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The Grapevine

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

Family Services at St Ann's and St Margaret's



Fr Paul follows the Acolytes Mathew Hearn & Annaliese Tassie and Eucharistic Assistant Wendy Sandercock in the Gospel procession at the service at St Margaret's.

Photo: Julia Drought

St Margaret's first family service on May 6th was a very joyful celebration which had everyone smiling. There were 15 children attending, who participated by being acolytes, readers, collecting, presenting the sacraments, listening and acting out the sermon, and supervising Fr Paul's Eucharistic preparations around the altar. We learnt a new jazzy "Gloria" and children's hymns with catchy tunes. At St Ann's the service was attended by about ten children and their parents as well as the regulars. The readings were capably read



Fr Paul supervised by the children, watched by Eucharistic Assistant Wendy Sandercock and Acolyte Tom Drought.

Photo: Julia Drought

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, ,

The PD Council meeting was held on May 8 and was chaired by Fr Dirk van Dissel. The meeting was attended by five observers. The first item of business was to appoint a new Parish Secretary to replace Sister Beverly Driver, who had recently resigned. Mrs Susan Smith was nominated by Fr Paul and unanimously approved by the Council members with applause.

Family Services – the first family focused services were held on Sunday May 6 at St Ann's and St Margaret's. The format and special service booklet were developed by Fr Paul, Choir Director, Brian MacMillan, and the Children's Ministry teams. The congregations were in the 40s and about 10 children at each service. The families, especially the children, were involved in the readings, the children's homily, and during the Great Thanksgiving. At St Margaret's Matthew Hearn and Annaliese Tassie were members of the sanctuary party. (See photograph, page 1.) Fr Paul commented that it was a good start. The next Family Services will be on Sunday, June 3.

Safer Ministry Training – The Diocese has organised an introduction to Safer Ministry through an organisation, Safer Ministry Training Resources. This training is for all people who hold a formal ministry role – clergy, pastoral visiting, children's ministry, wardens and so on. Seven centres have been selected across the Diocese and dates set so that this training will begin in June and will be completed by the end of September. Training will be offered at St Margaret's Sunday School on Saturday July 28 from 9.00 am – 4.00 pm for Southern Vales, Seaford and Yankalilla people involved in Christian ministry.

Testing and Tagging – the testing and tagging of all electrical appliances used in our churches and other buildings has been completed at the cost of some \$500.

Anglicare Project – the Council members discussed the three letters received re the project concept. Individual replies will be written to each writer to thank them for their concerns. Copies have been forwarded to the Anglicare committee and to the Anglicare project leader. It was noted that there has been a change in project leadership at Anglicare. The PD Council looks forward to a formal project proposal when Anglicare completes the feasibility and technical studies.

Prayer Book – large print copies of *The Prayer Book for Australia* are to be placed at each Centre for use by the Priest. Fr Martin has donated a copy for St Ann's and donations are expected for placement at the other Centres.

Easter Services – publicity for Southern Vales Anglican services appeared in the media, distribution of Easter information in McLaren Vale and Willunga in conjunction with the Lutheran and Roman Catholic churches, and banners were set out at St Ann's and St

Margaret's. This additional effort may have contributed to record attendances at services across the Pastoral District during Holy Week and Easter.

Outreach – The Treasurer reminded the PD members that the Diocesan Council had been asked to consider appointing a person to promote Evangelism across the Diocese. After general discussion, the PD Council encouraged the outreach committee to continue to explore local outreach activities and to check any progress that had been made by Seaford Anglicans, who proposed the original motion to Synod.

Parish Status – the PD Council request for consideration for Parish Status was discussed at the April Diocesan Council meeting and will be further discussed at its June meeting.

Financial statement

As there was no Pastoral District Council meeting in April there were financial statements for March and April.

Finances March

Nett Monthly Income	\$ 5,364
Monthly Expenditure	\$ 6,340
Loss	- \$ 976
Missions	\$ 554

Finances April

Nett Monthly Income	\$ 9,371 (this includes Interest from Diocesan held funds: \$1778)
Monthly Expenditure	\$ 7,268
Surplus	\$ 1,765
Missions	\$ 558

Overall Finances (to April 30)

Income	\$27,873 (\$1,716 over budget)
Expenditure	\$32,876 (\$2,312 under budget)
Loss	\$ 4,970 (\$4,061 under budget)

Donations to Missions \$ 1,839

Margaret Cale was thanked for her professional presentation.

