

*The Caversham Project.*

# **Church Records for** **Southern Dunedin**

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## INTRODUCTION

This document provides a brief summary of churches in Southern Dunedin and outlines the current state, content and location of church records held by the Caversham Project, together with additional bibliographical information.

The primary aim of collecting church sources was to identify the church membership/affiliation of individuals who could then be linked with the main Caversham 2 database. The criteria for collecting and transcribing material was that sources must provide, at the very least, names of persons who were church members or who actively identified primarily with the denomination in question. Additional information was also sought after, such as address, occupation and degree of church activity. In cases where such sources were not available, less reliable indicators of church membership/affiliation were used, such as baptismal registers in the case Roman Catholics. Marriage and baptismal registers were not generally considered reliable indicators of active church adherence and were not collected. However, marriage registers were collected by others and are held on Caversham computers.

Sources were usually gathered within or around five sample periods: 1893-5, 1908-10, 1919-21, 1926-8 and 1936-8. These years were chosen because they span the study period evenly and represent years in which sources for different churches tend to overlap. The original intention was that for each sample period there would exist sources from most denominations for comparative analysis. However, during the collation process it became clear that such a broad comparative analysis would not be possible, due primarily to the different nature and content of different sources and the difficulty of finding significant matches with the Caversham 2 database.

The reader may wonder why some sources were collected for the Project while other apparently useful were not. Primarily, the sources collected contain names of people involved in the church, while sources not collected do not have names, or have few names, or what names they do have are not indicative of active adherence (such as baptismal registers.) Furthermore, the collation process was not fully completed. Due to time and labour constraints, and to the need to reassess the direction of church research, certain churches were prioritised while others were neglected and a full collation of all relevant sources was put on hold. This report outlines the current state, content and location of church sources (including those not collected) so that informed decisions and directions for future research can be made.

Denominations are listed alphabetically below and are discussed as follows. A census table provides broad figures for the denomination in the boroughs of the study area. Each church congregation is then discussed separately, outlining its history and numerical strength, followed by a list of the sources held by the Project and the content of those sources. A 'bibliographical information' section follows, listing the locations and, if known, content of other primary sources. Secondary sources (such as parish histories and jubilees) are also listed, though broad denominational histories are omitted. Any relevant contact phone numbers and addresses are provided following the 'bibliographical information' section.

**Location of Caversham Project church records:** all electronic records listed in this document are saved in *Excel* spreadsheets in the "Churches-Master" folder on Caversham computers. Each denomination has

a folder containing the sources outlined below. Most of the original sources were photocopied and are located in the Caversham Room in brown folders and boxes on the shelf labeled 'church sources'. Also on this shelf are brown folders for each church containing ephemeral material accumulated during the process of researching.

**Important note:** omissions, duplications, errors and irregularities appear in the original sources as well as in the transcribed documents. Anyone using these records ought to consult the original hardcopy and read the 'methodological notes' for the document in question before proceeding.

## CENSUS INFORMATION.

Photocopies of the religious section of censuses 1891-1936 are located in the Caversham Room on the 'church sources' shelf. Key figures for significant denominations every decade are summarised in tables in this document. These tables denote the number and gender of adherents for each borough, their proportion of the borough and their proportion compared to the national average. Figures exclude Maori. Note: all census information must be treated with caution. Figures for different denominations denote different things. Some useful discussions of religious census data appear in:

- Broadley, Shaun D., "Spirited Visions: a study of spiritualism in New Zealand settler society", PhD in History, University of Otago 2000, pp.26-33.
- Hill, Michael, "The Cult of Humanity and the Secret Religion of the Working Classes", *New Zealand Sociology*, vol.2, no.2, Nov. 1987, pp.112-27.
- Hill, Michael, "Religion", in Paul Spoonley, David Pearson and Ian Shirley (eds), *New Zealand: Sociological Perspectives*, Palmerston North 1982, 169-95.
- Jackson, Hugh, "Churchgoing in Nineteenth-Century New Zealand", *NZJH*, vol.17, no.1, 1983, pp.43-59.
- Pickens, K.A., "Denomination, Nationality and Class in a Nineteenth-Century British Colony: Canterbury, New Zealand", *Journal of Religious History*, vol.15, no.1, June 1998, pp.128-40.

## Adventism

### *Adventists in boroughs of Southern Dunedin*

	Caversham				South Dunedin				St Kilda				Dunedin/City of Dunedin				% (NZ)	
	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%		
1891																		0.07
1901	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0						0.11
1911									0	0	0	0	3	7	10		0	0.11
1921									0	0	0	0	11	13	24		0	0.18
1936									0	1	1	0	16	39	55		0.1	0.26

Research needed.

## Anglican

### *Anglicans in boroughs of Southern Dunedin*

	Caversham				South Dunedin				St Kilda				Dunedin/City of Dunedin				% (NZ)	
	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%		
1891	694	665	1359	29	532	537	1069	25.3	261	224	485	42.1						40.13
1901	775	767	1542	29.3	638	709	1347	25.1	261	279	540	31.8						40.64
1911									696	596	1202	29.1	5520	5818	11338	27.3		40.82
1921									847	902	1749	28.8	7303	8291	15594	26.9		42.22
1936									1007	1133	2140	27.6	7364	8524	15888	24.6		40.28

Source: NZ census

There were three Anglican churches in the study area: St Peter's (Caversham), St Peter's the Less (St Clair) and Holy Cross (St Kilda).

### **1) St Peter's, Caversham**

A church building was first erected in 1864 on Cargill Road. The present building was built on the same site and was completed in 1882. The parish is still active. Exact numbers of communicants at any one time is difficult to ascertain, but in 1893 there were 240 communicants listed, and in 1909 there were 173. A 1928 parish register contains 485 surnames, many of which signify families. [Church minute books may have actual attendance figures].

#### **Sources held by the Caversham Project:**

##### **Communicant rolls.**

These list the names and often the attendance of communicants. Rolls covering circa 1893-4 and 1901-9 exist and were photocopied, but only rolls for 1893, 1894, 1908 and 1909 have been transcribed:

- 1893. Comprises 240 surnames, 126 with first name or initials, 157 with title (ie, Mr/Mrs/Miss/Rev etc.), all with attendance records.
- 1894. Comprises 157 surnames, 97 with first name or initials, 76 with title, all with attendance records.
- 1908. Comprises 126 surnames, 114 with first name or initials, 42 with title.
- 1909. Comprises 173 surnames, 133 with first name or initials, 144 with titles.

##### **Confirmation class records.**

These provide information on confirmation candidates, usually people aged between 13 and 20. Some have addresses. Records exist and were photocopied for 1893-4 and 1896-1910. Lists have been transcribed for 1892-3 and 1907-10:

- 1892-3. Comprises two lists. There are 88 full names, 81 with their age listed, all with attendance records. Also a 'remarks' column with occasional comments.
- 1907-8. Comprises two lists of the same individuals, one listing their name and address and the other their attendance at confirmation lectures. There are 38 full names in each list, all with their age listed, 15 with street address, one with street number, 8 with suburb. 32 have attendance records.
- 1908-10. Comprises two lists, one for 1908-9 and another for 1909-10. There are 85 surnames listed, all with first name, 83 with age listed. All with attendance records.

#### **Magazines to be posted.**

This is a small list attached to the 1920 parishioners' book. Transcribed.

- Comprises 12 surnames, 5 with first name or initials, 7 with title, 7 with suburb, plus remarks on certain businesses and establishments where the magazine was posted.

#### **Parishioners' book, by name, circa 1920.** Photocopied and transcribed.

- Comprises 470 surnames, many of which signify families and married couples. Only 81 have first name or initials, though a 'remarks' column also contains details on what the entry signifies (for example, an entry for 'Jones' at 1 Rutherford Street might say 'family' or 'Mr and Mrs' in the remarks column). Around 450 are accompanied by street name, 374 with street number, 123 with suburb.

#### **Parishioners book, by street, circa 1920.** Photocopied and transcribed.

- Comprises 566 surnames, all listed by street name, 408 with street number. Very few first names and titles. Many surnames signify families/household.

#### **Parish Register 1928.** Photocopied and transcribed.

- Comprises 485 surnames, all listed by street name, 418 with street number. Very few first names or initials or titles. Many surnames signify household/family.

**Cradle roll [circa 1923-45].** Photocopied. Only babies born in the study period were transcribed.

- Comprises 28 babies, all with full names and date of birth. 19 have street name, 13 with street number, five with suburb. Other information includes place of baptism and register for birthday cards.

#### ***Bibliographical information:***

Primary sources. Church records are located at the Hocken Library, which is the official repository for Anglican sources in Dunedin. Sources are presently listed in a manual folder, not on Hakana - ask at the desk for it. I surveyed most of St Peter's records for our study period. Sources other than those listed above include service record books 1877- (record of Sunday sermons

including other ephemera such as a confirmation list for 1902), baptismal registers (all years, voluminous - date of birth and baptism, name parents, address, trade of parents, sponsors, clergyman), vestry and parishioners meetings 1889- (general church business), cash books 1898-, miscellaneous correspondence, centennial material 1969, diary of work for clergy 1907-10, Mothers' Union/Ladies Guild records (minutes, letters, cash books and other sundry items), church wardens' book 1894-1962. See also Caversham oral material - several Anglicans were interviewed.

### Secondary sources.

- Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present*, Dunedin 1999, pp.178-9. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- Davies, F. Jane, *The Church of St Peter in Caversham, 1864-1882-1982*, [Caversham 1982]. Held at Hocken.
- Herries, Cathy, "Marriage Registers of St Peter's Anglican Church, Caversham, 1900-1920", student essay for Brooking and Olssen, 1982. Held in Caversham Room.
- Pywell, Arthur B., *The Story of St Peter's Church Caversham, Dunedin, 1882-1942, diamond jubilee celebrations*, [Dunedin 1942]. Held at Hocken.
- Pywell, Arthur B., *The Story of St Peter's Church Caversham, Dunedin. 70th Anniversary Celebrations*, [Dunedin 1952]. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- [St Peter's Church], *Our Faith - Our Challenge*, Dunedin 1956.
- Teal, J., "Marriage Registers of St Peter's Anglican Church, Caversham, 1912-67", student essay for Brooking and Olssen, 1982. Held in Caversham Room.
- Toomey, T., "St Peter's Anglican Church, Parish of Caversham", student essay for Brooking and Olssen, 1982. Held in Caversham Room.
- Turvey, Annette, *The Parish of Caversham, Dunedin, 1869-1969*, [Dunedin 1969]. Held at Hocken.

