

February 2015

The Grapevine

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



*Epiphany figures
at St Ann's
lent by Gillian
Clampett*

With the festivals of Christmas and Epiphany having been duly celebrated, we begin to turn our minds to Lent and Easter. Celebrate Shrove Tuesday (17th of February) at St Margaret's with Evensong at 6 pm followed by a pancake supper at 6.30 pm (see p. 3) , and begin the season of Lent on Ash Wednesday (18th of February) with the services at St Margaret's (9 am) or St Ann's (7 pm).

Bishop John's Lenten Bible Studies, *Sense of Life*, part of his "Taking the Plunge Together" programme, will involve Bible study, silence and song, prayer and worship.

Study groups will be held as follows;

Mondays 7 pm at the home of Bob and Sue, Seaford Rise

Tuesdays 7 pm at St Ann's, Aldinga

Wednesdays 10 am St Margaret's, McLaren Vale

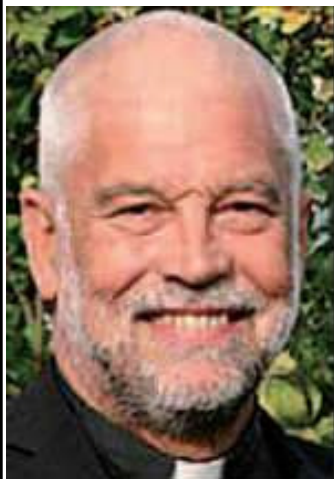
Thursdays 7 pm St Margaret's, McLaren Vale

Sessions begin after Sunday February 22nd

Enquiries: Ted Sandercock ph 8556 4535

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 May.

Introducing;



Bishop John Hind, retired Bishop of Chichester in the UK, and his wife Janet, will be staying in the Rectory at McLaren Vale from the 13th of February to the 6th of March.

Bishop John will take services in our Pastoral District while he is here, and Mrs Hind will be running a session called Respectful Encounters on Friday 20th February at St Margaret's Sunday School Room. (Further details in *What's On*)

Bishop Michael Langrish, retired Bishop of Exeter and Chairman of the Churches Legislation Advisory Service in the U.K., with his wife Esther, will be staying in the Rectory from the 20th of April to the 2nd of May.



Working Bee

As we will have Bp John & Janet Hind arriving in the second week of February, the rectory will need to be prepared for their visit. Please assist at a working bee on Saturday 7th from 10am, for a general tidy of the garden and inside clean of the house.



Lenten Soup Suppers 2015

After prayers at 6.30 pm, enjoy a delicious soup, bread and fruit supper in St Ann's hall, and very special speakers. Put these dates in your diary! This year we look forward to:

Wednesday 4th March: Fr George Kirreh: "Life and God"

Introducing himself, Fr George says: Born in Jerusalem, my background is Palestinian. I grew up in a Christian Anglican family; I used to worship at St George's Cathedral in Jerusalem. While I was at high school the calling of God to become an Anglican priest in the diocese of Jerusalem was planted in my heart, but I was not yet ready to answer God's call. After finishing high school I went to Greece to study dentistry. While I was in Greece I met my wife and got married. After living in Greece for three years we decided to come to live in Australia. We have three children and all are adult. While I was in Australia God's calling came again to my heart to be an Anglican priest and serve him within the Anglican Church. I am now serving him in the Diocese of the Murray, Rector of the Parish of Murraylands and priest in Charge of the Pastoral District of Mannum-Mt Pleasant. Praise God.



Photo from internet



Wednesday 11th March: Senior Constable First Class Neil Stevenson, seen here with police dog Ella who was injured in a police operation in 2011, will bring his dog, P.D. Iggy, a 2 ½ year old male German Shepherd. Senior Constable Stevenson has been a Police Officer for 23 years, and has been in the Dog Operations Unit for 14 years. Iggy is his 3rd working dog. He has also been a handler of a bomb/firearm detector Labrador who has now retired.