The next meeting will be Tuesday June 19 at 6.30 pm in the St Margaret's Sunday School room.

Ordination Candidates Fund (OCF)

June is OCF month in the The Murray.

The OCF provides funds to continue to train new clergy. The call to ministry, through the priesthood is not an isolated event. It is up to all of us to hear that call.

Remember the Candidates of TODAY are our clergy of TOMORROW. Please give generously to support this Fund.

Donations can be made directly to the Diocese or through the envelopes at the back of your church. Place them in the Collection Plate during June.

OCF Sunday in SV is Sunday June 24th

June

Sun 3rd TRINITY SUNDAY
 Gold Coin Collection for CPS workers
Service at St Philip & St James will be at 10 am

Mon 4th Mothers' Union 10 am Seaford, with Lunch

Sat 9th St Ann's Jumble Sale

Mon 11th BARNABAS
 St Ann's Guild 1.30 pm

Tues 12th St Margaret's Guild 2 pm

Thurs 14th Colton Court singers 11 am-12

Sat 16th Saturday Night Out at Willunga

Sun 17th *Service at St Philip & St James will be at 10 am*

Tues 19th Pastoral District Council St Margaret's 6.30 pm

Wed 20th Women's Fellowship St Margaret's, 10 am

Fri 22nd St Ann's Family Tea 6.30—8.30 pm

Sun 24th Birth of John the Baptist & OCF Sunday

Fri 29th PETER & PAUL

July

Sun 1st Gold Coin Collection for CPS workers
 Family services: St Ann's 9 am, St Margaret's 10.30am

Mon 2nd Mothers' Union 9.30 am Aldinga
Enquiries: Trish Frith 8556 2604

Tues 3rd THOMAS

Mon 9th St Ann's Guild 1.30 pm
Enquiries: Val Martin 8556 6100

Tues 10th St Margaret's Guild 2 pm
Enquiries: Fran Pettigrew 8323 9366

Thurs 12th Colton Court singers 11 am-12

Fri 13th St Ann's Quiz Night

Tues 17th Pastoral District Council St Margaret's 6.30 pm

Wed 18th Women's Fellowship St Margaret's, 10.00 am

Sun 22nd MARY MAGDALENE

Wed 25th JAMES

Thurs 26th ANN

Sat 28th Safer Ministry Training, St Margaret's

Baptisms

Sat 2nd June St Ann's: Charlotte Lear

Sat 16th June St Stephen's: Elizabeth Bosworth

Sun 8th July St Ann's: Ajay Kolarik

Weddings

Fri 15th June SSPJ: Darren Lynn Jones and Nyree Dana Humphreys

Sat 30th June SSPJ: Jade Denton and Andrea Ross



Trish Frith's Rose Pruning
 Services are
 available for June & July.
 Bookings to Trish: Ph 8556 2604

FAMILY SERVICES

1st Sunday of the month
 St. Ann's Aldinga 9.00 am
 St Margaret's McLaren Vale 10.30 am

A modern service designed for families
 with children's involvement in the liturgy.

All families, teenagers and children are welcome.
 No prior experience needed!

Further information: Fr Paul Devenport
 8323 9744

SATURDAY NIGHT OUT

Saturday June 16th, 7.00 pm
 at Bush Inn, Willunga

following St Stephen's 5.30 pm Vigil Mass.
 Bookings by June 14: ph. 0438564652
July Saturday Night Out will be on the 14th.



ST ANN'S FAMILY TEA

Friday 22nd June
 St Ann's Hall, 6.30—8.30 pm.
*All welcome. Bring your friends.
 Bring food to share, or just come!*

CENTENARY WINE

Order forms are available at the back of the
 churches. The last of the Verdelho is available
 \$90 doz. Contact Fr Paul 8323 9744



M.U. CHRISTMAS CARDS

Order forms available at each church.
 Orders and prepayment to
 Barb Jeanes 8556 4440
 Final orders by June 12th.

Drop in at Granny Annie's
 St Ann's, 7 Stonehouse Lane, Aldinga,
 off South Rd
 Thursdays 9-11.30 for a cuppa & chat.
 Activities for children (and adults!)

Do you ever daydream about what it would be like if Jesus walked the earth today? Do you ever wonder what he would do in one of our churches or in our home if he could be physically present?

