

November 2009

The Grapevine

Newsletter of the Pastoral District of Southern Vales, Diocese of The Murray, SA

Fr Phil Anderson's Welcome Mass, Sunday & Morning Tea. October 4



Post communion with Fr Phil, Dean Paul Devenport and Eucharistic Assistants Beverly Driver, Ted Sandercock [hidden], Judith Wells and Michael Drought

A Happy Occasion! A few of many photos of the welcome for Fr Phil and Carol Anderson.



Locum Priest, Fr Phil Anderson and Parish Secretary, Wendy Sandercock

Photos Julia Drought & Di Best



Vera Penny, Barb Jeanes, Gwen Anthony, Eileen Binns enjoy the morning tea

Below: Carol Anderson, Jo Steggel, Fran Pettigrew and Leonie Pettman share a cuppa.



Ted Sandercock, Paul Devenport, Michael Drought, Wendy Sandercock, Fr Tom Drought, Greg Judd, Julia Drought, Sylvia Francis. Peter Kyloh & Helen Lunn were among the well wishers for Michael's 50th birthday celebration during the morning tea.

If you have news of coming events or noteworthy happenings in the Pastoral District of Southern Vales which you would like to share with the rest of the parish, please contact the editor, Anne Chittleborough, 23 The Esplanade, Pt Willunga 5173, Ph 8556 5078 or email machit@comstech.com.au, preferably by 15th November

News from Parish Council

Fr Phil and Carol hosted the meeting on 18th October in the Rectory and made us most welcome. Thank you both for your hospitality. We were even served afternoon tea during a short break. Leonie Pettman, Greg Judd and Peter Chapman sent apologies and were therefore missing from the photo. Business discussed included the following – other matters are featured elsewhere in this issue:

Vision Statement. Fr Phil recommends including it in each edition of *The Grapevine* to keep us focussed and also to have a Parish Prayer to be used during services. It is planned that congregations will have discussions on its implementation in November to be followed by a Vestry meeting in January.

Parish Website. Greg Judd has made contact with an expert who can maintain it but details for updating are needed. Wardens will view the website and supply this information.

Insurance Valuations. A 10% adjustment increase is suggested for this year but a revised, more accurate valuation will have to be carried out for 2010 - a very difficult task.

Key Register. Wendy is updating this, with information from wardens, and there was discussion about general security of keys, especially following the recent break-in at St Philip & St James.

Financial Report for September:

Total Income: \$5,703

Total Expenses \$2,726

Operating surplus \$3,000

Income is over budget due to rectory rent.

Collections are \$3,000 down on budget. Expenses are \$9,500 down on budget. Our account has a surplus of \$25,000. Our target for the Ordination Candidates Fund is \$460 but only \$295 has been donated. The shortfall of \$165 will be added from Parish funds. Likewise the target for the Home Mission Fund is \$460 and less than \$200 has been donated so this will also be made up.

St Margaret's security light outside the Sunday School Room will be fixed at a cost of \$196.

Christmas. Services times were decided (see p. 8)

Advent Studies will be held once again this year and there will be another **Advent Pageant** from the Aldinga Primary School on 27th November.

Rectory lawnmower. A second hand mower will be purchased for use at the rectory.

Incense. The use of incense during services was raised and further discussions will follow.

Next meeting 22nd November. Note this will be the 4th Sunday. Observers welcome.

Fr Phil writes...

November 29th is the First Sunday in Advent which marks the beginning of the Christian Year. It doesn't start with a celebration of a great feast, such as Christ's birth or resurrection -- something from the past that becomes present once again. The church year starts, instead, with a strange emptiness, a strange sense of expectation. The church year starts with waiting and wonder.

Our lives are shaped by what we wait for. In the Old Testament Isaiah has a vision of one who was to come to redeem the world and to usher in God's kingdom on earth. It was this single vision which fashioned Isaiah's life, shaped by the one for whom he waited.

Waiting and wondering are not highly thought of today, we are far too busy for them. This is a world of where we seek instant rewards, where there isn't time to waste on preparation, maybe that's why Christmass starts to appear in the shops in October, so much to do so little time, we need to get on with it and not wait.

