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Proclaining Christ in word and action: growing in care, love and service

The Grapevine

Newsletter of the Western Fleurieu Anglicans, Diocese of The Murray



Parish Combined Service
St Nicholas', Seaford
29th August 2026



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Rev Beck writes...



There is something rather striking about a vineyard in winter. The vines that will eventually produce an abundance of grapes can look surprisingly bare. Branches that once carried leaves and fruit have been cut back, sometimes quite dramatically. To someone unfamiliar with vineyards, it might even look as though something has gone wrong.

But the pruning is intentional. The person tending the vines knows that pruning is part of preparing them for another season. Some branches need to be removed so that new growth can emerge. What looks like loss is actually part of the process of becoming fruitful again.

Living as we do amongst vineyards and farmland, this is a familiar sight. As spring approaches, we begin to see signs of new life appearing in the landscape around us. The bare vines will soon be covered with fresh growth.

It is a useful image for the Christian life.

In John's Gospel, Jesus describes himself as the true vine and his Father as the vinegrower. He tells his disciples that the vinegrower prunes the branches so that they may bear more fruit. It is an interesting image because pruning is not particularly gentle. It involves cutting away. It involves letting go of something that was once growing.

Yet the purpose of pruning is not destruction. It is fruitfulness.

There are seasons in our lives when we may need to let go of things. Sometimes these are habits or attitudes that no longer serve us. Sometimes they are expectations about what our lives should look like. Sometimes, perhaps, they are ways of doing things that have served us faithfully for many years but may not be the way God is calling us to move into the future. And that can be difficult.

We naturally value what is familiar. We remember the people, places and traditions through which God has blessed us. We can be reluctant to let go of them because they have become part of our story.

But pruning does not mean that the past was a mistake. The vine remains. Its roots remain. The life within it remains. And the fruit that has already been produced is not somehow erased because the vine is pruned.

Perhaps this is something we need to remember as the Church. Faithfulness does not always mean keeping everything exactly as it has always been. Sometimes faithfulness means trusting God enough to allow something to change.

The challenge is learning to distinguish between holding on to what is precious and holding on simply because it is familiar.



As spring comes, we will watch the vineyards around us begin to change. New shoots will appear on branches that looked bare only a few weeks before. In time, there will be leaves, flowers and eventually fruit. The process reminds us that God is a God of new life.

Pruning can be painful. Letting go can be difficult. But we need not be afraid of change when we remain rooted in Christ. The vinegrower knows what he is doing.

Perhaps, this spring, we might pray for the grace to trust him - not only with what is growing, but also with what he may be asking us to let go.

September 2nd is commemorated as **PNG Martyrs Day**. As the Second World War reached Papua New Guinea, twelve Anglican missionaries chose not to leave: teachers, nurses, priests, builders and evangelists – servant leaders who embodied Christ's love in action.Today we honour their memory through the Martyrs Gift – supporting education, strong leadership and brighter futures for our neighbours in Papua New Guinea; adult literacy classes offering life and hope and a second chance. *Find out more on www.abmission.org*



Diary Dates

September

Wed 2nd	**PNG MARTYRS DAY** *(see p. 2)*
Sun 6th	**Gold Coin Collection**
	St Nicholas' shared luncheon
Mon 7th	**Mothers Union,** Seaford CC 9.30am
Tues 8th	**Mission Action Plan meeting,** Christ Church, 3pm
	WFA Council, Christ Church 4pm
Thurs 10th	**Prayers for Peace**, St Ann's 11.15am
Sat 12th	**Quiz Night, St Ann's** 6.30 for 7pm *(see below)*
Sun 13th	**Edenfield service,** Yankalilla
Mon 14th	**HOLY CROSS**
Tues 15th	**Friends of St Ann's** 4pm
Sun 20th	**Walking with Jesus,** Christ Church 10am
Fri 25th	**Family Tea**, St Ann's 6 for 6.30pm
Sun 27th	**Healing Service,** Christ Church 11am
Tues 29th	**MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS**

