

July 2013

# The Grapevine

Photo: J Drought

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

*We look forward to meeting our Bishop-elect John & Mrs Bridget Ford and welcoming them to our Diocese in December!*



*Greg John with the console*

*Photo provided*

## ***The console comes home!***

The late Greg Trott (1934 – 2005), who was People's Warden at St Margaret's for 24 years, had a dream of installing a pipe organ at his Wirra Wirra winery. He purchased the remains of the organ at Crafers Church of the Epiphany in 1995, and was having it rebuilt by Adelaide organ builder Leith Jacob.

Since Greg's death, the organ has been languishing in a shipping container, the project unfinished. With the encouragement of Greg John, Performing Arts Coordinator at Tatachilla Lutheran College, a group of local musicians and organ lovers has formed Friends of the Greg Trott Pipe Organ Inc. with the aim of caring for the instrument and having it installed somewhere in the district when a suitable building is available.

Until that time, the brand new console, made of Western Australian Karri from Trott's collection of 16' wine casks, will be rewired and operate as a "virtual organ" for services and concerts at St Margaret's. How appropriate for it to come to Greg's old church.

The committee anticipates that an inaugural concert can be held in a few months to launch the society and begin fund-raising. With a modern computer inside, the best organ software and a suitable sound system, the organ will sound and operate as closely as possible to the real thing.

The committee is still looking for a suitably cool place to store the remaining parts of the organ (pipes, blowers, casework), either in the 20' container, or in a space that can hold about 30 cubic metres.

*Greg John*

## ***Past Rectors of our Parish***

The Willunga History Group is preparing brief histories on various topics. I have been given the task of writing short histories of the Anglican Rectors of the Parish. Current parishioners are invited to contribute a short paragraph (brief biography and any significant contribution to the Parish and the local community) on one or more of those listed below.

*Ted Sandercock 8556 4535*

R E Saunders (1926-1942)  
H J C Hughes (1943-1954)  
J Y McDonald (1954-1957)  
D Wallace (1957-1963)

A B Williams (1963-1968)  
G E C Cameron (1969-1981)  
F A P Allen (1982-1989)  
E W Doncaster (1990-1995)  
W L Ireland (1995-1998)

G H Cooling (2000-2003)  
S P B Coward (2003-2005)  
D. Eales (2005-2009)  
P. Anderson (2009-2010)



### ***Another successful Community Club Dinner!***

Hard at work at the Crepe and Curry Night:  
A: Di Best, Margaret Cale & Helen Roberts  
serve to waiters John Carroll and Fr Paul. B:  
Jill Waite, Rupert Best, Bill Cale & Wendy  
Sandercock deal with dishes in the kitchen.  
C: Joe Saunders with the raffle. The  
next monthly Parish Dinner at the McLaren  
Flat Community Club will be held on 9th

August. It has been a great outreach project for the Parish while providing much needed funds to reduce the Parish debt. Volunteers to help are always appreciated.

*(Photos: T Sandercock)*

## ***Willunga Almond Blossom Festival 2013***

**Blessing of the Tools—Fr Paul & Fr Tom** (time t.b.a. See pewsheets)

**Be part of the Anglican Church presence in the Main Street Parade, Sunday 28th July  
from 10.30 am. Theme: "The Circus is Coming!"**

*Enquiries: Peter Chapman 8557 7151*

*(There is an entrance fee to the Festival grounds—\$7/\$5 conc./\$20 family pass)*

**Help at the Combined Christian Community Family Fun Activities**

*Enquiries: Phil Boulden 8556 4023*

### ***Our Almond Blossom Festival Produce Stall***

The Pastoral District of Southern Vales will run the traditional stall in the Willunga Institute, opposite the front door, 10 am—approx. 2.30 pm Monday to Wednesday. Shared by all centres, this is a Pastoral District fundraiser.

***Your contribution of saleable items would be welcomed.*** Best sellers are: 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 with ingredients listed.)

Some handcraft & knitted baby wear also sell. No plants please.

