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word and action,
growing in care, love and service.*



The Grapevine

Newsletter of the Western Fleurieu Anglicans, Diocese of The Murray, SA

Celebrating Easter, 2021



Sunday 28th March

PALM SUNDAY

Normal service times (*see p. 12*)

Thursday 1st April

MAUNDY THURSDAY

St Margaret's, McLaren Vale 7 pm

Ecumenical service Seaford Christian Churches 7.30 pm



Friday 2nd April

GOOD FRIDAY

Ecumenical service Seaford Christian Churches 10 am

Stations of the Cross St Ann's, Aldinga 10 am

Stations of the Cross Christ Church, Yankalilla 9 am

Saturday 3rd April

EASTER EVE

Easter Vigil; Service of Light

St Stephen's Willunga 7 pm



Sunday 4th April

EASTER DAY

Christ Church Yankalilla 9 am

St Ann's Aldinga 9 am

St Margaret's McLaren Vale 10.30 am

St Nicholas' Seaford 10.30 am



We are thankful that we are able to go ahead with our Easter services this year, but please be advised that due to continuing COVID regulations we may have to do some things differently!

If you have news of coming events or noteworthy happenings in the Pastoral District of Southern Vales to share with the rest of the parish, please contact the Editor, Anne Chittleborough, at 23 Esplanade, Pt Willunga ph 8556 5078 or email machit5@bigpond.com.au, preferably by the 15th March

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



A word from Deacon Pete Giving Up For Lent.

In Lent we practice various forms of self sacrifice. This could be anything from not eating chocolate to making an extra time to pray early in the morning. It is all about reflecting on the sacrifice Jesus made for us.

Have you thought about what it is that God asks of us? What is it we need to give to God in our devotion to Him?

Our baptism is the answer. Traditionally in ancient Christendom Easter was the time people were baptised as new followers of Christ. God asks us to live absolutely contrary to the way the world thinks. In baptism the traditional way is that we are submerged under the water, signifying dying to our old nature. This means laying aside our selfish ways and inviting God's self to become our new nature. So in "giving up" we are abundantly blessed. Blessed because, as in baptism, we rise into a new life in Christ. Lent is a time to magnify what it means to follow Jesus daily; our whole life is now living Lent.

The more we seek, want and understand our need to have the nature of Christ in our lives, the less it is that following Christ is a task. His joy, His peace, His love become part of who we are. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the life" and we become the evidence of this because we have given up to God the biggest thing we have — our lives.

Deacon Pete



Praying the Lenten Circle

Seaford Christian Churches is hosting an Ecumenical Lenten Reflection Program, on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10.45 – 12.00 noon (*see p. 7*) The program involves reflection on

and sharing the Lenten Sunday gospels and their invitation to us in our daily lives.

Lenten Study Booklets are available for a gold coin donation to cover printing costs

"Walking with Jesus"

A John Birch series of five Lenten Bible studies, St Margaret's, McLaren Vale, Wednesdays 10 am, Christ Church, Yankalilla Thursdays 10 am St Ann's Aldinga Thursdays 7 pm
It's not too late to join!

Lenten Quiet Day

at St Ann's Aldinga
Wednesday 17th March 9.30—3.00
All welcome.

Leader: The Rev'd Philip Carter
(previously Director of the Julian Centre for Spirituality, Diocese of Adelaide).

9.30 Eucharist at St Ann's, followed by morning tea
10.30 first address and beginning of silence
12.30 Second address, followed by lunch
2.30 final address and time for questions and comments.
Please book in (8556 5078)
Tea & coffee provided; BYO lunch

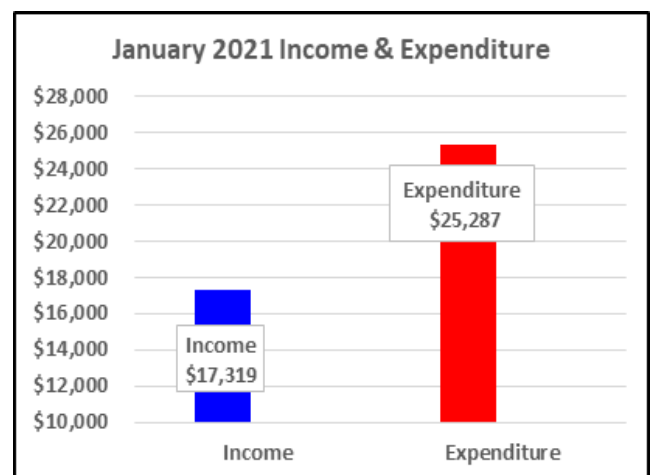
Snippets from WFA Council 9th February

McLaren Vale site: While there was discussion and concern expressed about the number of car parks available to us, and it was recognised that there were still issues to be resolved concerning items currently held on the site, the WFA Council agreed to accept the terms of the contract as agreed to. [The contract to be signed on 4th March.]

