

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







St Ann's was delighted to accept an offer by artist John Freeman, who is moving to Aldinga to live, to have his paintings hung in St Ann's for the month of August, SALA (South Australian Living Artists) month. While not an official SALA exhibition, it was a wonderful chance for this spiritual art to enhance our worship.

Illustrating well-known biblical stories, John's paintings, although modern in style, fitted well into the traditional stone walls of St Ann's and gave the building a "lift" and a richness of spiritual depth. With intense colours and strong lineal elements John's paintings have a child-like quality, which reflects the fact that, as he says, even more than the great painters his greatest influence was the work of the children he taught when he was a school teacher.

John has offered to lend us more paintings for St Ann's 150<sup>th</sup> celebration on 4<sup>th</sup> of October.

Photos: A: Ladders seem to be becoming a way of life at St Ann's! Peter Chapman hangs one of the paintings. B: With the paintings all up, they are admired by Anne Chittleborough, John and Jane Freeman, Gillian Clampett, Heather Chapman, Lee and Wendy Graham and Gwen Anthony. C: On the 9<sup>th</sup> of August John spoke about his paintings after the morning Eucharist. In the background, the Return of the Prodigal Son.

### "Welcome to your church" Training Day

Following on from the "Leading Your Church Into Growth" conference



A Southern Suburbs Pastoral District resource St Aidan's, Homestead Drive, Aberfoyle Park

Saturday 17th October, 9.30-3 pm

\$10 includes manual, morning & afternoon tea (BYO lunch) Book early—limited places.

Phone Carole Hawkins 0459 720 949 by Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September

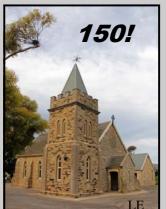
# Congratulations to the Prickle Team!

Trish Frith and her "Prickle Team", including hardworking Bill Cale and Victoria McKee as dedicated helpers, had completed the work for this year.

They completed 49 hours of work in 28 Gardens, raising \$1350. They are looking at giving \$500 to Parish Funds, with the balance to go towards missions projects (to be defined).

Well done prickle team! On Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> of August they were awarded St Ann's "Martin Chittleborough Chocolate Frog Award " for hard workers.





On Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> of October there will be a Family Service & Eucharist at St Ann's at 10 am, celebrated by Bishop John Ford, to celebrate the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the laying of the foundation stone of St Ann's Church by Millecent Short, wife of Augustus Short, Bishop of Adelaide. This foundation stone has never been traced, but Mrs Bridget Ford, wife of our present bishop, will unveil a plaque commemorating the event.

#### Make a day of it!

After the service there will be a shared lunch in the hall, and at 2 pm Brian McMillan and the PD Choir will entertain us with a "Pleasant Sunday Afternoon".

Historic church & cemetery tours will be conducted at 2, 3.15 and 4.30 pm on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> of October.

And on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> of October the sesquicentenary celebrations will conclude with a High Tea in St Ann's Hall, with musical accompaniment. \$12.50 ea. Tickets available from 4<sup>th</sup> of October.

#### A tribute to Betty Forsyth, a "stalwart of The Murray"

Betty Forsyth has been described by Fr Peter Simmons of Morphett Vale as the "backbone of the Southern Suburbs District". She served on the first Synod of the Diocese of The Murray, was Synod Secretary for many years, and served on Diocesan Council. She had a hand in the formation of Morphett Vale, Christies Beach and Happy Valley parishes. Betty died recently at the age of 91.

