

With Easter Day falling on the 1st of April, Lent starts early this year.



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You can be involved this Lent in the following ways:

Celebrate **Shrove Tuesday** (13th February): pancakes at St Margaret's, McLaren Vale following

6 pm Evening Prayer, and at Christ Church, Yankalilla at 6.30 for 7 pm (see p. 2) Bring last vear's Palm Crosses to



be burned for Ash Wednesday.

Ash Wednesday services and the imposition of ashes will be held on Wednesday 14th February at 9 am at St Margaret's, McLaren Vale, at 9 am at Christ Church, Yankalilla and at 7 pm at St Ann's, Aldinga.

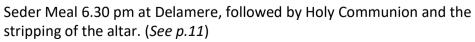


Lent Bible studies will be held at a centre near you, using the York study, On the Third Day) (see p. 2).

Lenten Soup Suppers will be held at St Ann's, Aldinga on Wednesday 28th February and Wednesday 21st March and at the Seaford Christian Churches (S.E.M.) on Thursday 13th March. (See p. 8)



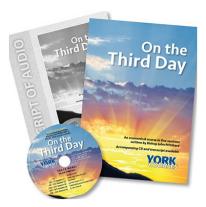




At Seaford Christian Churches (S.E.M.), 7.00 pm Ecumenical service, washing of feet and Holy Communion.



With news of coming events or noteworthy happenings in the Western Fleurieu Anglicans mission partnership 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 February. Please notify the Editor if you wish to avoid the chance of being mentioned in this newsletter.



Lent Bible Studies 2018

The resurrection is the Big Story that turned a little Jewish protest movement into a world-transforming religion. And yet by Easter Monday we've almost forgotten about it as we anticipate going back to work. How can we re-capture the explosive power of the resurrection that ricocheted around the world? How can we live in the glow of resurrection and be an Easter people? How can 'there and then' become 'here and now'?

5 Sessions:

- 1. Have I got news for you!
- 2. So what? The implications of the Resurrection
- 3. 'Let him easter in us'
- 4. Celebrating and praying Easter
- 5. A risen Church

Study groups will be meeting at:

McLaren Vale 10 am on Wednesdays in the Sunday School Room starting Wednesday 14th February Aldinga 7 pm on Thursdays in St Ann's Room starting Thursday 15th February Seaford 11 am on Tuesdays after the 10.30 Prayer Meeting, starting Tuesday 13th February Yankalilla 10 am on Tuesdays starting Tuesday 20th February Delamere 7 pm on Thursdays starting Thursday 15th February

A Unique Opportunity! Cross-cultural travel experience A Malaysian mission, 16th-27th April 2018

led by Fr Paul Monash and Fr Nathanael, Southern Suburbs. The aim of the trip is to experience another rich culture by visiting Malaysia, and by visiting strong youth churches and congregations, to be invigorated about mission here in the Western Fleurieu. The trip entails going to Malaysia for 12 days after Easter in school holidays (16-27th April) and living with church



congregations, talking with them about their church / faith experience and attending their church services and activities. The group will be meeting lively Anglican churches, and be involved in mission work with native people in local villages and orphanages. They'll also visit an elephant sanctuary, the Malaysian twin towers, swim in the sea and visit other places of faith - Sikh, Buddhist and Hindu Temples. They will visit cities like Ipoh, Penang, Malacca and Kuala Lumpur.

All this for the incredibly low cost of \$1,400 (which includes flight tickets, local travel, breakfast and lodging in Malaysia). A deposit of \$300 will be required.

As participants will be hosted by Malaysian families, limited places are available. Don't miss this opportunity! An information evening will be held at St Nicholas', Seaford on Monday 5th February at 7.30 pm. All expressions of interest need to be made at the info night.

VESTRY 2018

The Vestry meeting is the "Annual General Meeting" of the Western Fleurieu Anglicans, when reports are presented, elections held, and everyone has the opportunity to ask questions and make suggestions.

Be there! Sunday 18th March, St Ann's, 2 pm

Pre-vestry meetings are being held at each church for the election of People's Wardens. and to raise issues to go to the Easter Vestry.

Pre-vestry meetings: Sunday 4th February at St Margaret's & Ss Philip & James, McLaren Vale. Sunday 11th February at St Ann's Aldinga & St Nicholas', Seaford, Saturday 17th February at St Stephen's, Sunday 18th February at Christ Church, Yankalilla for Yankalilla & Delamere.

PANCAKES!

Shrove Tuesday, 13th February At St Margaret's, McLaren Vale: 6 pm Evening Prayer 6.30 Pancake Supper.

