

July 2017

The Grapevine

*Proclaiming Christ in
word and action;
growing in care, love
and service.*

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



**St James' Church
Main South Road Delamere
Patronal Festival
Sunday 23rd July, 9 am
followed by morning tea**

The foundation stone of St James' was laid on the 19th September 1870 by the Very Rev'd Alexander Russell, Dean of Adelaide. It was built mainly by voluntary labour using local carpenters and stonemasons, and it was said to be one of the prettiest in the colony. It was dedicated and opened by Bishop Augustus Short on Thursday, 4th May 1871 and attended by the Governor of the State.

The font is from St Peter's, Britford and was over 200 years old when it was brought to Delamere in 1877.

**Today's small but enthusiastic congregation warmly
welcomes everyone to their festival.**



Festivals!



**Welcome to
St Ann's Patronal Festival
7 Stonehuse Lane, Aldinga
Sunday 30th July
Pastoral District Combined Service,
10 am
Followed by a shared lunch**

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

Fr Peter (Simmons) writes...

Dear People of the Southern Vales, Delamere, Yankalilla

Thank you for the way you have welcomed Sally and me to your District. It is good to be with you and sharing your life experiences.

As you can see by the way I have started this letter to you we also welcome the communities of Delamere and Yankalilla to our ministry district. We look forward to getting to know you, and you getting to know us.

Within the Church we have just celebrated Pentecost and Trinity Sunday, and what a time it has been with renewal all around us. Pentecost receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit and rekindling those gifts God has given to us, to share them one with another. Now as we move into the Ordinary Sundays of the year we must not lose that fire of the Spirit that we have been given.

We the people of God are called to build the Church. When I say this people immediately think of the church building. No, what I am talking about is the community in which we live to show the love that Jesus gave so freely and even his life so that we could live in freedom. We as Anglicans find this so hard to do because over the years we have become involved in the liturgy of the Church. Yes, there is a place for liturgy and things running smoothly and reverence shown, but this should not come as the only way to be saved. Jesus called each one of us to be a Disciple and go and make Disciples of others and show love for one another. This should be our core business. The Diocese is undergoing a program called "Ignite" and it is going to be launched on Advent Sunday this year, December 3rd, when we are going to be challenged to grow the Church. More details to come later but one thing we can do now is look in our Churches for the Banner that your synod rep brought back from Synod. On the Banner there are a number of leaves with messages of giving thanks from one of our sister churches of the Diocese. I would ask you to pray and give thanks for that church and the things they are doing. This is a start for us to begin to build the Church here in our District and the Diocese.

My prayers and thoughts are with you. Please remind me of your name when we meet, and if I call you by the wrong name please do not be offended. Correct me and put me right. It may take several times but we will get there together.

Fr. Simmo



Safe Ministry Training...

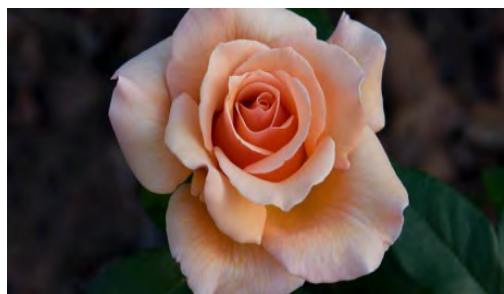
.... Is a requirement for anyone in this Diocese who holds a licence as a Bishop, Priest or Deacon, or is a lay minister holding the Bishop's Licence to Preach, anyone ministering communion while robed, involved in leadership of worship, involved in children's and youth ministry, ministering to the elderly and vulnerable, official hospital or home visitors, choir directors, churchwardens and paid shop managers.

A 3-hour refresher course will be held at St Margaret's on Sunday 30th July 2.00 pm.

A full-day Seminar for new participants will be held at St Margaret's on Saturday 2nd September 9.30 am—4.00 pm (byo lunch; morning tea provided).

An extra full-day course, Child Safe Environments – reporting child abuse & neglect in SA, will be held at St Margaret's on Saturday 29th July, 9.30 am—4.00 pm. (byo lunch; morning tea provided).

