

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



EASTER SERVICES IN THE SOUTHERN VALES 2013

Sun 24th March PALM SUNDAY Parish Combined service 10 am Blessing of Palms, Procession & Sung Mass

St Ann's, 7 Stonehouse Lane, Aldinga

Mon 25th March 6 pm Holy Eucharist St Philip & St James, Church Hill Rd, Old Noarlunga

Tues 26th March 9 am Holy Eucharist St Ann's Aldinga

Wed 27th March 9 am Holy Eucharist St Margaret's,
99 Main Rd. McLaren Vale

Thurs 28th March MAUNDY THURSDAY
Holy Eucharist & Washing of feet

7.30 pm St Margaret's, McLaren Vale

Fri 29th March GOOD FRIDAY

9 am Morning Prayer St Philip &
St James, Old Noarlunga
Midday Stations of the Cross St Ann's
3 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion
St Margaret's, McLaren Vale

Sat 30th March HOLY SATURDAY

7 pm Easter Vigil St Philip and St James, Old Noarlunga

Sun 31st March EASTER DAY

7 am St Stephen's, St Andrew's Tce,Willunga9 am St Ann's, Aldinga

10.30 am St Margaret's McLaren Vale







With news of coming events or noteworthy happenings in the Pastoral District of Southern Vales please contact the Editor,

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As The Grapevine appears on the parish website and includes photos and some contact details, please notify the Editor (contact details above) if you wish to avoid having anything about you included in The Grapevine in this format.



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Monday 4th March Margaret's McLaren Vale



Tuesday19th March: Lady Day at St Hilary's, Morphett Vale, 11 am Communion, and talk by Australian President the Rev'd Canon Libbie Crossman (above) Monday 1st April (Easter Monday) Hymn service, St Ann's Aldinga 9.30 am

The wedding of Annabelle Drought & Michael Roennfeldt will be at St Oswald's Church, St Ann's Place, Parkside, on Saturday 9th March at



1.30 pm An invitation to the ceremony and afternoon tea is extended to the whole parish.



St Margaret's Jumble Sale Saturday 27th April 9am—1pm

Needed: Saleable items of crockery, glassware & other household items. Enquiries: Lorna McGaffin 8323 8523

Roy's Retreat **Silent contemplative Christian Retreat** Willunga, 12th March 9.30 am—4 pm

Morning and afternoon teas provided. BYO lunch. Cost: \$40, or \$25 for the unwaged

Roy's Retreat was established in 2006 to promote contemplative practice in the Christian mystical and prophetic tradition. The Christian mystics teach us that the language of God is silence. Our Retreat programs offer pathways into this language of God. Roy's Retreat is a non-denominational Incorporated Association and receives no funding or financial support. Retreats are offered 'at cost' as a way of making the spiritual quest accessible to all who seek.

The Father spoke one word from all eternity and he spoke it in silence, and it is in silence that we hear it.

John of the Cross (1542-1591)

Family Services,

First Sunday of the month, next on 3rd March, 7th April. St Ann's 9am and St Margaret's 10.30am For further information contact Fr Paul Devenport on 8323 9744

Baptism:

9th March: Adele Lacey at St Stephen's, Willunga, 5.30 pm

Weddings:

16th March: Maryann Gulin &

Michael Paradowski, St Stephen's

6th April: Kylie Cheesman & David

Mills at St Stephen's

IT'S NOT TOO LATE **TO JOIN A LENT BIBLE STUDY!**



Glimpses of God: Hope for Today's World

Mondays 7.30 pm at the Chittleboroughs' home, 23 Esplanade, Pt Willunga Tuesdays 7 pm at Wallace and Dorothy Mausolf's residence, 24 Water St, Old Noarlunga Wednesdays 10 am St Margaret's, McLaren Vale Thursdays 7 pm St Margaret's, McLaren Vale

> For copies of the lessons contact Fr Paul 8323 9744

GRANNY

ANNIE'S

EASTER

SPECIAL

Thursday

28th March.

