

The Grapevine

November 2010

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



Remember:
service times
have changed.
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details.

People with news of coming events or noteworthy happenings in the Pastoral District of Southern Vales to share with the rest of the parish, please contact the Editor, Anne Chittleborough, at 23 The Esplanade, Pt Willunga 5173, Ph 8556 5078 or email machit5@bigpond.com.au, preferably by 15th November. **PLEASE NOTE CHANGED EMAIL ADDRESS.**

With *The Grapevine* now appearing on the parish website <http://www.southernvalesparish.org> and including photos and some contact details, remember to notify me (contact details above) if you don't want to have anything about you included in *The Grapevine* in this format.

Fr Paul writes:

Helen and I would like to thank everyone for the welcome you have all given us to this Pastoral District of the Southern Vales. I would particularly like to thank Wendy and Ted Sandercock for their efforts in settling us into the Rectory and into Parish life. I also want to thank Fr Phil and Carol Anderson for their work in the Pastoral District over the past 12 months. Fr Phil prepared the way for me in so many ways as part of my formation leading up to my ordination and my appointment as Priest Assistant for this Pastoral District. Carol along with the efforts of other members of the Parish has transformed the garden, making the rectory surroundings beautiful. I promise to keep it alive during summer! Thank you to Bishop Stanley Goldsworthy, Bishop Ian George, Fr Dennis Eales, Fr Martin Chittleborough, Fr Graham Cooling and visiting priests including Fr Scott Moncrieff and Fr John Beiers for taking services in the Pastoral District until my arrival. Thank you also everyone for your gifts, many of them we found in the pantry when we arrived. A very good tradition!

It was great that so many of you were able to attend my ordination at O'Halloran Hill on October the 18th and first Mass at McLaren Vale the next day. The ordination for me has been part of a very long journey to priesthood. As a result, I am very much looking forward to carrying out my priestly ministry in the Southern Vales. I want to thank our former Bishop, Ross Davies, for making the appointment, in consultation with the Parish Council. I look forward to working with our Diocesan Administrator, Fr Richard Seabrook, in making this Pastoral District a viable and vibrant Parish.

Leading up to my ordination, I spent several days on retreat, led by Bishop Stanley Goldsworthy who ordained me. The Bishop reflected on numerous aspects of ministry including prayer life and the Eucharist. It was an excellent way to prepare me for ordination to the priesthood so I thank him very much.

I have since been on retreat once again. This was a Diocesan clergy retreat, once again held at Port Elliot. You may have thought this was a nice mid-week holiday, but I can assure it wasn't. The retreat was led by Father Philip Murphy, the former Rector of St Mark's Fitzroy. He has recently taken up the position as the Executive Officer of Catchment Youth Services in Melbourne, assisting young homeless people and those in danger of homelessness. His retreat centred on the Mel Gibson film, the Passion of the Christ. Father Murphy gave addresses on four aspects of the film.

One of them was the self-giving love that Jesus gave in dying for us for our sins. Jesus could have had the freedom to walk away from his impending death, but he chose freely as part of his Father's will the path of love for all of us. Pilate's wife showed love for Mary the mother of Jesus by offering towels to wipe up the blood after Jesus had been scourged. Simon offered love by carrying the cross that Jesus was to be die on. The ultimate love for us is Jesus Christ, but for our world this is a challenge. As Christians, we have to follow self-giving love like Jesus showed, the opposite to the path of freedom that many take on today. It is our role to counter this popular culture.

Other addresses included the role of Satan on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday and how Jesus Christ confronted the devil, the role of Pontius Pilate and the role of the mother of Jesus. This last address was particularly powerful for me, in seeing Mary's humanity through her shock, disbelief and sorrow, as she was with Jesus shortly after his arrest until his death on the cross. She knew Jesus was divine but she remained watching her son suffering until the end. Unlike the disciples, Mary did not abandon her son. Mary teaches us through our love for others, we show our love for God.

Father Philip Murphy offered us several personal reflections after each address. In sharing just a couple of them, consider a time when someone freely chose to sacrifice their time to help us. How did this act of self-giving love affect us? When suffering is imposed on us, how do we approach our cross? Do we run away from it, do we remember how Jesus accepted the cross, do we pick up the cross, and if so, do we do it joyfully?

Fr Paul

'Let the children come to me...'

As the Christmas season approaches, your child/ren, grandchildren or other children you know may be keen to learn more about how Christmas festivities and symbols originated and why this time continues to be relevant in many people's lives today.

