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



The Grapevine

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Photo Mark Taylor

The Blessing of the Fleece

Combined Service at Delamere

(See pp. 2 & 5, and on-line supplement pp.14-16)

The Blessing of the Fleece: A word from Fr Brenton



What an amazing day!

I didn't go to church; church came to me. Yes, it came to me in a shearing shed at Deep Creek on the Ryans' property, for the Blessing of the Fleece. No nice stone building, shiny

brass candlesticks or altar cloth, no stained glass windows, not a cross anywhere. We meandered along the dusty road in ones and twos a bit like lost sheep (some did get lost) coming to the shelter and safety of the shearing shed. A simple service where we worshipped and gave thanks for God's creation, the men and women who work the land and the care they give their stock, and the abundance of produce. A diverse group of people who heard a message of God's love and forgiveness and welcome. Of a God who loves us so much that even when we stray and scatter and stop following Him, we are forgiven—forgiven 100% and welcomed back into His fold like lost sheep. And we are not the only ones, for He has others not of this fold whom He will

forgive and welcome. We broke bread together, gave thanks, and joined in fellowship of a Christian community.

No matter what we do or how far we stray we can ask and receive God's forgiveness and accept his invitation for a welcome back. In the service there was an assurance of forgiveness including the words, "Extend to us your most gracious forgiveness, absolve us from our sins, release us from the past, renew us for the future and allow us in the power of the Holy Spirit to follow your example and to know the Father's will."

To know the Father's will. To know His comfort, His care, His support, His forgiveness. Alleluia to that! We give thanks to the creator of the universe, and when we stuff up a bit, we know that we can ask for, and receive, forgiveness to carry on.

Church is out there, folks. It is everywhere, wherever you meet and worship God, and what better place to give thanks for all we have than in the beautiful creation He has given us.

Fr Brenton



Around 65 people attended the Ryan family farm at Deep Creek on Sunday 31st October for the annual Blessing of the Fleece service. This was, as usual, held in the shearing shed and was a "thank you" for all the blessings we receive from the land and an offering of thanks for those who work the land. Joining in the worship were parishioners from around our churches, local farmers, and members of the schools' Pastoral Care Workers team.

The service was led by Fr Brenton Dick with Fr Peter Randle giving the "5 minute, or was it 55 minute?" sermon. God is not like Father Christmas, he said, keeping a checklist to see if we are doing too many bad things to get our Christmas presents. He welcomes us with love and forgiveness. And for some people, the only thing they will know about Jesus, is what they see in us. We are all ambassadors of Jesus' love.

After thanks and prayers for all the blessings we are gifted with, and the story of the eighth day of creation, we then adjourned to the Ryans' beautiful gardens for a BBQ lunch which was cooked by various members of the parish, with a great selection of salads to accompany the meat. These were followed by wonderful desserts supplied by parishioners.

The weather was a bit chilly at first but became very warm later and shade from the various trees around was welcome.

Thanks must go to Rob and Ann Ryan and their son Ben for the use of the property, and to the members of St James' church for managing a beautiful occasion.

Ron King



For your Diary ...

A reminder! Dates and events listed here may be subject to changes and conditions due to COVID regulations, so please keep in touch with your church for updates.

November

- Mon 1st** **ALL SAINTS**
SV Mothers' Union, McLaren Vale
Information Centre 9.30 am
- Tues 2nd** **ALL SOULS**
- Thurs 4th** Yankadelly, 4 pm
- Fri 5th** Family Tea, St Margaret's, 6 for 6.30 pm
Home Group Seaford Rise 6 for 6.30 pm
- Sun 7th** Gold Coin Collection for Pastoral Care
Workers
Seaford Christian Churches
25th Anniversary (see p. 8)
- Tues 9th** WFA Council 4 pm Delamere
- Wed 10th** "Maggie's Mates" 11.15 am
- Sat 13th** Jumble Sale, St Ann's (see p. 11)
Saturday Night Out (see p. 7)
- Sun 14th** ACH Yankalilla 5 pm
- Mon 15th** Yankalilla/Delamere MU 2 pm
- Tues 16th** Friends of St Ann's 6.50 for 7 pm
- Thurs 18th** Prayers for Peace, St Ann's 11.15 am
- Fri 19th** St Nicholas' Luncheon 12.30
& Fellowship 1 pm (Bookings
8392 4508)
Home Group Seaford Rise 6 for 6.30 pm
- Sun 21st** **CHRIST THE KING**
- Fri 26th** Family Tea, St Ann's 6.30 pm
- Tues 30th** **ANDREW**

Every Wednesday,
at St Margaret's, 99 Main Rd McLaren Vale,
Holy Communion 9 am
Followed by Bible Study 10-11 am
All welcome.

