

Tuesday. 15th.

Mass 7-15. Requiem. Sister M. Anne went into Proctoria with S^r Charity to get her teeth.

It was found that Maria Evelyn was pregnant also that the last new girl was sent with chicken pox! It was an after noon & evening of incessant interviews, & phoning etc: Mother saw the Chaplain in the evening.

Wednesday 16th.
\$ Edmond. B.C.

Mass 7-15. Fr. King (Barboston) At 8-30. Mother went into Proctoria for her treatment. S^r O.F. also went in the Lake Jeanette in Southwyn. Mother went to Johannesburg on the 1-26 train for her "Eli Meeting" at Darragh House. Girls service as usual. S^r H. Verity in Retreat.

Thursday 17th
S. Hugh. B.C.

Mass 7-15. Raining off & on most of the day. Fr. Middleston came for address & confessions. S^r M. Anne in Retreat.

Friday. 18th.

Mass 7-15. Requiem. In the morning Mother went into Proctoria for her treatment. There had been a devastating storm of hail in Proctoria the afternoon before, the worst for 20 years!

At 2-30 p.m. Mother, S^r O.F. & S^r H. Verity went to Fontaine for the St. Andrew's picnic. Mother had the Nuns & girls to tell them about M. Evelyn. Sister Ancilla came for Retreat.

Saturday 19th.

Mass 7-15. Sister Ancilla & Sister Isabel Wild in Retreat. A lovely day. Everything as usual.

Sunday Next
before Advent.
20th.

Song Mass 7 a.m. Barbara Priest, & Eileen Kerne, came in the evening for the Retreat. Evening & Sermon 6-10 p.m.

Monday. 21st.

Mass 7-15. In the morning Mother went into Proctoria for treatment. S^r M. Anne also went in to have her plate adjusted. Praying

the afternoon & evening the St. & Orlando Steeps arrived for Retreat. Fr. Huddleston conducting it. From Africans came who occupied St. Matthew & St. Mark.

Tuesday. 22nd

F. of St. Cecilia V.M.

Wednesday 23rd

F. of St. Clement's. S.C.

Mass 7-15. Fr. Huddleston c.r. the Chaplain served. Retreat. Heavy rain fell at 5 p.m.

Mass 7-15. The Chaplain. Fr. Huddleston went away for the day & returned in the evening. Mother went into Portonia for treatment, S^r. O.F. also came in. Sister Edith Aidan left for Cape Town on the 8.30 p.m. train, Irene. Most of the Sisters & Mother went to see her off.

Thursday. 24th

F. of St. John of the Cross

Mass 7-15. Fr. Huddleston c.r. Mother in Retreat. Heavy rain at 4 p.m. with thunder & lightning.

Friday. 25th

F. of St. Katharine V.M.

Mass 7-15. Fr. Huddleston c.r. the Chaplain served. After breakfast Mother went into Portonia for her last treatment. S^r. Charity also went in to have a tooth stopped. Rain again at 3 p.m. but it cleared up by 5 p.m.

Saturday. 26th

Mass 7-15. Fr. Huddleston c.r. The Chaplain served. All the Retreatants left by 11 a.m. Mrs. Mostert came for the day. M^{rs}. Pout flour went to Orlando for the night. A cold & grey day! Mrs. Tippett left. Evening & Devotions 6-30 p.m.

Advent Sunday.

27th.

Sung Mass 7 a.m. A cold day & rain, but it cleared in the afternoon. After morning tea everyone viewed the Needle work for the Sale in the Recreation Room. In the evening Miss du Plessis arrived a Potchefstroom Student. Evening & Sermon. 6-10 p.m.

Monday. 28th

No Mass. High gale blowing nearly all day, some rain at 3 p.m.

Tuesday 29th
Vigil.

Mass 7-15. Kept as a day of prayer. A lucky day, quite still + no rain. Sister Christy drove into Pretoria in the morning to take the R.C.s to Mass + do the money.

Wednesday 30th
F. of St. Andrew Ap. 11.

Mass 7-15. At 1-30 the usual Van + Car went into Pretoria to prepare for the Sale. All got back at 5 p.m. Miss Malan, another Potchefstroom student came to stay. A dress rehearsal in the evening for the Play etc. for Sister Nagini's return.

Thursday
December 1st

Mass 6-4 5 a.m. as it was the Morning Market which was opening at 9-30 a.m. There was after breakfast + the Van + Car left at 8 a.m. A fine day + not too hot. The day was a very happy one + lady Mary Baring opened the Market + spoke beautifully. The amount booked was £433. + more to follow. The Holy Cross Needlework stall made £102. The girls behaved very nicely + worked well. Those left at home at a picnic dinner in the garden with S^r J.E., Miss Hague + Natour May. They all danced in the evening.

