

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



It was full house at St Ann's at a Southern Vales meeting for The Murray Progress, looking at a range of issues – do our parochial structures meet the needs of today? How do we invite people to worship, and what do we invite them to? – What kinds of ways are there to worship? What roles do our church buildings play in this?

A team consisting of Anna Stanley, Mark Porter and Bishop John led discussions at St Ann's and at Seaford Ecumenical Mission, looking at the future of our Diocese.

The Bishop's discussion paper for Diocesan Council, tabled at the meeting, underpinned the agenda for the



day. It began: "The Church belongs to God. It is his creation and is sent to bear witness to his life and to be itself drawn and to help draw other people into communion with the Father. All of our worship, pastoral care and witness must be based on this prime vocation to bring people close to God."

Worship—Lifting our act!

On Wednesday 22nd of June Mrs Janine Gillion will speak on creative worship ideas for services. This session is open to everyone interested in Family Services and worship preparation.

You may have seen Janine on Channel 2's Landline programme about her husband, Bishop Rob Gillion, Bishop of Riverina (still available on iview http://www.abc.net.au/landline/content/2016/s4428270.htm).

Janine is an actor and teacher, and has worked extensively with young people in poor areas at the Intermission Youth Theatre in London, where she is known as "Mumma J". Don't miss this opportunity to work with her on the 22nd of June!

Seaford Ecumenical Mission, 6 pm, 22nd of June



Safe Ministry Training

All those involved in ministry in the church must have completed the diocesan Safe Ministry course in the last three years.

This includes: the clergy, those involved in leadership of worship and in children's and youth ministry, church wardens, those ministering to the elderly and vulnerable, anyone who visits others in the name of the church, and paid op shop managers.

At St Margaret's, McLaren Vale: full course Saturday 20th of August; refresher (3 hour) course Sunday 21st of August. Please let Ted know if you will be attending these sessions.



Bush Church Aid Reaching Australia for Christ since 1919

With a heart for people in remote and regional Australia, BCA supports ministries in 26 locations around Australia as well as running programmes like the Dusty Boots programme, Nomads etc. A speaker from BCA will speak about BCA at services at McLaren Vale and Seaford on **Sunday 26**th **June.**

2016 Willunga Almond Blossom Festival

The PD of Southern Vales will run its traditional stall in the Willunga Show Hall from 10 am – 2.30 pm Monday 1st to Wednesday 3rd August. *Save these dates*.

Monday 1st St Margaret's Tuesday 2nd St Ann's Wednesday 3rd St Philip & St James' & St Stephen's



Mothers' Union Monday 11th of July 10 am, St Ann's

Guest speaker Barbara Smith Women of the Bible.

"Soup and Crusty Bread Lunch" Cost \$5. Everyone welcome Please RSVP to H Cook 0413 258 997 or T Frith 8556 2604 by July 6th for catering purposes.

Next Formation Weekends in Keith

Open to all who want to extend their theological knowledge

22nd- 24th July
Proclaiming God's Word:
the practice & spirituality of preaching
(Bishop Lindsay Irwin)

14th- 16th October
Exploring the Pentateuch and Deuteronomistic
History (Fr Martin Bleby)

10 am Friday, ending Sunday with Mass & lunch \$240 per person .

(includes meals & accommodation)

Enquiries: Fr Peter Carlsson 0458 002 623

vicargeneral@murray.anglican.org

Bible Studies

Tuesdays, 10.30 am: The Parables, at Seaford Ecumenical Mission Enquiries Fr Percy Leske ph 8386 3637

Wednesday mornings, 10 am at St Margaret's, studying the following

week's Gospel. Enquiries: Ted Sandercock ph 8556 4535

Wednesday evenings, 7.30 at the Rectory: studies on the Minor Prophets .

Enquiries: Fr Glenn ph 8323 9744

Thursday evenings, 7 pm at Aldinga A 9-week course studying the book of Revelation

Enquiries: Julianne Bates 85563627

June

Sun 5th Family Service, St Ann's

Gold coin collection for CPS workers

Shared lunch, St Nicholas', after the service.

