed.  
EKulilemi Home committee. Mother + Sister, Hilda  
Verity came to dinner + tea. The Narkas left.

14 S. Ida in doctor - Mrs N. Sewing went to the  
Budgeona.

15<sup>th</sup> Miss Andrews (of New Zealand) came for the  
day - unusually wet day. Fr Ross at

16<sup>th</sup> still cold and overcast

17<sup>th</sup> a usual Sat: Profession d'Hone.

18 Many at 6 am Mass - spite of the cold Fr Ross  
saying Mass at 11 am

**Collection Number: AB1751**

**COMMUNITY OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN 1903-1976**

***PUBLISHER:***

*Publisher:-* **Historical Papers, University of the Witwatersrand**

*Location:-* **Johannesburg**

**©2012**

***LEGAL NOTICES:***

**Copyright Notice:** All materials on the Historical Papers website are protected by South African copyright law and may not be reproduced, distributed, transmitted, displayed, or otherwise published in any format, without the prior written permission of the copyright owner.

**Disclaimer and Terms of Use:** Provided that you maintain all copyright and other notices contained therein, you may download material (one machine readable copy and one print copy per page) for your personal and/or educational non-commercial use only.

People using these records relating to the archives of Historical Papers, The Library, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, are reminded that such records sometimes contain material which is uncorroborated, inaccurate, distorted or untrue. While these digital records are true facsimiles of paper documents and the information contained herein is obtained from sources believed to be accurate and reliable, Historical Papers, University of the Witwatersrand has not independently verified their content. Consequently, the University is not responsible for any errors or omissions and excludes any and all liability for any errors in or omissions from the information on the website or any related information on third party websites accessible from this website.

This document is part of a private collection donated to the South African History Archives and Historical Papers at The University of the Witwatersrand.

***DOCUMENT DETAILS:***

*Document ID:-* **AB1751-Bb2-1**

*Document Title:-* **Ekutuleni, Sophiatown Log Book: Vol.2 September 1948 - August 1951**