October

Sun 4th	**Gold Coin Collection**
	St Nicholas' shared luncheon
Mon 5th	**[LABOR DAY}**
	Mothers Union, St Ann's 9.30am
Thurs 8th	**Prayers for Peace**, St Ann's 11.15am
Sat 10th	**Sausage Sizzle,** Quarry Market, Willunga *(see below)*
Sun 11th	**Edenfield service,** Yankalilla
Tues 13th	**Home Communion Training** session St Margaret's 11am (*see p. 11*)
	WFA Council, St Margaret's 4pm
Sun 18th	**LUKE**
	Walking with Jesus Christ Church 10am
Tues 20th	**Friends of St Ann's** 4pm
Fri 23rd	**Family Tea**, St Ann's 6 for 6.30pm
Sun 25th	**Healing Service,** Christ Church 11am
Wed 28th	**SIMON & JUDE**



St Ann's

SATURDAY 12th SEPTEMBER

6.30 for 7 pm

Tickets only $15,

but bring coins to participate in the games.

Book a table of 8, or come and join one.

BYO drinks, glasses and nibbles.

Bookings necessary:

ring Julianne 0422 817 169



Sausage Sizzle

Support our schools ministry

Assist for a shift at the Sausage Sizzle at the Willunga Quarry Market: proceeds to Pastoral Care Workers (Chaplains).

10th Oct 8.30-10, 10-12, 12-1.30

14th Nov 8.30-10, 10-12, 12-1.30

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If you have news of coming events or happenings in the Western Fleurieu area to share with the rest of the parish, please contact the Editor, Anne Chittleborough at 23 Esplanade, Pt Willunga 5173, ph. 855650778 or machit5@bigpond.com, preferably by 15th September

And please notify the Editor if you wish to avoid the chance of being mentioned in the newsletter.



Vale Father Ted

In loving memory of **Fr Edward (Ted) George Newing**
12th July 1930 - 11th August 2026.

Australia had four missionary societies serviced by the Anglican church during Ted and Joyce's earlier years: CMS (Church Missionary Society), ABM (Australian Board of Missions – now Anglican Board of Mission); SAMS (South American Missionary Society) and BCA (Bush Church Aid), and at different times, they served with them all: in Kenya, Tanzania, Fiji, Singapore, South America, and PNG. The list of their journeys around the world covers pages and can't be added here, but a brief record of a few highlights are needed, if only to marvel at the amount of time Joyce spent packing, unpacking, and organising Ted and the children!

1954 – 1961 - Ted married Joyce, studied, lectured, was ordained and became Rector of Millers Point, Sydney. Joyce gave birth to Paul, Timothy and Miriam.
1961-1970 – travelled to Kenya, Tanzania and back to Kenya - Chaplain and lecturing in various Theological Colleges. Joyce gave birth to Ruth in Morogoro, Tanzania.
1970-1972 – St Andrews University, Scotland to study for a Doctorate of Philosophy - then back to Kenya before returning to Australia in 1973
1973-1980 – Sydney, with a short trip to St Andrews to collect his PhD - and also build a causeway connecting people to the local hospital
1980-1983 – CMS – Singapore, Graduate School of Theology, lecturer and supervisor of students.
1983-1984 - Lecturer, University of Queensland
1984-1988 - Secretary of South American Missionary Society
1989-91- with ABM: Suva, Fiji - Pacific Theological College
1991-2007 – Willunga, living in the rammed-earth house that Ted built! – and lecturing in Hebrew at Tabor College – with brief spells in Suva and Popondetta as relief teacher.
2007-2026 – Seaford, living down the road from St Nicholas', and lately in Seaford Rise sharing a home with their daughter Ruth and grandson Rian.

After retiring in Willunga Fr Ted continued to provide ministry in the Diocese of Adelaide and the church community in the Southern Vales, including months ministering at St James', Delamere and years at St Nicholas', Seaford Christian Churches. He will be missed by so many at St Nicholas' and the other denominations at SCC for his generosity of spirit, his love and care, his welcoming smile, and his vast knowledge of theology, especially the Old Testament. As part of his ongoing ministry Ted was a regular visitor and provider of the Eucharist to those who asked for it, both at home and in care facilities. He also led services, told stories, sang heartily and knew how to pronounce all those difficult biblical words! The Wardens, both past and present, relied on Fr Ted, who was always willing to assist in whatever way he could. He never, at least to us, said no.