This extra course will be mandatory for all clergy, all key leaders in the Diocese and anyone who has contact with children and vulnerable people. This includes Ministry Leaders of Sunday Schools, Youth Groups, Pastoral Carers and visitors and those involved in a crèche, childcare or a playgroup.



Give your roses a treat!

The Winter Rose Pruning fundraiser outreach for the Pastoral District is underway. \$25/hr.

Have your roses pruned by experts.

Call the Prickle Team: Trish Frith 8556 2604 or Bill Cale 8556 5236

July

- Sat 1st International Luncheon, St Margaret's
 Sun 2nd Gold Coin Collection
 Family Service, St Ann's
 Shared lunch, SEM
 Mon 3rd THOMAS
 Mothers' Union, St Ann's (*Enquiries: Trish Frith 8556 2604*)
 Fri 7th Schools break up
 St Nicholas' Prayer Group 11.30 am
 (*Enquiries: Jane Cuthbert 0407651606*)
 Sat 8th Willunga Saturday Night Out (*below*)
 Sat 8th-Mon 10th Diocesan Formation weekend,
 Keith
 Sun 9th Christ Church Yankalilla 160th Anniversary
 Healing at St Nicholas' Eucharist
 Thurs 13th Colton Court sing-along
 (*Enquiries: Sue MacKirdy 8556 5162*)
 Fri 14th Quiz Night, St Ann's (*p. 6*)
 Sat 15th Baptism, St Stephen's: Wren Honor Stell,
 5.30 pm
 Sun 16th AC Care Sunday (*see p. 7*)
 Family Service, St Margaret's
 Baptism, St Nicholas' (*see p. 5*)
 Tues 18th Guild of Friends of St Margaret's 1.30 pm
 (*Enquiries: Fran Pettigrew 8323 9366*)
 Pastoral District Council 7 pm
 Fri 21st St Nicholas' Prayer Group 11.30 am
 St Nicholas' Lunch 12.30 (bookings
 8392 4508) & Fellowship 1.30 pm
 Family Tea at St Ann's 6.30 pm
 Sat 22nd MARY MAGDALENE
 Sun 23rd St James' Delamere Patronal Festival
 9 am (*see p. 1*)
 Youth-led service St Nicholas'
 Mon 24th Schools resume
 Tues 25th JAMES
 Wed 26th ANN
 Sat 29th Child Safe Environment Course,
 St Margaret's (*opp. page*)
 Blessing of the Almond Blossom Festival,
 2 pm (*p. 8*)
 Sun 30th Blessing of Pets Yankalilla (*p. 6*)
 St Ann's Patronal Festival
 COMBINED SERVICE 10 am
 and shared lunch
 Safe Ministry Refresher Course
 (*opp. page*)
 Mon 31st Almond Blossom Stall: St Margaret's & Ss
 Philip & James' (*see p. 8*)

August

- Tues 1st Almond Blossom Stall: St Ann's
 Friends of St Ann's 6.50 for 7 pm
 Wed 2nd Almond Blossom Stall: St Stephen's & St
 Nicholas'
 Fri 4th St Nicholas' Prayer Group
 Sun 6th TRANSFIGURATION
 Gold Coin collection for chaplains
 Shared lunch, SEM, after the service.
 Family Service, St Ann's 9 am
 SEM's 21st Birthday (*p. 5*)
 Mon 7th Mothers' Union, SEM
 Wed 9th Mary Sumner Day
 Thurs 10th Colton Court Sing-along
 Sat 12th Willunga Night Out
 Sun 13th Healing at St Nicholas'
 Tues 15th MARY
 Guild of Friends of St Margaret's
 Fri 18th St Nicholas' Prayer Group 11.30
 St Nicholas' Lunch 12.30 (bookings
 8392 4508) & Fellowship 1.30 pm
 Sat 19th Film morning (St Margaret's) (*see p. 4*)
 Thurs 24th BARTHOLOMEW
 Ministry District meeting, Yankalilla
 Fri 25th Family Tea, St Ann's
 Sun 27th Youth-led service, St Nicholas'
 Meals on Wheels Mass, 11 am Yankalilla