## **2) Holy Cross Church, St Kilda.**

This church has its roots in extension work by St Peter's Anglican Church around the turn of the century. In 1907 a mission committee was set up to advance work in St Kilda. The Holy Cross Church building in Ajax Street was completed in 1912 and officially became an independent parish in 1918. It is still functioning today. The exact number of communicants and church attendees can be gleaned from registers of services (held at the parish - see bibliography below), though a 1927-38 members' roll lists 120 names.

### **Sources held by the Caversham Project:**

#### **Members roll circa 1927-59.**

Photocopied. *This has yet to be transcribed.* This is a list of members of the St Kilda parish.

- For the years 1927-38, this roll comprises approximately 120 surnames, most with first name and/or title, all with street name and street number. Most also have the date when commenced as a member.

#### **Confirmation lists.**

Lists were transcribed for 1919, 1920, 1921 and 1926. These contain the names of those confirmed to the Anglican Church, when confirmed and by whom.

- Comprises 61 full names total, all with dates and name of person who conducted the confirmation.

### **Burials.**

These are lists of church members/affiliates who passed away. Two sample periods were transcribed: 1926-8 and 1936-8.

- 1926-8 contains 50 full names. All have date of death, age and where buried.
- 1936-8 contains 39 full names. All have date of death, date of burial, age, where buried and officiating clergyman.

### **Ladies Guild members 1938.**

- Comprises 21 surnames (all Mrs), 18 with street name, 17 with street number, 18 with suburb.

### **Mission minutes.**

These provide details on those involved in Anglican mission work in St Kilda, 1907-11, prior to the formal establishment of Holy Cross.

- Comprises 58 names, all with titles, 40 with first name or initials, 34 with street address, 24 with street number, 29 with suburb. Their position in the mission is also listed.

### **Mothers' Union.**

This is a subscription list for the Holy Cross Church Mothers' Union. It lists the names and addresses of those subscribed for the 1936-8 sample period.

- Comprises 65 full names, all women. 63 have street address, 59 with street number, 62 with suburb. Subscription details for 1936-8 are given, along with sundry notes on address changes, resignations etc.

### ***Bibliographical information:***

Primary sources. Most (possibly all) church records are still held at the parish in St Kilda, however, there may be some sources among the records of St Peter's, Caversham, since Holy Cross began as an extension of St Peter's. The vicar of Holy Cross, Jan Clarke, allowed me to peruse their records and borrow material for the Project. I took brief notes on sources held for the 1890-1938 period (though the parish also holds records up to the present day). Sources I noted were: parish burials 1936-1993 (includes death, burial, age name, cemetery and clergyman), baptismal registers 1917- (includes where born, when baptised, name, parents, abode, trade/occupation, clergyman), Banns of Marriage 1918-36, confirmation candidates 1918-35 (name and year), register of services 1913-20 and 1938- (date, hour, clergyman, subject/text, number in congregation, number of communicants, collections, object, remarks), vestry books 1920-38 (date, time, preacher, text, offerings, number of communicants, number in attendance, offerings, remarks), vestry meeting minutes 1931- (general business, events and officer elections), parishioners' meeting books 1917-31 (general business and those attendance), members roll 1927-59 (see above), churchwardens book 1922- (lists of names and addresses), cash books 1915-, annual reports, choir minute book 1937- (general, some surnames), Ladies Guild minutes 1915- (general, some surnames), Young Men's Club minutes 1928-38 (names and general business), Mission Committee minutes 1909-17 (names, addresses, subscribers to stipend fund), Mothers Union minutes (general business, members,

subscriptions), marriage registers 1918-. See also Caversham oral material - several Anglicans were interviewed.

Secondary sources:

- Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present*, Dunedin 1999, pp.194-5. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- Holy Cross Church, St Kilda, Dunedin, *Golden Jubilee Celebrations 1912-1962*, [Dunedin 1962]. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- *The Story of St Peter's Church Caversham, Dunedin. 70th Anniversary Celebrations*, [Dunedin 1952]. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.

Contacts: The current vicar, Jan Clarke, has been very helpful and is willing to loan sources. Ph: 4556032 (hm), 4554015 (parish office).

### 3) St Peter's the Less.

This was located in Hargest Crescent (Forbury Crescent), St Clair, and was a branch of St Peter's of Caversham. The church building was formerly owned by the Catholic Apostolic Church in McClaggan Street and was placed on its present site in 1928. St Peter's the Less began as a Sunday school in 1913 and by 1925 met as a distinct congregation. The congregation has disbanded and their building is now owned and used by a dance school.

**Sources held by the Caversham Project:**

none.

***Bibliographical information:***

Primary sources. These are held at the Hocken Library among the records of St Peter's of Caversham. Sources are presently listed in a manual folder, not on Hakena - ask at the desk for it. Sources for our study period are limited to a cradle roll 1927-46 and a cash book 1935-52. However, it is possible that other records are intermingled with the records for St Peter's of Caversham. It may be that parishioners of the Less were recorded and not differentiated in St Peter's parishioner rolls. Certainly, some marriages at the Less appear in St Peter's marriage registers. See also Caversham oral material - several Anglicans were interviewed.

Secondary sources.

- Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present*, Dunedin 1999, p.191. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- Turvey, Annette, *St Peter the Less, St Clair, Parish of Caversham, Dunedin, Dunedin 1978*. Held at Hocken.

Contacts: unknown.

## Baptist

### *Baptists in boroughs of Southern Dunedin*

	Caversham				South Dunedin				St Kilda				Dunedin/City of Dunedin				% (NZ)
	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	
1891	256	316	572	12	121	170	291	6.9	64	54	118	10					2.37
1901	191	204	395	7.5	134	166	300	5.6	87	88	175	10					2.08
1911									85	97	182	4.4	913	1082	1995	4.8	1.99
1921									95	101	196	3.2	951	1234	2185	3.8	1.63
1936									109	154	263	3.4	1064	1266	2330	3.6	1.66

Source: NZ census.

There were two Baptist churches in the study area, Caversham Baptist Church (which split into two factions in 1884 but amalgamated in 1895) and South Dunedin Baptist Church.

### **1)Caversham Baptist Church (including John Street Church).**

Caversham Baptist Church became a distinct parish in 1873. In 1871 a church building was established on the corner of Surrey Street and Main South Road. In 1884 a schism occurred, 74 of 170 members forming a separate congregation. These schismatics built a hall in Playfair Street, though they were known as the John Street Baptist Church. In 1895 the two groups amalgamated and the Playfair Street building was used as a Sunday school until a new church building was built in 1907. The Playfair Street building was then sold to the Caversham Brethren Assembly. The church remains active today. Actual church members numbered 146 in 1896, 149 in 1914, 181 in 1929 and 213 in 1938 (though later figures had a much larger proportion of members residing outside the region). Their Sunday school attracted an average of 168 students in 1897. In 1907 approximately 158 were listed in classes. By 1931 scholars and Bible class students totaled 196.

#### **Sources held by the Caversham Project:**

##### **Pilot Study spreadsheet, 1893-11.**

This is the spreadsheet of the pilot study undertaken prior to collecting other church records. It is made up of a variety of sources covering approximately 1893-1911, all of which were photocopied and can be found in the Caversham Room, and is constructed chronologically (for more details see S. Broadley, "Caversham Baptist Church Pilot Study: Report", May 1999, in church folder in Caversham Room). Sources used:

- Sunday School registers 1890-6, 1898-9, 1904-5, 1907-8. Contains names, some addresses and weekly attendance.
- Young Men's Club records. Contains names of members.
- Members' minutes 1906-11. These provided lists of church officers.
- Members' rolls for 1892 (names only), 1909 (names only) and 1895-1946. This latter roll was re-written in 1946 and only provides information on those alive in that year and after. Contains date received, name, address, how received and 'remarks'.

- Pilot study comprises 1264 surnames in total, 1257 with first names and/or initials and titles. The majority are Sunday school students. 275 have street names, 234 have suburbs. There is a column for each year for 1891-1909, containing details on membership, school attendance, offices and other sundry information.

##### **Members, circa 1912-50.**

This is a single spreadsheet containing information from the 1946 members' roll mentioned above. As noted, this roll was re-written in 1946. The roll contains all those received into the church up to and including 1957, excluding those who left the church or died prior to 1946. However, this spreadsheet only lists those received between 1912 and 1950. Those received prior to 1912 appear in the Pilot Study spreadsheet. Those received after 1950 were deemed too far outside the study period and were not transcribed.

- Comprises 249 surnames, 217 with first name (mainly initials), 157 with title, 208 with street name (most with street number), 169 with suburb. Also contains date received, how received and information on transferals, removals, address changes and name changes.

***Bibliographical information:***

Primary sources. Church records are held at the Hocken Library. Useful sources for our period are outlined above and in the 'Pilot Study: Report'. Photocopies can be found in manual folders in the Caversham Room. See also oral interviews.

Secondary sources.

- Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present*, Dunedin 1999, pp.181-2. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- Reid, Melissa, "Caversham Baptist Church: Sunday School 1890-1916 and Young Men's Club 1901-1907", student essay for Brooking and Olssen 1982. Held in Caversham Room.

Contacts: Susan, an archivist at the Hocken Library, is a Baptist herself and useful to talk to.

**2)South Dunedin Baptist Church.**

Baptist activity in South Dunedin began from extension work conducted by Caversham Baptist Church in 1873, and in 1883 a building was first erected in Oxford Street. In 1923 they moved to larger premises on the corner of King Edward Street and Bay View Road. The church remains active. Members numbered approximately 60 in 1894 and rose to 90 in 1900. A slump then occurred, with numbers decreasing to 52 in 1907. Numbers then rose: 82 in 1909 and circa 130 in 1925. In 1934 there were 137 members, though 35 lived outside the region. Their Sunday school was attended by, on average, 240 children in 1894. This average slumped to 78 in 1906 but rose to 101 in 1909. By 1929 the average attendance was 120.

**Sources held by the Caversham Project:**

**Members rolls.**

These contain records of members of the church. Photocopied and transcribed.

- 1894. Extracted from Members minute books. Comprises 60 surnames, all with title, 49 with first name.
- 1895. Extracted from Members minute books. Comprises 105 surnames, 93 with title, 83 with first name, plus some details on removals, transferals etc.
- 1908. Extracted from Members minute books. Comprises 102 surnames, 92 with title, 81 with first name, plus details on transferals, removals, baptisms etc.
- Rolls, circa 1906-1923. Comprises two rolls. The first contains 191 surnames, 174 with title, 150 with first name. Most have when received and how received plus details on removals, transferals etc. The second roll comprises 121 surnames, 112 with title, 92 with christian name, 36 with street address. Also contains details on transferals, removals, baptisms etc.