Priest's Report: Fr Brenton reported that he was getting around as much as possible in Br Simon's absence. WFA would pay his excess travelling.

Parish Restructuring The Bishop's Draft Proposal for parish restructuring would require special roles and training for Parish Councillors and Vestry Representatives. There would be implications for vestry appointments (although any Pre-Vestry appointments already made would have been made under the old system). Training would be required for some roles and responsibilities. Proposed changes would have to be taken to the Synod for adoption.

At St Margaret's a funeral had been held outside under the trees, to make the numbers attending, COVID-safe. St James' Delamere will be celebrating their sesquicentenary in July.



In presenting her financial report for January, the Treasurer noted that the expenditure was higher because it included the carpark work at St Stephen's.

For your Diary ...

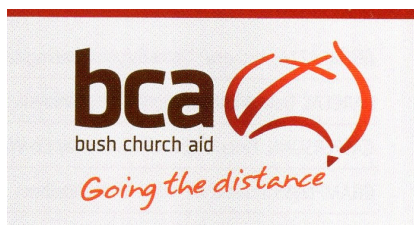
We're not out of the woods yet! Dates and events listed here may yet be subject to change due to COVID regulations. Keep in touch with your church for all updates.

March

Mon 1 st	Mothers' Union (SV) 9.30 am, 65 Endeavour Drive, Seaford Rise
Thurs 4 th	Yankadelly Council 4 pm Old School
Fri 5 th	World day of Prayer, McLaren Vale Uniting Church, 7 pm
	Family tea, St Margaret's 6 for 6.30 pm
Sun 7 th	Clean Up Australia Day (see p. 11) Gold Coin Donation for Pastoral Care Workers
Tues 9 th	WFA Council 7 pm, St Ann's
Wed 10 th	Maggie's Mates 11.15 am
Sat 13 th	Saturday Night Out (see p. 6)
Sun. 14 th	MOTHERING SUNDAY Vestry meeting 2 pm St Nicholas', Seaford Schools Ministry service 5 pm Almond Grove Family Church (see p. 5)
Mon 15 th	Mothers' Union (Yankalilla/Delamere) 2 pm
Wed 17 th	PATRICK Lenten Quiet Day, St Ann's (see p. 2)
Thurs 18 th	Prayers for Peace St Ann's 11.15 am (changed day)
Fri 19 th	JOSEPH St Nicholas' luncheon 12.30 (Bookings 8392 4508) & Fellowship 1 pm Home Group Seaford Rise 6 for 6.30 pm Enquiries: 0408 763 652
Sat 20 th	Jumble Sale, St Ann's (see p. 11)
Sun 21 st	The Sands variety Concert, 2 pm (see p. 6)
Tues 23 rd	Friends of St Ann's 6.50 for 7 (changed day)
Thurs 25 th	ANNUNCIATION MU Lady Day service, Mt Barker (see p. 5)
Fri 26 th	Family tea, St Ann's, 6.30 pm
Sun 28	PALM SUNDAY

April

Thurs 1 st	MAUNDY THURSDAY St Margaret's 7 pm Ecumenical service Seaford Christian Churches (SCC) 7.30 pm
Fri 2 nd	GOOD FRIDAY Stations of the Cross Christ Church 9 am Ecumenical service SCC 10 am Stations of the Cross St Ann's 10 am Easter Eve Service of Light St Stephen's 7 pm
Sat 3 rd	EASTER DAY
Sun 4 th	Christ Church 9 am St Ann's 9 am St Margaret's 10.30 am St Nicholas' 10.30 am Yankadelly Council Meeting 4 pm Old School
Thurs 8 th	Saturday Night Out
Sat 10 th	ACH Yankalilla service 2 pm
Sun 11 th	WFA Council 7 pm, St Ann's
Tues 13 th	Maggie's Mates 11.15 am
Wed 14 th	St Nicholas' luncheon 12.30 (Bookings 8392 4508) & Fellowship 1 pm
Fri 16 th	Home Group Seaford Rise 6 for 6.30 pm St Nicholas' Fellowship 1 pm Home Group Seaford Rise 6 for 6.30
Mon 19 th	Mothers' Union (Yankalilla/Delamere)
Thurs 20 th	Prayers for Peace St Ann's 11.15 am
Fri 23 rd	Family tea, St Ann's, 6.30 pm
Sat 24 th	Working on walls, St Ann's
Sun 25 th	ANZAC Day



March is BCA box month.

With a heart for people living in remote and regional Australia, BCA supports ministries all around the country.

See <https://www.bushchurchaid.com.au>
Please hand your box to your Wardens, or phone Wendy on 0414 848 040.



ABM Lent Appeal
Donations to the Anglican Board of Mission's Lent Appeal go to support a community development project

for young people in the Philippines, train students at St John's Theological Seminary in Zambia, and fund missional initiatives led by Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander people.

For more information see their website, abmission.org.
Electronic transfer, envelopes available at your church, or start an ABM mission box.

