

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

### Diocesan Evening Prayer at Tailem Bend

Several people from Southern Vales Pastoral District attended the Evensong and afternoon tea at St Luke's Tailem Bend



to meet Bishop-Elect John Ford. Among those present were Elizabeth Richmond, Pat Roper, Greg John and Fr Paul & Helen Devenport.

Addressing the congregation after the service, Bishop John introduced himself, and affirmed in the words of St Augustine of Hippo, "With you I am a Christian; for you I am a bishop". Having spoken openly about himself he requested that we should in turn be open with him about ourselves, to help him come to know us better.

Another chance to meet Bishop John will be on 18th/19th November at Strathalbyn, on his pre-consecration pastoral tour of the Diocese. AC

#### Men at work!

On Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> August about 25 people from the community attended a Stonemasonry, Lime Technology Workshop in Port Noarlunga at the old Saubier homestead to give the participants an understanding of the background of traditional stonemasonry and some of the techniques for restoring and maintaining old stone walls and buildings. The workshop was conducted by Heritage Stone Restorations and sponsored by the Onkaparinga Council and the State Government. Participants learned about the background and current remediation techniques for traditional stonemasonry. This is particularly relevant for the old churches in our pastoral district. Included in the participants were Stephen Wells, Danny Webb and Rupert



Best from St Philip & St James, and Peter Chapman from St Ann's. The knowledge and experience from this workshop will be of great value in the maintenance of the fabric of our old churches.

\*\*Rupert & Di Best\*\*

#### **MOTHERS' UNION**



The Mothers' Union was founded by Mary Sumner in 1876. As a young woman, Mary took a special interest in women and their families. When she started meeting with mothers of the parish in 1876, she wrote the following prayer, focusing on the real concerns and needs of women throughout the world:

All this day, O Lord,
let me touch as many lives as possible for thee;
and every life I touch, do thou by thy spirit quicken,
whether through the word I speak,
the prayer I breathe,

**Amen** 

On the 9th August MU members of the three dioceses of our Province joined in the celebration of Mary Sumner Day at St George's, Gawler. The address by Bishop John Stead (Bishop of Willochra) was passionate and down to earth. Based on Mary Sumner's prayer, it offered encouragement for us to be outspoken, and tell of our faith.

or the life I live.

(from a report by Trish Frith)

#### Congratulations to...

\* Fr Percy and Betty Leske of Seaford, who went to Kangaroo Island to celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary. Their life together has included many years of service to the church in the Northern Territory and NW Australia as well as Fr Percy's ministry in the Parish of Willunga and Seaford, and Betty's with the Mother's Union.



- \* Trish Frith and her team (Bill Cale, Pat Roper, Victoria McKee) for raising \$905 towards parish funds by pruning roses around the district and beyond. Trish regards this as a means of outreach as well as a community service, as she meets new people and often spends time with housebound people. Trish and her right arm are more than ready for a
- \* Natalie & Matt Jones on the birth of Liam Matthew (born 9th August), a brother for Ethan.





#### Bible Study

A Bible Study is regularly held at 10 am on Wednesday mornings after the 9 am service at St Margaret's.

The group meets for morning tea and then for the next hour studies the Bible readings for the following Saturday and Sunday services in the Pastoral District, finishing with prayer.

The Bible study is conducted in a non-threatening atmosphere and people's views are respected as we study the scriptures. All are welcome. Fr Paul

Photo: Julia Drought, Ted Sandercock, Margaret Cameron, Gillian Clampett, David Mills, Jan McNamara, Tom Drought, Wendy Sandercock and Fr Paul.

Photo: Lorna McGaffin

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 September. Please remember that I am now excluded from PDC meetings so rely on news being sent to me. 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. -Ed.

September

Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Family service (see next column)

**Gold Coin Collection** for CPS\* workers

Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> MARTYRS of NEW GUINEA (see p. 8)

Mothers' Union 9.30 am St Ann's Aldinga

Enquiries: Trish Frith 8556 2604

St Ann's Guild 12.30 pm –bring your lunch

Please note change of date

Enquiries: Anne Chittleborough 8556 5078

Fri 6<sup>th</sup> First Friday Home Group 7 pm

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Enquiries: Peter Chapman 8557 7151

Tues 10<sup>th</sup> St Margaret's Guild 2 pm

*Enquiries: Fran Pettigrew 8323 9366* **Pastoral District Council** 6.30 for 7 pm

