

Oct: 1943.

Sunday.  
Trinity XVIII.  
October 17<sup>th</sup>

Sunny Pass 7 a.m. Mother, S<sup>r</sup>. G. Austin, S<sup>r</sup>. E. Jones, S<sup>r</sup>. B. M. S<sup>r</sup>. K. Elizabeth, + S<sup>r</sup>. H. Verity went by the 8-55 a.m. train into Johannesburg for the Consecration Service of the new Bishop of Kimberley in the Cathedral. A wonderful & inspiring service. Three School Sisters also went. All returned by 3 p.m. Prostration tide Procession at 6-15 p.m. instead of Evensong which went very nicely.

Mon: 18<sup>th</sup>.  
St. Luke.

Pass 7.15 a.m. Mother went off to Grahamstown by the 12.40 train. The Bp. of Zululand + Mrs. Lee came in the afternoon + had tea. Thunderstorm about 3.30 p.m.

Tues: 19<sup>th</sup>.  
St. Fridewide.

Pass 7.15 a.m. Sr. Eudora had visitors to tea in the afternoon. Sr. B. Mary took the girls to Hospital by van. Mrs. Schorman should have come up with films but rang up to say his projector had broken.

Weds: 20<sup>th</sup>.

Pass 7.15 a.m. Fr. Shelley came in the morning. He brought Fr. Cotton with him + also Mrs. Lucas who came for a day's retreat.

Sr. Eudora left for St. C's at 2.40 p.m. Mrs. Short went off to stay with friends in the evening. Girls' service at 6.15 p.m.

Thurs: 21<sup>st</sup>.

Pass 7.15 a.m. Fr. Cotton served. He left by the 9.32 a.m. train. Fr. Shelley came + fetched Mrs. Lucas just after morning-tea. Holy Hour 5-6 p.m. + violent thunderstorm all the time! Confirmation class 6.30 p.m.

Com: of Bl: Sac:

Fri: 22<sup>nd</sup>.

No Pass, as the Chaplain had to go to Synod. Classes 6.45 p.m.

Sat: 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Pass 7.15 a.m. Fr. Young came to stay the week-end. Evensong + Devotions 6.30 p.m. Mrs. Els called about the house for Mr. van Deventer next year.

Com: of G. Lady.

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- Sun: 24<sup>th</sup>.  
Train: XVIII. Sung Mass 7 a.m. 4 Sis. went to Synod by car, & the Chaplain & Mrs. Levin also went. Evensong & sermon 6.15 p.m. (Fr. Young.)
- Mon: 25<sup>th</sup>.  
85 Crispin & Crispinian. Mass 7.15. Fr. Young left by the 9.32 a.m. train. Mrs. Short returned on the 10.20 train & Fr. Huddleston came by the 11.42. Great preparations for the Skutuliene Retreat. Retreatants arrived just before 6 p.m. Supper 7, & 1<sup>st</sup> address at 7.45 p.m. Sr. Hilda Veity in retreat.
- Tues: 26<sup>th</sup>.  
Retreat. 7.15 a.m. Mass of the Holy Spirit. Very hot breathless day. Sr. H. Veity went to town with the Hospital girls. Evensong & Devotions 6.45 p.m.
- Weds: 27<sup>th</sup>.  
Vigil. 7.15 a.m. Mass of the Vigil. Overcast & dull nearly all day & rain in the evening. Retreat. Sr. Hilda Veity went to town again with girls & babies. Mrs. Hushession came & visited the Nursery. Pl. Hester returned from Hospital.
- Thurs: 28<sup>th</sup>.  
85 Simon & Jude. Mass 7.15 a.m. Pouring wet day - not very good for retreatants, but excellent for the garden! Fires everywhere, as it was so cold. Retreat.
- Fri: 29<sup>th</sup>.  
Retreat. Mass of the Holy Cross 7.15 a.m. Still wet, but cleared up during the day. Sr. Christina to Dr. Grunberger as her ear was painful.
- Sat: 30<sup>th</sup>.  
Vigil of All 85. Mass 7.15 a.m. Retreat ended. All retreatants left except Miss Haygarth. Miss Gough came in the afternoon. Solemn Evensong & Devotions 6.30 p.m.
- Sun: 31<sup>st</sup>.  
7. of Christ the King. (Trinity XIX.) Sung Mass 7.15 a.m. No rain, but fine later. Sr. S. Austin took girls down to the Cemetery after morning-tea to put flowers on the graves. Miss Gough left after tea.

