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Our iconic Australian heritage building is at risk

St. George's Anglican Church

Battery Point, Tasmania,

*needs your help.*

St Georges is a living heritage building which is still carrying out its original function after 176 years.

The church is a focal point of the Hobart skyline and historic Battery Point. The building is recognised among the best of Australian history and architecture.

This uniquely beautiful heritage building will have to close if we do not raise support to fund necessary stonework and building restorations work.

With government and local community support we hope to raise **\$1.5 million**

Please support our restoration appeal to ensure another 175 years of faithful witness of St George's.

Please donate to restore our  
Tasmanian living heritage building.



# St George's Anglican Church

BATTERY POINT

*Rich in History*

*Alive in Christ Jesus*

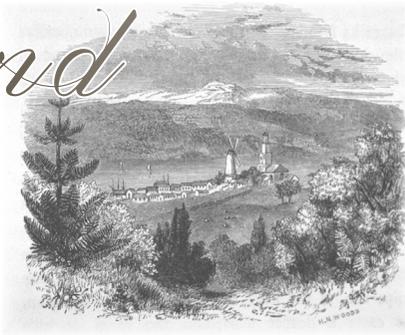


Brendan Lennard

## *Our Living Heritage*



# Land



At Battery Point on the highest point stands St George's Church, with a Greek-Revival facade and unusual three-tiered belltower. This church and the windmill that once stood opposite were landmarks for ships sailing up the River Derwent in earlier days.

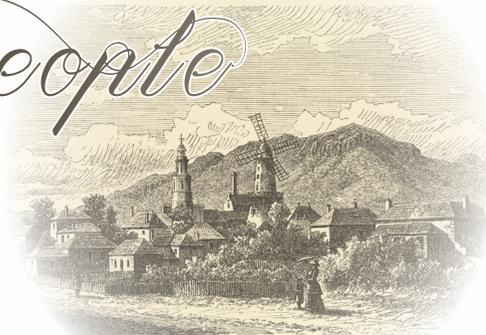
The Parish extended from Princes Wharf to Fitzroy Place, up to the Waterworks and Ferntree and down to the Shot Tower. Many 'daughter' churches were built and became new Parish centres in Sandy Bay and South Hobart. Today St Georges is believed to be the smallest parish geographically in Australia.

St George's was designed in the Greek-Revival style then current in London, by two of Hobart's earliest and best known architects. John Lee Archer designed the nave and convict architect, James Blackburn, designed the tower built in 1847 and porch built in 1888.

The foundation stone was laid on 19 October 1836 by Governor Arthur. The first Bishop of Australia Rt Rev. D. Broughton consecrated the church in 1838.



# People

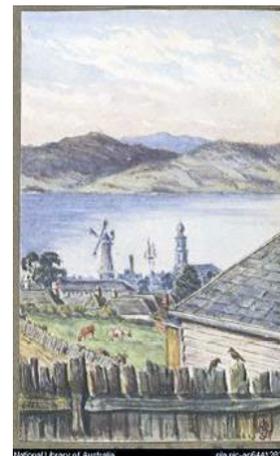


Nineteenth century Battery Point was home to a sea-faring community, and to those who worked in the shipbuilders' yards and on the wharves. These connections earned St George's the name of *The Mariner's Church*.

Early records show that St George's donated much money to help the poor and widows. St Georges was the first church in Tasmania to take collections, which were given to the poor and missions. Several Alms Houses for elderly men were built in 1843 on land given by the Government for a burial ground.

The foundation stone for the Rectory was laid in 1896 by Tasmanian Bishop Montgomery, father of Field Marshal Bernard Montgomery of Alamein. Our historical collection can be viewed in our Museum by appointment. The following is an excerpt of a letter sent in World War II from parishioner, Colin Doyle, serving in the RAAF,

*'In these days of Chaos nothing could be more satisfying for us to know that our Christian brothers at home are so staunchly holding us up in prayer... because after all, what have we to gain if we win this war and in doing so lose our faith and everything Christianity stands for, because after all it is only in Christ Jesus our Lord that we can find true peace.'*



# Blessing



In 2013, St Georges Church celebrated its 175th anniversary, celebrating its rich heritage and its continued focus upon serving the community, local and overseas mission, advocacy work and services for worship and fellowship.

St Georges is an important landmark within the community. We welcome visitors and tourists and often host musical performances. We are a venue for a wide variety of community groups and services for all ages, such as playgroups and craft groups. St Georges' community is an *open, healthy and growing church family, for the glory of God.*

## Our Mission

We proclaim a Biblical faith in the living God through Jesus Christ our Lord the transforming power of the Holy Spirit extending his kingdom through equipping each other for service reaching others with the Gospel and sustaining an open, healthy and growing church family to the glory of God

- Artwork: (front page) Sketch of St Georges Church by Brendan Lennard.
- (top centre) Engraving of Georges Hill Battery Point by Friedrich Hawranck (1821-1899) c. 1851. Source: Tasmanian Archive and Heritage Office.
- (top right) Watercolour sketch of the Church by HG Lloyd, 1848. Source: Parish Archives
- (bottom left) 1847 sub-division and sale plan of the area showing St Georges without any adjoining structures. Source: Parish Archives.
- (centre) St Georges Church Battery Point, watercolour by HJ Graham, 1882. Source: National Library of Australia