Friday 2nd

Mass 7-15. M^{rs} Struthers came to stay. A telegram came at 5 p.m. from the Assistant from Victoria Falls saying "Excellent flight so far." Classes as usual.

Saturday 3rd
St. Francis Xavier.

Mass 7-15. The great day! when the Assistant returned from England. Mother went into Johannesburg to meet her leaving at 12 o'clock. Mother had dinner at Waverley + left the Holy Cross car there + at 2-15 S^r Janet + S^r J. Tom drove Mother to Maritime House. The bus from Vaal dam came in at 3-30 p.m. The Assistant

looked very well & had had a marvellous flight. After greeting the Waverley Sisters & having tea there, Mother & the Assistant left for Irene. The girls & Natives all lined up with flags & waved in the drive; then Sister greeted the Sisters & after wards went to the Recreation Room to greet the Natives & girls Great Clappings!! Several girls & some Sisters went to the Hillcrest Nativity Play at 6-5 5 p.m. Evening & Devotions 6-30 p.m. Miss Cooke arrived to stay.

Sunday. 4th.
Advent II.

Sung Mass 7 a.m. Mother, Sister O. Frances, S^r Charity, M. Francis, & M. Salma, M^{rs} Bunt flour went to the Waverley Nativity Play leaving at 2 p.m. Very well done & a lovely evening. Evening & Sermon 6-10 p.m.

Monday. 5th.
S. Priscilla Pp. C.

Mass 7-18. At 10 a.m. Mother & the Assistant went to Pretoria for Christmas shopping At 6-45 p.m. Mother & several Sisters went to Hillcrest for their Nativity Play.

Tuesday. 6th.
S. Nicholas. Pp. C.

Mass 7-15. Fr. Huddleston c.s.a. came just for confessions. Miss Nalan, (the Student) left & also M^{rs} Strathcom. S^r Angela went to Pretoria on the Van to shop. After afternoon tea Mother drove into Pretoria for the Hillcrest prize giving.

Wednesday. 7th

No Mass. Mother had the day off! A nice quiet time down at the Cottage. In the evening the girls gave their entertainment; very good. The Chaplain & M^{rs} Levin came & M^{rs} Sanders.

Thursday. 8th

Deception of the B.V.M. Iobel Everild drove into Waverley for their prize giving.

Friday. 9th

Mass 7-15: A drizzling wet day in spite of the rain, Mother, S^{rs} O.F. & S^{rs} H.V. went to Pretoria on the Van to Christmas shop!! S^r Charity went in early with the car to the Court. M^{rs} Kempell came for two Wights. Classes as usual.

Saturday 10th

Mass 7-15. Still wet, & there was rain off & on. S^{rs} O.F. & S^r Charity had the day off. Evening + Devotions 6-30 p.m.

Sunday. 11th.
Advent. III.

Sunny Mass 7 a.m. Raining most of the day. Joyce Fairclough came to see Sister Margina Cabral; she & Anne had tea in the Visitors Room. The five "Eh." Sisters arrived in the evening. Evening + Sermon. 6-10 p.m.

Monday. 12th

Mass 7-15. The Assistant drove into Pretoria to shop in the morning. Sister Angela took Anna to Rosettenville. Ann Fellows left. All the "Eh." Sisters in Retreat & both the Schools Sisters turned up for the Retreat in the afternoon. Fr. Davie came on the 4 p.m. train & the Retreat began at 6 p.m. with Vespers & address. The Assistant & S^{rs} O.F. were out of Retreat.

Tuesday 13th
F. of J. Lucy V.M.

Mass 7-15. Fr. Davie. c.r. Retreat all day. A lovely day, with no rain.

Wednesday 14th.
Emil Day.

Mass 7-15. Fr. Davie. c.r. who left on the 10 a.m. train. All the Sisters left in the morning except S^r Viola who stayed on for an extra day in retreat. After dinner Mother & S^r H. Verity drove into Pretoria to do Christmas shopping. S^{rs} O.F. went to Johannesburg in the morning to meet Evelyn & take her to the Salvation Army Home. Civil service - 6-15 p.m.

Thursday. 15th

Mass 7-15. Charlotte Pleistone came to stay. Everything else as usual.

Friday. 16th
Ember Day.
(Prigams Day)

Mass 7-15: An all day holiday, no posts, no newspapers! The Assistant in Pretoria. Mother spent all day doing up Christmas presents in Trossat! A very hot day. The girls stopped work at 4 p.m. Singing practice at 6-30 instead of classes.