Wednesday 18th March: Mrs Marion McCall, OAM: "On a Wing and a Prayer"

A music teacher who would have liked to be an opera singer, Marion married David McCall, an Anglican priest and now a bishop, in 1969. They moved gradually westward, from parishes to dioceses, and until 5 years ago, lived in Bunbury, Western Australia. Instead of an opera singer she has become a partner, parent, poet, pilot and performer!. She has published several books of poetry, and a book she claims was written by her cat! When her husband was Bishop of Willochra in South Australia she learned to fly and has flown 1700 hours (8 times around the equator) and has won four and a half International Flying Competitions, the latest 2014. She has also won the Nancy Bird Trophy. She was awarded an OAM for service to aviation and the Australian Women Pilots' Association in 2011.



Photo provided

What's on ...

February

- Sun 1st Gold Coin Collection for Christian Pastoral Support workers
Family Service, St Ann's, 9 am
- Mon 2nd Mothers' Union, St Ann's, 9 am
- Sat 7th Working Bee at St Margaret's (see p. 2)
- Mon 9th St Ann's Guild 1.30 pm
- Tues 10th St Margaret's Guild 1.30 pm
Enquiries: Fran Pettigrew 8323 9366
- Thurs 12th Colton Court singers 10.30-11.30 am
Enquiries: Sue MacKirdy 8556 5162
- Tues 17th SHROVE TUESDAY
Evensong 6 pm, St Margaret's
6.30 Pancakes (see next column)
- Wed 18th ASH WEDNESDAY
9 am St Margaret's
7 pm St Ann's
- Fri 20th Respectful Encounters (see next column)
- Sat 21st Saturday Night Out at Willunga 7 pm
Bookings 8556 4535
- Fri 27th Family Tea at St Ann's 6.30 pm
Enquiries: Pat Roper 8386 2470

March

- Sun 1st Gold Coin Collection for CPS workers
Family Service, St Ann's
- Mon 2nd Mothers' Union Seaford Ecumenical Mission 9.30 am
AGM & Prayer Partners, Trish Frith: Rose Conference
Enquiries: Trish Frith 8556 2604
- Wed 4th Lenten Supper I: Fr George Kirreh (see opposite page)
- Fri 6th World Day of Prayer (see next column)
- Tues 10th St Ann's Guild AGM 10 am
St Margaret's Guild AGM 1.30 pm
- Wed 11th Lenten Supper II: Snr Const. Neil Stevenson & PD Iggy
- Wed 18th Lenten Supper III: Mrs Marion McCall
- Sat 21st Jumble Sale, St Ann's
- Sun 25th Lady Day (MU)
- Sun 29th PALM SUNDAY

EASTER SERVICES:

- Maundy Thursday** (2nd Apr.) 7.30 pm St Margaret's
- Good Friday** (3rd Apr.) 9 am St Philip & St James
*Midday Stations of the Cross, St Ann's
3 pm St Margaret's*
- Holy Saturday** (4th Apr.) 7 pm St Philip & St James, Easter Vigil)
- Easter Day** (still to be negotiated—see next issue, and pewsheets)

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 grown-ups!)



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday 6th March

Join with others around the world in
worship prepared by
people of the Bahamas.

Services at the Uniting Church, Willunga, 7pm,
or at Kalyra (19 Aldersey St, McLaren Vale)
at 2 pm

Enquiries: Trish Frith 8556 2604

Family Services

First Sunday of the month, 9 am
at St Ann's
A family-friendly service—bring your
friends!

Next on Sunday March 1st



PANCAKES!

Shrove Tuesday,
17th February,
at St Margaret's.

6 pm Evening Prayer
followed by 6.30 Pancake Supper.

Contributions of ingredients
(plain flour, milk, eggs) can be given to your
Wardens by Sunday 15th.

Any surplus ingredients will be donated to
Aldinga Christian Care & Support Centre.

Gold coin donation to Schools Ministry.

Bring savoury or sweet fillings on the night.

*Bring your last year's Palm Crosses to be
burnt for Ash Wednesday*

Respectful Encounters:

an in-service training day with
Janet Hind, wife of Bishop John Hind.

