

1944.

- 17th S.D had a women's meeting.
- 18th S.S + S. Gu set off for ^{Umtata, en route for} E. London at 2 pm. to day in the Hospital car (Sandy driving). S.V.R + S.J.A. went with them for drive + shopping, + returned just before 7 pm.
- 19th S^{rs} F.M, V.R, + J.A in retreat. Telegram telling of good journey, etc of travellers trip Cairn to sea.
- 21st Fr. Young gave an address in Chapel at 8 pm. Nurse Merriam Lecholo was given her Hospital certificate + presentation book at S. Lucy's at 3 pm. by Fr. Young. Fr. Irving also spoke + the nurses had a tea party afterwards.
- 23rd At the Imposition of Ashes at 6.10 - followed by Mass - C.J. + B joined us, as they had no Mass in their Chapel. Telegram from Sup^r telling us of re-assuring news of S. Euphemia's health (after a visit to Fr. S. D + S.M in retreat. The Holy Hour was kept in our Chapel to-day 4.30 - 5.35 pm)
- 25th S.H.C in retreat. Trip Valentine, visiting the Mission, gave a talk in S. V. hut at 4.55 pm - on her escape from France in 1940. S.F.M. + S.R.M went to it.
- 26th S.R.M. in retreat. S.F.M, occupied, got up but went back to bed for the day before Mass.
- 27th S.F.M. better, but in or on her bed most of the day, resting.

March 1944.

- 1st Trip Rose came to stay with us for ten days as the Guest House is closed. Aseuth Mambe came to work in the kitchen for a fortnight as Henrietta Ngoma has a housemaid's knee.
- 2nd S.R.M. went down to Umtata for a Mothers Union Council at Bishopscourt. She went in the Mission Car taking Fr. S. to D.F.B.
- 6th The Sister Superior returned from East London - S.D went to Tolo to meet her, being taken by Fr. Young in the Hospital car. He then went on to an outstation + S.S. drove the car back.
- 7th S.R.M. had a M.U. meeting.
- 11th We had our Lent Retreat to-day - unconducted: all the Sisters were in.
- 15th At 8.30 am. S. Sup^r, accompanied by Jim because of the bad state of the roads, set out to fetch S. Euphemia from Tolo on her return from E. London. They returned about 10.30 - after adventures en route! S. Gu had breakfast, had + dinner down here + then returned to C.S.B. after an absence of eight weeks. Trip Rose returned to the Guest House.

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March 14th Address in Chapel at 7 p.m. Dr. Young. S.R.M. had Young Women's Meeting.

16th Holy Hour was kept in our Chapel to day.

17th S. Sup. took Dr. I., who is going away in a few days, into Foklo. Mr. Saitta arrived in the pm. He is the electrical engineer who has come to set up the X-ray apparatus at S. Lucy's, it is being put up at the Guest House.

18th S.S. invited S.M. to tea with her on her Profession anniversary.

MID LENT.

19th A happy day with nice family festivities - Miss Carmie to tea.

F.S. Culbert 20th Mr. Saitta left early this am., after a v. busy weekend.

21st Mrs Scott arrived for a visit just after dinner.

22nd S.S. was called to the Circuit Court in Umtata. She left at 8.30 taking S.H.C. with her for dentistry. Bransby's a patient also went.

23rd S.S. had a call up to Hopedale to bring in a patient - She left at 1.30 taking S.J.A. with her.

Fof: S Gabriel 24th This feast was observed in Chapel for the first time this year.

5.30 pm. Solemn Vespers of the following - Dr. Young. Dr. I. returned.

Fof/the Annunciation 25th 6.20 am Sung Mass. Dr. Young - with Arthur as Host.

Passion Sunday 26th Miss Marshall to tea -

30th Hospital Committee meeting at 11.30 am. in S.S.' office.

April 1944.

1st Workers' Mass meeting. S. Cu. came down to sleep.

Palm Sunday 2nd At our low Mass at 6.30 am. palms were blessed & distributed. There were no Sunday schools in the afternoon, but Dr. Young held a lantern service in the school for day children & repeated it in Church at 7 pm for boarders & others.

4th S. Cu. to bed early with heavy cold.

5th S. Cu. in bed all day.

Munday 6th Mass - Fr. Horton Smith - (stripping & washing too speedy for the palms.) Sr. Euphemia up for part of day.

Good Friday 7th At 10.20 a.m. Father Fawcett (Masasi, U.M.C.A.) came for the Reproaches & Veneration of the Cross. Two Sisters disrobed. The solemn collects with biddings were sung first, then two Sisters intoned the Reproaches, the officiant singing "Behold the Cross" After the Veneration all sang

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April.