Saturday. 17th
Ember Day.

Mass 7-15: M^{rs} Cook's son came to see her. Very hot. No Evening + Devotions as the Chaplain went to a wedding. Singing practice at 6-30 p.m.

Sunday. 18th
Advent IV.

Song Mass 7 a.m. Anabel came with Daphne + Uncle Bill! in the afternoon. Very hot day at 8-30 p.m. a storm got up with heavy rain. Evening + Sermon. 6-10 p.m.

Monday. 19th

Mass 7-15: Drenching rain all the morning with some thunder. After dinner Mother + Sister Christy with 3 girls drove into Pretoria for more Christmas shopping. It cleared up + by 4 p.m. the sun was out. Several girls went into Pretoria on the Van for shopping with Sister Dabel Weirld + Matron Poesari.

Tuesday. 20th
Vigil

Mass 7-15: Janet Smith arrived in the morning to stay. All day spent preparing for Christmas. The girls presents etc. were done up after dinner. Sister Angela went to Pretoria on the Van to shop.

Wednesday 21st
Eof. S. Thomas. Apr.

Song Mass 7 a.m. - Every thing as usual. The girls practised for the Procession at 6-30 p.m. + sang a few hymns.

Thursday. 22nd

No Mass. Confessions + Address in the morning. All the Hillcrest Sisters came over to save Father Huddleston a journey! Preparation for Christmas continued! 5⁰⁰ F. went to Pretoria in the car. Heavy rain + thunder at 3 p.m.

Friday 23rd

Mass. 7-15. Miss Savage + Miss Maeder came for Christmas. Preparing all day for Christmas. Mother had to go to bed at dinner time not feeling at all well + had a slight temperature. Strong remedies were given + Mother after staying in all day + on Christmas Eve! was able to get up for the Midnight Mass. (Tummy upset.)

Saturday 24th

Mass 7-15. Pouring rain started at 8 p.m. + Vigil. (Christmas Eve) went on ~~the~~ Mat of the night but clear in time for Midnight Mass. A beautiful service. Mother was in the Chapel of the Blessed Sacrament.

Sext + Nona 12. Dinner 12-30. Solemn Vespers, Procession Hymn + Carols in Chapel after meals 5-30 p.m.

Mother was unable to give the Sisters their presents as she was in bed so they waited for the next day.

Sunday 25th
Christmas Day.

Midnight Mass 12. Everything else during the day the same. Tece 9-30. Sext + Nona 12-30. Vespers + Compline 4-15. The King's Speech was not listened to! Wassery Tree 11 a.m. after which St. Margaret's was visited. The Christmas Day dinner 2 p.m. went very happily. Dancing afterwards until about 8-30 p.m. A fine day, very hot.

Monday 26th
St. Stephen M.

Mass 7-15. Mrs. Priest came to stay. Tea on the lawn for the girls 3-30 p.m. Vespers + Compline 4-30 p.m. Sext + Nona 12-30. St. Margaret's Xmas Tree 11-30 a.m. The Christmas Tree 7 p.m. Many seemed to better! All David's family, Cousins of Horns. The Lewis + Miss Mills. Anne + Joyce + the Borricks. All went very well + happily + dancing after the present giving went on until 8-30 p.m. A very hot day.

Tuesday 27th Mass 7-15. Another holiday or no post! At 11-30 a.m.
St. John. Ap. 2. Mother the Assistant, S^r. A. S^r. H.V. S^r. Charity + S^r. J. Swild
drove to Waverley for the 1st Christmas party there.
All the "Eh", + Hillcrest Sisters were there. All very
nice + happy party. Miss Savage left.

Wednesday 28th Mass 7-15. The Van went to Pretoria + Mother
Holy Innocents M. went in it to do odd shoppings. Nearly all
the afternoon was taken up with J^r. P. Boorman
who came to visit the Home. Father Jagers
came to take the Chaplain's duty while away. ^{SITE}

Thursday 29th Mass 7-15. Fr. Dakers S.S.E. The Chaplain left for
St. Thomas Bp. + M. his holiday. A film in the evening "The Tale
of Two Cities" Very good. Supper was at 6 p.m.
Sister Inobel Swild left for best to St. Catharines
on the 2-34 p.m. train via Mainzburg.

Friday 30th Mass 7-15. S^r. O.F. went to Pretoria on the Van
to do odd shoppings. Sister Ancilla came to
stay. "The Tale of Two Cities" film ended. Supper
at 6 p.m. Very good but not harmonious! The
Brimms came again. Heavy rain.

