

October 2025



The Grapewine

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

St Ann's celebrates 160 years.
What lies ahead?

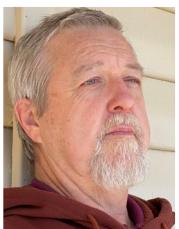


St Ann's before the tower (c. 1865)
(photoshopped to remove tower: for original see p. 13)



St Ann's after the bridge (2025)

Br Simon reflects (p. 2)



Archdeacon of the Fleurieu, Brother Simon, reflects:

Hi all

It is incredible to think that for over 160 years, generations of Anglicans have been coming together to worship in this Aldinga location. The area has changed quite considerably over the time; from paddocks and a town with a narrow road, to suburbs, vines and six lanes of roads built next to us; from the church in the highest part of the land to roads being continually raised to avoid flooding around us over the decades, to a bridge and a tunnel for four lanes of traffic. The community in which we have ministered has changed from a rural township to that of a developing urban community growing around us.

Throughout all this change we have the certainty that God is consistently amongst us across generations of being a worshipping faith community. Through the last 160 years people around us have been able to see a stone church on this location. The presence of the church building is a wonderful symbol of the presence of God in our midst. However, this physical sign of the presence of the Christian mission in the community is only a building, an object. What we are here to celebrate this month is the generations of the faithful people who have gone before us, and those who continue to worship God and share the good news in this location today. We are celebrating a beautiful, romantic and honourable legacy of the faithful, and a promise to continue worshipping and sharing the faith in this region.

It will be a privilege to preside at this 160th anniversary service.

In Christ

Br Simon

STOP PRESS!

The Parish Council is pleased to announce that following her Ordination on 25th October, the Rev'd Rebecca Newell will commence a 12 month curacy in the Western Fleurieu on 1st November 2025.

THE TWO PERGRINOS

It all started after a film night at St Stephen's church in Willunga. My Warden at the time, Steve Banner, had a bit of a think and decided to show the film *The Way, My Way* by Bill Bennett: a film about Bill's walking the Camino with the trials and tribulations that go along with it. Well, it was a great night, with 42 people, and we did a Spanish themed supper of Spanish meatballs, Spanish wine and dessert. After everyone had gone home, Steve, his wife Christi and I had a bit of a debrief and we all thought the night was a great success. There were a couple of half empty bottles of very nice Spanish red wine left and we had a glass or two and chatted about what it would be like to walk the Camino. A seed had been sown.

The next day we came back to St Stephen's to do the final cleanup and began talking about the Camino again. Steve looked at me and said, "Well, what do you think?" I replied, "If you want to do it, I am keen." So, here we are, planning and getting all the necessary equipment needed to walk the Camino. We have read guide books and people's personal experiences, and googled countless You tube tales of Camino adventures. Anaconda is becoming our favorite store.

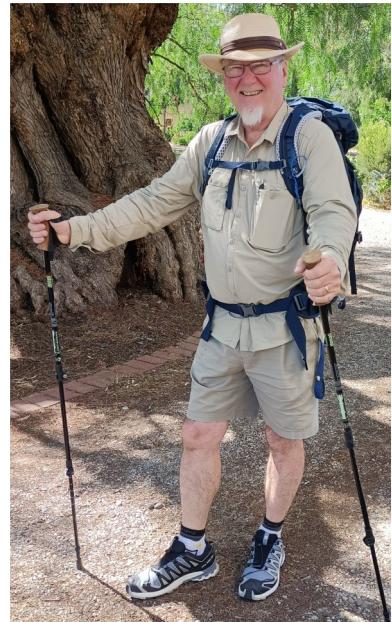
Your Camino can start in many different ways and for many different reasons. My reason for walking the Camino has been inspired by my reading and research, with no preconceived ideas of what I am going to get out of it. Religious, spiritual or deeply personal reasons, all have deep meanings to those who embark on the Pilgrim's way of the Camino. For myself, I am going to let the Camino tell me why I am undertaking this 800km walk across the top of Spain in the steps of St James the apostle. I may get the answer on the first day, halfway there, or when I make the last step to the Santiago De Compostela, the cathedral of St James. Whatever the answer and whenever it comes, I feel quite sure that it will be a life-changing and enlightening moment in my life.

Well, the countdown is on as we fly out to Madrid on the 21st September. We look forward to telling our personal story of our Camino. Stay tuned.

Buen Camino.

Brenton

((Also see News from St Stephen's, p. 4)



For your Diary .