"Faithful Cross----" This service lasted 20 minutes.

At the beginning of the Three Hours Devotion Fr. Farwell read the Altar prayers, ^{lasted 15 mins.} Father Day then conducted the Three Hours.

Easter Eve 8th

At first Extensory of Easter two St. Mary's Hostel children were baptised: - Bessie Gutshing, Thojjue (Kizaketh) and Itshisa. Father Day officiated at the Blessing of Paschal Candles (but thinks someone younger should be found for next year!) ^{St. Eu back to C.S.D.}

Easter Day

Mass in C.S.M.V. chapel @ 6 a.m. preceded by rolling away stone in Children's Easter Garden @ 5.15 a.m. Crosses & crosses at High Mass. Children had a happy festival breakfast with cakes iced by themselves. C.S.M.V. family produced a wonderful Penguin basket of colored eggs! Dorothy Scott to tea in p.m.

Easter 10th Monday.

Showery early, then sunny & blustering. Hostel picnic to the so-called "Cakes"!! (But where ARE they? One deep hole was pointed out.) All enjoyed the day, children happily tried over to bed early.

11th

Miss Robertson to Cape for holiday. Sr. M.M. took her by car to Isolo bus, also Freddie for the drive.

Cinemascope show in dining hall in evening to which the whole Mission came. Films not altogether satisfactory.

12th

S.S. to Adkins to visit Queenie. Fr. Young went with her, taking the Blessed Sacrament.

15th

Ms. Scott left in the am. after a v. happy visit. S.D. in retreat.

Easter I

16th

S.S. to Adkins at 7.45 p.m.

19th

S. Eu. in retreat - she slept down here.

20th

S.H.C. & S. J.A. in retreat. S.S. to Adkins taking Freddie & S.M. for the drive.

21st

S.M. in retreat. Miss Howell Jones Miss Keith Ross came to see dinner & p.m. tea to take Dr. Irving back to K'Koga for the week-end. They brought news that Canon Buckley was ill. Address in Chapel at 7.45. Fr. Young.

22nd

S.F.M. & S.V.R. in retreat.

Easter III

23rd

Trip Tiland Miss Pinner to tea. In the evening S.S. went to S. Josephus at the boys' request, to give them a talk on Health.

24th

Dr. Irving returned bringing grave news of Canon Buckley's condition. S.V.R. had profession anniversary tea with S.S. Solemn Vespers of the following.

- April 25. We heard this am at 9. that Canon Buckley had died last night. R.I.P.
 Our Mass was a Requiem for the Canon.
26. After visiting Adkins, S. Superior with D. Toring, Imp Tillard, S. Eu & S.M., set out for Mtaza at 11.45. They went via Rainy Mission & after a picnic lunch en route reached Mtaza at 2.15 pm for the funeral. There was a beautiful service, in a packed church, both dignified & family. All had tea at the Hospital & after a few words with the Buckleys - set out for home at 4.45 arriving 6.30 pm. S. Superior began her Annual retreat (private) after supper.
27. Holy Home was kept to-day. S.R.M. had meeting for the women to elect Abakokelikazi
29. S.R.M. in retreat.
30. English Evensong at 6 pm. for the present. S. Eu. came down for night so as to be at Mass 10. movers.

May 1944.

- S. Phyllis 1. The S. Superior ended her retreat this am - after receiving laying on of hands by Fr. Young before Mass. S. Eu. went to Mbototwana.
- S. James. Solemn Vespers.
3. S. Eu. returned from Mbototwana.
5. S.S. to Adkins to visit Queenie - taking also Fr. Young with the Blessed Sacrament.
9. Address in Chapel. 4.30. Fr. Young.
10. S.D. in retreat.
11. The Rev. Mother Provincial arrived from Irene at 1.30 pm. having been met in Tsolo by S. S. S. Eu. also went to meet Mother, as she had a streaming cold was put to bed down here on her return.
12. S. Eu. in bed all day - A raging gale, with bitterly cold wind blew most of the day - snow at times.
13. S. Eu. in bed. S.R. in retreat. Still bitterly cold, & a good many of the Primary School boarders set out for Tsolo for the Choir Competition at 5.45 am. They returned at 5.30 pm. without either Shield!
- Logatim 14. S. Eu. in bed. Imp Eley & Imp Wallace to tea.
15. S. Eu. up for a couple of hrs in the sun. At 12.30. a party set out for Mtaza for the Blessing of the S. Margt. Chapel ^{at the Hospital} in memory of Fr. Irving's 30 years of service here. The party was made up of Mother P. S.S. (driving the Hospital car) Fr. Irving, Eley & Fr. Wigan. U. Mc.