> Bring savoury or sweet fillings on the night Bring your last year's Palm Crosses to be burned for Ash Wednesday

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At Christ Church, Yankalilla, 6.30 for 7pm Delicious Pancake Supper, \$12. BYO drinks

February		March	
Sun 4 th	Church Vestry meetings (see p. 2)	Fri 1 st	WORLD DAY OF PRAYER Service, Galilee
	Family Service, St Ann's		Catholic Church 9.30 am (see p. 8)
	Gold Coin collection for CPS* workers	Sun 4 th	Clean Up Australia Day (see p. 6)
Mon 5 th	Malaysia trip information evening,		Family Service, St Ann's
	Seaford Christian Churches (SEM),		Gold Coin collection for CPS workers
	7.30 pm (see opposite page)	Mon 5 th	Mothers' Union 9.30 for 10 am St Ann's. AGM
Tues 6 th	Prayer Meeting 10.30 am St Nicholas'	Tues 6 th	Friends of St Ann's
	followed by Bible Study 11.00 am		Prayer Meeting 10.30 am St Nicholas'
	Friends of St Ann's 6.50 for 7 pm		followed by Bible Study 11.00 am
Thurs 8 th	Colton Court 10.30-11.30 am (see p. 5)	Thurs 8 th	Colton Court 10.30 am
Sat 10 th	Book Sale, St Ann's, 9 am – 2 pm (see p.5)	Sat 10 th	Saturday Night Out, Willunga
al.	Saturday Night Out, Willunga (see p. 6)	Sun 11 th	MOTHERING SUNDAY
Sun 11 th	Family Service, St Margaret's		Healing, St Nicholas'
*h	Church Vestry Meetings (see p 2)	+h	Family Service, St Margaret's
Tues 13 th	SHROVE TUESDAY	Mon 12 th	Adelaide Cup public holiday
	(For services & pancakes see opp.)	Tues 13 th	
	Prayer Meeting 10.30 am St Nicholas'	th	followed by Bible Study 11.00 am
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sar a ath	Prayers for Peace, 11 am St Ann's	E : a cth	(S.E.M.) (see p 8)
Wed 14 th	ASH WEDNESDAY	Fri 16 th	St Nicholas' Luncheon (bookings
	9 am St Margaret's		8392 4508) & Fellowship 1.30 pm
	7 pm St Ann's	Sat 17 th	Making Palm Crosses—all welcome (see p. 9)
Fri 16 th	9 am Christ Church, Yankalilla	Sat 17 Sun 18 th	St Ann's Jumble Sale
FI. 10	St Nicholas' Luncheon (bookings 8392 4508) & Fellowship 1.30 pm	3un 18	WFA* VESTRY MEETING 2 pm St Ann's Service for SV Pastoral Care Workers (see p.10)
Sat 17 th	Church vestry meeting, St Stephen's	Mon 19 th	JOSEPH
Sun 18 th	LENT 1	Tue 20 th	Prayer Meeting 10.30 am St Nicholas'
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	Yankalilla 10.30 am		Prayer for Peace, St Ann's 11 am-12 md
Tues 20 th	Prayer Meeting 10.30 am St Nicholas'	Wed 21 st	Lenten Supper: Around the world in a yacht
10.00 =0	followed by Bible Study 11.00am		(see p. 8)
	Prayer for Peace, St Ann's 11 am-12 md	Fri 23 rd	Family Tea, St Ann's
	WFA** meeting, 7 pm, St Ann's	Sat 24 th	Car Boot Sale, St Margaret's (see p. 4)
Fri 23 rd	Family Tea, 6.30 for 7 pm, St Ann's	Sun 25 th	PALM SUNDAY
Sat 24 th	MATTHIAS		Youth Service, St Nicholas
Sun 25 th	Youth Service, St Nicholas'	Thurs 29 th	MAUNDY THURSDAY (see p. 11)
Tues 27 th	Prayer Meeting 10.30 am St Nicholas'		Seder Meal, St James, Delamere, 6.30 pm
	followed by Bible Study 11.00 am		Ecumenical service, Seaford Christian
Wed 28 th	Lenten Supper , St Ann's: The Church in		Churches (S.E.M.) 7.30 pm
	Japan & Korea (see p. 8)	Fri 30 th	GOOD FRIDAY
*Christian Pastoral Support		Sat 31 st	HOLY SATURDAY
** Western Fleurieu Anglicans pastoral district			For Easter services, see p. 12.

Sad news

I wish to inform the WFA Congregations that unfortunately Glenn Maytum will not be able to minister amongst us at this time. We are very sorry not to have him here. We wish him well.