Friday 20th February

St Margaret's Sunday School room,
McLaren Vale,

10.30 am to 4.00 pm

Bookings: Ted Sandercock 8323 9155

(leave a message) or email:

sanderwt@bigpond.com or

Please bring your lunch.

Refreshments available for Lunch and
Afternoon Tea.

Saturday Night in Willunga

resumes Saturday 21st February.

Dinner at the Willunga Hotel,
following the 5.30 Vigil Mass
at St Stephen's.

Bookings Ted 8556 4535

NEXT JUMBLE SALE

St Ann's 21st March

Friendly Family Tea

23rd February

St Ann's 6.30-8.30 pm

*All welcome. Bring food to share
—or just come!*

From St Ann's, Aldinga

Since Christmas we have continued to have a busy time at St Ann's. On St Stephen's Day, before the main PD service at Willunga, we held a simple **morning prayer service** in the church for visitors, thanks to our celebrant Wallace Mausolf, with music provided by Eileen Binns. We had eleven people on the day including a couple from Victoria who repeatedly thanked us for having the church open for them on the day.

The next Saturday Fr Paul officiated at the **wedding of Danielle and Karl Bather** (see opposite page). With about one hundred guests packed into our tiny church they survived the terrible heatwave and then had the use of the hall for afternoon tea and iced water prior to their reception held later in Old Aldinga. We wish them and their son Kian every blessing for a long and happy life together.

Our **third Family Service** was held the following day, celebrating Epiphany. It was a very happy and spiritual experience for most who attended. Starting with real coffee outside the church as before, the large congregation moved into the church to experience the new format which makes use of overhead projection, modern hymns and religious music and innovative presentation. A couple of visitors had come expecting a Eucharistic service but it was encouraging to see that our once-a-month new service format was generally embraced with enthusiasm. We thank Fr David for being with us for the planning session with our team members, and Fr Philip for attending the service, introducing it and giving the blessing.

Our congregation on that day was swelled enormously by the family and friends of former parishioner **Fr Jim Blades** whose **ashes** were interred in the cemetery following the service. Fr Ed Pumphrey conducted this service for Fr Jim's family, and it was followed by a special morning tea for all.

With a **shortage of Priests** to take services this month and into the future we are very thankful for the time allocated to us by the above mentioned priests, and thank Fr Ed for continuing to step in where he can. We are very grateful for this. This shortage has seen the birth of a new service occasionally, called **Prayer, Praise and Thanksgiving**, in which we can still have communion using the reserved sacrament. We thank Ted for taking these services, and also Peter Chapman and Trish Frith who are undergoing further training so that they can also take these services when and as needed. We in the meantime continue to pray for the appointment of a priest who will be prepared to work with us and be our new parish priest.

For many reasons we decided reluctantly to cancel our January Jumble Sale. In its stead we held a No Bake Cake Stall, whereby we asked people to donate money instead of effort towards the usual fund, our R&M account. The response was remarkable raising \$534.65. We are very grateful to those who responded in this way. Many thanks too to the two children who made the papier-mâché "cake" into which the money was placed!

Pat Roper & Peter Chapman, Wardens



Celebrating Epiphany, gifts were placed on the altar by the Magi, represented by Tony Duncan, Barbara Walter and Andy Attenborough



Fr Jim's son David, accompanied by grandchildren Alexander Brustur, Matilda Blades (obscured), Anna Brustur and Grace Blades spoke about his father after the service. The girls held photos of the Rev'd Arthur Bromley Blades, Fr Jim's father, and of Fr Jim and his sister Elizabeth.

Married at St Ann's on the 3rd of January: St Ann's parishioners Karl and Danielle Bather



Photo provided

It caused great excitement at Granny Annie's when Ali Rutledge, one of our "regulars", married Jamie at Moana on 10th January. The family will be moving to Ireland at the end of January, and Ali and Erin will be much missed.

St Ann's Aldinga—150 not out! (cont'd)

With an urgent need in 1860 for a new church at Willunga to replace the one that was now too small and in serious need of repair, a dispute arose as to where it should be built. Most of the congregation came from the township of Willunga, and wanted the new building to be in or close to the town, while the man who had donated the land on which the cemetery and the existing church were situated, held out that the new church should be on the same site. Some others agreed with him.



