

April 2022



# The Grapevine

## Celebrate Easter!

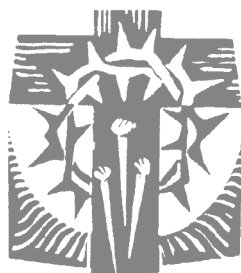
### MAUNDY THURSDAY (14<sup>th</sup> April)

7 pm Christ Church, Main South Road Yankalilla  
7 pm St Margaret's, 99 Main Road, McLaren Vale  
7 pm Seaford Christian Churches\* Ecumenical service



### GOOD FRIDAY (15<sup>th</sup> April) Stations of the Cross

9 am Christ Church, Yankalilla  
9 am Seaford Christian Churches\* Ecumenical Service  
10 am St Ann's, 7 Stonehouse Lane, Aldinga



### HOLY SATURDAY (16<sup>th</sup> April)

7 pm Easter Vigil, St Stephen's, St Andrews Tce,  
Willunga

### EASTER DAY (17<sup>th</sup> April)

9 am Christ Church, Yankalilla  
9 am St Ann's, Aldinga  
10.30am am St Nicholas Seaford \*  
10.30 am St Margaret's, McLaren Vale,  
11 am St James', Main South Road, Delamere



\*Seaford Christian Churches  
cnr Main St and Grand Blvd,  
Seaford



## Annual General Meeting (Vestry Meeting) 2022

The meeting was held at St Margaret's on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March, attended by 38 parishioners.

In his report to the parish, Br Simon spoke of the number of events of the past year, and the adaptations to our lives and our church as a result of these, saying, "This is a time and place people will talk about – we have lived it". He acknowledged and celebrated the work done in the past twelve months, adding that our challenge is, while keeping our traditional worship, to use it in ways that people of cultures other than ours can relate to.

Over this year we have lost some of the people we loved - some of the stalwarts of the church - but we have also gained new people, and our numbers have remained much the same, which means that we have had growth! Much of our ministry has been to retirees, and to nursing homes, sharing a journey of faith with them: parishioners are ministering to each other in a natural way, not just because they are rostered to do so.

Our ministry and that of our priests is to engage with people outside our faith community as well as to those within – our mission is to every single human being - we are to look for and see God in other people. We don't have to defend God – just walk with Him. Our budget is a challenging one, but we must let our budget be our budget, and our mission be our mission.



Secretary Jane Cuthbert and Br Simon



Treasurer Margaret Cale

The Treasurer, Margaret Cale, presented the financial report for the parish. Expenses still exceed our income, and our deficit for 2021 was over \$41,395, the main expense being Ministry (as shown in the graphs in the

January *Grapevine*, p. 2) Our giving covers our ministry costs, but as the tables show, there are other expenses involved in running a six-church parish. She noted that people question our Diocesan assessments, but in reality these are our contributions to the Diocese for functions they carry out on our behalf so that we don't have to.

She presented the budget for 2022, which was, again, a deficit budget, facing increasing costs and increasing insurance. However, by careful management it was a reduced deficit. She reminded those who give to the church by electronic transfer, that these arrangements sometimes need to be updated.

Margaret was warmly thanked for the huge amount of work she does. She concluded with a prayer for vision:

**Disturb us, Lord, when we are too well pleased with ourselves; when our dreams have come true because we have dreamed too little; when we arrived safely because we have sailed too close to shore.**

**Disturb us, Lord, when with the abundance of the things we possess, we have lost our thirst for the water of life.**

**Stir us, Lord, to dare more boldly, to venture on wider seas, where storms will show your mastery; where losing sight of land, we shall find the stars. We ask you to push back the horizons of our hopes and to push us into the future in strength, courage, hope and love.**

**Amen**

Elections were at a minimum this year as the Bishop had requested that all Wardens hold the same positions for the transition year 2022 if possible. The only position change was that Susan Smith replaced Ted Sandercock as Warden at St Stephen's so Ted could put more time into his Diocesan role as Chair of the WHS and Risk Management Committee. In the current Diocesan "shakeup", previously appointed Priest's Wardens are now called "Local Wardens". People's Wardens will be members of the Parish Council, at which Local Wardens may attend, but not vote. Pamphlets explaining these changes are available from your Wardens. Br Simon has asked John Strachan to be his



Helen Cook and Joan Dare examine the reports

new "Priest's Warden". The Parish Council will now need to appoint a Safe Ministry Officer, a WHS Officer and a Complaints Officer for the Parish.

## April

Fri 1 <sup>st</sup>	Shared Tea, St Margaret's 6 for 6.30 pm
Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Daylight saving ends Gold Coin Collection
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup>	Mothers' Union McLaren Vale Info. Centre 10.30 am ( <i>Changed time—see p.10</i> )
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup>	Contemplative Prayer service Christ Church Yankalilla, 7 pm
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup>	Yankadelly 4 pm
Sun 10 <sup>th</sup>	PALM SUNDAY ACH service, Yankalilla 2 pm Chaplaincy Celebration 4 pm ( <i>see p. 11</i> )
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup>	WFA Council St Ann's 7 pm
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup>	Maggie's Mates 11.15 am
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup>	MAUNDY THURSDAY ( <i>see p. 1</i> ) Prayers for Peace St Ann's, 11.15 am
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup>	GOOD FRIDAY ( <i>see p. 1</i> )
Sat 16 <sup>th</sup>	EASTER EVE St Stephen's 7 pm
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup>	EASTER DAY ( <i>see p. 1</i> )
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup>	MARK
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup>	Friends of St Ann's 6.50 for 7 pm
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup>	Contemplative Prayer, Christ Church, Yankalilla, 7 pm
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Family Tea St Ann's 6.30 pm
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup>	Healing Service, Christ Church Yankalilla, 11 am
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup>	ANZAC Day Seaford Christian Churches 9 am