October

Sun 5th Gold coin collection for PCWs*
 St Ann's Founding Celebration . Service
 10.30am, and shared lunch

Thurs 9th Prayers for Peace St Ann's 11.15am

Sat 11th Sausage Sizzle, Quarry Market (see below)
 Saturday Night Out, Willunga (see p. 4)

Sun 12th ACH service, Yankalilla

Mon 13th MU meeting 9.30 am Unit 127 Kalyra, Main Road, McLaren Vale
 WFA Council 4pm St Nicholas'

Tues 14th Ministry Team Meeting St Margaret's 10.30am

Sat 18th LUKE

Sun 19th Walking With Jesus Christ Church 10am

Tues 21st Friends of St Ann's 4pm

Fri 24th Family tea, St Ann's 6 for 6.30pm

Sun 26th Healing service Christ Church 11am

Tues 28th SIMON & JUDE

*PCWs

Pastoral Care workers (Schools Chaplains)

November

Sat 1st ALL SAINTS

Sun 2nd Gold coin collection for PCWs*
 St Nicholas shared lunch and meeting

Mon 3rd Mothers Union Christ Church 10.30am

Sat 8th Quarry Market Sausage Sizzle (see below)
 Saturday Night Out, Willunga

Sun 9th ACH service, Yankalilla

Mon 10th WFA Council Christ Church 4pm

Tues 11th Remembrance Day

Thurs 13th Prayers for Peace St Ann's 11.15am

Sat 15th Jumble Sale, St Ann's (see below)

Sun 16th Walking with Jesus Christ Church 10am

Tues 18th Friends of St Ann's 4pm

Sat 22nd Strawberry Fete, Yankalilla (see p. 9)

Sun 23rd CHRIST THE KING
 Healing Service Christ Church 11am

Fri 28th Family tea, St Ann's 6 for 6.30pm

And also,

- * each Tuesday at St Stephen's, Willunga
 Meditation 9am
- each Wednesday at St Margaret's, McLaren Vale
 Holy Communion/Morning Prayer 9am, Bible Study 10am
- and each Friday Meditation at Christ Church, Yankalilla 9.15-10am

QUARRY MARKET SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Volunteer to help with the Sausage Sizzle at the Quarry Markets, Willunga

Sat. 11th October
 or Sat. 8th November

8.30 or 9.00am-11am,
 or 11am-1.30pm

Or just come and buy our delicious sausages!!

Enquiries:

Julianne Bates 0422 817 169
 Or Heidi Watts 0488 590 709

Proceeds to the Southern Vales Schools Ministry
 to support our school Chaplains (Pastoral Care Workers)



Jumble Sale at St Ann's
Sat 15th November 8.30-12.30

Quality goods wanted

- and helpers! -

Books

Plants

Clothes

Cake stall

Bric-a-brac

Sausage sizzle

Devonshire teas



If you have news of coming events or happenings in the Western Fleurieu Anglican area to share with the rest of the parish, please contact the Editor, Anne Chittleborough, ph 8556 5078 or email macit5@bigpond.com.au preferably by 15th October.

Please notify the Editor if you wish to avoid the



Parish Combined Service,
 Yankalilla 30th November.
 Details to be confirmed, but keep the date.

News from St Stephen's, Willunga

During the month of September we returned to our normal routine of communion services on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays as well as lay-led Evening Prayer on the 1st Saturday and PPP on the 3rd Saturday. We have many wonderful volunteers that help with the reading of scripture, coordinating beautiful floral arrangements, managing the garden and offering delicious nibbles for enjoyment after the services. Our PPP service offered a bit of a surprise this month. The Gospel was from Luke 16:1-13, often termed the parable of the shrewd manager. The main conclusion was that you cannot worship both God and money. In relation to this conclusion, we were given the opportunity to listen to the Beatles sing "Can't Buy Me Love". It was a modern and fun twist to the message, that all enjoyed.

We want to offer special thanks to Fr Brenton Dick, Anne Chittleborough and Phil Duguid who diligently weed, mow and generally tidy up the garden. It is a magical transformation that welcomes others and is a joy to see when we arrive for services.



Our meditation service on Tuesday mornings continues to be popular and attracts others from the community, some of whom have slowly integrated into the general church services. It has been a joy to see this growth and to participate in such Christian fellowship.

We have all been watching Fr Brenton Dick and Steve Banner prepare for their adventure of walking the Camino de Santiago. We have eagerly anticipated their journey as we have witnessed their preparation. This has included training walks with the addition of walking poles, practicing with a back pack and eventually loading and weighing that back pack with all their belongings. Just as importantly, it has meant preparing spiritually to be guided by Christ's example and the chance to spread his gospel. In a world full of such uncertainty and conflict, it has been uplifting and hopeful to observe such a positive and faith based endeavour that truly requires the trust of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. After our meditation service on 16th September we all laid hands on Steve and Brenton and prayed for their pilgrimage. Anne Duguid then read a beautiful prayer from a Pilgrims' Prayer Book and we sent them off on their journey. They departed on the 21st September to begin their journey at St Jean Pied de Port, France.