News from St Margaret's, McLaren Vale

February was a very busy month, starting with all official positions being declared void. At St Margaret's that involved four of us who had to re-apply: Julia Drought - Organist, Eucharistic Assistant, Pastoral Carer, Home Communion and Synod Rep; Jac Hocking - Sunday School Teacher/Childrens' ministry and Lay Reader; Greg John - Warden, Lay reader, Organist and Pastoral Carer; Judy Wells - Warden, Eucharistic Assistant, Home Communion, Lay Reader and Sacristan. These positions were reconfirmed at a special Parish Council Meeting on the 2nd February. Julia, Jac and Judy updated their qualifications by attending a Safe Environments for Children and Young Adults course the next Sunday afternoon, at St Nicholas (see p. 7). It was very interesting.

We had our first Friday in the month supper as usual and although numbers were down slightly, the conversation was cheerful.

The big news is that the Parish Council at its meeting on 09/02/2021 voted to accept the terms of the lease for St Margaret's once it is sold to the James Brown Memorial Trust (owners of Kalyra). The sale was confirmed the next day with Settlement in March.

On the 10th, Maggie's Mates met formally for the first time in over 9 months to discuss the up coming Shrove Tuesday Pancake Picnic in the Park (*next column*). Thank you very much, Julia, for all your hard work, it was a great evening. Fr Brenton and Greg John missed the meeting as the bimonthly services at the nursing homes have recommenced and they had an appointment at Kalyra.

Shrove Tuesday was on the 16th and the following day an Ash Wednesday Service was held at St Margaret's at 9:00 am. Due to COVID restrictions Fr Brenton received the ashes on behalf of all of us. The first Lenten Study followed straight after in the hall.

Finally for this month we held our pre-vestry meeting at St

Parker May, daughter of James and Maree Hopgood was baptised by Fr Brenton at St Margaret's on 6th February. It was a lot for her to take in!



Margaret's on the 21st February. Judy Wells has been put forward as the People's Warden and Julia Drought as Synod Rep.

Thank you to all members of the congregation, I do not think there is one of you who has not completed some task or tasks necessary for the continuation of our Church and Ministry.

Keep safe and God be with you

Greg John and Judy Wells (Church Wardens)



Shrove Tuesday, or "Pancakes in the Park" as I named it, went very smoothly thanks to the troops of helpers who came. Very sincere gratitude and thanks to: Girl Guides from Willunga and McLaren Vale, McLaren Vale Rotary Club, Little Sisters Choir, Old Speed Coffee Co., Harvest The Fleurieu (for donating the best strawberries ever!) and Mark from The Meeting Place. And, of course, to our church community, Jane Cuthbert, Judith Wells and a whole army of pancake makers and cooks.

Apart from all those helpers, the turnout was a bit disappointing, but I've learnt quite a bit about social media and advertising and I will be applying the lessons learned, next year!

Thanks and praise to Jesus, our Special Guest

Julia Drought

More photos online, p. 13



"Take up your cross and follow me". Made by Jac Hocking from off-cuts from her apple tree, for the Prayer, Praise and Proclamation service on the 28th February.

Vale - Fr Percy Leske



Percy was born in 1926 in Freeling in the Barossa Valley. After school he went to Sydney Missionary and Bible College for two years and then was advised to get some work experience. He returned to SA and worked at the paper mill near Millicent. He would ride his bike into Millicent as he taught Sunday School at the Lutheran and Methodist Churches, and it was here that he met Betty.

After finishing his studies he applied to CMS and in 1951, he went to Roper River Mission (now called Ngukurr) in Arnhem Land, NT, as a schoolteacher and was there for two years. On September 5th 1953 he married Betty. They were to be blessed with four children. With Betty he returned to Roper River, where he was Superintendent of the mission, being responsible for the day to day running of the mission and Aboriginal community. He

continued in this role until 1967.

In 1968 he and Betty moved to Darwin and lived in the CMS headquarters. He was appointed Field Superintendent, with responsibility for places such as Groote Eylandt, Oenpelli, Ngukurr, and Numbulwar. In 1979 a move to Melbourne enabled Percy to study Theology at Ridley College whilst living at the CMS training centre nearby.

He was ordained in Darwin on 24th February 1980 and was appointed Rector of the Numbulwar Parish, where he remained until the end of 1983. He was honoured with an MBE in 1982 for his "Service to Religion and the Aboriginal Community".

In 1984 a move was made to Winchelsea, Victoria where he was Rector for seven and a half years. He became involved in the gardening club and won awards for his flowers.

Retirement enabled a move to Adelaide, eventually settling in Seaford Rise and being involved in SEM (SCC). During his first ten years in SA Percy worked for BCA in the north west of WA during the winter months, doing locum ministry.

From 2009 Percy's health declined. In 2019 he and Betty moved to Resthaven Residential Care in Aberfoyle Park.