**Absentee list.**

This is a small list of members residing in distant locations, extracted from the rolls of 1906-1923. Photocopied and transcribed.

- Comprises 21 surnames, all with title, 16 with first name, plus details on where and when removed.

**Deceased members.**

This is a small list of deceased members between 1894 and 1906, extracted from the rolls of 1906-1923.

- Comprises seven names with date of death and 'remarks'.

**AGM elections.**

These contain the elections of church officers and were extracted from members' minute books. Five sample periods were photocopied and transcribed: 1893-5, 1908-10, 1919-21, 1926-8 and 1936-8.

- Each election comprises the name (often just a surname with a title) with their position in the church and 'remarks'. The number of names increases in later periods, for example, 10 in 1893, 28 in 1926 and 59 in 1938.

**Ings Bible material.**

This contains sundry material recorded in a bible formerly owned by Rev. Ings. Photocopied and transcribed. It comprises:

- ten pioneers of the church in 1875, surname and title only.
- members connected with the Sunday school circa 1913, comprising 27 surnames, 16 with first name or initials, 26 with title.
- Sunday school teachers circa 1913, comprising 28 full names, most with dates when they first started teaching.
- deceased teachers, 8 names in total.

**Sunday school annual examinations.**

These are lists of students and their examination results, extracted from Sunday school minutes. Lists were photocopied and transcribed for 1894, 1930 and 1932-9.

- 1894. Comprises 32 full names with their results.
- 1930 and 1932-9. Comprises 122 full names in total, all with examination results.

**Annual Sunday school elections and reports.**

These are lists of officers of the Sunday school taken from annual elections and reports. Officers were photocopied and transcribed for 1893-4, 1908-9, 1911, 1919-20, 1926-8 and 1936-8.

- Each year comprises names (often just surnames and titles) with their position at the school, plus occasional remarks. The number of names vary, for example, 15 in 1893, 39 in 1919 and 32 in 1936.

**Teachers' meetings roll 1920-25.**

Extracted from Sunday school teachers' meeting minutes. Photocopied. *This has yet to be transcribed.*

- Comprises 39 surnames with titles and their attendance at meetings.

**Decisions for Christ, 1938.**

Photocopied and transcribed from Sunday school minutes.

- Comprises 35 full names, all children aged between 8 and 12.

**Honorary teachers.**

Photocopied and transcribed from Sunday school minutes.

- Comprises three names.

**Pledge cards.**

Photocopied and transcribed from Sunday school minutes.

- Comprises 45 full names of persons who signed pledge cards during 1930-4.

**Teachers on roll in 1895.**

This is a list of all teachers on the roll in 1895, when they were received and 'remarks'. Photocopied and transcribed from Sunday school minutes.

- Comprises 67 surnames, 51 with titles and 38 with christian names or initials.

**Teachers' roll 1926.**

Photocopied and transcribed from Sunday school minutes.

- Comprises 51 surnames, very few with title or first name, plus some attendance figures.

**Girls' Sunday school register 1925-31.**

This comprises six rolls and contains the name, address and age of female students. Photocopied and transcribed.

- 1925 roll. Comprises 183 full names, 163 with street name, 134 with street number, 53 with suburb. Most have their age and/or birthday, plus some remarks.
- 1926. Comprises 190 full names, 156 with street name, 131 with street number, 13 with suburb. Most have their age and/or birthday plus occasional remarks.
- undated [circa 1927-8]. Comprises 176 full names, 160 with street name, 146 with street number, 13 with suburb. Most have age and/or birthday plus remarks.
- undated [circa 1928-9]. Comprises 142 full names, only 11 with street address.
- 1930. Comprises 119 full names, 106 with street name, 99 with street number, most with age and/or birthday, plus occasional remarks.
- 1931. Comprises 66 full names, all with street name and number. Most have age and/or birthday

**Women's Mission roll 1922.**

Photocopied and transcribed from BWMU records.

- Comprises 31 surnames with titles, plus attendance figures.

**Women's Mission subscriptions 1921.**

Photocopied and transcribed from BWMU records.

- Comprises 8 surnames with titles and subscriptions.

***Bibliographical information:***

**Primary sources.** These are held at the Hocken. There is a large amount of primary material on this church. Much of it was photocopied for the Project. Some of this photocopied material has not been transcribed. Sources other than those listed above includes church rolls for 1892 and 1902, church members' minutes 1887- (includes the occasional members' rolls listed above, general business, removals, arrivals and clippings), jubilee records and historical papers (includes a history of the Sunday school), building committee records, photographs, Sunday school minute books 1875-, Sunday school teachers' meeting minutes 1912-25 (includes annual reports of church and school and a 1912 published anniversary meeting pamphlet), papers on the constitution and rules of the church, officers' minutes 1920-, deacons' minutes 1894-1920 and 1925-9, Girls Brigade records 1932- and BWMU records 1921-. See also oral interviews.

#### Secondary sources.

- Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present*, Dunedin 1999, pp.197. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- Fraser, Natalie C., *William Ings: early settler and Baptist layman: a biography*, Dunedin 1987.
- [South Dunedin Baptist Church], *Good Tidings, 24th November 1963*, Dunedin 1963 (subtitled "Ninety Years on the Flat, a brief history of the South Dunedin Baptist Church"). Held at the Hocken.

**Contacts:** Susan, an archivist at the Hocken Library, is a Baptist herself and useful to talk to.

## Brethren

### *Brethren in boroughs of Southern Dunedin*

	Caversham				South Dunedin				St Kilda				Dunedin/City of Dunedin				% (NZ)
	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	
1891	20	22	42	0.9	11	10	21	0.5	1	1	2	0.2					0.57
1901	31	35	66	1.3	26	11	37	0.7	0	0	0	0					0.97
1911									20	23	43	1	168	203	371	0.9	0.78
1921									21	21	42	0.7	259	324	583	1	0.91
1936									27	28	55	0.7	298	407	705	1.1	1.15

Source: NZ Census. Includes Open, Exclusive, Christian and Plymouth Brethren.

There were two Brethren congregations in the study area, in Caversham (Playfair Street, first met in 1883) and South Dunedin (King Edward Street, first met in 1904), plus a mission station in Fingall Street, South Dunedin.

### **1) Caversham Brethren Assembly**

According to Horner (author of *An Open Door*) this assembly began as a geographical split from the Dunedin assembly. The Caversham assembly and its Sunday school began in 1883, though in its early years preferred to not be known as a corporate body (Caversham assembly only appears in *Stone's* from 1902). They met at Caversham school until purchasing their present building from the John Street Baptist Church in 1907. It was also around this time that a split occurred, conservative (though not exclusive) members forming an assembly in Mornington, which still exists today. The cause of the

division was over receiving other believers into Lord's table meetings. According to Lloyd Martin, an elderly member, members numbered approximately 100 in the 1920s, with at least 100 attending Sunday school, though numbers have dropped steadily since the 1920s.

### **Sources held by Caversham Project:**

A spreadsheet for both Caversham and South Dunedin Assemblies covering the whole study period was constructed based on various scattered sources: Lloyd Martin documents (jubilee pamphlets and sundry documents on church business), Lloyd Martin photographs (1890s-, accompanied by names), J.E. Horner's *An Open Door*, Commonwealth War Graves Commission records, Stone's directories and an interview with Margaret Nielson (a member of the South Dunedin Assembly 1919-34). See bibliographical information below for details.

- Comprises 627 surnames, 548 with first name or initials, plus 11 maiden names. 38 have address, 47 have occupation. Some detail on when and what manner involved in Brethren.

### ***Bibliographical information:***

**Primary sources:** These are scarce. Brethren tended to eschew the formality of committing church affairs and membership details to paper. Elders' minute books did exist, but according to Lloyd Martin were mistakenly thrown away. Martin did provide me with the following documents, which have been photocopied: *Playfair Street Hall Sunday School, Programme, Diamond Jubilee Celebrations 1883-1943*; *The Sunday School Workers' Magazine, Nov.-Dec.-Jan., 1933-34*; *Victory Hymn Sheet, Playfair Street Hall Anniversary Service Wednesday, October 3rd, 1945*; *Playfair Street Hall Sunday School Caversham, Anniversary Services, Wednesday, July 20, 1927*; *Souvenir of 36th Anniversary Gathering and Peace Thanksgiving Service, Playfair Street Hall, Caversham. Wednesday August 6th 1919*; *Playfair Street Hall Sunday School, Caversham. Anniversary Services Wednesday, July 8th, 1925*; *Playfair Street Hall Sunday School Caversham, Jubilee Anniversary Service, Wednesday, July 26th, 1933*; "Memorandum of Appointment of New Trustees of the Caversham Gospel Chapel Playfair Street Dunedin", 1969; document outlining the cause of division among members, [1906]. Also photocopied are genealogical details of three members, extracted from Commonwealth War Graves Commission (<http://www.cwgc.org>). Other primary information may exist in the Brethren periodical *New Zealand Treasury*, later *Treasury*, 1901-, and other periodicals (see Lineham's religious bibliography). See also oral interviews with the McCracken's. Other good oral informants are listed in 'contacts' below.

### **Secondary sources:**

- Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present, Dunedin 1999, pp.182-3. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.*
- Horner, J.E., *An Open Door: an outline of the first hundred years of the Caversham Open Brethren Assembly, [Dunedin 1983]. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.*
- Lineham, Peter, *There We Found Brethren: a history of assemblies of Brethren in New Zealand, Palmerston North 1977.*

**Contacts:** I met and spoke with Lloyd Martin (76yrs) and his wife, long time members of the Caversham assembly. Lloyd's father was Frank Martin, a key figure in the early years of the assembly. They are very helpful and live at 13 Thomson Street, Caversham, ph.4877276. I also met and gleaned some information from John Bradley (circa 50-60yrs), a present member of the Mornington assembly who knows lots of possible contacts. He lives at 20 Leary Street, Mornington, ph.4884654. Joanne Horner, author of *An Open Door*, works in a Wellington library and might also be worth contacting.

## **2) South Dunedin Brethren Assembly**

According to John Bradley, the South Dunedin Assembly first met on 29 January 1904. Two years later they built a brick building in King Edward Street (now the Aurora Health Centre) which they occupied until 1974 when they moved to their present location at 33 Queens Drive. Margaret Nielson, a member 1919-34, recalled that numbers in 1919 were about 60-70 and that numbers remained good at her departure in 1934. Bradley informed me that numbers increased to around 100 after WWII following the evangelism of Enoch Coppin. Present membership is around 40.