On their return, there are plans underway to have a gathering that allows a presentation about their journey as well as a pilgrim meal--more details to come!



The month of October will bring a slight change to our usual service schedule. Fr Peter has some commitments which mean a change to our communion services. We will have communion on the 1st and 4th Saturdays, with Evening Prayer on the 2nd Saturday and PPP on the 3rd Saturday.

We will continue with **Saturday Night Out** at the "Middle Pub", known as the Hotel Willunga, on the 2nd Saturday (11th October) at 6:30 pm. Please email Steve Banner at Imestba@yahoo.com if you plan to attend. You can indicate your menu choice when you reserve, or order upon arrival.

Christi

News from St Margaret's, McLaren Vale

Fr Alex and Fr Ian continue to bless us with their leadership in celebrating Holy Communion for us on the first two Sundays of the month. Fr Ian also celebrated Holy Communion for us on the third Wednesday of the month, staying for Bible study; giving us the benefit of his insight.

As Greg was heavily involved with the Big Sing, Prayer Praise and Proclamation was celebrated using the little service booklets and Brian McMillan kindly provided the music with hymns selected to reinforce the focus of the service - choosing between money or God as our priority and fulfilling our commitment to God with the level of ingenuity and intelligence displayed by the shrewd if dishonest manager in the day's Gospel reading.

Not much has been written about our fourth Sunday Service of Morning Prayer as the report for the *Grapevine* needed to be submitted prior to that service. John Strachan (R) spends a lot of his time organising the service, the selection of hymns, preparation of the address and the conducting of the service, and in his words "it has been a bit of a learning curve". We are thankful for his time, effort and insights.

Every month we thank all those who assist us in our mission and in maintenance; however we have some who assist us in less obvious ways that tend to be forgotten.

One of those is **Michael Drought**. Besides odd jobs of ground maintenance, Michael produces the beautiful hand-written names on the baptismal certificates and marriage certificates we use.

Di Best, besides all the other tasks she does, provides fresh flowers each week for the votive candle table.

Rupert Best collects all the returnable bottles brought to St Margaret's, stores them and takes them to the recyclers when there are enough bringing the money back to the church for banking.

Fran always makes sure we have enough toilet paper for use in the toilet!

Bill Cale and **Barry Bates** came and removed the dead wood along the back fence.

So thank you to all our congregation and fellow

parishioners who see those odd obscure little jobs/tasks and quietly and competently and often lovingly complete them.

St Margaret's hall is a convenient location for the bimonthly Ministry Group meetings, which provide an opportunity for lay leaders of the five churches and (where possible) clergy, to plan and discuss rosters, events and any worship issues. Br Simon, as Archdeacon, attends when he can.

Bible studies continue here on Wednesday mornings after the 9am service.

The piano in the hall, which came from Delamere church, has been tuned by Neil



Atchison. Neil's parents, Daisy and John Aitchison, were communicants here at St Margaret's years ago, and lived in the retirement village nearby. Thank you Neil.

May God continue to be with us in all we do and say.

*Judy Wells, Julia Drought
and the Congregation of St Margaret's*



St Margaret's Bottles and Cans COLLECTIONS FOR MISSIONS.

Another month of generous donations including two very large full boxes left in the St Margaret's Sunday School Room! A big thank you to this anonymous donor. Our refund this month was \$40. Added to the cumulative total this brings us to \$275 for the year. Thank you to all the contributors to this worthy cause. You are doing wonderful work and we could well go over \$300 for 2025.

Di Best

News from St Ann's, Aldinga

Spring always seems to be a hive of activity. The abundant weeds appearing in the church garden and cemetery have been sprayed, plants trimmed and a cubic metre of mulch

spread on the garden adjacent to the ashes plot. The new ashes plot to extend the original has now been completed and makes provision for a potential 70 more plots. Thank you Barry, Bill, Tony and Bob!

Volunteers to join the team and work on the grounds and gardens are always welcome to meet on Tuesday mornings from 8.30am till around 10am.



It always amazes us when key people go away on holiday. It reminds us of how much they do behind the scenes and how reliant on them we can become. Many thanks for their tireless input. In light of this, it is always prudent for all of us to consider the gifts and talents God has given us, to make the load a little lighter.