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- Sun: Cont<sup>d</sup>.  
Oct: 31<sup>st</sup>. Mrs. van der Byl came up with 2 friends.  
Solemn Evensong + Procession 6.30 p.m.  
More rain at supper-time.
- Mon: Nov: 1<sup>st</sup>.  
All Saints. Sung Mass 7 a.m. Heavy rain again during  
the night + all the morning, but fine in  
the afternoon. Miss Haygarth left by the  
2.40 p.m. train. Mrs. Cousins came up in the  
evening for girls' gym.  
Placido sung at 6.45 p.m. Compline at  
8.30 followed by Nocturns.
- Tues: 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
All Souls. Lauds + Prime 6.35, Sung Mass 7 a.m.  
Miss Brown came in the afternoon to stay.  
Girls had games + dancing + festival  
supper.
- Wed: 3<sup>rd</sup>.  
Octave. Mass 7.15 a.m. Pump went wrong again!  
In the afternoon the Assistant went to  
the Confirmation at the School. Confirmation  
class at 6.30 p.m. instead of usual girls'  
service. New chimneys begun in laundry.  
No Mass. Sr. Christina had a day in bed  
down at the Home.
- Thurs: 4<sup>th</sup>.  
Octave. Mass 7.15 a.m. Sr. B. Mary + Sr. H. Verity to  
town by van. Confessions in the evening  
instead of the morning. Miss Aphorpe +  
Mrs. Howell came to stay. Classes at 6.45 p.m.
- Fri: 5<sup>th</sup>.  
Octave. Mass 7.15 a.m. Bring + buy sale at Mrs. v.d. Byl's  
in aid of the Home. Solemn Evensong +  
Devotions 6.30 p.m.
- Sat: 6<sup>th</sup>.  
Octave. Sung Mass 7 a.m. Various visitors came.  
Very hot day, but lovely. Solemn Evensong  
& sermon 6.15 p.m.
- Sun: 7<sup>th</sup>.  
In Oct: of All SS.  
(Trinity XX.) Mass 7.15 a.m. Sr. E. Dorcas in retreat.  
Sr. C. Frances came for retreat.  
Pump mended!
- Mon: 8<sup>th</sup>.  
Octave Day.

Nov: 1943.

Tues: 9<sup>th</sup>

Requiem Mass 7.15 a.m. Sr. Olive Frances in retreat. Very hot day.

Weds: 10<sup>th</sup>

No Mass. Sr. O. Frances left by the 8.1 a.m. train. Fr. Shelley came in the morning.

Girls' service at 6.30 p.m.

Thurs: 11<sup>th</sup>

Mass at Church at 6.30 a.m. At 6 a.m. a girl had to go to the Hoedsboud, so

St. Martin.

Sr. K. Elisabeth + Sr. H. Verity took her by car + then went to Mass at the Cathedral.

In the morning Miss Paeder + the Assistant went to Pretoria to a meeting of the Ladies' Cttee. Sr. Barbara May also went in the car + took 2 girls to the doctor.

Confirmation class 6.30 p.m.

Fri: 12<sup>th</sup>

Requiem Mass 7.15 a.m. (For Bps, priests + laymen.)

The Assistant took 2 girls to Court, + S.E.D.

Sr. C. + S.H.V. all went to ship.

Very wet morning. Girls' classes 6.45 p.m.

Confessions in the morning. Miss Jurney came to spend the day with Miss Brown.

Sat: 13<sup>th</sup>

Mass of O. Lady 7.15 a.m. Mother arrived back

Com: of O. Lady.

from Grahamstown on the 7.42 a.m. train.

It rained during the morning but cleared up during the day. The Chaplain saw Mother in the morning. Evensong + Devotions: 6.30 p.m.

Sunday.

Sunny Mass 7 a.m. A fine day. Everything as

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usual. Evensong + Sermon. 6-15 p.m.

November 14<sup>th</sup>

Monday.

November 15<sup>th</sup>

Mass 7-15. Of the Holy Spirit. for the Confirmation which took place at 3 p.m. the Bishop of Pretoria. Wet + thundery most of the day + an awful storm at 4-30 p.m. with huge hail. Four windows at the Noursey had

panes of glass broken! At 1-30 p.m. Mother went to the cemetery to see about M<sup>rs</sup> Fields' grave (cremation) being dug.

