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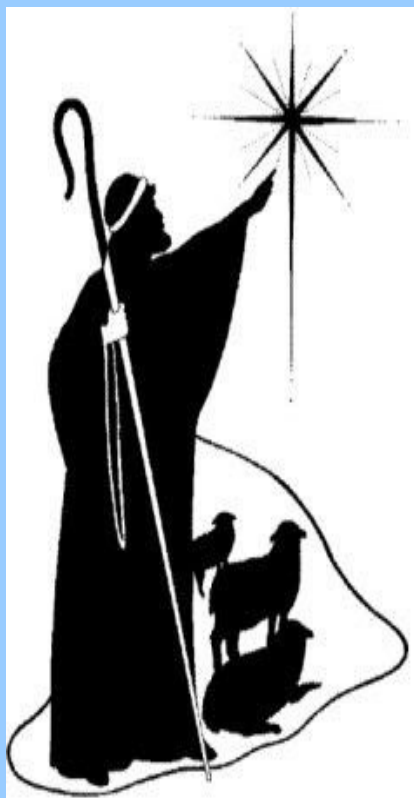
*Proclaiming Christ in word and action;  
growing in care, love and service.*



# The Grapevine

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

## Celebrate the birth of the Christ Child



### **Christmas Eve    Friday 24<sup>th</sup> Dec.**

7 pm St James' Delamere  
8.30 pm at St Margaret's, McLaren Vale  
9.30 pm at Christ Church, Yankalilla

### **Christmas Day    Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Dec.**

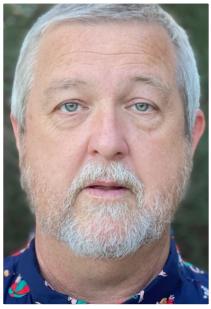
9 am St Ann's, Aldinga  
9 am Christ Church Yankalilla  
9.30 am St Nicholas', Seaford

### **And on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> Dec. (St Stephen's Day)**

9 am service Christ Church, Yankalilla  
9 am Prayer, Praise & Proclamation service,  
St Ann's, Aldinga  
5.30 pm Combined Service St Stephen's,  
Willunga  
(no service at St Stephen's on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>)

(For the churches' addresses, see p, 12)

## A word from Brother Simon



My dear friends,  
This 2021 year in South Australia has not been without difficulties for us all. We now find ourselves at the Advent of Christmas with all that this time represents for us.

Despite the challenges of preparing for the season's events we all, I am sure, experience a pang of nostalgia from our youth, a reminder of the "magical time" that Christmas memories elicit from our childhood. I hope that was your experience.

Looking back on those moments, the Christmas tree with the blinking lights, all the surprises stored in the bright wrappings under it, and the midnight Christmas Eve service where as young children we were so tired but excited about the new day to start, it was like preparing to enter another world, the world as it's meant to be, a little bit of heaven on earth. This experience helps us to encounter not only the magical but also the mystical element of our faith; what our theologians mean when they are talking about the incarnational theology of Christmas, describing a reality where "God our very foundation is love and God is in Everything".

Howard Thurman (1900–1981), the theologian and mystic, wrote:

The symbol of Christmas—what is it? It is the rainbow arched over the roof of the sky when the clouds are heavy with foreboding. It is the cry of life in the newborn babe when, forced from its mother's nest, it claims its right to live. It is the brooding Presence of the Eternal Spirit making crooked paths straight, rough places smooth, tired hearts refreshed, dead hopes stir with newness of life. It is the promise of tomorrow at the close of every day, the movement of life in defiance of death, and the assurance that love is sturdier than hate, that right is more confident than wrong, that good is more permanent than evil.