Family Services

Informal family services next on
 2nd July & 6th August, St Ann's, 9 am
 16th July, St Margaret's, 10 am

Youth Service

23rd July, St Nicholas', Seaford,
 10.30 am

Saturday Night Out

8th July at the Willunga Hotel
 following the 5.30 pm Vigil Mass at St Stephen's
 (*Bookings: Ted 8556 4535*)

Family Tea at

St Ann's

Friday 21st July, 6.30 pm
 Bring food to share—or just come!
 Bring your friends
 Enquiries: Pat Roper 0412 155 712



Pentecost at St Margaret's,

celebrated by Fr Peter Thomson, and the banners made by Julia Drought last year.



L-R: Helen & Greg Roberts, Susan Smith, Sylvia Francis, Bob Smith, Helen Blake, Maria Pulkkinen, Rupert Best, Fr Peter, Di Best, Eileen Cook, Paul Bell, Muriel Young, Stephen Wells, Judith Wells, Fran Pettigrew, Deborah and Fr David Thornton-Wakeford, and Julia Drought. Photo: G John.

David Mattingley, R. J. P.



We were sad to hear of the death on the 2nd June of David Mattingley, DFC, part-time resident of Port Willunga and husband of Christobel Mattingley (see *last month's issue*). His heroic action with the Royal Australian Air Force, flying in the British No. 625

Squadron in World War II, is recorded in Christobel's book, *Battle Order 204* (2007).

After the war David taught at Prince Alfred's College, Adelaide. He was a supporter of a number of SA and international causes, and in 2007 a David Mattingley Australian Institute of International Affairs Prize was established by the University of Adelaide.

The photo above was taken on the occasion of his speaking at St Ann's Lenten Suppers in 2008.



FILM MORNING Saturday August 19th

St Margaret's Guild of Friends invites everyone to their film morning at the Ingle Theatre, Pasadena, 9.30 for a 9.45 start, concluding at 12.30.

\$15

Price includes a documentary, an historical newsreel, a cartoon and a feature film, together with a light morning tea.

For those who wish to go on, they will be going to Fresh Choice for lunch afterwards— all you can eat for \$17.50

Please contact Jill Ribbons via email jribbons99@gmail.com or phone 0417 887 792 for further details

News from St Nicholas', Seaford

Youth Worship: This month we were reminded that no matter what we are trying to achieve or whatever obstacles are put in our way, we only have to call on God and He will help us. Once again the service was made up of joyful music and singing, great prayers and thanksgiving, and a reflection and drama reminding us all to daily put our faith in God. We are truly blessed with our Youth and their commitment to worship at St Nicholas.

Services: Several members of St Nicholas' attended the Ascension Day Service at Peacock Farm, with a lovely supper laid on afterwards.

This month we were fortunate in that both Fr Peter S and Fr Peter T have celebrated services with us, and we look forward to them worshipping with us again.

Fellowship group: We met on Friday 16th June after a very enjoyable roast lunch in the café at SEM. Our meeting revolved around the special upcoming birthdays and baptisms in July, ensuring the appropriate cards, gifts and shared morning tea will be all in place on the day! Our next Meeting Friday 21st July at 1.30pm. but if you want to come to lunch you must book in early at the Café - ph 83924508 or contact Jane or Helen.

Time of Prayer: These are now fortnightly gatherings on the 1st and 3rd Fridays each month when we pray for the Pastoral District as a whole and for any special petitions put forward by those attending. All are welcome to join us and share a cuppa in the café afterwards. Our prayer chain is also operating very well with some petitions sent by phone and others by email.

Birthdays This month we celebrated Ann Wilson's birthday (R) with a beautiful cake made by Christine Gunn and a rousing chorus of Happy Birthday from all those sharing a cuppa after the service. On July 2nd we will celebrate Fr David Hampton Smiths 95th Birthday which is sure to be a great occasion! And Joy Inkster turns 90 on the 19th July!

SEM: Plans for our future are still ongoing with a joint Task Force consisting of members from the five church bodies who will work with the leaders of SEM in order to develop plans and make recommendations. The aim is for the Task Force to complete its work by the end of 2017.