December

- Fri 3rd** Family Tea St Margaret's 6 for 6.30 pm
Home Group Seaford Rise 6 for 6.30 pm
- Sun 5th** Gold Coin Collection for Pastoral Care
Workers
- Mon 6th** SV Mothers' Union 9.30 at Info. Centre
- Tues 7th** Friends of St Ann's 6.50 for 7 pm
- Wed 8th** "Maggie's Mates" 11.15 am
- Thurs 9th** Working Bee, St Ann's 11 am
Yankadelly, 4 pm
- Sat 11th** Strawberry Fete, Yankalilla (see p. 5)
Saturday Night Out
- Sun 12th** ACH Yankalilla 5 pm
Carols In Your Car, Yankalilla (from 5 pm)
(see p. 5)
Parish Christmas Lunch, Aldinga Hotel
(details t b a)
- Tues 14th** WFA Council St Ann's 7 pm
- Thurs 16th** Prayers for Peace, St Ann's 11.15 am
- Fri 17th** St Nicholas' Luncheon 12.30
& Fellowship 1 pm (Bookings
8392 4508)
Home Group Seaford Rise 6 for 6.30 pm
- Sat 18th** Carol service, St Stephen's, 5.30 pm
- Mon 20th** Yankalilla/Delamere MU 2 pm
- Tues 21st** **THOMAS**
- Fri 24th** Christmas Eve
- Sat 25th** Christmas Day
- Sun 26th** **STEPHEN**
- Mon 27th** **JOHN**
- Tues 28th** **HOLY INNOCENTS**

**Christmas
services:
see below**



CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Friday 24th Christmas Eve

7 pm St James' Delamere

8.30 pm at St Margaret's, McLaren Vale. Carols on the lawns beforehand; strawberries and bubbles after the service.

9.30 pm at Christ Church, Yankalilla. Wear a Christmas hat. Christmas message for the kids.

Champers & strawberries afterwards.

Saturday 25th Christmas Day

9 am St Ann's, Aldinga

9 am Christ Church Yankalilla

9.30 am St Nicholas', Seaford

Sunday 26th Boxing Day/ St Stephen's Day

9 am Christ Church, Yankalilla

5.30 pm Combined service St Stephen's, Willunga (no service on Saturday 24th)

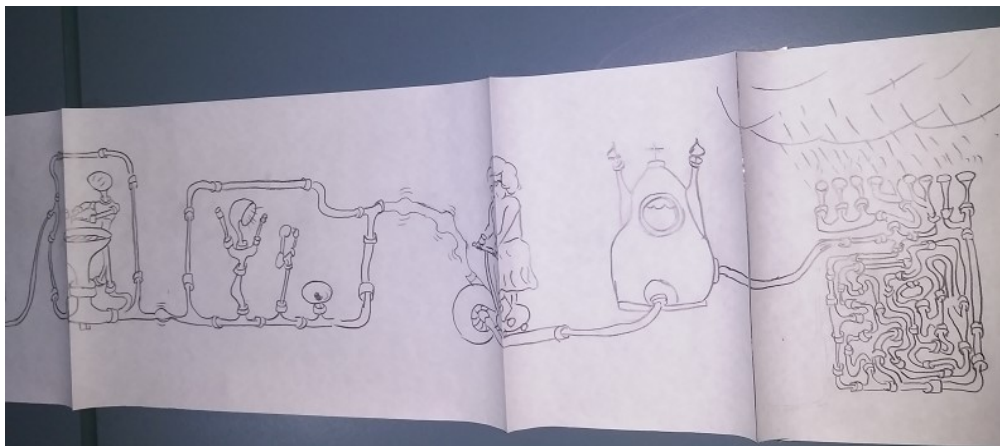
On Sunday 12th December there will be **Carols in your Car at Yankalilla** (see p. 5) and on Saturday 18th December a
Carol Service at St Stephen's, Willunga

Snippets from WFA Council October, 2021

Priest's report:

Br Simon delighted the council by unrolling a chart he had written "in a previous life" representing parish life and all its activities. It is to be hoped that the chart can be circulated to the churches so that everyone can see it. Following the connections on the chart, it was revealed that the whole thing was run by a little old lady on a treadmill! Not to be taken as literal truth, of course... although it could be said that a lot of the load is carried by a few.