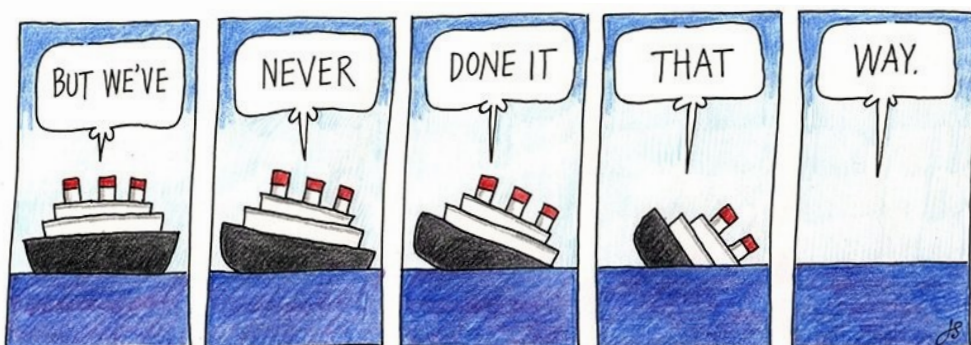
Dear friends, I pray that during this Christmas, we each receive the gift of a magical and mystical experience, reminding us that we are beloved, we are part of a good world, and that we will be invigorated by an awareness of the newness of life in God every new day.

Merry Christmas

**Br Simon**

The Lord is coming, always coming. When you have ears to hear and eyes to see, you will recognize him at any moment of your life. Life is Advent; life is recognizing the coming of the Lord.

Henri Nouwen



**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 which can't be included in the printed copy) on our website, [southernvalesparish.org](http://southernvalesparish.org).  
**Try It—you'll love It!**

## 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.*

### December

- Wed 1<sup>st</sup>** Maggie's Mates 11.15 am  
**Fri 3<sup>rd</sup>** Family Tea St Margaret's  
**Fri 3<sup>rd</sup>-Sat 4<sup>th</sup>** Special Call of Synod, Murray Bridge  
**Sun 5<sup>th</sup>** Gold Coin Collection for Pastoral Care Workers  
**Mon 6<sup>th</sup>** SV Mothers' Union McLaren Vale Visitor Centre, 9.30 am  
**Tues 7<sup>th</sup>** Friends of St Ann's 6.50 for 7 pm  
**Wed 8<sup>th</sup>** Contemplative prayer service, Yankalilla, 7 pm  
**Thurs 9<sup>th</sup>** Working Bee, St Ann's, 11 am  
Yankadelly, 4 pm  
**Sat 11<sup>th</sup>** Strawberry Fete (see p. 4)  
Saturday Night Out  
**Sun 12<sup>th</sup>** Parish Luncheon, Aldinga Hotel 12.30 pm  
ACH Yankalilla 2 pm  
"Carols in your Car" Yankalilla 5 pm  
**Tues 14<sup>th</sup>** WFA Council St Margaret's 7 pm  
**Wed 15<sup>th</sup>** Contemplative prayer service, Yankalilla, 7pm  
**Thurs 16<sup>th</sup>** Prayers for Peace, St Ann's 11.15 am  
**Fri 17<sup>th</sup>** St Nicholas' Luncheon 12.30  
& Fellowship 1 pm (Bookings 8392 4508)  
Home Group Seaford Rise 6 for 6.30 pm  
**Sat 18<sup>th</sup>** Carol Service, St Stephen's, 5.30 pm (see p. 7)  
**Sun 19<sup>th</sup>** Nine Lessons and Carols service,  
Seaford Christian Churches, 10.30 am  
**Mon 20<sup>th</sup>** Yankalilla/Delamere MU 2 pm  
**Tues 21<sup>st</sup>** THOMAS  
**Wed. 22<sup>nd</sup>** Contemplative prayer service, Yankalilla, 7pm  
**Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup>** Carols at the Twilight Market, Willunga (p. 4)  
**Fri 24<sup>th</sup>** Christmas Eve (services see p. 1)  
**Sat 25<sup>th</sup>** Christmas Day (services see p. 1)  
**Sun 26<sup>th</sup>** STEPHEN (Boxing Day) (services see p. 1)  
**Mon 27<sup>th</sup>** JOHN  
**Tues 28<sup>th</sup>** HOLY INNOCENTS

### Advent Bible Studies

Ecumenical Bible Study, SCC Seaford, 10.30 am  
from Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November  
Enquiries: Jane Cuthbert 04-7 754 772

St Margaret's, 10 am Wednesdays from 1<sup>st</sup> December  
Enquiries: Ted Sandercock 0410 548 040

St Ann's, 7 pm Wednesdays from 1<sup>st</sup> December  
Enquiries: Anne Chittleborough 8556 5078

### January

- Sat 1<sup>st</sup>** NAMING AND CIRCUMCISION  
OF JESUS  
**Sun 2<sup>nd</sup>** Gold Coin Collection for  
Pastoral Care Workers  
**Thurs 6<sup>th</sup>** EPIPHANY  
**Sun 9<sup>th</sup>** BAPTISM OF OUR LORD  
ACH Yankalilla 5 pm  
**Tues 18<sup>th</sup>** Friends of St Ann's  
**Thurs 20<sup>th</sup>** Prayers for peace  
**Wed 26<sup>th</sup>** Australia Day  
**Fri 28<sup>th</sup>** St Ann's Family tea



### Parish Christmas Luncheon

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December, 12.30 pm**

This year at the newly renovated Aldinga Hotel.