9-11.30

Hot Cross

Buns &

Easter Egg

Hunt

Casserole Night McLaren Flat Community Club Friday12th April

5.30 for a 6 pm meal \$10 per person,

Choice of two main courses; dessert available \$4 Bar facilities provided. Bookings; Helen 8323 9331

7th March **Bp Wilme** See p. 8

SATURDAY NIGHT OUT **Dinner at the Old Bush Inn**

April 13th

following the 5.30 Vigil Mass at St Stephen's.

Enquiries: Ted Sandercock 8556 4535

FASHION PARADE! St Margaret's Sunday School room

Tuesday 16th April 1.30pm.

(note changed date) Tickets (\$8) include afternoon tea.

Door prize and raffle. Fashions by "Postie".

Winter stock available.



What's on March Fri 1st World Day of Prayer 10 am Galilee, 2 pm Kalyra Sun 3rd **Family Service Gold Coin Collection for CPS* workers** Mon 4th Mothers' Union 9.30 St Margaret's: AGM and Prayer Partners Enquiries: Trish Frith 8556 2604 Tues 5th Church Vestry Meeting St Philip & St James 6.30 pm at 24 Water St. Old Noarlunga Wed 6th Lenten Soup Supper: Peter Palmer, BCA: FIFO Ministry Bishop Wilme (Myanmar/Burma) Mt Barker, 7.30 pm (see p. 8) Thurs 7th Sat 9th Wedding of Annabelle Drought & Michael Roennfeldt (see p. 2) St Stephen's Church Vestry meeting 6.30 pm Sun 10th **MOTHERING SUNDAY** St Margaret's Church Vestry meeting 11.45 am St Ann's Church Vestry meeting 2 pm Tues 12th St Ann's Guild 1.30 pm Enquiries: Val Martin 8556 6100 **St Margaret's Guild** 2 pm Enquiries: Fran Pettigrew 8323 9366 Wed 13th Lenten Soup Supper: Lenore de la Perelle: Living with Dementia Thurs 14th Colton Court singers 11 am-12 midday Enquiries: Sue MacKirdy 8556 5162 Sat 16th St Ann's Jumble Sale Sun 17th Annual Pastoral District Vestry Meeting 2 pm Tues 19th Mothers' Union: St Hilary's, Morphett Vale 11 am: Lady Day. St Margaret's Fashion Pde date changed to 16th April Wed 20th Women's Fellowship St Margaret's, 10 am Enquiries: Margaret Cameron 8556 2343 Fri 22nd St Ann's Family Tea 6.30—8.30 pm Enquiries: Pat Roper 8386 2470 Sun 24th **PALM SUNDAY** Combined service, 10 am St Ann's Mon 25th Holy Eucharist 6 pm St Philip & St James Tues 26th Holy Eucharist 9 am St Ann's Wed 27th Holy Eucharist 9 am St Margaret's Thurs 28th Granny Annie's Easter Special 9-11.30 am **MAUNDY THURSDAY** Holy Eucharist and Washing of Feet 7.30 pm St Margaret's Fri 29th **GOOD FRIDAY** Morning Prayer 9 am St Philip and St James, Stations of the Cross Midday, St Ann's, Aldinga Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3 pm St Margaret's, Sat 30th **HOLY SATURDAY** Easter Vigil 7 pm St Philip & St James Sun 31st **EASTER DAY** Holy Eucharist St Stephen's Willunga 7 am Holy Eucharist St Ann's Aldinga 9 am

LENTEN **SOUP SUPPERS** St Ann's

(7 Stonehouse Lane, Aldinga)

6.30 Evening prayers Followed at 6.50 by a simple but delicious meal of soup & bread, and fresh fruit. Your \$5 donation covers costs. All welcome. Bring your friends & neighbours!