All who knew Percy remembered him for his quiet nature, his wit, wisdom, and faithfulness. On the 8th of February 2021, he passed away suddenly and peacefully with Betty by his side.

Helen Cook



Southern Vales Schools Ministry

The 2021 Celebration service for SV Pastoral Care Workers will be held on

Sunday March 14th
at 5.00 pm at

Almond Grove Family Church
The Granary, 32 Old Main South Rd,
Aldinga SA 5173

*Light refreshments after the
Celebration service*

Supporting our Pastoral Care Workers (Chaplains)

As schools get under way in 2021 our gold coin donations and special efforts like the sausage sizzle are very much needed. There are currently 263 PCWs in SA, and more Pastoral Care Workers are needed especially for the new Aldinga School, which can't apply for funds to support a PCW during the first year. (The Schools Ministry Group may be asked to help with the funding during this time.)

During the pandemic the PCWs have worked on a wellness programme in all the schools and are especially conscious of mental health issues that can arise as a direct result of the COVID restrictions. Schools now have the opportunity of adding money to pay for extra hours for the PCWs in their schools.

Come on the 14th and hear their stories.



Diocese of
The Murray

Celebrating Lady Day

Christ the King, Mount Barker
Thursday 25th March
11 am

The celebration of the annunciation to Mary by the angel Gabriel that she would conceive a son by the Holy Spirit: - Jesus, the Son of God.
Celebrant and speaker – MU Chaplain, Fr Daniel Irvine

Tea & coffee will be available prior to the Service
BYO lunch (NO SHARED PLATTERS)

Trading table – please bring some items

MU Southern Vales Branch will not be meeting in April.

Next meeting 3rd May at the
Information Centre, McLaren Vale

Enquiries: Trish Frith 8556 2604 or



As part of Pastoral Visiting, the guide for a *Sunday Table Service* continues to be distributed to Willunga families and available to visitors on a Saturday morning.

The Saturday Night Out dinner was held on February 13th at the Willunga Hotel. The next Saturday Night Out will be held on March 13th. Bookings 0410 548 040.

Thank you to Bob Davis for painting the outside of the toilet and putting finishing touches to the new window. Wendy Sandercock and Joan Lunn continue to

prepare the church for the Saturday service. Thanks to Julie Bennett for providing the beautiful flowers during late January and early February.

The reconstruction of the roadway around the church that enabled the Saturday morning parking first stage has been completed. The next stage will involve placement of logs to indicate parking bays and the spreading of slate scree around the church to indicate the edge of the roadway. Then a heritage fence along the western edge of the roadway to create a shaded rest area with seating and tables. Thanks to Ben Lacey for the posts to make the parking bay logs. Positive comments on the parking area reconstruction continue from the Saturday morning parkers.

The St Stephen's Friends have agreed to continue a lay-led fifth Saturday evening *Evening Prayer with hymns* service. Fr Brenton enjoyed a Saturday evening at home.

St Stephen's continues to be open on **Saturday mornings** for prayer or a chat; People drop in out of curiosity, or because of family ties with the church, or simply because they like old churches! Many a conversation is held in the shade of the old and much admired peppercorn tree. The grounds continue to be available for safe parking.

Ted Sandercock & John Strachan



I have loved the Easter Eve Vigil and the Coming of the Light ever since the first one I attended in dramatic darkness at the old church of St Philip & St James, Old Noarlunga.

The service begins with the Coming of the Light. The congregation traditionally gathers in darkness outside the church (although sadly, this year, with daylight saving continuing until Easter Day, it will still be light at 7 pm). A new fire is lit and blessed—often a battle with the wind—and a Paschal Candle is lit and carried into the darkened church where the light is spread to the candles held by the congregation.

Four readings and accompanying psalms now tell the story of the work of God since the beginning of time, and traditionally, baptisms are held at this time. The climax of the service is the celebration of the Eucharist.

It's a beautiful service, and a wonderful introduction to Easter Day. All are welcome to join in.

Anne Chittleborough



THE SANDS VARIETY CONCERT

The Sands Lifestyle Village,
670 Grand Blvd, Seaford

Sunday 21st March 2 pm in the The Sands Hall

Featuring Greg John, Baritone, Guest Artists and Residents
Tickets \$6.

(\$5 for Disadvantaged Young Australians, through
Mission Australia, and \$1 for Devonshire tea)
Tickets from Cathy More (Unit 107) 8392 4707



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News from St Nicholas', Seaford

The year seems to be moving along quickly, with Lent already begun, Easter on the horizon and the promise of some sort of normality in our daily lives.

Worship has again been varied as Fr Ted is still recovering from his recent illness and is happy to share the Sunday morning duties at the moment. Fr Brenton took our service on the First Sunday this month, it was a joy to have him with us. We haven't had the opportunity to hear him preach for quite a while so it was a double benefit to us. Dn Peter assisted as usual on the second Sunday and Fr Bob Hupfeld and Gerrie joined us for the third Sunday, staying for morning tea and the opening of our Pre-Vestry Meeting.