***Monday 29th July***

***St Margaret's***

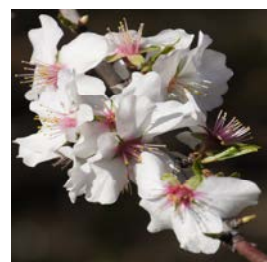
***Tuesday 30th July***

***St Ann's***

***Wednesday 31st July***

***St Philip & St James' & St Stephen's***

*Enquiries: Trish Frith 8556 2604*



*You can tell all your troubles to God before you go to bed—He'll be up all night anyway!*



## July

- Mon 1<sup>st</sup>** MU: "Tour Down Under"  
**Wed 3<sup>rd</sup>** THOMAS  
**Fri 5<sup>th</sup>** Home group (see next column)  
**Sun 7<sup>th</sup>** FAMILY SERVICES ,  
                     St Ann's 9 am, St Margaret's 10.30 am  
                     Gold Coin collection for CPS workers\*  
**Mon 8<sup>th</sup>** St Ann's Guild 1.30 pm  
                     Enquiries: Val Martin 8556 6100  
**Tues 9<sup>th</sup>** St Margaret's Guild 2 pm  
                     Enquiries: Fran Pettigrew 8323 9366  
                     R&M Meeting St Margaret's 7 pm  
**Thurs 11<sup>th</sup>** Colton Court Singers 11 am-12 midday  
                     Enquiries: Sue MacKirdy 8556 5162  
**Fri 12<sup>th</sup>** Quiz Night, St Ann's (see next column)  
**Sun 14<sup>th</sup>** ac.care Sunday  
**Tues 16<sup>th</sup>** PD Council St Margaret's, 7 pm  
**Wed 17<sup>th</sup>** Women's Fellowship St Margaret's, 10 am  
                     Enquiries: Margaret Cameron 8556 2343  
**Sat 20<sup>th</sup>** Saturday Night Out (see next column)  
**Mon 22<sup>nd</sup>** MARY MAGDALENE  
**Thurs 25<sup>th</sup>** JAMES  
**Fri 26<sup>th</sup>** St Ann's Family tea 6.30—8.30 pm  
                     Enquiries: Pat Roper 8386 2470  
**Sat 27<sup>th</sup>-Sun 28<sup>th</sup>** Almond Blossom Festival (see opp. page)  
**Mon 29<sup>th</sup>** St Margaret's Almond Blossom Stall  
**Tues 30<sup>th</sup>** St Ann's Stall  
**Wed 31<sup>st</sup>** St Philip & St James' & St Stephen's Stall

## August

- Fri 2<sup>nd</sup>** Home group  
**Sun 4<sup>th</sup>** St Ann's Patronal Festival & Family Service  
                     COMBINED SERVICE 10am  
                     Gold Coin Collection for CPS workers\*  
**Mon 5<sup>th</sup>** Mothers' Union Seaford 10 am. Lunch at the café.  
**Tues 6<sup>th</sup>** TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD  
**Thurs 8<sup>th</sup>** Colton Court Singers  
**Fri 9<sup>th</sup>** Mary Sumner Day (see p. 8)  
                     Parish Fundraiser, McLaren Flat (see opp. page)  
**Mon 12<sup>th</sup>** St Ann's Guild  
**Tues 13<sup>th</sup>** St Margaret's Guild  
                     PD Council  
**Thurs 15<sup>th</sup>** MARY, MOTHER OF OUR LORD  
**Sat 17<sup>th</sup>** Saturday Night Out at Willunga  
**Wed 21<sup>st</sup>** Women's Fellowship  
**Fri 23<sup>rd</sup>** St Ann's Family Tea  
**Sat 24<sup>th</sup>** BARTHOLOMEW

### BIBLE STUDIES

You'd be most welcome to join the Weekly Bible Study which is held each Wednesday at 10.00 am (after the 9.00 am Eucharist) at the Rectory.

Enquiries: Fr Paul



### FAMILY SERVICES

1st Sunday of the month

Enquiries: Fr Paul Devenport 8323 9744

### QUIZ NIGHT at St Ann's,

Friday 12th July, 6.30 for 7pm

Book a table of 8—or come and join one.

BYO drinks & nibbles; tea & coffee provided.

Win a prize! - win a raffle!

Theme: "Christmas in July"—a prize for the best Christmas costume.

Enquiries: Val Martin 8556 6100

- Proceeds to Mission -



\$10

### Saturday Night Out at Willunga

Saturday 20th July

at the Bush Inn, High Street, Willunga

Following the 5.30 Vigil Mass

at St Stephen's

Bookings: Ted 8556 4535

### St Ann's Patronal Festival

Sunday 4th August, 10 am

7 Stonehouse Lane Aldinga

then stay for hot soup & crusty bread.

(Only one service in the Pastoral District on that day)



### Monthly Fundraising Dinners

(see opposite page) Next on 9th August

McLaren Flat Community Club, 6 pm

### Home Group, First Fridays

5th July, 2nd August

Meet at the Chapmans' at 7 pm

14 Anchor Terrace Port Willunga,

for fellowship, study and song.

Enquiries: Peter Chapman 8557 7151

### Drop in at Granny Annie's

St Ann's, Thursdays 9-11.30

for a cuppa & chat.