Wednesday 6th March The Rev'd Peter Palmer: Fly-in-fly-out: A chaplaincy to miners



Wednesday 13th March Dr Lenore de la Perelle: Living with Dementia



For further information: Anne Chittleborough 8556 5078

Sunday 17th March, 2 pm St Margaret's

The Vestry meeting is the Annual General Meeting of our Pastoral District, when reports are presented and elections held.

VESTRY 2013

Your chance to discuss matters on the agenda. BE THERE!

Motions and nominations to be in by 10th March

April Mon 1st MU St Ann's 9.30 am, Hymn Service

Sun 7th **Family Service**

Gold Coin Collection for CPS* workers

Mon 8th ANNUNCIATION TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

St Ann's Guild 1.30 St Margaret's Guild

Tues 9th Thurs 11th Colton Court Singers 11 am - 12 midday

Fri 12th Parish Fundraiser Casserole Night, McLaren Flat Community Club

Holy Eucharist St Margaret's McLaren Vale 10.30 am

Sat 13th Saturday Night Out at Willunga Tues 16th St Margaret's Fashion Parade 1 pm

Pastoral District Council St Margaret's 7 pm

Wed 17th Women's Fellowship

Thurs 25th **MARK**

ANZAC DAY Granny Annie's cancelled

Fri 26th St Ann's Family Tea Sat 27th` St Margaret's Jumble Sale (p. 2) * Christian Pastoral Support (Chaplain)

Fr Paul writes...

In South Australia this month has been termed as "Mad March" due the number of activities in Adelaide. Each year, there is the Fringe Festival and the Clipsal 500 and now the Festival of Arts occurs annually as well. These events are in addition to the start of the university year for students, the new routine of the school year and other sporting events. The Motor Accident Commission has revealed the month of March as the worst time of the year for road accidents. I must admit I have seen a couple of accidents and several near misses in the past week.

All these extra activities come at a time of Lent in the Church Year, where we are reminded to "slow down" and set aside extra time for opening ourselves to God's way. This is traditionally done with fasting, prayer and almsgiving, and Bible study. This encourages us to look at the way we live during this season of Lent and to be open more to God. This will enable us to be aware of God's presence with us, in listening to him and be open to Him in our calling.

Besides doing this with regular worship during Lent, there are extra activities that I would encourage to participate in as part of your spiritual journey. They include the Lenten Suppers on three Wednesdays at St Ann's and our Bible Studies at various locations. Please refer to the GV for the times and dates. During Holy Week, make a commitment also to partake in the journey with Jesus Christ to the cross and His resurrection by attending the services starting on Palm Sunday and during Holy Week at three of our churches leading up to Easter Day. I find the journey through Lent, Holy Week and the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus to be a wonderful experience every year.

Lent is the Church's springtime. Even though Autumn has begun, Lent is our time for the spiritual shoots of new growth to spring from our hearts. It is a time to correct our faults and come closer to God. I encourage you to take time to smell the roses, count your blessings and enjoy the life that has been given to you. Whether it is a simple walk or a beautiful sunrise or sunset, use the time during Lent and through the season of Easter to be with God in your daily life.

Let us also take time to think and pray for our Christian Pastoral Support Workers at our schools in the Southern Vales this year. On the last Sunday of February, I attended the commissioning service for the chaplains at the Uniting Church at Willunga. I was staggered by the number of issues they encounter in their ministry, involving parents, students and teachers! Despite their valuable ministry, it is unfortunate that they cannot speak about God openly and direct them to local churches like ours, which offer ministry for families. I encourage you to contribute generously each month to help support this ministry, to pray for them and for the staff, parents and children at each of the schools in the Southern Vales.

Fr Paul

...and from Fr Dirk:

On the fourth weekend of the month, Fr Paul will be in the Tatiara Pastoral District to provide pastoral ministry and celebrate Mass for those who have had no regular priestly ministry for some years.