Mon 6th Mother's Union St Nicholas', 10 am, Craft with Trish

Simon. Café lunch. Enquiries: Trish Frith 8556 2604

Tues 7th Friends of St Ann's 6.50 for 7 pm. Nuts & nibbles.

Thurs 9th Colton Court Singers 10.30-11.30 am

Enquiries: Sue MacKirdy 8556 5162

Sat 11th BARNABAS

Saturday Night Out, Willunga (next column)

Sun 12th Family Service, St Margaret's, 9 am

Prayers for Healing at St Nicholas' Eucharist

(Enquiries: Fr Percy ph 8386 3637)

Mon 13th Queen's Birthday Holiday

Wed 15th No Eucharist – see Thursday 16th

Thurs 16th St Nicholas' Fellowship

Fleurieu Archdeaconry service 11 am Eucharist,

St Margaret's, and lunch

Fri 17th Cambodian Night, St Ann's 6.30 for 7 (next column)

Tues 21st Friends & Guild of St Margaret's, 1 pm

(Enquiries: Fran Pettigrew ph 8323 9366)

Pastoral District Council St Margaret's 7 pm

Wed 22nd Session with Janine Gillion, SEM, 6 pm (See opposite page)

Fri 24th BIRTH of JOHN BAPTIST

Family Tea at St Ann's 6.30 for 7 pm (next column)

Sat 25th Film "Lucky Miles" (p. 8)

Sun 26th BCA speaker, St Margaret's 9 am, St Nicholas' 10.45 am

Family Service, St Nicholas'

Wed 29th ST PETER & ST PAUL

July

Fri 1st COMING OF THE LIGHT

Sun 3rd Family Service, St Ann's

Gold Coin collection

Tues 5th Friends of St Ann's

Fri 8th School term ends

Sat 9th Saturday Night Out, Willunga

Sun 10th Prayers for Healing at St Nicholas' Eucharist

Family Service, St Margaret's

Mon 11th Mothers' Union: Women in the Bible.

Soup & crusty bread lunch (opposite page)

Thurs 14th Colton Court Singers

Fri 15th Quiz Night, St Ann's (next column)

Sun 17th St Ann's Patronal Festival: COMBINED SERVICE 10 am

Tues 19th Guild & Friends of St Margaret's 1 pm

Pastoral District Council

Fri 22nd MARY MAGDALENE

Family Tea at St Ann's

Formation Weekend, 22nd-24th Bp Lindsay Irwin

(opposite page)

Mon 25th School term begins

Sat 30th St Stephen's, 5.30 pm

Sun 31st Ecumenical Service, Seaford Ecumenical Centre

Almond Blossom Festival, Willunga



Lamily Services

Informal, family-friendly services.

Next on

5th June, 3rd July at St Ann's, 9 am

12th June St Margaret's , McLaren Vale, 9 am

26th June at St Nicholas', Seaford, 10.45



Friday 17th June, St Ann's 6.30 pm

Enjoy a delicious Cambodian meal

Speakers Jeff Jeanes, Carol Duncan

Proceeds to World Vision Cambodian project,

& SHE (Support Her Enterprise)

\$15

Cambodia. BYO drinks

Saturday Night Out

11th of June

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

(Bookings: Ted 8556 4535)



Just for fun!

Family Tea @ St Ann's Friday 24th of June, 6.30 pm

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



By popular request St Ann's will hold another

Quiz Night Friday 15th July

\$10

6.30 for 7 pm.

Book a table of 8 or come and join one.

Bookings Pat Roper 8386 2470



Family Services at St Nicholas' have been a treat! Under the guidance of Fr Glenn, the young people planned, practised and led the service on Sunday



April 24^{th,} and for the May service they prepared and presented an imaginative and delightful service celebrating the Trinity.

A: Alyssa & Lexie
Berry and Iona Bates
demonstrate the
Trinity with juggling

balls. B: Iona helps Madison Walker with her contribution. C: Iona Bates, Tamsin Edge, Isabel Berry, Madison Walker and Lexie Berry, with "This little light of mine".