Bring them along to Sunday School

Aldinga 8.30 am or McLaren Vale 10.30 am
Ph: Jac 83837496 or 0427827909, or Anne 85565078



November

Monday 1st	ALL SAINTS Mothers' Union visit to St Peter's Glenelg
Tuesday 2nd	ALL SOULS
Sunday 7th	Gold Coin Collection for CPS* workers
Monday 8th	St Ann's Guild 1.30 pm <i>Enquiries: Val Martin 8556 6100</i>
Tuesday 9th	St Margaret's Guild 2 pm <i>Enquiries: Fran Pettigrew 8323 9366</i>
	Parish Council, St Margaret's, 7 pm
Saturday 13th	Quarry Market sausage sizzle (see next column)
Sunday 14th	St Margaret's Patronal Festival COMBINED SERVICE 10 am (see next column)
Wednesday 17th	Women's Fellowship St Margaret's , 10am Final for the year. <i>Enquiries: Margaret Cameron 8556 2343</i>
Saturday 20th	St Ann's Jumble Sale <i>Enquiries: Val Martin 8556 6100</i>
Sunday 21st	CHRIST the KING
Wednesday 24th	Parish Prayer Group , St Margaret's 10 am <i>Enquiries: Gillian Clampett 8556 5998</i>
Friday 26th	Aldinga Advent Pageant (see p. 5) St Ann's Family Tea 6.30—8.30 pm <i>Enquiries: Val Martin 8556 6100</i>
Saturday 27th	Parish Christmas Lunch (See next column)
Sunday 28th	ADVENT I
Tuesday 30th	ST ANDREW

There will be no Colton Court sing-along in November

December

Sunday 5th	ADVENT II Gold Coin Collection for CPS* workers
Monday 6th	Mothers' Union Christmas Lunch (see next column)
Thursday 9th	Colton Court singers 11 am-12
Sunday 12th	ADVENT III
Monday 13th	St Ann's Guild 1.30 pm
Tuesday 14th	St Margaret's Guild 2 pm
	Parish Council 7 pm
Sunday 19th	ADVENT IV Service of 9 Lessons and Carols St Ann's 7 pm
Tuesday 21st	THOMAS
Wednesday 22nd	Parish Prayer Group 10 am
Friday 24th	CHRISTMAS EVE 9 pm St Philip & St James , Old Noarlunga & 9 pm St Stephen's , Willunga
Saturday 25th	CHRISTMAS DAY 9.30 am St Margaret's , McLaren Vale 9.30 am St Ann's , Aldinga
Sunday 26th	ST STEPHEN'S Patronal Festival COMBINED SERVICE 10 am
Tuesday 28th	HOLY INNOCENTS

* Christian Pastoral Support



Southern Vales Schools Ministry
Sausage Sizzle
Willunga Quarry Market
Saturday November 13th
8.30 am to 1.00 pm

During your visit to the Market enjoy a bite to eat. *See you there!*

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

The youngest church in our Pastoral District, **St Margaret's**, Main Rd McLaren Vale, was built of local stone in 1911, and dedicated to **St Margaret of Scotland**.

Celebrate St Margaret's Day
at McLaren Vale
Sunday 14th November
Eucharist 10 am
followed by a shared brunch.

There will be only one service in the Pastoral District on that day.

Clothes, books, plants,
bric-a-brac, sausage sizzle...
something for *everybody!*

St Ann's

JUMBLE SALE
Sat. 20th November



Mothers' Union December 6th
9.30 am at St Nicholas' Seaford.
Guest speaker: Judy Price, Diocesan Vice President. Christmas lunch at the cafe.

Intercessions/Bible reading/hostesses Helen Cook and Kathy Squire.

Parish Christmas Lunch !

Our popular Christmas lunch will be held on Saturday 27th November, 12.30 pm at the Seaford Ecumenical Mission Cafe, Main St, Seaford.

We have been offered a very tempting menu at a very reasonable price, with the benefit of BYO for alcoholic drinks. The menu is available at the back of your centre. Please add your name to the list attached to reserve your place.

Wendy Sandercock



A special occasion—FR Paul Devenport's Ordination, 17th October and



At Christ Church O'Halloran Hill, Monday 18th October:

Above: Before his ordination Fr Paul prostrates himself before the altar. On the left is Fr Paul's father, the Rev'd John Devenport. Fr Paul's daughter Megan and son James read the first and second Lessons.