Bookings required—maximum of 45.

Contact Margaret Cae 8556 5351

Cost per head \$30



### Carols!

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

"Carols in your Car"

Yankalilla Oval 5 pm

(You can bring a chair and a rug if you like, and sit on the oval)

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

Carol Service at

St Stephen's, Willunga, 5.30 pm (p. 7)

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

Nine Lessons & Carols,

St Nicholas', 10.30 am (p. 8)

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> December**

Carols at the Twilight Farmers  
Market from 5 pm (p. 9)

The Grapevine is for you, and is free of charge, whether you read it online or as a printed copy. However, donations to cover printing costs are always welcome, and those who receive it by mail are asked to contribute to postage costs. Bank transfer details are on p. 5, or you can put your donation in the collection in an envelope marked "For The Grapevine"

### CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER SERVICES

A series of services in the style of Taizé will be held at Christ Church Yankalilla during December.

These will be held on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> starting at 7pm, and each will be for about 45 minutes. They will be followed by tea and biscuits in the hall.



Thanks to a local electrician we now have the **Dunstall lights** outside the front of Christ Church working along with floodlights highlighting the bell tower, and the final result is the beautiful lighting of the church at night. A couple of other items need to be attended to including a sensor light on the veranda of the hall.

Signs have been purchased to indicate the toilet for the non-ambulant at the rear of Christ Church Hall. This will be open at all times along with the existing toilets.

### Pavers

The saga of the paving at the front of Christ Church is almost over. On Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov. our contractor turned up to start the job, which comprised initially of removing all the pavers between the Dunstall lights and the public footpath. Peter Filsell, who is a member of the local Lions Club, had arranged for some of their members to come and help, and six of them turned up. This, combined with our



### STRAWBERRY FETE

11<sup>th</sup> December 9 am—12 m.d.



Fresh strawberries  
with 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...*

*A selection of vintage cars will be on display.*

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November was our **Prayer, Praise and Proclamation** service and this one was led by Alison Dutton assisted by Belinda Rosser. Alison is a student at Barnabas' College and has just finished her first year there. She was very nervous as it was her first sermon, but the nerves were well hidden and she did a great job including a polished sermon on Christ the King.

Sadly, due to a shortage of rental accommodation in our area, Alison has been forced to move to Victor Harbor but hopes to come back to Christ Church regularly and maybe move back here later.

For the 9.30 pm service on **Christmas Eve**, Fr Brenton advises: "Wear a Christmas Hat. Christmas message for the kids. Champers and strawberries afterwards".

Sounds like fun!

own members, gave us a workforce of 10. Working in teams we had over 2,000 pavers lifted, cleaned and stored on pallets in a little over two hours. This saved the contractor about a day's work, which we hope will be reflected in his final bill. Later that afternoon the ground where the pavers had been was cleared of sand and rubbish and they were able to scrape some of the offending tree roots down by a few millimetres ready for the re-laying. This scraping will not damage the trees but will enable a flat surface for the next stage. On Wednesday the ground was filled with sand and the re-laying of the



pavers began. By Thursday afternoon the job was finished.

A letter of thanks has been sent to the Yankalilla Lions Club, as without their help the job would have taken a lot longer.