We all face the certainty of our own death and judgment, but like Ted and Joyce we believe that those who die in Christ share eternal life with him. So we thank God for Ted's long and fruitful life, and for the many blessings he gave to all the lives he touched. As we mourn and honour Ted, and support one another in grief, we know he is now reunited with Joyce, safe in God's eternal presence.

St Nicholas' want to offer this tribute to Fr Ted as their News for August.

Since Fr Ted's funeral on Thursday 27th August, St Nicholas' has hosted a **Parish Combined Service and shared lunch** (*see p. 1, and more photos p.13*).

The ecumenical character of Seaford Christian Churches could be observed as the different denominations mingled in the foyer between services

Cathy More wants to convey sincere and heartfelt thanks to all who held her in prayer at the time of her knee replacement and incapacity.



Saturday 15th August was a bright sunny morning, after some dreary cold days. It was a pleasure to open the doors of St Stephen's Church and let the light in, to enjoy the wonderful harp playing of Alice McHenry.

Alice shared some of her faith journey during the morning.

Approximately 25 people attended the morning. Some only stopped at the doorway or came in briefly to enjoy the beautiful music for a few moments, but it was an opportunity for them to see inside this beautiful old Church, possibly for the first time.

Alice hopes to play again in October.

Anne Duguid



Christian Meditation continues here on Tuesday mornings at 9am, followed by morning tea, and all comers are welcome.

A quote of $3,520 has been received from the State Heritage Roofing Pty Ltd for the repair of damage to the roof of the church. It appears that the old slate tiles were fastened with nails that have been in danger of rusting, and one tile has already lifted and caused a leak. Parish Council has agreed that the repair work is to be done. The gutters are in need of clearing and this will be done at the same time.

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The church was never meant to be confined within four walls. It was meant to gather, to grow, and then to go—to shine, to serve, to love, and to bring the presence of Jesus wherever we go.

Gathering with believers matters. We need the encouragement, teaching, worship, fellowship, and accountability that happen when the Church comes together. But we were never meant to stay inside the building.

You can attend church every Sunday and still miss the heart of what it means to be the Church. Because being the Church isn't just about sitting in a pew—it's about living with purpose, walking in obedience, and carrying Christ into every place He sends you.

The goal isn't simply to gather more often, but to live out more deeply what we receive when we gather. Every act of kindness, every word of grace, every stand for truth, every display of love—that's the Church in motion.

Let's gather. Let's grow. And then let's go.

Let's not just go to church. Let's be the Church—His hands and feet, His light in the darkness, and His love in a world desperate for hope.

Thank you Fr B

You will not impact the world by faithfully going to church.

You will impact the world by being the church when you go out into the world.



The weather is warming up as August comes to a close, but the church is still cool inside so the colourful knitted rugs and the few heaters are still welcome each Sunday. Our 160 year old front door has presented a few problems over the last few months, but after minor repairs to the lock, it now closes. A number of us, however, need lessons on how to open it, as it does tend to stick.Maybe the warmer weather will rectify this issue

As we've all been affected by late winter downpours, our grounds have also suffered. Our septic tank has had to be emptied twice in three weeks due to water backing up from the council drain. Our intrepid Warden, Brian, has been on the case and we are hopeful of a speedy remedy. With plentiful rains followed by lovely sunshine, the weeds in the cemetery have flourished. Many thanks go to Barry for spraying the culprits. It's looking quite yellow at the moment and now just needs spot spraying and weeding around the graves - in readiness for the corellas and cockatoos to begin their annual pilgrimage invading the pines to feast on the cones, and drop pine needles and sap over the graves! September and October are wonderful months to volunteer your gardening services, raking and baling the results of the gardeners' work. Please see Trish or Victoria if you are able to help.

Even though our numbers have been down over these winter months, our services continue to be meaningful and the messages encouraging. Thank you, Rev Beck and parishioners who have put in much work to give these to us. We sense the Spirit's leading throughout the service and through your talks.

St Ann's is having a Quiz Night fundraiser on the 12th September. Tickets are $15 each and can be bought from Julianne (0422 817 169). You might like to book a table of eight or join one. BYO drinks, glasses and nibbles, and bring along coins to participate in the games and raffle. Proceeds this year will go to the Schools Chaplaincy. Don't leave buying your tickets too late as there are limited tickets available.

