

July 1939.

- Mon: Cont^d. In the afternoon the Assistant went to town by car to shop.
- Tues: 18th. Pass 7.15 a.m. John was blessed at 10.30 a.m. In the afternoon Sr. Barbara Mary took girls to Hospital by van, & Sr. Flora Mary went to shop. Quite a sunny day, but extremely cold still. Miss Smray came to stay.
- Weds: 19th. Pass 7.15 a.m. Fr. Shelley came. Meditation at 10. Confessions at 11. Girls' service 6.30 p.m. The Assistant went to Lending for 2 nights.
- Octave Day. Thurs: 20th. Pass 7.15 a.m. Miss Smray left.
- Fri: 21st. Pass 7.15 a.m. The Assistant returned. Eliz: English came. Sr. B. Mary to town.
- Sat: 22nd. Pass 7.15 a.m. Sr. B. Mary took a girl to Hospital in the morning. Eliz: English left. Solemn Evensong & Devotions 6.30 p.m. Sung Pass 7 a.m. Lovely sunny day. Mr. Brown came in the afternoon. Evensong & sermon 6.30 p.m.
- St. P. Magdalen. Sun: 23rd. Pass 7.15 a.m. Baptisms at 11 - 5 children. Hugh, Nurle, Sidney, Celia & Verona.
- Trinity VII. Mon: 24th. Pass 7.15 a.m. Sr. B. Mary to Hospital with several girls in the afternoon, & Sr. Agnes Irene & P. Mary went to shop.
- Vigil. Tues: 25th. Pass 7.15 a.m. Pabel Abbott-Smith took Sr. Ethel Irene to JHBurg to see Dr. Fouche' about her feet, & Dr. Friedman about her ears! Professor Willemise came to see the Homes in the afternoon, & Mr. & Mrs. Cohen came to see about engaging a girl. Girls' service 6.30 p.m.
- St. James. Weds: 26th. Pass of the Bl. Sacrament, 7.15 a.m. Lovely day, much warmer. Sr. Flora Mary & Sr. Esme' in retreat.
- Thurs: 27th. Pass 7.15 a.m. Sr. Esme' & Sr. Olive Frances
- Fri: 28th. Pass 7.15 a.m. Sr. Esme' & Sr. Olive Frances
- St. Anne. (Transferred)

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Fri: Cont^d. went to town by van. Sr. Janet came over in the afternoon & painted the statue of O. Lady in Chapel again. Sr. Ethel Irene & Nabel Abbott-Smith went to JHBurg to see about some special shoes for S.E.I.
M. Winifred came to help.

Sat: 29th. Mass of Our Lady, 7.15 a.m. Sr. Hilary Clare returned from Cape Town. Sr. Agnes Irene in retreat. Evensong & Devotions 6.30 p.m. The new hymn-boards were used for the first time. (Given by Miss Case.)

Sun: 30th. Trinity VIII. Sung Mass 7 a.m. Dora was brought back at 2 a.m. as she had had 6 bad fits, & her relatives were very frightened! Many visitors during the day, & cars all round. The grounds looked like Fountains! Nabel Abbott-Smith left in the afternoon.

Mon: 31st. Mass 7.15 a.m. Miss Hunt, Miss Bosman & Miss Koller all left in the morning. Christian, Frances & James were blessed in Chapel at 11 a.m., & Maria was dismissed after. In the afternoon James & Frances went to the Adoption Home. S.E.I. in retreat until 3 p.m., & the Assistant in retreat all day.

Tues: Aug: 1st. St. Peter's Chains. Mass 7.15 a.m. Sr. E. Irene went to JHBurg by the 10.20 train to see about her special shoes. Mrs. Fehrsen came & brought a new girl, Nora. Mrs. Cullenan came to see about a girl. A most lovely warm day!

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Weds: Aug: 2nd.

Mass 7.15 a.m. Fr. Shelley came in the morning, meditation at 10, confessions at 11. In the afternoon the Assistant went into Pretoria by car to see Mrs. Duxbury about the Sale. Girls' service 6.30 p.m.

Thurs: 3rd.

Mass of the Bl: Sacrament, 7.15 a.m. Miss Plaistone came to stay. In the afternoon a girl had to be fetched from Hospital, so Sr. Hilary Clare went in by the car to shop.

Fri: 4th.

St. Dominic.

Mass 7.15 a.m. Sr. B. Mary took 2 girls to the doctor, & Sr. Olive Frances went to the dentist. Miss Case went away for the week-end.