Baptisms: On 16th July we will be baptizing two special little people into God's Kingdom; Isabelle Anne, another granddaughter for Christine Gunn, and Liv Lavinia, another granddaughter for Cathy More! The service will be part of our Youth Worship Service and with lots of other little people expected it is sure to be a cheerful and lively occasion! Cathy our pianist, has picked some great music for the service and Fr Ted Newing will be conducting the Baptism.

SEM turns 21: Our annual Ecumenical Service at SEM (which commemorates our first service together as a faith community in 1996) is to be held on the Sunday 6th August at 10.30 am. The Ecumenical Celebration Service, which this year is being run by the Anglican community, is followed by lunch provided by the Centre. A wonderful time of worship and praise by all the denominations at SEM, as we come together to give thanks and renew our commitment to the Lord. This year is doubly special as not only do we come of age, but this time last year we did not know if there would be any more Birthday Services! We give thanks to God for his many blessings to us.

Wardens Jane Cuthbert and Joan Dare

Photos: J Cuthbert



News from St Ann's, Aldinga

The months of May and June saw an exodus of our regulars travelling elsewhere to visit family or enjoy warmer climes than ours. We welcome back those who have returned and wish all still away a safe and enjoyable time.

We had the funeral of Maria Chappell held at St Ann's on Friday the 16th June. We catered for the family's luncheon in the hall prior to their departure to Centennial Park for her burial later in the day.

The hall was also the venue for the joyous celebration of the 1st birthday for the family of a bonny little girl on the 17th June, and our Family Tea on the 23rd was an occasion to celebrate the 80th birthday of Cath Davidson (R).

Trish Frith and the Prickle Team have started their annual pruning of roses about the district and beyond for those wishing to be assisted in this way. This team has been keeping our church and cemetery grounds in pristine condition also. Well done all.



Shortly work will begin on the drainage problem within the car park area of the church grounds. Approval for this has been granted.

We thank once again our Pastoral Assistants and attending clergy for their valued presence at services during the last month - this time Fr Jeff and Fr Peter T. We also were pleased to welcome Fr Peter Simmons for the first time as our priest in the Southern Vales this last Sunday.

Pat Roper and Brian McMillan, Wardens

The Pentecost Family Service at St Ann's was celebrated with red balloons and Peter Chapman illustrated and led a discussion of the Gospel message, "whoever believes in me, streams of living water will pour out from his heart".



\$10

St Ann's
Friday 14th July
6.30 for 7 pm.
 Still (a very few) places left
 Bookings Pat Roper
 0412 155 712

Blessing of Pets

Christ Church
Yankalilla
Sunday 30th July,
10.30 am



News from the Ministry District Meeting 20th June

The Pastoral District Councils of Southern Vales and Yankalilla/Delamere, with Frs Peter Thomson and Peter Simmons (apology from Fr Max Bowers), met for a shared meal and meeting at St Ann's on Tuesday 20th June.

Margaret Cale and Pat Roper gave an overhead presentation of the new **Southern Vales Website** to be launched soon. It will be linked to the Diocesan website but we will be able to update it ourselves. It will be mobile phone compatible, and could be made to include readings and lectionary information.

The Grapevine was also discussed. Should it be printed in hard copy, or just on the website? There are those who would need a hard copy, but we should work to reduce the numbers printed to save paper and costs.

The **Mission District** was discussed. Fr Peter Simmons spoke of his role as Priest in Charge at present but emphasised that he is here as a guest – to find out what we want to do and how to grow; what we do well together and what is better done individually, and to try out function before formalising a format.

Blessing of the Fleece at Delamere: Fr Peter Simmons suggested that we have a service for all congregations in the Ministry District to come together on Sunday 29th October for the Blessing of the Fleece at the Filsells' property at Delamere, followed by a BBQ lunch.

*The next meeting to be held on **Thursday 24th August** at Christ Church, Yankalilla.*



"Make a house a home"

Southern Vales
Mothers' Union is
responding to Jill

Rivers' appeal through Anglicare for assistance in putting together Homemaker kits, to "make a house a home" for newly arrived refugees.