News from St Nicholas', Seaford

Services: We were glad to have Fr Glenn back and grateful that in his absence, Father Ted Newing and Father Dennis Eales were able to officiate at three Sunday Holy Communion Services during the past four weeks. In addition to these Fr Ted also conducted an Ascension Day service at 5 pm on Thursday 5th May.

In Helen Cook's absence Fr David Hampton-Smith and Cathy More have stepped in to play for us. The choir has been in especially fine voice due no doubt to the practice sessions with Father David!

The Healing Service, which is an important part of our service on the second Sunday of each month, is conducted by Fr Percy. How much the people from our congregation appreciate the dedication of our retired priests and

their willingness to continue ministering to us!!

Bible Study: With Fr Percy Leske as our leader, we have been studying the Parables on Tuesdays at 10.30 a.m. By looking at these well known stories in relation to the cultural background of the people who first heard them, we have been able to gain a deeper understanding of their meaning and relevance to the people of those times. All are welcome to join us!

The **Fellowship group** met on Thursday 21st April, for lunch in the SEM Café followed by a discussion of upcoming events.

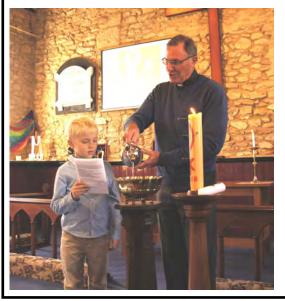
Pastoral Care: There has been an increase in the number of our congregation on the sick list this month and we are keeping them in our prayers as they undergo tests, treatment or rehabilitation. Special thanks to Ann Wilson and Joan Dare for their ministry to those wishing to receive Holy Communion at home or in hospital.

Christine Gunn



The fifth Sunday at SEM is the occasion for an ecumenical service shared by the Anglicans, Church of Christ and Uniting Church and led by Fr Ted Newing and Rev David Ingleton. In May the opening theme was "We listen for the new song that God has given us through his creation". *All welcome*.

When Baptism is a learning experience for us all!



When seven-year-old Jacob asked for baptism, Fr Glenn chose a Family Service as the occasion, and made it an opportunity to teach the whole congregation more about their church and the sacrament that was about to take place.

Accompanied and assisted by Jacob, who had been well taught beforehand, he walked through the church explaining the Christian journey leading from the font (baptism) through the nave of the church where the people of God were sitting (its upside-down boat shape best observed, it seemed, while lying on the floor!) to the transept (noting the cross shape the transept makes with the aisle) to the altar at the east end of the church—a foretaste of heaven.

Following the service everyone shared in a party provided by Jacob's mother Leeanne Murphy.

News from St Ann's Aldinga

Jumble Sale: Apart from our Family Service and baptism, which was memorable, the main feature of our month was our Jumble Sale, which raised \$800. 30% of this goes to PD funds; the rest covers our own R&M expenses. We were grateful for all the helpers who came, especially in their lightening the load of setting up. Our thanks to Rupert and Di for coming in to help—we like to think of it as a PD activity. Wonderfully, we

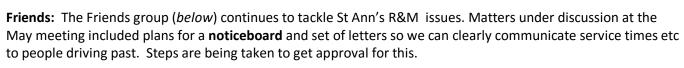
had good weather and missed the storms that had been raging in the area.

Visitors: On the 15th of May we were pleased to welcome Gwendolyn Smith (grand-daughter of Thomas Martin of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" and therefore related to the Captain and Elizabeth Bissett who are commemorated in the plaques at the

front of the church) and her daughter and son-in-law, Anthea and Mark Thompson. And on the 22nd May it was lovely to welcome Fr Glenn's cousins David and Sue from Sydney.

Jumble sales are hard work—you've gotta relax some time! Barbara Walter and Jack Warrington test some of the items for sale.







We also looked at our pews, which are rickety and creaky. Some in fact are in danger of collapsing and are in need of serious repairs. We are exploring the possibility of replacing them by chairs suitable for church use (interlocking, stackable etc).