Ongoing planning

Our priestly availability will need to continue as it has for the past six months. This means that I will always be at St Margaret's at McLaren Vale for the 9 am service every Wednesday, at St Stephen's Willunga at 5.30 pm service every Saturday and one other church service every Sunday. As there are 7 churches in our area and four weeks in a month, I will only be able to be at each church once every six weeks. Fr Peter will continue to offer priestly ministry 1/2 time for the next six months, and Fr Dennis, Fr Bob, Fr Peter, Fr Ted and many others will assist the WFA churches with Sunday services.

God Bless.

Fr Simon

A word from Fr Peter Simmons

Hi all, and Happy New Year.

How many of us made New Year resolutions, saying this year was the year to achieve the things we didn't do last year? Could be taking a trip interstate, or maybe overseas, or it might be to down-size and move into a retirement village. Or is it that I am going to buy a new car? All these things are important but they are materialistic and somewhat not necessary for our daily life and wellbeing. Life is a time for learning and experiencing the gifts that God has given to each one of us.



We are told in the Bible that we are in the likeness of God but we are all individuals and have our own thoughts and ways of doing things. So this means we can learn from others and others can learn from what we do. This year I would ask that you consider starting anew with each other and also look at growing in your Christian journey. Like all things it takes a commitment. The question now is, am I prepared to make a commitment to God? One way to look at it is, when I was baptized did I personally make a commitment to God or was it my parents and Godparents making that commitment? And then when I came for Confirmation, did I take upon myself the promises made by my parents and Godparents or did I go along with the flow because it was the done thing to do at the time? So I am asking as we start this New Year that we individually in our own time make a new commitment to our Christian Faith.

There are a number of ways in which you can share your faith with others. It might be by joining the Lenten study that happens this month. Or become involved in many of the activities that the Church offers. Or maybe that you might like to start a new group.

If we look at the early Church, they met together, shared food together, prayed together, shared their resources one with another, helped the less fortunate. The one thing they didn't do was just sit and do nothing and ponder the past. They were people of the future experiencing life and helping wherever they could.

We are people of the future. We have to grow in our faith and share it with others. So let's stop talking about what we are gunna do and let us take that step and commit to taking a step in faith.

Peter





Families Equip

is providing a
Facilitator Training Course
7 pm—9.30 pm Friday 20th April & 9 am—5 pm
Saturday 21st April
at the Mount Barker Parish Centre
40 Hutchinson Street, Mount Barker
Enquiries: Liz Hampel 0439 869 702
No cost. Accommodation can be billeted by the
Mount Barker parish.

There is pre-course work to be completed before the weekend and a reference will be needed from your minister or MU representative. Once you have completed the training and have been accredited, there is an expectation that you will run Families Equip in your own community within 12 months of completing the training.

Presented by the Diocese of The Murray Mothers' Union.

Seminary of the Third Age: Re-thinking faith in the 21st century: An invitation

You are invited to participate in the inaugural program of the Seminary of the 3rd Age.

This program, conducted by respected theological scholars and leaders, offers persons young and old, of any faith or no faith, the opportunity to explore and reflect on questions of faith and spirituality relevant in the C21st.

The seminars are designed to enable free discussion and debate as to what faith, spirituality and identity might mean amid the paradox of knowledge and mystery we now associate with the 21st Century.

Sessions at the Effective Living entre, 26 King William Road, Wayville, every Thursday evening through March, May, August and October, 7-8.30 pm. Each session is \$15 (\$12 concession) or \$50 for a topic of four sessions.

Enquiries: Jenny Esots j.esots@bigpond.com

We call them "Chaplains", but officially they are **Pastoral** Care Workers in our schools.

To recognise the work of these wonderful Southern Vales Pastoral Care Workers, come to a celebration on **Sunday 18**th March, at 6.00 pm in the SV Christian School gym, Aldinga Beach Rd.

Hear their stories. Join in prayer for their work.

Colton Court Sing-a-long

Cheryl Ormerod, Lifestyle Co-ordinator of Colton Court Residential Facility, writes:

Dear Sue [MacKirdy] & all of the lovely Sing-along visitors,

...Thank you all so very much for your visits to Colton Court over 2017. Though not always a large group, the Residents that do attend the morning sing-alongs very much enjoy the activity and appreciate the time that you so freely give to make this a pleasurable experience for all.

We are hoping that your group would like to continue visits to Colton Court in 2018.

...Once again, many thanks. Cheryl Ormerod.