Preparations have been steady for the 160th celebrations. Invitations have been sent and RSVPs are steadily being returned. The church and hall will have a "special clean". Pamphlets about St Ann's will be available for visitors and historical records have been printed and can be viewed. The event has been advertised in the community.

A cemetery walk on Saturday the 4th October will be held under the auspices of the Willunga branch of the National Trust to accompany the 160th celebrations. Participants will discover the stories and events of our first settlers and famous people who settled here later.

In the meantime a Spring Event fundraiser has been held at Brian's home. His garden was looking beautiful and



was a delightful setting for a relaxed day of food and friendship. Thank you Brian!

On Tuesday 23rd September, five of our congregation met at the Southern Vales Christian College for morning tea and conversations with staff and students. St Ann's has had a connection with the school before, and we were glad to be invited. Hosted by Year 9 students, with morning tea prepared by Year 8 students, songs from the choir and cards made by Year 2 children we felt privileged to be among the "olds" invited.

For a bit of fun and nonsense from time to time St Ann's awards "Chocolate Frog

Awards" for achievement, and this time it was Felicity's turn to be awarded the Frog, for her winning caption for Tristan's photo of the koala (see September *Grapevine*).

One of our parishioners, Sally Shaw, is holding a **Creation Care Workshop on Saturday 11th October**. This is her invitation to care for God's Creation with biblical discussion and reflection. If you would like to go, please call Sally on 0418 154 195.

A small group had a productive meeting with the **Fleurieu Connections Alliance** to mitigate the higher traffic noise levels. We had rejected the suggestion of a high fence which would have hidden our building: it is interesting to note how many more locals have now noticed the church! We have agreed to a proposal by the Alliance to double glaze the windows and seal the gaps around the frames and front door.



More photos pp 14–15 in photo supplement p. 14

We have also been officially advised by the Alliance that from the 29th September until the 13th October, there will

be a **Port Road on ramp closure**. This means that access to Stonehouse Lane from the north will be closed. People coming down South Road from the north will need to go past the church under the bridge and turn left at the lights onto Aldinga Road, from which there will be access to Stonehouse Lane. (All southbound traffic from Port Rd will be required to access Main South Rd via How Rd and Aldinga Beach Road.)

Finally, our services have been well received. It has been a joy to have Fr Ian Young and Fr Alex Bainton with us again sharing with us their insight into the scriptures. At our Prayer, Praise and Proclamation service on the 20th September one of our parishioners, Lorraine Colliver, gave us her testimony using the theme, "Keeping it Real". What a life of faithful service and opportunities to learn to love her Lord! Many thanks, Lorraine, for your deep insights.

Julianne Bates & Brian McMillan, Wardens

The contributions to our worship by our organist and parish choirmaster, Brian McMillan, is much appreciated, especially his skill in selecting relevant and thought-provoking hymns to enrich our worship.

In the light of our current road works situation, how appropriate were the opening words of the hymn we sang by the Rev'd Fred Pratt Green MBE (1903-2000); not only reflecting the traffic noise issue, but also a reminder at this time of our 160th anniversary, of our call to care for the world around us:



"When the Church of Jesus
shuts its outer door
lest the roar of traffic
drown the voice of prayer,
May our prayers, Lord, make us
ten times more aware
that the world we banish
is our Christian care."



I DON'T WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN WHO ...

I don't want to be a Christian
who forgets how to feel—
who hides behind answers,
quotes verses like shields,
and silences sorrow
with a song.

I don't want a faith
of romanticised abstraction,
where resurrection is polished
and the cross is theory.
Give me something real—
flesh and blood,
grief and grace.

I want to weep
with eyes wide open.
Tears that speak truth.
Tears that rise
from the ground of compassion,
from the jagged knowledge
that the world is not
as it was meant to be.

I have seen it—
the wounded souls,
the haunted eyes,
the bruises beneath the surface.
I have felt the weight
of injustice

that crushes and isolates,
while the world looks away.

These are not tears of despair—
but of resistance,
of aching love,
of holding the pain
when no one else will.

I want a hope
that isn't saccharine.
Not "hopium".
Not denial in disguise.
But a defiant, dirt-under-the-fingernails
kind of hope—
the kind that walks through the
valley,
sits in the ashes,
and still whispers,
"Even here... God."

I want a gospel
that holds the wound.
A Christ who draws close,
a Spirit who groans,
a God who gathers every tear
in a bottle,
holds every sorrow
like a fragile flame,
and knows
what it is to break.

I want to believe—
not cheaply,
not loudly—
but with trembling trust,
that one day,
every tear
will be wiped away.
Not erased,
but remembered,
redeemed,
and transfigured.