#### September

Tues 1<sup>st</sup> Friends of St Ann's 7 pm

**St Margaret's Guild** 1.30 (*changed date*)

Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> MARTYRS OF PNG

**Sun 6<sup>th</sup> Family Service** at St Ann's 9 am

**Gold Coin Collection** 

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> MU Quiet Day & continuing bookmaking; St Ann's 9.30

Enquiries: Helen Cook 0407 056 780

**Tues 8**th **St Margaret's Guild** 1.30 pm *Enquiries: Fran Pettigrew* 

8323 9366

Wed 9<sup>th</sup> St Ann's Working Bee, 9 am

Thurs 10<sup>th</sup>Colton Court Singers 10.30-11.30 am

Enquiries: Sue MacKirdy 8556 5162

Sat 12<sup>th</sup> International Luncheon, St Margaret's (next column)

Sun 13<sup>th</sup> Home Mission Sunday

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

Sept 14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> Clergy Retreat

Sat 19<sup>th</sup> Jumble Sale, St Ann's (next column)

**Saturday Night Out** (see opposite)

Mon 21<sup>st</sup> MATTHEW

Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> Pastoral District Council 7 pm

**Fri 25**<sup>th</sup> **Family Tea** at St Ann's (see opposite)

Tues 29th MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

#### October

Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> Diocesan Council

Sun 4<sup>th</sup> COMBINED SERVICE for St Ann's 150<sup>th</sup>, 10 am

(see opposite)

"A Pleasant Sunday Afternoon" concert, St Ann's 2 pm

NB Daylight saving begins

Tues 6<sup>th</sup> Friends of St Ann's 7 pm

Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> Colton Court

Sat 10<sup>th</sup> Sausage Sizzle Quarry Market (see next column)

Tues 13<sup>th</sup> St Margaret's Guild 1.30 pm

Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Saturday Night Out

Sun 18<sup>th</sup> LUKE

Ordination to the priesthood of Andrew Forder

Church & Cemetery tours, St Ann's 2, 3.15, 4.30 pm

Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Family Tea at St Ann's

**Sun 25**<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary High Tea**, St Ann's (see opposite)

Wed 28<sup>th</sup> SIMON & JUDE

#### Your 2016 parish calendar is available!





Order now from your wardens.

~Beautiful photos of parish life and the Fleurieu~ A Southern Vales Pastoral District fundraiser.



family Service

First Sunday of the month, 9 am
An informal, family-friendly service.
At St Ann's next on 6<sup>th</sup> September,
and at St Margaret's on 1<sup>st</sup> November

Friends of St Ann's
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 7 pm
Coffee, cake & conversation



#### **International Luncheon**

St Margaret's
Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 12.30
\$25 for a three-course meal.
National costume optional.
RSVP Fran Pettigrew 8323 9366 by
5<sup>th</sup> September



St Ann's Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September 8.30-12.30

#### **Saturday Night Out**

Dinner at the Willunga Hotel Saturday **19**<sup>th</sup> **September** 7 pm after St Stephen's 5.30 pm Vigil Mass. *Bookings 8556 4535* 

#### Family Tea at St Ann's

Next on **Friday 25**<sup>th</sup> **Sept.**, 6.30 pm *Bring food to share—or just come!* 



# QUARRY MARKET SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Sat. 10<sup>th</sup> Oct, 14<sup>th</sup> Nov, 9 am to 1 pm
Help raise funds for schools' ministry.

Helpers wanted for 1 or 2 hour
assistance. Phone Ted 8556 4535



St Stephen's Saturday Night Out at the Willunga Hotel in August was also an occasion to celebrate Ted Sandercock's birthday.

(L-R Susan Smith, Fr John Edwards, Trish Frith, Fr Dennis Eales, Mary Eales, Wendy and Ted Sandercock. Photo: B Smith )

These dinners are held monthly following the 5.30 pm Vigil Mass at St Stephen's, in place of the regular drinks and nibbles shared after the service. Why not join them?

#### Other News from St Stephen's, Willunga

The August Saturday Night Out was enjoyed by 8 people plus the Smith's, grandson, James. The next Saturday Night Out will be September 19<sup>th</sup> at the Willunga Hotel after the 5.30 pm service. All are welcome to join the St Stephen's core group.

The Almond Blossom stall was a great success. Some \$1500 was raised. Thanks to all who made items for sale. Left over items are going to the next Jumble Sale.