Sue MacKirdy adds:

If you are reading this, please consider joining in with us any time. We start at 10.30 am and finish at 11.30 am after singing "Bless This House". There are only three regulars, including Brian McMillan on the piano, so we would appreciate some help.

Please?

Sue



News from St Ann's, Aldinga

Our first **Friends of St Ann's** meeting for the year was well attended. It is good to know that so many people are interested in what is happening at St Ann's and in discussing improvements. Once again the need to replace the pews with chairs was discussed, with ideas on what will be suitable, as was the need to replace the old tired shed with something better suited to our increased need for storage.

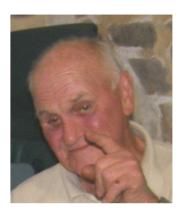
Sadly we have had to say goodbye to our dear friend and parishioner **Michael (Mike) Binns** who passed away recently (*see below*). Mike was one of several who was instrumental in helping in the building of the hall and in assisting at the many fundraising activities through the years which have helped St Ann's enjoy its current status today. A full church of family and friends last Thursday joined in celebrating his life with a service in his honour. This was followed by a sumptuous wake catered for by St Ann's ladies and held on the family property nearby. Our heartfelt sorrow for Mike's passing goes to Eileen, Graham, Alan and families from us all.

Australia Day was celebrated on Friday 26th with our monthly shared **Family Tea**. Once again it was a happy and relaxed affair with twenty-three people coming along. It was lovely to see several of our newer members joining in with us. *Our next Family Tea will be on Friday 23rd February, 6.30 for 7 pm. Bring your friends!*

A team of interested people are planning a **book sale** (see below). You may like to come along and snare a bargain or two!

Pat Roper, Warden

Mike Binns R J P



We have been saddened by the death of Mike Binns, a well-known and much loved Aldinga
Personality, and husband of Eileen Binns. He was a practical man, and was part of the team that built St Ann's Room. Generous with his time, he assisted with electrical matters, and the setting up for St Ann's jumble sales. On Family Tea nights he could be found in his favourite "men's corner" of the room. Born in Leeds, Mike was proudly Yorkshire, and

as his
coffin left the church the strains of the "Anthem of Yorkshire",
"On Ilkla Moor baht 'at" rang out.

Big Book Sale!

St Ann's, Aldinga Saturday 10th February 9 am—2 pm

Books, CDs, pictures ...





St Ann's, Sat 17th March 8.30 am -12.30 pm

Quality saleable goods wanted

—and volunteers!

Lady Day

Lady Day is the traditional name given to the Feast of the Annunciation, commemorating the visit of an angel to Mary with the news of Jesus. It is celebrated as a special day by the Mothers' Union.

This year the diocesan Lady Day service will be held at St Luke's, Tailem Bend, 10.30 for 11 am on Monday 9th April (transferred from 25 March, which is Palm Sunday). If you would like help with



transport to this service, contact Trish Frith 8556 2604.

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY

Sunday 4th March

In 1989 an "average Australian bloke" had a simple idea to make a difference in his own backyard - Sydney Harbour. This simple idea has now become the nation's largest community-based environmental event, Clean Up Australia Day, which demonstrates that people across Australia are willing to do something to help protect and care for our environment.



For the past two years St Ann's has registered

to take part, and been given an area on Old Coach Road to clean up. So it's "working clothes day" at St Ann's on the 4th March, for the clean-up after church, and who knows—there may be the traditional sausage sizzle as a reward afterwards!

Join the St Ann's team on Sunday 4th, or register on the Clean Up Site website *cleanupaustraliaday.org.au* for another area.

News from St Stephen's, Willunga

Thank you to Fr Simon for celebrating over recent weeks.

Saturday Night Out Dinner was held on Saturday, January 15th at the Old Bush Inn. It was a splendid evening and good food. Also a useful occasion for outreach as we ate in the main dining room. *Next Saturday Night Out will be on February 10th at the Old Bush Inn following the 5.30 Vigil Mass. (Bookings: Ted 8556 4535)*

We continue to discuss a stall at the front of St Stephen's on a Saturday morning to take into account the people who walk past or park in the grounds to attend the Willunga Farmers Market. We are open to suggestions of the type of stall. The church was open on Saturday January 20th while preparations were made for the Saturday Service, and three groups of visitors called in during the morning including relatives of the Hill family. This family had donated the land for our St Stephen's church and there is a stained glass memorial window to the family on the north side of the church.

Fr Dennis officiated at the funeral for the late Janyce Buick on 5th January. Janyce was a former parishioner and so some 140 people crowded into the church. The funeral procession was led down the aisle and from the church by a Scottish piper, and the entourage proceeded down St Andrews Tce and Main Rd to the Alma Hotel for refreshments, while the hearse continued on for the cremation.

