



**April 2015**

# The Grapevine

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

"Today we walk in a crowd shouting 'Hosanna'.  
On Good Friday we must kneel before the cross as individuals..."  
Bishop John



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The Pastoral District's observation of Palm Sunday was celebrated by Bishop John Ford and visiting Bishop Michael Langrish—and Shadow the donkey led the procession. Zac McNee spread palm branches afterwards to make a path leading to lunch in the hall.



Photo: L Taylor



## Mothering Sunday



Photo: D Best

Mothering Sunday, or Refreshment Sunday, the 15<sup>th</sup> of March, was the occasion for traditional simnel cake and posies. At St Ann's (L) they were blessed by Fr Peter Randle, and at St Philip & St James (R) by Bishop Michael Langrish, with Eucharistic Assistants Judith Wells and Susan Smith.

### CONTINUING SAFER MINISTRY TRAINING 2015 (from Diocesan Office)

*Safer Ministry Training is for anyone who holds a licence as a bishop, priest and deacon or has a pastoral assistant's permission, also those ministering to children, the elderly and the vulnerable, official hospital and home visitors, all choir directors, adult servers, churchwardens and paid op shop managers.*

#### Full Day Seminar for NEW participants

**St Margaret's Church Hall, 99 Main Road, McLaren Vale, Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June 9.00am –4 pm**

Morning and afternoon tea will be provided. BYO lunch.

#### Three Hour Refresher Courses

Refresher courses for those who attended the safer ministry seminars 3 years ago, as part of the roll out of the safer ministry training in the Diocese at that time. For those who have done the safer ministry training during the past two years, there will be an opportunity to undertake the refresher course in subsequent years.

**St Margaret's Church Hall, 99 Main Road, McLaren Vale, Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June at 1.00pm**

To register, contact Ted Sandercock [sanderwt@bigpond.com](mailto:sanderwt@bigpond.com) or 8556 4535

Only those who complete this training will be able to hold a position in a Parish or Pastoral District in the Diocese.

For new participants: the completion of the diocesan safer ministry screening questionnaire and a new national police clearance is required. Forms are available on the diocesan website or from the Registry.

### Elizabeth Blades, R.J.P.



Wife of Fr Jim Blades, whose ashes were interred at St Ann's recently, Elizabeth was a vital part of our Southern Vales church community for many years. Among other ministries she and Fr Jim had spent five years in the Solomon Islands, then served at Seacliff 1974-1989 before retiring to Aldinga. With a strong commitment to outreach and care, Elizabeth was involved with Eileen Binns and Sue Armstrong in setting up a Young Mums group in the '90s for mothers and small children, and she and Fr Jim were among the group who established the Christian Care & Community Centre at Aldinga. Practical, spirit-filled, fun-filled, musical, artistic, Elizabeth made her mark on the parish in so many ways. Organist at St Ann's for many years, she set up some wonderful concerts with her daughters. She was a tireless worker in building St Ann's hall, and also created its memorial window, and painted the builders. (Also, in a moment of levity, the face we hide behind the curtain!) In 2006 the

Blades moved to Perth to be with children David, Mary-Ann & Margaret, but always kept in touch with St Ann's.

## What's on

### April

- Wed 1<sup>st</sup>** Morning Prayer St Margaret's 8.30  
Eucharist St Margaret's 9 am
- Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup>** MAUNDY THURSDAY  
Morning Prayer St Ann's 8.30 am  
Communion St Margaret's, 7.30 pm
- Fri 3<sup>rd</sup>** GOOD FRIDAY  
Stations of the Cross St Ann's 10 am  
Celebration of the Lord's Passion St Margaret's 3 pm
- Sat 4<sup>th</sup>** HOLY SATURDAY  
Easter Vigil St Philip & St James, 7 pm
- Sun 5<sup>th</sup>** EASTER DAY  
Easter Eucharist 7 am St Stephen's  
Easter Eucharist 9.30 St Margaret's  
Easter Eucharist 9.30 St Ann's  
(children's lesson & activities)  
Gold Coin collection for CPS workers
- Thurs 9<sup>th</sup>** Colton Court singers 10.30-11.30 am  
*Enquiries: Sue MacKirdy 8556 5162*
- Fri 10<sup>th</sup>-Sun 12<sup>th</sup>** Dr Allan Meyer weekend (see p. 10)
- 13<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>** Diocesan Residential Conference "Leading your Church into Growth", at West Lakes (see next column)
- Tues 14<sup>th</sup>** St Margaret's Guild 1.30 pm  
St Ann's "New Look" Guild, 7 pm. Wine & cheese
- Sat 18<sup>th</sup>** Pastoral District Council meeting, St Margaret's, 10 am  
Saturday Night Out at the Willunga Hotel 7 pm
- Tues 21<sup>st</sup>** Postie Fashion Parade, St Margaret's 1.30 pm
- Fri 24<sup>th</sup>** Family Tea at St Ann's 6.30 pm *Enquiries: 8556 6078*
- Sat 25<sup>th</sup>** MARK  
ANZAC DAY
- Sun 26<sup>th</sup>** PATRONAL FESTIVAL St Philip & St James 10 am