## May

Sun 1 <sup>st</sup>	Gold Coin Collection
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mothers' Union McLaren Vale Information Centre 9.30 am
Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup>	PHILIP & JAMES
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup>	Yankadelly 4 pm
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>	JOHN Shared Tea, St Margaret's 6 for 6.30 pm
Sun 8 <sup>th</sup>	ACH service, Yankalilla
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup>	WFA Council St Ann's 7 pm
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>	Maggie's Mates
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup>	Prayers for Peace St Ann's 11.15 am
Sat 14 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday Night Out ( <i>see p. 4</i> )
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup>	Friends of St Ann's
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup>	Contemplative Prayer, Christ Church Yankalilla, 7 pm
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	St Nicholas' Luncheon 12.30 ( <i>Bookings</i> 8392 4508 ) & Fellowship 1 pm
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup>	Jumble Sale, St Ann's
Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Healing Service, Christ Church Yankalilla, 7 pm
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup>	ASCENSION
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup>	Family Tea St Ann's 6.30 pm



### A word from Brother Simon:

Dear friends,

It is a wonderful privilege that we still have the major festivals of the Church (Christmas and Easter) as occasions that are celebrated generally by society as a whole.

Throughout the centuries the church has celebrated the Easter festival on Easter Sunday, with the Easter greeting, "Christ is risen!" "He is risen indeed! Alleluia". This greeting on Easter morning and in the weeks after has helped Christians to fortify themselves with the hope, strength and courage to confront death, destruction, oppression and enslavement, fear, doubt and uncertainty in their lives.

As we are confronted today with the ongoing challenges of COVID-19, wars around the world, drastic man-made climate change and many other issues, we can assure ourselves and each other that we are united in prayer, common trust and hope in the Risen Lord. "Christ is risen! Alleluia." "**He is risen indeed! Alleluia**". Have a blessed Easter Season.

Br Simon

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—do it now! Look on the website  
[www.southernvalesparish.org.au](http://www.southernvalesparish.org.au)  
and look under Newsletter.  
Thanks to our photographers, you'll find  
page after page of photos—in colour—  
in this month's supplement.**





### World Day of Prayer

St Stephen's hosted the World Day of Prayer (WDP) on Friday March 4<sup>th</sup> 2022. A planning group consisted of Brian McMillan, Anne Chittleborough, Julia Drought, Margaret Cale and Ted Sandercock with advice from

former organiser, Trish Frith. The service, prepared by the WDP women's group of England, Wales and Northern Ireland, with the theme, *I know the plans I have for you* (God's promise to his people in exile in Babylon in Jeremiah 29:11) was celebrated over a 24 hour period in services all around the world.

The service was led by Julia Drought with assistance from readers Barbara Walter, Doreen Rushbrook, Charisse Sanders and Jac Hocking, who read three stories of hope. Hearing the voices of Margaret and Bill Cale telling the story of their life in the United Kingdom and in Australia was a highlight. Jenny Esots was invited to outline a

After the service on Saturday March 19<sup>th</sup>, John Strachan thanked Joan Lunn, who has recently moved to a Kalyra retirement village in McLaren Vale, for her contributions over many years towards the good running of St Stephen's. She has been a faithful member of the Faith Community and has helped with the setting up for services on Saturday evenings. The people present wished her well and hope to see her at St Stephen's once a month.

John also referred to Ted and Wendy Sandercock's long and faithful service at St Stephen's and hoped that with more help they may be able to have a long and well-earned rest. (Ted has resigned as Warden (see p. 2) with Susan Smith taking his place.)

As the Warden's titles and duties have been made more explicit, a summary of the duties of Local Warden, People's Warden and the Sacristan has been prepared for the information of the Faith Community. Steve Banner has joined the Eucharistic Assistant team and is being guided by John Strachan and Ted Sandercock. This extends the roster to five volunteers for this role. Christi Banner has commenced working with Wendy Sandercock and Susan Smith in the role of Sacristan. Sharing this work will allow them to have some flexibility.

The **Mothering Sunday** service on Lent 4 was introduced with a Collect in which four candles were lit, with prayers led by Wendy, Christi, Steve and Ted. Br Simon then blessed the Simnel cake and the posies, which were handed out after the service.

There will be no **Saturday Night Out** on the Saturday before Holy Week in April, so the next will be on May 14<sup>th</sup>. Bookings and menu choice to Ted by Thursday May 12<sup>th</sup>.



current Circle of Friends refugee support project supported by the Australian WDP committee.

The service was dynamic and well attended, and the music and singing were uplifting. After the service, under coloured lights in the peppercorn tree, the congregation enjoyed cupcakes iced with red or white or blue frosting and decorated with a Union Jack. Thank you cooks!

please. Copies of the menu, if required, by return email.

Anne Chittleborough and Ted Sandercock continue to welcome visitors on Saturday mornings, help keep the garden in order and finish any preparation for the service. Other volunteers for this would be welcome.

Wendy Sandercock, Christi Banner and Anne Duguid continue to prepare the church for the Saturday services, and Ted Sandercock and Steve Banner clean the church. Thanks to Julie Bennett for organising a flower roster: we will have flowers in the church again after Easter.