Our Family Service on the 28th February saw Fr Ted taking a larger part including the communion service. We must try not to tire him out too much!!

Our plans are well in place for Mothering Sunday on the 14th March and our Palm Crosses are ready for Palm Sunday (they have spent a while in the freezer – from last year—but happily defrosted really well).

We had some sad news early in the month with the passing of Fr Percy Leske. He and Betty moved to residential care a while ago, and lately Fr Percy had been less active. His passing was peaceful –sitting with Betty between dinner and dessert he fell into his final sleep – and we are sure he would have had a joke about that!! As Fr Ted was still not up to par, Fr Alex Stone, at Betty's request, was invited to take Fr Percy's funeral service with Fr Ted assisting. As the Leskes' wider family was in NSW we had a few frantic moments wondering if all could gather, with emails going everywhere in preparation for the service. The service on Friday the 19th

February was a testament to Fr Percy's life, work and witness. People attended from all over, members from other denominations at SCC, the local ARPA group and mission societies as well as friends and family, and it was also "Live Streamed" to those in Darwin and other areas who could not attend. We had to use the large worship space to ensure we could accommodate everyone and be COVID safe. It was a lovely service, with stories from Percy's life, an array of photos from woe to go, great hymns and scones jam and cream afterwards as we reflected on the Percy we knew.

Our Pre Vestry was held on the 21st February, with Helen Cook being put forward as People's Warden and Joan Dare as our Synod Representative, with Helen as her substitute if needed.

Bible Study is going ahead really well, with two groups meeting on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 10.45 am. Time for coffee beforehand or lunch afterwards in the café. We have approx. 8-10 in each group and we are following a weekly study of the upcoming readings, with time for discussion and reflection. The study is ecumenical, with Sr Bernie leading the Wednesday group and Helen Cook leading the Tuesday group. It is hoped that this will lead on to regular Bible Studies at the centre.

Fellowship Group has decided to try Kytons' hot cross buns as a way of raising money. (Kytons are prepacking to order sheets so no extra handling for us—just delivery) They will open the fundraiser to all of Western Fleurieu, so watch out for order forms at the back of your centre. They should be arriving on 7th March, with orders and payment due back the following week on the 14th March, and delivery in time for Palm Sunday.

Helen Cook & Jane Cuthbert Wardens

WFA Safe Ministry Training 2021

With a large number of people holding office in the parish having to update their Safe Ministry certificates, a Safe Ministry Refresher Course was held at St Nicholas' on the 7th February, led by Fr Brenton Daulby (*inset*). L-R: Felicity Warrington, Julia Drought (*back*), Christine Gunn, Fr Bob Hupfeld, Margaret Ray, Cathy More, Bill Cale, Jane Cuthbert, Julie Bennett, Helen Cook (*back*), Margaret Cale, Brian McMillan, Julianne Bates, David Nitschke, Belinda Rosser, Lorraine Nitschke, Lynn King, Ron King, Heather Chapman, Dn Peter Chapman, Anne Chittleborough, Judith Wells (*back*), Trish Frith, Joan Dare, Gillian Clampett, Wendy Sandercock, John Strachan, Fr Brenton, Ted Sandercock, Jac Hocking



The Story of a Hymn Brian McMillan, Choir master

Fanny Crosby (1820-1915), who, after her marriage, was also known as Frances Jane van Alstyne, wrote the words of the Hymn “To God be the glory”, of which the chorus is

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord;

let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,

and give him the glory; great things he has done.

Although she penned the words of more than 9,000 hymns, publishing under her maiden and married names and under “a bewildering variety of pseudonym and initials (216 have been recognised¹)”, that is the only one which appears in *The Australian Hymn Book* (1977) and in *Together in Song* (1999): that hymn, and “Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine”, appear in *Singing the Faith* (2011). In contrast, *The Methodist Hymn Book* (1933) includes those two hymns and another six.

Fanny Crosby was blind from the age of six weeks, and was educated, and subsequently taught, at the New York City Institute for the Blind, between 1835 and 1848. In 1858 she married Chester Alexander van Alstyne (1831-1902), a blind musician. By 1864 she was a well-known writer of poetry and songs, and, sustained by her Christian faith, she turned to the writing of hymns, thanks to the suggestion in that regard by William Batchelder Bradbury (1816-1868), a music performer, composer and successful publisher

“To God be the glory” first appeared in *Songs of Devotion* (1870) by William Howard Doane (1832-1915), who wrote the tune for this hymn. He was a frequent collaborator as composer with Fanny Crosby as author,

and their technique varied: sometimes he would compose a tune and she would say “That tune says to me . . .” and write the words accordingly (as occurred with “Jesus, keep me near the Cross”); on other occasions she would provide the words and he supply the tune (as occurred with “I am Thine, O Lord, I have heard Thy voice” of which she dictated the words to him in the course of their discussion “about what a wonderful thing it is to enjoy the nearness of God, to feel his presence, to delight in his love . . . The next morning, Doane added the music.”