### May

#### COMBINED SERVICE

- Fri 1<sup>st</sup>** SS PHILIP & JAMES
- Sun 3<sup>rd</sup>** Family Service, St Ann's, 9 am
- Mon 4<sup>th</sup>** MU Craft Creations St Ann's 9.30 am  
*Enquiries: Trish Frith 8556 2604*
- Wed 6<sup>th</sup>** JOHN
- Thurs 7<sup>th</sup>** Colton Court
- Tues 12<sup>th</sup>** St Margaret's Guild 1.30 pm
- Thurs 14<sup>th</sup>** ASCENSION
- Sat 16<sup>th</sup>** Jumble Sale, St Ann's  
Saturday Night Out, Willunga
- Fri 22<sup>nd</sup>** Family Tea at St Ann's
- Sun 24<sup>th</sup>** PENTECOST
- Wed 27<sup>th</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Jun** WEEK OF PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION
- Fri 29-30<sup>th</sup>** Diocesan Synod

### Baptisms in April:

- Sun 12<sup>th</sup>** St Stephen's, 2 pm: Ilsa Woodford
- Sun 19<sup>th</sup>** St Margaret's, 10.30 am: Joshua William Blackburn.

### "Leading your Church into Growth"

Diocesan Residential Conference, teaching, inspiring and equipping ordained and lay leaders.  
West Lakes, Mon 13<sup>th</sup>—Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> April.  
Our Pastoral District will be represented by Greg John and Peter Chapman.  
*Please keep this conference in your prayers.*

### Saturday Night Out

Dinner at the Willunga Hotel  
Next on **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April**, 7 pm,  
after the 5.30 pm Vigil Mass.  
*Bookings 8556 4535*

### Calling all of St Ann's congregation...

A wine and cheese evening on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April at 7 pm** will be the new format for a meeting of the congregation in lieu of the regular monthly Guild meeting. See p. 7

### Postie Fashion Parade, Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April

St Margaret's 1.30—4 pm  
\$10 includes afternoon tea.  
Raffle & door prize.  
Tickets from your Wardens.



### Family Tea at St Ann's

Next on **Fri 24<sup>th</sup> April**, 6.30 pm  
*Informal—friendly—fun*  
*Bring food to share—or just come!*

### ST PHILIP & ST JAMES, Church Hill Road, Old Noarlunga PATRONAL FESTIVAL Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April,

Combined service 10 am  
followed by morning tea.

(the only service in the PD on that Sunday)

Celebrate the Patronal Festival of our oldest church, built in 1850 on the hill above the little town of Noarlunga at the Horseshoe Bend of the Onkaparinga River. Below it, in the river, barges carried the locally milled flour to Port Noarlunga, and a stone bridge made a crossing point for travellers on their way south.

This historic church still offers a warm welcome to all who come to worship there.

### Drop in at Granny Annie's

St Ann's, 7 Stonehouse Lane, Aldinga, off South Rd  
Thursdays 9-11.30 for a cuppa & chat.

### Jumble Sale

St Ann's  
Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> of May

### Family Service at St Ann's,

Next on 3rd May  
An informal, family-friendly service.  
Bring your friends—and their families!

## ***News from St Stephen's, McLaren Vale***

Welcome to Jac Hocking who becomes the 8<sup>th</sup> member of the PD Council and is in name a People's Warden. Wendy Sandercock continues to be our Sacristan and our representative on the St Margaret's Guild. Jac Bishop continues to arrange the flowers.