On the Sunday in question, Fr Ken Bechaz, an experienced priest, will conduct all the services in Southern Vales. This new arrangement will not involve the Southern Vales Pastoral District in extra expenses. As well as helping members of our Diocesan Family, this will provide Fr Paul with valuable extra experience. I am very glad indeed to be able to inform you that Fr Paul was ready to embrace this additional opportunity for service and ministry and that the Pastoral District Council strongly supported it.

Dirk van Dissell, Acting Rector

Around the traps...

News from St Stephen's, Willunga

An application for restoration activities as suggested by Andrew Stephens has been forwarded to the City of Onkaparinga Heritage Branch. The quotes for the repainting of the front doors and other needed repainting activities, and repairs to the stonework, totalled \$7,000. Local member Leon Bignell has also provided support.

Thank you Fr Graham Cooling for presiding at the Vigil Mass while Fr Paul was on leave.

Saturday Night Out evening meal on Saturday 19th January at Russell's Pizza was a successful but a little noisy event. The next Saturday Night Out will be after Easter.

The meeting to resolve concerns about the Willunga cemetery raised a few useful suggestions. Ideas to reduce weeds within the gravesites need to be followed up.

We welcomed visitors from near Toowoomba, Queensland in mid January.

Suggestions for planting the area around the peppercorn tree are welcome.

Do join us at the Vigil Mass on a Saturday at 5.30 pm, if at any time you are unable to attend a Sunday Service.

Ted Sandercock & Margaret Cameron, Wardens

Opposite → At the SSPJ Lent Bible Study kindly hosted by the Mausolfs: L-R Dorothy, Judy Wells, Brenda Dew, Sheila Ley, Wallace, Jackie and Louise Webb, Rupert and Di Best.

Around the traps (cont'd)...

News from St Margaret's McLaren Vale

We enjoyed some very mild January summer weather, which gave the gardens some time to recover from the first heat waves. With some extra attention and fixing of the irrigation hose in the memorial rose garden, the rose bushes are slowly recovering and looking green again. Thanks to those who repaired and are continuing to maintain the rose garden.

Family service went well, but down in numbers as we would expect in holiday times. We look forward to welcoming back other children as the term progresses.

Shrove Tuesday evening was well attended with about 40 parishioners celebrating Evening Prayer with hymns, followed by a delicious spread of pancakes, ably supplied by Wendy Sandercock, Fran Pettigrew and other members of the Ladies Guild. Thankyou to those who helped set up and clean up and others who supplied pancake fillings.

Bible studies have





SHROVE TUESDAY Above: (L) Joe Saunders and Wendy Sandercock, (R) Helen Blake, Gwen Anthony, Wendy S and Paul Webb working in the kitchen. Below (L) Greg Pettman, Margaret Cameron and Julia Brown enjoy the meal and (R) Fr Paul collects last year's palm crosses to burn for Ash Wednesday.





resumed and we have had up to eight attending to discuss the following week's scriptural readings at the rectory on Wednesday morning following the service. Some lively discussions have ensued and we continue to learn more about our Christian faith. We are now enjoying our Lenten Bible studies based on a program entitled "Glimpses of God." *Greg Roberts and Julia Drought, Wardens*

News from St Philip & St James, Old Noarlunga

Even during the holiday season, SSPJ has much to be thankful for & to celebrate:

- * Thank you to Bishop Stanley for taking services through Lent
- * Thank you to Rupert and Di Best for hosting a dinner at their home for our congregation on 9thFeb.



- * Thank you to all those who help look after our church.
- * Congratulations to Judy Wells on her 60th birthday, and to Susan Smith for becoming a grandmother for the 6th time.

Unfortunately, people are still dumping rubbish on Church Hill Road, despite the Council removing the street bin. SSPJ is grateful to Wallace for organising a private red bin for our centre. Wardens Stephen Wells& Wallace Mausolf,

Around the traps (cont'd)



What is love?





"Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels..." At the family services at St Ann's and St Margaret's on 3rd February, Fr Martin Chittleborough used two dolls to illustrate differences between *eros*, *storge*, *filia* and *agape*, while children thought of people who loved them, and worked out what love meant. Above: At St Margaret's Georgia Copeland and Catherine Viney illustrated people who loved them.

News from St Ann's Aldinga

We have had to make some hard decisions about much-needed maintenance for the church, and have been getting quotes for the work needing to be done. One window frame in the vestry needs to be rebuilt, at a cost of possibly \$2,600 plus another \$1000 for installation, repairs and glazing. The painting of the windows and gutters also needs to be done, and will cost about \$6,500. Andrew Stephens, the Heritage Architect, has approved the work and encouraged us in putting together a request for a grant to help cover costs. A "double Bill" (Cale and Higginson) have begun stripping down some of the sills, for which we are grateful as it will reduce costs.

The other matter on our agenda at present is the pressing need for a bigger shed to store our jumble sale and other items.

A total pest inspection has been done following reports of silverfish in the carpet in the church.

Our first family tea for the year on Friday 22nd was attended by two English couples on holidays here as well as members of our regular congregation.

In spite of the hot weather we enjoyed our first service with Fr Ken Bechaz while Fr Paul was officiating in the PD of Tatiara.

Peter Chapman & Pat Roper, Wardens

Sarah Gray, R J P

Sarah Gray, who died on 6th February at the age of nearly 95, was a much-loved member of the St Ann's congregation. A feisty Scot with a wonderful sense of humour, and a dab hand at making shortbread, Sarah threw herself enthusiastically into parish life. Just before her 90th birthday she was "doing the hokeypokey" with young people at a community event at McLaren Vale! She had not been well enough to attend church for some months but



loved to keep in touch with the congregation and its activities. She is greatly missed. The Guild catered for a luncheon for about 80 people. Her funeral procession was led by a bagpiper.

A Sunday School teacher talked to her class about repentance. When summing up she asked what was the first essential before we could expect forgiveness.

A little boy's hand shot up. "Please Miss—we must sin!"

(Thank you Patricia Barker)

News from February Pastoral District Council Meeting

The meeting was held in the St Margaret's Sunday School room and chaired by Fr Dirk van Dissell. Matters discussed included:

Pastoral Care group: Fr Paul had received a number of names of people who had done the Safer Ministry course and were interested in this. The matter to be reviewed after Easter and training to be considered.

Home Groups: Peter Chapman's offer to host a group was accepted. Fr Paul and Fr Dirk to discuss this further after Easter and a group possibly to start in May.

St Margaret's Op Shop discussions: Wendy Sandercock and Helen Roberts had requested the Diocesan document "Opportunity Shop Guidelines", and recognising the importance of a suitable building to work from, had been making enquiries about the availability and cost of prefab demountable buildings. Other matters needing attention were whether there were people prepared to work in it and someone prepared to run it, and whether the church or the village would be the best location. A business plan was needed. Wendy and Helen were thanked for the work they had done so far. This topic to be included on Vestry Agenda.

Publicity: The cost of advertising Christmas and Easter services in the Messenger Press was very high. However, it was felt that there was a positive message in the churches working together on this, and we could not be seen *not* to be in it. It was noted that our PD has a good website, which Fr Paul updates weekly and which is being used.

Vestry: It was necessary for each church to hold a pre-vestry meeting prior to the Pastoral District Vestry, and all vestry meetings to be promoted in advance. As these had to be completed by the end of March, the dates for each church were set (see Diary Dates) and the PD Vestry to be held on Sunday 17th March. All positions would be declared vacant except the Synod representatives (who had a 3 years' appointment). *Nominations and motions for the church vestry meetings need to be in by 3rd March, and those for the Pastoral District Vestry by 10th March.* Nomination forms to be circulated.