Until then,
let me be the kind
who weeps.
Who walks in holy realism.
Who holds vigil
in the shadow of the cross
and waits,
with aching hope,
for the dawn.

Jon Swales

The Rev'd Jon Swales heads up Lighthouse, a Christ centred, hope-filled community in Leeds, UK, providing support for vulnerable and marginalised people.

News from St Nicholas', S.C.C., Seaford

This month has been quiet. Our Family Service on the 7th September coincided with Fathers' Day and the last day of the Adelaide Show, resulting in a quieter than normal Service, which was still enjoyed by all. Our theme was on Love and Faith, with part of our reflection being a You Tube animated video of Paul's Letter to Philemon. Our reflection was completed with excerpts from a sermon by the Rev'd Dr Rodney Fopp emphasizing God as a liberator, a creator, who knows us in and out and continues to shape us with love and grace.

Our Round Table Service on the 14th September took the theme Lost and Found: "for there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents" (Luke 15:10). Jesus tells two parables; the first about a shepherd who leaves all his other sheep to look for a lost one, and the second about a woman who loses a precious coin and searches until she finds it. Jesus draws the same point from both stories: that there is rejoicing in heaven when one sinner repents.

We were reminded of how we feel when we find something we thought lost or misplaced – often phones, keys or purses - and the sheer relief and joy when we do find what was lost. Perhaps that is how God feels. He goes out of his way to search for us. He doesn't sit calmly and hope we will turn up, He searches for us and calls us back to Him. We discussed how we could reach out to those who are lost in our community; how we could, through our social connections and friends, encourage them to look for themselves into the wonder and glory of God's word.



There's no easy answer, of course, and the importance of prayer for those we know and those who seek, must not be overlooked.

Our service on the 21st September was taken by Fr Ian Young. We were pleased to have him join us in our healing service this month and to have time for fellowship over morning tea. Fr Ted again assisted Fr Ian with the anointing with oil and prayers for those in need.

Fr Ian led us in a wonderful service and gave an inspiring sermon following the gospel reading from Luke; one of the unusual parables given by Jesus, seemingly agreeing with the dishonest merchant. It is only as you read it in context that you can appreciate the message, the importance of faithfulness and integrity in all our dealings, and that it is impossible to serve two masters; you cannot serve God and wealth.

On the 28th September we look forward to Br Simon leading us in our worship and the opportunity to catch up with him and what is going on in the Parish.

Our prayer chain has been very active this month with prayers for Chris Gunn's daughter, Jo, undergoing treatment for cancer, with both Lyn and Jean in Flinders for respite and others in need of God's grace through prayer. Lyn is now back home but Jean will be moving into Residential Care following respite.

Our outreach is more and more with those who are housebound. Fr Ted takes Home Communion where needed and Helen ensures all keep in touch through newsletters, pew sheets and services.

Several of us hope to attend the service at St Ann's on October 5th to celebrate their Foundation Day.

Blessings
Helen Cook and Jane Cuthbert, Wardens

One of the lovely things about worship at St Nicholas' is the beauty and the colour of the baptistry. In the photo (L-R): Helen Cook, Sunara leading prayers, Fr Ian Young

News from Yankalilla



We are delighted to welcome back Belinda Rosser, who has been away for several months, and we look forward to Peter and Gail's return.

The fourth Sunday of the month is designated as a healing service, with the laying on of hands and anointing with holy oil. In September Fr Peter Simmons administered this service

We were grateful to have Julie Perri playing the piano at Walking With Jesus on September 21st. She has agreed to be an occasional player. We will welcome another new pianist for our gathering in October, Marcella Habib, who, with her husband Lisha, is the new resident of our rectory. Welcome also to Anne Petch, who will play the organ on October 9th. Anne played at St James', Delamere for many years and presently helps out at Delamere Uniting Church. Yahua Stokes is unable to play due to work, but we hope she will rejoin us in time.

The **Strawberry Fete** will be held on 22nd November from 9 to noon. . Rumour has it that the Big Strawberry might be prevailed upon to appear again! To donate items for the event or to assist, please contact Belinda Rosser, 0411 591 628.

The next **Combined Service** (5th Sunday) of Western Fleurieu Anglicans will be on Sunday November 30th . It will be held at the Yankalilla Museum, and organized by Christ Church. Details to be announced.

Walking with Jesus on September 21st was led by Fr Peter Randle. The gathering focussed on the words of Jesus: "I am the true vine".

Vines and vineyards are biblical symbols of God's presence and people in the world, and this assertion from Jesus suggests that he embodies this presence, and we, his followers, are like branches of the vine, our purpose being to bear fruit—spiritual fruit, not only for our benefit, but also for the benefit of the whole human community.