St Margaret's

Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Colton Court Singers 11 am-12 midday

Enquiries: Sue MacKirdy 8556 5162

Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Community Club Dinner, McLaren Flat

(see next column)

Sat 14<sup>th</sup> HOLY CROSS

Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Women's Fellowship St Margaret's, 10 am

Enquiries: Margaret Cameron 8556 2343

Sat 21<sup>st</sup> MATTHEW

St Ann's Jumble Sale 8.30-2 pm

(see next column)

Fri 27<sup>th</sup> St Ann's Family Tea, 6 for 6.30—8.30 pm

Enquiries: Pat Roper 8386 2470

Sun 29<sup>th</sup> ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

October

Fri 4<sup>th</sup> First Friday Home group 7 pm

Sun 6<sup>th</sup> Family Service

Gold Coin Collection for CPS\* workers

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Mothers' Union Quiet Day

St Ann's 9.30 am

Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> Colton Court singers 11 am-12 midday

Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Community Club Dinner, 6 pm

McLaren Flat

Sat 12<sup>th</sup> Quarry Market Willunga Sausage Sizzle

for CPS\* workers (see next column)

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> St Ann's Guild 1.30 pm
Tues 15<sup>th</sup> St Margaret's Guild 2 pr

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Pastoral District Council 7 pm

St Margaret's

Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Women's Fellowship St Margaret's, 10 am

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> LUKE

Mayoral Prayer Breakfast (see p. 8)

Sat 19<sup>th</sup> Saturday Night Out at Willunga 7 pm

\* Christian Pastoral Support

## Wedding in October:

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 2 pm.

Daniel Morgan and Anya Smyk, at St Philip & St James'

#### **FAMILY SERVICES**

1st Sunday of the month St Ann's Aldinga 9 am

St Margaret's McLaren Vale 10.30 am
Next on 1st Sept, 6th Oct

Designed for families, with children's involvement in the liturgy.

Further information: Fr Paul Devenport 8323 9744

#### Want to join an informal home group?

Contact Peter & Heather Chapman 8557 7151 Fellowship, study and song. Friday 6th Sept.

#### **Beef Curry & Crumbed Baked Fish**

at the McLaren Vale Community Club

#### Friday 13th September, 6 pm

\$10 per person, choice of 2 main courses.

Dessert available \$4. Bar facilities provided.

Phone Helen 8323 9331

A Southern Vales Anglicans parish fundraiser



# St Ann's Super September Jumble Sale

Saturday 21st September

8.30-am-2 pm

Bargains — Cake stall —

Face painting 10.30-1.30

Workers needed—contact Pat 8386 2470

#### **Family Tea**

St Ann's, Friday 27th September, 6 for 6.30-8.30

No charge—bring your friends Bring food to share—or just come!

An afternoon tea on the Deck at Pertaringa

# Sunday 29th September Cheese, wine and entertainment

\$10 entry

Entertainment by Chris Finnen



Wines for sale by the glass or the bottle, cheese tasting, cheese and biscuits for purchase.



Sponsored by Pertaringa Wines & Kangarilla Creamery. Bookings essential: 8323 9331 or irisblue@optusnet.com.au

#### Sausage Sizzle, Quarry Market Willunga

12th October, 9th November in support of the Christian Pastoral Care workers in

our schools. Be there to help—or to eat!

### Fr Paul writes...

It has been a delight to have the opportunity to meet the Bishop Designate for the Diocese while he is in South Australia for 10 days until the 30<sup>th</sup> of August. There was an opportunity to meet him with a number of parishioners at a Diocesan Evensong at St Luke's Tailem Bend and I had the fortune to meet him again on three occasions while he was here. One of them was at a Clergy Synod at Echunga, another at a Diocesan Council meeting and a third in an interview I did with him for The Murray Anglican.

Bishop John Ford, who is currently the Bishop of Plymouth in the U.K., will be enthroned as the fourth Bishop of The Murray at Murray Bridge on December the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. As a keen cricketer, he regrets that this is the weekend that Australia plays England at the Adelaide Oval! I think there may be other priorities at that time. Before Bishop Ford is installed, there will be various consultation meetings around the Diocese starting at Strathalbyn on November the 18th and 19th.