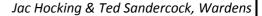
Last Saturday Pamela and Gabriele Trobbiani attended to celebrate their first **wedding anniversary**. Fr Paul and Fr Peter Sandeman (CEO Anglicare) had married them on August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2014. Pam and Gabby later celebrated dinner at the Old Bush Inn. Wendy and Trish presented them with a posy from the church flowers.

There is an immediate need to lop 2 or 3 branches of a gum tree that overhangs the Scott property next door. It would involve some tree climbing or a vehicle.

Thanks to Bill Cale for cutting up a fallen branch from another tree (the same one a side trunk just missed the toilet last year!). Small cut up branches make good kindling.

Thanks to Trish for pruning the roses. Much appreciated. Note the two *Willunga 150* roses planted with the much older roses.

Come to our Vigil Mass 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).





Little Owen Patrick Mawhinney from Wakerly, Queensland, gave every indication that he enjoyed his baptism by Fr John Edwards at St Stephen's Vigil Mass on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> of August, crooning and chuckling throughout the service. He and his mother Lorraine appeared delighted with the gift of a book presented by Trish Frith on behalf of the Mothers' Union.

The other children there also enjoyed the service, and finished by decorating mementos of the baptism, supervised by Jac Hocking.

Owen's grandparents, Myra and Derek Mawhinney, live in Willunga.

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 Esplanade, Pt Willunga 5173, Ph 8556 5078 or email machit5@bigpond.com.au, , preferably by 15th September. Please notify the Editor if you wish to avoid the chance of being mentioned in this newsletter.

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

Thank you to Trish Frith and Bill Cale for their hard work pruning our roses and Stephen for removing the cuttings.

We have enjoyed hearing of Susan and Bob Smith's recent travels in the UK and especially their time spent with Nick and Corinne Shutt where dog walking on Dartmoor provided plenty of exercise and entertainment.

Jackie and Danny Webb enjoyed their 30<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary cruise and braved a Force 8 gale in Port Douglas!

We wish Judy Wells a wonderful holiday in the UK and Europe. Susan Smith will take care of her role at SSPJ in

her absence.

After our service on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> of July the congregation rallied to the lavender hedge to harvest a box full for the Almond Blossom stall. Mary Blagrove worked her magic on making up bunches which all sold on the stall on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup>.



As always, we thank Felicity, and this month Greg John, for playing the organ. Fr John Devenport and Fr John Edwards have become regular members of our SSPJ family and we do thank them for celebrating the Eucharist for us.

\*\*Di Best for Stephen Wells and Bob Smith, Wardens\*\*

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

Cold weather has kept many of us away from church, primarily due to illnesses and possibly a general reluctance to leave our warm homes... Please continue to pray for those who are still on the sick list.

Thanks to the Rev'ds John Edwards and John Devenport for their faithful services, we very much appreciate the time spent travelling and the preparation they both take so much care with, every Sunday.

Bible study has begun again, so please do come and join us in the Sunday School room, Wednesday mornings at 10am for spirited discussions, both Holy and otherwise!

The music group has been slow to start, so please pray that children, and parents, will feel inspired to come along and make a joyful noise with us from 4-5pm the last Saturday of the month. Thanks to Elizabeth and Jac for music preparation and catering.

The gardens will be attended to by Michael Drought and Paul Bell when everything dries out. Thanks to them both, once again, for volunteering their time and tools to maintain our church grounds.

We are still in the process of forming a planning group to make some of the smaller changes we need to make to keep our church looking vibrant and welcoming. Anyone with constructive ideas is welcome to join us. Thanks to Greg John for suggesting we form this group.

Let us pray God will continue to guide us as we work together, not only in our little church, but as a whole pastoral district, to do His will the way He would want things done... "Not my will, but thine be done.."

Greg John & Julia Drought, Wardens



"Bob a Job"

Need work done around the home?

Meet Bob Smith: general handyman, garden & property maintenance.

Phone 0424 121 954

#### Drop in to Granny Annie's

"Granny Annie's" provides a relaxed place to drop in for a chat on Thursday mornings between 9 and 11.30, offering a free cuppa and raisin toast. You might find someone for a game of Scrabble, or another board game. All ages are welcome, and activities are available for children.