### **Sources held by Caversham Project:**

See source details for the Caversham assembly (above).

### ***Bibliographical information:***

**Primary sources:** These are scarce. Brethren tended to eschew the formality of committing church affairs and membership details to paper. Oral interviews are probably the best source for this assembly (for example, Margaret Nielson), though information may exist in the Brethren periodical *New Zealand Treasury*, later *Treasury*, 1901-, and other periodicals (see Lineham's religious bibliography). See also oral interviews with the McCracken's and others. Other good oral informants are listed in 'contacts' below.

### **Secondary sources:**

- Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present*, Dunedin 1999, p.203. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- Lineham, Peter, *There We Found Brethren: a history of assemblies of Brethren in New Zealand*, Palmerston North 1977.

**Contacts:** I met and informally interviewed Margaret Nielson, born 1910. She has an excellent memory and was open and willing to provide information. She presently lives in Maran-Atha Home, Mosgiel. I also talked to John Bradley who recommended other possible contacts: Ted Wolfenden (currently a member) and John Adams (elder of Henly Gospel Hall who would know names of people in early Dunedin).

## **3) Fingall Street Mission.**

Croot notes that during 1933-6 a 'Fingall Street Mission' operated out of the moribund St Michael's [Eastern Orthodox] Church building in Fingall Street and that a 'Frank Martin' was prominent. This man was a leading Brethren Christian and his son Lloyd is an informant for Brethren sources. For sources and contacts see Brethren informants listed above.

## Christian Science

### *Christian Scientists in boroughs Southern Dunedin*

	Caversham				South Dunedin				St Kilda				Dunedin/City of Dunedin				% (NZ)
	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	
1891																	
1901																	0
1911																	0.01
1921									1	1	2	0	15	23	38	0.1	0.07
1936									7	10	17	0.2	88	135	223	0.3	0.31

Source: NZ Census. First listed as a category in borough tables in 1921.

Research needed.

## Church of Christ

### *Churches of Christ adherents in boroughs of Southern Dunedin*

	Caversham				South Dunedin				St Kilda				Dunedin/City of Dunedin				% (NZ)
	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	
1891	30	27	57	1.2	44	56	100	2.4	4	2	6	0.5					0.84
1901	38	30	68	1.3	29	36	65	1.2	4	14	18	1.1					0.79
1911									33	48	81	2	361	497	858	2.1	0.91
1921									20	28	48	0.8	334	474	808	1.4	0.71
1936									39	48	87	1.1	432	522	954	1.5	0.75

Source: NZ census. Includes Church of Christ, Disciples of Christ, Christian Disciples and Disciples.

There was only one congregation in the study area:

### **1)South Dunedin Church of Christ.**

Croot's outline of this church's history differs from a 1936 church pamphlet. According to this pamphlet, in the 1870s meetings were first held at the old Kensington primary school, and in 1877 a block of land was purchased for construction of a church building in Argyle Street. Construction work was delayed for some time and meetings were held at Clark's Hall, Naumann's Hall and Arcade Hall. Sunday morning meetings first began in 1886 at Clark's Hall. Incorrectly, Croot states that in 1898 it became an independent congregation from the St Andrews Street Tabernacle. In fact, independence was achieved in 1901, though a church building was constructed in Argyle Street (later called Lorne Street) in 1898. (Note: a Church of Christ also existed in Argyle Street, Mornington). In 1917 a new building was constructed on a new site, on the corner of King Edward Street and Macandrew Road. According to minute book details, there were 158 members in 1911. In 1909 there were 17 Sunday school teachers (attendance 10) instructing 100 scholars (attendance 80). In 1919 there were 68 "certain" members, 22 "doubtful" and 22 "isolated". Numbers declined in the 1950s and the congregation disbanded. The site is now occupied by the Southern Hills Christian Centre. Churches of Christ are now known primarily as Associated Churches of Christ.

**Sources held by the Caversham Project:**

No primary sources are held apart from a 1936 anniversary pamphlet (see below).

***Bibliographical information:***

**Primary sources:** A wealth of material is in the Hocken Library. Most of this material, unlike sources for other Associated Churches of Christ, is not listed on Hakena. You must ask for a manual list of sources (photocopy held in manual folder in Caversham Room). I have viewed most of the material: marriage certificate butts 1924-39 (names and dates), photographs (very good stuff), cradle roll 1932- (names and date of birth), women's fellowship minutes (scanty with some names), Dunedin Auxiliary Christian Band of Missions minute book 1908-12 (officers listed), officers minute book 1909-40 (general business and correspondence), minute book of Church of Christ 1903-37 (officer elections and general business), financial records 1917-, transfer butts 1938-9 (20-30 names, date transferred and where to). A particularly good source is a roll book circa 1900-1960 (name, address, change of address, date of admission, mode of admission, removal, remarks), though it appears to have been re-written at some stage and therefore omits some earlier adherents. Material also exists among the records of the St Andrews Street Church of Christ. I have viewed a roll book of this church 1888- , and though rarely fully filled out, it contains columns for name, date of admission, mode of admission, occupation, district (including South Dunedin district and other Otago districts), street, suburb, date and manner of severance, present address, remarks, plus an alphabeticised section with similar details for members. Other ephemeral sources are listed on the list held in the manual folder for this church in the Caversham Room. See also the *Jubilee of the South Dunedin Church of Christ 1886-1936*, [Dunedin 1936], for names and church history.

**Secondary sources:**

- Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present*, Dunedin 1999, p.201-2. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- *Jubilee of the South Dunedin Church of Christ 1886-1936*, [Dunedin 1936].
- *St Andrew Street Church of Christ, Centennial Souvenir: 1858-1958*, [Dunedin 1958]. Held at Hocken.
- *A Souvenir of the Jubilee of the Church of Christ, meeting in the Tabernacle, Great King Street, Dunedin, New Zealand. 1858 -1908: a brief historical record*, Dunedin 1908. Held at Hocken.
- Matson, A.B, *Jubilee Pictorial History of Churches of Christ in Australasia*, Melbourne 1903. Held at Hocken.

**Contacts:** David Brown of the St Andrew Street Church of Christ: home 4727456; church 4774848. He informed me that all Dunedin records are held in the Hocken, and that material for New Zealand is held by a George Truman of Nelson.

**Congregationalist**

*Congregationalists in boroughs of Southern Dunedin*

	Caversham				South Dunedin				St Kilda				Dunedin/City of Dunedin				% (NZ)
	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	
1891	36	32	68	1.4	9	5	14	0.3	4	3	7	0.6					1.07
1901	48	46	104	2	13	23	36	0.7	10	23	33	1.9					0.87
1911									24	34	58	1.4	444	520	964	2.3	0.87
1921									21	39	60	1	350	477	827	1.4	0.65
1936									12	15	27	0.3	224	298	522	0.8	0.48

Source: NZ census.

There was one Congregational church in the study area:

### 1) St Clair Congregational Church.

This church took root under the leadership of Rev. Edward Walker in the 1880s. In 1885 a wooden church building was constructed and the congregation became fully independent in 1898 under Rev. Alfred Hodge.

A new chapel was built in 1904, which still stands today on Forbury Road. When Hodge left in 1908 numbers declined, many shifting to the new St Clair Presbyterian Church. In 1923 the congregation disbanded and the building was sold to the Cargill Road Methodists who then inaugurated the St Clair Methodist Church.

#### Sources held by the Caversham Project:

None.

#### Bibliographical information:

**Primary sources:** A marriage register is held by the Methodist Connexion Archives in Christchurch among the sources of St Clair Methodist Church. Apart from this, I do not know of any other church records. Perhaps *The Outlook* (1901-) and *N.Z. Congregationalist* (1914-49) has some useful information. See also oral interviews (especially Loma Kent-Johnston and Molly Patricia Thorn).

#### Secondary sources:

• Chambers, J.B., *A Peculiar People: Congregationalism in New Zealand 1840-1984 Including the Congregational Union of New Zealand 1884-1984*, Wellington 1984.

• Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present*, Dunedin 1999, p.190. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.

**Contacts:** The Methodist Connexion Archives in Christchurch (P.O. Box 931 Christchurch) are administered by Rev. Marcia Baker (03 3666049). I have written to her but received no reply. They are open on Tuesday and Friday mornings.

## Eastern Orthodox

*Eastern Orthodox ('Greek Church') adherents in boroughs of Southern Dunedin*

	Caversham				South Dunedin				St Kilda				Dunedin/City of Dunedin				% (NZ)
	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	
1891	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0.01
1901	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.1					0.02
1911									5	11	16	0.4	31	34	65	0.2	0.03
1921																	0.02
1936																	0.02

Source: NZ census. The 1921 and 1936 censuses omit 'Greek Church' category.

There was one Eastern Orthodox church in the study area:

### **1)St Michael's**

This South Dunedin congregation is located in Fingall Street. According to Croot, it was the first purpose-built Eastern Orthodox Church in New Zealand and is currently the oldest existing church. Croot states that the church was founded by Lebanese and Syrians who arrived in the 1890s. It opened in 1911, but by 1916 the church was forced to close due largely it seems to a lack of a priest. It re-opened in 1937 when the vicar of Holy Cross Anglican Church began taking services there. It now has an Eastern Orthodox priest, Father Ilian Eades [?]. Note: Croot notes that during 1933-6 a 'Fingall Street Mission' operated out of this church building and that a 'Frank Martin' was prominent. This man was a leading Brethren Christian and his son Lloyd is an informant for Brethren sources (see Brethren details above).

### **Sources held by Caversham Project:**

none.

### ***Bibliographical information:***

Primary sources: Unknown. Presumably these will be variously located at the church itself, at Holy Cross Anglican Church, at the Hocken and among elderly members.

### Secondary sources:

- Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present*, Dunedin 1999, pp.204-5. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- Threadgill, Stephen Alan, "The Eastern Orthodox Church in New Zealand", M.A. Religious Studies thesis, University of Canterbury 1987.
- Thornton, Bernard Christopher Buchanan, "The Lebanese, Chinese and Dutch communities in Dunedin City", M.A. thesis in Geography, University of Otago 1968. Held in Central Library and Geography Department.
- Sanders, M.C., "The Lebanese Community in Dunedin before 1936", dissertation in History, University of Otago 1980. Held at Hocken.