If you would like to assist in this, contact Trish Frith (8556 2604) .

What they are looking to include in the parcels are:

- Plastic storage container with lid
- Serving tray
- Fruit bowl
- Casserole/glass dish
- Table cloth or coasters/place mats
- Picture of landscape or still life
- Vase/ornament
- Cushion
- Knitted blanket/throw rug

ANGLICARE
SA

Just a reminder...

ACT FOR PEACE thanks supporters for donations that have helped provide life-saving food and water for South Sudan, but there are still 1.7 million people on the brink of starvation... Help is still desperately needed.

info@actforpeace.org.au

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ac.care was created in Mount Gambier in 1986 and serves the Limestone Coast, Murraylands and Riverland communities of South Australia.

The first service was the recruitment and support of foster carers for local teenagers. It now includes Aboriginal services, work with communities and learning, families and children, out of home care, homelessness services, financial counselling and issues for young people.

care@accare.org.au

ac.care
Sunday
16th July

Di Rickard R. J. P.

STOP PRESS

As *The Grapevine* was going to press, sad news came of the death of Di Rickard on Wednesday 28th June after a long battle with cancer.

A Melbourne girl, Di met Max when she was 18 and they married when she was 19. They lived in Melbourne and started their family (which was eventually to grow to 6 children, 11 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren) before moving to Modbury, SA in 1966. They lived in Seaford for 20 years, then after a short stay in Moana moved to Naracoorte where they had a small farm. Here she was a lay preacher in the Anglican Church and a leader in the Mothers' Union.

Six years ago they moved to Aldinga Beach, and Di joined the congregation of St Margaret's, where she was Warden for a time, then St Ann's. She was a supporter of Anglicare, and a regular provider of supplies to the Christian Community Centre. Di was a person of action, who could always be relied on to see that things were done, and done well and cheerfully. She will be greatly missed. Her funeral will be on Thursday 6th July at 11 am at St Ann's.



News from St Stephen's, Willunga

Thank you to the two Frs Peter for celebrating over recent weeks. Please keep Fr Bob in your prayers during his recovery from his second knee replacement.

Saturday Night Out on June 10th was attended by 10 members of the PD. The next Saturday Night Out will be on July 8th at the Willunga Hotel at 6.45 pm after the 5.30 pm service.

Notes of Congregation Meeting held on Saturday June 17th at 6.30 pm

- * Help offered with gardening by Heinz & Marita Hutall, who regularly use the parking offered by St Stephen. Agreed that they be contacted and suggest that they decide what they might suggest (weeding or pruning etc.)
- * Planning is underway for repairing the front wall. Donations for this venture gratefully received! Painter suggested that this be undertaken later in the year when it is warmer.
- * Plumber, Robert Foreman, has been asked to quote for installation of a hand basin in the toilet.
- * So that there is an alternative Eucharist for those unable to attend St Ann Patronal, St Stephen has offered a Eucharist service on July 29th at 5.30 pm.

The Vigil Eucharist is held on a Saturday at 5.30 pm. All welcome. An opportunity for you if at any time you are unable to attend a Sunday Service. Refreshments afterwards now sherry (choice) or wine & nibbles (cheese, dips and biscuits).

John Strachan & Ted Sandercock, Wardens



Almond Blossom Festival 2017

Come to the Blessing of the Almond Blossom Festival
Saturday July 29th at 2 pm in the Recreation Hall

Our Almond Blossom stall from Monday to Wednesday is a shared Pastoral District fundraiser. Contributions of saleable items would be welcomed.

Best sellers include: biscuits, cakes, slices, jams,
chutneys, sauces and fresh produce.

Please seal biscuits in either snap lock plastic bags or cello bags. All cakes and slices to be well sealed in bags or plastic wrap and, preferably, priced, and all items labelled with ingredients listed. Handcrafted and knitted items welcome, but no plants please.