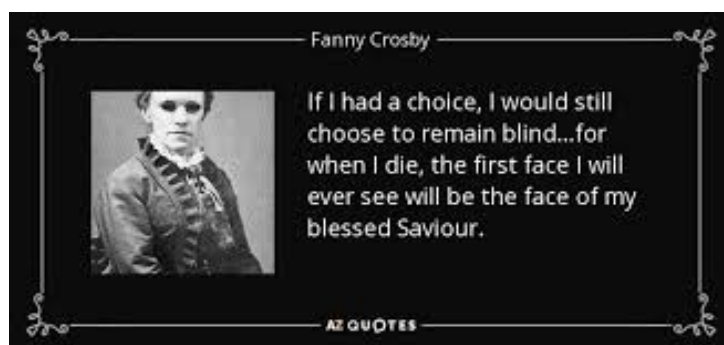
This hymn became popular in England after its use by Ira D. Sankey (1840-1908) in the 1873-1875 Evangelistic Campaign by Dwight L. Moody (1837-1899). It became popular in the United States only after the Billy Graham Crusade used it there, having discovered it during the British Crusade (1954).

It was hard to discourage Fanny Crosby. Joy was a characteristic of her life . . . Crosby herself acknowledged “Darkness may throw a shadow over my outer vision, but there is no cloud that can keep the sunlight of hope from a trustful soul”.

¹ *Songs of the People of God*, p. 223

² *The Complete Book of Hymns* by William J Petersen & Ardythe Petersen, p. 337

³ *The Complete Book of Hymns*, p. 384



Blokes on Bikes

A new men's group is being formed in the Parish. For some time, it has been on David Nitschke's mind that there is a need for a group which would enable the men of our churches to meet together for a fun and fellowship activity.

David has been an avid bike rider since a boyhood spent riding bikes around the mullock heaps of the old Bendigo gold mines. He maintained that interest at Park Holme. Now that

he is a resident of Seaford Rise, he has at last completed the ride from his home to Willunga (and then back again!) along the old train route, now known as the *Coast to Vines Rail Trail*. David mentioned this ride to a few men in the Parish, who were quite enthusiastic about this, and out of that grew the idea of a men's group based on bikes and bike riding. There are a number of interesting trails around the Vales, which would enable the group to ride and enjoy some good male fellowship, maybe even finding a coffee shop/bakery at some point to stop and refuel!

Any men/boys/boys-at-heart who would like to dust off their old treadleys and break out the bike shorts are encouraged to contact David Nitschke (0408 763 654) to indicate their interest.

Lycra is not a prerequisite!

Lorraine Nitschke



News from Yankalilla & Delamere

Pancakes!

Christ Church and St James' Delamere held a free pancake tea at the Youth Park in Yankalilla on Shrove Tuesday (R). This was the second year of this and a different venue was chosen this year as it allowed a local coffee van to attend.

Almost forty people attended and were treated to a wide variety of savoury and sweet pancakes made by our parishioners and warmed up as needed on the BBQ at the park. Salad was also available. It was an opportunity for the congregation to get together socially and to make contact with other people outside the church.

More photos in the on-line supplement, p. 14



Farewell and thanks

February 28th was a bittersweet day for Christ Church and St James'. A BBQ lunch was held for two couples (R) who have been stalwarts of our parish and have left us to move nearer family. Lyn and Ann Gardiner have lived in Yankalilla for 46 years and John and Margaret Morgan have lived in Inman Valley for 16 years.

Dr Lyn Gardiner opened a practice in Yankalilla and contributed to the community in many ways including being on-call to emergencies in the area and was often called out to traffic accidents and other emergencies. In a previous life Lyn was the Chief Medical Officer at RAAF Amberley in QLD. Both Lyn and Ann were involved in the CFS and were very involved with Christ Church during their whole time here. Between them they have fulfilled every role possible both in the church itself and on the various committees and councils behind the scenes. Ann's floral arrangements always brightened the church. Lyn and Ann have "retired" to Pasadena which moves them nearer to family members. They plan to return to Christ Church whenever possible and are keeping their home in Yankalilla.

John and Margaret Morgan have been in the district for 16 years and have been involved with many different areas of the community. Margaret was probably best known for her work with the historical society and her knowledge of the history of the Fleurieu makes her an invaluable



Above (L-R): Lyn & Ann Gardiner, John & Margaret with Fr Brenton. More photos on-line, p. 13

member of the society. Both John and Margaret have held most of the positions in the church and in the backroom positions. Until the amalgamation with the Southern Vales, John was the treasurer of the Christ Church and St James parish and up until leaving the area was responsible for opening the church every morning. John and Margaret have bought a house in Aldinga near to their family. Margaret plans to maintain contact with the historical society.