Contacts: According to Rachel Gillet and her friend Dickon Sim, Mrs June Sim (currently an attendee) would be useful to approach before approaching Father Ilian Eades.

## **Freethought**

*Freethinkers in boroughs of Southern Dunedin*

	Caversham				South Dunedin				St Kilda				Dunedin/City of Dunedin				% (NZ)
	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	
1891	15	4	19	0.4	47	28	75	1.8	7	5	12	1					0.72
1901	9	4	13	0.2	9	5	14	0.3	4	3	7	0.4					0.37
1911									8	1	9	0.2	85	30	115	0.3	0.42
1921									0	0	0	0	24	4	28	0	0.1
1936																	0.06

Source: NZ census. 'Freethinkers' not listed 1936 borough tables.

Research needed.

Primary sources: unknown.

Secondary sources:

- Broadley, Shaun D., "Spirited Visions: a study of spiritualism in New Zealand settler society", PhD in History, University of Otago 2000, ch.3.

## Judaism

*'Hebrews' in boroughs of Southern Dunedin*

	Caversham				South Dunedin				St Kilda				Dunedin/City of Dunedin				% (NZ)
	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	
1891	3	3	6	0.1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0					0.23
1901	4	16	20	0.4	5	6	11	0.2	2	1	3	0.2					0.21
1911									3	6	9	0.2	86	116	202	0.5	0.21
1921									16	17	33	0.5	70	80	150	0.3	0.19
1936									13	17	30	0.4	69	69	138	0.2	0.18

Source: NZ census.

Research needed.

Primary sources: unknown.

Secondary sources:

- Baumberg, Christine Anne, "Ripples From Europe: the Dunedin Jewish Community in the 1930s and 1940s", dissertation in History, University of Otago 1998.

Contacts: I was informed by Christine Baumberg that Ted Friedlander has sources for the Dunedin congregation.

## Methodist

*Methodists in boroughs of Southern Dunedin*

	Caversham				South Dunedin				St Kilda				Dunedin/City of Dunedin				% (NZ)
	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	
1891	195	215	410	8.7	136	179	315	7.5	24	37	61	5.3					10.13
1901	238	265	503	9.6	366	413	779	14.5	43	42	85	5					10.85
1911									185	224	409	9.9	1498	1829	3327	8	9.4
1921									272	318	590	9.7	1917	2390	4307	7.4	9.22
1936									303	407	710	9.2	2302	2850	5152	8	8.11

Source: NZ census. Includes Methodist, Wesleyan, United Free, Primitive and Bible Christians.

There were four Methodist churches in the study area, Wesley Methodist Church (Cargill Road), Caversham Methodist Church (until 1912, Kew Primitive Methodist Church), St Clair Methodist Church and St Kilda Methodist Church.

### **1)Caversham Methodist Church (formerly Kew Primitive Methodist Church).**

Following initial services at City Hall in 1875, a Primitive Methodist Church building was first erected in Kew on the corner of Hillside Road (Cargill Road) and Forbury Road. This was the first PMC in Dunedin. A new church building was built in 1903 alongside the old one. In 1912, following the Methodist Union, it was decided to dismantle the church building and move to a site in Caversham by the tram terminus, since the Cargill Road Wesleyan Church with which they were now united was so close. (These two congregations were still quite different in character: Wesleyans more respectable and middle-class, Caversham Methodists more militant socially with trade union and temperance links etc, though still rather Tory.) The first service at the newly relocated church took place in 1915. The church closed in 1978 and remaining members joined the Cargill Road congregation.

#### **Sources held by the Caversham Project:**

None.

#### ***Bibliographical information:***

**Primary sources:** There are a wide variety of primary sources for this church. Unfortunately, key sources such as membership rolls, circuit books and marriage registers are located at the Methodist Connexional Archives in Christchurch, though some sources are held at the Hocken library. A full list of what Methodist sources are where exists at the Hocken and has been photocopied (see manual folder in the Caversham Room for this church), however, this list does not appear to be accurate. Research in Christchurch is needed. See also oral interviews.

#### **Secondary sources:**

- [Caversham Methodist Church], *Seventy-Five Years of Service*, [Dunedin 1951]. Held at Hocken.
- Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present*, Dunedin 1999, p.183- 4. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- Methodist Folder at the Hocken Library (located on shelves in the public reference area) has a good outline of the history of Methodism and Methodist sources in Otago. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- Wallis, M.E., "The Methodists of Caversham: Kew Primitive Methodist Church 1900-14 and Caversham Methodist Church 1914-20", student essay for Brooking and Olssen, 1982. Photocopy in Caversham Room.

**Contacts:** The Methodist Connexian Archives in Christchurch (P.O. Box 931 Christchurch) are administered by Rev. Marcia Baker (03 3666049). I have

written to her but received no reply. They are open on Tuesday and Friday mornings.

## **2)Cargill Road Methodist Church (Wesley Methodist Church).**

The origins of this church lie in a union between a Sunday school and preaching station established around 1878 in Melbourne Street and Methodist group who met in College Street, Caversham. The church was initiated following the removal of the Opoho church building to the site of the present Sunday school on Cargill Road in 1882. Services first began in that year. The present building was built during 1893-4 and continues today as a Methodist church.

### **Sources held by the Caversham Project:**

None.

### ***Bibliographical information:***

Primary sources: There are a wide variety of primary sources for this church. Unfortunately, key sources such as membership rolls, circuit books and marriage registers are located at the Methodist Connexional Archives in Christchurch, though some sources are held at the Hocken Library. A full list of what Methodist sources are where exists at the Hocken and has been photocopied (see manual folder in the Caversham Room for Caversham Methodist Church), however, this list does not appear to be accurate. Research in Christchurch is needed. See also oral interviews.

### Secondary sources:

- *Cargill Road Methodist Church, Fifty Years, 1882-1932, [Dunedin 1932]. Photocopy in Caversham Room.*
- Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present, Dunedin 1999, p.183- 4. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.*
- Methodist Folder at the Hocken Library (located on shelves in the public reference area) has a good outline of the history of Methodism and Methodist sources in Otago. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- *One Hundred Years, Wesley Methodist Church, Dunedin, 1882-1982, [Dunedin 1982]. Photocopy in Caversham Room.*
- Wallis, M.E., "The Methodists of Caversham: Kew Primitive Methodist Church 1900-14 and Caversham Methodist Church 1914-20", student essay for Brooking and Olssen, 1982. Photocopy in Caversham Room.

Contacts: The Methodist Connexian Archives in Christchurch (P.O. Box 931 Christchurch) are administered by Rev. Marcia Baker (03 3666049). I have written to her but received no reply. They are open on Tuesday and Friday mornings.

## **3)St Clair Methodist Church**

This church began as an extension of the Cargill Road church. They took over the premises of the St Clair Congregational Church, Forbury Road, in 1923, and services first began in November of that year. They remained there until the 1950s, when the church disbanded. The building is now used by the [Dutch] Reformed Church of Dunedin.

**Sources held by the Caversham Project:**

None.

***Bibliographical information:***

Primary sources: these are located at the Methodist Connexional Archives in Christchurch, though some sources are held at the Hocken Library. There does not appear to be any members rolls for this church. A full list of what Methodist sources are where exists at the Hocken and has been photocopied (see manual folder in the Caversham Room for Caversham Methodist Church), however, this list does not appear to be accurate. Research in Christchurch is needed. See also oral interviews.

Secondary sources:

- *Cargill Road Methodist Church, Fifty Years, 1882-1932*, [Dunedin 1932].  
Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present*, Dunedin 1999, p.190- 1.  
Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- Methodist Folder at the Hocken Library (located on shelves in the public reference area) has a good outline of the history of Methodism and Methodist sources in Otago. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.

Contacts: The Methodist Connexian Archives in Christchurch (P.O. Box 931 Christchurch) are administered by Rev. Marcia Baker (03 3666049). I have written to her but received no reply. They are open on Tuesday and Friday mornings.

**4)St Kilda Methodist Church**

This church first ran regular services in the St Kilda Town Hall in 1902, and in 1906 they built a church building in Queens Drive. Following the Methodist Union in 1912 the church absorbed the primitive Methodist congregation which met in Andersons Bay. It still exists today.

**Sources held by the Caversham Project:**

None.

***Bibliographical information:***

Primary sources: There are a wide variety of sources for this church. They are located at the Methodist Connexional Archives in Christchurch, though some sources are held at the Hocken Library. A full list of what Methodist sources are where exists at the Hocken and has been photocopied (see manual folder in the Caversham Room for Caversham Methodist Church), however, this list does not appear to be accurate. Research in Christchurch is needed. See also oral interviews.

Secondary sources:

- Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present*, Dunedin 1999, p.193.  
Photocopy held in Caversham Room.

- Methodist Folder at the Hocken Library (located on shelves in the public reference area) has a good outline of the history of Methodism and Methodist sources in Otago. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- Johnson, Sydney Arthur, *St Kilda Methodist Church, Dunedin, New Zealand, Jubilee Record, 1906-1981*, [Dunedin 1981]. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- Johnson, Sydney Arthur, *50 Years Witness in St Kilda and Adjacent Areas, 1906-56, Jubilee Brochure, St Kilda Methodist Church, Dunedin 1956*. Held at Hocken.

**Contacts:** The Methodist Connexian Archives in Christchurch (P.O. Box 931 Christchurch) are administered by Rev. Marcia Baker (03 3666049). I have written to her but received no reply. They are open on Tuesday and Friday mornings.

## Presbyterian

### *Presbyterians in boroughs of Southern Dunedin*

	Caversham				South Dunedin				St Kilda				Dunedin/City of Dunedin				% (NZ)
	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	
1891	687	714	1401	29.9	601	682	1283	30.4	128	158	286	24.8					22.62
1901	851	917	1768	33.6	713	814	1527	28.5	215	248	463	27.2					22.84
1911									704	766	1470	35.5	6873	7813	14686	35.3	23.27
1921									1167	1333	2478	40.1	11026	12723	23749	40.1	24.57
1936									1415	1670	3085	39.8	12203	14375	26578	41.1	24.66

Source: NZ census

There were five Presbyterian churches in the study area: Caversham Presbyterian Church, St James (South Dunedin), Musselburgh Presbyterian Church, St Clair Presbyterian Church and Kensington Branch Church.

### **1) Caversham Presbyterian Church**

This church was formally constituted in 1874 following mission work begun by First Church, and the present building in Ranfurly Street dates from 1883. (The exact number of communicants at any one time is not known at present but can be calculated from the original rolls if desired).