Meanwhile, the Rector was invited to a public meeting in Aldinga, some three miles west of the church, to consider building a church there. About 20 citizens attended the meeting, and wanted assurance that if they built a church, there would be services held in it. Fr Miller wrote in his *Reminiscences of Forty-Seven years of Clerical Life in South Australia* (p. 74): "As I had then but two services on Sundays, one at Willunga in the morning, and one at Noarlunga in the afternoon... I was able to say that, were a church erected in Aldinga I would undertake to supply an evening service every Sunday, pending some better arrangement, though it would involve more travelling, making about twenty-three miles round. A committee... was appointed, and toward one hundred and fifty pounds at once promised. A committee of ladies was afterwards formed... and to their energy and perseverance the success of the undertaking was largely due."

(To be continued)

Funding cuts to the Christian Care & Support Centre

The Christian Care and Support Center has been able to operate for about 30 years with the support of the local churches and a government grant. In 2013/2014 the grant was a little under \$12,000. We have been advised that this grant will not be available this year.

The centre has been providing emergency support to about 70 individuals or families in our community who are in need of this support. We are reviewing how we might be able to continue either on our own or in collaboration with another Christian entity.

The Christian Care and Support Centre would like to acknowledge the wonderful support the church has provided in the past and ask for your prayers and ongoing support. This support can be either financial (insurance is around \$1,200 plus rent) or donations of essential non-perishable food items.

We will keep you informed of developments and discussions as they occur. I'm sure God will be with us and guide us in our ongoing discussions.



Anne Lear (for president Graham Benger)

From St Stephen's, Willunga

We have had low attendance over January, which has tended to be somewhat embarrassing with visiting clergy who quoted "when two or three are gathered together" but said it was OK. Thanks to Fr Scott Moncrieff, Fr Ed Pumphrey and Fr Peter Simmons for the generous giving of their time. Our services this month included the Prayer, Praise and Proclamation service.

The St Stephen's bell was rung at 11.00 am Tuesday January 20th as part of the celebration for the opening of the railway to Willunga by the Governor of SA, Sir Henry Galway, in 1915.

Fr Dennis Eales conducted a funeral service at St Stephen's and the burial at the Willunga cemetery for local identity, Darryl Arthur, late of Whites Valley, on Wednesday January 21st. The church was not able to accommodate all the 150 people who came to pay their respects. The immediate family was surprised at the attendance as was Fr Dennis and the warden.

More people are parking in the grounds on a Saturday for the Farmers' Market. Parking was provided for the recent *Tour Down Under* event.

The Vigil Mass is held on a Saturday at 5.30 pm. Do come, and if at any time you are unable to attend a Sunday Service this is a good option. Refreshments afterwards with bubbly & nibbles (cheese, dips and biscuits).

Ted Sandercock Warden



Chris Horsman, Kath Rayner, & Klaus Bachman from the Willunga National Trust at the centenary of the opening of the railway.

From St Philip & St James, Old Noarlunga:

> We have been delighted to have Fr John back with us to celebrate two Eucharists this month. Thank you Fr John. And to Felicity and Sue for playing the organ.

> Visiting families have boosted our numbers during the holiday season and on Sunday the 18th of January a group from Perth attended our service before the interment of ashes of a member of the pioneering Holly family.

> We continue to enjoy the Praise, Prayer and Proclamation services with sacrament reserved from St Stephen's. With Judy Wells and Susan Smith leading and Ted delivering the sermon it is an uplifting way to worship. Thank you Ted for initiating and refining this form of service.

> Thank you to Bob Smith and Rupert Best for cutting down and removing the tired hollyhock stalks and John Carroll and Rupert for attending to the weeds.

> January is Happy Birthday month for Bob Smith, Roger Dew and Wallace and Dorothy Mausolf.