The point he was making, though, was that we need to ask ourselves "What are we doing? Why? What is the effect of it?" It shouldn't be just management: we are here to reach into the community to share the Good News of God's Grace with current and future generations.



McLaren Vale Rectory

Adopting "Plan B" of the parish mission plan (see October *Grapevine* pp. 2 & 4) Br Simon and his family have moved back to the McLaren Vale rectory following the completion of some necessary repairs to make the building structurally sound. Thanks to help from a number of people, considerable costs were saved. The building had fallen into disrepair as it had been unoccupied for two years and was to have been pulled down, and there are still a number of other repair and maintenance tasks to be done to bring it up to Diocesan housing standards. These have been listed, costed and prioritised and can be done over time: however the Vicar General has requested all quotes to be approved by Diocesan Council (November) before works can be done.

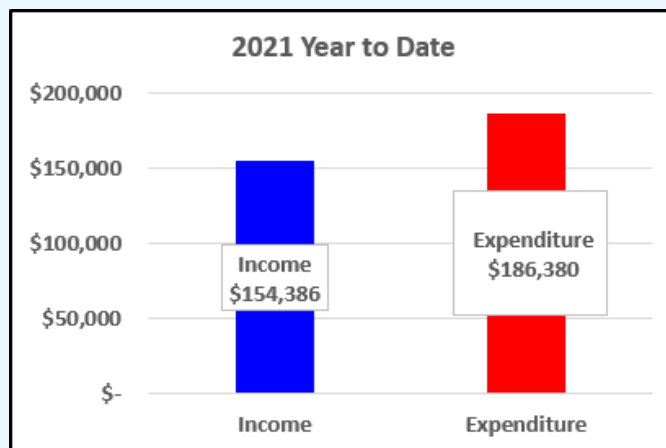
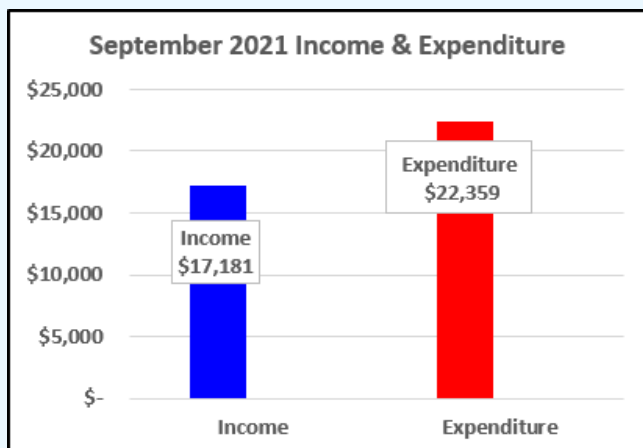
The House at Seaford Meadows will be put in the hands of a Property Manager to be rented out as soon as it can be arranged, as income from rent will help to meet parish expenses.

A word from our Treasurer

Firstly, **thank you** for your ongoing support for our parish and its mission and for the many ways in which you all contribute.

I wonder, when you look at the monthly financial graphs in *The Grapevine*, what you see? Sadly, for those of you who only receive a black and white copy the full impact of our increasing deficit is probably not so obvious. At the end of September the deficit for this year so far stands at \$32,000. In addition, we still have not yet achieved our targets set by the Diocese for contributions to the Ministry Training and the Home Mission Funds. Would you please consider the increasing costs of running the Parish and maintaining all our centres, and pray that we can continue to find ways to meet those costs and keep our churches open into the future.

Margaret Cale



Yankalilla & Delamere

Christ Church Yankalilla had been looking forward for some time to a visit by the residents of St Catherine's retirement home in Kilburn, and the day finally came.

They were due to arrive at 11:00 but we were just clearing away our morning tea after our service when they arrived at 10:20. Their visit was to see the shrine and church and to have morning tea; there was no service involved. There were about 50 in the group, mostly of Maltese origin, and they were a very friendly group who were excited to be with us.