This spiritual fruit has been clearly defined by St Paul in his letter to the church in Galatia: "The Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self control" (Galatians 5:22). So our mission as followers of Jesus is to be channels or conduits of these gifts to the people around us. That beloved prayer attributed to St Francis expresses this beautifully:

"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon, where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O divine Master, grant that I may not seek so much to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life." Amen.

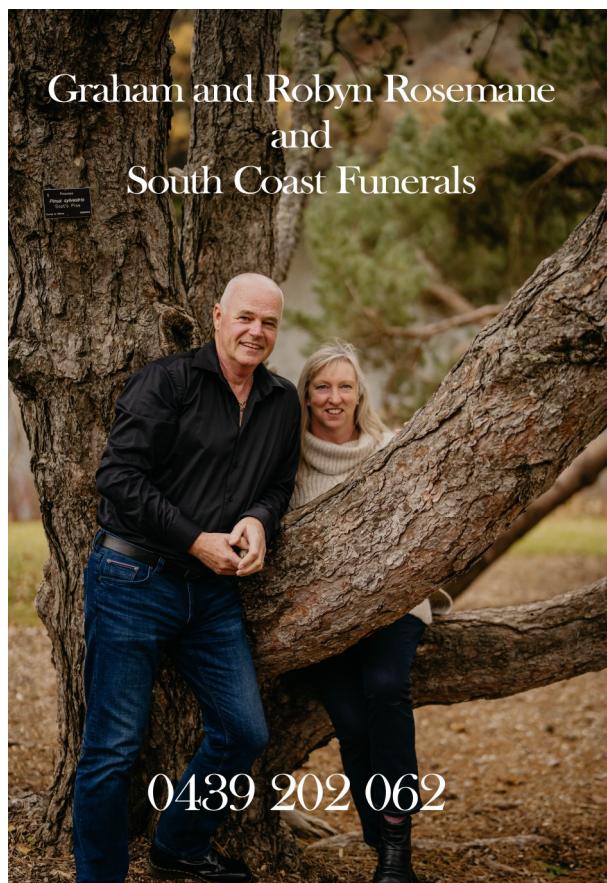
What is also important about Jesus' analogy of being the True Vine is the reality that his followers can only fulfil this purpose when they remain in contact with Jesus, and he goes on to explain the nature of this connection: he speaks of his followers as being his friends, his especially chosen friends. So our group discussion then explored what it means to have a friend, the benefits of such a relationship, and also the responsibilities of being a friend; that is, what our friends, including Jesus, might expect of us.

We also shared our thoughts on ways we maintain and strengthen our friendships, and in particular on how we can stay close to Jesus.

Our time together was truly fruitful, especially as we welcomed thee guests from Western Australia who had come to visit the Shrine here at Christ Church—our conversations were warm, friendly, lively and enlightening.

God continues to surprise us with joyful and fruitful blessings.

Peter Randle.



Snippets from WFA Council, 8th September 2025

ORDINATION!

The Administrator reported that Rebecca Newell, currently a non-stipendiary Deacon in the parish of Southern Suburbs, will be ordained priest on Sat. 25th October at St Peter's Cathedral, Adelaide. Her first communion service will be at Morphett Vale on the 26th October.

See STOP PRESS, p. 2, released following a special meeting of WFA Council 30th September.

Diocesan report:

Licensed Lay Ministry training sessions were being planned; the first at Mt Barker 11th Oct. The Rev'd Dr Rodney Fopp was developing a Preaching course.

Ministry Team report:

The Ministry team was working well. Some of the assisting clergy who were taking services to help out had asked to be included in the Ministry Team meetings.

The future of ministry at St Stephen's should be on the agenda for Ministry Team discussion. The Tuesday meditations and the Contemplative Services were going well. Perhaps replace Evening Prayer service with Contemplative Prayer service?

St Nicholas' had consistent numbers, but several in the congregation were in their 90s; some housebound. The Uniting Church were talking about having a combined service with the Anglicans one Sunday a month. Seaford Christian Churches' AGM in October.