The revised and COVID approved process of setting out the back area of the church and distributing drinks and nibbles after the Saturday service has been well received. Again we thank Ted for his continued work in enabling this practice to continue.

*John Strachan, Warden*



*Susan Smith brings posies to Br Simon to be blessed*

More photos from St Stephen's in the online supplement, pp. 13-14



## News from St Margaret's, McLaren Vale

March has been a busy month, starting with the Shrove Tuesday activities, followed by the Ash Wednesday service, Maggie's Mates, the Vestry Meeting, preparations for Mothering Sunday and Palm Sunday and finally, hosting the service on Lady Day for the Mothers' Union.

Shrove Tuesday was a successful and happy time of Fellowship. Br Simon took the service first and then we all removed ourselves to the Sunday School room for pancakes, with both savoury and sweet toppings with fruit to follow. A lot of people went to a great deal of trouble to cook pancakes and toppings, so thank you to all of you. Special thanks to Trish Tassie who came in especially to help set up the room, Jac Hocking who took over management of the kitchen and kept the evening flowing, and Patrusca Birkett who assisted so ably. Also of course, all those who helped clean up afterwards.

The next day, on a more sombre note, we rededicated ourselves to working for a closer relationship with God and strengthening our spiritual health during Lent. Br Simon reminded us that in this day of overloaded Information Technology, social media, texting, games, facebook etc, fasting could be giving up some of being "out there", to spend some private time with God.

Now that we are not selling St Margaret's, the Maggie's Mates meetings have become much more dynamic as we try to catch up on jobs which had been put aside, and plan for the future. We are currently discussing setting up a community garden in association with local government, to provide a welcoming space for the community around us. However this is in the very early stages. It would be set up with Parish Council oversight and would not involve our aging congregation in any ongoing responsibility.

We also held a Mothering Sunday service of Prayer, Praise and Proclamation, with the traditional posies and Simnel Cake (R). (In fact as I wrote my first draft of this I was keeping a very close and nervous watch on a gluten free Simnel Cake baking in the oven!).

Ted continues to facilitate the Wednesday Lenten studies. They are always interesting and initiate a lot of discussion, with everyone taking part.

We hosted the annual Vestry Meeting (*see p. 2*) and on the 25<sup>th</sup> of February, the Mothers' Union Service for Lady Day (*see p.10*).

Wishing everyone a continuing thoughtful and meaningful Lent and a happy and holy Easter.

*Greg John and Judy Wells*

*(More photos of St Margaret's in online supplement, p.15)*

JAMES (age 4) was listening to a Bible story. His dad read: 'The man named Lot was warned to take his wife and flee out of the city but his wife looked back and was turned to salt.' Concerned, James asked: 'What happened to the flea?'



*Ready to enjoy pancakes! Trish Frith, Rupert Best, Christine Gunn, Margaret Ray*



*Behind the scenes, Jac Hocking, Fran Pettigrew, Doreen Rushbrook and Di Best*





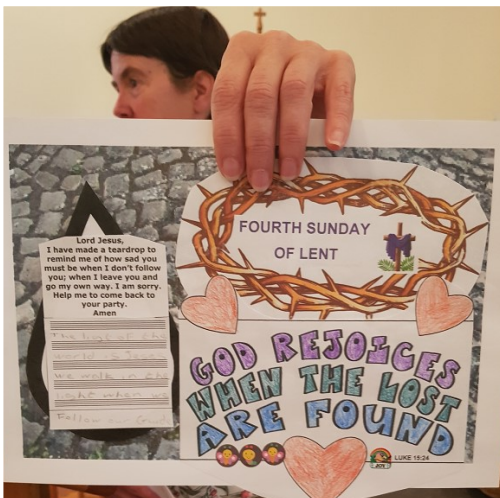
## News from St Nicholas', Seaford

Lent has been our focus for this month both in services and with the beginning of our Lenten Bible Study.

**Our services:** Br Simon has led our services on the first and fourth Sundays, our PPP service on the second Sunday still includes a section on Healing and Anointing led by Fr Ted, and it was lovely to have Dn Peter and Heather join us for our Family Service on the 20<sup>th</sup> of March. Following permission from Bishop Keith and the blessing of Br Simon, we used the reserved sacrament as part of the Family Service. Our older congregation much appreciate having communion offered so frequently.



The Fourth Sunday in Lent is, of course, Mothering Sunday, and Helen Cook made a beautiful Simnel Cake for Br Simon to bless and for us all to share at morning tea.



Sunara continues to impress us all with her artwork each week. For Lent she is adding items each week to our Lenten Roadway which will conclude at Easter (for more Lenten

Roadway pictures see online supplement, p. 16).

**Fellowship meets** on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month. This month we met a little later at 2 pm, following Bible Study, to make the Palm Crosses for some Faith Communities in the parish and the SCC. Ted Sandercock kindly furnished us with palm leaves which Jane cut and trimmed ready for the Palm Crosses. A group of ten or so spent time remembering how to make the crosses, some more successfully than others; but with great fellowship, laughter, and no swearing we made 250 crosses to distribute around the parish. Thank you to everyone who assisted in this venture.

**Bible Study** We are using the ABM book *Repairing the Breach* for our Study this year. There are ten of us in the group, although not all manage to attend each week. Fortunately, each study in the book has a separate topic,

and can be done at home for those who have to miss a week. The reflections and questions that follow often lead to an open and sometimes far-reaching discussion – which of course is the whole point of the study.