## Snippets from WFA Council

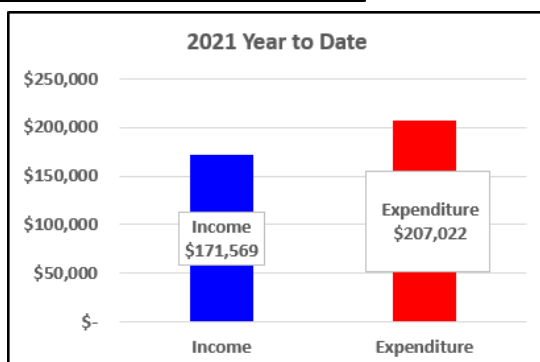
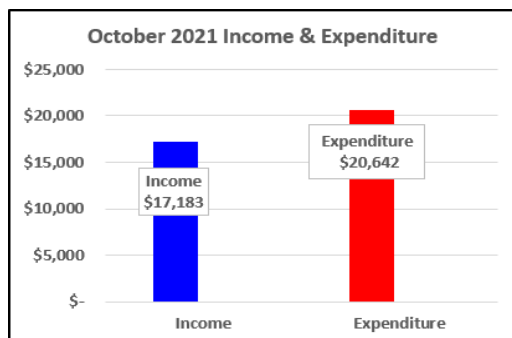
**Delamere:** The WFA Council meeting was held at Delamere, and a serious matter discussed was the future of the church property, a strategic site at the southern tip of the parish. Delamere was once a thriving area with mining and agriculture, but the population has shrunk enormously, and the church, the cemetery and the grounds and hall are being maintained by a very small congregation. Thought needs to be given to the future of the property and buildings, which have been kept in very good condition.

Members of the Council walked around the site and considered possibilities for the use of the buildings and land. Does it have potential for use as an RV/caravan stopover point? Air B and B? For conference gatherings? Retreats? For exhibitions/concerts/bush dances? Business plans should be considered, exploring options but noting costs (and hidden costs) involved.

**The Diocesan Work Health and Safety Programme,** which will be trialled soon, will need a person who would be responsible as parish coordinator and Diocesan contact. Anyone interested in volunteering to Parish Council to be that person please contact Ted Sandercock.

**Vestry and reports:** A date of the **20<sup>th</sup> March** was set for the 2022 Vestry meeting. Reports would need to get to Jane by Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> February.

**Finance Report:** The graphs speak for themselves...



A good way to support the ministry of our parish is to arrange our weekly offering as a direct debit. This gives a steady commitment to our church even when we miss a Sunday.

Details as follows:

**ACC Name: The Anglican Parish of Southern Vales**  
**BSB: 105 071, Acc no. 029112440**

## Mothers' Union



We have been pleased in recent months to welcome some new people into our Branch, and we look forward to having them officially inducted as members.

One of our Aims as MU members is to support families and children, and at our meetings we have discussed ways we might be able to support young mums in our area. In this context Trish Frith made contact with the Aldinga Beach Children's Centre, which provided her with packages of information for those in danger of gender violence.

At the Jumble Sale at St Ann's, Trish set up an information table using this material, signified by a butterfly cut-out. In doing this she met with a local woman who had recently taken in a homeless mother and child and was glad to get some information about how to help them. In these small ways we can make a difference!



Our last meeting for this year will be our **Wave of Prayer** Service. The Mothers' Union Wave of Prayer is a special way of connecting MU members with each other around the world through the ministry of prayer. MU members are asked to pray for rostered dioceses at midday local time, so that each MU diocese is prayed for on five consecutive days each year.

The concept of this continuous Wave of Prayer came about after the First World War. During the war, members had been praying for each other as their countries engaged in the conflict in many different areas. When the war finished, MU members decided that they would like to continue with this prayer link-up, and so a roster was put in place, linking a diocese in the UK with other dioceses around the world. As new dioceses join MU they are added to the roster, and the idea of friendship links with the other dioceses prayed for at the same time has grown, along with the prayer. Because of our MU Wave of Prayer, which has been in place for 100 years, since 1921, there has been continuous prayer for MU and its work. As the different time zones move around the world, there is sure to be someone praying for you!

What an encouragement - both for us to be aware of this support, and as an encouragement to make sure that we are part of that prayer by our own regular involvement.

**Next meeting:** December 6<sup>th</sup>, 9.30 am at McLaren Vale Visitor Centre

If you have news of coming events or noteworthy happenings in the Western Fleurieu Anglican area 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 15<sup>th</sup> of December

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

The first Friday of the month is our shared tea night and we were delighted to have the St Ann's crew join us for a very happy social night. Thankyou so much, St Ann's, for bringing your company and joy to share with us. Maggie's Mates had their meeting to discuss several things and to draw the raffle winners of goodie baskets. The raffle raised \$378 for missions, so thankyou to all those who supported this fundraiser. 1st prize was won by Doreen Rushbrook  
2nd prize went to Margaret Cale  
3rd prize went to Brian Penny  
4th prize awarded to Fr Brenton Dick, our vicar. Congratulations to our winners!



