

TAKING in some South Taranaki scenery before opening the new Manaia St Cuthbert's Church lounge is the Anglican Bishop Rev

W.J.W. Rosevear, from Wellington with the vicar of St Cuthber's, Rev Pamela Mildenhall and the chairman of the church building committee Mr Maurice Cowling. The lounge was opened on Monday evening by the bishop who also conducted a confirmation service.

St Cuthbert's extension

opened

THE development of St Cuthbert's Anglican Church, Manaia took another step forward on Monday night with the opening of a new extension which provides for a lounge area adjacent to the church.

The opening of the lounge on Monday evening also coincided with a parish confirmation ceremony in which nine candidates (six oung persons and three idults) were confirmed and eceived into the church.

Officiating at the confirmatin and opening of the lounge was Bishop Right Rev W. J. W. Rosevear from Wellington, who was assisted by the vicar of the Parochial District of Manaia the Rev Pam Mildenhall.

The opening ceremony and confirmation was held before a good attendance of parishoners and parents and friends of the confirmation candidates.

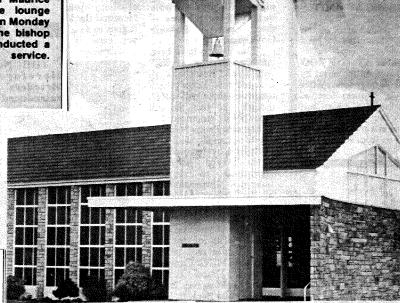
After the cermony a special dinner was held in the new lounge with the meal being prepared by the Parish Ladies Committee.

St Cuthbert's Church building has been in existence for some 22 years and construction work on the \$15,000 extension began in February 1982.

The job has been completed entirely with voluntary labour and much of the material involved was donated by church members.

The lounge leads directly from the church and will serve as a function room. It is tastefully decorated and has a fully equipped kitchen area.

ST Cutebert's Anglican Church Manaia which will be the scene of a Spring Festival organised by the Church Women's Guild on September 29 to be followed by a Lammas service on Sunday September 30. Star photo L-475.



Spring festival at St Cuthbert's

A TOUCH of old England will come to Manaia on September 29 and 30 when St Cuthbert's Anglican Church celebrates its spring festival.

Organised by the church women's guild the festival will try to follow closely some of the customs and traditions of English churches at this season of the year.

One of the organisers, Mrs Jean Cowling, told the Star that the festival would be held on Saturday, September 29 and be followed on the Sunday by a Lammas service.

The festival, which will be held in the church on the Saturday will have three themes, flowers, fashion and favourite curios.

Attractive floral arrangements will be placed at focal points in the church with most of the flowers coming from parishoners' gardens.

The fashion parade will be a selection of gowns for special occasions including, bridal gowns and those worn for other church occasions such as baptismals, christenings and other ceremonies.

The many talents of parishoners will also be displayed in the crafts and curios section.

The festival will have two sessions, one in the morning from 10.30 till noon and the afternoon session from 1.30 till 3pm.

During the sessions, traditional music will be played in the church, the refurbishing of church's hangings a linens

Mrs Cowling told Star that while such event could not considered annually, could become a reg event on a three year ba