**Prayer chain and pastoral care** Our prayer chain has been active this month with several people being undergoing medical treatments and others awaiting results. For those who are unable to attend our weekly services, the Sunday Table Service and Pew Sheet are delivered or emailed, and regular phone contact is kept up to ensure all are safe and well. We are fortunate to have a dedicated group of people who take on this ministry.

**SCC** The Ecumenical Services have been planned for the first half of the year. The UC/CC hosted the World Day of Prayer Service that proved to be an enormous success. On Palm Sunday, as usual, we will combine in the Wirra to bless the Palms. Maundy Thursday will see the "Washing of the Feet" Ecumenical Service at 7 pm with Stations of the Cross on Good Friday at 9 am. Upcoming services in the planning are: Taizé Service, Anzac Day Service at 9 am with a cuppa afterwards, and a service during the week of Christian Unity.

The notification of a successful grant application allows the instalment of a purpose-built industrial grade dishwasher in our Town Square Café.

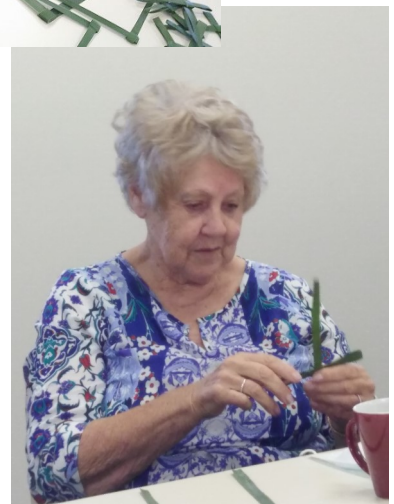
We are truly blessed with our congregation and their willingness to share their time, talents and gifts with us and the wider community at SCC.

God Bless

Helen Cook & Jane Cuthbert, Wardens



Above:  
Takoohi ("Queenie")  
Baban and Shona from  
the Catholic Community,  
and (R:) Pat Vercos  
from St Nicholas':  
the intricate art of Palm  
Cross making!  
(More photos in the  
online supplement, p. 16)





## News from Yankalilla & Delamere

After much discussion it has been decided that we are to renovate the kitchen in Christ Church hall. It can now be termed a work safety issue, so we have received quotes for the various works involved in replacing the old cupboards on either side of the sink, together with the sink, as well as providing a hand washing basin.

The main challenge, (we don't have problems, only challenges) was that the sink was very low, much lower than the regulation safe working height. Rob and Ann Ryan kindly did the research and came up with some benches which will fit the bill. There are two of them, made of stainless steel, each with a shelf underneath rather than cupboards.

There will be a new sink for food preparation and dish washing as well as a separate smaller sink for hand washing, which is a mandatory requirement in commercial kitchens.

When we started to take out the existing cupboards it was found that these were recessed about two inches below the rest of the floor or possibly the rest of the floor was built up after the cupboards were installed. This has led to a small delay as the section of floor had to be concreted to bring it up to the main floor level. It is a work in progress.

Our team consists of Rob & Ann Ryan, Peter Filsell, Fr and Lyn Dick, and myself (Ron King) getting in the way trying to record the event.

A Men's Shed/5CY combined lunch was held in the



grounds of Christ Church in March, with meat provided by the Men's Shed and salads by the 5CY volunteers. (5CY is a group from the five churches of Yankalilla that provides food and other grocery items to people doing it tough.)

The aim of the lunch was to bring the various families serviced by 5CY together and give them an opportunity to meet each other in a spirit of fellowship. Six families attended and it is hoped the word will spread between them and increase the numbers at the next meeting.

Following on from the Men's Shed/5CY combined lunch it is hoped that we will be able to host more events now that we will have an up to date kitchen. *Ron King*  
(More photos in the online supplement p. 17)



### ***And an Easter message from Fr Brenton:***

Well, we are nearly there, folks. We have journeyed through Lent and are on the home stretch to the great celebration of the Easter mystery of the risen Christ. This is the great reward of Easter.

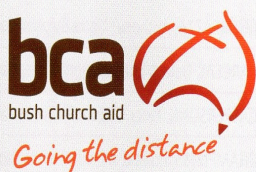
"If Jesus didn't rise from the dead, then the faith of Christians is 'useless' and 'pitiful'", wrote the Apostle Paul. "If there's no resurrection", he told Christians in Corinth, "live only for today: let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die."

Now, the resurrected Jesus offers life to all who believe in him as their Saviour.

This is our Faith. Don't get carried away and substitute all those nice easter eggs and bilbies, and a four day week-end, for the Easter story.

**Christ is risen! He is risen indeed.  
Have a blessed Easter.**

*Join our worship at Yankalilla and Delamere. For service times see p. 1.*



**BCA Boxes are due NOW.**

**Please hand yours to your warden—and consider the BCA suggestion of direct debit.  
(contact me for details)**

**Wendy Sandercock 0414 848 040**

### Ash Wednesday

At our Service in the evening of the 2<sup>nd</sup> March, the first day of Lent, we were reminded, particularly by the Imposition of Ashes, that, "by self-examination and repentance, by prayer and fasting, by self-denial and acts of generosity and by reading and meditating on the word of God", we should "keep a Holy Lent".