On arrival they spread out around the grounds and church, many preferring to walk around after sitting on a coach for over an hour. After visiting the church they moved to the hall for morning tea. We had coffee, tea etc ready but they had brought all of their own and only used our hot water and milk which was already open. They also brought their own food and I'm sure they had more cakes and biscuits than our local Bakery! Many preferred to take drinks outside and sit around the grounds as it was a beautiful sunny morning. Within an hour of arriving, they were back on the bus and heading to Strathalbyn for lunch, though how they would eat anything after that morning tea is a mystery to me.

They were very appreciative of all we did for them and all seemed to enjoy their brief visit, (many had been before.) The fact that we have such an old building seemed to be of as much interest to many as was the shrine, and several commented on the structure and windows.



Bonfire!

St James' at Delamere hosted the second annual bonfire and supper on Friday 8th October. Twenty people attended, including a few from St Ann's, and we enjoyed a shared supper in the hall followed by the lighting of the bonfire.

At first it was fiercely hot and we all sat well back, but it was interesting to watch people moving closer to the fire as it died down. It was a cool night so everyone was happy to move in. The setting sun to the west added to the beauty of the evening. Music was played on phones, and marshmallows were toasted. It was a very convivial evening with much laughter. (*See online Supplement p.13*)



STRAWBERRY FETE

11th December 9 am—12 md.

**Fresh strawberries & cream or ice cream,
tea & scones, cakes, plants, bottle stall,
raffle for a gourmet hamper -**

Don't miss it!

***Also Mrs Wallis' sauces, chutneys & baked goods,
face painting, home made lemonade***

SAVE THE DATE
SUNDAY DECEMBER 12TH 5.00PM

CAROLS IN YOUR CAR
YANKALILLA MEMORIAL PARK
OVAL

ORGANISED BY THE LOCAL CHURCHES



Due to all of the COVID 19 rules etc we are planning to hold the Community Carols on the Yankalilla Memorial Park Oval again. We will have a truck with a stage on the oval and people will either be able to sit in their cars around the oval and tune into the Carols on their car radios or if it is a pleasant evening they can bring along a rug and chairs and sit on the oval (in a socially distanced manner). There will be no activities or food stalls this year but with the event starting at 5 pm people will be able to be home in time for tea.

Peter Filsell

St Margaret's continues to function, secure in the knowledge that the place is not going to be sold in the foreseeable future. We welcome Br Simon and his family back to the rectory and sincerely hope they will enjoy their home. There is still some upgrading to be done on the building, including air conditioning. Our sincere thanks to all those who came and helped spruce up the rectory before Br Simon moved in. Many hands made the work much lighter.

We continue to visit Colton Court and Kalyra Nursing homes with Holy Communion, sharing this duty with other local churches. The residents are very appreciative of this service for their spiritual welfare.

A shared tea during September was a small affair, but those who attended enjoyed the time together with interesting conversation.

Thanks to Julianne and Barry Bates for mowing the weeds. While soursobs look pretty, they do have a limited life, and keeping those invasive weeds under control is very necessary.

We are still running a raffle, so if you'd like to support missions, please buy some tickets. There are some lovely baskets of goodies to win!

It was lovely to see Julie Cridland and Piquet Copeland join us last Sunday—good to have you back! Fran Pettigrew and Lorna McGaffin have both had some health issues, but are on the mend and we love to see them back with us. John Carroll has had a very long convalescence and we give thanks he is now well enough to be back with us. We are always giving thanks to God for His blessings, especially during tougher times.

Jill Sadler passed away two weeks ago. She was a regular communicant in her church when she and her husband, Bob, lived in Sydney. They moved to the Kalyra retirement village early last year and came to St Margaret's a few times, then they moved to Life Care, Aldinga. Fr Brenton conducted her funeral last week. She was 89 years old. Sincere condolences to Bob and their family.

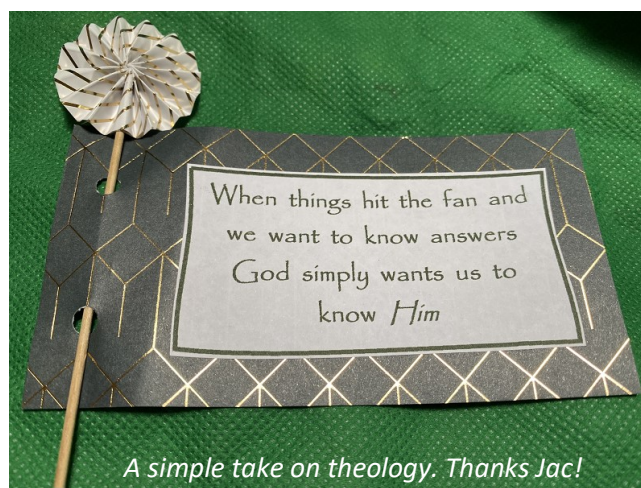
We are exploring ways to reconnect with retirees in our area and hope to have a carol singing event in December in the Kalyra Village to continue a connection there. Greg John has been conducting singalongs there regularly, and they are enjoyed by the residents.