#### **Sources held by the Caversham Project:**

##### **Communion rolls.**

These provide records of quarterly communion attendance of church communicants. Rolls for four sample periods were transcribed: 1890, 1911-14, 1919-21 and 1926-8. There are 1364 names in total, most of which include first names or initials, 1045 entries accompanied by a street address, 560 with a street number. Other details include 'communicant status', when and how received, when and where transferred, when and why removed, quarterly communion attendance and sundry comments. The amount of information for each communicant varies considerably. Later sample periods tend to have more information than earlier ones:

- 1890 roll: 463 surnames, 411 with title, 263 with first name, 276 with street name, no street numbers, 104 with suburb. 300 have a communicant status noted.

- 1911-14 roll: 173 surnames, all have title, 69 with first name, 84 with street name, no street numbers, 32 with suburb, 89 describe how received. All entries have quarterly communion attendance figures. A few have details about transferals and removals.
- 1919-21 roll: 302 surnames, all with title, 174 with first name, 276 with street name, 207 with street number, 33 with suburb, 187 have when received, 180 have how received, 70 have transferal information. All entries have quarterly communion attendance figures. Some have details about transferals and removals also.
- 1926-8 roll: 426 surnames, 423 with title, 274 with first name; 409 have street name, 353 have street number, 28 have suburb; 340 have when received, 364 have how received. All have quarterly attendance figures. A few have details about transferals and removals.

### **Sustentation Fund records.**

These are records of the Sustentation Fund, a regular collection for general church maintenance. They list the name, the amount donated and some addresses. Records were transcribed for five sample periods, 1892-4, 1907-10, 1918-21, 1926-8 and 1933-5. These records are rather scanty.

- 1892-4. Comprises three rolls, one for each year. Names in one year are almost always duplicated in the following year. 1894, for example, has 71 surnames, 59 with title, 32 with first name, 13 with street name, 10 with suburb, and (unlike 1892-3) none have a record of their donations
- 1907-11. This comprises many small district lists. There are 239 surnames in total, many of which are the same person from different lists. 132 have first name initials, 135 have title, only one has a full street address. 169 have a record of their annual donations.
- 1918-21. This comprises one list with 67 surnames, 42 with christian name or initials, 26 with title and 56 with a record of their annual donation.
- 1926-8. This comprises two lists. There are 66 surnames in total, 38 have title, 37 have first name initials, 4 have street address and 66 have details of annual donations.
- 1933-5. This comprises one short list with 15 surnames, seven with titles and nine with first name initials. All have donation details. No addresses.

### **Call to the Rev. Fish (1926).**

This is a document signed by 247 communicants of the church asking for Rev. Fish to minister among them.

- Comprises 247 surnames, 238 with first names or initials, 25 with titles, 17 with their official position in the church.

### **Girls' Club records.**

- Girls Club members 1906. Comprises 45 surnames, all with a first name or initial.
- Girls Club officers. Comprises lists of officers for four sample periods: 1908-9,11, 1920-1, 1926-8, 1936-8.
  - 1908-9,11. For each year there are 13 officers listed (title, surname, some first name initials) along with their office.

- 1920-1. For each year there are 17 names listed (title, surname, some first name initials) along with their office. An address is given for the secretary.
- 1926-8. For each year there are around 19 names listed (title, surname, some first name initials) along with their office. An address is given for the secretary.
- 1936-8. For each year there are around 17 names listed (title, surname, some first name initials) along with their office. Addresses are given for secretaries.

### **Young Men's Bible Class.**

The sample period 1927-30 was transcribed. There is a list of members for each year.

- 1927. Comprises 20 surnames, all with first name, 19 with street addresses, plus sundry notes.
- 1928. Comprises 19 surnames, all with first name.
- 1929. Comprises 37 surnames, all with first name, 31 with street address, 30 with suburb, plus sundry notes.
- 1930. Comprises 24 surnames, all with first name initial.

### ***Bibliographical information:***

Primary sources: Most if not all church records are housed at the archives of Knox Theological College. In addition to those listed above, I noted the following sources relevant to the 1893-1938 period at Knox: baptismal register 1901-53, Literary Club minute book 1927-34, Disjunction Certificates 1920-34, Managers correspondence 1923-35, Managers minutes 1882-, Session minutes 1888-, YMBC minutes and ephemera 1902-, Girls Club programmes and members tickets 1903-8, cash books 1877-93 and 1929-41, pew butts 1914-15, collection books [no names] 1906-41, Women's Guild minute books 1914-, PWMU minute books 1921-, Sunday School [ephemera] 1929-, Sabbath School minute book 1896-1905 and 1915-30, Church School Committee minute book 1930-61, Communion Rolls 1889-90 and 1911-, Girls' Club minute book 1903-13, picnic committee and lists 1930. See also oral interviews, especially Colin Melville and Ms Cris Justin, who are currently elders.

### Secondary sources:

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- *Caversham Presbyterian Church Jubilee Souvenir 1924*, [Dunedin 1924].
- Farrell, J., "St Peter's Presbyterian Church Caversham 1890-1920", student essay [undated]. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- MeikleJohn, John B., *Caversham Presbyterian Church: continuing witness, 1875-1999*, [Dunedin 1999]. Held at Hocken.
- Vine, Gillian Norma, *Parish of Caversham, 100 years, 1874-1974*, [Dunedin 1975]. Held at Hocken.

Contacts: Yvonne Wilkie, the archivist of Knox College, is very knowledgeable and has been helpful in finding sources and making materials available for photocopying. Note: non-students are charged per hour to use the archives. Colin Melville (80 Nelson St, ph.4558477) and Ms Cris Justin (26A Hart Street, ph.4774593) are currently elders and would be useful to talk to again.

## 2) St James Presbyterian Church.

First constituted in 1880, this South Dunedin church was first located in Cargill Road (Hillside Road). In 1904 they moved to a new building and new premises in King Edward Street, where they remain today. In 1891 there were 140 names on a communicants roll. In the 1919-21 period there were 220 names, in the 1936-8 period 341 names. (The exact number of communicants at any one time is not known at present but can be calculated from the original rolls if desired).

### Sources held by the Caversham Project:

#### Communion rolls.

These provide records of quarterly communion attendance of church communicants. Rolls were transcribed for 1891, 1896, 1908-10, 1919-21 and 1936-8:

- 1891. Comprises 140 surnames, 114 with title, 112 with first name, plus very occasional comments about when and how received, removals, transferals and church officers. No addresses or attendance records.
- 1896. Comprises 193 surnames, 160 with title, 162 with first name, 49 with street name, 7 with suburb, 39 with when/how received data, some removals. All have attendance data.
- 1908-10. Comprises 309 surnames, 286 with title, 233 with first name, 271 with street name, 32 with street number. All have attendance records. There is also detail about when/how received, transferals and removals.
- 1919-21. Comprises 220 surnames, 206 with title, 179 with first name, 213 with street name, 199 include street number, 11 with suburbs. All have attendance records. There is also considerable detail and comments about when/how received, transferals and removals.
- 1936-8. Comprises 341 surnames, all with titles, 223 with first name, 332 with street name, 318 with street number, 12 with suburb. All have attendance records. There is also detail about when/how received, transferals and removals.

#### Baptismal registers.

Records of baptisms were transcribed for one sample period, 1925-9.

- 1925-9. Comprises 122 entries, all with full name and parents' surname and initials (some with full first name). No maiden names. 116 have street name, 110 with street number, 18 with suburb, plus occasional notes.

#### Cradle rolls.

These are records of new-born babies in the church. Two sample periods were transcribed:

- 1919-21. This lists babies according to month of birth. It comprises 118 babies in total, all with full name and date of birth. Almost all have street address, most with suburb.
- 1926-8. This lists babies according to month of birth. It comprises only 13 babies, all with date of birth, full name and full street address.

**David Heggie, *South Dunedin Presbyterian Church Jubilee – Souvenir 1880-1930*, [Dunedin 1930].**

- This publication lists 546 names of officers of the church. Most entries have surnames only or surnames with first name initials, accompanied by the position they held in the church.

***Bibliographical information:***

Primary sources: Most if not all church records are housed at the archives of Knox Theological College. In addition to those listed above, I noted the following sources relevant to the 1893-1938 period at Knox: Session minute book 1880-, baptismal register 1889-, cradle roll 1916-28, Deacons' Court minute books (attendance recorded) 1878-92 and 1900-, cash books (few names) 1880-1955, choir minutes (committee members recorded) 1923-69, PWMU minute books (some names recorded) 1903-15, collection book (envelope system, names addresses and amounts) 1920-4, Sunday school minute books (attendance recorded) 1880-1931, plus other sundry sources. See also oral interviews.

Secondary sources:

- Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present*, Dunedin 1999, p.200. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- Heggie, David, *South Dunedin Presbyterian Church Jubilee – Souvenir 1880-1930*, [Dunedin 1930]. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.

Contacts: Yvonne Wilkie, the archivist of Knox College, is very knowledgeable and has been helpful in finding sources and making materials available for photocopying. Note: non-students are charged per hour to use the archives.

**3)Musselburgh Presbyterian Church.**

Following church services conducted in the Masonic Hall, Prince Albert Road, in 1909, a church building was erected in 1910 on Queens Drive for Musselburgh Presbyterians. The church is still active, though some of its facilities across Queens Drive were sold in 1986 and are now occupied by the Dunedin Rudolph Steiner School. The exact number of communicants at any one time is not known at present but can be calculated from the original rolls (held at Knox).

**Sources held by the Caversham Project:**

No primary material. A golden anniversary pamphlet has been photocopied (see below).

***Bibliographical information:***

Primary sources: Most if not all church records are housed at the archives of Knox Theological College. I noted the following sources relevant to the 1893-1938 period: Communion rolls 1911- (name, address, when and how received, when and where transferred, when and why removed, quarterly communion attendance), Sunday school roll 1918-28 (teacher, class, name and weekly attendance), annual reports and balance sheets 1923-, marriage certificates and notices of dissolution 1910-, PWMU minute books 1922-, Deacons Court

minutes 1909-, Session minutes 1911-. Baptismal registers are probably also held at Knox, but according to Yvonne Wilkie they have not been catalogued. See also oral interviews.

Secondary sources:

- Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present*, Dunedin 1999, p.194. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- Briton, Elizabeth C.M., *Looking Back - Pressing On: Musselburgh Presbyterian Church 1909-1959*, [Dunedin 1959]. Photocopy in Caversham Room.

Contacts: Yvonne Wilkie, the archivist of Knox College, is very knowledgeable and has been helpful in finding sources. Note: non-students are charged per hour to use the archives.