*L: Barbara Walter and Pat Roper, marked with the cross of ashes.*

### Lenten Studies

Our studies on the book *Breaching the Gap* continue to

challenge us. Author Steve Daughtry said in his Acknowledgements, "The most effective mission work is done by the local community... Hence these studies have not been outsourced to brilliant theological minds operating in another stratosphere. This year I looked inside my parish... and among my ABM team, and realised that I was surrounded by people with deep theological and missional understanding. People of real faith and courage. So, I asked them to write." And those who have contributed to the studies by leading or simply participating in them, have followed in these same footsteps and we can rejoice in that.

### World Day of Prayer

On the 4<sup>th</sup> March at St Stephen's, Willunga a number of us were pleased to take part in a service for the World Day of Prayer (see p. 4). Brian McMillan and the choir led us in spirited singing, which included a song composed especially for the Service.

### Temptations in the Desert

For our Family Service on the 6<sup>th</sup> March, led by Trish Frith, the story of the Temptations of Jesus following his Baptism (Luke 4:1-15) was narrated by Doug Shaw, and Sally Shaw opened that Scripture to us.

### The fruitless apple tree

The story of the fig tree took on a new look in the PPP service led by Peter Chapman on the 20<sup>th</sup> March, taking the form of an apple tree. Like the fig tree it was saved by the gardener, who said "Let's give it another year. I'll dig around it and fertilise, and maybe it will produce next year; if it doesn't, then chop it down."

### Palm Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> April

We look forward to the visit of Shadow the donkey, to take part in our Palm Sunday procession. Thank you Jim Lekkas and Burda Sanders! Gentle Shadow is always a popular visitor, and adds that "something special" to our celebration of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem.



*Everybody's help contributed. Eileen Binns found her Handi Reacher handy!*

### Clean-up Australia Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> March

We had a wonderful turn-out and very successful Clean-up Australia morning. "Sadly" we filled over 10 bags of rubbish and recycled materials. It was sad to see so many medical masks lying around, as well as cans, bottles and much more.



Volunteers ended with a delicious sausage sizzle, with Covid Safe Protocols, for an enjoyable fellowship lunch. The council collected all the bags the next day. A big thank you to all who participated. *Sally Shaw.* (More photos in the online supplement p. 18)

### Family Tea

Only a dozen people made it to the Family Tea on the 25<sup>th</sup> March; the smaller number making for a different but no less enjoyable atmosphere, and an opportunity to sit around the table together for the first time.







### **Jumble Sale**

The Jumble Sale on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March coincided with the State Election. A suggestion was made to count the numbers of people who came through the gates and approximately 180 people (including 28 volunteers) attended and \$1500 was raised for parish funds.

A few changes were made this year to the setup, and under De Badgery's guidance the outdoor stalls were erected at the front of the church to gain the attention of passing motorists and create a more dynamic browsing atmosphere. One of our parishioners, John Badgery, plays the didgeridoo in a band of enthusiastic lovers of blues music, so he invited them to come and play. Called the "DEFF LUGS" (deaf musicians), the band comprises eight members, including priests, a bishop and other very busy people. Great delight came over the faces of those who knew them, and their music gave a festival feeling, new to the Jumble Sale.

As always, there were many bargains, and Devonshire Teas, Bacon and Egg Sandwiches and Sausage Sizzles

were available for all to have!

In addition to the Deff Lugs, many thanks must go to all the volunteers who provided produce, set up, manned stalls and cleaned up. It's a huge job! Special thanks go to the friends and families of parishioners who came to help; Karel (jewellery), Diane and Tom (electrical goods, and bacon & eggs), the Cale girls who helped with the books and the tents, the

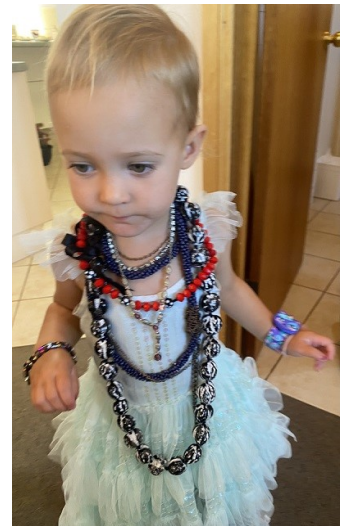
Chittleborough girls who helped set up, and little 7-year-old Jayden removing millipedes from the hall. Those millipedes didn't stand a chance!

As well as the much-needed proceeds, the jumble sale was, as ever, a chance to mingle with members of the community, and to stock our cupboards with things we hadn't realised we needed.

Among the many satisfied customers, probably no-one was more pleased than little Oakleigh, who "discovered" the jewellery stall.

A selection of the books not sold on the day has been offered to a group of volunteers who have sent books to schools in Lesotho and now support a fledgling library there.

*(More photos in the online supplement pp, 19-20)*



### **Reflections on Hymns**

In the Gospel of the Day for 13<sup>th</sup> March 2022, being Luke 13:31-35, Jesus, referring to Jerusalem, is recorded as saying "... How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings ...".

This concept is reflected in the words "... cover my defenceless head with the shadow of thy wing ..." from *Jesus, lover of my soul*, one of the Hymns sung on 13<sup>th</sup> March: a hymn described by Professor Wesley Milgate in *Songs of the People of God* as "One of the best loved hymns". First published in 1740 by the Reverend Charles Wesley (1707-1788), the hymn was sung to *Hollingside*, a tune published in 1861 by the Reverend John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876) – "one of his best tunes", according to Professor Milgate.