We are very thankful for the foresight of those who came before us when they decided to build our little room next to the church. It is being used by many community groups through the week. The new car park and bitumen road base has also been well utilised. Speaking of the room/hall, we were pleased to have Trish S. and Tristan help out with morning tea these last two weeks. Tristan made the fatal mistake of telling his mum that he makes a mean cup of tea, so he was "invited" to show off his talent! He really enjoyed it, so now he's coming to help out every 4th week. Thanks Tristan! Thank you too, Anne V, for all the cooking you do for morning tea. Home-made biscuits always trump bought ones.

It seems rose pruning has now finished. Brian's thirty roses are going to look spectacular in the months to come. We hope he takes a photo for a future *Grapevine*.

It is always pleasing to see our friends who come to spend time with us when they return from overseas or their trips away. Welcome back from the Philippines, Brian. We are also looking forward to having Wendy and Tony back with us from their three month stint in the UK.

With several of our regulars missing it was a smaller group than usual who enjoyed a splendid Family Tea, especially the excellent paella provided by *chef extraordinaire*, John Badgery. As always, the fellowship was warm and there was much laughter. Come and join us on the fourth Friday of the month – all are welcome.

Julianne Bates, Brian McMillan, Wardens



R: Coffee time, around 10.45am after the Thursday parish choir practice, tends to be a gathering time at St Ann's. Br Simon's liking for big mugs has subjected him to some teasing when he's able to get there!



Heritage SA Grant application

We received notification from Heritage SA in mid-August that we were unsuccessful with our application for Grant Funding for the painting of the roof and the interior of Christ Church. Unfortunately they had a lot of applications, and there was only $250,000 available.

I am still waiting for Diocesan Council's approval to engage Peter Russell to do the plaster and stone work repairs as well as replacing timberwork in the Church porch and to replace the front work.

Once this work is done, we will see what funds we have remaining and decide how to proceed with the other stages of the painting work.

Update on Shrine Visitation

In late August all of our centres were asked to complete the National Church Life Survey.

One of the questions asked was how many acts of worship are held in your church and how often they occur.

Christ Church is open daily from 10am to 5pm and for the past eight months we have been keeping a record of the number of prayer requests that have been made. So far this year we have had 2000 prayer cards filled in and a further 1000 requests written down in the book next to the candle. These requests are placed on the altar every Sunday following the intercessions and they are offered up with the following request for the Pilgrim's prayers:

Heavenly Father, we lay this book of intercessions on your altar in the knowledge that the contents of these prayers will be answered by you in your good time. Lord we are grateful for the miracles you perform daily for those with faith. May this candle symbolise the light of your love on our troubled world. Amen.

These requests have averaged 90 per week and this is in addition to people who attend our regular Sunday services and partake of Communion, which is between 15-25 people per week. *Peter Filsell, Warden*

Walking With Jesus 16th August

Trust and Obey

The August gathering of this Year of the Hymn was led by Gail Filsell, with her chosen hymn, "Trust and Obey". Our Bible passages were:

Proverbs 3: 5-6: "Trust in the Lord...submit to Him and He will make your paths straight."
John 14: 15: "If you love me, keep my commandments" (The words of Jesus).
James1: 22. "Don't just listen to the word...do what it says."

The topic of obedience can present a big problem to people who have memories of having to obey their parents...or else! In the past, wives were expected to obey their husbands, but not vice versa! Nevertheless, we do have to obey the laws of our land.They are there for our protection and not just to cramp our style.

Obedience as presented in the Bible, we see, is always connected with trusting someone before obeying them. As followers of Jesus, we try to obey Him because we trust in Him. His most important commandment was to love others, even our enemies.

We thought about how we feel when we are trusted by others. It encourages us to act in their interests. But if we are not trusted it is often a blow to our self esteem and very hard to take, especially if the lack of trust is based on wrong information or even jealousy. To overcome this situation takes careful discussion supported by prayer.

