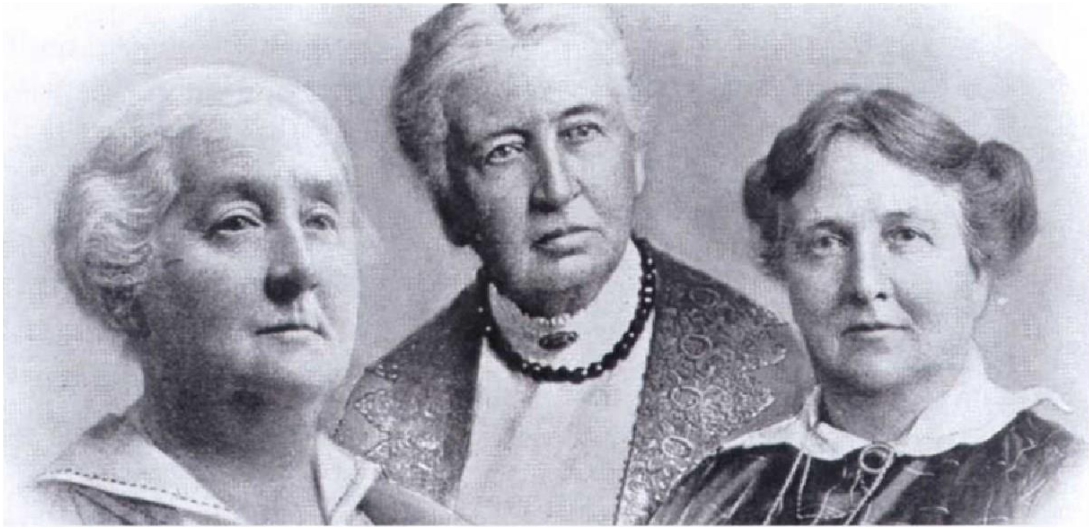




ROEDEAN



Founders' Day and Commemoration Service

Roedean Chapel
Thursday 2 February 2023
4:00pm

This year we remember:

Penelope Amerasinghe (née Pank, No.4, 1952-1954)

Janet Bailey (née Ross, No.2, 1942-1947)

Rosalie Budge (née Billington, No.1, 1944-1948)

Jill Butler (née Barton, No.2, 1943-1950)

Elly Cohen (née van Westerborg, No.3, 1939-1944)

Philippa Couttie (née Roe, No.4, 1972-1980)

Virginia Curtis-Bennett (No. 3, 1938-1942)

Patricia Frieze (née Wurzal, No.4, 1947-1953)

Jean Gray (née Campbell, No.3, 1949-1953)

Susan Guy (née Brown, No.1, 1942-1948)

Shirley Hewett (née Highton, No.4, 1945-1948)

Alison Innes (née Parker, No.1, 1957-1962)

Maureen Landivar (Staff, 1997-2005)

Antonia Leire (née Marshall, No.4, 1973-1979)

Miranda (Yuxin) Liu (No.3, 2013-2017)

Margaret McGinlay (née Rider, No.4, 1939-1945)

Daria Nerush (2020-2022)

Fiona Parr (née Swan, No.1, 1950-1956)

Jane Petkau (née Blair, No.1, 1948-1954)

Penelope Rose (née Ashton, No.3, 1949-1956)

Rosie Sidwell (née Holman, No.4, 1955-1962)

Frances Twambley (née Brown, No.2, 1961-1968)

Veronica Wallis-Jones (née Fowler, No.1, 1928-1931)

Michele Yu (née Chan, No.2, 1981-1983)

As the names are read, a candle is lit for each person remembered.

ORDER OF SERVICE

THE WELCOME

Ms Talia Keller

All stand

HYMN 211

Praise my Soul, the King of Heaven

THE BIDDING

Mrs Jane Sharp

We come to this Chapel today to remember our Founders and to give thanks to God for the tireless and dedicated work of the Lawrence sisters, Penelope, Millicent and Dorothy.

