

- 27<sup>th</sup> Sq went to Pretoria for shopping -  
29<sup>th</sup> Mother returned from S. Cuthberts -  
Day of Intercession - nursery actions &  
Communicants kept 12 to 3 for Intercessions -  
30<sup>th</sup> Johanna came out to see Agnes -  
W. Sasse came to see nursery -  
Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> Advent Retreat began at 8.30pm.  
Mother out - Freda & Susie came to see  
their children -  
.. 2<sup>nd</sup> Advent Retreat - Rev. mother out - visited  
the Nursery in afternoon - Betty came for a few days -  
.. 3<sup>rd</sup> W. May well - spent the day in bed -  
.. 4<sup>th</sup> W. May better enough - Guides went to Govt Ho.  
Christina's hair sent off - S. Christina  
.. left for England -  
.. 8<sup>th</sup> a tremendous thunder storm in afternoon  
.. 9<sup>th</sup> F. y Conception transferred for the 8<sup>th</sup>  
.. W. Russell visited the Nursery -  
.. 10<sup>th</sup> Lily made her 1<sup>st</sup> confession  
.. 12<sup>th</sup> Lily Baptised in Home Chapel - Solemn  
Baptism - S. H. Gabriel & Nurse Witnesses -  
.. 15<sup>th</sup> 2 Rangers came from Middleburg to bring  
toys for the Nursery - W. Clegg & her husband  
& 3 children came with toys for the  
Children's Christmas Tree - W. Sasse  
brought 10/- Lily's Baby Baptised  
.. 17<sup>th</sup> Jeannette went out to Service with  
W. Morgan & Stephen S. Brooklyn - Jean  
came to work at the Nursery -  
.. 18<sup>th</sup> Nurse went to Pretoria - brought Helen  
back from Hospital -  
.. 20<sup>th</sup> W. P. 1<sup>st</sup> Conf: R. Hiscox & Maggie also  
made their Conf: in prep: for Confirmation -  
.. 21<sup>st</sup> St Thomas Day - Confirmation at  
10.30 am - Bp late arriving - W. P.

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- Dec: 21<sup>st</sup> R. Nixon, Marie Shupp & John Baker  
came to tea at Nursery - later  
Miss Parker & a friend came over  
with lovely gifts - following them  
the G.D.A. Hostels (6 of them) arrived  
also bringing a gift - one for every  
child - Dress rehearsal of the  
Christmas Play at the Home - Mr. P.  
& mother big! went -
- .. 22 & 23 Busy with Xmas Presents -
- .. 24<sup>th</sup>: Decorating Everywhere - Mr. Bauman  
visited nursery -
- .. 25<sup>th</sup>: Christmas Day Midnight Mass at  
Holy X - M. Mary: on Duty at Nursery -  
Mr. Priusko made her 1<sup>st</sup> Communion -  
S. Ry did Early Work - M. Mary: went to Mass  
at Township Church - Talking Breakfast 8 am  
Children greeted Rev: Heather & all the Sisters,  
Ladies & Girls of Holy X at Nursery at 11 am  
Children dressed in white & aprons with  
the letters of Happy Christmas on the front  
of each - infants in lay clothes - Procession  
through Front Hall, lay Nursery, Supt. Nur: to  
Play Room where the Xmas Tree was prepar-  
ing Tea for everybody at Home Sleep at  
the distribution of gifts - Picnic lunch at  
Sandpit with Heather & S. Priusko - Betty &  
Jeanette came for a few days - Mr.  
Pete Evans called in afternoon brought a  
gift from Jean - Xmas Dinner at Home  
6-115 & function later - Mr. P. - Mr. B & 2  
Girls on Duty at Nursery - Mr. Hamilton  
came - Freda, Jeanette & Betty, Minnie & Jessie arrived
- .. 26<sup>th</sup>: S: Stephen - Xmas Tree at Home -  
Freda left.

- Dec. 27<sup>th</sup>: S. John - Nursery Play at 6.45 pm - followed by Tea & cakes for Girls & Ladies - Dinner & Coffee & Cakes for the Girls - Jeannette left.
- .. 28<sup>th</sup>: Holy Innocents. Quiet ~~day~~ day - no functions - mother not well - in bed.
- .. 29<sup>th</sup>: Marjorie taken to Pretoria in Dodge 6. Mudders Bond at 5 am - by S. margarets & S.R. returned in time for Mass - Christmas dinner at Nursery - S. A. Rhoda, S. h. Curtis & S. h. Gabriel came to dinner - Marjorie's baby born - a girl.
- 30<sup>th</sup>: Betty left - Holy Play at the Home.
- .. 31<sup>th</sup>: Mr. Mary went to work at the Home - S. Ry went into Pretoria to see Marjorie.