However, what makes us like this? It's because waiting and wondering open us to the possibility that the present order is not as permanent as it may seem. It is because waiting and wondering make us realise that solid structures (for which we have worked so diligently) could come apart and so give way to something unexpected.

So waiting and wonder provide the church year with a powerful start. Waiting and wondering prepare us for a life where God acts, where the unexpected future is unfolded like a mysterious treasure map -- which, of course, it is. When we accept the Advent's invitation to wait and wonder, we find ourselves in good company; the twelve disciples, John the Baptist, S. Joseph, the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Advent invites us to wait with them to wonder, with them to look for Christ. He was born in an obscure barn in Bethlehem. He will come with great glory when this world folds up forever, but for the present he is hidden where he can be found only by those who wonder and wait.

With every blessing

Phil



November

Sunday 1 st	ALL SAINTS Gold Coin Collection for CPS* workers
Monday 2 nd	ALL SOULS Mothers' Union outing –St George's Magill Enquiries: Barb Jeanes 8556 4440
Monday 9 th	St Ann's Guild 1.30 pm Enquiries: Val Martin 8556 6100
Tuesday 10 th	St Margaret's Guild 2 pm Enquiries: Fran Pettigrew 8323 9366
Wednesday 12 th	Colton Court singers 11 am-12 Enquiries: Sylvia Francis 8323 0007
Sunday 15 th	Combined service St Margaret's Patronal Festival 10 am
Monday 16 th	MARGARET OF SCOTLAND
Wednesday 18 th	Women's Fellowship St Margaret's , 10 am Enquiries: Margaret Cameron 8556 2343
Saturday 21 st	St Ann's Jumble Sale Enquiries: Val Martin 8556 6100
Wednesday 25 th	Parish Prayer Group , St Margaret's 10 am Enquiries: Gillian Clampett 8556 5998
Friday 27 th	St Ann's Family Tea
Sunday 29 th	ADVENT 1
Monday 30 th	ANDREW

December

Sunday 6 th	ADVENT 2 Gold Coin Collection for CPS* workers Christmas Lunch 12.30 pm, Seaford Hotel
Monday 7 th	Mothers' Union 9.30 am Seaford. Speaker: Joan Small, Social Responsibilities Dept. Lunch at the SEM cafe Enquiries: Barb Jeanes 8556 4440
Tuesday 8 th	St Margaret's Guild 2 pm Enquiries: Fran Pettigrew 8323 9366
Thursday 10 th	Colton Court singers 11 am-12 Enquiries: Sylvia Francis 8323 0007
Sunday 13 th	ADVENT 3 CHRISTINGLE St Ann's 6.00 pm
Monday 14 th	St Ann's Guild 1.30 pm Enquiries: Val Martin 8556 6100
Sunday 20 th	ADVENT 4 FESTIVAL OF LESSONS & CAROLS St Margaret's 7.00 pm
Monday 21 st	THOMAS
Thursday 24 th	CHRISTMAS EVE service times see page 8
Friday 25 th	CHRISTMAS DAY service times see page 8
Saturday 26 th	STEPHEN
Sunday 27 th	Combined service St Stephen's Patronal Festival 10 am
Monday 28 th	HOLY INNOCENTS

*Christian Pastoral Support

Advent Pageant

The annual Advent walk from the Aldinga schools to the Aldinga Shopping Centre will be held on Friday November 27th from 10.00 am until 12 noon.

Festival activities afterwards at the schools. See Pew sheets and brochure for more details.

Volunteers to act as Marshalls to walk with the children are needed. If you are interested contact Gillian Clampett, 8556 5998.



St Margaret's Patronal Festival Sunday 15th November

**Combined Pastoral District service
at St Margaret's, McLaren Vale
Holy Eucharist at 10 am.**

Celebrant & Preacher, Bp. Ross Davies:
Followed by a shared lunch.

ADVENT STUDY

A scripture study during Advent.