We thank God for their vision which was to create a school on this site where 'girls should have as much liberty as is consistent with safety,' with an ethos which rested upon mutual trust so that anything 'mean or unworthy' was prevented.

We also remember today all teachers and benefactors of the school who, in their time, have built upon the foundation laid by the Lawrence sisters.

Finally, we have come to give thanks for those former pupils and teachers, who have died recently and to pray that we, like them, will remain faithful to the ideals of our Founders.

Please sit

READING

Marta Kalpachki, Sustainability Prefect

Philippians 2.4-9

QUIET REFLECTION

Bernice Huang (Yr10)

Nocturne in B flat minor, Op. 9 no.1 – Chopin

THANKSGIVING FOR THE FOUNDERS AND FORMER HEADS

After the thanksgiving for each, the congregation joins together to say:

We give our grateful thanks

EULOGY FOR DARIA

Miss Carmel Carragher

THE MEMORIAL PRAYER

Mary Henderson, ORA President

Today we give thanks for those who have been part of the Roedean community and who have passed away recently.

As each of the names of those we remember today is read, a candle will be lit

We honour Roedean Old Boys and Wrens, who spent time at Roedean from 1940 to 1945 when it was known as HMS Vernon.

We thank you for all whom we remember today, for all that they gave to this school during their time here, for the lives they lit up with their presence and for all that was special about each of them to those who knew and loved them. May they rest in peace and let light perpetual shine upon them.

All: Lord, we give you thanks

All stand

HYMN 238

Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord

Please sit

PRAYERS

Sarah Gunde, Head of School

As we commemorate our Founders, we also give thanks for all who, during their time here and throughout their lives, have served the good purposes for which Roedean was founded.

All: Lord we give you thanks

We thank you Lord for the school today and that it continues to thrive in the spirit of its foundation. Help us to value what we are given here by both the teaching and non-teaching staff, by the love, care and support of our friends and not least by the beauty of this site chosen by our Founders.

All: Lord we give you thanks

Finally, we offer to God our future and the futures of those who will follow us at Roedean using a prayer written by Penelope Lawrence:

Almighty God, we thank you for the rich inheritance we enjoy in this school. We thank you for the blessings granted to this school in the past and we ask continuance of them in the days to come. Teach us to live together in love and joy and peace. In our work, give us the spirit of understanding and perseverance; in our prayers the power to draw close to you.

All: Amen

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Ella Wong (Yr11)

Brezairola from Songs of the Auvergne – Canteloube

THE ACT OF RE-DEDICATION

Miss Becky Allen

We have given thanks to God for the lives of our Founders and the lives of those who have gone before us in past years. Let us now re-dedicate ourselves to follow in their footsteps at Roedean.

Will you give your best in all that you do here and will you work for the common good, eager to use your gifts and achievements for the benefit of others?

With the help of God, we will

Will you seize the opportunities that each new day brings and will you treat everyone with integrity, honesty, care and good humour?

With the help of God, we will

Will you play your part to build a world where all can live in peace with justice, prosperity and freedom from fear?

With the help of God, we will

Almighty God, in whose will is our peace, give us grace to live our lives in ways which both reflect your glory and the vision of our Founders so that, when at last, our turn comes to join them, we will have left this world a better place. **Amen**

PRAYERS

Mrs Georgina Walker

School Prayer:

O Lord our Heavenly Father, send, we beseech thee, thy blessing on this school and our sister school in South Africa. Grant that those who serve in them may keep thy holy will ever before them, doing that which is pleasing in thy sight and persevering in thy service unto the end. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
Thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
For ever and ever. Amen**

All stand

HYMN 242

The Day Thou Gavest, Lord, is Ended

THE BLESSING

Dr Ross Barrand

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honour everyone; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among us and remain with us always. **Amen**

Processional

Partita on 'Freu dich sehr, O meine Seele' – Pachelbel

Recessional

Praeludium in C, BuxWV 137 – Buxtehude

Mr Anthony Wilson - Organ



*In the event of a continuous fire alarm, please remain seated
and you will be directed where to go.*