Our final hymn was *Stand up, stand up for Jesus*. "Tell them to stand up for Jesus" was the deathbed message, to the YMCA in Philadelphia, from the Reverend Dudley Atkins Tyng (1825-1858), an abolitionist and Anglican evangelist, unpopular with slave owners. The Reverend George Duffield, a Presbyterian, was inspired by those words to write this hymn, which he read at his friend's funeral, conducted by him on 25<sup>th</sup> April 1858: Duffield thought that its opening words had a particular importance for Tyng, "as if he had said, 'Stand up for Jesus in the person of the downtrodden slave' (Luke 4:18)". The tune, *Morning Light*, was initially composed, by George James Webb (1803-1887), who emigrated in 1830 to the United States and was prominent in the musical life of Boston, to accompany other words, but has been associated with this hymn since 1864.

*Brian McMillan*



On March 7<sup>th</sup> nine members and friends, including our Diocesan President Jocelyn Williamson, gathered at the Visitor Centre, McLaren Vale. Such a beautiful setting with the vines beginning to show the autumnal colours. As usual, coffee and conversation began the day, before our short business meeting.

With the closure of the Yankalilla branch, Gail Filsell now joins our meetings. She brought to the meeting a donation of \$100 to go to Genesis along with our knitted items. This will most certainly be appreciated and used well.

Following our service our Diocesan President, Jocelyn Williamson, addressed the group. She spoke about Mary Sumner, the founder of MU. We were interested to hear too about her own journey to being our Diocesan President. She then went on to explain the theme for 2022 - Transformation Now – how this should be viewed, and perhaps how we can commit to doing our own transformation in whatever way possible.

Discussion included a reminder that members can include men, and women who are not mothers, and we recalled the days when divorced people could not be members and the hurt that caused.

Families Equip, a parenting programme co-ordinated by Liz Hampel from Mt Barker, was commended to us.

*Our next meeting is on April 4<sup>th</sup> at 10.30 am (note changed time), at the same venue, with Southern Suburbs Branch joining us.*

*Helen Cook*



*L-R: Lucy Creed, Gail Filsell, Jocelyn Williamson, Helen Cook, Trish Frith, Dorothy Milde, Eileen Binns (front), Doreen Rushbrook*

## Lady Day: the Feast of the Annunciation

The Diocesan service for Lady Day (25<sup>th</sup> March) was held at St Margaret's, McLaren Vale, this year. The MU chaplain, Fr Daniel Irvine, was unable to attend as he is now a full-time teacher, and Br Simon, who had planned to lead the service, was unable to do so owing to the death of his mother. However, it was a lovely service with about 24 people present, led by the Diocesan President, Jocelyn Williamson, with Judith Wells administering the Reserved Sacrament. Felicity Warrington provided a beautiful musical Accompaniment and Doreen Rushbrook served morning tea. There was no trading table, but a collection was made for Disaster Management and Climate Change in the Pacific. As a thankyou gift to the parish, a bucket and tools were donated in the hope that they might some day be useful to a community garden at St Margaret's (*see pp. 5, 11*)

Following the service those who were able to stay enjoyed a BYO lunch in the Sunday School Room, a chance to meet members from other branches, and an imaginative game which had us all scratching our heads. Cards were signed—congratulations to Daniel and Jasamine on the birth of baby Connor, and a sympathy card to Br Simon. Mount Barker was thrilled to collect the Quickest Warmth knitted gifts of beanies and scarves, and especially the knitted toys.



*Among Southern Vales members of MUA present were Doreen Rushbrook, Joan Lunn and Eileen Binns*



*The Executive of the Mothers Union Australia in the Diocese of The Murray: Trish Frith, Jocelyn Williamson, Carolyn Earl, Rhonda Elson, Liz Hampel, Eileen Smith*



## Snippets from WFA Council meeting, March 2022

### St James', Delamere

Consideration of potential additional use of St James' Hall is continuing: any change of use would require Council approval and adherence to prescribed standards.

### St Margaret's Community Garden

Br Simon spoke of the idea of a community garden at St Margaret's, being one that would create a community social environment run and managed by people outside the church. It would have the potential to make our place look lively, vibrant, used and supported, and may encourage users who are not members of the church to feel comfortable with the place and wish to see the survival of the church as a place that they want to see continue. It would be in line with our missional goals and be of value to our community. It would need to be run by a separate body with the oversight of the Parish Council. Ongoing research was still needed.