Sat: 5th.

St. Oswald.

Sun: 6th.

F. of the Transfiguration

Mass 7.15 a.m. Solemn Evensong & Devotions 6.30 p.m. Sung Mass 7 a.m. Heavy rain early in the morning & during Mass. At 2.30 the Assistant took S. F. Mary, Sr. Esmé & Sr. Barbara Mary to tea & Vespers at the School, & to see the Sisters before they went off for their holidays. On the return journey the Sisters went to the Hospital to fetch Iris. After waiting $\frac{3}{4}$ of an hour she was not allowed to come, & the Sisters were late for Evensong & Procession! When they got back they found Nora had had a fit, so once again the car went to town with Mr. & Mrs. Vice, S. B. Mary, & the girl to the Noorderbond!

Mon: 7th.

F. of the Holy Name.

Sung Mass 7 a.m. Girls worked till 2.30, & then everyone went for a tea-picnic down on the veldt. Pauline fell & hurt her leg while jumping, & had to be brought

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Mon: Cont^d, back to the Home in a wheelbarrow! She was then taken to Pretoria General Hospital & admitted. No sooner had the car come back than Susan had to go to the Noederbond, so Mr. & Mrs. Vice & Sr. Barbara Mary took her! Miss Case returned.

Tues: 8th.
Octave.

Mass 7.15 a.m. The 2 students came in the morning. The Assistant went to town to shop in the morning, & in the afternoon Sr. Olive Frances took Hospital patients in the van. Miss Plaistowe in retreat.

Weds: 9th.
Octave.

Mass 7.15 a.m. Miss Plaistowe left. Sr. Hilary Clare in retreat. Message from Hospital to say that Pauline really had fractured her leg!

Thurs: 10th.
St. Lawrence.

Mass 7.15 a.m. S.H. Clare in retreat for a second day. Miss Seake came to stay.

Fri: 11th.
Octave.

Mass 7.15 a.m. Sr. Agnes Irene & Sr. Barbara Mary left for E. London by the 12.44 p.m. train. Sr. Flora Mary became Sacristan, & Sr. O. Frances went to look after the laundry. Sr. Ethel Irene went to town by van in the morning to take 2 girls to the Magistrate, & Sr. Olive Frances went to the dentist. Miss Purland came to sleep only!

Sat: 12th.
St. Clare.

Mass 7.15 a.m. Special Intention for Jeseding as it was the 4th anniversary of the commencement of the work, & Miss Seake was here. Miss Hart came to help at the N. Nurse Brown had a birthday party at St. P.'s after Evensong & Devotion Sung Mass 7 a.m. Crowds of visitors during the day. Mr. Bell came over in the afternoon with 2 ladies to see the Homes.

Sun: 13th.

3rd Octave of the Holy Name.

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Mon: 14th.

Tues: 15th.

F. of the Assumption.

Weds: 16th.

Octave.

Thurs: 17th.

Octave.

Fri: 18th.

St. Helena.

Sat: 19th.

Octave.

Sun: 20th.

3rd Octave of the Assumption.

Mon: 21st.

Octave.

Tues: 22nd.

Octave Day.

Mrs Claude came in the evening for 1 night.
Solemn Evensong & sermon 6.30 p.m.

Mass 7.15 a.m. Sr. Eudora & Sr. D. Joan came to stay. Sr. H. Clare went to town in the afternoon to shop. Mrs Pocock came.

Sung Mass 7 a.m. In the afternoon Sr. Olive Francis took various people to Hospital, & Sr. Flora Mary went to the dentist. Mrs Hague in retreat.

Mass 7.15 a.m. Sr. Eudora & Sr. D. Joan left about 11.30 a.m., & took Sr. Esme' back with them for 2 nights. Pouring rain & much wind in the early morning, & damp all day. In the afternoon the Assistant had to go to Hospital to fetch a girl. Girls' service 6.30 p.m.

Sr. Flora Mary in retreat. Fr. Shelley came. Mass 7.15 a.m. The Assistant in retreat. Much warmer & finer day.

Mass 7.15 a.m. Confessions in the morning. Sr. O. Frances & Sr. Flora Mary to town by van. Sr. Esme' returned. Mrs. Cullinan came in the evening.

Mass 7.15 a.m. Solemn Evensong & Devotions 6.30 p.m.

Sung Mass 7 a.m. Lovely warm sunny day. Various visitors, but not such crowds as the previous week. Solemn Evensong & Procession, 6.30 p.m.