From Sunday November 29 to Wednesday December 23

- 10.30 am Sundays at SSPJ
- 10.30 am Sundays at St Ann's
- 10.00 am Wednesdays at St Margaret's
- 7.00 pm Wednesdays TBA

If you are interested in participating contact
Ted Sandercock 8556 4535

PUBLICITY OFFICER

The Parish Council wishes to ensure that Pastoral District events are known in the Southern Vales Community. To this end the PC is seeking a person to ensure that events are provided the local media

WE NEED YOUR INPUT TOO!

Future editions of *The Murray Anglican* will be produced 4 times per year.

The editorial committee would love to hear from Parishes!

Each Parish will need a Publicity Officer to liaise with the committee.

If you would like to fulfill this dual role please contact the Parish

Secretary 8556 4535

The Anglican Church Calendar

The 2010 Anglican Church Calendar is now available.

Cost—\$12.00

Order forms and further information available at the back of your church.

A Sample Copy is available.

Each Calendar purchased contributes to our Fund-raising

Aldinga on Display

The *Aldinga on Display* (Know Your Neighbourhood) was held on Saturday October 17th. This event was supported by the City of Onkaparinga. As one of 21 displays throughout the Aldinga area, St Ann's offered:

- Plant and Produce sale
- Children's Sunday School activities
- Cemetery tours
- Rock and Pop band, *the Wodgers*
- Organ music with Ian Richter
- Sausage sizzle.

The members of the congregation put great effort into a brilliant display of church activities as shown on these two pages.

Photos by Barb Jeanes and Margaret Cale



Enjoying the sausage sizzle: John Sanders, Fr Phil Anderson, Chef Extraordinaire, Bill Cale, Carol Anderson & Trish Frith



the Wodgers: Bruce Stocks, Andrew Mintern, Jeff Oake, and Andrew Clarkson



Guest organist: Ian Richter



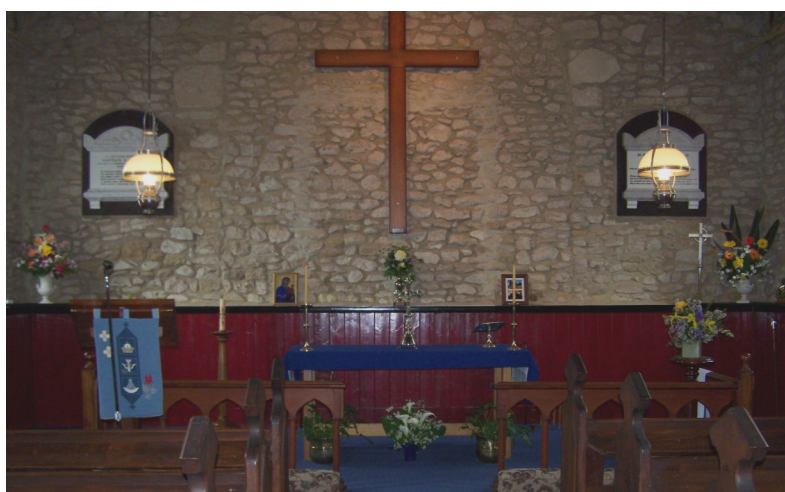
Enjoying the children's activities: Thomas McNee, Rebecca Mintern, Eve Hooper, Grace Hooper & Margaret Hooper.



Purchasing plants from Rhonda Gawley



***St Ann's on
Display!***



Adelaide Harmony Choir

We have been offered a special concession of \$20 per ticket for :

Handel's Messiah, Sunday 29th November 2pm
at Elder Hall, University of Adelaide
and

The Festival of Carol's on Wednesday 23rd
December at 8pm in Adelaide Town Hall.

Please contact me for further details.
Wendy Sandercock 8556 4535

Parish Vision

Building on what God has already established amongst us, we will continue by prayer and faith in Our Lord Jesus Christ to develop worship, mission, outreach, pastoral care and stewardship and we look to create new opportunities to grow as a caring, and loving Anglican presence in the Southern Vales.

St Philip & St James (SSPJ) Old Noarlunga



New path at SSPJ

Photo: Di Best

After the service at St Philip & St James on Sunday 11th October the congregation gathered outside to view the new path which runs from the roadway to the doorway of the church. This eliminates the problem of wheeling walkers and pushers over the rough gravel and we are delighted with the new presentation of the church.