Thanks to Bp John Hind, Bp Michael Langrish and Fr Peter Simmons for the generous giving of their time over recent weeks. Over the next two weeks we will conduct the Praise, Prayer & Proclamation service (led by Peter Chapman) and then Saturday Evening Prayer (led by Ted Sandercock).

We welcome new members of the congregation Ruth McFeat (an Australian who has lived in Canada for some 50 years) and Samantha Thomas and daughter, Meg, a student at Tatachilla College. Mrs. Ransome has recovered from a recent stay in hospital.

We look forward to the early birds who attend the 7.00 am Easter Sunrise service on Easter Day, April 5<sup>th</sup>. The Vigil Mass is on a Saturday at 5.30 pm, if at any time you are unable to attend a Sunday Service. Refreshments afterwards with sherry & nibbles (cheese, dips and biscuits).

*Jac Hocking & Ted Sandercock, Wardens*

## **50 years of Service – Trish Frith**

President of the Southern Vales Branch of the Mothers' Union, Trish was awarded a certificate at the Lady Day service, St Peter's Cathedral, Adelaide, by Australian MU President, The Rev'd Canon Libbie Crossman (see photo below).



Photo: H Cook

As a young wife in Booval, Qld, Trish was admitted as a member of MU in 1965. With family far away the RAAF and Church became their family. Postings

included Werribee and Laverton in Victoria. By 1969 they had 4 children under 5 and when her husband Ken accepted a task in the Antarctic for 15 months, Trish and the children returned to Blackwood, SA. By 1974 a posting to Pearce, WA saw an exciting change - living on the Base and enjoying ecumenical church services in a Nissan Hut! Their move to Willunga in about 1979 saw retirement from air force life and a new path discovering life on an almond orchard. Sadly, Ken died in 2001.

Through MU the Anglican Church in our pastoral district started a Young Wives group, where Trish had a great time with activities with the children. Today she is involved with a wide range of community activities as well as the church, where she is a Eucharistic Assistant, chairs St Ann's Guild, gardens at St Ann's, and is well-known as a rose pruner extraordinaire. *(From an article by Helen Cook)*



The following poem, written in 1985 by Aldinga resident and well-known poet Jan Owen, is published in her collection *Boy with a Telescope* (1986).

### **Easter Sunday**

#### ***Anglican Church of St Ann, Aldinga, 1985***

The little church is bare and white  
save for the Easter lilies' bright  
shock of pink and the gold encrusting the altar cloth.  
Morning sun streams in from the north,  
washing like a gift of grace  
over the left side of each face.  
The country parish is too poor  
for stained glass, so the light is clear  
as water. We kneel for the bread and wine,  
lulled by the muted organ tone  
and the rhythmic offering of the cup -  
the pause, the quiet words, the token wipe  
of the rim. A ceaseless shrill of birds  
floods in from the wattle trees outside.  
It is accomplished, calmly as it meet  
and proper, the melting wafer sweet  
on the tongue; but as the final hymn begins  
a twelve-year-old, the simple one, cries out and runs  
to the rail and lifts his unfilled hands  
and empty face. The congregation stands.  
The priest, for a moment, hesitates and then  
comes to him with the bread and wine:  
a ripple in the singing tide  
makes more elbow-room for God.

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 April. Please notify the Editor if you wish to avoid the chance of being mentioned in this newsletter.

## **Vestry!**

Vestry 2015 was chaired by Archdeacon Richard Litjens on Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> of March. Visiting Bishop Michael Langrish was present at the beginning of the meeting and introduced himself as the retired 70<sup>th</sup> Bishop of the Diocese of Exeter – a diocese which in 2009 celebrated its 1100<sup>th</sup> anniversary!

### **Elections & appointments**

Pre-vestry meetings having been held in all four centres prior to the Vestry, the appointment of People's Wardens was now confirmed: Pat Roper (St Ann's), Julia Drought (St Margaret's), Stephen Wells (St Philip & St James). No People's Warden had been found for St Stephen's, but Jac Hocking from McLaren Vale had agreed to make up the PDC numbers. Pat Roper would be away for a period in 2015 and Brian McMillan would be Acting Warden in her absence.

In the absence of a parish priest, Priest's Wardens had been confirmed by Archdeacon Richard Litjens as follows: Peter Chapman (St Ann's), Greg John (St Margaret's), Bob Smith (SSPJ) and Ted Sandercock (St Stephen's). Bob Smith would be away for a period and Rupert Best would be Acting Priest's Warden in his absence.