Mass 7.15 a.m. Sr. Ethel Irene in retreat. Much practising in the evening for the entertainment — a lovely, warm day.

Mass 7.15 a.m. The dentist came in the morning. Very rough & windy day. S.O.F. & S.I.F.N. to town by van in the afternoon. Sr. Eudora & Sr. D. Joan car to tea & sleepers.

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Weds: 23rd.
Vigil.

Mass 7.15 a.m. The Assistant took the Chaplain & Miss Case by car to the Executive Cttee meeting in JHRS. in the afternoon.
Girls' service 6.30 p.m.

Thurs: 24th.
St. Bartholomew.

Sung Mass 7 a.m. At 12 o'clock an enormous bus came with 38 visitors from Germiston, F. & Mrs. Ram. They saw all over the Homes, had a picnic lunch at the Cottage, tea in the R. Room, & a short service in Chapel just before leaving. They were all very kind & friendly, & brought many gifts of tea, jam, sugar, etc.:

At 7.45 p.m. a message came through on the Wireless to say that the sailing of the Carnarvon Castle had been delayed.

As Mother, Sr. Phyllis & Sr. Joyce were all scheduled to come on that ship, the news was very damping.

Fri: 25th.
St. Hilda.

Mass 7.15 a.m. Carnarvon Castle scheduled to sail at noon from Southampton!

Sr. Ethel Irene to town by van to ship. In the afternoon the Assistant took N. May, Emily & Hazel to Fountains, & left them there for a picnic. Sr. Esme went in the car, too, & she & the Assistant went on to Pictoria to do some shopping, but were back again by 3.30 p.m.

Sat: 26th.

7.15 a.m. Mass of Our Lady. Clare Lawrence & a Miss Badcock came over in the afternoon. Some people came to see about adopting a baby. Arlein Hart & the Assistant took Stephen to Hospital in the morning, as he had a big swelling on his neck.

Evening & Devotions 6.30 p.m. S. E. Irene

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Sat: 26^a.

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went to bed about 5 p.m. as her leg was very painful. Sr. Eudora & Sr. D. Joan arrived about 11.30 p.m. after having been to see the dress rehearsal of "The Zeal of Their House."

Sun: 27^a.

Sung Mass 7 a.m. Various visitors during the day. The Chaplain & Mrs. Field & Miss Purland all came to tea in the afternoon. Solemn Evensong & sermon 6.30 p.m.

Mon: 28^a.

St. Augustine.

Mass 7.15 a.m. World situation very serious. The School Sisters left after Teise. Miss Purland left by the 10.20 train.

Tues: 29^b.

Scheduling of St. J.B.

Mass 7.15 a.m. Sr. Esme' in retreat. She slept down at the Home, & had her supper in bed. Mrs. Neville came to see the Homes. Sr. O. Frances took girls to Hospital in the afternoon by van, & Sr. Hilary Clare went to shop. The School Sis. came to stay again. The ladies went by car after supper to see "The Zeal of Their House" at the City Hall, Pretoria. As the car was out, Jean had to be taken to the Hoederstond by ambulance about 11.30 p.m.

Weds: 30^a.

Mass of the Departed, C.S.P.V. School Sis. both in retreat. Mrs. Soames came to spend the day. Fr. Shelley came, & brought Fr. Hyde-Smith with him. Fr. H-Smith saw Olga, as he had sent her here. A Mrs. Barrett came to see about adopting Pamela. Girls' service 6.30 p.m.

Thurs: 31^a.

St. Aidan.

Mass 7.15 a.m. The School Sis. left after morning tea in Trust with the Assistant. Miss Maeder came up from Durban to help for 2 months. In the afternoon the Assistant & Sr. F. Mary went to town to shop.

September 1939.