Please let us know if anyone in this area is interested in hiring our Sunday school room. It is a very effective and useful space with easy parking. There are plenty of vacancies, and reasonable hiring fees.

Blessings from Julia Drought



*Some of the workers:
L-R Rupert Best,
Margaret Cale,
Judith Wells,
Doreen Rushbrook
and photo left:
Greg John.*



A simple take on theology. Thanks Jac!



Family teas are back!

With the beginning of the warmer weather, Family Teas have started again. First Friday of the month. BYO food, crockery and cups.

Everyone is welcome!

St Stephen's, Willunga

The Saturday Night Out dinner was held on October 9th at the Willunga Hotel. It was an enjoyable evening following the 5.30 pm Eucharist. **The next Saturday Night Out will be held on November 13th at the Willunga Hotel.** Bookings and menu choice by Thurs. November 11th. Copies of the menu by return email.

On Saturday October 30th we again played Greg John's recorded music before and after the Evening Prayer service. Ted Sandercock led the service, John Strachan presented a most informative homily on St Peter, while Wendy Sandercock read the passage from the Book of Esther, and Anne Duguid led the Intercessions. The service was followed by nibbles and drinks (see below).

John and David Strachan have continued mowing and whipper-snipping the Western region of the grounds with general grounds tidy up. Bob Davis regularly mows the grass to keep the front aspect of the church grounds tidy.



Fr Paul moves to the Diocese of Adelaide

Ted and Wendy Sandercock and Bob and Sue Smith attended Fr Paul Devenport's installation as Parish Priest of St Saviour's, Glen Osmond on the 22nd October. They report that it was a lovely service with readings and psalms read by his children Megan and James, followed by drinks and a delicious spread with his new parishioners. Fr Paul was the parish priest of Southern Vales Parish, as we were



then called, from 2011—2015. He then served in the large parish of the Riverland. Among other extra tasks, he edited the Diocesan paper, the *Murray Anglican*.

Mark Taylor from Normanville is the new editor of the *Murray Anglican*. I am grateful to include some photos taken by him in this issue. Thank you Mark.

Wendy, Anne Chittleborough and Ted welcome visitors on Saturday mornings, keep the garden in order and finish any preparation for the service.

There will be no Quarry Market on the second Saturday in November. Instead, a belated "Almond Blossom Festival" will be held in Willunga over that weekend. As the weekday lunches are no longer part of this Festival, WFA no longer participates with a produce stall. However, St Stephen's intends to hold a trading table (jams and biscuits etc.) from 9.00 am to 12 noon at the church. *If you would like to contribute and/or help on that day (13th November) please contact the Wardens.*

The church continues to be open on **Saturday mornings** for prayer or a chat; and the grounds continue to be available for safe parking. Wendy Sandercock, Joan Lunn and Anne Duguid continue to prepare the church for the Saturday service. Thanks to Julie Bennett and Patrusca Birkett for providing flowers during October. Additional help would be appreciated for cleaning, providing flowers, setting up for services and for opening the church on a Saturday morning.

During November there will be home-made jam for sale at the church on Saturday mornings – apricot, fig and strawberry jams and orange and grapefruit marmalade.

Ted Sandercock & John Strachan, Wardens

Wine, soft drink and savouries make a convivial atmosphere for socialising and discussion after the service at St Stephen's. For the Evening Prayer service on the fifth Saturday (30th October), we were pleased to be joined by Fr David and Deborah Thornton-Wakeford, Fr John Beiers and Anne Pocock



You never know what you might encounter while working on the sausage sizzle at the market. Trish Frith was intrigued to meet a macaw and its owner. The macaw was being trained to handle crowd situations.