Synod Representatives for Southern Vales: Brian McMillan, Julia Drought, Ted Sandercock, with substitutionary Synod rep. Bill Cale.

### **Finance & Budget**

Margaret Cale, retired Treasurer, presented her report, noting that our total net income had been \$80,511 (\$14,500 less than budgeted \$95,000), and expenses for the year were \$81,755. This was approximately \$21,855 under budget predictions, partly because we had paid only 8 months of stipend and related costs. She thanked the wardens for counting and banking the money each week.

She reminded us that in our Mission Action Plan we had set a goal to reduce our deficit by 25%. Quoting from a speaker she had heard that week at work, she quoted the following motives for achieving goals:

1. Optimism – a reason to believe the future can be positive.
2. Influence – a belief that we can influence it in some way.
3. Passion – being passionate about what we want and WHY we want it.
4. Plan – having some idea of how we can make it happen.
5. Support – being bold enough to ask for help

Margaret then asked us all to think about how we might achieve the budgeted income goal, \$92,000, to cover our expenses. With God's help, she said, we can achieve this, and can support a full-time priest for our PD.

Margaret was thanked for her kindness in continuing this work until a Treasurer for the PD is found.

Several **maintenance matters** had been raised at pre-vestry meetings. Major items were to be referred to the PD Restoration and Maintenance Committee; minor items would be handled by the PDC. The matter of a Retreat for the PD had been deferred by PDC to 2015 and would be on the agenda in March.

Fr Richard highlighted **coming diocesan events** – a Rural Theology day at Mt Barker, led by Bp Michael Langrish, a Pastoral Assistants' Training Day at Port Elliot, "The Importance of Listening", led by Mrs Esther Langrish, and a Diocesan Residential Conference 13<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> April at West Lakes; "Leading your Church into Growth" which aimed to build a core group of committed and inspired people from each parish and pastoral district.

It was noted that conferences and seminars held during the week were difficult for those in paid employment, which included the younger people who, it was hoped, would lead the diocese forward.

A question was raised about **the Pastoral District's relation to St Nicholas, Seaford**. Fr Richard indicated that the matter was being worked on, and Seaford would be included in Southern Vales when a priest was appointed.

A round of applause expressed people's **thanks to Ted Sandercock** for keeping the Pastoral District running in the absence of a parish priest.



## ***News from St Philip & St James, Old Noarlunga***

A presentation of the Mission Action Plan was made to the congregation after the Eucharist on Sunday the 22<sup>nd</sup> Of February, using the new projection equipment.

We have enjoyed the Eucharists celebrated by visiting clergy and are grateful to Fr John Devenport for his frequent presence among us. Once again we thank Felicity Warrington and Sue MacKirdy for playing the organ and Ted Sandercock and Margaret Cale who continue to keep the Pastoral District and its finances running smoothly.

Regular maintenance in the cemetery has continued with weed spraying and roses deadheaded. So often there are people wandering around and last week a couple was researching the Sparrow family.

The organ recently donated by the Pearsons has been moved from the Rectory to St Philip & St James and was expertly played there for the first time on the 15<sup>th</sup> of March by Sue MacKirdy. A plaque will be affixed to acknowledge the donors of the one it replaced, Valda & Wilfred Stevens.

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

## ***News from St Margaret's, McLaren Vale***

White ant treatment had to be undergone in one of the sheds. Checking has been done in surrounding areas and all have been found to be clear of any further infestations.

Discussions are ongoing about the moving of the Greg Trott organ to improve the sound. This will require considerable alterations to the entrance end of the church. Approval from the congregation and council had still to be sought.

Decisions about pruning and removal of some of the memorial trees nearest to the church building have continued and been finalised. Michael Drought will carry out this task in the near future.

Thankyou to Bishop John Hind and Bishop Michael Langrish for taking services during their time with us. It has been very much appreciated. Thanks also to Ted for his continuing valuable stewardship of our pastoral district. We are very grateful for his work, making sure things run smoothly while we wait and pray for our next priest.

*Greg John & Julia Drought, Wardens*

## ***World Day of Prayer 2015***



2015 saw an eclectic gathering of many faith traditions at the Uniting Church, Willunga. There were hand massages, beautiful songs, inspiring prayers and messages, which encompassed this year's featured country the Bahamas; not forgetting the tropical food, including fishcakes and pineapple desserts.