The church is open on Thursday mornings for prayer, or simply for quiet time out.

#### New from St Ann's, Aldinga

St Ann's Patronal Festival was a lovely occasion despite nasty weather necessitating the closure of the main door on the day. It was a Family Service with the inclusion of the Holy Communion using a simplified service in use at St Elizabeth's Warradale. We were delighted to have Fr Jeff Oake as our Celebrant on the day. It was the first experience of our Family Service for some members from other centres. We were very encouraged by the reaction of most attending and it seems all is on track for its introduction into St Margaret's later in the year as per our MAP aims.

We thank **Jeff Oake** for taking two services with us this month as well as our Patronal Festival. We are delighted to welcome him.

We have had two Sunday services followed by **interment of ashes** this month. The first was for our former parishioner, organist, Guild member and active participant in the building of our hall, **Elizabeth Blades**. Elizabeth, wife of Father Jim, was also responsible for the creation of the beautiful stained glass window in the hall, and the artist responsible for







the painting of the building of the hall, which hangs in the hall. We were delighted to have her talented daughters Mary-ann and Margaret (L) accompany Brian with the hymns during the service and to be able to enjoy their music during the communion as well. The interment was taken by Fr Graham Cooling. A special morning tea followed in the hall.

Then the ashes of our dear **Lurline Coombe** were interred the following Sunday after her family including her husband Fred attended our Sunday service. Fr John Edwards kindly officiated at both services. A special morning tea followed for the family this day as well.

Our Family Teas continue for the PD each fourth Sunday of the month. Numbers have been

down but the fun and fellowship are enjoyed by those who come along.

Pat Roper & Peter Chapman, Wardens.

#### St Ann and Joachim

The beautiful figure of the meeting of Ann and Joachim, grandparents of Jesus, was loaned to St Ann's by Brian McMillan for St Ann's Day. The original is an oak sculpture 46 centimetres high by the sculptor known as the Master of Joachim and Ann (after this, his best work) dating from about 1470 and now in the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam.

Brian writes: "The essence of the story of Ann and Joachim (continued over page)



### News from Pastoral District Council

The 10 am meeting, Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> August, was chaired by Ted Sandercock.

The meeting began with reports from the Mission Action Groups. In brief, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Aim, the Loving Care group, was very happy with the response to food and cash for the Christian Care & Community Centre, and they were concentrating on support for the schools' ministry. The 4<sup>th</sup> Aim group was working on a follow-up to Mal McCallum's talk on Reconciliation, and the 5<sup>th</sup> Aim group was looking at a more face-to-face contact with congregations re recycling and Fair Trade.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Aim group had prepared a draft powerpoint presentation on **Stewardship**, and this was shown and discussed. While it was not felt appropriate to have a full stewardship campaign in the absence of a parish priest, the matter needed to be addressed. The powerpoint will be shown and discussed at each centre, led by the Wardens - at St Stephen's on the 19<sup>th</sup> September, St Ann's on the 20<sup>th</sup> and SSPJ & St Margaret's on the 27<sup>th</sup>. A printed version would be made available to take away afterwards, and an article written for *The Grapevine*.

There was to be a **MAP meeting with PD webmaster** Glen Laundy on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> of September to discuss ways to improve the Southern Vales website.

**Clergy**: Ted reported that he was managing to arrange clergy for most services. Fr Jeff Oake will celebrate St Margaret's Patronal Festival.

**Joining with St Nicholas'** (Seaford Ecumenical Mission): St Nicholas' would not be officially part of Southern Vales until a parish priest was appointed. Meanwhile, they are sent copies of our PD minutes and have been kept up to date with our Mission Action Plan. They should be invited to our special events, and we should consider joining with them for their patronal festival and cancelling our service on that day to do so.

The Almond Blossom stall still had money coming in, and had raised nearly \$1500.

**St Margaret's Memorial Garden**: Arrangements had been finalised and there was now an official booklet to record interments.