St Nicholas', Seaford

Ministry - We have had a quiet month, although busy in the background planning for the 25th Anniversary service at SCC, and the beginning of Advent and Christmas Services. This month we have decided to re-commence singing along with the piano, still wearing our masks of course. It is a challenge, but by picking well known hymns and tunes, it's not impossible. In fact, we have all so much enjoyed being able to sing that the masks have not been an issue. Hopefully, as the restrictions ease towards Christmas, we will be able to sing without masks and make a much louder "noise unto the Lord"!

Our service on the 31st of October, being the 5th Sunday in the month, was again a combined service with the Uniting Church and Church of Christ congregations. Rev. Bernice Elford took the service with Fr Ted giving the message.



Fellowship – Our raffle is going very well, with lots of tickets already sold. We have a great selection of prizes, which Lyn has photographed so we can show to everyone without having to have the prizes on display all the time. We will also begin selling to the wider community in the café between services on Sunday mornings, at Tuesday night dinners, at Music For Pleasure and in the café at lunch on the Friday of Fellowship Meetings. All proceeds will go to the Parish and towards the Ministry Training Fund. The raffle will be drawn at morning tea on Sunday 5th December, St Nicholas' Patronal Day.



Blessing of the Christmas Child Boxes

Pastoral Care – Several members of the congregation are back in the fold after surgery, illness, or family visits. The Table Service and pew sheets are given out each week to those not able to attend services and our prayer chain is

kept busy with various requests and thanksgiving for prayers answered. This month we offered special prayers for Miriam, Fr Ted and Joyce Newing as their daughter enters the final stages of terminal cancer. They are planning to visit her in Queensland early in November. Our thoughts and prayers are with all the family during this time.

Seaford Christian Churches – The planning for our 25th Anniversary Celebration on Sunday 7th November, is well on its way, with last minute items being sorted and volunteers given jobs to make sure all runs smoothly. The service begins at 2 pm followed by refreshments. With COVID limits still in force numbers have been set at 150 in the Large Worship Space with overspill in the Baptistry where the service will be broadcast on the overhead. This will ensure that we have enough room to social distance and comply with all current and future COVID restrictions. Bishop Keith, along with the other heads of churches, will be one of our invited guests at the service.

Bible Study – There will be an Ecumenical Bible Study planned for Advent.

Helen Cook & Jane Cuthbert, Wardens



Sunara's

*representation of the
Two Great Commandments;
Love Your God and Love your Neighbour*

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 5173, ph 8556 5078 or email machit5@bigpond.com.au, preferably by the 15th of November

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



On October 18th, members from Southern Vales and Southern Suburbs branches met together at the McLaren Vale Visitor Centre at 11am. We were delighted that Betty Leske, a former member of SV Mothers' Union but now living in residential care at Reynella, was among the visitors.

Cuppas were ordered before President Trish welcomed everyone. She handed out cards and asked all to write down our hope for today. These hopes included having an enjoyable time of fellowship together, and future hopes pertained to the settling of the COVID world situation, peace throughout the world, enjoyment of each day and God's creation.

Our rose expert, Trish, brought along a beautiful red rose, *Fragrant Cloud*, and her special green heritage rose buds, *Viridiflora*.

A service time followed with all sharing prayers for the world and environment, and special prayers for those known to us.

At the close of the service a walk around the beautiful grounds was taken before lunch was ordered. The friendly service at the café was appreciated by all. It is valuable to be able to share news and ideas with people from other parishes, and it is hoped that we can meet in this way again.

Helen Cook



Above: President Trish Frith with *Fragrant Cloud* and *Viridiflora*, and below, Betty Leske (L) and Eileen Binns



Joyce Newing passes on the following update on **Frances Cook**, CMS missionary in Chile, who had been unable for some time to return to SA due to COVID :

I'm back. At 2 weeks' notice I was booked on an Australian flight from Buenos Aires, Argentina, I live in Santiago, Chile. After a lot of hassle I got a flight on 1st Oct with 3 hours' notice. I got myself Covid free, flat prepared to leave and work handed over. I was five days in transit, caught the flight and was duly deposited in Howard Springs. I have spent my time there and am now able to travel to South Australia to meet up with family and friends whom I haven't seen for 4 years. Please continue to pray for the work at CEP (Pastoral Training College) in Santiago.



If you are reading this in black & white,

perhaps you didn't know that you can find this newsletter in colour (with additional pages of photos not included in the printed copy) on our website, **southernvalesparish.org**.
Try it—you'll love it!