Tuesday.  
F. of St. Edmund B.C.  
November 16<sup>th</sup>

No Mass. At 3 p.m. Mother, the Assistant, S<sup>r</sup> E.D. + S<sup>r</sup> B.N. went to St. Martin's Church for M<sup>rs</sup> Fields' funeral service. All went to the Cemetery afterwards where she was laid to rest (cremation). Miss Brown left, Miss Haque took her into Pretoria. Mass 7-15. S<sup>r</sup> Gladys Austin in Pretoria. At 9-30 a.m. Mother + the Assistant went into Pretoria to do Christmas shopping. Girls Service 6-30 p.m.

Wednesday.  
F. of St. Hugh B.C.  
November 17.

Mass 7-15. A dull coldish day but the sun came out at 1 p.m. Mother went to the School Nativity picnic down at the Club + took Sister Gladys Austin with her. Both walked! as there was not sufficient petrol for the car! Hilda returned from her holiday. M<sup>rs</sup> Howell left.

Thursday.  
November 18.

Mass 7-15. Spring Requiem. c.s.r.v. obit. The Assistant in Pretoria. Sister Joyce came on the 2-30 p.m. train for Pretoria. Charlotte Pleasance came for two nights. S<sup>r</sup> E.D. in bed until dinner time not very well. Classes as usual.

Friday.  
November 19<sup>th</sup>

Mass 7-15. Mother + Sister Joyce in Pretoria. Miss Walker + Miss Heald came to spend the day with Miss Aphthorpe. Evening + Devotion 6-30 p.m.

Saturday.  
F. of St. Edmund K.M.  
November 20<sup>th</sup>

Spring Mass 7 a.m. A very hot day. Everything as usual. Evening + Sermon 6-15 p.m.

Sunday Next before Advent.  
November 21<sup>st</sup>

Monday.  
F. of St. Cecilia v.M.  
November 22<sup>nd</sup>

Mass 7-15. Much rain during the night. Mother + the Assistant went to Johannesburg for Xmas shopping, also to see the alterations to "Eskenteleini" Sophiatown. Father Lunnis came to stay, also Nobby Stacey + two

students, Miss van der Horst + Miss Stricker. Sister Barbara  
Mary in Retreat.

Nov. 7-15. Fr. Lunnis, C.R. S<sup>r</sup> H. Verity in Retreat.  
S<sup>r</sup> O. Irene came for Retreat. Charlotte Pleasance  
left on the 10-20 a.m. train.

Tuesday

F. of S. Clement. B.N.

November 23<sup>rd</sup>

Wednesday

F. of S. John of the Cross

November 24<sup>th</sup>

Nov. 7-15. The Chaplain. S<sup>r</sup> O. J. + S<sup>r</sup> K. E. in Retreat.  
At 2-30 p.m. Mother, the Assistant + Miss Maeder  
drove into Postonia for a meeting of the Homes at the  
Bishops House. Miss Apthorpe left. No girls'  
service; the rehearsals for the Holy Play began.

Nov 7-15. Father Lunnis. Mother's installation day.  
(10 years!) lovely flowers, gillies, + cakes. Mother  
had Morning Tea with the Sisters. After dinner  
Mother went to the School + took S<sup>r</sup> B. Mary  
in with her who was going to work there  
in Sister Proce's place. Mother brought the  
latter back with her for a few days rest  
before going to Sophia town on Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>. A  
killing supper in the Community Room to  
end Mother's installation day! S<sup>r</sup> O. Irene left  
on the 9-30 a.m. train. While at the School  
Mother attended the Conforming Body Meeting.  
A storm about 5-30 p.m. with some rain.

Thursday

F. of S. Katherine. V.N.

November 25<sup>th</sup>

Friday

November 26<sup>th</sup>

Nov. 7-15. Fr. Lunnis, C.R. who left on the 1 p.m.  
train. S<sup>r</sup> Gudrun, S<sup>r</sup> E. ditto, + S<sup>r</sup> Esme arrived  
from St. Cruthberts on the 9-30 a.m. train.

S<sup>r</sup> Phyllis came for Retreat. Classes as usual.

Nov. 7-15. S<sup>r</sup> Phyllis in Retreat. Fr. Goodall  
came in the Morning, had dinner + saw  
Mother afterwards. He left on the 4-12 train.  
S<sup>r</sup> D. Joan came for one night + arrived in  
time for tea. Evening + Devotions. 6-30 p.m.

