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The Grapevine

Newsletter of the Western Fleurieu Anglicans, Diocese of The Murray





St Francis and the Gift of Creation

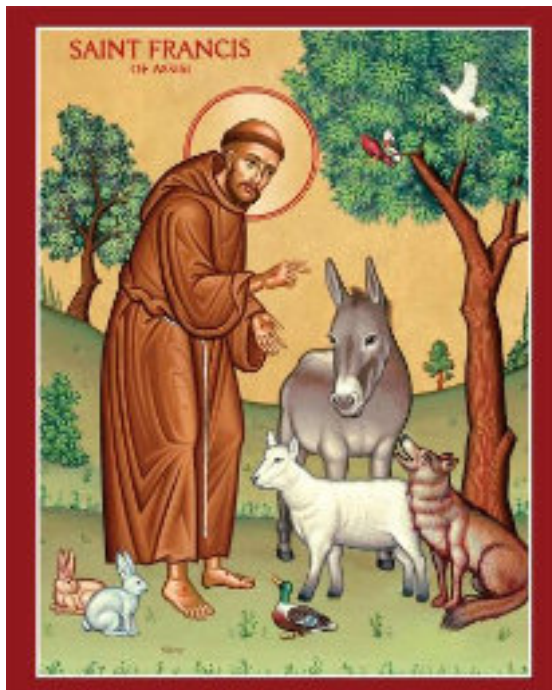
On 4th October the Church remembers St Francis of Assisi, one of the best-loved saints of the Christian tradition. Born in Italy in the late twelfth century, Francis turned away from a life of wealth and privilege to embrace simplicity, prayer, service to the poor, and a radical trust in God.

Francis is perhaps especially remembered for his love of creation. He saw the natural world not simply as something given for human beings to use, but as part of the great community of God's creation. In his famous Canticle of the Creatures, he speaks affectionately of "Brother Sun," "Sister Moon," "Brother Wind" and "Sister Water."

The sun, moon, stars, earth, fire and water all join in offering praise to the God who created them.

This way of seeing the world sits comfortably within our Anglican worship. Week by week our prayers remind us that the earth belongs to God. At the Eucharist, we bring forward ordinary gifts of creation - bread made from grain and wine from grapes - and offer our thanksgiving. Indeed, the word Eucharist itself means thanksgiving. We gather around the altar to give thanks to God for creation, redemption, and all the blessings of this life.

St Francis invites us to carry that spirit of thanksgiving beyond the walls of the church. We can encounter God's generosity in a garden, in birdsong, in the changing seasons, in the sea and sky, in rain falling on dry ground, and in the animals who share our homes and our lives. Creation is not God, but it continually points us towards its Creator.



This is also why churches often hold a Blessing of the Animals around the feast of St Francis. It can be a wonderfully joyful occasion - sometimes slightly noisy and unpredictable! - but beneath the fun lies something important. We give thanks for the animals entrusted to our care, for the companionship and delight they bring, and for the extraordinary diversity of life with which God has filled the earth.

Giving thanks for creation also calls us to care for it. Gratitude and responsibility belong together. If the earth and all its creatures are gifts of God, then we are called to receive those gifts with humility and to treat them with gentleness and respect.

As we celebrate St Francis this October, perhaps we might take a little more time to notice the world around us: to listen, to look, to wonder, and above all, to give thanks.

In the words of St Francis: "Praise and bless my Lord, and give him thanks, and serve him with great humility."

Rev Beck

Vale Fr Ted Doncaster, OAM

Edward William Doncaster was born in Busselton, WA, in 1931, and studied at St John's College, Morpeth. He was ordained priest in 1957.

He served in Kalgoorlie, was Archdeacon of NW Australia, and served in Northern Australia, Perth, Willochra and The Murray. He was the priest of the Parish of Willunga from 1990 to 1995, and Renmark from 1995 to his retirement from active ministry in 1998. He and his first wife, Sue, who died in 2014, are fondly remembered in our parish by those who knew them.

In June 2026 he was awarded the Order of Australia for his service to the Anglican Church in Australia and his contribution to the ecclesiastical history of Australia.



Diary Dates

October

Sun 4 th	Gold Coin Collection St Nicholas' shared luncheon
Mon 5 th	[LABOR DAY] Mothers Union, St Ann's 9.30am
Thurs 8 th	Prayers for Peace, St Ann's 11.15am
Sat 10 th	Sausage Sizzle, Quarry Market, Willunga (see below)
Sun 11 th	Edenfield service, Yankalilla Musical Interlude, "The Sands", Seaford, 2pm (see p. 9)
Tues 13 th	Training for Home Communion St Margaret's 2.30pm
Sun 18 th	WFA Council, St Margaret's 4pm LUKE Walking with Jesus, Christ Church 10am
Tues 20 th	Friends of St Ann's 4pm
Fri 23 rd	Family Tea, St Ann's 6 for 6.30pm
Sat 24 th	Sue Smith: Celebration of a life: St Ann's, 11am
Sun 25 th	Healing Service, Christ Church 11am
Wed 28 th	SIMON & JUDE
Sat 31 st	Contemplative service, St Stephen's, 5.30pm (see p.10)