The Vigil Eucharist is held on a Saturday at 5.30 pm: if at any time you are unable to attend a Sunday Service you will be most welcome at St Stephen's. Refreshments are provided after the service; with choice of bubbly or wine & nibbles (cheese, biscuits and dips).

John Strachan & Ted Sandercock, Wardens

Oh, my poor china! A sad story from Susan Smith

At around 9.00 a.m. on the 6th of January, in the middle of that really hot spell, Bob and I heard an almighty crash! We raced around the house to see what it was. Our glass display cabinet must have buckled in the intense heat, and all my sets of antique cups, saucers and plates had come crashing down and got smashed, apart from the odd saucer or plate. One set miraculously escaped the carnage intact (see pic) as well as two Dickens figurines, a Royal Doulton lady, and a teeny cup and saucer, all of which are very special to me. I was deeply upset by this, and if anyone has any sets they no longer want, I would be very grateful.



Some News from the Western Fleurieu Anglicans meeting, 16th January 2018

The meeting was held at St Ann's and chaired by Ted Sandercock, with the churches represented by a warden from each church. Fr Simon, Margaret Cale (Treasurer) and Jane Cuthbert (Secretary) were also present, as well as some observers. Matters discussed included the following:

WFA Website: We need to be able to update the website ourselves and will need training in order to do so. With the platform that has been chosen it should be easy to maintain. Margaret Cale and Pat Roper will go ahead to organise training for one person from each centre. The account for work done so far is \$300 over budget due to the inclusion of Google Maps and name changes. Tekspec will continue to maintain security.

WFA contact list update: Pre-vestry meetings will be a chance to ask people for updates for their entries in the contact list. It will also include the matter of photo permission in *The Grapevine*.

Blessing of the Fleece: Gail and Peter Filsell were thanked for the highly successful great day on 29th October (2017) with 95 people attending. It is planned to repeat it in 2018. Ted Sandercock noted that the McLaren Vale Harvest Festival will now only be held every second year so we need to schedule it for 2019.

Assistants at the Eucharist: There is a need for more people – St Margaret's now has only 1, St Ann's 3, St Stephen's 3. Fr Simon will ask at each church and will run a Eucharistic Assistants' workshop and include others more experienced to assist or refresh.

Home Groups: These could be offered as needed – e.g. a short session could be offered for six weeks or perhaps a few weeks for a younger age group with children as a chance to get together.

Christmas Story Book Review: The Bible Society was surprised by the level of interest in and wide circulation of the booklet across Australia. Feedback was positive and will be used for an upgrade next year. A few copies remain in the WFA office.

An Anglican Fair?: When the last Onkaparinga census showed 19,000 Anglicans in the area, it had been suggested that this could be celebrated by a fair or fête. Seaford Christian Churches' grounds (S.E.M.) would be a good location for this. Still to be discussed.

Processing urgent matters: To address urgent matters in between monthly Council meetings, after discussion with Fr Simon, WFA Secretary, WFA Treasurer and the Chair, the WFA Secretary will circulate Council members for comment and/or approval; within 24 hours. This may be necessary to meet external deadlines or forward to an imminent Diocesan meeting for approval.

WFA Office mobile: A mobile phone has been purchased and the office landline cancelled. The mobile number (0487 420 653) is on the pew sheet and on back page of the GV. The McLaren Vale Rectory phone remains as 8323 9744.

Next WFA meeting Tuesday 20th February 2018, 7 pm at St Ann's Aldinga.

PD Finances, De	ec 2017 \$	Overall finances to Dec. 201	7 \$
Nett monthly income	e 12,411	Income	149,841 (Budgeted \$125,000)
Monthly expenditure	10,799	Expenditure	164,935 (Budgeted \$138,790)
Operating profit	1,612	Operating profit/loss	-15,095 (Budgeted \$-13,790)
Missions	1,338	Total donations to missions	7,683
Special Purpose Funds Dec 2017		Overall SPF Funds Jan. – Ma	r. 2017
Income	440	Income	46,442
Expenditure	1,623	B Expenditure	21,656
Net profit /loss	-1,183	3 Surplus	24,786



Prayer for Peace St Ann's Tuesday 20th February, 11 am—12 midday
Our hearts cry out for peace in our troubled world.

Join your prayers with those of others, for peace in our time.