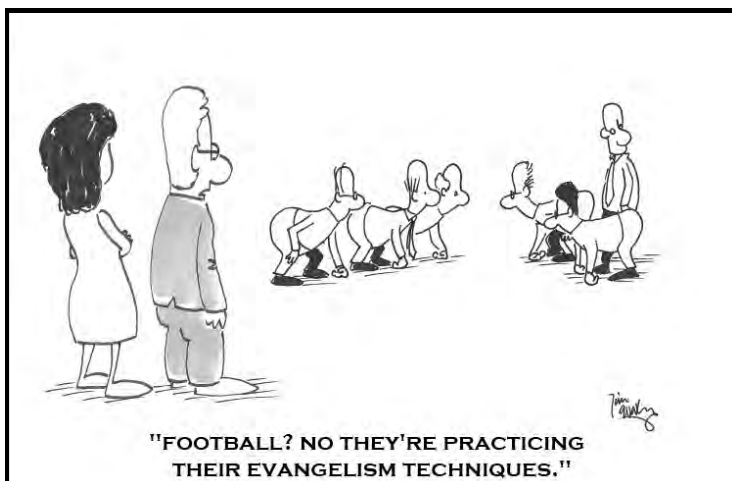
Monday 31st July: St Margaret's & Ss Philip & James'

Tuesday 1st August: St Ann's

Wednesday 2nd August: St Stephen's & St Nicholas'

Please support your church's Almond Blossom stall!

Entry forms for an almond cookery competition - almond cake, biscuit, bread or almond novelty, are available at your church, as are menus and booking information for the Almond Blossom lunches.



Christian Unity

A small but spirited gathering was held on Tuesday evening, May 30th, at Mary of Galilee to celebrate the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**. Members from local Anglican, Roman Catholic, Uniting and Salvation Army churches attended.

Following this gathering Peter Laffan has invited anyone interested in forming an ecumenical reading group, leading up to the 500th anniversary of the Reformation in October to get in touch with him. It is proposed that such a group meet once a month for July, August, and September, taking a different reading each month from a recently published book, *Towards Unity* – ecumenical dialogue 500 years after the Reformation, edited by Donald Bolen, Nicholas Jesson and Donna Geernaert SC, published by Paulist Press.

This book takes the pulse of what has been happening, particularly at the highest level, in ecumenical dialogue over the last 50 years. It has 18 essays, encompassing just about every combination of dialogue partners that can be imagined. Peter would make a selection on what seems the most useful place to start, depending on the breadth of the piece and who is interested in participating, and the group could take it from there after the first meeting and see what participants are interested in. A copy of the chapter selected would be sent to all participants a couple of weeks before meeting.

We have no shortage of meeting spaces! Peter has offered the community room at Mary of Galilee, depending on the time chosen to meet, for the first gathering. Perhaps after that the group could meet in a different church space each time. **Please register your interest with an indication of 1) the time of day, 2) the day of the week, and 3) the week of the month, if that makes a difference to you.**

(Peter Laffan - impe@internode.on.net)

Ted Sandercock

Confirmation

In the Anglican tradition, baptism (sometimes of infants) is followed by a service involving the candidates confirming the promises made in their baptism, and the laying on of hands by the Bishop with prayers for the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Some people have already expressed interest in being confirmed this year. A six-weeks course is planned, using the EfM "Connect" programme.

Would you like to join them?

To find out more, contact Ted Sandercock 8556 4535



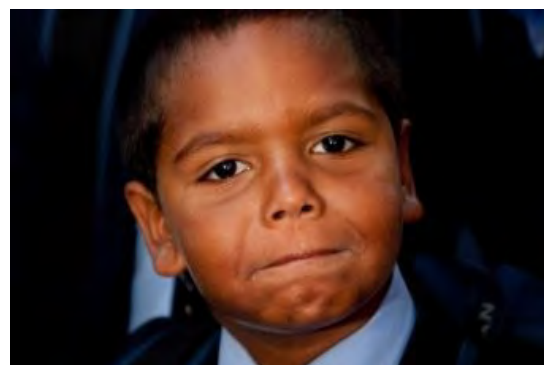
Gawura

At our Vestry Meeting in February we voted (with red dots) for two projects of the Anglican Board of Mission that we wanted to support. One of these was **Gawura**.