Saturday

November 27<sup>th</sup>

Advent-Sunday.  
November 28<sup>th</sup>.  
Spring Mass 7 a.m. S<sup>r</sup>. D. Joan + S<sup>r</sup>. Phyllis left at 9 a.m.  
At 11-30 Mother + the Assistant saw the Students.  
After Morning Tea the Needle work for the Sale was  
on view. At 4-30 p.m. Mother saw the Sisters going  
to Sophiatown they had tea at the Nursery at  
3-30 p.m. S<sup>r</sup>. Rosemary, S<sup>r</sup>. Editha, + S<sup>r</sup>. Emie.  
Evening + Sermon. 6-15 p.m. Collection at Mass +  
Evening for the Indian Famine Relief Fund.  
S<sup>r</sup>. K. Elizabeth drove Alice into the Provedorland  
in the Morning, S<sup>r</sup>. H. Varsity also went.

Monday.  
Vigil.  
November 29<sup>th</sup>.  
Mass 7-15. Day of Intercession for Foreign Missions.  
Mother took Christine to the Convent <sup>at</sup> 8 a.m. S<sup>r</sup>. Eudora  
+ S<sup>r</sup>. K. Elizabeth also went in. The students left  
on the 10 a.m. train. S<sup>r</sup>. Rosemary + S<sup>r</sup>. Editha in  
Protect. Rehearsal of the Play in the Recreation  
Room 6-15 p.m.

Tuesday.  
F. of St. Andrew's.  
November 30<sup>th</sup>.  
Spring Mass 7 a.m. S<sup>r</sup>. R., S<sup>r</sup>. E., + S<sup>r</sup>. Emie. Had Morning  
Tea at St. Margaret's. S<sup>r</sup>. R. + S<sup>r</sup>. E. Had afternoon  
tea with Mother in the garden being their Professor  
Day. At 11-30 the Chaplain came to see Mother.  
A very bad storm began during hours, with  
hail, thunder + lightning + very heavy rain.  
Mass 7-15 followed by the Itinerary for the  
three Sisters leaving for work in Sophiatown.  
They left on the 10-20 a.m. train + Mother  
+ the Assistant went to see them off.

Wednesday.  
December 1<sup>st</sup>.  
Tea + Sept 9-10 a.m. + None at 12 o'clock with  
dinner at 12-15 for those going into Proctoria  
to prepare for the Sale. Van + Car left  
at 1 p.m. + got back just after 5 p.m.  
A good arrangement leaving at 1 o'clock.

Thursday.  
December 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
Mass 6-45 a.m. owing to having to  
start for the Sale at 8 a.m. Tea after  
breakfast as it was Com. of the Bl. Sacrament

Van + Car started at 8-5 a.m. Sale all day; a lovely day not too hot + all the arrangements regarding the going to + fro worked excellently. The Havelock sum of £572. 11. was banked, + there was still more to come in. M<sup>rs</sup> Smith opened the Sale + was introduced by the Bishop.

Friday.  
Dec: 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Mass 7-15. M<sup>rs</sup> De Wet with a friend came to see over the House from the Magistrate's Court; they had afternoon tea in the garden. No classes.

Saturday.  
Fq. J. Clement D.  
Dec: 4<sup>th</sup>.

Mass 7-15. Everything as usual.

Sunday.  
Advent II.  
Dec: 5<sup>th</sup>.

Sung Mass 7 a.m. The Dean of Portoria came to take Swanomy + the Chaplain went to preach in the Cathedral.

Monday.  
Fq. J. Nicholas B.C.  
December 6<sup>th</sup>.

Mass 7-15. At 9-45 a.m. Mother the Assistant, + Sister Hilde Vandy went into Portoria to Christmas shop.

Tuesday.  
December 7<sup>th</sup>.

Mass 7-15. Father Jones from Grace Dieu came on the 6 a.m. train for Retreat. A storm came on at 4 p.m. with heavy rain + lasted until 6 p.m. A rehearsal of the Play in the evening. The Chaplain had a cold + sent word he could not take Mass the following morning.

Wednesday.  
Fq. the Conception  
B.V.M.  
December 8<sup>th</sup>.

Sung Mass 7 a.m. Fr. Jones, the Chaplain had a cold. At 12-30. Mother, the Assistant, + S<sup>rs</sup> O.J. who came over from the School had dinner + then went to Johannesburg to the Meeting arranged for the goodbye to Dorothy Maud + the welcome to the Sisters. Everyone was very nice + the meeting went most happily. Fr. Jones in Retreat.

Thursday.  
December 9<sup>th</sup>.