L: Watched by his wife Helen, newly ordained Fr Paul accepts a communion chalice from Bishop Stanley Goldsworthy.

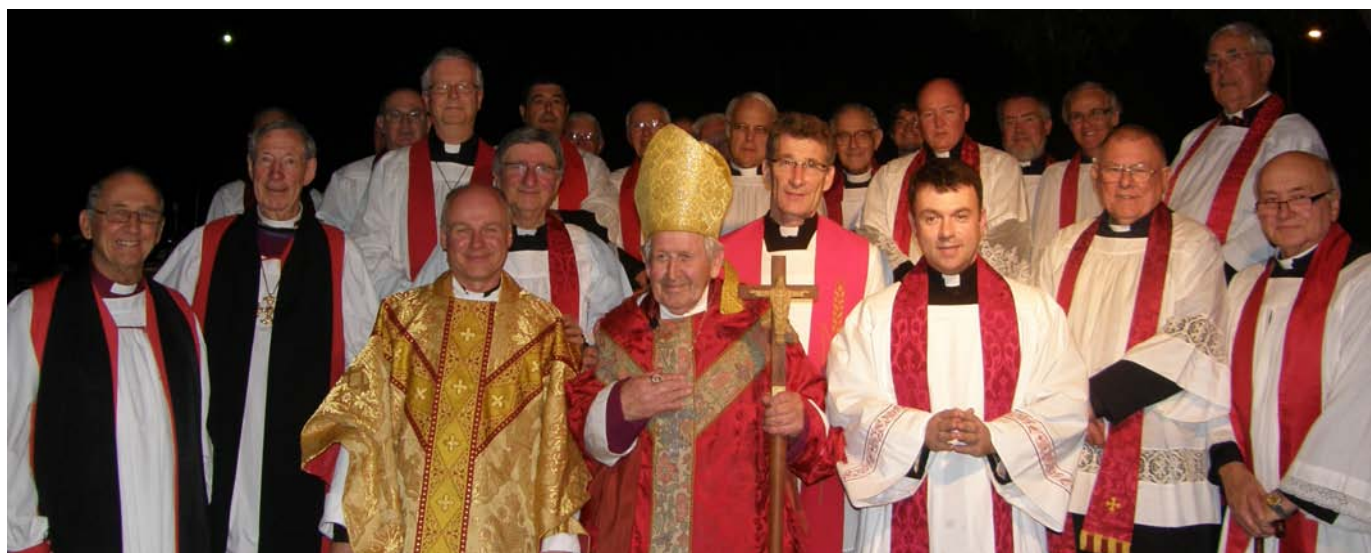
Archdn Reg Farnell holds the service book. Ordination photos p 1,4; J Venus

Bottom of page: After the service, Fr Paul with Bishop Stanley and Archdeacon Richard Seabrook, surrounded by the bishops and priests who came to support him. The chasuble worn by Fr Paul was given to him by his father.

Pastoral District gift to Fr Paul

It had been agreed at the September PDC meeting that our Pastoral District would present Fr Paul with a green Chasuble, Stole and Maniple. The chasuble chosen was not lined and Sister Beverly Driver agreed to hand-finish it—a time consuming and an eye tiring task. We thank Sister Beverly for her devotion and patience.

Ted Sandercock on behalf of the Pastoral District presented this gift to Fr Paul at the supper held after the service at St Margaret's, McLaren Vale on Tuesday October 19. Fr Paul's look of surprise was worth this best kept secret!



first Eucharist, 18th October



Mrs Helen Devenport, James and Fr Paul, with Fr John Devenport



Above: Fr Paul with Archdeacon Richard Seabrook, Diocesan Administrator.

Below: Ted Sandercock presents the Chasuble (see opposite page).



FRIENDS of ST STEPHEN'S CEMETERY

Julie Stuttard, Curator of the St Stephen's Cemetery, is calling on people interested in forming a group of Friends of St Stephen's Cemetery.

She plans to hold a talk on the history of the cemetery later this month.

Please contact her on 0402 333 844 or email jules@peacockfarm.com.au



CHRISTIAN PASTORAL SUPPORT WORKER

(Previously known as "School Chaplain")

WILLUNGA HIGH SCHOOL

Address: 239 Main Road, 5172

Phone: 8556 2105

Applications are invited for this position of 12-18 hours per week, commencing Term 1, 2011.

The position exists to offer support to students, staff and the school community. A Job and Person Specification is available from the school office, 8556 2105. For further details, contact the school or go to www.smg.asn.au.