**Rectory painting**: Quotes were being sought. Bob Smith will paint the hall ceiling and the study and insert an expansion joint in the hallway ceiling as a crack has kept opening there. Fr John Edwards uses the rectory when he stays overnight to take services.

**Parish calendars** (see p. 3) to be made available on the day of St Ann's 150<sup>th</sup> celebration. A sample and order form to go to each church. Some to go perhaps to the Visitor Centre, the Sausage Sizzle and the Aldinga Airport?

#### Finance Report:

July 2014	\$	Overall finances to July 2015	\$
Nett monthly income	6,290	Income	44,596 (Budgeted \$52,975)
Monthly expenditure	2,603 (without stipend)	Expenditure	29,344 (Budgeted \$46,800)
Operating profit/loss	2,687	Operating profit/loss	15,384 (Budgeted \$6,175)
Missions	586	Total donations to missions	3,516

Margaret Cale reported that collections were staying on budget, which is commendable in an interregnum, but donations and fundraising were down. Our surplus would not yet be sufficient to pay a stipend. Rates notices had been received on the rectory and the SSPJ land.

Pastoral Care: Greg Roberts has been ministering to the nursing homes. Thank you Greg.

The next meeting of the Pastoral District Council will be on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 7 pm.

#### St Ann & Joachim cont'd

Is that, although devoted to each other and married for many years, they were childless. They believed that this meant that they had not found favour with God, but an Angel appeared, separately, to each of them, saying that they would be favoured with a daughter, and telling them to meet at the Golden Gate in Jerusalem. The daughter would be the Virgin Mary.

"More detail of the story is shown through the 37 frescos by Giotto in the Chapel of the Scrovegni in Padua dating from 1305." (These can be seen at <a href="http://www.wga.hu/html">http://www.wga.hu/html</a> m/g/giotto/padova/1joachim/index.html)

## BCA Annual Spring Lunch 25 September, 12 noon

Holy Trinity Church, North Terrace, Adelaide \$15

Guest speaker: Bishop Greg Anderson, Bishop of the Northern Territory RSVP by 16 September to 8221 54443 or sa@bushchurchaid.com.au

### Can you help?

The 3rd Aim of Mission MAP group advises that newly appointed school Pastoral Care workers have asked for assistance. Willunga High School needs wool and knitting needles for a newly formed knitting group, and Old Noarlunga Primary School needs chess sets for a chess club.



If you can help with these, please contact Wendy Sandercock, 8556 4535.

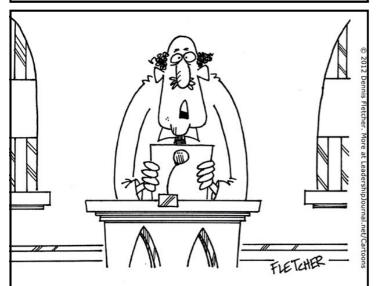
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The Anglican Board of Mission seeks support for its

#### Myanmar Flood Emergency appeal.

The Anglican Alliance reports that with at least 160 people killed as flood waters engulfed 12 out of its 14 states, it is the worst flood in living memory and has been declared a disaster zone with 300,000 households displaced.

To donate to ABM's Myanmar (Burma) Flood Emergency Appeal please call on 1300 302 663, email info@abm.asn.au or visit www.abmission.org/myanmar-flood



" ... and the church unity workshop has been postponed until the deacons can agree on the date, time, and color of the participant's name tags."

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The Parish Office is not regularly attended but messages can be left on the message bank 08 8323 9155 and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

#### Visit our website!

http://www.southernvalesparish.org

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St Margaret's, McLaren Vale Julia Drought 7009 7705 Greg John 8325 0277

St Stephen's, Willunga Ted Sandercock 8556 4535 Jac Hocking 8383 7496

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 <u>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October</u> there will be only one service; a celebration of the laying of the foundation stone at St Ann's 150 years ago.. The service will be at 10 am. Celebrant Bp John Ford (see p. 2)