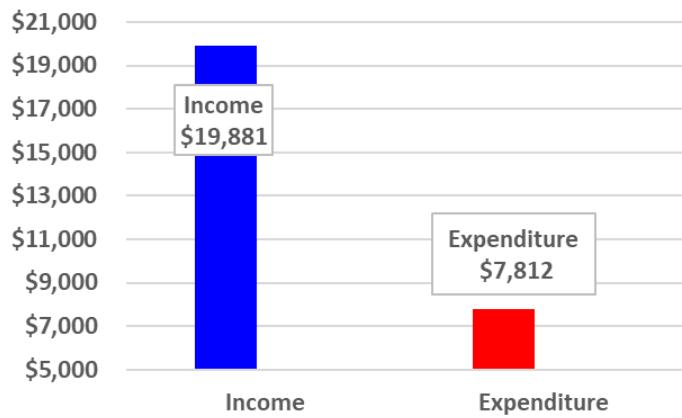
Secretary's report: All churches now have an Automated External Defibrillator. St Ann's AED was actually being recalled, but was believed to be 99% effective in the meantime.

Treasurer's report: see graphs. The lower expenditure is because we are not currently paying a stipend. However, giving is significantly down. We need to be ready to start paying a stipend, possibly at short notice. The \$1,400 from Trish's rose pruning would be split: \$1000 to Christian Care, Aldinga: \$400 to ABM. Money received from sale of St James' items to go into general funds.

Parish Website: We are grateful to Lorraine Nitschke, who recently repaired and updated our website. She has indicated that she is willing to continue to do work on our website, on an *ad hoc* basis.

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

August 2025 Income & Expenditure



2025 Year to Date



ANGLICAN BOARD OF MISSION

175 YEARS ANNIVERSARY
SUNDAY 26th OCTOBER 2024

Celebratory High Tea, 4-5.30pm
Cynthia Poulton Hall,
27 King William St Adelaide
followed by
Choral Evensong, 6pm,
St Peter's Cathedral

Preacher: The Most Rev'd Geoffrey Smith, Archbishop of Adelaide and Primate of the Anglican Church of Australia

RSVP for the High Tea by 22nd October
online: www.abmission.org/175adelaide
or ph 1300 302 663. Entry to High Tea by donation:
suggest donation \$20/\$15 concession



Our September meeting was held at the Town Square Café SCC, Seaford. Over coffee and chat 8 members were all interested in the recent exciting meeting Trish Frith had with an Indian lass, Sunanda, whose family she had known for many years (R).

In about 1970, Trish and her husband Ken, began sponsoring an Indian boy, Dhanvir, who was born in 1966. Their support began after Trish had heard about an Australian nurse who had taken TB treatment to remote villages in India and in doing so had also met many leprosy sufferers.

Trish, as a nurse, was very moved by this work, deciding to sponsor a child. As a result of their sponsorship Dhanvir had a good education, becoming a motor mechanic. Sunanda is his daughter. Dhanvir met Trish in 1994, with the rest of the family, when she volunteered for three months at the Ryder Cheshire Foundation Home, Raphael.

Raphael is a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to the Ryder-Cheshire mission for the relief of suffering without discrimination, established over 60 years ago by Sue Ryder and Leonard Cheshire. At Raphael, the focus is on caring for people with leprosy, TB, multi-drug-resistant TB and physical, intellectual, and learning difficulties. It is in Dehradun, Uttarakhand, Northern India. Raphael offers services free of charge, including accommodating around 200 people and providing day programs for more than 250 people. Raphael operates under its own local Board of Directors. Since its inception, it has been supported by

Ryder-Cheshire Foundations, Support Groups and volunteers from Australia, New Zealand, and the UK.

For more information go to: <https://rydercheshirehomes.com.au/home/about-us/ryder-cheshire-australia/>



Join us at our next meeting on October 13th, at the home of Doreen Rushbrook, Apartment 127, Kalyra Village McLaren Vale, at 9.30am.

Helen Cook, Secretary

Read *The Grapevine* in colour, with additional pages of photos, on our parish website, southernvalesparish.org

This Month's Readings: Year C, 2025

**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—5th October—Lamentations 1:1-6—Lamentations 3:19-26 (or Psalm 137) - 2 Timothy 1:1-14—Luke 17 (1-4) 5-10
ALSO FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—12th October—Jeremiah 29:1,4-7—Psalm 116: 12-14—2 Timothy 2:(1-7) 8-15—Luke 17:11-19

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—19th October—Jeremiah 31:27-34—Psalm 119:97-104—2 Timothy 3:10- 4:5—Luke 18:1-14

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—26th October—Joel 2:23-32—Psalm 65—2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18—Luke 18:15-30

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—2nd November—Habakkuk 1:1-4,2:1-4—Psalm 119:137-144—2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12—Luke 19:1-10 *or*
ALL SAINTS—Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18—Psalm 149—Ephesians 1:11-23—Luke 6:20-31**

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Service times & contact details

St Margaret's, 99 Main Road McLaren Vale

Sunday: 10.30am

Wednesday: 9:00am

Wardens:

Judith Wells 0411 502 218

Julia Drought 0432 366 899

St Stephen's, St Andrews Tce, Willunga

Saturday: 5.30pm

Tuesday: Meditation 9am

Warden:

Steve Banner 0404 163 940

St Ann's, 7 Stonehouse Lane, Aldinga

Sunday: 9am

Wardens:

Julianne Bates 0422 817 169

Brian McMillan 8557 6984

St Nicholas', Seaford Christian Churches

cnr Main St and Grand Blvd, Seaford

Sunday 10.30am

Wardens:

Jane Cuthbert 0407 651 606

Helen Cook 0427 679 787 or 8386 3689

Christ Church, Yankalilla

1st, 2nd & 4th Sundays – 11.00am

3rd Sunday – 10.00am Church Hall

“Walking with Jesus” (see p. 6)

Wardens:

Peter Filsell 0427 534 095

St James', Delamere

No scheduled services.

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Where there is a 5th Sunday in a month, as there is in November, you can expect some service times to be different.

See “For Your Diary” (p. 3) and/or check pewsheets/noticeboards/website for details.

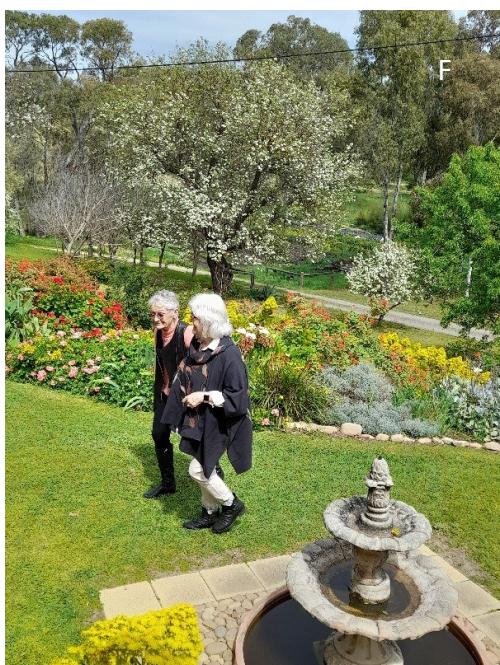
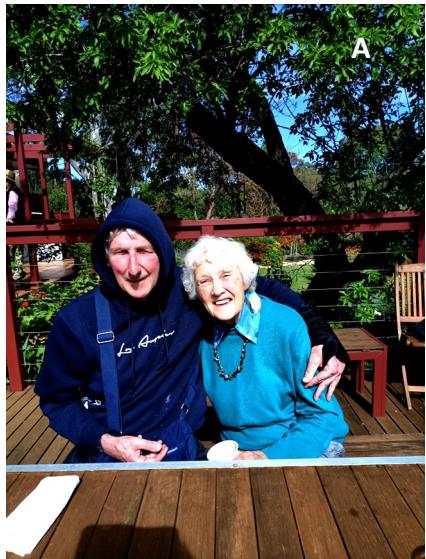
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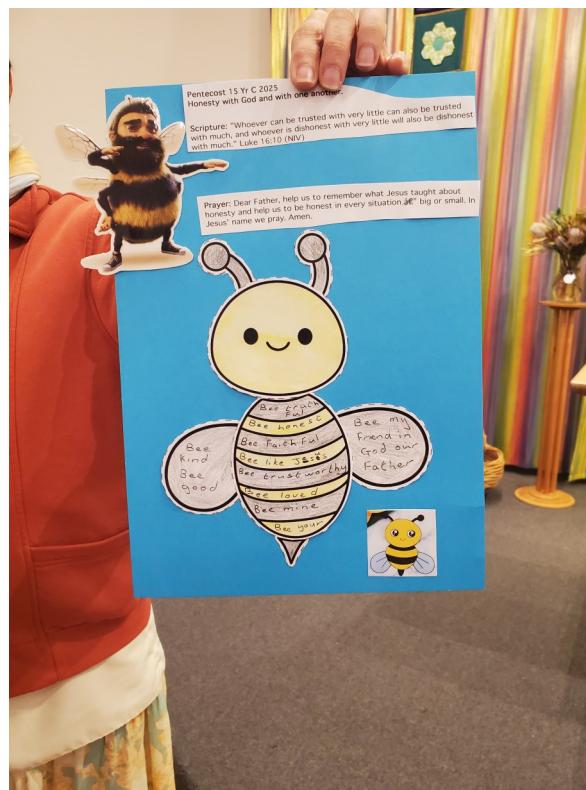
And now for the future:

St Nicholas', Seaford

(see p. 8)



Youth Art Board, September



Sunara's BEE: How we should live