November

Sun 1 st	ALL SAINTS DAY Gold Coin Collection
Sun 8 th	Edenfield service, Yankalilla
Mon 9 th	Mothers Union, Aberfoyle Park 9.30am (see p. 10)
Tues 10 th	Ministry Training Meeting, St Nicholas' 3pm WFA Council, St Nicholas' 4pm
Thurs 12 th	Prayers for Peace, St Ann's 11.15am
Sat 14 th	Sausage Sizzle, Quarry Market, Willunga (see below)
Sun 15 th	Walking with Jesus, Christ Church 10am
Tues 17 th	Friends of St Ann's 4pm
Thurs 19 th	Set up for Jumble Sale, St Ann's 11am
Sat 21 st	Jumble Sale, St Ann's 8.30am-1pm
Sun 22 nd	CHRIST THE KING 30 th anniversary of SCC. 2pm service Healing Service, Christ Church 11am
Fri 27 th	Family Tea, St Ann's 6 for 6.30pm
Sat 28 th	Strawberry Fete, Yankalilla
Sun 29 th	<i>Combined Service 10.30am, Christ Church, Yankalilla</i> Beginning of ADVENT
Mon 30 th	ANDREW



Willunga Quarry Market:
proceeds to Pastoral Care Workers (Chaplains)

Sat. 10th Oct 8.30-11; 11-1.30

Sat. 14th Nov 8.30-11; 11-1.30

To help, contact Anne Chittleborough 0428 556 512
or machit5@bigpond.com

JUMBLE SALE

at St Ann's
Sat. 21st Nov

8.30am - 1.00pm

(see p.4)

*Something for
everyone!
Don't miss it*



CONTEMPLATIVE SERVICE

St Stephen's, Willunga
Saturday 31st October
(see p.10)

STRAWBERRY FETE

Christ Church
Sat. 28th November

Keep this date!



News from St Ann's, Aldinga

September proved to be another whirlwind month that came and left us before we knew it! Once again, we were blessed with great services and messages, hymns, music and liturgy, floral arrangements and home cooked morning teas. Our numbers have varied from the lowest attendance at twenty-three to the highest at thirty-eight, just like spring weather with its many seasons in one day!

It has been a joy to have Tony and Wendy back with us from their extended trip to the UK, albeit tired and jetlagged. After months of working on repairing and renovating their house in the UK, they are busy mowing and tending their extensive garden back here, especially after abundant winter rains! We pray they will take the time to recuperate and enjoy the milder spring weather. Before leaving, Wendy relinquished her Priest's Assistant role to Barry Bates, which has turned out to be a wise move, giving her the freedom to do other things. Barry is adapting to the job well and is pleased when he is offered advice or assistance. Thank you, Claire and Tony, for bringing the communion vessels over to the Room for washing.

We had a few lovely surprises this month. Jo Parsons, who was back in Australia from the UK for a brief visit, blessed us with her presence and news from the UK family, who send their love. It happened to be Jack's birthday and she joined Jack



in a rendition of "Danny Boy" over morning tea - which, it seems, may not have been appreciated by everybody! Another joy was that a young lady whom many of us have been praying for, the innocent victim of an

horrific car accident, was brought to a recent service by her boyfriend. We were thrilled to see them both and hear her share her story and X-ray photos of her miraculous recovery. Still in a lot of discomfort, she was able to walk, after being warned of a worse scenario. Please keep her in your prayers. Our Lord knows who she is.

On a sadder note, we heard of the passing of Sue Smith. We know she is no longer suffering, but we keep her beloved husband, our dear friend Bob, in

our prayers and activities. Bob makes a great "Shepherd's Pie" as we discovered at our recent Family Tea, but if you want the recipe, it's still in his head! This warden will have to sit him down to extract it. For your diary: A celebration of Susan's life will be held at St Ann's on October 24th at 11am with refreshments after. Please keep the day and time free if you are able to attend.

Fr Brenton "came out of retirement" to minister to us when Rev Beck was unable to be with us recently. He still preaches a good message; this one was on forgiveness. Another thing that made the service special was his opening the service by lighting a candle for Sue and praying for Bob and her family. It was greatly appreciated.

Our Spring fundraiser, the Quiz Night, was held on September 12th, led by our friend Burda Sanders (*seen in the photo with Pat Roper who assisted with the scoring.*) Numbers were down but we still had a successful and enjoyable night. \$645 was raised for the Schools Chaplains. (*More photos on p. 13, online supplement.*)

Rose pruning has finished for the year with \$700 raised for parish funds. Congratulations to Trish and her helpers.

We are planning to have our Jumble Sale on November 21st, and volunteer help will be appreciated. All proceeds go to the Parish.



Beforehand, we plan to de-clutter the very full container and shed to make way for new "jumble" as Brian puts it!

Southern Vales Christian College invited us to their morning tea on



Wednesday 16th September and three people from our congregation attended. We appreciate the contact with this Christian school.

St Ann's Aldinga cont'd

Christian Care and Support continues at the Aldinga Community Centre in the room shared with Vinnies. Many thanks to all who support this service or offer their time.