**COVID regulations** were changing. Buffet is now allowed, so morning tea can be by self-service again.

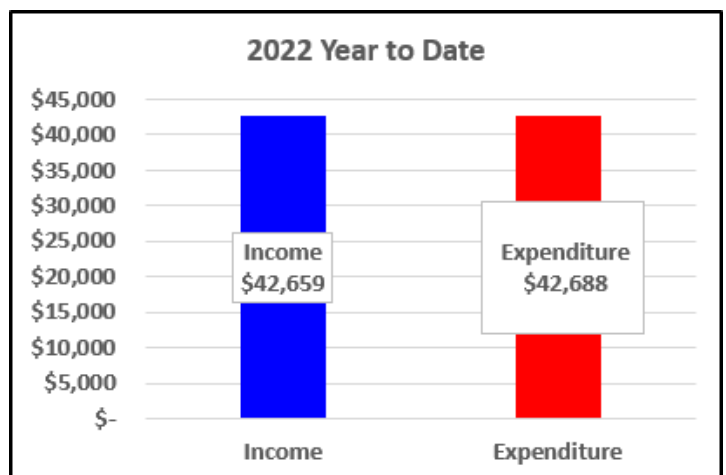
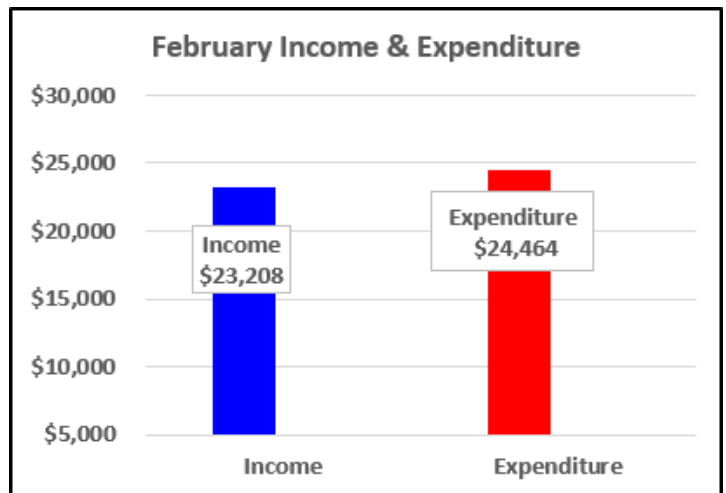
The Secretary reminded Council that any new people in the congregations need to complete a **Parish newsletter/website/directory form** before they can be added to the SMS message list and give permission to have details included in parish roll.

In her report the Treasurer noted that the cost of **Insurance**, which was calculated and paid by the Diocese and for which the Parish is now required to reimburse the Diocese, was considerably more than budgeted. This prompted discussion of the appropriate valuation, for insurance purposes, of the buildings owned by the Parish, and the nature of the risks for which the Parish is prepared to insure them: Parish Council will consider those matters further. It was suggested that a question on notice should go to the next Synod about the necessity for appropriate and effective training of lay people for the various tasks and responsibilities taken on by them to enable the Parish to function.

**St Margaret's** was finding that cleaning was becoming a problem as there were not as many able-bodied congregation members as previously. A cleaner was required to do toilets and floors on a twice-monthly basis. Donations from outside groups using the Sunday School Room might cover this.

**St Stephen's** are planning to apply for a grant under the tree-planting programme funded by the Commonwealth to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen: if that application is successful an appropriate variety of trees will be planted in locations suitable for them.

**Date of next meeting Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April**



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

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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](mailto:machit5@bigpond.com.au), preferably by the 15<sup>th</sup> of April.

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

## Service times & contact details

St Margaret's, 99 Main Road McLaren Vale

Sunday: 10.30 am

Wednesday: 9:00 am

**Wardens:**

Judith Wells 8186 1296

Greg John 0405 053 331

St Stephen's, St Andrews Tce, Willunga

Saturday: 5.30 pm

**Wardens:**

Susan Smith 0416 799 965

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:**

Ron 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:**

Ann Ryan - 8598 0227

Peter Filsell 0427 534 095

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



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**A** World Day of Prayer, St Stephen's, Willunga (see p. 4)



**B** Margaret and Bill Cale  
**C** Margaret Cale and Julianne Bates under the lights  
**D** Julia Drought leading the service



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**Mothering Sunday, St Stephen's, Willunga (see p. 4)**



R: Christi Banner lights the third candle.

... As we light our third candle:  
We pray for all those whom we are  
called to mother, for the courage to  
love deeply, and to let go freely.

With our fourth candle:  
We ask for forgiveness for the times  
when our hearts have been closed to  
the love, and need for love, of those in  
our care.



Bob Smith brings the Simnel Cake to be blessed.



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**St Margaret's, McLaren Vale (see p. 5)**



**Pancakes, Shrove Tuesday**

A: Roger and Brenda Dew

B: Trish Simon, Lorraine de Fredrick,  
Susie Waters, Tristan Simon

C: Brian McMillan, Barbara Walter,  
Patrusca Birkett, Felicity Warrington



**Celebrating  
Mothering Sunday**

Julie Cridland, Jac Hocking,  
Lorna McGaffin, Judith  
Wells, Susie Waters, Sylvia  
Francis, Doreen Rushbrook,  
Fran Pettigrew, Sue Thomas