A sacred space was created which featured the national bird of the Bahamas, the flamingo. Huge thanks to the organisers for such a diverse and special occasion for world day of prayer.

World Day of Prayer is a worldwide movement of women and men of many faith traditions who come together to observe a common day of prayer each year on the first Friday in March. They gather to pray, reflect and share hospitality.

Through the World Day of Prayer, people affirm that prayer and action are inseparable and that both have immeasurable influence in the world.

*Jenny Esots*

This year's service was introduced by Trish Frith. A number of Anglicans were present, including (see photo) Julia Drought, Fran Pettigrew, Jan MacNamara, Anne Chittleborough and Trish Frith.

The World Day of Prayer service was also celebrated at Kalyra, McLaren Vale at 2 pm.



## A service for all ages

"Take up your cross and follow me" was the theme of the Family Service at St Ann's on the 1<sup>st</sup> of March. Young Zac and Thomas McNee assisted, and everyone present made bamboo crosses and placed them at the foot of the wooden



cross. Pictured: (L-R) Di Rickard, Patricia Bissett, Wendy Sandercock, Bill Higginson, Peter Chapman. At the end of the service, those present picked up their cross to take home as a reminder and a challenge to take up our cross and follow Jesus.

## News from St Ann's, Aldinga

We were pleased to be able to **welcome Bp John Hind** to St Ann's on the last Sunday of the month and to appreciate his address on this occasion. To be able to share worship with **Bp Michael Langrish** has been a joy also. We feel we have been very blessed with the clergy who have been organised to take our services during this time of vacancy. We have been treated to some greatly inspirational sermons and men of strong spiritual values. We thank Frs Peter Randle and John Edwards, and thank Bp John Ford, our Archdeacon Richard and Ted Sandercock for the gift of these people to us in what could have been quite a difficult time for us, and thank them all very much for helping us out at this time.

We are receiving good positive feedback regarding the running of **our monthly family services**. Thanks to the dedicated team which meet and work together to pool and share individual skills and talents each month. Our congregation is supportive. We will be working on getting the message about these services out to local families so that they will be aware of their introduction. Meanwhile we would urge people to come and experience one for themselves.

Lent saw the introduction of the bishop's **Lenten Studies** held at St Ann's hall each Tuesday evening at 7pm. Early hiccups with the equipment used to deliver the projected messages were sorted. We thank Brian McMillan for agreeing to be the study leader this time. Attendance was encouraging.

Our Lenten Suppers (see p. 9) have been very enjoyable. They would not be possible without the combined efforts of our many generous ladies re soup and fruit donations and of course the Guild and Anne Chittleborough who organised the speakers. Many thanks to all.

*Pat Roper & Peter Chapman, Wardens*

## Calling St Ann's congregation (cont'd from p. 3)

In recent years the Guild meetings (usually attended by 6-7 ladies) have been the only regular congregational meetings to make decisions about the church and its needs and activities.

*This is our chance to do things differently!*

Come with your ideas, particularly to finalise plans for a 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration for St Ann's in October this year.

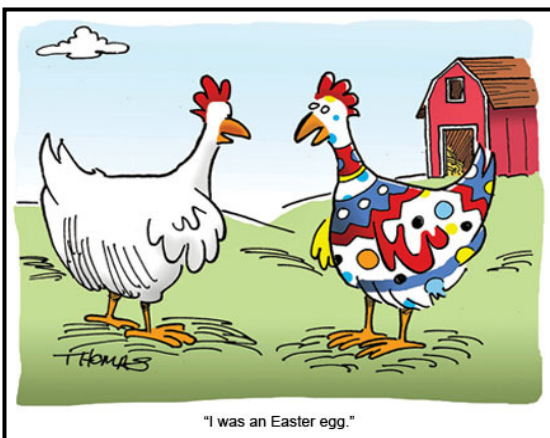
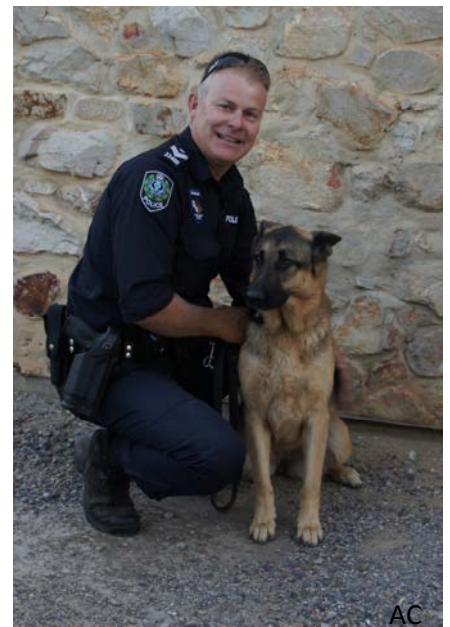