#### **4) St Clair Presbyterian Church**

This church first held services at the local school gymnasium in 1908 and by November 1909 Presbyterians had built and opened the church building in Albert Street which is still used today. The foundation of this church was precipitated largely by the failure of the nearby Congregational church to find a replacement minister. Presbyterians frequented and enjoyed the services of the Congregational minister, Alfred Hodge, and any move to establish a separate Presbyterian church while he was there would have caused ill-feeling and division. However, when Hodge departed and a replacement was not found, Presbyterians initiated a new St Clair Presbyterian church. The exact number of communicants at any one time is not known at present but can be calculated from the original rolls (held at Knox).

**Sources held by the Caversham Project:**

No primary material. Two anniversary pamphlets have been photocopied (see below).

***Bibliographical information:***

Primary sources: Most if not all church records are housed at the archives of Knox Theological College. I noted the following sources relevant to the 1893-1938 period: Communion rolls 1911- (name, address, when and how received, when and where transferred, when and why removed, quarterly communion attendance), Sunday school registers 1932- (name and weekly attendance plus addresses for later decades), Session minute books 1908- (voluminous with lots of names), PWMU minutes 1917- (some names given), correspondence and reports 1909-27, annual reports 1910-, Deacons Court minutes 1908-, cash books 1908-, collection book 1933-, PWMU cash book 1926-35, Busy Bees (youth group) minute books and rolls 1932-5, Sunday school annual music festival music book 1915. Baptismal registers do not appear to be at Knox and are probably still held at the church. See also oral interviews.

Secondary sources:

- Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present*, Dunedin 1999, p.194. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.

- Newlands, Rev. John, *The First Fifty Years of the St Clair Presbyterian Church*, [Dunedin 1958]. Held at Hocken.
- [St Clair Presbyterian Church], *After Twenty-One Years 1908-1929: a sketch of the origin and history of the church*, Dunedin 1929.

Contacts: Yvonne Wilkie, the archivist of Knox College, is very knowledgeable and has been helpful in finding sources. Note: non-students are charged per hour to use the archives.

### **5) Kensington Branch Church and School.**

This church and school began as an outreach from South Dunedin Presbyterian Church. By 1907, the outreach was handed over to St Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Walker Street (Carroll Street) and in that year a church building was constructed in Bridgman Street. From 1926 until 1931 it was an independent Home Mission Station, but in 1932 they reverted back to the control of St Andrew's. In 1949 the church closed due to declining numbers, though the school continued into 1951 and a Kensington Youth Club existed from 1953 until 1961, when the church building was sold. Communicants numbered 60 in 1926, 72 in 1932, 44 in 1941 and 25 in 1949. There were 145 scholars in total at the school in 1932.

#### **Sources held by the Caversham Project:**

No primary material. Pamphlets on St Andrew's Presbyterian Church have been photocopied and contain some detail (see below).

#### **Bibliographical information:**

Primary sources: Most if not all are housed at the archives of Knox Theological College, listed among the records of St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Walker/Carroll Street. I noted the following sources relevant to the 1893-1938 period: communion register 1926-51 (name, address, when and how received, when and where transferred, when and why removed, quarterly communion attendance), baptismal register 1937-49 (baptisms at Bridgman Street were also recorded in St Andrew's registers), cash books 1907-51, Church Committee minutes 1908-24 (lots of names and officers), Session minutes 1926-49, Sunday school library register 1904-22 (names, years, classes and their teachers), weekly offerings 1936-48 (no names), Kensington Youth Club material (1950s). See also oral interviews. One informant, Colin (Pat) Fraser, was a Sunday school teacher at this church and makes some comments in an interview I had with him.

#### **Secondary sources:**

- Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present*, Dunedin 1999, p.194. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- *St Andrews Presbyterian Church: a brief survey of the first sixty years and an illustrated history of the years 1923-1963*, Dunedin 1963. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- *St Andrew's Presbyterian Church: an illustrated sketch of the origin and history of the church (1861 to 1913)*, Dunedin 1914. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- *St Andrew's Presbyterian Church: historical narrative, 1913-23*, Dunedin 1923. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.

Contacts: Yvonne Wilkie, the archivist of Knox College, is very knowledgeable and has been helpful in finding sources. Note: non-students are charged per hour to use the archives. Colin (Pat) Fraser, an ex-Sunday school teacher might be worth talking to again (43B Prince Albert Road, ph.4558548).

## Roman Catholic

### *Roman Catholics in boroughs of Southern Dunedin*

	Caversham				South Dunedin				St Kilda				Dunedin/City of Dunedin				% (NZ)
	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	
1891	233	226	459	9.8	405	451	856	20.3	72	73	145	12.6					13.73
1901	216	212	428	8.1	435	563	998	18.6	135	149	284	16.7					14.21
1911									232	256	488	11.8	2299	2897	5196	12.5	13.94
1921									290	355	645	10.6	2876	3757	6633	11.4	13.47
1936									394	528	922	11.9	3315	4214	7529	11.7	13.09

Source: NZ census. Note: 1936 'Roman Catholic' category includes 'Catholic undefined', a separate category in previous years. National figures include 'Catholic undefined' category.

There were two Roman Catholic churches in the study area, St Patrick's, South Dunedin, and St Bernadette's, Forbury Road.

### **1) St Patrick's, South Dunedin.**

According to Croot, the original St Pat's church building was completed in 1878, and the current Basilica was opened in 1894 and "substantially complete" by 1898. It was the only Catholic church in greater Caversham until St Bernadette's opened in 1934. The number of church attendees is not known and there are no church sources for them.

### **Sources currently held by the Caversham Project:**

#### **Baptismal registers.**

These provide records of Catholic baptisms conducted at St Pat's or at other locations (such as at home or at hospital). They have been transcribed for five sample periods: 1893-5, 1908-10, 1919-21, 1927-8, 1936-8. They are all on one file and contain 1172 baptisms in total.

- almost all entries in all registers provide: child's full name, date of birth, date of baptism, parents (including mother's maiden name), godparents, priest, and a 'circumstances' column which gives occasional details such as the place and circumstances of baptism, infant death, illegitimate marriages, adoptions, orphans, conversions from other denominations, marriages, and whether or not the parents were Catholic.

- 288 entries out of 1172 provide street name, most of which also have street number. The vast majority of entries with streets are in the last two sample periods (1927-8, 1936-8). All sample periods provide suburbs. Entries with suburbs total 923 out of 1172.

### **Confirmation rolls.**

Confirmation rolls provide lists of those confirmed in the Catholic Church, usually children aged 10-14. Rolls were transcribed for five sample periods: 1891, 1910, 1921, 1929 and 1938. There are 670 entries in total.

- 1891 roll: 65 entries, full name and given name only.
- 1910 roll: 145 entries, full name and given name only.
- 1921 roll: 143 entries, full name and given name only.
- 1929 roll: 152 entries, full name, given name, parents' names (including mother's maiden name) and age when confirmed (given in years and months).
- 1938 roll: 165 entries, full name, given name, parents' names (including mother's maiden name) and age when confirmed (given in years and months), plus the names of sponsors, usually two adults.

### ***Bibliographical information:***

Primary sources: Apart from baptismal registers (which include lists of confirmation candidates), marriage registers and oral interviews, there are few records for Catholics in greater Caversham during our period. Baptismal registers and marriage registers are located at St Pat's Presbytery in South Dunedin and permission is required to view them due to the sensitive nature of the material (adoptions, illegitimate births and marriages etc). However, other useful primary sources may be among St Vincent de Paul records and the Mercy Sisters archives (see contacts below). Very basic statistics for the Dunedin Diocese can be gleaned from the annual *Catholic Directory*, samples of which have been photocopied for our period (see manual folder in Caversham Room). A near-complete set is held at the Diocesan Archives next to St Joseph's Cathedral, but not at the Hocken. They contain the names of the chief staff and clergy of churches, schools and religious orders, plus some statistics. From 1950 onwards, general church statistics were kept for St Pat's and are presently located at the Diocesan Archives. These records contain, among other things, statistics for baptisms, school children and the average attendance at mass. See also oral interviews.

### Secondary sources:

- Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present*, Dunedin 1999, pp.197-9. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- Mee, Peter R., *1894 1994, Centennial, St Patrick's Basilica, South Dunedin*, Dunedin 1994. Held at Hocken.
- Mee, Peter R., *St Patrick's School South Dunedin, Centennial*, [Dunedin 1978. Held at Hocken.
- Olssen, Erik, "Caversham Catholics and some further thoughts about Religion, Denomination and Society 1900-1920", essay [undated]. Held in Caversham Room.
- Sinclair, Liz, "The Catholics of Caversham, 1890-1920", student essay for Brooking and Olssen, 1982. Held in Caversham Room.

**Contacts:** Father Morris, who has an office at St Pat's Presbytery (4551173), was very helpful in allowing access to records. For St Vincent de Paul records, Father John Harrison of Forbury informed me that Kevin Tansley (4877029) would be a useful contact. For the Mercy Sisters archives, contact Sister Julie Laurie, 4557729.

## **2) St Bernadette's.**

The Church of St Bernadette, Forbury Road, was built in 1934, though mass was held at Loyal Caversham Lodge at Forbury Corner from 1919 for Roman Catholics in and around Caversham. The number of church attendees is not known and there are no church sources for them.

### **Sources currently held by the Caversham Project:**

#### **Baptismal registers.**

These provide records of Catholic baptisms conducted at St Bernadette's or at other locations (such as at home or at hospital). Baptisms were transcribed for the sample period 1936-8. There are 111 baptisms listed.

- St Bern registers contain exactly the same information as St Pat's registers, with the addition of columns which provide the full name of their spouse, where they were married, date married and the presiding minister. There is also a column denoting whether or not they were confirmed Catholics, though it is incomplete.
- Suburbs are provided but only four out of 111 entries have a street address.

#### **Confirmation rolls.**

Confirmation rolls provide lists of those confirmed in the Catholic church, usually children aged 10-14. The roll for 1936 was transcribed. This has 79 entries.

- Almost all entries provide full name, assumed name, full name of 'Nomen Patrinii', age when confirmed (in years and months), parents' names (including mother's maiden name), suburb and parish.