According to the 2016 "Closing the Gap" report, only three out of five Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people complete Year 12. St Andrew's Cathedral School in the CBD of Sydney has committed itself to addressing educational disadvantage among Sydney's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and has now established Gawura, a primary school for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, within the college, aiming to prepare children for transition to St Andrew's co-ed high school. Places at Gawura are offered as a scholarship which covers the majority of tuition fees and expenses for students who meet the enrolment criteria.

Lucy Cook, Director of Development at Gawura, writes to ABM supporters:

"You are all providing life changing opportunities not only for our students but also their families. The Gawura teachers and staff and our Gawura Morning Reading Volunteers, witness the growth and change in our students on a daily basis. We continue to feel humbled by the generosity of all our donors who are genuine in their support of Indigenous education and the Gawura programme."



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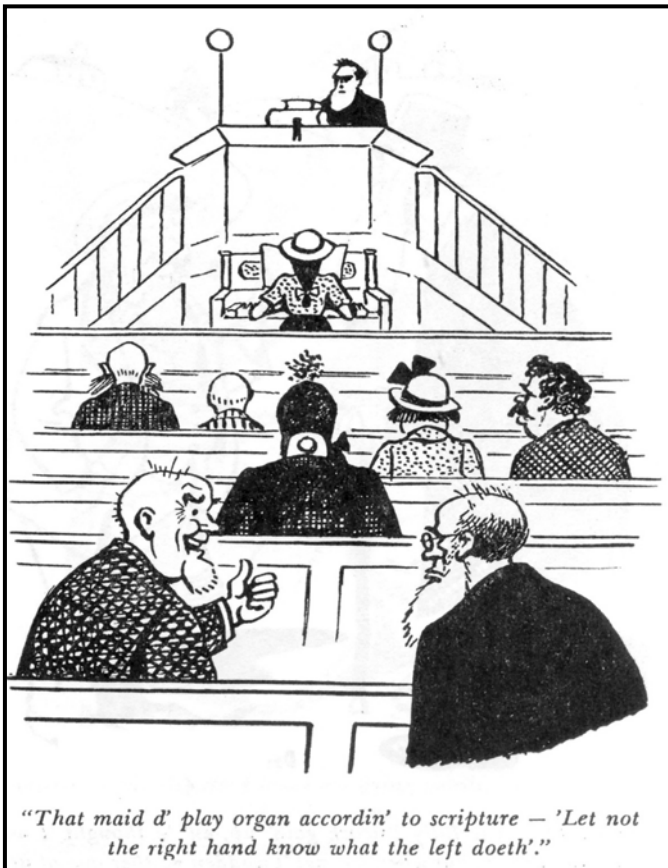
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Seventh Annual
**Mayor of the City of Onkaparinga's
Prayer Breakfast**
8th September
Serafino Conference Centre
6.45-9 am

But please note:

From time to time the four centres of Southern Vales combine in worship to celebrate special events. On those days there is only one Sunday service in the PD.

On Sunday 30th July there will be a combined service at St Ann's at 10 am to celebrate St Ann's Patronal Festival.

Southern Vales Pastoral District

Contact information:

Parish Secretary: Ted Sandercock
Ph 8556 4535; email sanderwt@bigpond.com

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>

To contact your church wardens:

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Judith Wells 8186 1296
Stephen Wells 8326 7114

St Margaret's, McLaren Vale
Greg John 8325 0277
Greg Roberts 8323 9331

St Stephen's, Willunga
Ted Sandercock 8556 4535
John Strachan 8186 3372

St Ann's, Aldinga
Pat Roper 8386 2470
Brian McMillan 8557 6984

St Nicholas', Seaford
Jane Cuthbert 0407651606
Joan Dare 0413 258 987

Pastoral District Service times

St Stephen's, St Andrews Tce, Willunga
Saturday: 5.30 pm

St Margaret's, Main Road McLaren Vale
Sunday: 10 am with Sunday School
(St Philip & St James' congregation joining in this service)
Wednesday: 9:00am

St Ann's, 7 Stonehouse Lane, Aldinga
Sunday: 9 am: bring the children.

St Nicholas', Seaford Ecumenical Mission,
Sunday 10.30 am