We finished with another old time Gospel song—"Just a closer walk with Thee". This song has become a jazz favorite in some circles! *Elizabeth Gordon-Mills*

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Returned from General Synod 2026 in August, Br Simon writes:

General Synod is the national gathering of the Anglican Church of Australia, held approximately every four years. The regular pattern has been interrupted by COVID and other circumstances, so it was particularly good to be part of this year's gathering.

General Synod brings together representatives from across the Australian Church to consider legislation and, more broadly, to reflect on what it means to be the Church in Australia today. This year there was a particular focus on standards, the appointment of a Bishop for the Torres Strait Islands, and finding a way forward as the Australian landscape continues to change, particularly for dioceses facing changing economic and ministry environments. There was also a strong emphasis on how we can support one another and work collaboratively to share the good news of Christ in our different regions, while recognising the unique mission and character of each diocese.



It was encouraging to hear the Diocese of The Murray spoken of quite fondly by others, particularly in recognition of the way we have been navigating these challenges over recent years. A number of bishops made special mention of how well The Murray was doing when speaking to the national synod body.

The photograph is of the provincial bishops and clergy from the Dioceses of Willochra, Adelaide and The Murray gathering together for a shared meal and conversation. It was a wonderful opportunity to explore how we might work more collaboratively across our three dioceses, while continuing to focus on our distinctive missions and learning from one another. It was a privilege to attend General Synod, together with our two other elected delegates.

Br Simon



St Margaret's, McLaren Vale

August continued on from July to be fairly quiet, with numbers at the services fluctuating due to late winter illnesses.

Rev Beck Newell continued to celebrate Holy Communion for us and with us through August. On the 23rd she joined us for the last time at our Sunday Service (*photo below*), although she will be active within the Parish, with her roster taking her to Christ Church, Yankalilla until the end of October. Serendipitously Greg John and Rod Sandercock played the theme song from the Vicar of Dibley as the postlude, to the amusement of all.



The congregation of St Margaret's has greatly appreciated Beck's time with us and will miss her insightful sermons and humour. She will continue to participate in the Wednesday Morning Services and the Bible Study session that follows it, until the end of October.

Morning Prayer on the first Sunday of the month and Prayer, Praise and Proclamation on the third Sunday continue to be laity- led; although Julia Drought will be assisting John Strachan in leading Morning Prayer and Greg, Julia and I will take turns with John in preparing and presenting the homily.

OUTREACH

Greg John, Julia Drought and I met with the representatives of the Catholic, Lutheran and Uniting Church who, with us, provide services at both Kalyra and Pennwood (once Colton Court) Nursing Homes to discuss issues and how we might assist each other. It was a very positve meeting and we will continue to meet on a regular basis.

OH&S

With all the rain we have had during August, it is good to note that the Church hall has remained leak proof.

The ride-on mower donated for use at both St Margaret's and St Stephen's has had some issues, losing a wheel at St Stephen's cemetery. However it will soon be back in action.

Further news concerning the large tree branch that fell from a neighbour's garden across both the neighbour's and the church's land: it has been removed and the tree made safe. We are now awaiting the repair of the common fence between the properties.

And as always, may God continue to be with us in all we do and say. Thank you to all those who continue to help us as needed, not just physically but in prayer and advice..

Judy Wells on behalf of Julia Drought and the Congregation of St Margaret's



St Margaret's

Bottles and Cans

COLLECTIONS FOR MISSIONS

Since our July YTD figure of $250 as seen in *The Grapevine,* many people have been busy, their collecting resulting in a YTD total of $310.80.

This includes the sum of $15.80 collected and processed separately by Helen Cook and $45 processed by Rupert. We thank everybody for their great work and Mary Eales for her generous donation. We are already approaching our 2025 final total of $335! Let's keep going for this worthy cause!!!

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Mothers Union

Monday, August 10th was the day to celebrate the life of the Founder of the Mothers Union, Mary Sumner.

Members from around the Diocese, including five from our branch, travelled to the Church of Christ, Mount Barker. The Rev'd Carol Cornwall conducted the service of Holy Communion with members reading the selected Bible readings and prayers. Carol gave a wonderful message beginning with what she had discovered about Mary Sumner's life.



Mary was taught literature, mathematics, music and foreign languages at home by governesses and her parents. As she showed a talent for music, Sumner's father bought her an organ and arranged for her to take singing lessons in Rome, suggesting that she pursue a career in opera.