Fundraising Events: The first Fundraising event would be the **Casserole Tea at McLaren Flat Community Club, Friday 12th April** (see p. 2). It would be a 2-course meal at \$10, catering for 100. Bar facilities available at the club. [*NB the food is in hand but offers of assistance taking orders, waiting etc would be welcome.*] Two other events (10th May, 14th June) had been tentatively booked pending the success of the first one. A **Wine and Cheese event would be held at Pertaringa Winery on Sunday 29th September.** A longer term plan was the production of a **cook book**, with a Special Diet Section. People to be asked to submit their favourite recipes.

Bible Society representative for the Pastoral District. Julia Drought is retiring from this position after 12 years and PDC is looking for someone to take her place in this far-from onorous task. Julia was thanked for her representation of the PDC over those years.

Future Directions: In June 2010 the PD Council adopted a Future Directions document, adopting as our 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". Ted Sandercock had analysed the activities of the PDC in terms of the themes raised in that review. This item to be on the Agenda of the first meeting of the new PDC.

Finance Report Finances for December 2012

Nett monthly income \$9,056 Monthly expenditure \$7,680 Operating profit \$1,376

The Treasurer reported that we had made a surplus of \$1,376 in December, and given almost \$370 to missions. This meant that we had ended the year with a deficit of approx \$4,500, considerably less than the predicted budgeted deficit of \$13,680, - a very commendable effort by the Pastoral District.

Finances for January 2013

Nett monthly income \$4,806 Total expenses \$5,984 Operating profit/loss -\$1,179 Donations to missions: \$88

As this was the last meeting of the 2012-13 Pastoral District Council, Fr Dirk thanked all those who had held office for that period, declaring them a good council to work with. Fr Dirk was thanked for his chairing of the meetings. There will be no meeting in March, the next PDC will be on Tues. 16th April. Observers welcome.

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Lenten Envelopes 2013

Give to the Most High as he has given to you, and as generously as you can afford.

Ecclesiastes 35:12

It is traditional that the observance of Lent involves prayer, fasting and almsgiving, and the Anglican Board of Mission's Lenten Envelopes have been our regular way of contributing to the work of the church in needy areas.

This year the Lenten appeal goes to three projects: *Nungalinya College (theological & pastoral training for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islanders) in Darwin *An imaginative Gospel communication project in the troubled city of Port Moresby by the Melanesian Brotherhood

* A water & sanitation project in marginalised communities in the Philippines.

As ever, the Good Friday appeal supports the church in **Jerusalem and the Middle East**.

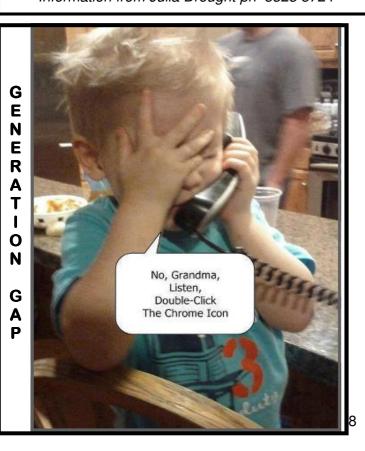
Make a difference! Fill your envelopes!

Bishop Wilme from Myanmar/Burma to visit The Murray
At this turning point in the history of Myanmar/Burma it is exciting that Bishop Wilme will be here and will speak in the hall at Christ the King, Hutchinson Street, Mount Barker on Thursday 7th March at 7.30 p.m. There will be a collection for an ABM project in that country.

Bible Society Representative needed

A contact person for the Bible Society is needed for this Pastoral District (see p. 7)

Information from Julia Drought ph 8323 8724



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St Ann's, Aldinga
Peter Chapman 8557 7151
Pat Roper 8386 2470

Parish Service times

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

St Philip & St James, Church Hill Rd,
Old Noarlunga
Sunday Holy Eucharist 9.30 am until after
Easter, then 8 am

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

But please note: From time to time the four centres of the Pastoral District combine in worship to celebrate special events, and there is only one Sunday Service.

On <u>Sunday 24th March (Palm Sunday)</u> the only service will be a combined Eucharist at 10 am at St Ann's Aldinga.