Di Best on behalf of Stephen Wells and Bob Smith, Wardens



The Anglican Board of Mission's Lent Appeal this year supports ongoing work of the Anglican Church of Kenya and our own Rev'd Gloria Shipp's work with the National Aboriginal & Torres Straits Islands Anglican Council. In Kenya the appeal will fund leadership and management training in Machakos and Makueni dioceses, as well as assisting communities in the marginal rural lands of the east to conserve water and grow food crops with much greater efficiency."

Love, Hope and Justice: Support the Anglican Board of Mission through Lenten envelopes..

As the Pastoral District Council meeting was changed this month to 31st January, it is not possible to include its outcomes in this issue. January and February will be covered in the March issue. However, Margaret Cale has provided the following financial information:

December 2014	\$	Overall finances to December 2014	\$
Nett monthly income	\$6,987	Income	\$80, 511 (budgeted \$95,000)
Monthly expenditure	\$5,530	Expenditure	\$81, 756 (budgeted \$103,641)
Operating profit/loss	\$1,456	Operating profit/loss	-\$1,189 (budgeted -\$8461)
Missions	\$784	Total donations to missions	\$5,965

From St Margaret's, McLaren Vale

St. Margaret's has enjoyed some different styled services this month which have been very well received. Two of our services have been conducted by three laity, Ted Sandercock, Sister Bev Driver and Greg Roberts using the reserved sacrament. Our thanks to them for ensuring our worship remains meaningful and friendly.

Twins Essie and Maya Hill (below) were baptised by Fr John Devenport on Sunday 11th January using a new baptismal service.



Photo provided

Bradley Pascoe and Alyse Shilton were married on the 16th of January, celebrated by Fr Denis Eales.

There is always work to be done around the church buildings and, once again, we sincerely thank John Carroll for getting rid of weeds and fallen tree branches.

We are looking at revamping the memorial garden in the near future for a low maintenance but visually pleasing garden we welcome any creative suggestions.

Julia Drought & Greg John, Wardens

National School Chaplaincy Program 2015 - 18

Because the SA government signed up to the National Schools Chaplaincy Program at the final hour it was difficult for the Schools Ministry Group (SMG) to finalise arrangements for 2015. It initiated the "Fund the Chaplaincy Program" campaign at the end of 2014 to ensure as many Christian Pastoral Support Workers as possible could begin work from the beginning of term 1 2015.

It appears that all schools that applied for the funding have received it, although for the majority of them there has been a reduction in funding to \$15,000 per year. Some schools will receive \$20,000 per year. SMG is currently confirming with schools that they wish to continue with it.

SMG is still finalising this but there will be a reduction in hours for all schools, as there is the same or in most cases less funding available over the next 4 years. Local support groups (like our Southern Vales Schools Ministry committee and its supporting churches) will need to provide additional funds to make up any short fall in hours. The best guess is that the Schools Ministry Group will have the funding by the end of February.

Thus our monthly Gold Coin donations will be most important so that this outreach in our schools can continue at the level we have come to expect and support. You may make additional donations designated *Schools Ministry* and placed in the Offertory, or directly to Schools Ministry Group, 12 Angus Ave, Edwardstown SA 5039. Any additional fundraising would be appreciated.

For more information contact Ted Sandercock



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Ph: 8327 1091

4 Patapinda Rd, Old Noarlunga

Age-old deficiency

IT'S about time the authorities did something about older drivers on our roads.

For far too long older drivers have caused havoc as they hog the left lane, stick to the speed limits (even the road work limits) and stop at stop signs, causing great inconvenience and often preventing others from doing whatever they like.

Another major concern is that by avoiding fines and demerit points, they are not doing their bit for the revenue of our state, and are therefore placing a further burden on younger drivers.

Until older drivers can prove that they are proficient at weaving in and out of traffic, driving while texting, tailgating, using drugs or doing burnouts, they must be banned from holding a licence.

Doug Money, Oak Park

Thank you Vera for contributing this delightful letter to the editor in the *Sydney Morning Herald*.

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(See Genesis 6-8)

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TELL YOU WHERE I FOUND THE BRANCH

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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 29th of March the only service will be at St Ann's Aldinga, for PALM SUNDAY, and there will be no service at Willunga on the 28th.