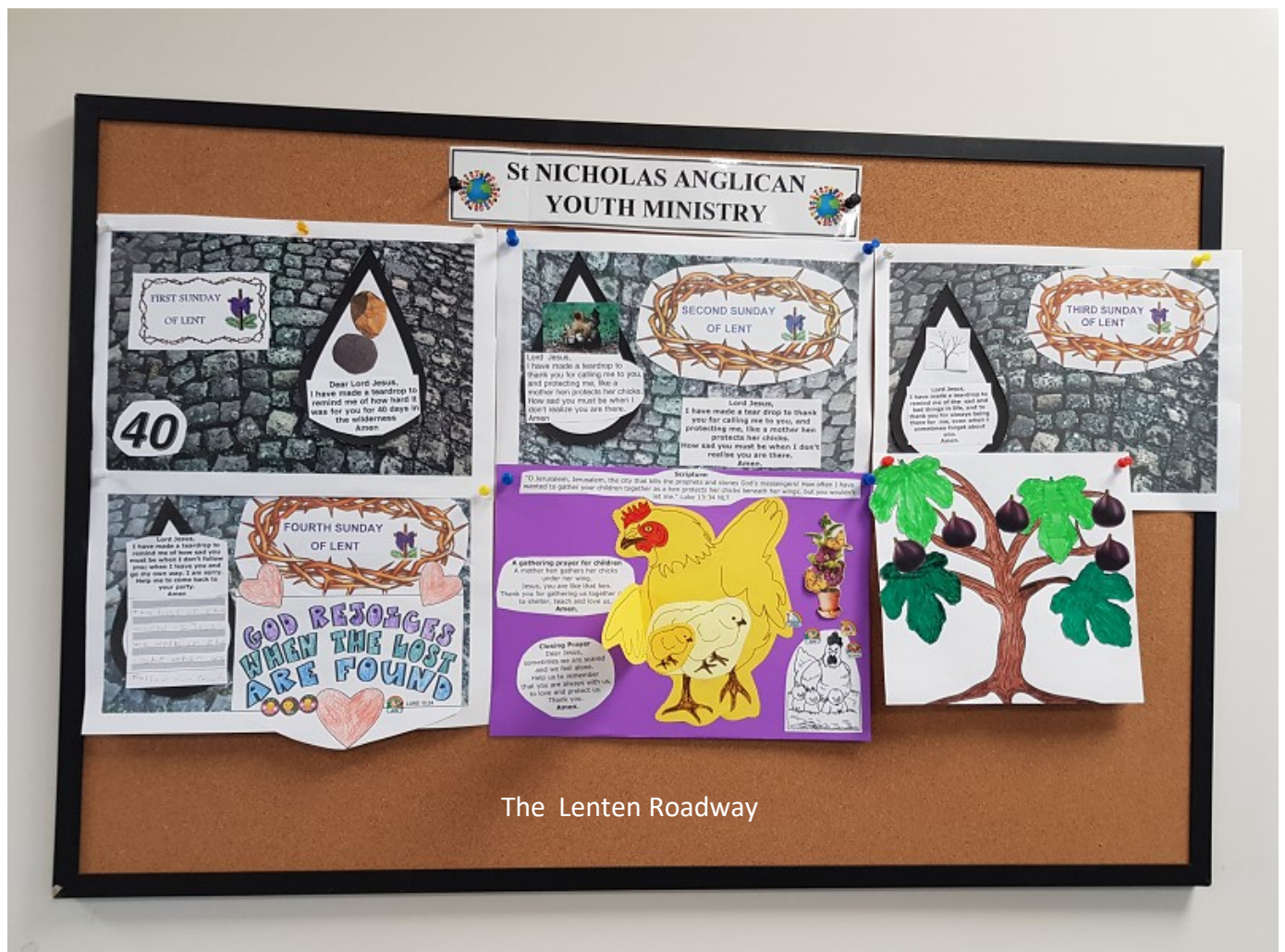
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#### **Making Palm Crosses at St Nicholas' Seaford (see p. 6)**

How would we manage without Jane there to teach us again—and again—and again!





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**Christ Church Yankalilla: Kitchen revamp (see p. 7)**



Left: What every housewife dreads: Anne Ryan discovers what lies behind the sink.



Above: Peter Filsell puts in replacement Panelling, and L: with the new wall panelling in place, waiting for the cement to dry



R: Finished!  
Peter Filsell and Rob  
Ryan check the new sink  
and shelves.





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Eileen Binns

**Clean Up  
Australia!**  
(see p. 8)



Trish Erith & Gillian Clampett



Patrusca Birkett



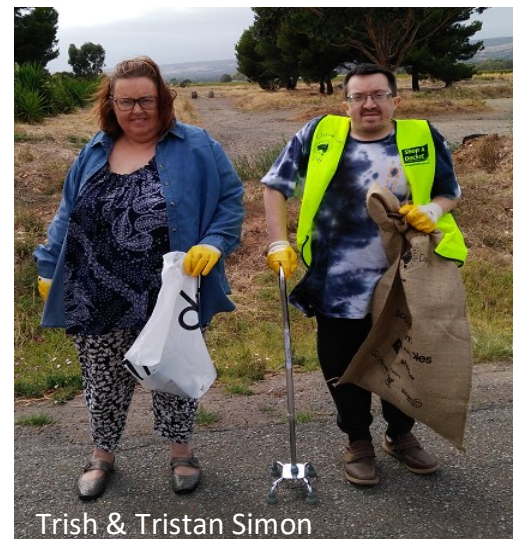
Doug Shaw



John Badgery



Relaxing afterwards



Trish & Tristan Simon



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#### **Jumble Sale! (see p. 9)**

It's always an early start, but this time the men were setting up the tents from Christchurch Yankalilla before the sun was up.

R: Bob Smith cooking sausages and onions, and John Badgery playing the didj.



One lovely thing about this jumble sale was that friends and families came in to help. De's sister Diana and her husband Tom were there for the day, and there were grand-daughters and a great grandson helping to set up and pack away afterwards: L: Amie and Alex setting up the cake stall, Centre: Jayden (7) arranging the toy stall, and R: Katrina and Lauren helping the Bates to pack away the tents.





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**Jumble Sale (Cont'd): behind the scenes.**



And after the packing up, cleaning up, and restoring the church to order, the remnants of the exhausted team sat down to share a bottle or two ... while Bill Cale, with the last crowds gone, and the place to himself, did the final sorting of the shed, until...



...it was finished at last!



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**Mothers Union Australia: Lady Day at St Margaret's (see p. 10)**



Jocelyn Williamson led the service



Enjoying lunch—and yes, men are welcome to join the MUA!