Bishop Ford emphasized at the Diocesan Evensong that he believed it was a call of God to be the next Bishop of The Murray. He did not know what he was coming to but stated that together as a Diocese we can learn to draw closer together and put the past behind us. Bishop Ford stated we were all in this world to proclaim the passion of God. "We don't do this as a solitary activity but we must be passionate about it together. We are all heading in the right direction, that is heaven; that is our goal and destiny. There will be confusion and misunderstanding, there will be some challenges and disappointments. We must not be characterised by point-scoring, being better than others, we are in this together. I have been called to an episcopal ministry but all of us have been called to ministry through our baptism," he said.

Bishop Ford urged all present to be passionate about God and about the Gospels, and to pass on what we learn. "As pilgrims, we worship and pray and study, a love I want to share with all of you." He said he would continue to pray for all in the Diocese, but asked that we pray for him as well.

On another subject, you may have noticed an insert in The Grapevine this month from English Rose Funerals. This follows a decision by the Pastoral District Council to trial advertising in The Grapevine for the next 12 months. There has been some concern about this move but I can assure you that the Council took in the concerns seriously. There were suggestions made in support and in opposition to advertising. The council decided to set up a sub-committee of myself, Joe Saunders and Pat Roper where guidelines were drawn up. Anne Chittleborough, the Editor of The Grapevine, was also involved in drawing up the guidelines before final approval was given. The guidelines stipulate that any advertising will not be accepted that conflicts with our views or beliefs, and also that the inclusion of advertisements does not mean or imply that the Pastoral District endorses the products.

Despite this, I have been associated with English Rose Funerals for three funerals at St Ann's and St Philip and St James' and found them to be very professional. The owners of the company have also attended worship at St Ann's.

With every blessing in Christ, Father Paul

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

Repairs continue on the damaged Store Room door after the break-in and Rupert Best has found a suitable replacement handle in his shed. He has also purchased a new controller for the foundation irrigation system, damaged at the time, and it is about to be installed ready for when the rain ceases.

While he was working on the door recently a father and young daughter came to look at "The Castle". She had seen the tower on the hill and wanted to have a look. They asked if they could see inside, saying they aren't church

people, so Rupert opened up for them. Once inside they quietly asked if they were allowed to talk in there – a very respectful gesture and wonderful to see the interest.

Stephen Wells has removed all the rose prunings – thank you Stephen – a significant part of the pruning task. More garbage was dumped in front of the church and the council obliged with its removal. We now have a permanent number plate at the entrance gate, mainly for emergency vehicles - thank you Wallace.

And the falcons have returned to the nesting box on the tower – competition again at sermon time.



# Around the traps...

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

Father Paul has negotiated a pick up of bread from the local Bakery on a Wednesday every fortnight for distribution to struggling families.

The Rectory gardens look very good despite continuous rain. Pruning is paying off as new shoots are coming on the trees and bushes. Thanks to John for clearing up and taking away prunings; this is very much appreciated. We are looking forward to some spring sun.

Monthly McLaren Flat Community Club dinners have started again. They will continue on the second Friday of each

month until November with a two month break over the Christmas period, re-commencing on the second Friday in February 2014. This is a great Pastoral outreach activity with the bonus of much needed funds for the Parish as a whole.

Joe Saunders & Greg Roberts, Wardens

David Mills was licensed as a Pastoral Assistant on 14th August. David is a regular at our Wednesday Eucharists but has work commitments on Sundays as head chef at Agatha's Restaurant at Port Noarlunga. He is also a regular at the Bible Studies at the Rectory on Wednesdays.



He has been a worshipper at St Margaret's over the past two or so years and was



confirmed in September last year. He is pictured with his wife Kylie whom he married at St Stephen's, Willunga in March.

On Sunday 18th August Angus Jack Rubenhold was baptised at St Margaret's, McLaren Vale. Pictured with Angus are one of the Godparents, Rojina McDonald, his father Greg Rubenhold and mother Nicole Hunt. (Photo supplied)

#### From St Stephen's, Willunga

Thank you to Fr Graham and Fr Ed for presiding at the 5.30 pm services in August.

The August Saturday Night Out was a small group. Fr Graham joined us and then Geoff Pridham came by to join the after dinner discussion. The next Saturday Night will be on Saturday October 19th. Bookings on 8556 4535.

While the Sandercocks are away in September, Trish Frith has agreed to be the Eucharistic Assistant. We are grateful to Lucy and Bevan Creed's offer to clean the church.

The tradesmen have been paid and an Invoice for \$2,000 with evidence of payment has been forwarded to the City of Onkaparinga. We are Investigating getting a solar light for the external toilet.