### **Lenten Soup Suppers 2015**

Fr George Kirreh from Murray Bridge spoke at the first Lenten Supper about his life and the situation in the Holy Land. We were delighted to welcome with him his wife Faten and members of his congregation, Lee Lyons, Val Spoehr and Jillian Browne (above) with Anne Lear and Peter Chapman.

Senior Constable Nigel Hearndon, the following week, talking about police dog training and handling, brought with him 7-year old PD Ari (pictured) who will be retiring at the end of the year after very successful service, and 10 month old Argus, who will be trained to replace her.

Mrs Marion McCall's story of how she came to learn to fly, and her subsequent adventures and the awards she won, was both an inspiration to us all and rollicking good fun.



### **Let go and Let God**

*Every day there are decisions to be made and problems to be solved. When you notice irritations growing into tensions, tensions into near panic, and old fears returning, this is the time to stop short and turn to God. You can do nothing anyway, and you will find that if you supply the willingness, He will provide the power.*

Quoted by Marion McCall from *Alcoholism, the Family Disease*, published by the Al-Anon Family Group; a prayer which helped her make a difficult decision.

### **Aldinga Christian Care Centre needs our help!**

For some time now parishioners have been contributing grocery items on a regular basis for this worthy cause. Due to recent funding cuts, the need has become acute. We would encourage all parishioners to purchase at least one extra grocery item per week for donation. A list of suitable items can be found at the back of each church, and in the next few weeks a basket will be provided for this purpose. We suggest that the grocery baskets be carried up for blessing with the collection at the regular worship service. This is in practice at St Ann's already.

Wendy Sandercock,  
on behalf of M.A.P. 'Loving Care Group'

### **Lenten Studies 2015: "Sense of Life"**

*I am so glad our Bishop focussed on the five senses for our Lenten studies "Sense of Life".*

*Through the centuries the worship of the church has engaged all the senses, through music and singing, movement, works of art and architecture, language, taste and scent, the beauty and form of nature—"life in all its fullness" (John 10:10).*

*This made the study relevant to me and my daily life, and appropriate to life in our church community. It was greatly enriched by the beautiful scenes and simple worship songs on the DVD. Joyful, not gloomy. It was a very worthwhile exercise.*

Gillian Clampett, March 2015

## News from Pastoral District Council

Pastoral District Council for March was chaired by Ted Sandercock.

After PDC opened with prayer, Jac Hocking was welcomed as a new member of PDC standing in for St Stephen's Willunga, and the following elections/appointments for 2015 were confirmed: Secretary: Ted Sandercock. Treasurer: Margaret Cale had resigned as Treasurer but was holding the fort until a Treasurer was found. Minutes Secretary: Di Best.

Matters discussed included the following:

### Mission Action Plan:

Jac Hocking had joined the First Aim Team, "**To proclaim the good news of the Kingdom**" and Pat Roper had been analysing the Baptismal Registers with a view to contacting people baptised in the district over the past 10 years. The team looking at the Third Aim, "**To respond to human need by loving service**" (led by Wendy Sandercock) had met and was appealing for support for the Christian Care Centre (see p.8). Other groups were still in the planning stages. ( A full report of all groups will be published following the May meeting of PDC).

**Pastoral Team:** A start to be made with a small nucleus of Greg Roberts, Trish Frith, Bob & Susan Smith and Wendy Sandercock, representing each of the four churches, to form the nucleus of a group and see what was needed to get it off the ground – what resources and training would be needed. They would assist with home visiting and home communions, assist non-drivers get to church, follow up baptisms etc. It was noted that the nursing homes had been missing out in the absence of a parish priest.

**Audiovisual equipment** had been purchased and was in use – still awaiting a case and a stand and cover for the screen. It was felt that the new screen was too large for use in some churches. The Secretary to get a price for a new and smaller screen, and a motorised screen for St Ann's. The new speakers made a welcome difference.