- Sept: 1st. Fri: Mass 7.15 a.m. News very grave.
St. Giles. Sr. E. Irene went to town by van to take a
quilt to the Magistrate. Classes 6.45 p.m.
- Sat: 2nd. Mass of O. Lady, 7.15 a.m. Evensong + Devotion
6.30 p.m., beginning the night of prayer for
peace.
- Sun: 3rd. Sung Mass 7 a.m. Many visitors during the
Trinity XIII. day. Wireless reports received stating (1)
War declared. that Britain had declared war with Germany
(2) that France had done the same.
Evensong + sermon at 6.15 p.m. in order to
allow the Srs. + ladies to listen to the
King's speech on Vici's wireless. It came
through very clearly.
- Mon: 4th. Mass 7.15 a.m. (Salus populi.)
The Assistant had all the girls in Chapel at
11 a.m. + read them the King's speech +
also talked to them for a few minutes.
- Tues: 5th. Mass 7.15 a.m. Sr. Agnes Irene, Sr. B. Mary
+ Sr. K. Elisabeth arrived from E. London at
5.51 p.m. They had had a very good time.
- Weds: 6th. Mass 7.15 a.m. After 6 p.m. the Assistant
went to town by car, + brought Sr. Flora
Mary back with her. No girls' service in
the evening. 4 Srs. went into white
habits as it was so warm.
News received from the U.C. Office that the
Carnarvon Castle is expected at C.T.
tomorrow.
- Thurs: 7th. Requiem Mass 7.15 a.m. (C.S.P.V. obit.)
Carnarvon Castle not in, + not expected
until Friday. Isabel Brown went off to
the Game Reserve.
Solemn Evensong + Procession, 6.30 p.m.

September 1939.

Fri: 8th.
Nativity of
G. Lady.

Sung Mass 7 a.m. Sr. Esme & Sr. Barbara
Mary went to town by van.
Telegram came about 9.45 a.m. to say
Mother & Sr. Joyce had arrived in C.T.
Classes 6.45 p.m.

Sat: 9th.
Octave.

Mass 7.15 a.m. Great preparations everywhere
for Mother's return.
Solemn Evensong & Devotions 6.30 p.m.

Sunday in the
Octave of the
Nativity of G. Lady.
September 10th.

Sung Mass 7 a.m. Mother and Sister Joyce arrived
back from England both going through to Portlouis
where the Assistant, Sister Janet, & Sister Eudora
met them. All went to the school & at
11.30. Mother left with the Assistant for Jone.
getting there just after 12.0'clock. The toddlers
were all out to wave & all the girls
down the drive. The Sisters were assembled
on the front door steps; after greeting them
Mother went to the Visitors Room, then
saw the Matrons & all the girls in the
Court yard. After this, everyone assembled in
Chapel for a short service for the safe arrival
of the Mother Provincial; this was followed
by Sext & None. Solemn Evensong & Sermon
6.30 p.m. A lovely day with sunshine, &
a very happy return. Nurse Thomas returned fr. England.

Monday.
September 11th.
Octave.

Mon 7.15. Another lovely day & hot. Mother
had tea with the Visitors. Maud Bernlow
came to stay; M^{rs} Ellis, & Thaina with
two other girls came to see the Nursery &
St. Margaret's & had tea in the Visitors Room.

Tuesday.
September 12th.
Octave.

Mon 7.15. A M^{rs} Hoffe called & left clothing.
After Recreation Mother & the Assistant drove
into Pretoria; Mother to see the dentist &

the Assistant to sleep. Isabel Brown returned from the Game Preserve & came to stay at Holy Cross for a week.

Wednesday.

Octave.

September 13th

Mass 7-15 a.m. Fr. Shelley came for Address and Confessions at 9-30 a.m. & left at 12 o'clock. After Recreation Mother went to the Nursery & St. Margaret's. Solemn Evening & Procession 6-30 p.m.

Thursday.

F. of the Exaltation
of the Holy Cross
September 14th

Sung Mass 7 a.m. A cloudy day, & rather cold early but by 12 o'clock the sun had come out. The usual all day picnic starting at 11 a.m. Tere & Sext 9-15, Nene, followed by the Angels at 11-15. Vespers 5-15 p.m. The van took all the provender to the Healer's ground & S^{rs} E. J. also drove down in it. A N^{rs} & N^{rs} Hunt called in the afternoon leaving clothes for the Hanes & they walked down to the field to see Matron Florence. The girls danced in the evening. S^{rs} E. J. was taken ill at the picnic & the car had to be fetched to bring her up to the Hanes. She went straight to bed.

Friday.

Octave Day of the
Nativity of O. Lady
September 15th

Mass 7-15 a.m. Most of the morning taken up with seeing about S^{rs} E. J. who was very poorly with a high temperature. It was decided to send her into the Arcadia Nursing Home & the ambulance came & fetched her at 12-45. S^{rs} O. F. went in with Sister. S^{rs} B. H. went into Pactoria on the Van. Miss Beulah left after breakfast. Mother & the Assistant went to St. Margaret's for Morning tea at 10-30 a.m. Heavy rain & thunder at 4-30 p.m. Classes as usual.

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