Suggestions for planting the area around the peppercorn tree are welcome. Weeds in driveway have been poisoned following growth from the recent rains. Lavender and salt bush have been suggested for the area.

The Vigil Mass is on a Saturday at 5.30 pm. Do come, especially if at any time you are unable to attend a Sunday Service.

Ted Sandercock & Margaret Cameron, Wardens

Want someone to talk to? Why not drop in at Granny Annie's

St Ann's, 7 Stonehouse Lane, Aldinga, off South Rd, Thursdays 9-11.30. Activities for children (and adults!)

# Around the traps... cont'd

#### From St Ann's, Aldinga

Our **Family Shared Teas** have been lower in numbers attending due to illness and absences, but are happy occasions. We were pleased to welcome Fr Dirk in July. We wish to remind all parishioners that it is a parish fellowship tea held monthly and is open to people from all centres.

St Ann's Patronal Festival was held on the 4<sup>th</sup> August. We thank the choir and those who came along from all the







Above: A: Wardens Pat and Peter, Joan & Gordon Burnard, Fred Coombe, Trish Frith, Eileen Binns and Anne & Martin Chittleborough. B: Fran Pettigrew and Leonie Pettman, C: Ray Gorton, Wallace Mausolf & Ted Sandercock.

Photos: J Drought

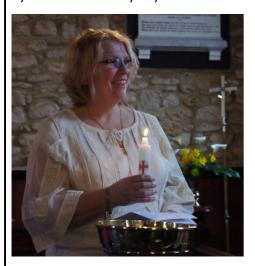
churches to help make it a joyful celebration of our Lord's grandmother's special day. We made it also an occasion to thank and celebrate the dedication of love through service to St Ann's of a wonderful team of people who have built up and maintained our spiritual centre of worship since the building of the Room. A general certificate of acknowledgement to the team, to be kept in the hall, was presented to Gordon Burnard as their representative by Fr Paul, then individual members who were

present on the day had certificates presented to them. Certificates to absent parishioners or their families are being distributed. Brian McMillan at the organ broke into the chorus which had encouraged and inspired the St Ann's congregation since the building of the Room, "I go to the rock of my foundation" - and once in the mood for it, the singing continued with "Happy Birthday to Fr Martin" who turned 77 on that day, and even the "Song of Australia"!

On a more serious note, the Onkaparinga Council has made their final decision re our application for a Heritage Grant towards the costs of repairs and outside painting of the windows and doors. We will receive \$3586 towards the overall costs of this work. We thank Peter Chapman and Bill Cale for their careful preparatory work on this application.

Our Guild catered for the funeral of Edward James on the 19th August, raising \$400.

We continue to hold in our prayers those of our congregation who are ill. May God strengthen each of you, and guide you each and every day.





On Sunday 18th August Sheila McHutcheon was baptised and welcomed into Christ's family, and following the service she cut a baptism cake with "Congratulations Sheila" in letters made by Ellie-Mae Graham at Granny Annie's. (Photo shows Trish Simons and Jane Hayward looking on.)

Pat Roper & Peter Chapman, Wardens

# News from Pastoral District Council

On Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August after a shared meal starting at 6.30 pm the Council met at 7 pm, chaired by Canon Dirk. Matters discussed included:

**Fundraising events – report on McLaren Flat Dinner (August 9**<sup>th</sup>) Fr Paul reported that 50 people came with takings over \$800 and a profit of \$500 - a good event with new people and regulars including people who don't come to church. Greg Roberts stated that over the last 4 dinners net profit has been approximately: April \$1,300, May \$400, June \$700 and August \$500 with a grand total of \$2,900 raised in addition to great outreach and community contact. Greg and Fr Dirk thanked all concerned. Events planned: next dinner 13<sup>th</sup> September, Wine and Cheese Tasting at Pertaringa Winery Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Sept.

**Organ placement at St Margaret's:** The Registrar has advised to list it as an item on our current insurance policy and it will be covered at no extra cost. Fr Paul has spoken to the council about relocating the container and Greg John has sent a proposal to the council's property team, expecting an answer soon. The concert has been deferred from November 10<sup>th</sup> to November 24<sup>th</sup> due to availability of an organist.

**Sponsorship of** *The Grapevine*: The committee presented a report with guidelines to PDC and after further discussion, noting that a number of parishioners are not in favour, a vote was taken (3 against, 4 in favour with one abstention) to proceed with advertising for a trial period of 12 months. The committee will remain in place. Parish contributions to the cost of publication will still be sought and welcomed.