### 1930

- Jan: 1<sup>st</sup>: Circumcision - Sung Mass at Holy Cross - Jeannette came over.
- .. 2<sup>nd</sup>: nurse went to Johannesburg for the day - Susan sent up to work at Nursery - Rahima went to the Home.
- .. 3<sup>rd</sup>: Mother up, & in Trust for a short time Play at S. margarets.
- .. 5<sup>th</sup>: Crib Service in Holy Cross Chapel at 10.30 am - All the mothers & babies present.
- .. 6<sup>th</sup>: 3: of the Epiphany - Sung Mass at Holy X.
- .. 7<sup>th</sup>: Girls Entertaining at Adue - very good.
- .. 8<sup>th</sup>: S. Ry fetched Marjorie & her baby back from the Mudders Bond - Ray Rickman & her baby were admitted - Myrtle went to the Home to work & Mar to Sleep - Barbara Nixon's coming age - 17.10 at Nippon.
- .. 9<sup>th</sup>: S. margarets gave their Xmas lingerie Party & followed it by a 2<sup>nd</sup> performance of their Play - S. Ry went to both.

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- Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Prinsloo went to Pretoria in the van with Peter - Pauline arrived.
- " 11<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Performance of the Hdly Play.  
Fr. MacLaughlin came to take Chaplain duties - Rev. Hunter took Pauline to Court to sign for Tony - Maria Lister admitted with her baby -
- " 12<sup>th</sup> Nurse Amy came to the tea - house - Wollaston visited the Nursery - Melle de Villiers came for her baby's Baptism - Jeannette came for the day - train for the afternoon -
- " 13<sup>th</sup> Mr. & Mrs. Burger came for Tony -
- " 14<sup>th</sup> Melle Myers visited the Nursery also Fr. MacLaughlin -
- " 15. Rev. Hunter went to Hill Crest to welcome Superior back -
- " 16. S. Ry went to Pretoria on the 11.20 & returned on the 1.13 -
- " 19<sup>th</sup> Fr MacLaughlin Baptized Doris, Maureen + Beatrice - Father came over.
- " 20<sup>th</sup> The minister of the Swiss Mission came over the nursery with his wife & daughter -
- " 21<sup>st</sup> Nurse, Minnie + Susan went to S. Margaret's with Thelma, Phyllis, Agnes Bergl & Harry - Johanna came to see Agnes -
- " 22<sup>nd</sup>. Sr. Rosemary went for her rest to Port Alfred. S. M. G. came up to be at the Nursery during her absence. Agnes returned
- " 23<sup>rd</sup>. Johanna brought Agnes back to S. M. G.'s
- " 24<sup>th</sup>. Freda came to stay for a week. Sr. Enid came up while S. M. G. went down to the Home to take class. At 11.40 p.m. Sr. Enid + S. M. G. took Cornelia to the Hdly Hospital in Pretoria

- Jan: 25<sup>th</sup>: Cornelis's baby was born at 3 a.m.  
S.P.G. went to Johannesburg for the day to speak at a meeting instead of Rev: Mother, who was unable to go.
- Sr. Enid was at the Nursery in the morning, + in the afternoon Rev: Mother came up for the bathing charge. Maria worked on the girls' dormitory, + Freda helped in the nurseries.
- " 26<sup>th</sup>: Bad storm in the afternoon - children all had to stay indoors.  
S.A.R. came up to take charge in the evening.
- " 27<sup>th</sup>: Nurse Colver came to tea, + helped with some needlework.  
Maria had a bad foot, + so had Peter. Dorothy had a bad boil on her head. Sr. Enid came up + attended to all 3 patients, + stayed to tea.
- " 28<sup>th</sup>: Baby Dorothy went into Hospital, also Maria + her baby Beatrice. Sr. Enid took all 3 in the Dodge. Alice came up to help with mattresses in the afternoon.
- " 29<sup>th</sup>: Alice came up to help in Maria's place.
- " 29<sup>th</sup>: Iris came up to work at the Nursery + Alice returned to the Home. Iris went on laundry, + Letty did dormitory.
- " 30<sup>th</sup>: Ethel + Alice came up in the afternoon to help. Laundry mothers came up to see their children at 4 p.m. instead of on Saturday.
- " 31<sup>st</sup>: New girl, Tchanna, came with her baby Bernard, aged 6 months.