Closing date: 4 pm, Monday 8th Nov.

Taking the Christmas message to the community

Aldinga Christmas Pageant Combined Aldinga churches and FUSION-Aust

Friday 26th November

**from Aldinga Primary School and
Galilee Catholic School to
Aldinga Central shopping centre**

**To be involved contact
Anne Chittleborough ph 8556 5078,
or just come along to watch.**

**Beginning at the schools at approx. 10 am;
arriving at the shops at approx. 11 am**

**From St Philip & St James, Old Noarlunga,
Wallace Mansolf & Mary Blagrove write:**

- We join with others in the other congregations in congratulating Fr Paul on his ordination, and we look forward to working with him. It will be good to have him and Helen living in the Rectory. It was very fitting that Bishop Stanley, from this parish, conducted the ordination.
- We are happy to comply with the change to 8.30 for the Sunday service.
- Connie Carroll's mother has returned to the USA after a long and dedicated time with the family. Connie is making steady progress.
- We were grateful to Fr Martin for his excellent presentation on ABM Sunday.
- We have complied with the regulations of the City of Onkaparinga concerning the care of the paddock. Geoff Grummitt keeps it in very good order. Regular spraying of weeds has been carried out in the church grounds.

**From St Marager's, McLaren Vale,
Di Richard writes:**

A sudden quiet has settled over McLaren Vale—a sense of peace now there is a resident priest. We must all thank God that Fr Paul has been sent to us in this Pastoral District. It is now up to us to care for him and for Helen, both spiritually and financially. Thank you to all those who provided supper after Fr Paul's first Mass on Tuesday 19th.

Our thanks to Bishop Ian George for coming to take services for us in recent months.

We hope to see everyone at our Patronal Festival on 14th November. The service will be at 10 and there will be a shared brunch in the hall to follow.

For our special prayers...

Louisa, Hayden, Jessica and Mitchell Hands are very grateful for all the prayers and caring thoughts of so many people in the parish. Mitchell, aged one, has started chemotherapy for a large malignant tumour in his liver. The oncologists at the Women's and Children's Hospital are hoping to shrink it before surgery to remove it. Please keep us in your prayers as treatment will take about six months.

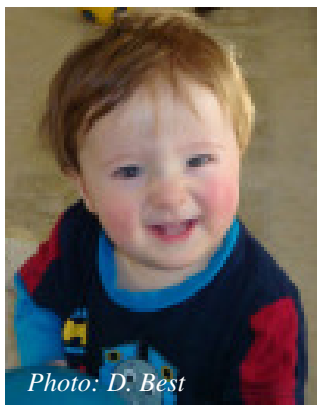


Photo: D. Best

Di Best

**From St Stephen's, Willunga, Ted
Sandercock and Margaret Cameron
write:**

- Thanks to visiting clergy, Fr Scott Moncrieff, Fr John Beiers and Fr Peter Simmons, who have enabled us to continue the Saturday Mass after Fr Phil left. We especially enjoyed Fr John's accompaniment on the organ and his splendid singing. As some know, Fr John is a member of the Adelaide Harmony Choir.
- On Saturday October 16, Helen Devenport joined us for the service. She was introduced to the members of the congregation and afterwards joined us for sherry & "nibbles".
- On October 23, Fr Paul presided over his first service at St Stephen's and met members of the congregation after Mass. We welcomed back Helen Scott as a regular member of the congregation.
- Margaret Cameron and Ted Sandercock have begun to share duties as Eucharistic Assistants.
- Thanks to Jack Warrington for cleaning up the dead branches and litter around the fences and trees and removing them. Quite a large trailer load. The driveway needs to be poisoned now that the rains have reduced somewhat.
- We still need to finish the slate paving and decide what to do with the area under the peppercorn tree. The signage needs to be reconsidered, even though graffiti has been removed from the current sign.
- In the change in service times from October 31, our services remain unchanged at 5.30 pm Saturday evening. Join us if at any time you are unable to attend Sunday worship elsewhere.

YOLKFELLOW FALLS™



"Of course I know Jesus loves me. What I can't figure out is what He sees in you two..."

READ 1 JOHN 4:8, 16; ROMANS 5:8!