They returned at 6.15 pm. after a v. happy day.

- tray 16. S.S. had a call - up the Majaba Dr Innis went with her for the drive. In the afternoon Mother + S.R.M. combined a tea-picnic to visit to Mrs. Mumbo.
17. At 8.30 am. S.S. went into Tsoelo to meet Miss Robertson returning from her holiday; she took Mother with her for the drive.
- ASCENSION DAY. 18. Mother and Sisters (except S.E.U. + S.F.) + the children had a lovely picnic to the Dam. On their return they had a festival tea in the Sunday School room - where Mother had prepared a little card - set in a pretty mountain model - for each. Solemn Vespers 6.30. S.E.U. was up for Mass - & all day till supper.
20. S.E.U. returned to C.I.B. after am. tea. At 8 pm. there was a pleasing display of Drill & Country Dancing by the Seniors + Morris Dancing by the Juniors. This took place on the Terrace - the audience sitting on the Verandah. Miss Rose had taught the Morris dancing & Mrs Wright played the piano for them.
22. S.S. went to visit G. Adkins in the am. Mother, Miss R + S.M. went also for the drive. Mother visited C.I.B. in the afternoon.
23. At 12.20 pm. S.S. took Mother to Tsoelo to catch the bus to Umata - where she is going to stay with the Bishop, till Thursday. The M.V. Annual meeting began: There were 48 delegates at supper. S.R.M. took the evening meeting in the Girls Chapel, before supper - S.S. + she took subscriptions etc. after the Women's Supper.
- Empire Day. 24. M.V. Annual meeting in progress. Fr. Horton. Smith. spoke at the am. meeting. Mrs. Dinah Boswayo of All Saints came to the whole meeting as an invited guest to speak to our women. S.H.C. + S.D. took our children for a walk in the am. as it was somewhat cold for picnic.
25. Mother returned from Bishopsmead just before 10. am. having been fetched by S.S. from Tsoelo. S.M. - S.H.C. + S.J.A. were in retreat. S.S. went into retreat after dinner. Holy Hour was kept.
26. S.S. in retreat till dinner time. At 7.30 pm. the girls gave Mother a charming & varied entertainment, comprising singing, dancing, both Morris + Country, 2 sketches, a recitation + the Toy Symphony.
27. S.E.U., S.F.M. + S.V.R. in retreat.

- Monday in 29th A very full day - beginning with Sung Mass at 6.15 (Fr. Young.)
 Whit Sunday week At 9.10. S.S. went to visit Queenie Atkins. Fr. Young accompanied her. Queenie was anointed & rec'd the Blessed Sacrament.
 At 2pm. Mother & several Sisters went up to the Primary School to listen to the songs sung at the Choir Competition. At 3.30pm. S.S. gave Mother & the Sisters a delightful party in the Sunday School room. At 7.30pm. Mother, S.S. & several Sisters went up to C.S.B. for an entertainment, much enjoyed an excellent & varied programme.
 Tuesday 30th In the afternoon Frp Moore S.F.M. gave Mother some music.
 Address in Chapel 4.30pm.
 Union Day 31st Public holiday. Our children had Sports which went on for most of the day & were most enjoyable. Mother gave the prizes in the evening.

June

- 1st At 8.15. S.S. drove Mother to Tolo to get the Kokstad bus & soon to Irene. S.D. had Women's Meeting.
 2nd S.S. had a maternal call to the Mtwenka. Frp Howell Jones arrived to stay for a few days.
 3rd S.R.M. in retreat.
 5th Frp Healing - U.M.C.A. missionary on furlough, staying at Guest House, is spending 3 days in retreat here, but sleeping at Guest House. S.M. in bed with cold.
 6th Respers 5pm. so that Sisters could go to special War Service in Church at 5.30pm. -
 Corpus Christi 8th Frp Howell Jones left to-day.
 9th Frp Irvine in retreat here, but sleeping at Guest House. S.S. to Atkins taking some Sisters for drive
 10th Frp Irvine S.V.R. in retreat. S.S. to Moxola with patient taking S.M. for the drive.
 F.S. Barabas 11th A warm day with thunder rain in the pm.
 12th A cold rain set in.
 13th Rain & bitter cold.
 14th Rain & cold continue. S.D. in retreat.
 15th Rain, mud, cold! S.H.C & S.J.A. in retreat.
 17th S.M. in retreat. S.S. went to M'Alaza to bring back Frp Athorp - taking with her Fr. Irvine, S.V.R. & S.J.A.