On 1st January 1847 Mary met her future husband, George Sumner, in Rome. George became Bishop of Guildford, England. They married on 26th July 1848 and had three children. In 1876, when her eldest daughter, Margaret, gave birth, she was reminded of how difficult she herself had found the burden of motherhood, and was inspired to publicise a meeting of mothers in the parish to offer mutual support

So the MU began!

The Mothers Union now has over 4 million members throughout the world.

To conclude the service a banner made to show support against Domestic Violence was blessed by Rev Carol. The banner is inscribed with messages written at a gathering of MU members (*see p.14*) , and in coming months will be taken to all parishes around the diocese for them to view it.

Our next parish meeting is on September 7th, at 9.30am at Seaford Christian Churches.

Helen Cook

A relationship years in the making

Anglicans and Lutherans on Kangaroo Island have formalised years of shared ministry with a Mutual Covenant, signed this week by the Archbishop of Adelaide, the Most Reverend Dr Bradly Billings, and the Bishop of the South Australia–Northern Territory District of the Lutheran Church of Australia, Pastor Andrew Brook. The covenant extends eucharistic and pastoral hospitality to each other's members, and worshipping together at St Alban's Anglican Church, Kingscote (our next-door parish, but in the Diocese of Adelaide).

The Reverend Dr Mary Lewis (*pictured*), Anglican Priest-in-Charge on Kangaroo Island, said "It is time for us to make a more formal agreement for working together as a cooperating parish. Australian Lutherans and Anglicans have been building mutual arrangements nationally, as expressed in the document *Common Ground*, and we believe that our coming together on Kangaroo Island can only bring glory to God".



Dr Lewis and local Lutheran pastor, Dean Zweck, who visits Kangaroo Island monthly, have worked together on the project for many months.

The agreement stands for three years from the date of signing, after which it is open to review and renewal. More information on the Kangaroo Island Anglican is available at https://kangarooisland.org.au/listing/ki-anglican-church/

Liz Gordon-Mills, sourced from the Adelaide Guardian

Snippets from Ministry Team Meeting and Parish Council, 11th August

Lay Ministry: Rosemary Day (St Ann's) was approved by the Ministry Team as a Lay Minister. Consideration was given to the need for further selection and training of a ministry team to visit those unable to attend church. As a result of decisions made, the following was later read out in each church,

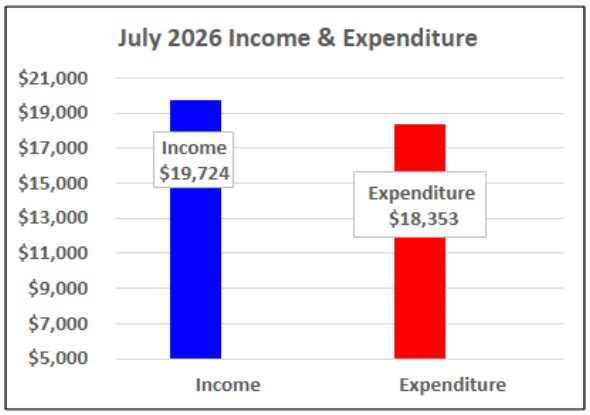
- **Those parishioners who would consider being part of a team taking home communions to the sick or in nursing homes should attend a training session to be held at St Margaret's hall on Tuesday 13th October at 11.00 am. Participation in the group would require you to be approved and licensed by the Administrator (Br Simon). Those already so licensed are to attend the training session as a refresher. If you wish to attend the session please phone John Strachan on 0407605152 after the 18th September.**

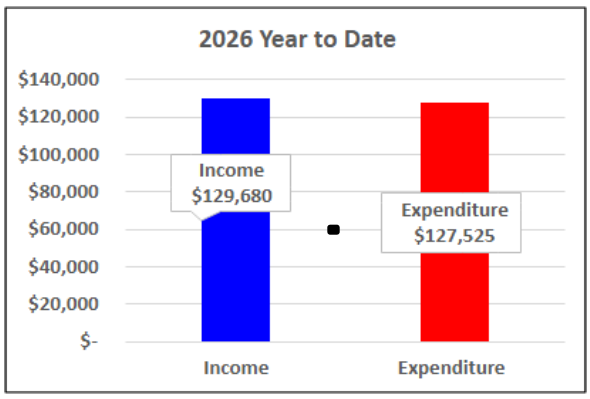
Rev Beck's 12 month curacy at WFA will conclude in October this year. The diocese's episcopal situation is still unresolved. Sad news that Fr Ted had died on the morning of the meeting. Some changes had been made to the roster due to Fr Peter Simmons' chemotherapy.