Lenten Soup Suppers 2018

The Lenten Soup Suppers at St Ann's have for years maintained a tradition of culinary soup delights and interesting speakers during Lent. Beginning with prayers in the church at 6.30 pm for those who can attend, they then move to enjoy a selection of delicious soups. Soup, bread and fruit are all that are on offer but the "all you can eat" soups are well known for their variety and quality. Then a guest speaker follows, with the evening concluding by about 9 pm. A cost of \$5 per head covers costs, and any surplus is donated to charities nominated by the speakers.

This year there is an added bonus of one of the Lenten Suppers being heLd at Seaford Christian Churches (S.E.M.) on a Thursday evening—a chance for more people to enjoy our Lenten Soups!

If you haven't been to the Lenten Suppers yet, this is the time to come and explore the sharing of ideas, the food, and the friendly atmosphere. Put these dates in your diary now. Booking is not necessary.

Bring your friends! Open to all!

Wednesday 28th February, St Ann's: The Church in Japan and Korea

Japanophiles Ross and Tina Lee have recently returned from Ross's 7th and Tina's 5th visit to Japan, bringing us as a gift from the Nippon Sei Ko Kai (the Anglican Church in Japan) a calendar of photos of their churches, and a recorded message to us in Australia. They will also bring some things they have garnered from the Japanese culture, and are offering to bring some miso soup! Ross has also visited churches in Korea.

Ross and Tina are active members of the Uniting Church congregation of Aldinga.



Thursday 15th March at Seaford Christian Churches (S.E.M.)

Chris Gunn will speak about her recent Christmas in the UK and Europe.



Wednesday 21st March, at St Ann's: Around the world in a 29 ft yacht!

Marilyn and John Morgan, sheep farmers on Kangaroo Island, are the owners of a 29 ft Duncanson yacht, *Shearwater II*, in which they have sailed 57,000 miles. Marilyn published the story

of their voyage around the world in her book *Turkey Spam on Sunday: an around the world sailor recollects and reflects.* Wherever they are, and whatever they are doing, they try to live by their wedding text, "Depend on the Lord; trust him, and he will take care of you." (*Psalm 37:5*). Come and share the story of their amazing sail around the world.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 1st March 2018

The **World Day of Prayer** is an international ecumenical Christian laywomen's initiative. It is celebrated annually in over 170 countries on the first Friday in March.

This year's service was prepared by women from Suriname, on the northeastern Atlantic coast of South America. They lift up their voices to remind us that we are caretakers of God's creation. They bring to our attention the urgent need for caring at a time when more than 180 countries have signed the Paris Agreement on Climate Change. A commitment to keep the earth cooler depends on public policies implemented by governments, but also on our personal lifestyle.

The WDP service this year will be held in the beautiful chapel at Galilee Catholic School, Quinliven Rd, Aldinga Beach at 9.30 am.



News from St Nicholas', Seaford, at Seaford Christian Missions (previously s.e.m)

Ministry: The New Year began with Fr Peter Thomson taking our first service in 2018 followed by a shared lunch in the Café. Fr Ted led our re-vamped Healing Service, which is a shorter service, aimed at Wholeness and Healing for all of God's Great Creation; as well as Laying on of Hands with prayer for those who come forward. Fr Simon graciously agreed to a short said service on Sunday 21st January, so we could all join with the Catholic congregation, following our service, as they farewelled Fr Charles.

Youth Worship Our service on 28th January was taken by the younger members of the Youth Worship team, Sophie and Madison and Issy (*below*) (the older youth being unavailable). The theme was based on Psalm 95 as we gave thanks and praise for the amazing country we live in and the knowledge that we are always in God's



loving care. It was a great service as always. We were treated to resounding music and singing of the Psalm in Hebrew (on U Tube - of course) as the service began, with several other videos of the psalm being read and sung during the reflection. Fr Simon joined with the youth at rehearsals and spoke at the reflection. The different versions of Psalm 95 from the original Hebrew version, in the language of Jesus' time, to a modern Australian ballad version, showed us how worship moved from generation to generation – but still spoke the same message.

Lent Our Lenten Bible Study will commence on Tuesday 13th February at 10.30am with prayers for the community followed by the Bible Study. The study will have a revolving leadership to accommodate those who are going away, and those who are

returning from holidays! We will also host a Lenten Supper on Thursday 15th March in the Café at SEM at which Chris Gunn will be the guest speaker (*see opposite page*).

Fellowship Group. Fellowship has not met since December, although we have had several little chats about upcoming events during morning tea! Our next official meeting will be on Friday 16th February at 1.30pm. Lunch is at 12.30. Those who wish to join us, please book your place with Cathy on 83924508. Our meeting on March 16th will be Palm Cross making and all members of the WFA are invited to join with us in the annual social activity. Afternoon tea will be provided. There will be no shared lunch after the service on Easter Day, but there will the following Sunday, 8th April, celebrating Betty Leske's birthday.