Saturday 31st Mass 7-15. At 9-45 a.m. Mother, the Assistant,
Sister Ancilla, S^r. Olive Frances, + Sister Marjorie
Anne went to Hillcrest for their Christmas
Party. All very nice, + all the Waverley, +
"Eh" Sisters were there. Solemn Evening
+ Procession 6-30 p.m. Heavy rain at 4 p.m.

1950
January

Sunday, 1st
For the Circumcision.

Sung Mass 7 a.m. In the evening Mother +
Sr. Ancilla left for C.T. They were being
joined in JHRB by Sr. Beatrice Rose.
Evensong 6.10 p.m.

Mon: 2nd
Oct: Day of St. Stephen

Mass 7.15 a.m. In the evening there was a
party at St. Margaret's, + all the sisters
went. Sr. Hilda Kathleen came to stay.

Tues: 3rd
Oct: Day of St. John

Mass 7.15 a.m. Car-load of girls to
Hospital in the morning, + a van-load
in the afternoon. Miss Plaistowe left.

Weds: 4th
Oct: Day of Holy Innocents

Mass 7.15 a.m. Fr. Dakers gave the Sisters a
meditation at 10, + heard confessions at 11.
Mrs. Kermack came to stay. Girls' service at
6.30 p.m.

Thurs: 5th
Vigil of the Epiphany

Mass 7.15 a.m. In the morning the Assistant
went by car to JHRBurg to pay a friendly
call on Dr. Goldwater + to shop.

Sr. O. Frances also went + took a girl to
the District Surgeon, + M. Jean took Yvonne's
David to the Good Shepherd Home to see
Yvonne there.

Fri: 6th
7. of the Epiphany

Sung Mass 7 a.m. In the evening the girls
had games + dancing, first out in the front
drive + then in the Rec. Room - match-boxes
on noses, sticky buns on strings, etc. - all
very amusing. 3 baby pigs born.

Sat: 7th
Octave

Mass 7.15 a.m. Sr. O. Frances in retreat.
Evensong + Procession 6.30 p.m.

Sun: 8th

Sung Mass 7 a.m. 1 baby pig died - others very
flourishing with frequent feeds from a bottle as
their mother had died.

Solemn Evensong + sermon 6.10 p.m.

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- Mon: 9th.
Octave. Mass 7.15 a.m. Miss Naeder + Mrs. Mills both left in the afternoon. Sr. Marjorie Anne in retreat.
- Tues: 10th.
Octave. Mass 7.15 a.m. Sr. Hilda Kathleen left in the morning + Miss Stonehouse came to stay in the afternoon. (Andrew + Jennifer, piglets, very friendly + energetic.)
- Wed: 11th.
Octave. Mass 7.15 a.m. Sr. Charity in retreat. Fr. Huddleston came over in the morning to see Mrs. Priest + Mrs. Kermack, + brought 2 African boys with him. In the afternoon 2 students from Potchefstroom University turned up to see the Homes. Girls' service 6.30 p.m. Sr. D. Joan came.
- Thurs: 12th.
Octave. Mass 7.15. The Assistant in retreat, also Sr. Dorothy Joan.
- Fri: 13th.
Octave Day. Mass 7.15 a.m. Sr. Irene + Sr. Mary Bride came for retreat. Miss D. Baber came to stay + Miss Stonehouse left. Miss Thompson came.
- Sat: 14th.
Founder's Day. Mass 7.15 a.m. — of the Holy Trinity. Sr. Irene + Sr. Mary Bride in retreat. Sr. Dorothy Joan left + Sr. Janet came. The Assistant went to town in the morning to shop, + Sr. Charity took a girl to Hospital in the evening.
Evensong + Devotions 6.30 p.m.
- Sun: 15th.
Epiphany II. Sung Mass 7 a.m. Such a day with comings + goings! Sr. Irene + Sr. Mary Bride left in the morning + Sr. Frances Mary came.
Evensong + sermon 6.10 p.m. Sr. Janet in retreat.
- Mon: 16th.
Requiem Mass for Fr. Cary S.S.T.E. at 7.15 a.m. Sr. Janet + Sr. Frances Mary in retreat.
In the evening Sr. Christina + Sr. Hilda Kathleen came to fetch Sr. Janet home.
Heavy thunderstorm at supper-time.
- Tues: 17th.
St. Anthony. Mass 7.15 a.m. Sr. Frances Mary left in the morning. Sr. Marjorie Anne went to town to shop in the afternoon.

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