*Enjoying the Family Tea:  
Above, Fr Brenton, Barry and Julianne Bates.  
Below, Lorna McGaffin and Julia Drought*



In light of the fact that we are no longer selling St Margaret's, we have invested in a new urn to make lots of cups of tea and coffee for all our future meetings and visitors. Our next Maggie's Mates meeting has been brought forward so we can plan distribution of fliers regarding Christmas celebrations.

Special thanks to Julianne and Barry Bates who have continued to maintain our paddock, between Barry's triple bypass and other important events in their lives. Their care is very much appreciated!

Our services have been quiet (apart from Greg John's magnificent organ playing) and very much treasured by all who attend.

Eileen Cook has been told by her oncologist that she is now cancer free, for which we are so thankful to medical staff and God, for her healing.

Please keep Jenny Walker and her family in your prayers as they mourn the passing of Jenny's mother, whose funeral celebration was held at St Margaret's. Gabrielle had been a regular communicant of the Anglican Church and had been living at Kalyra nursing home.

Jenny has been attending Wednesday services and Bible study. As she is a retired Uniting Church minister, we have been benefitting from her extensive biblical and spiritual insight. During the service on the first Sunday in Advent Jenny gave the address.

Banners have been changed for Advent and the altar frontal from St Philip and St James' church is now in place. The advent candles are ready to remind us once again of Mary and Joseph's journey and Christ's birth at Christmas.

Our Christmas Eve service is at 8:30 pm on the 24<sup>th</sup> December, followed by strawberries and bubbles. We'd love to see you there!

Blessings,

*Julia Drought*



Rupert Best, and Jenny Walker with granddaughters Morgan and Pippy, at the Family Service.

Thanks to a generous donation, a Digital screen has been installed in the church for use in our services. Thanks to those who donated the wall fitting, and thanks to Br Simon and Fr Brenton for installing the screen. The PowerPoint service for Christ the King was presented in this way, as was the service the following week. The readings, however, will continue to be read from the front stand from a printed copy.



*The icon of St Stephen has found a new location.*



We look forward to the **Parish Carol Service on Saturday December 18<sup>th</sup> at 5.30 pm**. The time makes this a suitable

family service. Please invite family and friends. Christmas mince pies and drinks after the service.

**St Stephen's Day** will be celebrated on Sunday December 26<sup>th</sup> at 5.30 pm. It will be the only Communion service in the north end of the parish that day. Join us afterwards to share Boxing Day leftovers and drinks.

**The Saturday Night Out** dinner was held on November 13<sup>th</sup> at the Willunga Hotel. The next will be on December 11<sup>th</sup> at the Willunga Hotel. Bookings and menu choice to Ted by Thursday December 9<sup>th</sup>; copies of the menu by return email. Join us and celebrate the birth of our Lord. There will be no Saturday Night Out in January, so the next will be on the 12<sup>th</sup> February.

**Parking:** While the Farmers Market's move to the High School has affected the number of shoppers parking in the grounds, the church continues to be open on **Saturday mornings** for prayer or a chat; and the grounds continue to be available for safe parking. During 2022 market shoppers & visitors will still be encouraged to park in the grounds. We provide a safe parking location for families with infants and small children.

At the **Christmas Twilight Farmers Market** on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> December the WFA choir will be singing carols from 5pm (see p. 9) and members of our congregations are welcome to join with them.

Thank you Julie Bennett and Patrusca Birkett for providing flowers during November.

During Advent there will be home-made jam for sale on Saturday mornings – apricot, fig, and strawberry jam, orange and grapefruit marmalade.

When the Jumble Sale at St Ann's was postponed following a bad weather forecast, some of those who had already done their baking contributed their goodies to the St Stephen's Saturday morning stall, and Julie Bennett provided some lovely flowers, which attracted admiration. The stall was well attended, and the weather held for most of the morning—the rain coming only after most of the produce had been sold. The combined efforts of St Stephen's and St Ann's raised \$378.50.

## YOUTH & FAMILY CONVENTION

Wallaroo January 2022

Christian teaching and encouragement tailored for young people.