Our thanks to the **Prickle Team** for their constant work in maintaining the **church grounds**, and their improvements to the garden on the

fence line on the north side of the church. Our thanks, too, to Bill Cale for installing another **porch blind** to shut out the winter winds, and to Margaret Cale for her offer to assist Bill Jeanes with the cemetery arrangements.

At the **Family Tea** we had a roll-up of about 16. It was lovely to welcome Anne Lear with her grandson and the Cales' daughter Kirsty and family. Trish brought along her bocce balls which got the kids and others rolling along until dinner was served. It was a happy evening.

Anne Chittleborough & Pat Roper for Peter Chapman & Brian McMillan, Wardens

News from St Philip & St James' Congregation

While our church is closed to us, those of us who are able have been joining the congregation at St Margaret's and thank them again for their welcome. We keep in our prayers those dear friends who are unable to come to church at present.

We continue to appreciate the preparation for the family services by Jac Hocking, Greg John and Julia Drought and find that the absence of the Eucharist does not reduce our experience of worship together.

Di Best on behalf of Wardens Stephen Wells and Bob Smith



Celebrat- ing St

Philip & St James' Day at St Margaret's!

How do you celebrate a Patronal Festival in the absence of the church dedicated to its patronal saints?

Impossible? Not at all! The combined service celebrating Ss Philip & James' Day at an evening service at St

Margaret's was a wonderful occasion and one that will be remembered by all who attended. Framed by St Margaret's glorious new hangings and the SSPJ banner, Fr Glenn celebrated the Eucharist assisted by Deacon Daniel Irvine with PA Judith Wells. Deacon Daniel, as guest preacher, found much to learn from the lives of the two saints. The choir, now including members from St Nicholas', enhanced the singing and provided the postlude. And afterwards all shared in a marvellous meal in the Sunday School room.

We were pleased also to welcome Jasamine Irvine, Daniel's wife, who is now Bishop John's secretary.

With the festival falling in the week of Prayer for Reconciliation, recognition was given to the Kaurna original inhabitants of the land, and special prayers offered.

Sadly, some of the SSPJ congregation were unable to attend, for health reasons. Wallace and Dorothy Mausolf in particular were missed. Now able to be together again, in Estia House, Lockleys, they have

A SEARCH for SOLID GROUND

The continuing saga of the maintenance of the Anglican Church of St Philip & St James at Church Hill Road, Old Noarlunga, presented on the occasion of the Patronal Festival, Saturday May 29th 2016 at McLaren Vale.

O lack-a-day and woe is me The Church is falling down!

Oh no! That surely cannot be

The jewel in the crown
Of Old Noarlunga township
And the countryside around?

Maybe the old girl needs to shift Her aged bones a little, And so in doing, causes her To totter and to tittle. She's done it several times before – There's no need for despair; As records show, we'll onward go And effect a good repair.

Our saints are working with us still As in the days of yore, When mighty miracles were worked — And we shall see still more!



Above: Wallace reads his poem, 2013. Below, Bob Smith reads the poem, 2016



News from St Stephen's, Willunga

The Saturday Night Out Dinner on May 14th, 2016, at the Willunga Hotel was attended by 10 people. The next Saturday Night Out will be June 11th, at the Willunga Hotel after the 5.30 pm service. All are welcome to join the St Stephen's core group on the usual Second Saturday of the month.

The ecumenical activity with Willunga churches on a stall for the *Discover Willunga Fair* on Sunday May 1 was a learning occasion. We need to think about ways to attract people to a church stall. All 4 churches provided give away items and SV also provided a Power-Point presentation that showed the churches and their historical contributions to the local community. Thanks to Marie McAllan (Uniting Church) for her joint organisation.

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

Refreshments afterwards with sherry or wine & nibbles (cheese, dips and biscuits).



Jac Hocking & Ted Sandercock, Wardens

Congratulations to...



Fr Percy Leske (R) and Fred Foord (L), who celebrated their 90th birthdays with family and friends from Seaford Ecumenical Mission on the 15th of May.

Photo: C Gunn

Also to...

Peter Chapman, who has been awarded the Onkaparinga Council's History & Heritage Award for Traditional Building Skills, "for conservation works at heritage properties within our city".

and more than that...