News from St Ann's, Aldinga

Home Group

Those attending Home Group have been following in the footsteps of Saint Paul, guided – on screen – by Constantine R. Campbell, Professor of New Testament at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield, Illinois. The series proceeds through the following parts: *Transformed; Called; Mission to the World; Wisdom of the Cross; Christ Above All; Secure in the Storm; and Finishing the Race*. The reality of Saint Paul's journeys is brought home more clearly when the places visited by him can be seen and appreciated in the context of his more familiar words.

Family Service 3 October 2021

We celebrated God's creation through a series of readings from the *Genesis* creation story, interspersed with hymns, psalms and prayers, including:

Lord of all life, you created the universe, where all living things reflect your glory. You give us this great and beautiful earth, to discover and to cherish. You give us the fish in the sea, the birds of the air, and every plant and tree; the life that sleeps in the winter earth, and awakens again in the spring. You made us all, each wonderfully different, to join with the angels and sing your praise.

The Service concluded with words of Archbishop Desmond Tutu, OMSG CH : "The future of our fragile, beautiful planet home is in our hands. As God's family, we are stewards of God's creation. We can be wantonly irresponsible, or we can be caring and compassionate. God says, 'I have set before you life and death... Choose life.'"

Quiet Day 11th October "Faith releases in us a power that is beyond us" (Albert Nolan).

Seventeen people attended all or part of the Quiet Day led by Fr Philip Carter on Monday 11th October at St Ann's, exploring the themes of Faith, Love and Hope. The gardens of the church and cemetery provided peaceful spots for reflecting in silence on the addresses and on the poetry Fr Philip used to lift our minds to understand better and to delight in our faith. He reminded us of Jesus' use of parables: parables, like poetry, are not bald statements; they challenge the hearer to a response..

Prayer, Praise and Proclamation Service 17th October

The essence of this service, led by Deacon Peter Chapman, was found in words of Jesus from the Gospel of the day (*Mark 10.35-45*):

Whoever wants to be great must become a servant.

Whoever wants to be first among you must be your slave. That is what the Son of Man has done: He came to serve, not to be served— and then to give away his life in exchange for many who are held hostage.

Our Prayer of Approach stimulated reflection:

Lord God, we come humbly into your presence this morning, ready to explore our place in your community. James and John had very set ideas about where they wanted to sit in glory. Sometimes we

have very fixed ideas about where we want to sit in this gathering. We like to know our place. Help us to understand that you don't have favourites and we shouldn't either, and that we are a community and we are all in this together.

Likewise our Prayer of Confession:

Lord, sometimes we have very set ideas about communities. The ones we belong to. The ones we aspire to. The ones we stay away from. Help us to see as you do: you love every member of every community. We are all one in you. Forgive us when we look down on others, or consider our way alone to be the right one. Help us to work together with you for good, putting ourselves aside and others always first.



Study Group (above)

Jesus said, "Are you listening to this? Really listening?" (*Matthew 13.9*). Those participating in the weekly meetings of the Study Group, who are working through *A VOICE IN THE WILDERNESS: Listening to the Statement from the Heart* are indeed really listening – in every sense— and responding to material relating to issues presented from a different perspective. One example is the Lord's Prayer from the Diocese of the NT, written in conjunction with the people of Kewulyi:

Our Father in Heaven

We want everyone to know that your name is sacred.

We want you to be boss of all the world.

Please make this world how you want it to be,
The same way heaven is.

We ask you to give us all we really need today.

We have done wrong things;

Please forgive us the same way we forgive other
people when they hurt us.

Save us from things that are too hard for us.

Save us from everything evil.

We pray this because you have all the power and you
are boss of all things. You are the only true God, now
and always.

A **fund-raiser morning tea** was held on the 24th October, with money raised going to assist the parish contribution to the Home Mission Fund and Ministry Training Fund. Thank you to all who participated.

Garden Team

The Spring 2021 Newsletter of the Friends of the Waite Arboretum included recognition of an example of our outreach:

... A group of rose experts from Heritage Roses Australia SA under the instructions of the most impressive Trish Frith arrived in the garden on a cold August morning to prune the last rose bushes left unpruned. A total of seven volunteers [from St Ann's, Anne Chittleborough and Jo Parsons] dedicated 28 hours to the task.

Meanwhile, at St Ann's, the Garden team has done a sterling job, with the gardens glowing with the colours of spring.



Some of the team: Victoria McKee, Barbara Hill and De Badgery at work.