Activities for children (and adults!)

Enquiries: Pat 8386 2470



## Fr Paul writes...

In opening up a bank account or requiring a police check, you need proper identification adding up to 100 points. It can be quite a process, unless you have a passport, in which case you automatically have all the points required. In Jesus' time, a police check was not required, not that I am aware of, anyway. Jesus knew who he was, the Son of God, and spent much time in prayer with His heavenly Father. In Luke Chapter 9 v.18, Jesus after praying asks his disciples who he is. The disciples compare him to the great and holy men they know, and answer that maybe he is John the Baptist, or Elijah, one of the prophets in the Old Testament who had risen again. Eventually Peter takes a deep breath and answers, naming him the "Messiah of God."

The question posed to the disciples by Jesus two thousand years ago hasn't changed much. It is a question that we, as disciples of Jesus, also have to answer – not just on one day, but repeatedly, continually, in our everyday lives. The Church that Jesus came from heaven to earth to establish is comprised of all those who like St Peter believe and confess that Christ is the "Messiah, the Son of the Living God."

The reality of who Christ is – the Son of God – is also the foundation of who we are. As St Paul says in Galatians Chapter 3 v.26-27, "In Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, as many of you were baptised into Christ." Just as Jesus' identity is found in his relationship to his Father – Jesus is the Son of the Living God – so our most profound identity is discovered in our relationship to the same Father. Jesus came to us to reveal the love of the Father for us and to bring us into that communion of love.

The better we understand our relationship with God the Father, the better we will know our identity. So let us allow Jesus, who came to reveal the Father to us, to reintroduce him to us today, so that we might experience his deep love more fully, and love him in return much more intensely. Following the Lord throughout the journey of our life is a wonderful thing. So many people don't know where they are going and so many don't know which direction their lives should take. We Christians are lucky; we follow the Lord. How glad we should be, in a world that is becoming increasingly more lost, that we are the flock of the Lord and that we follow Him.

Fr Paul

### Wedding Expo

For a third time we were invited to be involved in the Wedding Expo at Serafino Winery at McLaren Vale, held this year on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and given a stall free of charge. In this day and age, couples are being attracted to other venues rather than churches, and often have civil celebrants marry them. The expo is a way of promoting the churches in the Southern Vales as a venue to be married in, and also to have a priest marry them.

Fr Paul

Assisting Fr Paul were Helen & Greg Roberts, Bob & Sue Smith (married at St Philip & St James in 2011) and (above) Kylie Mills (married at St Stephen's, in April this year).



(Photo provided by Fr Paul)

Pastoral District Council has been cancelled for a second month, so we include no *News from PDC*. However the Treasurer prepared the following financial statement for May 2013:



#### Finances for May 2013:

**Nett monthly income: \$5,515.00**

**Monthly expenditure: \$6,993.96**

**Operating profit/loss: -\$1,478.96**

**Missions: \$75.50**

Thank you Margaret!



### It's Rose Pruning Time .....

and Trish Frith and her helpers are on the move. This practical garden care service provides an opportunity for caring and outreach as Trish and her team move around the district and further afield. And it brings hundreds of dollars to our parish funds.

Thank you, Trish!

## Around the traps...



### From St Stephen's, Willunga

Photos: T Sandercock

- An application for restoration activities as suggested by Environmental Architect, Andrew Stevens, has received a heritage grant of \$2,000 from City of Onkaparinga Heritage Branch. This has been accepted. The total cost of the repairs is about \$7,000.
- Repair work by the stonemason and the painter has commenced. The front door looks great in the grey-green heritage colour. The newly painted door has had all the 1960s additions removed—fake hinges and door handles or rings.
- The last Saturday Night Out was held on June 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Old Bush Inn after the 5.30 pm Vigil Mass. Fourteen people attended an enjoyable evening. The next Night Out is on Saturday July 21<sup>st</sup>. Bookings to 8556 4535
- Thanks to Peter Kyloh for painting the new timber work on the repaired toilet.
- The Jacobs family, who have a past connection to St Stephen's church, donated 12 bottles of Doc Adams Shiraz towards the St Stephen's restoration fund. This was raffled over recent weeks, raising \$360. This wine was won by Greg Roberts. A second prize of a bottle of the same wine was won by P. Ingerson, of Colton Court.
- Suggestions have been submitted for the participation of St Stephen's during 2014 to Willunga 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary committee.
- Suggestions for planting the area around the peppercorn tree are welcome. There is a need to poison weeds in the driveway since the recent rains.