**From St Ann's Aldinga,
Peter Chapman writes:**

- We were very pleased to have Fr Paul take his first Eucharist and baptism at St Ann's on 24th October. That service would have been a challenge for any priest, with a power failure, no organ for the first part of the service, and a baby with a mind of her own! Beautiful Georgia Rose Taylor sat at Fr Paul's feet blowing raspberries during the sermon, and had her own opinions about what was to happen during the service. As her baptismal candle was lit, the lights of the church finally came on—surely a sign of blessing! Together with little Owen Brown and Charlotte Rowley, Georgia joined the Sunday School in accompanying the last hymn. She won everybody's heart and we look forward to seeing her again.



- Birthday season! We celebrated Laurel Putland's 80th birthday (see next column) on Sunday 10th, and at a well-attended October Family Tea celebrated Val Martin's 75th Birthday.



- We are delighted to welcome Brian McMillan to both our congregation, and our team of organists.
- While our church garden is a blaze of colour we are very concerned about the weeds in the adjoining paddock, which line our fence and stand about 6 ft high. Both the owner and the council have been approached, but our weed fence remains.



10.10.10

A date to remember!

Born on the 10th day of the 10th month of 1910, Laurel Putland turned 80 on Sunday 10th October and attended the St Ann's service and morning tea.

Congratulations Laurel!

Does anyone have a birthday on 11.11.11?

Roses, Eggs and a Sumptuous Lunch

Following an invitation from St Elizabeth's, Warradale St Ann's Guild paid a visit to their church on 21st October. Their memorial rose garden, tended by a Tuesday men's group, was a riot of spring colour, and we marvelled at their water catchment system. Surplus water falling on the car park is trapped, filtered, and recycled as garden water for the church and the adjoining council park area. The system, opened by the Archbishop of Canterbury in 1997, attracted a lot of attention in the media of the time.

Pat Truman displayed part of her fabulous collection of ornamental eggs, including eggs from Venice, Russia, China & Africa, and her oldest egg, a little ivory egg containing nutmeg and a nutmeg grater.

Below: St Elizabeth's Secretary, Pat Truman displays her ornamental eggs to President Pam Tucker, and the President of St Ann's Guild, Val Martin (centre).



Thank you, knitters!



Thanks to all who contributed a lovely supply of knitted baby jackets, booties, beanies and rugs. These have been taken to Genesis for the tiny babies, and to Aldinga Care for their use.

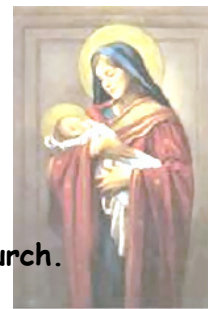
Margaret Cameron.



The original St Margaret's hospital kitchen after 43 years of service. Photos: L Bond



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Anglican Board of Mission

A donation of c. \$280 is to be sent from Southern Vales towards the rebuilding and upgrading of St Margaret's Hospital in the Oro Province of PNG (see photo above). Thanks to all who contributed to this.

For further information about this project and other work supported by ABM, see the ABM website, www.abmission.org.

ABM Auxiliary Patron appointed

Fr Martin Chittleborough has recently been appointed Patron of the National ABM Auxiliary, following the retirement of Bp David McCall from that position.

Speaking at Old Noarlunga and McLaren Vale on ABM Sunday, Fr Martin mentioned the Otoh, the symbol of honour he was given as Archdeacon of Northern Papua in 1971. Before that, Archbishop David Hand and Prince Charles were the only expatriates to have received this honour.



Recognize this man?

News from the Judds, now at Brinkworth

Had mice, blowflies by the dozen, killed a snake and Friday night foxes killed all 10 of our chooks. It's hard being a pioneer!!

Greg



Photo of Sue: G. Judd

Parish Service times

Please note: there have been changes in service times

St Stephen's, Willunga

Saturday: Holy Communion: 5.30 pm

St Philip & St James, Old Noarlunga

Sunday: Holy Communion: 8.30 am

St Ann's, Aldinga

**Sunday: Holy Communion: 8.30 am
with children's lessons and activities**

St Margaret's, McLaren Vale

**Sunday: Holy Communion: 10.30 am
with Sunday School**

Wednesday: Holy Communion: 9:00am

But please note: From time to time the four centres of the Pastoral District combine in worship to celebrate special events.

On those days there is only one Sunday service in the Pastoral District.

On Sunday 14th November there will be only one service—a combined Eucharist at St Margaret's McLaren Vale at 10 am (see p. 3), &

On Sunday 26th December the only service will be a combined Eucharist at 10 am at Willunga, to celebrate St Stephen's Patronal Festival.

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but messages can be left on the
message bank 08 8323 9155***

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