Peter and Heather have

been selected by Bishop John to join a diocesan group meeting for a few days in June to work on training for evangelism. Speaking after church on the 15th of May Peter thanked everyone for their support over the years, without which, he said, they would not have been here today.



Mary Richards RJP



Mary Richards, a much-loved regular worshipper at St Margaret's for 20 years, died on Tuesday 19th of April at a Happy Valley nursing home. Fr Dennis held a private funeral.

Her ashes will be placed, alongside those of her husband Ern, in the memorial garden at St Margaret's, at a later date.

Sylvia Francis

Prayer During an Election Campaign

Lord of every time and place, God beyond our dreaming, we pray for wisdom as we prepare to vote in the federal election.

Give us a parliament committed to the priorities of your kingdom, so that peace, compassion, truth and justice may prevail among us, and make us a blessing to all peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

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 the 15th of June.

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



Diocesan Synod 2016

Our PD representatives at the Synod of The Murray 2016 on 27th- 28th May were (L-R) Fr Glenn, Brian McMillan, Julia Drought, Ted Sandercock, Joanie Rawlings and Joan Dare.

Synod was chaired by the Vicar-General, Peter Carlsson, who opened proceedings with the sad news that Bishop John and Bridget were on their way to England following the tragic news of the death of their baby grandson, son of their son Justin, who was himself recovering from a long illness. Many

prayers were offered for the Ford family.

Hosted by Woodcroft school, which provided great hospitality, Synod dealt, as ever, with in-house matters such as legislation, finance and the budget, but also considered serious social issues, including the need to speak out against sexual abuse and domestic violence, and what steps can be taken by clergy and by church leaders to prevent these abuses and help those who are suffering from them. Michael Bleby (AC Care) and Fr Peter Sandeman (Anglicare) contributed to the discussion. It was agreed that due training must be given to enable proper handling of such situations.

Jeff McHugh spoke about his inventory of church properties around the diocese, and Fr Paul Devenport spoke about the diocesan website's upgrade, and other tools of communication. (*The Grapevine* was shown as a demonstration of a parish paper!)

Bob Plummer, a former treasurer of Southern Vales, was commended for his work in setting up the integrated Accounting System for the diocese.

A paper from the Bishop was read, outlining the nature and roles of Deacons as ordained ministers of the Church, and concluding that objections that could be raised against the ordination of women to the priesthood did not apply to women being ordained as Deacons. (For copies of this paper, see your Synod representatives.)



Photo: T Sandercock

Synod concluded with the Licensing of the Rev'd Paul Monash as mission priest in the PD of the Southern Suburbs, and the Synod Eucharist.

A special call of Synod on November 5th will be an occasion to discuss further plans for the future of the Diocese.



'These are plenty complicated enough for now — why don't we save the Trinity stuff for later?" In recognition of Refugee Week June 18th- 25th, the 4th Aim of Mission group encourages you to see the marvellous film, Lucky Miles, on the 25th of June, at Willunga Show Hall, 8 pm. A fund raiser in support of refugees and asylum seekers.

Tickets \$20

An Indonesian fishing boat abandons a group of Iraqi and Cambodian men on a remote part of the WA coast in 1990. Told there is a bus over the dunes, the men

are abandoned to a desert the size of Poland. While most are quickly rounded up, three men with little in common but their history of misfortune elude capture and begin an epic but confused journey drawn on by their hopes amplified by the empty desert. Pursued by an army reservist unit more

concerned with playing ball sports and music, the three men wander deeper into trouble, searching desperately among the harsh beauty of the Pilbara for evidence of a Western, liberal democracy or the promised bus, which only one of them finds. (*Wikipedia*).

Bookings: www.dramatix.com.au/events/1613 Print your ticket and bring it with you!



News from Pastoral District Council

The May meeting of the Pastoral District Council was held on Tuesday 17th, with Ted Sandercock in the Chair. Matters discussed included the following:

Mission Action Plan Reports:

1st Aim: Proclaiming the Good News: There are plans to upgrade the Diocesan website with SV having a page on that. However the group believed that we needed our own interactive site with more information than the diocesan one could provide. The need for a website update at all levels is all the time becoming more urgent.