Activities include fully supervised fishing, snorkelling, beach volleyball and relaxing.

3 pm Monday 24<sup>th</sup> —10 am Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Contact Fr Dave McDougall 0407 636 247

ministry@diowillochra.org.au

Spread the word!

## St Nicholas', Seaford

**Ministry** – Another busy month at St Nicholas', beginning with the **25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary service** of Seaford Christian Churches on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November. It was a wonderful day celebrating our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at SEM / SCC. The whole community came together as we welcomed guests, old and new, reminisced and reflected on where we have come from and recommitted to the Vision of where we are going. The Service went well with a lot of familiar faces being welcomed as we began our celebrations. Bishop Keith and the other heads of churches were among our invited guests on the day and Bp Keith gave the final blessing at the end of the service.

The refreshment afterwards allowed time for people to gather ( COVID safe of course) and many memories were revisited by those who attended. Thank you to everyone who made this day so special.

lunch. Several of our members have re-joined us following surgery and visits to family interstate as borders finally begin to open more.

We will again be assisted in another memorial service on Wed 8<sup>th</sup> December; this time Fr. Ted's Brother-in-law, John – husband of Heather – whose funeral service earlier this year you may remember tested us all!! Hopefully this memorial service will go off without a hitch. We are keeping our fingers and toes crossed that borders will remain open as family members make their way to SA from interstate.

**Pastoral Care** – Helen Cook continues to deliver the Table Service, pew sheets and *Grapevine* to those whom we miss on Sundays and also keeps us posted on those recovering at home, and our prayer chain is kept busy with various requests and thanksgiving for prayers

answered. Fr Ted and Joyce Newing managed to visit their daughter Miriam in Queensland, and received some good news that chemotherapy was again possible with treatment to begin ASAP. Still ongoing treatment and not a cure. Our prayers continue for the family and for Ted and Joyce.

*Helen Cook & Jane Cuthbert*



*Christ the King,  
who destroyed  
the puddings!*

### **Christ the King Preparation and How not to Cook Christmas Puddings!**

Planning has been done for our Advent services, especially the Nine Lessons and Carols to be held at 10.30 am on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December, the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent. Fr Ted will again lead us on Christmas Day at 9.30 am with Ecumenical carols and a Communion service . Helen Cook has been busy preparing items for Sunara to complete during our services. Unfortunately her preparation for Christ the King had a disastrous side effect!! ( *see next column*)

**Fellowship** – The raffle is doing really well, with many tickets sold. It will be drawn at our fellowship meeting in December, which will be at the SA Football Club over

On Saturday morning I made three small Christmas puddings and put them on to boil. After lunch and several toppings up of the boiling water I decided to sit and figure out how Sunara could make the model king, (*above*), with clear instructions to enable her to make one herself without my guidance as it was our Family Service, needing me to be involved in leading. All went well and off I went to the computer to write up some instructions for her to follow. Next minute the smoke detector was blaring and screaming "fire, fire!" I had forgotten to turn the heat down! It had boiled dry and burnt the bottoms of the cloths right off the puddings! A big mess! Now I'm off to buy new ingredients, pudding cloths and try again!

*Helen Cook*

## News from St Ann's, Aldinga

### All Saints Day

We celebrated the Feast of All Saints on 7<sup>th</sup> November in a Family Service in which visitors from St David's Burnside joined. We reached our Covid-approved limit of numbers within the Church (72 plus leaders), and even filled the Porch as well!



Having thanked God "For all the saints who have gone before us . . . For all the saints of our day and age . . . For all the saints who are yet to come: who will witness to your love, who will pass on the faith we share, who will inspire future generations to believe in you", the members of the congregation were able to light a candle and place it on the altar in memory of a Loved One. Having joined in the Sending Out Prayer:

*May the light of Jesus shine in us.*

*May the light of Jesus shine through us to others.*

*May we all be saints for Jesus. Amen*

we concluded with the classic hymn "For all the Saints who from their labours rest" by William Walsham How (Bishop of Bedford and of Wakefield).

After the service we mingled with our visitors for morning tea which morphed into a barbecue lunch, with many opportunities for pleasant informal conversations and sharing of liturgical ideas. We were pleased later to receive a letter of thanks, with an invitation to us to go to St David's – perhaps on or about St David's Day (1<sup>st</sup> March 2022).