Margaret Cameron & Ted Sandercock, Wardens

Val Higginson, formerly a member of St Ann's Congregation, is now living in England and reads *The Grapevine* on-line. Val has written a number of books as "Vivienne Dockerty", and she writes to say that some copies are still for sale at Shakespeare's bookshop in Port Noarlunga. A discount of 20% will be given to anyone showing this advertisement at Shakespeare's.



### Help is still urgently needed...

The Christian Care and Support Centre at Aldinga is still greatly in need of supplies and donations as it tries to meet the needs of struggling families in the area. Good basic food such as breakfast cereals, tinned meat and vegetables, tuna, pasta, vegemite, peanut paste... all are needed. Including a grocery item as a regular part of our weekly church offering enables us to make a generous gift to those going through hard times.

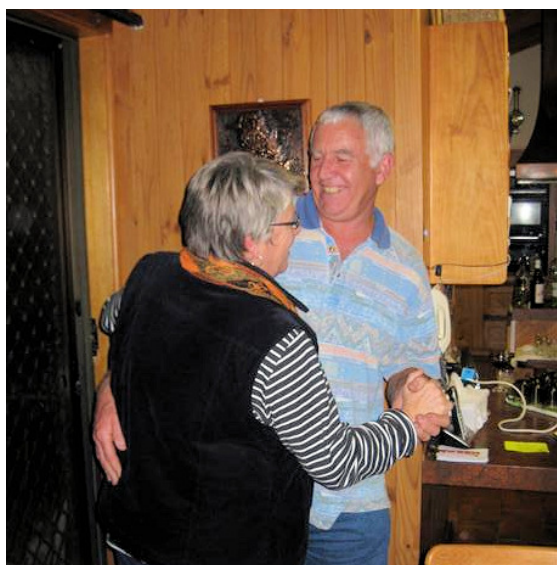


### From St Ann's, Aldinga

- The Onkaparinga Council is now in receipt of our development and heritage grant applications for the repair work. These should be dealt with within the next few weeks.
- The awful weather on the 31<sup>st</sup> May didn't dampen the spirits of those who attended our Progressive Dinner that evening. We were very happy to welcome many people from the other centres on what proved to be a great evening of fun and fellowship for all. Big thanks go to all who contributed in the planning and especially to Val Martin and Anne Lear who generously opened their homes for the evening. Thanks too to Felicity and Jack Warrington who organised the singalong which ended the evening. With the ticket sales and raffle we raised a healthy \$541 towards the repair of the church windows.



Above L: Ted Sandercock, Brian McMillan, Bill Cale & Jack Warrington in good voice, inspired Sallyanne and Rodney Baker to take to the floor for a quickstep. R: Other guests included Sue and Bob Smith. Photos: J Drought.



- We are grateful to the priests who have taken services for us at St Ann's in recent weeks and also thank Fr John Devenport for taking a healing service. We welcomed Fr Ken Bechaz again, on Trinity Sunday. His sermon on the Trinity was appreciated by all. Fr Ken will be taking up the position of priest in charge of Semaphore shortly. We are sorry to lose him but wish him well in this ministry. We were pleased to welcome Fr Martin Chittleborough back on 23rd June, and we thank Fr Ed Pumphy who took the service on 30th June and will be with us on fourth Sundays of the month

when Fr Paul goes to Tatiara.

- Some of our congregation have again helped in the kitchen and prepared food for the parish fund-raising dinner at the Community Club.
- Trish Frith and her helpers are hard at work pruning roses (see p. 4).
- Baby Pippa, daughter of Carolyn & Matthew Austin (R), was baptised at the Family Service on 1<sup>st</sup> June. The Bible readings at this service were read by a couple of the younger parents of attending children. There was a lovely warm feeling amongst the people at this service.

*Pat Roper & Peter Chapman, Wardens*



Photo provided

### **From St Margaret's, McLaren Vale**

- Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> of May was a service with colour as our creative Priest's Warden Greg decorated the church with red ribbons and balloons. It was a great reminder of the celebration of Pentecost within the Christian church. Well done Greg.
- The two church heaters have now been installed and are a welcome comfort for the congregation.
- Many will have seen the big shipping container to the right of the Rectory. No, no one is moving out. It contains parts of a very large organ of which the console has been moved into the church ready to be "wired for sound" (see p. 1). We look forward to some magnificent sounds in the near future.
- Projects at St Margaret's in the pipeline include repairs to the toilet door, re-staining of the seat under the Sunday School verandah, concreting the Guild shed floor and repairs to the concrete wall in front of the Church Doorway .
- The Pastoral District Council has not met since April because of some internal difficulties but will meet in July to catch up on reports and other agenda items.