3rd Aim: Responding to human need with loving service: Would now be meeting at St Margaret's. Jan McNamara had joined the group and it was hoped to have a St Nicholas' representative.

4th Aim: Transforming unjust structures It was noted that excellent study material had been produced by ABM for the **Week of Prayer for Reconciliation (27th May- 3rd June)** but with a lot happening in the PD at the present time it was not feasible to hold them this year – perhaps next year. Special prayers and Acknowledgement of Country to be observed at the SSPJ Patronal Festival (28th of May) and Seaford's ecumenical service.

In **Refugee Week (19^{th—}25th June)** all parishioners to be encouraged to see the film *Lucky Miles*, put on by the Circle of Friends on the 25th June, a fundraiser for refugees and asylum seekers. (*see opposite page*)

Blankets were being made at St Ann's for Palestinian women in Syria.

The team is hoping to be joined by someone from St Nicholas' congregation.

Worship: Fr Glenn had drawn up a service schedule for June-August, ensuring that there is at least one Eucharist in the PD each week, and avoiding clashes with the SEM ecumenical services on the fifth Sundays. In order to fulfil the diocesan requirement to attend Safe Ministry training he has extended his time at Southern Vales to August: his last service will be Wednesday 31st Aug.

SSPJ Building: Archdeacon Carlsson was waiting on a quote for an Engineers' report so that he could authorise it. When the report is received, further steps can be discussed. The last engineers' report was done in 2010: issues identified then have since been attended to.

Pastoral Assistants: The PD Secretary had drawn up a list of Pastoral Assistants for a review of roles. These to be confirmed by the next PDC. Safe Ministry training would be held in SV in August (see p. 2)

Confirmation had been cancelled as no-one had spoken to Fr Glenn. The Bishop's visit (**17**th **of July**) would instead be the occasion of the **St Ann's Patronal Festival** The service would be at **10**, followed by lunch.

Finance Report

April 2016	\$	Overall Finances Jan – Apr 2016	\$
Nett Monthly Income	9,035	Income	35,144 (Budgeted \$41,400)
Monthly Expenditure	10,449	Expenditure	39,524 (Budgeted \$46,294)
Deficit for April	-1,412	Deficit	-4,380 (Budgeted \$-4,894)
Missions	1,056	Total to Missions	2,629
Special Purpose Funds Apr 2016	\$	Overall SP Funds Jan-Apr 2016	\$
Income	1,588	Income	5,745
Expenditure	646	Expenditure	6,452
Surplus	942	Deficit	-707

Interest: Normally all interest on our accounts is capitalised, but this year interest on the Garfitt bequest would be withdrawn and used for education extension expenses – Janine Gillion's visit, some books. All other interest would be capitalised as usual.

St Ann's noticeboard: PDC gave approval in principle for the purchase of a noticeboard with moveable letters, to the amount of up to \$1,500. Such a purchase would also need diocesan approval.

St Ann's August Family Service would be changed to the 21st August, when ABM's Brad Chapman would visit.

St Margaret's would be having work done on their drainage. The **Memorial Garden** should be included on the website. Improvements for the Garden were being considered; as was a **cross** for the front wall of the church. The wooden cross formerly at the front of the church, to be moved to the inside back wall to be visible as the congregation leaves.

Fr Glenn asked for signs to indicate that the churches were totally non-smoking areas

For an **Archdeaconry visit** to St Margaret's on the 16th of June, the Guild/Friends would provide casseroles for a lunch to follow the 11 am Eucharist. (There would be no Wednesday morning Eucharist that week.)

Next meeting Tuesday 21st of June, 7 pm at St Margaret's











Car Boot Sale

The inaugural car boot sale at St Margaret's on the 30th of April was a great success. The extraordinary weather at the time allowed a break from at least some of the wind, and plenty of sunshine to smile on the event. A sausage sizzle provided sustenance, and a loaded cake stall proved a popular table. Lorna presided over a plant stall which attracted a lot of interest.