Vestry. Our Pre Vestry meeting will be on February 11th following our Healing Service.

SEM: The Seaford Christian Churches Steering Committee (SCCSC) held its meeting on January 25th and we are waiting on its report to the congregations at SCC regarding future planning.



Father Charles was farewelled on Sunday 21st January by all the congregations at SCC with a wonderful lunch provided by the Catholic Community. The lunch was Secondary, however, to the open Mass that Fr Charles offered to all at SCC. A full house, made up of all denominations, taking communion together at the Lords Table. A truly amazing and humbling experience. Wardens Jane Cuthbert and Helen

Hot news from St Margaret's, McLaren Vale

We have sizzled a bit during January and the thick old stone walls of St Margaret's building absorb plenty of heat, making a very nice oven if you're a loaf of uncooked bread..... However, this state of affairs hasn't deterred worshippers from turning up and it has been encouraging to welcome new visitors as well as regulars to various forms of service from diligent priests and laypeople. It's been great to see Jean Griffin return and we thank those who collect other parishioners who otherwise would be unable to attend. If you would like to come to church, but are unable to get there under your own steam, please contact Fr Simon or wardens and we can arrange transport.

well attended, devout and smoothly run. Sincere thanks to Greg John who once again presented a clear and beautifully illustrated power point order of service as well as giving a thought provoking homily and inspiring hymns....all very much appreciated. Thanks again to Jac Hocking for her tasty tokens to take home, or eat on the way home. Not only do these tokens sustain us spiritually, but physically as well this time! Gummy sharks (R) take on a whole new perspective! Thanks also to Judith Wells for keeping us

focused on the tasks in hand during the service.

Last Sunday was a Prayer Praise and Proclamation lay-run service,



Guild Friends is now holding less formal and shorter meetings after Sunday services so issues can be tackled in smaller doses and at more convenient times for the congregation. This also means more people can participate and contribute. This is being trialled for now and will be assessed for its effectiveness at a later date.

Julia Drought has stepped into the **Warden's** position for now as Greg Roberts has stood down. Greg will continue his valuable work visiting housebound parishioners and tackling practical issues as they arise. Thank you Greg for your past and continuing contributions.

It is hoped that we may be able to share a meal with the local back-packers' hostel at McLaren Vale. More on this later.

Fr. Simon and Susie have definitely settled into the **rectory** now and we wish Susie well in her new job at Tatachilla Lutheran College. If you donated cutlery or other bits and pieces to help set up the rectory in the past, these items are no longer required. They are on display in St Margaret's Sunday-school room if you wish to collect them. If you do not wish to take these items, they will be sold at our car boot sale, coming up in March. If you have any other items you'd like to sell or donate to the car boot sale, please contact Greg and Helen Roberts for further details.

The large shed has been cleared to enable cars to be parked under shelter, so please be mindful of private areas.

Please keep our **sick and infirm** in your prayers....Leonie and Greg Pettman both need prayers at this time and also Jill Ribbons. God's healing blessings to you all.

We do list names of the sick and any who need prayer on the back of the pew sheet. This needs to be updated often. If you see a name which, for whatever reason, needs to be deleted, please tell a warden so we keep

Saturday 24th March At St Margaret's 10 am—2 pm

Site bookings \$10.

Devonshire teas, sausage sizzle

Enquiries: Helen & Greg

0412 555 469



current needs. Conversely, please tell us if a name has been wrongfully removed or you wish to add names. Full names are not necessary. God knows who we are and all our needs.

Please be aware that we have two men named Greg who both do lots of jobs in and around St Margaret's church. Be clear about which Greg you are referring to as this can cause a bit of confusion at times. To be clear: Greg Roberts is the tall skinny fella who visits the infirm and organizes some practical things around the church.

Greg Johns is the vertically challenged bloke who plays the organ and is currently one of the wardens.

If you're not sure who is who, just ask around...we'll try and help you identify these elusive characters.....

Stay cool 2

Wardens, Greg Johns, Julia Drought

News from Vanhalilla & Delamere

Shrove Tuesday: A pancake tea will be held at Christ Church Hall on 13/2/2018 commencing at 6.30 pm.

Ash Wednesday: A Service will held at Christ Church at 9 am on 14/2/2018 to be taken by Fr Peter Simmons.

Lenten Studies

Studies will be held at St James' on Thursday nights at 7 pm commencing on 15/2/2018 and at Christ Church on Tuesday mornings at 10 am commencing on 20/2/2018.