### Jumble Sale

We postponed our Jumble Sale from the 13<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> November, to avoid adverse weather conditions, and were fortunate to get a fine day. We were grateful to all those who came to help with the arduous tasks of setting up on Thursday ( R ) and packing away afterwards. What a difference that makes! Thank you Judith and Julia from St Margaret's who arrived to help pack up. As ever, the sale was an opportunity to connect with people from our local community, and we were

pleased to make \$1,400, which will help meet our Diocesan targets to support the Home Mission Fund and the Ministry Training Fund.

### Christ the King

We celebrated the Feast of Christ the King on 21<sup>st</sup>

November in a Prayer, Praise and Proclamation Service led by Deacon Peter Chapman and centring on the dialogue between Jesus and Pilate, particularly, from John 18.37-39, (the following from *The Message*):

<sup>37</sup> Then Pilate said, "So, are you a king or not?"

Jesus answered, "You tell me.

Because I am King, I was born and entered the world so that I could witness to the truth. Everyone who cares for truth, who has any feeling for the truth, recognizes my voice."

<sup>38-39</sup> Pilate said, "What is truth?"

We sang something a little out of the ordinary: the traditional English folk carol, "The Truth from above" to the traditional tune collected early in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century by Ralph Vaughan Williams OM (1872-1958).

We have been pleased to welcome some new faces on Sundays and hope they will continue to join us in our worship. We have had some members of our congregation in hospital recently, and are glad to see improvement in their condition. We pray for Barry Bates as he recovers from triple bypass surgery.

### Christmas Carols

At the Christmas Twilight Willunga Farmers' Market, on 23<sup>rd</sup> December, the Choir is looking forward to singing Christmas Carols from 5 pm : anyone from any of our congregations should feel free to join with us then, to share – perhaps in a small but still powerful way – the true meaning of Christmas:

*God surprises earth with heaven,  
coming here on Christmas Day.*



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In our time of feasting and celebration,  
let's not forget those in need ...



act for the christmas bowl  
freecall 1800 025 101

[www.ncca.org.au/cws/christmasbowl](http://www.ncca.org.au/cws/christmasbowl)

*Make your Christmas celebration count. Place a Christmas Bowl donation box on the table during your Christmas meal, party or fundraising event with friends and family.*

It all started on Christmas day in 1949, when the Reverend Frank Byatt of Victoria put an empty bowl on the dinner table and asked those present to give what they considered to be the cost of the meal. Frank urged his guests to reflect on their good fortunes and encouraged them to do something selfless to bring relief and hope to refugees who had fled the horrors of World War II.

Today the Christmas Bowl appeal has grown to become a much-loved ecumenical tradition in which 2,000 churches from 19 denominations and untold numbers of individuals take part each year.

## 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

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays – 9.00 am

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday – 11.00 am

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Combined Service

**Wardens:**

Lynn King 0421 332 399

Belinda Rosser 0411 591 628

St James, Delamere

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday – 11.00 am

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday – 9.00 am

5<sup>th</sup> 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  
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for details.**

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***Christ Church, Yankalilla (p. 4)***  
***Those pavers!***

Before...



Lifting the pavers (see p. 5)



...During

After (well, nearly!).



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***St Margaret's, McLaren Vale (p. 6)***



L-R: Doreen Rushbrook, Judith Wells, Margaret Cale, Fran Pettigrew, David Nitschke, Barry Bates

***Family Tea***



L-R: Lorraine Nitschke, Anne Chittleborough, Trish Frith, Barbara Hill

***Family Service***

R: Greg John and his guitar, and the much-loved song  
"The Fruit of the Spirit"



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***St Nicholas' Seaford (p.7)***



Sunara's and Helen's illustration of Jesus' healing the blind man.

Once the shades are lifted we see that "Jesus shows his power over sickness".



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***St Ann's Aldinga (p. 9)***  
***All Saints Day***



Candles in memory of people we have loved but who have died.



Invited by our guests to share a meal with them, it was a chance to talk, discuss worship ideas, and make new friendships. Above: St David's thanks St Ann's.

***Jumble Sale***



Seriously—a little girl's dream come true—and the roller blades fitted!!



But it wasn't all serious stuff! Lorraine Eyles (L) and Jack Warrington enjoy the lighter side of the sale.