Other News

- Along with other parishioners, we were pleased to welcome Fr Phil and Carol at the service on 4th October. It was good to get together again and congratulations to all involved in their appointment. We were privileged to have Fr Phil to be with our particular congregation on 18th October.
- We shall miss the physical presence of Shirley Garfit from our midst. Shirley was a true “parish person”, attending all centres when possible as well as her dedication to St Margaret’s. We congratulate those who were closely involved in her care during her later years.
- Well done St Ann’s congregation for their participation in the *Aldinga on Display* festival and the numerous other activities of outreach.
- With the approach of summer, John Carroll and Rupert Best have worked at slashing the “grass” on the perimeter of our church block. The Grummetts who use the block above the car park have made an adequate fire break in that area.
- We have recently had the misfortune to have the front door graffitied and also broken into accompanied by some theft. Thank you to Rupert and Malcolm for the immediate necessary attention to these matters.
- Attendance has been good recently and we are grateful to the congregation for their willing cooperation.

Southern Vales Schools Ministry Sausage Sizzle at Willunga Quarry Market

Saturday November 14, from 8.30 am to 1.00 pm

During your visit to the Market enjoy a bite to eat.

See you there!

Money raised supports the Christian Pastoral Support Workers in our Southern Vales Schools.

St Margaret's, McLaren Vale

- The St Margaret’s congregation with sadness the passing of Shirley Garfit. The Thanksgiving Service for her life was held on Wednesday 14th October.
- Organised mowing of the grassed paddock adjacent to the church. Paul Bell to take on the complete responsibility of the mower and cutting. Donation of a petrol drum for fuel storage – thanks to Paul.
- Return of the microphone to the church but yet to be tried.
- Pin up Boards to be installed in The Sunday School room after discussion with the Sunday School coordinator for positioning.



Morning tea discussion after the Shirley Garfit Thanksgiving Mass: Annabel Drought, Julia Drought & Greg Pettman.

St Ann's, Aldinga

- Bill & Margaret Cale, Trish Frith, & Val Martin joined with Ted & Wendy Sandercock to organise the Schools Ministry Sausage sizzle at the Willunga Quarry Market on October 17. Very enjoyable morning selling 15 kgs of cooked sausages.
- Much cleaning, tidying, gardening of the church, hall, the grounds & cemetery in preparation for *Aldinga on Display*.
- The Aldinga on Display Day was hard to assess as participants were mainly Pastoral District people. The few visitors were entertained, feed, admired the flowers and children tried various activities. The church, grounds and cemetery looked very neat and tidy. Beautiful flower arrangements (see page 5). Great music from *the Wodgers* and Ian Richter at the organ, the usual tasty sausage sizzle and plenty of scones, jam and cream. (See page 4 for a few photos of this event)



Enjoying the *Wodgers*:

Ted Sandercock, Val Martin, Wendy Sandercock, Vera Penny, Trish Frith, Carol Anderson & Fr Phil.

Photo: Barb Jeanes

St Stephen's, Willunga



Floral arrangement for the wedding of Benjamin Miners and Katharine Moscrop on Sunday October 4 at 11.00 am. Officiant: Fr Peter Simmons. Thanks to Jac Bishop for the oversight of this happy occasion.

IT'S NOT WHAT I HAD IN MIND WHEN I ASKED DAD FOR VINTAGE CARS FOR THE WEDDING



- Thanks to Fr Graham Cooling for his contributions to our evening services.
- Margaret Cameron enjoyed her invited visit to Ceduna for the Centenary of the presence of the Anglican Church in the district. Margaret and her late husband George lived in Ceduna for 11 years in the 1950s/60s, working for the Bush Church Aid. See next column.
- We welcomed Fr Phil to his first evening service on Saturday October 17.
- Willunga Cemetery is being tidied with the mowing/slashing of grass. Many gravesites need weeding or other attention. Volunteers to assist the Curator would be appreciated by the Curator, Julie Stuttard.
- Visiting clergy and other visitors have commented on the poor state of the Church Notice and its recent graffiti. It does need renewal. Maybe consider signage similar to St Margaret's & St Ann's – named sign [timber or slate] and an A frame portable board for "welcome" and service times.