Ichanna went down to the Home to work, & Baby Bernard was very good in the Nursery.

Feb: 1<sup>st</sup>.

Naureen ill - temp 102. Nurse when took the baby & Marjorie into Hospital about 11.15 a.m. Mrs. Bender also went for the drive. Marjorie came back about 1.30, having left Naureen in Hospital.

Several people came up to see the Nursery in the afternoon, as it was the festival gathering at the Home. Marjorie not very well. Dr. Erid saw her, & she went to bed early.

Feb: 2<sup>nd</sup>.

F. of the Purification.

M. Margaret, Mrs. Bender & Iris all went down to Candlemas at 7.15 a.m. Letty & Lily rested till breakfast. Mrs. Prinsloo took charge.

Betty came over to dinner, & Susie to tea.

" 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Nyrtle's knees looked suspicious. She was put in the playroom by herself in case it might be chickenpox. Others all well. Girls had the gramophone in the evening.

" 4<sup>th</sup>.

Rev. Mother came up to tea. Cornelie & Paul <sup>came home</sup>. S. Erid came up in the evening. Nyrtle seemed quite well in herself, but knees still covered with spots.

" 5<sup>th</sup>.

All well, & Nyrtle better.

" 6<sup>th</sup>.

S. M. G. fetched Maria, Beatrice & Naureen home from Hospital. Maria not able to do much. Feet very sore, & needing vaseline dressings twice daily. Rev. H. to tea.

" 7<sup>th</sup>.

All as usual. Girls went down to class in evening.

Feb. 8<sup>a</sup>: Margaret + Freddie not at all well.

Margaret talking, + Freddie swallowed a lot of sand.

Sr. Erid came up to see them both.

" 9<sup>a</sup>: (Oct: of the Purification.)

Freddie + Margaret still poorly. Sr. Esspfl came up to see them, as Sr. Erid was in retreat. Jeannette came over, + looked after Freddie.

A very hot close day, which made all the children rather cross + fretful.

Maria not very well - complained of pain in her side.

" 10<sup>a</sup>: Freddie + Margaret better. Maria still poorly. New girl, Dolly, arrived. Went to bed early. Sr. Erid came up in the evening. Tremendous hailstorm about 6.15 p.m.

" 11<sup>a</sup>: Freddie + Margaret both sub-normal.

Maria in bed all day with a good deal of internal pain.

Storm again about 5 p.m.

" 12<sup>a</sup>: Sr. Erid rang up Dr. Hahn + asked him to come + see Maria when he came out to the Nursing Home.

S.M.G. took Rev: Mother into town in the afternoon. Very bad storm in the evening + all had to stay the night at the D.S.G. Sr. Esspfl slept at the Nursery. Dr. did not come.

Mrs. Penistro went down to the home to help in the kitchen, + Nurse came from St. Margaret's to help, + brought Baby Mary with her.

" 13<sup>a</sup>: Rev: Mother + S.M.G. arrived back

from Pretoria at 7.25 a.m.

Dr. Hahn came at 1.45 p.m. - Maria to stay in bed for the present. Nyrtle + Paul quite well, + the 2 spots on Vincent's leg + foot nothing special.  
Rev. Mother came up to dinner. Heavy rain again from 4.45 p.m. onwards.

Feb. 14<sup>a</sup>. Very wet + muddy day, but cleared a little in the afternoon. Margaret not very well again, + Maria still having a good deal of pain.

Bad storm in evening. Girls + S.N.G. could not go down to class, so all stayed up at the Nursery, + had recreation in the D.H.

" 15<sup>a</sup>. Weather better, + children able to go out. Maria + Margaret also better, + Maria got up for 2 hrs, + sat out on the stoop. Jane came up to work.

" 16<sup>a</sup>. Margaret poorly again - cold + cough. I was cutting teeth + very painful.

Maria fairly well; got up for an hour after tea, but pain returned + she went back to bed. (Mrs. P. returned Sat.)