- June 19. A few of the children went home - those going to E. London or a few local ones who were fetched.
20. Schools closed. Children went at intervals through the day: by evening only Matron Hojipo was left. Vuyiswa & Jessie Luxandu came about 5 pm for holiday work. At 3.15 pm. S.S. set off with a car load for Umтата - S.R.M. & S.V.R. Miss Wallace for the Cottage at E. London - S.H.C. for Cape Town Miss Moore for the drive was a companion for the return journey. They returned at 7.15 pm.
22. S. Dorothea left for All Saints - where she is going to spend her rest.
23. S.S. to Adkins to see Queenie - Dr. Young accompanying her with the Blessed Sacrament. In the afternoon S.S. had a call to Inya Porridge to fetch in a patient.
- Activity 24. Mass in our Chapel at 6 am. previous to Workers Mass at 7 am.
- S.S. went & fetched Miss Athorpe Miss Aldridge in the car to our 6 am Mass - in order to enable them to get their Communion.
- In the afternoon 'the remnant of C.M.U.' had a delightful party up at S.S. with the 'remnant' here.
26. All Sisters except Sr. Key went to Umтата for Missionary Conference & Synod. There will be Mass at 7 am in Church the next 3 days.
28. S. Sup' in retreat from dinner time to day.
29. S. Sup' in retreat till dinner time to day. S. Su: came down for dinner & tea.
30. Miss Moore left for her holiday at 8 am. S.S. visited G. Adkins in the evening & also had a call in the night.

July 1944.

- 1st. S.S. had a call in the am. Miss Robertson in bed all day unwell.
- 4th. S. Euphemia in retreat.
- 5th. At 4.30 pm. S.S., accompanied by Dr. Irving, went down to Umтата for a meeting of the Diocesan Board of Medical Missions which was at 8 pm. After the meeting she collected Dr. I, J.H.S. Bro: Gordon & they were back at B.C.'s about 11.15 pm. Miss R. up for a little while.
- 8th. S.F.M. in retreat. Rain in the afternoon & evening.
- Trinity 9th. Miss Hubback arrived about 3.30 pm. - to stay for a few days. Rain cleared.
- 10th. At 4 pm the Sr. Superior gave the Sisters an interesting talk about the recent Synod.
12. S.S. had a call to The Mtigenka in the pm. Miss Hubback accompanied her for the drive. Miss Aldridge came into Hospital.

- July 13th Auntie came over from Atlanta, Miss Howell Jones. Miss Keith-Ross, Miss Gaultall, Dr. Mye. I have new R.M.D., the main object of the visit being for Dr. Mye to see S. Lucy's. They arrived about 12.30 - had a nearby picnic - being joined by S. Superior, Dr. I Miss Hubback. We all had tea together in S.S. office at 3.30 - they left soon after 4. after a happy visit.
14. Comeings & goings! At 8. am Miss Hubback left in her car - S.F.M. left for East London by our lorry - then bus to Umtata. S.R.M. & S.V.R. arrived from E.L. at 12.30 pm - having shared a car with 3 others from Tsoelo. At 2.45. S.S. took Miss Aldridge to Umtata a Hospital, with Miss Robertson accompanying them. They returned at 7.15 pm. brought S. Dorothea back whom they had met in Umtata.
15. S.R. had a belated Professor's tea with S. Superior.
18. Miss Moore returned from her holiday. Boarders returned - 35 in house by bed. time. S.S. went to Adkins in the Jan. taking S. J.A. with her for the drive.
19. S.S. into Tsoelo at 8.15 am. taking Dr. I to bus: the latter is beginning her holiday. S.H.C. got off the bus - came back with S.S. having come from Cape Town. Schools opened.
20. S.J.A. in retreat.
24. S.M. in retreat. Rain & bitter cold.
- F.S. James 25. Heads of Hostels meeting at 4.30 pm - about reception or otherwise of Town children into the Hostels.
27. S.H.C. in retreat. The Holy Hour was kept to day.
28. Hospital Board Meeting - to which the Bishop came - also several Africans which resulted in a much longer meeting!
29. S. Superior in retreat.
- TRINITY VIII 30. Miss Caine to tea bringing her sketches, done at All Saints in the recent holidays, which were much appreciated.
- 31st S. Euphemia in retreat.

AUGUST

- 1st S.R.M. to Beke for women's Meeting.
- 3rd S.R.M. had women's Meeting at which M^{rs}. Pringle spoke.
- 5th S.R.M. & S.V.R. in retreat.