*Greg Roberts, Joe Saunders Wardens .*



*At the June Family service at St Margaret's. Children with Fr Paul, Sr Bev Driver, Jac Hocking & Judi McNee.*

*Photo: J Drought*

### **From St Philip & St James, Old Noarlunga**

Our thanks to all who have assisted with our services during the past month. It was good to have Fr Ken with us on June 23rd and 30th. We appreciate also the fact that Christine still comes from Unley to provide quality violin accompaniment, as well as others on the roster for organist accompaniment. John Carroll continues to attend to weed-spraying and other grounds maintenance along with Stephen Wells. As cemetery curator he assisted with the interment of Mavis Harvey's ashes. Di and Rupert Best continue to give their wonderful support at SSPJ as well as involvement with parish events including the monthly meal at McLaren Flat Community Centre. They have recently returned from an enjoyable European tour while Brenda and Roger Dew have left to "winter out" in the Gulf Country and Di and Stephen Wells are visiting Florence.

Fr Paul presented Judith Wells and Wallace Mausolf with their current Pastoral Assistant certificates. He continues to do an excellent job of editing the Murray Anglican as well as administering to the Upper Southeast of the Diocese each month. We also value Fr Dirk's experienced guidance and wish him continuing good health.

Clarrie Bartlett continues to assist school children at Willunga. Mary Blagrove continues to keep in touch regarding the individuals of the congregation and parish and this is appreciated. Malcolm Richards is recovering well from recent surgery.

As Wardens we appreciate the co-operation of the members of the congregation. They're a good bunch!

*Wallace Mausolf, Warden*

St Francis Choir (directed by Sue Russell) is hoping to perform the Christmas Cantata "Born A King" by John Peterson during December 2013. Singers from other churches are invited to join the St Francis Choir to form and augmented Inter-Church Choir. It is hoped that the Cantata will be able to be performed in several of the Churches of the South. Practices will be Saturday mornings from 11:00 to 12:00am. If you are interested please contact Sue Russell (Tel: 8386 3138, email: [poddlepress@hotmail.com](mailto:poddlepress@hotmail.com)) or Fr Dirk van Dissel (Tel: 8382 1410; email: [frdirk@rbe.net.au](mailto:frdirk@rbe.net.au)).

With news of coming events or noteworthy happenings in the Pastoral District of Southern Vales , please contact the Editor, Anne Chittleborough, at 23 The Esplanade, Pt Willunga 5173, Ph 8556 5078 or email [machit5@bigpond.com.au](mailto:machit5@bigpond.com.au), preferably by 15th July. 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.



### **A Calendar for 2014?**

*Last year's calendar proved popular for home use and for Christmas presents.*

*It is hoped to print a 2014 calendar—and Fr Martin is looking for photos of our parish life and our region to include.*

*Photos must be of a quality to expand to A4 size.*

*Contact Martin Chittleborough 8556 5078 a.s.a.p.*

### **Mothers' Union**

A good crowd gathered on 1st July to hear Helen and Brian Gitsham (*below, with Trish Frith*) talk about the work done behind the scenes to organise the Tour Down Under. They, and approx 200 others, kindly give their time and talents to make sure every detail of the event runs smoothly. From the time the cyclists, including overseas ones, arrive, volunteers are signing them in, giving them identification cards, making sure they are fed and "Jerseyed", giving the riders and their support teams directions, making sure marquees stay up, keeping enthusiastic viewers off the race track, stocking up on rehydrating drinks so they are available and ready..... and many more details to be attended to in this famous bike race. Apparently a large number of cyclists enjoy our Adelaide circuit best of any in the world!



*Helen Scott (new member)*

\$42 was raised in a raffle for MU's northern outreach.

**Next meeting Mon. 5th August**, St Nicholas', Seaford 10 am. Guest speaker Ann Gardiner (Prayer & Spirituality Co-ordinator). Lunch at the SEM cafe.

**Mary Sumner Day** 9th August at St George's, Gawler, 11 am. Guest speaker: Bishop John Stead (Diocese of Willochra) speaking on the "Fresh Expressions" movement.

*Enquiries: Trish Frith 8556 2604*



### **Southern Vales Pastoral District**

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**Parish Secretary:** Ted Sandercock  
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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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Wallace Mausolf 8386 2338,  
Stephen Wells 8326 7114

**St Margaret's, McLaren Vale**  
Greg Roberts 8323 9331  
Joe Saunders 8323 9701

**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 Mass: 5.30 pm

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

**Sunday:** Holy Eucharist: 8.45 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. On those days there is only one Sunday service in the Pastoral District.*

*On **Sunday 4th August** the only service will be the Patronal Festival and Family Service at St Ann's, 7 Stonehouse Lane Aldinga at 10 am.*