Both couples have made valuable contributions to the parish and will be missed by everybody. We wish them all the best for the future.

Ron King

Celebrating Barbara Robertson

Paintings by noteworthy SA artist Barbara Robertson will be on display in Christ Church Yankalilla's hall during the 2021 Festival Fleurieu, 11 am to 3 pm on 3-5, 7, 9, 10 & 14th April.



Barbara studied at the National Gallery of Victoria in the late 1940s, and on her return she painted to acclaim and taught at Adelaide Girls High School. She spent the last 15 years of her life at Yankalilla where she was a regular worshipper, and gifted a group of her paintings to the church in the 1980s and 1990s. They make a strong statement about the artist's religious ideas, her concern for the environment and her love of Indigenous peoples. Several of the paintings were based on the face of David Gulpulil. Some seldom-seen paintings from private collections will also be on display, and a limited number of secular works from her family will be for sale.

More information from the Festival Fleurieu website.

Family Service 7th February 2021

The Theme for this Service was *What does God want of me this week?*

We read from and then reviewed Chapter 1 of Mark's Gospel, noting the significant number of activities in which Jesus was engaged. As Mark says elsewhere there was constant coming and going, and the next morning, it all began again, as Jesus and the Disciples left for the next village, and the ones after that, preaching and healing all through Galilee.

For our purposes, the most significant occurrence, the morning after the activities mentioned, was quite different:

While it was still night, way before dawn, Jesus got up and went out to a secluded spot and prayed.

We saw this as a very powerful reminder that we as individuals, we as "The Church", must take time away from all our business – "busy-ness" – secular and sacred – to be with, to be open to, God. In our Gathering Prayer we asked "... help us ... to listen as you speak to our hearts, so that we may be better prepared to serve you in the week to come", and in a quiet period each of us wrote down, to take home and consider, the answer to our question *What does God want of me this week?*

Peter's Poem

During the Family Service, Deacon Peter Chapman shared the following poem which he had written:

You are the peace inside us
You are our quiet place
Even if the world is spinning
When we think we've lost the race.

In the rush of life Lord,
There is a flood of things to do.
Help me to be still,
To find that peace in you.

In the stress of chores,
And keeping things just right
Help me see your presence,
In the quiet times of night.

When family are demanding,
So many needs to meet
Help our hearts to listen,
resting at your feet.

When the day is over,
And we are all recovering
We thank you dear Jesus,
It is you, we are discovering.

Service 21 February 2021

At this Service Father Bob Hupfeld opened to us the First Letter of St Peter, Chapter 3, Verses 18-22 which, in *The Message*, include

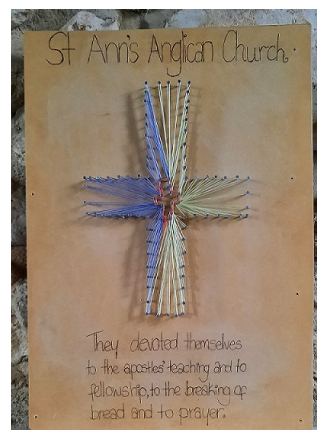
... That's what Christ did definitively: suffered because of others' sins, the Righteous One for the unrighteous ones. He went through it all—was put to death and then made alive—to bring us to God. He went and proclaimed God's salvation to earlier generations who ended up in the prison of judgment because they wouldn't listen. You know, even though God waited patiently all the days that Noah built his ship, only a few were saved then, eight to be exact—saved *from* the water *by* the water. The waters of baptism do that for you, not by washing away dirt from your skin but by presenting you through Jesus' resurrection before God with a clear conscience ...

Father Bob referred to the chorus of the hymn "To God be the glory", and in particular to the phrase "O come to the Father through Jesus the Son" to emphasise and summarise his key message. *Brian McMillan*

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Thursday Night Bible Studies (see p. 2) are being enjoyed, with about 10 participants. Join us at 7 pm!

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One of our young parishioners has returned to us recently and felt moved to create a work of string art, in appreciation of the warm welcome she felt she has been given over the years. In it, she explains how she sees the way God works in the congregation at St Ann's. The larger and colourful cross represents individuals coming together and crossing each others' paths as we support and encourage one another. At the centre is the Cross of our Saviour and Lord, holding us all in His hands.

When asked how she chose the inscription, she said that she asked the Holy Spirit to give her the scripture that best describes how she saw things working at St Ann's. The following was given to her from Acts 2:42: "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer."

Thank you Fiona for such a loving tribute. May we be found worthy of such a noble calling in Christ.

Julianne Bates

From St Ann's, (cont'd)



In the shelter by Maxwells Grocery, Julianne Bates serves Peter Chapman. Bill Higginson (L) and Barry Bates look on.



Each season, our sacristan, Gillian Clampett uses her creative skills to decorate a small corner at the front of the church. One parishioner, during a recent service, commented on how such a simple display had such a powerful impact on her. We are so thankful that the Lord uses the small things to speak to us in profound ways.