Rev. Mother came up to the Nursery about 11.15 a.m., + Sr. Brid came up to dinner. Minnie came for the day.

" 17<sup>a</sup>. Margaret + I was better. Susie + a friend came up in the afternoon. Miss Payne came to tea. Irene went to St. Margaret's.

" 18<sup>a</sup>. Ralph teething + very painful. Temp: at 1.30pm was 103.4°. Nurse Cohn came to tea in the afternoon. Mrs. Hartley + a friend came up to see the babies about 4.15pm. Sr. Brid took girls' recreation in the

writing, + Rev. Mother came up for a few minutes. Dora went down to sleep at the Home, as a new girl was expected, but she did not turn up after all.

19<sup>th</sup>: S. Ry returned from her Rest - Jeannette + Esther came over to see their babies. N.G. Hetty was admitted - S.M.G. returned to the Home to sleep.

20<sup>th</sup>: Dr. Dunstan, with his wife, Sister Dorothy & Miss Wilson to discuss developments - Mrs. Dunstan + her daughter also came, + later Mr.

21<sup>th</sup>: J. Heron + Jacqueline came to see their babies - Jeannette + Sophie came to see their babies -

24<sup>th</sup>: Cornelie ill - High fever -

25<sup>th</sup>: S.Ry took Cornelie to Hospital, also Majorie to see her mother + hand to see her baby. She shopped + brought the two girls back in the evening -

26<sup>th</sup>: Mr. Wilson + Jean called - also Mr. & Mrs. Hines

27<sup>th</sup>: Surie Vanyaarsveld was admitted with her baby Seone -

28. Dora went to work at the Hostel - Mr. Cooper brought a friend to visit the Home - Mr. & Mrs. Wilson

Mar: 1<sup>st</sup>: Anna Du Toit was admitted - also Tilly Joseph -

.. 5<sup>th</sup>: Ash Wednesday Mr. P. Gladys + Jane went to mass - Mrs. Hodges seriously ill in Johannesburg - S.Ry took Mr. & Mrs. Hines to see Dr. Hale.

.. 6<sup>th</sup>: Peter Piensloo's birthday - he & his mother went to Pretoria on the 11.20 train -

Mrs. Hodges died - funeral at St. A. Rhoda went to Gothenburg + brought back S. Ethel Irene - The body was brought to Hotel X - Vespers of the dead were said -

.. 7<sup>th</sup>: Requiem Mass - funeral at 2.30pm -

.. 8<sup>th</sup>: Baptism of Bernard, Paul + Irene

in Holy X Chapel - S. h. Conneh started  
coming to the Nursery for Compline every  
night - very wet -

- 9.<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Sun: in Lent - The Rev. brother came to  
the Nursery for a minor Service for the  
expectant mothers at 6:30pm. Betty, Irene  
Eusie & Jeannette came over to see  
their children - Still raining -
- 10.<sup>th</sup> Very wet - Jane's "boy" came over to  
see her -
- 11.<sup>th</sup> S. Ry in Retreat - S. h. Gabriel took breakfast + sa  
Rhoda dinner -
- 12.<sup>th</sup> Jane went to work at the Home. Kathleen came  
to the Nursery - Dolly not well - Girls Ret:  
began at 6pm - Mr. Prinsloo in from 6pm  
to 10pm -
- 13.<sup>th</sup> Girls Retreat - Gladys + Kathleen in for the day  
other girls for part of day - Home girls  
came up to help - Dolly ill -
- 14.<sup>th</sup> Dolly's baby born at 1pm - very complicated  
case - baby stillborn - Dolly's sister Mr. Schonke  
arrived at 2pm - S. Paul assisted at  
Confinement + took charge from 2pm to 6:30pm
- 15.<sup>th</sup> Dolly's condition normal - Maria's sister came -
- 16.<sup>th</sup> Jeannette came over to see Dorothy -  
Maria's father orishi came to see Mr. Dolly's  
condition continued fair -
- 18.<sup>th</sup> Mr. Bidgood visited the Nursery - Dolly much  
better
- 20.<sup>th</sup> Sisters Retreat - conducted by Fr. Talbot C.R.  
S. Ry + S. Mrs. out - minor Service in the evening
21. Dorothy Jones was admitted from C' Town with  
her baby -
23. Dolly up to 3h: - Her sister Mr. Schonke  
came to see her in the afternoon - Irene

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