**Christmas Lunch, Sunday December 6,
12.30 pm at the Seaford Hotel**



More Photos of Morning Tea after the Welcome Mass

Above: Wallace Mausolf, Jean Griffin, & Dorothy Mausolf
Below: Felicity Warrington, Bill Jeanes, Bill Cale & Eileen Binns.



The Best family: Hayden Hands, Louisa Hands, Mitchell Hands, Jessica Hands, Di Best & Rupert Best

Photos: Julia Drought.

Trip down memory lane

A few months ago, Margaret Cameron was surprised to receive an invitation to attend the Centenary celebration of the Anglican Church in Ceduna and outlying areas on the West Coast of S.A.. Her daughter Ruth and her husband Richard offered to drive her and they attended the event on October 4th.

Margaret and her late husband George were in Ceduna for 11 years in the 1950/60s, working for the Bush Church Aid Society. An aeroplane with pilot, Allan Chadwick, had been operating for some years, but there was no radio system. George built the radio equipment, transceivers and transmitters in Sydney with the guidance of his Ham Radio friends. (continued on page8).

Thanksgiving Mass for Shirley Garfit

A Thanksgiving Mass was celebrated on Wednesday, October 14 at 9.00 am at St Margaret's Church. The scripture Readings and Hymns had been selected by Shirley well before she died on Monday October 5, 2009. About 40 people attended this celebration. The flowers below were sent from Canberra by a long standing friend, Avis Parry

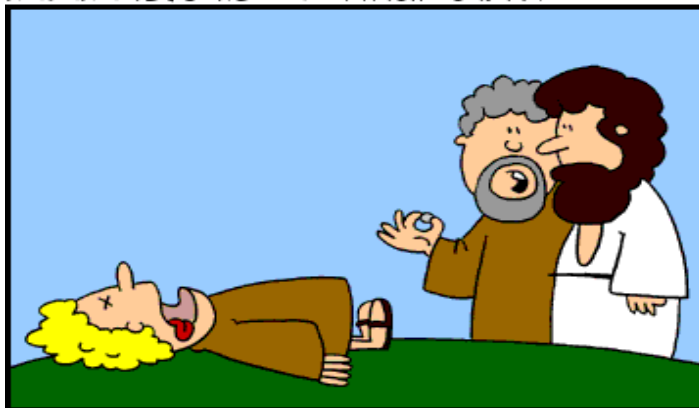


Trip down memory lane (continued from page 7)

These were transported to Ceduna by BCA van and George's 1927 Austin. A house had been provided for Margaret & George and a building for the transmitter. Margaret followed a few weeks later, by air, with 1 year old Ruth.

The program for the weekend Centenary Celebrations included a Saturday 5.00 pm Service in St Michael's Church. This was followed by a 6.30 pm Book Launch in the Hall and Dinner at the Sports Club. There Margaret caught up with people, whom she remembered; and those, who remembered Margaret. Ruth also met some of her contemporaries. A lovely trip down memory lane

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(See John 8:1-11)

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"HE WHO IS WITHOUT SIN CASTS THE FIRST STONE", RIGHT? WELL I STILL HAVE THE FIRST STONE ... I THREW THE SECOND STONE AT HIM

Parish Service Times

St Philip & St James, Old Noarlunga

Sunday: Holy Communion: 9.00am

St Margaret's, McLaren Vale

Sunday: Holy Communion: 10.15am

with Sunday School

Wednesday: Holy Communion: 9:00am

St Stephen's, Willunga

Saturday: Holy Communion: 5.30 pm

St Ann's, Aldinga

Sunday: Holy Communion: 9.00 am

with special time for children

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Parish Secretary,

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The Parish Office is not normally attended
but messages can be left on the
message bank. 08 8323 9155

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Advent / Christmas Services

13 Dec: Christingle, St Ann's 6 pm

20 Dec: Festival of Lessons & Carols,
St Margaret's 7 pm

24 Dec: Vigil Mass, SS Philip & James
9 pm

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25 Dec: Christmas Day Eucharist,
St Ann's 9.30 am

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