Morning Teas at St James'; We are going to trial having morning tea before our 11 am Services at Delamere rather that after the Service. Turn up between 10.30-10.45 am for a cuppa.

Maundy Thursday, 29/3/2018: We will be having a Seder Meal at Delamere at 6.30 pm followed by the Stripping of the Altar.

Cost of the meal will be \$20/head. Tickets can be reserved by contacting either Peter Filsell (8598 0223) or Ann Ryan (8598 0227).

Easter Services.

Good Friday 9am at Christ Church

Easter Sunday 9am at Christ Church 11am at St James'

Young Citizen of the Year.

Congratulations go to Nicole Filsell (R) from Delamere who was presented with the District Council of Yankalilla's Young Citizen of the Year at their Australia Day ceremony.



THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA PASTORAL DISTRICT OF YANKALILLA & DELAMERE NOTICE OF ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING

The Wardens hereby give notice that

The Annual Vestry Meeting for The Pastoral District will take place on Sunday, February 18th, 2018 Commencing at 10.30am in Christ Church Hall

(Chaired by Fr Peter Simmons)

Any motions for the Vestry Meeting need to be given to the Wardens by Sunday, February 4th. Reports need to be given to Peter Filsell by 8/2/18 to prepare agendas and reports for the meeting. The following positions are required -

Wardens (1elected from each congregation + 1 nominated by the Priest(s) from each congregation) Treasurer

Representatives on -

Op. Shop Committee (4), Inter Church Council (2),

Combined Churches Christian Care Committee (2),

World Day of Prayer Committee (1), Ecumenical Events Committee (2). NOMINATION FORM FOR PASTORAL DISTRICT COUNCIL OF YANKALILLA & DELAMERI Position Nominee Proposer _____ Seconder Signature of Nominee _____

The person nominated must be a communicant member of the Parish, having received Communion on no less than three occasions in the previous twelve months, one of which must be Easter. The person must also have attained the age of eighteen years.

Western Fleurieu Anglicans

(A mission partnership of the Diocese of The Murray)

Fr Simon Waters 8323 9744

simon.waters@bigpond.com

Fr Peter Simmons 0419 803 630

pwsimmons@internode.on.net

Parish Secretary: Jane Cuthbert
Ph 0407651606; email corbidge@tpg.com.au

The McLaren Vale Office is not regularly attended but messages can be left on the message bank 0487 420 653 and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

Visit our website!

http://www.southernvalesparish.org

Easter Services

Fri 30th March
GOOD FRIDAY

9 am Christ Church, Yankalilla
10 am St Ann's, Aldinga, Stations of the Cross
3 pm St Margaret's McLaren Vale,
Veneration of the Cross

Sat 31st March

HOLY SATURDAY

8 pm St Stephen's Willunga Easter Vigil

Sun 1st April

EASTER DAY

9 am Christ Church, Yankalilla 9 am St Ann's, Aldinga 10 am St Margaret's, McLaren Vale 10.30 am St Nicholas', Seaford 11 am St James' Delamere



A reminder from Wendy Sandercock: BCA boxes are due next month .

St Margaret's, Main Road McLaren Vale Sunday: 10 am with Sunday School Wednesday: 9:00am

Wardens:

Greg John ph 8325 0277 Julia Drought ph 7009 7705

St Philip & St James, Old Noarlunga

Currently worshipping with St Margaret's

Wardens:

Judith Wells 8186 1296 Stephen Wells 8326 7114

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

Wardens:

Ted Sandercock 8556 4535 John Strachan 8186 3372

St Ann's, 7 Stonehouse Lane, Aldinga Sunday: 9 am

Wardens:

Pat Roper 8386 2470 Brian McMillan 8557 6984

St Nicholas', Seaford Seaford Christian Churches Sunday 10.30 am

Wardens:

Jane Cuthbert 0407651606 Helen Cook 0427 679 787 or 8386 3689

Christ Church, Yankalilla

1st, 2nd & 3rd Sundays - 9.00am

4th Sunday - 11.00am

5th Sunday - Combined Service

Wardens -

Ann Gardiner - 0419 035 290 Belinda Rosser - 0411 591 628

St James, Delamere

2nd Sunday - 11.00am

4th Sunday - 9.000am

5th Sunday - Combined Service

Wardens

Peter Filsell 8598 0223/0427 534 095 Ann Ryan - 85980227

Lamily Services

Informal family services next on 4th February, 4th March @ St Ann's, 9 am; 11th February @St Margaret's, 10 am **Youth Service**

25th February, St Nicholas', Seaford, 10.30 am