Mass 7-15. Fr. Jones. Supper was at 6-30 p.m. + Mother, the Assistant, S<sup>rs</sup> Sudoan, S<sup>rs</sup> Gladys, Audin



S<sup>rs</sup> Christina, S<sup>rs</sup> K. Elizabeth, S<sup>rs</sup> H. Verity went to the School Nativity Play at 8 p.m. S<sup>rs</sup> Endora stayed the night

Friday.  
December 10<sup>th</sup>

Mass 7-15. The Chaplain Fr. Jones left on the 2 p.m. train. S<sup>rs</sup> G. A. & S<sup>rs</sup> E. J. went on the Van for shopping in Portora. S<sup>rs</sup> Endora returned on the Van. Mr. Cause came to give estimates for various bits of work. Rehearsal of Play instead of classes.

Saturday.  
December 11<sup>th</sup>

Mass 7-15. Mr. & Mrs. Devin with Miss Ward drove over from Johnsbury in the afternoon to see the Home. Platon Edna started at St. Margaret's. Evening Devotions 6-30 p.m. Heavy rain started at 7 p.m.

Sunday.  
Advent III.  
December 12<sup>th</sup>

S<sup>rs</sup> G. A. went into her Advent Retreat at 5-30 p.m. Sunny Mass 7 a.m. Rain most of the night; coldish & a dull day. Heavy rain fell at 5 p.m. S<sup>rs</sup> Christina not well; had a tummy attack. S<sup>rs</sup> J. Joan brought 5. Prefects over for Morning Tea & to see over the Home. They left at 12 o'clock. Evening & Service 6-15 p.m.

Monday.  
F. of St. Lucy. V.A.  
December 13<sup>th</sup>

No Mass. The Chaplain very poorly with a cold. Lt rain most of the night; a dull day & rain at intervals. At 2-15 p.m. Mother drove into Portora to do Christmas shopping. A rehearsal of the Play at 6-15 p.m. The Assistant had her breakfast in bed for some extra rest.

Tuesday.  
December 14<sup>th</sup>

Mass 7-15. Sunny Requiem. S<sup>rs</sup> J. Helen arrived on the 8-30 a.m. train from Cape town looking very well. After Sext Mother told Sister she was moving her from the School to work at Holy Cross. Wet at intervals & heavy rain started at 6 p.m.

Wednesday.  
December 15<sup>th</sup>  
Ember Day.

Mass 7-15. S<sup>rs</sup> Christina went to Portora by train to shop. At 10 a.m. Platon P. Marie

came & fetched Mother out of Chapel to tell her  
the three bed room windows had been broken into  
& all the blankets stolen; 11 in all. In each case  
the pane of glass by the catch of the window had  
been broken. Most of the morning spent phoning  
& interviewing police! No Prosecution; parcel were  
done up for Christmas. Rehearsal of the Play in  
Chapel.

Thursday.  
O Sapientia.  
December 16<sup>th</sup>

Mass 7-15. A fine day, but dull until 1p.m. —  
Miss Newton from the School came for Morning Tea  
& dinner & saw the School Sisters. The Holy  
Hour was kept 5. to 6 p.m. —

Friday.  
December 17<sup>th</sup>

Mass 7-15. S<sup>r</sup> Rosemary, S<sup>r</sup> Editha, & S<sup>r</sup> Sami arrived  
in the morning for Chapter & the Advent Retreat.  
All the School Sisters came at 12-5 a.p.m. —  
Chapter was at 2.0 o'clock. Vespers at 6 p.m. —  
with the 1<sup>st</sup> Retreat Address. The Bishop of Pictoria  
took the Retreat. He arrived at 5-30 p.m. —

Saturday.  
December 18<sup>th</sup>

Mass 7-15. The Bishop & the Chaplain served.  
Retreat all day. A lovely day with sun. The  
Bishop gave his two addresses in the morning  
& left at 12-30. Evening & Devotions 6-30 p.m. —

Sunday.  
Advent. IV.  
December 19<sup>th</sup>

Sung Mass 7 a.m. — The School Sisters left at  
9-30 a.m. Sister Endora returning with them.  
Evening & Secours. 6-15 p.m. Rain started  
at 4 p.m. but did not last long.

Monday.  
Vigil.  
December 20<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesday.

Mass 7-15. Miss Cury, Miss Plaistone, Miss Gough,  
Miss Palmer, came for Christmas. Rehearsal of  
the Play 6-30 p.m. —

T. of S. Thomas. Ap. 11.  
December 21<sup>st</sup>

Mass 7-15. Sister Rosemary & Sister D. Helen went  
to Pictoria on the 9-30 a.m. train, the former to  
shop, the latter to go to the School. Miss  
Chisold & Miss Blackburne arrived.

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