We have been glad to welcome new people to our Sunday worship recently, including "Wil", from the Netherlands, and we look forward to a visit from parishioners from St David's, Burnside, to our Family Service on 7th November.



Morning tea in the Room after church is an opportunity for discussion and sharing. Above: Julianne Bates & Wil.

ST ANN'S JUMBLE SALE

Saturday 13th November

8.30—12.30



**Books, clothes, jewellery, toys,
household items, tools, plants...
and you won't be able to resist
the Devonshire teas and
sausage sizzle!**

All Saints Day – a Hymn

We celebrate the Feast of All Saints on 7th November, in a Family Service commencing with "I sing a song of the saints of God". This was one of the hymns, all with words and music and illustrations by Lesbia Lesley Scott (1898-1986), published in 1929 in her book *Everyday Hymns for Children*. The words of this hymn became popular in the United States, sung to the tune which we sing, *Grand Isle* by the Rev'd John Henry Hopkins (1861-1945). Coincidentally, his uncle, another Rev'd John Henry Hopkins (1820-1891), wrote the words and music of "We Three Kings of Orient are".

The key theme in our hymn is "... the world is bright with the joyous saints who love to do Jesus' will ... and I mean to be one too". There are references to six Saints of olden times: not by name, but by description: "one was a doctor, and one was a queen, and one was a shepherdess on the green" and "one was a soldier, and one was a priest, and one was slain by a fierce wild beast".

Who, then, were the Saints who answer those descriptions?

Saint Luke was "the beloved physician" (*Colossians* 4.14). Saint Margaret of Scotland (1045-1093) was Queen of Scotland while married (1070-1093) to King Malcolm III (1031-1093). Saint Joan of Arc (1412-1431) was tending the sheep of her father when her visions began. Saint Martin of Tours (316-397) was a soldier in the Roman army until his conversion to "a soldier of Christ" who consequently refused to fight for Rome: he became Bishop of Tours in 371. John Donne (1572-1631), Dean of Saint Paul's Cathedral London (1621-1631), is commemorated as priest and poet. Saint Ignatius of Antioch (35-107) was martyred in Rome by being thrown to the lions in the Colosseum.

In our own day, the suggestion is that sainthood is within reach of any Christian who strives to do the right thing, inspired by Matthew 22: 34-40 which, in the New International Version, reads as follows:

Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together. One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" Jesus replied: " 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: "Love your neighbour as yourself." All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

Brian McMillan

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5th Sunday – Combined Service

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2nd Sunday – 11.00 am

4th Sunday – 9.00 am

5th Sunday – Combined Service

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Bonfire at Delamere

(see p. 5)



A bonfire and a sunset—glorious!



Lyn Dick, Belinda Rosser, Rob Ryan, Mark Taylor



Christine Filsell, a dab hand with marshmallows!



Lynn & Ron King, Barbara Walter, Fr Brenton,
Fr Peter Randle, Peter Filsell



Belinda Rosser, Anthony McEwen, Anne Petch, Gail Filsell

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The Blessing of the Fleece (see pp. 1,2,5)

Photos on these pages by Julia Drought, Ron King, Mark Taylor, Anne Chittleborough

Fr Peter Randle.
An unforgettable sermon—what have the number 5, sheep, Father Christmas and Jesus got in common?



Anne Petch at the organ



Rob Ryan and Fr Brenton



Ben Ryan sets to work

John Day from the Schools Ministry Group and his children Moses and Francisco, with the wool.
(Photo: Mark Taylor)



Photo: Mark Taylor

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No, actually they're cooking lunch!
David, Rob, John and Ben



John Morgan, Christine Filsell



Anne Ryan, Frank Vincent

**After the
service:
at the
Ryans'
house.**



Gillian Clampett, Jack Warrington



Barbara Walter, Pat Roper



Mark Taylor, Ross Trigg

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Relaxing over lunch



Lorraine deFredricks, Heather Chapman



Belinda Rosser, Alison Dutton



Anne Petch, Anthony McEwen



Tristan and Trish Simon



Trish Frith, Joan Lunn



Lyn Trigg, Joylene Tiller

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Just for fun!
Melbourne Cup Lunch, Aldinga, 2nd November



Clockwise from top left:



Bill and Margaret
Felicity
Barbara
Brian
De and John
"Jockeys"
Susan, Lorraine,
Patrusca & De
Jack