Willunga 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 2014: A draft programme should be available in late September or early October. Almond Blossom Stall: Over the three days, attendances at lunch were low for the first two days but were over 120 for lunch on the third day - updated takings \$1,486. Thanks to everybody who provided jams, cakes, biscuits, craft, donations and other items.

**Lease of new printer/photocopier**. After considering a detailed analysis of options and a report by Ted Sandercock it was moved that the PD sign a 5 year rental contract with Ricoh Australia for a Ricoh Printer/Photocopier/Scanner MP 2852SP (Black & White) at a monthly cost of \$84 ex GST and associated service contract for a fee of \$0.0085 per sheet.

**Correspondence**: Amongst other items, several letters had been received from parishioners, including to the Registrar and to the Editor of *The Grapevine* objecting to the banning of observers from PDC meetings.

**Financial Report:** 

uly 2013		Overall Finances to June 2013	
Nett monthly income \$4,697		Income	\$41,725
Monthly expenditure \$5,610		Expenditure	\$54,551
Deficit	\$913	Loss	\$12,826 (budgeted (\$10,135)
Missions	\$173	Total donations to missions \$2,980	

These figures show that we are \$2,691 behind budget. At this time last year we were in front, the biggest difference being in collection amounts which are down on last year. Since the Treasurer's report the following amounts have been received: \$1,486 from the Almond Blossom stall, \$508 from the 9<sup>th</sup> August McLaren Flat dinner and \$800 from rose pruning plus Sunday collections so we are now about square. We are also due for \$2,000 for St Stephen's building restoration – cheques drawn at the end of the month.

**Solar Panels:** Fr Paul raised the possibility of installing solar panels at St Margaret's, preferably on the north-facing Sunday School roof. He has been considering it for some time and the rebate system finishes at the end of September. As well as reducing the electricity cost it would show that we are environmentally friendly. Discussion followed on the possible release of money from the Garfitt Bequest which stipulates that the money may not be used for Restoration and Maintenance but the interest earned over the three years, possibly up to \$12,000, may be sufficient to fund the project without touching the capital. Peter Chapman was asked to investigate cost of installation.

**Next meeting**: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September. Note that observers are no longer admitted.

Di Best on behalf of The Editor.

#### Review of 2010 Futures Directions document and 2012 Operations of the PD Council

A review of Future Direction of the PD and the outcomes promoted useful discussion at the PDC, and several suggestions from PD Council members. A number of issues were discussed and the following actions were decided on:

- Update and enhance the website Fr Paul to give corrections and information to the Webmaster, and Greg Roberts and Joe Saunders to brainstorm and review other parish websites.
- A newspaper article about Fr Paul
- Family Service on 1<sup>st</sup> September will go ahead. A meeting to be held after that with St Ann's and people concerned in preparation to decide on a future plan.
- The Review to be added to the PDC agenda for future meetings every six months.

Copies of the Future Direction Review report are to be available from the wardens and Fr Paul.

# Worm-juice for sale —in support of church funds —

It is an excellent fertilizer for pot plants and special plants, great value used at a ratio of 1:10,



a natural, and powerful aid to plant growth. 1Ltr \$5, 2 ltrs \$10. Contact Sr Bev, 8323 9557.

## **2014 Parish Calendars**

#### available mid-September

from your Wardens
or contact Anne Chittleborough 8556 5078
machit5@bigpond.com
A selection of views of our Pastoral District and churches
Good for Christmas presents, too!
Still only \$15



"It's a new reality program. The screen goes blank for an hour so you can go out and experience real reality."

# City of Onkaparinga Mayoral Prayer Breakfast

South Adelaide Football Club, October 18th

To encourage political, civic and business leaders as well as the community generally to recognise their privileges and responsibilities before God, and to thank God for the provision of city services designed to maintain a safe and liveable environment.

Guest speaker: Bush Church Aid Chaplain Peter Palmer

Join the PD table at this event—

Make your booking through Fr Paul by 29<sup>th</sup> September.

# House cleaner available

Local lady Very reasonable rates

Contact Sheila, #0448820338, or sheilamchutcheon@gmail.com





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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

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St Margaret's, McLaren Vale

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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

#### **Martyrs' Day 2nd September**

Commemorating the witness and death of the PNG missionaries in 1942

6 pm service at St Cuthbert's, Prospect, Guest preacher Fr Grant Bullen. Shared tea to follow.