Star of the day was Glenn, who could sell sand to the Sahara, and by fair means or foul raised \$120 on his stall alone!
The final total was a marvellous \$1,000. 30% will go to PD funds; the remainder to St Margaret's R&M funds.

Julia writes:

The car boot sale was a big success despite being a bit windy, Everyone enjoyed themselves and agreed we'll do it again. Thanks to those involved, particularly Helen and Greg Roberts and all those who volunteered their talents and time. Well done!





It was a delightful surprise on the 1st of May to have almost all the Carroll family together at the St Margaret's service. Although James (now 13) was at school and unable to come, Rebecca, Daniel and baby Connie were here from Texas, and were joined by Lizzie with Sophina and baby Torie. (*L-R: Grandfather John, Sophina, Rebecca, Daniel, Lizzie with Torie and grandmother Connie with baby Connie Grace*.) And (*R*) congratulations to Chrissie and Clark Nash on the birth of Olivia Margaret on the 13th of April.

The "Carroll girls" Connie, Chrissie and Lizzie and their music made a unique contribution to worship at SSPJ for many years, and are much loved.

*Photos: J Drought, Carroll family**

News from St Margaret's, McLaren Vale

St Margaret's has had a busier time this past month, with several new things happening.

The **Family Service** was prayerfully prepared over a delicious meal, thankyou Jac Hocking! Sadly, numbers attending this service are still low, but as we have quite a few grey nomads, this may account for some absentees. We will continue to present a God-inspired family service to which those who may be unfamiliar with more formal worship are welcome. Thankyou to our faithful congregation who attend regardless of the format. Your support is encouraging and appreciated.

A new **Pentecost banner** was installed and blessed last Sunday. A visual meditation of the breath of the Holy Spirit based on scripture. Everyone looked very "firey" dressed in red and yellow!

Our Guild has re-formed as the **Guild and Friends** of St Margaret's of Scotland, and will be meeting on the third Tuesday of the month, at 1 pm.



The spectacular new Pentecost banners at St Margaret's, and Julia Drought, who designed and made them.

Photo: P Chapman.

SSPJ's congregation has blended with St Margaret's folk so graciously...and we especially thank them for putting themselves on cleaning, reading and serving rosters. More willing helping hands greatly accepted, thank you!

Julia Drought & Greg John, Wardens

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Rose pruning season is here again!



The "Prickle team" offers expert pruning for your roses \$20 an hour Proceeds to support Southern Vales Pastoral District activities.

Bookings: Trish 8556 2064

Weight Watchers

Do you need to lose a few kilos with a friendly and supportive club?

McLaren Vale Weight Watchers are seeking new members.

Meetings are held in St Margaret's Sunday School Room each Wednesday evening at 6.30pm.

Enquiries to Suzannah Muddle 83237571

WANTED! photos for consideration for a Southern Vales 2017 Pastoral District Calendar!

Photos of our parish life or of our beautiful district (digitised or prints).

Must be able to be enlarged to A4 size. *Please contact Anne Chittleborough (8556 5078 or machit5@bigpond.com)*before the 17th of July so we can start early and get an early bird discount on the printing.



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The McLaren Vale 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 Stephen's, Willunga Ted Sandercock 8556 4535 Jac Hocking 8383 7496

St Ann's, Aldinga Peter Chapman 8557 7151 Brian McMillan 8557 6984

St Nicholas', Seaford
Jane Cuthbert 0407651606
Christine Gunn 8386 2983

Pastoral District Service times

- St Stephen's, St Andrews Tce, Willunga Saturday: 5.30 pm
- St Philip & St James', Old Noarlunga temporarily closed for repairs
- St Margaret's, 99 Main Road McLaren Vale Sunday: 9 am with Sunday School Wednesday: 9 am
- St Ann's, 7 Stonehouse Lane, Aldinga Sunday: 9 am: bring the children.
- St Nicholas', Seaford Ecumenical Mission, Sunday 10.45 am

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 service in the PD.

On Sunday 17th July the service will be a combined service at St Ann's Aldinga at 10 am to celebrate their Patronal Festival.