### ***Bibliographical information:***

**Primary sources:** Apart from baptismal registers (which include lists of confirmation candidates), marriage registers and oral interviews, there are few records for Catholics in greater Caversham during our period. Baptismal registers and marriage registers are located at St Bernadette's and permission is required to view them due to the sensitive nature of the material (adoptions, illegitimate births and marriages etc). However, other useful primary sources may be among St Vincent de Paul records and the Mercy Sisters archives (see contacts below). Very basic statistics for the Dunedin Diocese can be gleaned from the annual *Catholic Directory*, samples of which have been photocopied for our period (see folder in Caversham Room). A near-complete set is held at the Diocesan Archives next to St Joseph's Cathedral, but not at the Hocken. They contain the names of the chief staff and clergy of churches, schools and religious orders, plus some statistics. From 1950 onwards, general church statistics were kept for Catholic churches and are presently located at the Diocesan Archives. These records contain, among other things, statistics for baptisms, school children and the average attendance at mass. See also oral interviews.

Secondary sources:

- Croot, Charles, *Dunedin Churches Past and Present*, Dunedin 1999, pp.185-6. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.
- Mee, Peter R., *The Turn of the Tide: a "historette" - to the establishment of St Bernadette's parish, Forbury, Dunedin*, Dunedin 1977. Held at Hocken.
- Sinclair, Liz, "The Catholics of Caversham, 1890-1920", student essay for Brooking and Olssen 1982. Held in Caversham Room.

Contacts: Father John Harrison of St Bernadette's (4558933) was very helpful in making available records and other sundry information. For St Vincent de Paul records, Father Harrison informed me that Kevin Tansley (4877029) would be a useful contact. For the Mercy Sisters archives, contact Sister Julie Laurie, 4557729.

Salvation Army*Salvationists in boroughs of Southern Dunedin*

	Caversham				South Dunedin				St Kilda				Dunedin/City of Dunedin				% (NZ)
	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	
1891	20	29	49	1	39	49	88	2.1	1		1	0					1.5
1901	13	34	47	0.9	18	28	46	0.9	0	2	2	0.1					1.04
1911									3	3	6	0.1	216	258	474	1.1	0.96
1921									30	28	58	1	367	481	848	1.5	0.95
1936									22	22	44	0.6	189	267	456	0.7	0.84

Source: NZ Census

There was one corps of the Salvation Army in the study area:

**1) South Dunedin Corps**

This corps was established in 1883, first using Naumann's Hall and later the Friendly Societies Hall in King Edward Street. In 1901 they moved into their own premises, which was located on the site adjoining the present building at 190 King Edward Street. There were 200 soldiers listed for the 1919-23 period (the earliest period for which rolls survive). By June 1932 the number was 132 (see rolls below).

**Sources held by the Caversham Project:****Roll book one, circa 1919-1943.**

- Soldiers' Roll 1919-23. *This has yet to be transcribed.* It contains 200 surnames, many with first names and or titles/ranks. Almost all have street name, though few have street number. Other information includes whether single or married, age, date of enrolment, date of disenrolment and reason for disenrolment.

- Soldiers' Roll to 1928 (includes existing soldiers plus additions to 1928). *This has yet to be transcribed.* Comprises 212 surnames, many with first names or initials plus titles/ranks. Almost all have street name, many with street number. Other information includes whether single or married, age, date of enrolment, date of disenrolment and reason for disenrolment.

- **Soldiers' Roll to 1932** (includes existing soldiers plus additions to 1932). *This is only partly transcribed.* Comprises 185 surnames, many with first names or initials plus titles/ranks. Almost all have street name, though few have street number. Other information includes whether single or married, age, date of enrolment, date of disenrolment and reason for disenrolment.
- **Soldiers' Roll to June 1937** (includes existing soldiers plus additions to June 1937). *This has yet to be transcribed.* Comprises 132 surnames, many with first names or initials plus titles/ranks. Most have street name, many with street number. Other information includes whether single or married, age, date of enrolment, date of disenrolment and reason for disenrolment.
- **Soldiers' Roll to July 1941** (includes existing soldiers plus additions to July 1941). *This has yet to be transcribed.* Comprises 145 surnames, many with first names or initials plus titles/ranks. Most have street name, many with street number. Other information includes whether single or married, age, date of enrolment, date of disenrolment and reason for disenrolment.
- **Soldiers' Roll to August 1943** (includes existing soldiers plus additions to August 1943). *This has yet to be transcribed.* Comprises 102 surnames, many with first names or initials plus titles/ranks. Most have street name, many with street number. Other information includes whether single or married, age, date of enrolment, date of disenrolment and reason for disenrolment.
- **Recruits Roll 1940.** *This has yet to be transcribed.* Comprises 24 surnames, many with first names or initials plus titles/ranks. Most have street name, many with street number. Other information includes whether single or married, age, date of enrolment, date of disenrolment and reason for disenrolment.
- **Recruits Roll 1939.** *This has yet to be transcribed.* Comprises 28 surnames, many with first names or initials plus titles/ranks. Most have street name, many with street number. Other information includes whether single or married, age, date of enrolment, date of disenrolment and reason for disenrolment.
- **Recruits 1922-5.** Comprises 28 surnames, 16 with first name or initial. 22 have street name and 6 have street number. Other information includes titles/ranks, date put on roll and date removed from roll.
- **Local Officers' Roll 1938.** *This has yet to be transcribed.* Comprises 29 surnames with rank and some first names. All have street name, some have street number. Also has date of appointment and date given up office.
- **Local Officers' Roll 1934.** Contains 32 surnames with some titles and first name initials, all with rank, most with street name.
- **Local Officers circa 1919-33.** Comprises several smaller rolls:
  - Local Officers roll 1919-22 (seniors), comprising 79 surnames, 55 with first name initial, all with rank/title, 72 with street name, two with street number, plus date of appointment and date gave up.
  - Local Officers (undated-late 20s/early 30s), comprising 14 names, most with address and appointment details.
  - Band members (undated-late 20s/early 30s), comprising 17 names, most with address and appointment details.

- GP Sergeants (undated-late 20s/early 30s), comprising 11 names, most with address and appointment details.
- War Cry Sergeants (undated-late 20s/early 30s), comprising 9 names, most with address and appointment details.
- Songsters, Sunbeams, Chums (undated-late 20s/early 30s), comprising 10 names in total, most with address and appointment details.
- Home League (undated-late 20s/early 30s), comprising 8 names with address and rank details.
- Band 1938. Comprises 19 surnames, 18 with first name or initials, all with address details, rank and appointment details.
- Band 1942. *This has yet to be transcribed.* Comprises 11 names, most with address, rank and appointment details.
- Songsters circa 1938. *This has yet to be transcribed.* Comprises 19 names, all with appointment details, 18 with address details.
- Local Officers Roll 1934 (young people's). *This has yet to be transcribed.* Comprises 23 surnames, some with titles and first name initials, 22 with street name.
- Local officers Roll 1922-3, 1938 (young people's). Two rolls:
  - 1922-3, comprising 29 surnames, all with rank, 20 with first name or initials, 26 with street name, plus some appointment details.
  - circa 1938, comprising 28 surnames, 23 with first name or initials, 22 with street name, 5 with street number. All have rank and appointment details.
- Corps Cadets Roll (circa 1919-23). Comprises 31 full names, 24 with street name. Some appointment details.
- Recruits Roll (circa 1934). Comprises 8 names only.
- Recruits roll 1939. *This has yet to be transcribed.* Comprises 12 names only.

### ***Bibliographical information:***

Primary sources: Roll books are held privately by a member. There are four roll books, but only the first is directly relevant to our period, covering the years 1919-43. The second covers up to 1960, the third and fourth cover the years up to the present day. The first roll book and small segments of later ones were photocopied (see S.A. folder in Caversham Room). Photocopies of these roll books are also held by the Hocken Library. Some historical ephemera is held at the corps office in King Edward Street (such as photographs and assorted bitsy stuff). The Salvation Army Archives in Wellington also has some material in two small boxes: centenary pamphlets, a recent soldiers roll up to 1990s, ephemera regarding the 1963 and 1983 celebrations (includes some photos and rather sparse bits and pieces), and a list of officers 1883- (photocopy held in Caversham Room). See also oral interviews, particularly with the Grimmetts.

### Secondary sources:

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- *The Salvation Army Dunedin South No.6 Corps Celebrating 80 Years of Service and Worship, 1883-1963*, [Dunedin 1963]. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.

- *The Salvation Army Dunedin South Corps Centenary 1883-1983*, [Dunedin 1983]. Photocopy held in Caversham Room.

**Contacts:** Salvation Army Archives, Wellington, 3820732; South Dunedin office, 4545065; Dunedin Headquarters 4741952; Dunedin Fortress 4778180; Mrs Barkman (a S.A. historian), Dunedin 4880127.

## Spiritualism

### *Spiritualists in boroughs of Southern Dunedin*

	Caversham				South Dunedin				St Kilda				Dunedin/City of Dunedin				% (NZ)
	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	
1891	15	17	32	0.7	2	4	6	0.1	5	1	6	0.5					0.05
1901	3	6	9	0.2	0	0	0	0	5	4	9	0.5					0.06
1911									2	4	6	0.1	20	35	55	0.1	0.12
1921									0	2	2	0	40	56	96	0.2	0.12
1936																	0.08

Source: NZ census. 'Spiritualists' not listed as a category in 1936 borough tables.

Research needed.

Primary sources: unknown.

Secondary sources:

- Broadley, Shaun D., "Spirited Visions: a study of spiritualism in New Zealand settler society", PhD in History, University of Otago 2000, pp.26-33.
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## Theosophy

### *Theosophists in boroughs of Southern Dunedin*

	Caversham				South Dunedin				St Kilda				Dunedin/City of Dunedin				% (NZ)
	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	m	f	T	%	
1891																	
1901																	0.02
1911																	0.05
1921									0	1	1	0	25	28	53	0.1	0.07
1936																	0.03

Source: NZ census. Theosophy first appears as a category in borough tables in 1921. Theosophy not listed as a separate category in 1936 borough tables.

Research needed.

Primary sources: records of the Dunedin Theosophical Society are kept at their library in High Street.

Secondary sources:

- Atkinson, A.Y., "The Dunedin Theosophical Society 1892-1900", University of Otago B.A. Hons dissertation in History, 1978.

**Works of general relevance not be overlooked:**

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Lineham, Peter, [new Religious History Bibliography of New Zealand], copies in the possession of Shaun Broadley and John Stenhouse.

Olssen, Eric, *Building the New World: Work, Politics and Society in Caversham 1880s-1920s*, Auckland 1995.

**Linkages made with Caversham 2 database:**

- Roman Catholic baptismal registers (loose linkage).
- Caversham Baptist Church file (loose linkage).
- St James and South Dunedin Presbyterian Churches communion rolls (loose linkage).