Sometimes it is hard to walk in faith and know Jesus only through the Scriptures. Sometimes we long for him to be here to encourage us. If this is how you feel, you can imagine how hard it was for the disciples as they adjusted to life without Jesus' physical presence. They had known him and followed him and listened to him for three years. After the trauma of his death, they witnessed him being with them again for 40 days before he ascended into heaven.

Jesus' last words to His disciples, before He ascended into Heaven were that they would be baptised with the Holy Spirit in coming days. Ten days later, a violent wind filled the entire house where they were sitting and they were filled with the Holy Spirit. They began speaking in different languages, in their own native tongues. The power of the Holy Spirit gave them the power to preach and heal; and the power to face persecution without giving in. The apostles including Paul, who was converted after he was struck down by a blinding light on the road to Damascus, had some amazing experiences in the years after Jesus physically departed this world. Just read the book of Acts!

We have celebrated Pentecost in the last week or so, with the coming of the Holy Spirit into our lives. This with Trinity Sunday where we celebrate the Father as God, the Son as God's own Son and the Holy Spirit living our lives, three persons in one; brings to an end the great round of feasts which begin with Advent and go on to Pentecost.

As the first apostles were, we are all now charged with going out into the world and spreading the good news of Jesus Christ. We should not simply rely on our own sense of guidance from God as we have it in our heart, in receiving direction from the fellowship to which we belong. The Holy Spirit gives all of us the power to live as Christians.

The Spirit, the power of God, is also at work in the sacraments such as Baptism. It has been wonderful to baptise four people in the past month, in giving them the power of the Holy Spirit and in being made members of the Body of Christ. There are more baptisms planned in the coming months. At the heart of this sacrament and the others, the Holy Spirit is making a home in our hearts. It gives a variety of spiritual gifts, in discernment, in guiding us, in healing and making our faith stronger. May this season of Pentecost allow you to grow more deeply in your journey with God.

I was very encouraged by the number of families and children who attended our inaugural Family Eucharists in May. They are being held on the first Sunday of each month. Please encourage any families to join in with us at St Ann's at 9.00 am and at St Margaret's at 10.30 am. On the other Sundays, we will continue with Sunday School at both centres.

With every blessing in Christ

Fr Paul

2012 Synod Report

Father Paul Devenport, Ted Sandercock and Brian McMillan represented the Pastoral District of Southern Vales at the Diocesan Synod, held at Tailem Bend on 18 and 19 May 2012. Synod began with a joyous Eucharist and Fr Richard's Synod address was well received.

Synod endorsed the motion that a commitment to evangelism be reflected, not only through the Bishop's appointment (whenever that might be), but also by consideration of appointment as well of a Diocesan resource person of an appropriate age and with relevant skills - "a passion for the renewal of the Anglican churches in the Diocese, especially to attract and keep young families within the life of the church for its future survival".

Otherwise much of the time of the Synod was taken up with formal motions (that reports, or accounts, be received), or debate on matters of detail which had been resolved at Diocesan Council level.

Motions relating to matters of serious concern were doomed to failure, either on technical grounds, or by the House of Clergy.

Father Paul was elected to Diocesan Council.

Ted and I were concerned that a few Synod members did not heed the message of Fr Richard in his address—respect, care for others and speaking the truth in love.

Brian McMillan, Member of Synod

A full report from Brian McMillan and Ted Sandercock will be tabled at the next PD Council meeting on June

New Faces

Introducing our new PD Council Secretary—Susan Smith



I first came to live in this lovely part of the world in 1980. We followed my sister Pauline really, and her family who told us what a wonderful place this was to live. We came with our two children Andrew and Shelley and truly believed we were living in paradise after the

rainy northern town of Warrington. We went on to have two more children Melissa and Mia. We have lived in the suburbs of Hackham, Moana and Seaford Rise over the years. Unfortunately after 34 years of marriage my husband and I divorced and, along came Bob. We have now been married for over a year and there was no doubt in our minds where we would be married. My deep affection and love for SS Philip & James started almost as soon as I arrived here in 1980. Very sadly just a couple of weeks before we emigrated, my dear niece Kerry died from Leukemia at just 8 years old, and her ashes were buried under a sapling on the northern side of the church. It was the very first place I visited. Then later Melissa and Mia were christened there. Strangely enough I had always wanted to worship there and occasionally went at Christmas etc, but it was only when I met Bob that we started to worship continually. I now have five grandchildren, all of us are very close. Bob and I now live at Aldinga Beach. Bob's brother Mart owns Adelaide Biplanes with his wife Gaye and Bob likes to fly as much as possible. I have enjoyed working at Flinders Medical Centre for over 20 years I must say though, I am looking forward to retirement and spending more time gardening and having more time to myself.