St Stephen's: a quote had been recived from the Slate and Heritage Roofing Pty Ltd for repair of the roof (*see p.5*).

Christ Church: Peter Filsell had had an acceptable quote for repair of the roof and chimnneys of the Rectory.

St Ann's: With the water situation unresolved the septic tank was continuing to need pumping.
The High Tea had been successful, making over $2000. $300 had been given to the singer, Leo French; the rest into parish funds. St Ann's is always glad of help from other centres in parish funding projects.





A good way to support the continuing ministry of our parish is to arrange a weekly offering as a direct debit. gives a steady commitment to our church even when we miss a Sunday.
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This Month's Readings: Year A, 2026

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—6th September—Exodus 12: 1-14—Psalm 149—Romans 13:1-10—Matthew 18:10-20

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—13th September—Exodus 14:19-31—Psalm 114—Romans 14:1-14—Matthew 18:21-35

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—20th September—Exodus 16:2-15—Psalm 105: 1-6, 37-45—Philippians 1 *or* 1:21-30—Matthew 20:1-16

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST— 27th September—Exodus 17:1-7—Psalm 78:1-4, 11-16—Philippians 2 *or* 2:1-13—Matthew 21:23-32

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—4th October—Exodus 20:1-4,7-9,12-20—Psalm 19—Philippians 3 *or* 3:4b-14—Matthew 21:33-46

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Sunday: 10.30am
Wednesday: 9:00am
Wardens:
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Julia Drought 0432 366 899

St Stephen's, St Andrews Tce, Willunga
Tuesday: Meditation 9am
No scheduled services
Enquiries: 0476 754 772

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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"
Warden:
Peter Filsell 0427 534 095

Where there is a 5th Sunday in a month,as there was in August 2026, you can expect some service times to be different.
See "For Your Diary" (p. 3) and/or check pewsheets/noticeboards/website for details.

If you are reading this in a printed copy, you might like to see this newsletter in colour, with supplementary pages of photos, on our Parish website, southernvalesparish.org.

Combined service, St Nicholas, Seaford













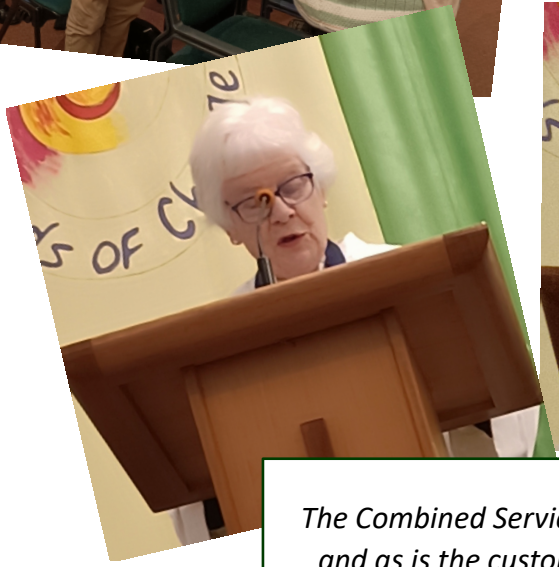



The Combined Service on 30th August was introduced by Helen Cook, and as is the custom, involved participation by members of all the churches. Spiralling clockwise from top L: Helen Cook, Rupert Best, Barbara Walter, Gail Filsell with Rev Beck, Sunara with handiwork, Chris Gunn, the choir and (centre) Brian McMillan pianist/organist.



The Mothers Union banner, made by members from the Diocese of The Murray, was blessed by the Rev'd Carol Cornwall. Holding it: Sue Paddick (L) and Sue Judd. On the reverse side (***below***) are messages of encouragement for those threatened by domestic violence.





Some of the MU banners of the Diocese of The Murray.