- August 7th Public Holiday. Four Sisters went with the children for a picnic, which was somewhat spoiled by rough wind.
- 8th S.D. in retreat.
- 9th S. Flora Mary returned from her rest at E. London.
- 11th Sr: Marcia & Sr: Joan Augustine to Umboka by car, Sr: M.M. driving. The two former en route for rests at East London. Sr: H.C. was also of the party, to visit the dentist. Sr: M.M. had a call to Kluyacweni at 9.30 p.m. & got back before midnight.
- 12th Sisters Phyllis & Olive Frances (from S. Mary's School, Pretoria) arrived; by taxi from Tsoelo. They are spending their rests here.
- 14th Solemn Vespers - 1st of the Assumption. Sr: D. took Sr: P. out sketching in p.m.
- 16 Visiting Sisters went pic-nicing after a.m. tea. Address in Chapel - Father Young.
- 18 Dr: Irving returned from her holidays. Devotions at 5 p.m. to which most of the Europeans on the Mission came.
- 19th After dinner there was held the inaugural meeting of the "Junior Sketchers Guild". The site was the lower slopes of Red Hill near the Neolosi stream. An abundant tea picnic was a feature of the occasion! Wonderful works of art were displayed!
- 23rd Sr: Euphemia & Sr: Hilary leave for Retreat. Sr: P. & Sr: O.F. to Weaving School.
- 24th Sr: P. & Sr: O.F. accompanied Sr: M.M. by car to Tsoelo after dinner. Solemn Vespers - 2nd of S. Bartholomew.
- 25 Sr: P. Sr: O.F. & Sr: M.M. in Retreat.
- 26 Pic Nic to top of the Mt. Zwenka - Sr: D. Sr: P. Sr: B.M. Sr: O.F. and Sr: M.M. rather misty, & drink-making very distant; but otherwise hot & lovely. More sketches produced, some good, & some indifferent & one bad. Juice & tea both good.
- Trinity XII Sr: D. to bed after tea, with sore throat & temp.
- S. Augustine's 28 Lovely day. Visitas out for dinner picnic. Talking tea. Record of S. W. M. Conference was given at Key Cottage by Dr: Irving & Miss Rose after supper, to which the visiting Sisters went.
- S. John the Baptist 29 Entertainment at S. J.B. at 7.30 p.m. to which the various hostels contributed items. Much enjoyed by audience & performers. Sr: D. was up for dinner.
- 31 To Umboka - Dr: Irving, Miss Tredgold, Sr: P. Sr: O.F.

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August 31st S.M.M. all set off in the hospital car. But a road party on the Mission had laid traps in the shape of large rough stones in the middle of the road; a shock absorber got a direct hit, lost a bolt, & we crept into Toledo with it hitting the road at frequent intervals; this all was put right. Pic-niced by Mt. Tala Falls - then took Dr. D. & Miss T. to the All Saints bus, as Dr. D. is going to act as locum there for a month while Dr. Rogers is on sick leave.

The residue stopped, got a mealie permit, then mealies, tea, & home bringing Fr. Horton Smith from his rest.

September.

September 1st Visiting Sisters took pic-nic lunch. Then to Primary School to hear singing at 2.30 p.m. Devotions.

Sr. D. in bed again as temp: returned last night.

2nd V. cold & blustery. Talking tea in Community room instead of a pic-nic.

Harvest 3rd Harvest offerings were blessed at 9 a.m. Mass. Still V. cold & War Prayers windy. Fire at morning tea.

4th Sr. Phyllis & Sr. Olive Frances left to return to school. S.M.M. took them to Toledo by car. Sr. D. up after a.m. tea, to bed before supper.

6th S. Sing. to Toledo at 9.30 a.m. to meet Fr. King back S.M. & S.J.A. returning from East London. Sr. Eleanor Dorcas arrived at 2 p.m. from Irene to spend her rest here.

7th S.M.M. had women's meeting.

St. of the Nativity. 8th Sung mass at Church at 8.15 a.m. 1st Grosong & St. Cuthbert's at 4.30 p.m. as the dead is being kept to. morrow.

S.S. Cuthbert. 9th Boarders went to 5.30 a.m. Mass. 8.30 High Mass followed by singing, feast & sports for S. Cuthbert's people (including Hostel children) & one or two nearby outstations. A v. happy day.

10th Miss Tillard came to tea & showed us her beautiful sketches, those done on her recent holidays some others. It was a great treat. She afterwards saw & criticized the first production of the "Junior Sketchers' Guild."

11th In the afternoon S.D. & S.E.D. went for a picnic: both sketched S.E.D. hereby qualifying for admission to the J.S.G.

12th S.D. in retreat. Address in Chapel at 4.30 p.m.

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