Members of PD Council welcomed Susan at the May meeting.

New acolyte at St Margaret's—David Mills



David Mills grew up in Elizabeth, the son of English migrant parents, and as a child worshipped at St Augustine's, Para Hills. About ten years ago he moved to the southern suburbs and now lives at Old Noarlunga. David works as a chef at Westminster School. He and his fiancée Kylie Chessman met at cookery school seven years ago. David enjoys horticulture, playing the guitar, and cooking.

Women's Fellowship

Thanks to members of the Pastoral District and the Mothers' Union branch at Murray Bridge for their generous contributions of children's knitted clothes and adult quilts and rugs. Lorna McGaffin and I delivered the following to *Anglicare* at Morphett Vale:

- 18 toddlers jumpers & beanies
- 5 children's jumpers & beanies
- 6 patchwork cot quilts
- 3 crochet rugs (adults)
- 3 knitted knee rugs (adults)

Six baby beanies, for prem babies, were also sent to *Genesis* in Adelaide.

Thanks to all who contributed. Any unwanted wool would be most acceptable.

Margaret Cameron, Convenor

Diocesan Safer Ministry Training

In order to comply with state legislation, a new system of Safer ministry training is being introduced into this Diocese with effect from June 2012. Safer Ministry Training is of vital importance especially with the work we undertake with children, young people and the vulnerable. It shows we take our duty of care in this diocese seriously. Anybody who holds a license as a bishop, priest or deacon, or has a pastoral assistant's permission (all categories), anyone who is involved in children's ministry, all choir directors, adult servers and churchwardens will need to take part in this training.

The seminar for SV Pastoral District members will be held at St Margaret's Sunday School room on **Saturday July 28th** from 9.00 am to 4.00 pm. M/T & A/T provided. Bring your Lunch.

News from St Ann's



*Visitors from the McLaren Vale Club at Granny Annie's
Photo: Anne Chittleborough*

The last Granny Annie's included a visit from about eleven McLaren Vales ACH seniors who enjoyed some card and board games, morning tea and a stroll through the cemetery and church. Our now regular mother and child also came along.

Our R&M group met in the room on Tuesday 1st May for updates on happenings and to discuss future needs. Among these things is to proceed with getting quotes for the repair and repainting of the church's windows and doors, and to get this started. The oiling of the hall's windows and doors is to be a priority once we have the appropriate treatment in hand. Pest treatment for the church carpet is to be organised and done, since the silverfish have made an appearance. Millipede spraying has been done around buildings once again. Thanks Bill Cale.

Three members of St Ann's attended a seven hour accredited course in Child Safe Environments training at Kidman Park on April 28th.

A funeral for the late Robert George Ricketts was held at St Ann's on 4th May. Fr Graham Cooling officiated and it was attended by about 170 people. Thanks to Bill Jeanes and Val Martin for helping with the setting up of church and hall.

Our May Family Tea was also smaller in numbers but not in fellowship and fun. Trish introduced us to Bocce and it seems that Fr Paul has a hidden talent in this field!

St Ann's Guild intends sending Anniversary Cards to each child baptised at St Ann's for the first five years after their baptisms as a gentle means of outreach to those children and the families involved.

Pat Roper & Peter Chapman, Wardens

News from St Margaret's

Three baptisms have been held recently during the Sunday Eucharistic Services:

- Dominic Edward Rees, April 15th
- Lachlan Shepherd, May 20th
- Ashton Grady Hill, May 27th

We welcome them into the Pastoral District family and God's kingdom.



Dominic with his parents Stuart and Kathleen Rees and Fr Paul

Photo: Stuart Rees

*Below:
Lachlan Shepherd's baptism at St Margaret's, Fr Paul assisted by Greg Roberts.*

Photo: Julia Drought

*Below:
Fr Paul introduces newly baptised Ashton Hill to the congregation.*

Photo: Julia Drought



Other News

The Centre purchased a tall ladder so that various repairs can be made within the Church and the Sunday School room.