The matter of a **PD Weekend Retreat**, deferred from an October meeting to February, was now back on the agenda. Its purpose would be Bible study and social interaction; bringing our four centres together. A place and a date in September to be considered.

**Eucharistic Assistants:** PDC supported Wendy Sandercock, Bob and Susan Smith in having their EA level raised to A1 to enable them to be involved in home communions and administer the chalice.

**Paid advertisements:** Following complaints by individuals, English Rose had withdrawn its ad from *The Grapevine* in March. However, no complaints had been received by PDC, and members voted unanimously that they were happy to include English Rose ads again and considered them quite appropriate.

### Financial Report:

| February 2015         | \$                      | Overall finances to February 2015 | \$                         |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Nett monthly income   | 6,269                   | Income                            | 11,965 (budgeted \$13,430) |
| Monthly expenditure   | 5,200 (without stipend) | Expenditure                       | 13,408 (Budgeted \$9,781)  |
| Surplus for the month | 1,069                   | Deficit                           | -1,442 (Budgeted \$3,650)  |
| Missions              | 235                     | Total donations to missions       | 456                        |

- The deficit of \$1,442 included advance payment of insurance for the year
- \$5,200 Expenses included payment for the audio visual equipment which was awaiting reimbursement from the Shirley Garfit Bequest.
- Expenditure from the Special Purpose Funds covered termite inspection at St Margaret's and payment for the sound equipment.

**Maintenance:** All maintenance matters to be recorded in a book held for the purpose at each church. Small matters (up to \$200) can be attended to, but anything costing over \$200 needs to be approved by PDC. Anything over \$1000 needs to go for consideration by the R&M Committee.

Margaret Cale explained that the annual budget covers the rectory and running costs, but each centre has traditionally covered its own maintenance costs through fund-raising. Some centres had spent over their income, so that the extra had had to be paid for by parish funds which lessens our ability to pay for a priest. There was a need to look seriously at the issue of stewardship. Bishop John had challenged us that parish costs should be met by the collection; fundraising should be for missions and extras.

Next PDC meeting Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup> of April at St Margaret's at 10 am.

# English Rose Funerals

inc Southern Memorials for Plaques & Headstones

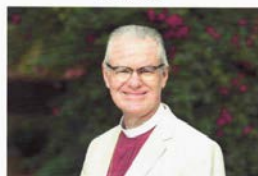
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Based in Old Noarlunga*



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SUNDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2015

AT WOODCROFT COLLEGE  
BAINS RD WOODCROFT

PASTORAL DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN SUBURBS

INVITES YOU 10.00AM SERVICE

FOLLOWED BY LUNCH

## Candles

For your personal devotions or for your Easter Table, hand made candles are available from Sister Bev. Beeswax or coloured candles: moulded in various forms.

Easter Fairy \$8, vine, rose, each \$5, 75cm tall.

\$'s raised throughout the year all for parish funds. Last year you helped raise \$200 which was most helpful.

Contact Sr Bev, 83239557  
6-8pm.

## Dr Allan Meyer Weekend

Both Allan and his wife Helen have a huge passion to see restoration in people's lives. Their programs developed through the "Careforce-Lifekeys" Ministry, have touched many thousands of people around the world bringing the transformational love and power of God into daily living. Allan carries an incredible message of hope for our times.

**Friday April 10, 7:00pm** – Leaders' Meeting at Coast and Vines Church 12-14 Aldinga Rd Willunga

**Saturday April 11, 7:30am** – Men's Breakfast at Willunga Uniting Church Cnr St Andrew's Tce and St Jude's St, Willunga Cost \$10

**Saturday April 11, 1:00pm – 4:30pm** – Conference "Restoring Church – Transforming Community" at Coast and Vines Church \$35

**Sunday April 12 6:30pm** – Open Meeting with Allan at Penny's Hill Winery, 281 Main Rd McLaren Vale - an offering will be taken up on the night

For more information and to book in for the men's breakfast contact Rod Dowie on 0427 221126

"We are Easter people living in a Good Friday world. And I think that every year the world seems more of a Good Friday world. And it's excruciating"  
- Anne Lamott



## Southern Vales Pastoral District

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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 26th April the only service will be at St Philip & St James', Old Noarlunga, to celebrate their Patronal Festival (see p. 3).**