Julianne Bates



In past years we have been blessed by a visit by Shadow the donkey (or, on one occasion, her daughter) for the Palm Sunday procession at St Ann's. Last year, although Shadow was prepared to come, the church was closed due to COVID.

This year we hope that she will be with us again, but we have no way to bring her from

her peaceful home under the olives at Sellicks down to St Ann's, and take her back. We are hoping that somewhere there is someone with a horse float who will volunteer to help us (from about 8.30-9.30 am, Sunday 28th March). *If you can help, or know someone who might be able to, please contact Trish Frith 8556 2604 or Anne Chittleborough*

Shrove Tuesday

Our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Day was a successful event, if a hot one, with customers of Maxwells' being given a free pancake and a pamphlet explaining the reason for pancakes, and advertising the times of the Easter services. Pancakes were enjoyed by members of the congregation and by other customers (about 50 people all told) and there were some interesting conversations held on the subject.

Thank you, all who cooked, served—and ate!

Trish McDonald & Anne Chittleborough

Clean Up Australia Day, 7th March

The Friends of St Ann's have again decided that, after the Family Service, we will participate in the Clean Up, followed by a Sausage Sizzle. We plan to include apposite prayers in the service, including:

Lord, we pray that people everywhere become more caring towards the environment in which they live, and that politicians, planners and developers seriously consider environmental concerns when making decisions.

Brian McMillan



Each week the choir is welcomed with the enticing aroma of brewed coffee and delectable treats artfully arranged and served by David Nitsche after practice at St Ann's. Thankyou David!

Julia Drought

St Ann's Jumble Sale

**Saturday
20th March
8.30—12.30**

**Books
Plants
Clothes
Cake stall
Bric-a-brac
Sausage Sizzle
Devonshire Teas**



COVID-safe practices to be observed.

Quality goods needed, and volunteers. Please avoid Friday morning drop-off as the Room will be in use by U3A at that time.

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St Gargoyl's



Simon had given up chocolate
for Lent

Service times & contact details

St Margaret's, 99 Main Road McLaren Vale

Sunday: 10.30 am

Wednesday: 9.00 am

Wardens:

Greg John 0405 053 331

Judith Wells 8186 1296

St Stephen's, St Andrews Tce, Willunga

Saturday: 5.30 pm

Wardens:

Ted Sandercock 0410 548 040

John Strachan 0407 605 152

St Ann's, 7 Stonehouse Lane, Aldinga

Sunday: 9 am

Wardens:

Julianne Bates 0422 817 169

Brian McMillan 8557 6984

St Nicholas', Seaford, Seaford Christian Churches

Sunday 10.30 am

Fifth Sundays in the month: a 10 am

combined Ecumenical service with the
Uniting Church and the Church of Christ.

Wardens:

Jane Cuthbert 0407 651 606

Helen Cook 0427 679 787 or 8386 3689

Christ Church, Yankalilla

1st, 2nd & 3rd Sundays – 9.00 am

4th Sunday – 11.00 am

5th Sunday – Combined Service

Wardens:

Lynn King 0421 332 399

Belinda Rosser 0411 591 628

St James, Delamere

2nd Sunday – 11.00 am

4th Sunday – 9.00 am

5th Sunday – Combined Service

Wardens:

Peter Filsell 0427 534 095

Ann Ryan - 8598 0227

*Where there is a Fifth Sunday in a month,
service times are likely to be different. Please
check pewsheets, noticeboards and website
for details.*

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Pancakes at McLaren Vale
(see p. 4)



Hard work—but time to smile!

Above: Michael Drought, Judith Wells, Jane Cuthbert

Below: Helen Blake, with Nettie Mitchell, from the Sisters of Abundance Choir



...and L – just for fun — Brian McMillan enjoying the grapes in season after choir practice

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**Pancakes at the Youth Park,
Yankalilla (see p. 12)**



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**Yankalilla & Delamere
Farewell and thanks to
Lyn & Ann Gardiner,
John & Margaret Morgan
(see p. 9)**



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Aldinga: Pancakes at Maxwells'
(see p. 11)



Taste tested by David Nitschke, and enjoyed by all!

A: L-R: Trish McDonald, Margaret Cale, Barry Bates, Dorothy Milde, Heather Chapman and her friend Liz.

B: Some of the other Maxwells customers who shared the day

C: L-R: Fiona Broadbent, David Nitschke, Trish Frith, Patrusca Birkett, Barbara Walter, Val Higginson



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**February Family Tea at St Ann's
—another BBQ**

A: Cath Davidson, Barbara Walter,
Patrusca Birkett, Valerie Higginson

B: Ryan Alsop, Fiona Broadbent,
Tristan Simon

C: Dorothy and Ken Milde, Patrusca
Birkett

D: Chefs at work — Ken Milde, Barry
Bates, Bill Higginson