Need to prune bushes at the front of St Margaret's grounds so that the signs and the front of the church can be readily seen.



Sunday School teacher, Jac Hocking with children's group at the Family Service.

Photo: Julia Drought.

Julia Drought & Greg Roberts, Wardens

News from St Philip & St James

The annual maintenance of the eight St Philip & St James kerosene burning lamps is done by Rupert Best. This involves trimming or replacing wicks, cleaning the chimneys and ensuring that winding mechanisms work. He also supplies the kerosene and fills the lamps which are greatly appreciated for warmth in the winter. Thank you Rupert.



“Let there be Light”: Rupert at work

Photo : Di Best

On Sunday May 27, Andrea Ross was baptised by Fr Paul, assisted by Eucharistic Assistant Judy Wells.



Photo: Di Best

Stephen Wells & Wallace Mausolf, Wardens

News from St Stephen's



Stevie and Shannon Joy leaving the church after their wedding on March 3rd at St Stephen's
Photo: provided by Shannon Joy

The second *Saturday Night Out* was held on Saturday May 19th at Russel's Pizza, High St, Willunga. The 12 participants had a tasty and fun evening and were entertained by Hope Stell until she fell asleep.

Ted Sandercock & Margaret Cameron, Wardens

Mothers' Union

The next meeting of MU will be held at St Nicholas', Seaford on **Monday 4th June 2012 at 10.00 am.**
Guest Speaker: Caroline Earle will discuss Refugee Homemaker Kits and supplies required.
Contacts: Helen 8327 2035 or Trish 8556 2604

MU July Meeting: Monday July 2nd at St Ann's, Aldinga at 9.30 am.
Further details from Trish Frith, 8556 2604



125th Anniversary

*St John The Baptist, Cathedral
Murray Bridge*

*Invites you to a Eucharistic Celebration
on Sunday 24th June 2012
at 11.00 am followed by Lunch.*

Guest Preacher: Rev'd Martin Bleby

*RVSP: Monday June 18th 2012
Ph: Lee Lyons 8531 1293 or Des Warner
8532 2701*

Schools Ministry

The extension and expansion of the National School Chaplaincy program in the new federally funded National School Chaplaincy & Student Welfare Program commenced this year. Schools can now choose a Chaplain (Christian Pastoral Support Worker—CPSW) or a Secular Student Welfare Worker.

Overwhelmingly 97% of South Australian schools chose to continue the Chaplaincy Program in their schools.

There have been a number of changes to the Program and in SA the major effect has been the introduction of minimum qualifications for all CPS workers, a Certificate 4 in Youth Work or Pastoral Care or equivalent.

Please continue to support this outreach with your Gold Coins or a donation through the Collection Plate.



Almond Blossom Festival

We will run our usual stall from 10 am to approx 2.30 pm.:

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| Monday July 30 | St Margaret's |
| Tuesday July 31 | St Ann's |
| Wednesday Aug 1 | St Philip & St James',
& St Stephen's |

Best sellers: cakes, biscuits, slices, fresh produce, jams, fresh fruit (Biscuits in snap lock plastic bags; all cakes and slices to be well sealed in plastic bags or plastic wrap. Please list ingredients.)

Some handcraft & knitted baby wear also sell.

No plants please.

Further information in the July GV.

Southern Vales Pastoral District

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

Visit our website!

<http://www.southernvalesparish.org>

To contact your church wardens:

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St Margaret's, McLaren Vale

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Julia Drought 8323 8724

St Stephen's, Willunga

Margaret Cameron 8556 2343
Ted Sandercock 8556 4535

St Ann's, Aldinga

Peter Chapman 8557 7151
Pat Roper 8386 2470

Parish Service times

St Stephen's, St Andrews Tce, Willunga
Saturday: Vigil Holy Eucharist: 5.30 pm

**St Philip & St James, Church Hill Rd,
Old Noarlunga**

Sunday: Holy Eucharist: 8.30 am

Note: 10.00 am on June 3 and June 17

St Ann's, South Rd, Aldinga

Sunday: Holy Eucharist: 9 am

with children's lessons and activities

St Margaret's, Main Road McLaren Vale

Sunday: Holy Eucharist: 10.30 am with
Sunday School

Wednesday: Holy Eucharist: 9:00am

BIBLE STUDIES

Regularly held at St Margaret's on Wednesdays following the 9 am service. All welcome.