Our schools chaplains (Pastoral Care Workers) are supported not only by our gold coin collection but also by the Sausage Sizzle at the monthly Willunga Quarry Market. As ever the Anglican Church is responsible for this in the months of October and November. Volunteers who can help from 8.30am to 11am or from 11am to 1.30pm on either Oct 10th or Nov 14th please let Anne Chittleborough know (machit5@bigpond.com or 0428 556 512).

Julianne Bates, Brian McMillan, Wardens

*God our father, this beautiful world can be cruel,
destroying life and livelihood in an instant,
challenging our faith in a God who cares.*

*But this beautiful world is yours, Lord, created in
love, gifted in grace. Help us to understand it,
care for it, protect it, and when disaster strikes,
be there, if not in person, then in prayer.*

When two or three are gathered together...
Prayers for peace are held at St Ann's following the choir morning tea on the second Thursday of the month (next on Thursday 8th October). All welcome.

Vale Sue Smith 11.12.1954 - 8.9.2026



Sue was born in Warrington, UK. She married at the age of 18, moving with her then husband and two children to Australia in 1980, living in the southern suburbs of Adelaide. They had two more children in Australia, but later divorced.

In 2010 Sue married Bob Smith and they settled in the Seaford area. At St Philip & St James' church, Old Noarlunga, they visited the grave of Sue's niece, Kerry, and this church became their regular place of worship. Sue became a server there.

When St Philip & St James' church closed, Sue and Bob were living in Aldinga. They gave their support to St Stephen's church, Willunga, with Sue serving here as well. Later, for a short time, she was their Church Warden, before she and Bob joined the St Ann's congregation.

Sue worked at Flinders Medical Centre, in a number of positions, for a period of 35 years before her retirement in 2022. It was in November 2023 that she began to show symptoms of the brain tumour which sadly led to her death this year.



Congratulations are due to two members of our congregation who are recognised for work beyond the walls of St Ann's - Dr Sally Shaw (L) who co-ordinates the South Australian activities of the A Rocha Christian environmental organisation, and whose book *Why Creation Care Matters* has recently been published, and Dr Margaret Morgan (R), Archivist and former President of the Yankalilla and District Historical Society, now living in Aldinga and attending St Ann's. She and the Society's current President, Sue Speck, have together been awarded a merit award in the Bernadette Bean Award 2026 for their valuable work of preserving, managing and improving access to the history of the Yankalilla District.

Congratulations!



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. 8556 5078 or machit5@bigpond.com, preferably by 15th October. And please notify the Editor if you wish to avoid the chance of being mentioned in the newsletter.



Looking ahead

November will be a busy month in Yankalilla!

Our annual **Strawberry Fete** will be on Saturday 28th November (keep this date - it's a special event) - and our **Parish Combined**

Service is planned to be at Christ Church on Sunday 29th November, possibly followed by lunch at the Normanville Hotel. It has been suggested that this might be an occasion for an early Christmas Lunch. (Still to be confirmed.)



Churches working together

The Yankalilla Inter Church Council oversees the running of a Breakfast Club at Yankalilla school on

Monday and Friday mornings between 8-9am. The program is funded by grant money from the Yankalilla Council, the Community Op Shop and the local churches. We also receive tremendous support from the Fleurieu Milk Company who supply the milk. Students receive toast and hot milo to give them nourishment at the start of their school day, and each day up to 50 students come along.

In the past few months, we have lost several of the volunteers who assist with this program. Anyone with a couple of hours to spare on either a Monday or Friday morning and would like to get involved, please contact Peter Filsell for further information.

Peter Filsell, Warden

WALKING WITH JESUS

The September gathering of the *Year of the Hymn* was on the **topic of weddings** and was led by Belinda Rosser. Her chosen hymns were "Love divine, all loves excelling", and "Be still, for the presence of the Lord".

The Bible passages we read on this topic were **Mark 10: 6-9**: God's act of creation of male and female, and their union as "one flesh" in marriage, and **Colossians 3: 12-17**, giving the essential advice for marriage: be compassionate, kind, gentle, patient and forgiving. These are the true ingredients of Love, which is not just romantic and sexual but involves treating the other in a self-sacrificial way. Other Bible texts indicate that this applies equally to the man and the woman.

We noted that the romantic notion of marriage is only part of the union which also involves legal responsibilities, care of children and other inter-generational aspects.

The recent history of marriages in Anglican churches has involved large changes, mostly as a result of allowing the remarriage of divorced people. There is still a requirement for the applicants in such cases to undergo premarital training. This can be an obstacle for some folk who may as a result choose another denomination for their service.

We looked at the pressures that married couples experience now compared with 100 years ago when traditional roles of men and women were more closely adhered to. Today these roles are more blurred because of women working outside the home, with the sharing of household tasks worked out between the two of them. More need, perhaps, for the qualities outlined in the Colossians passage above.



Liz Gordon-Mills

**Christ Church Parishioner of the month -
Sandy Andrews**

I am a part time parishioner as I live in Adelaide where I attend St Luke's Anglican Church at Modbury, but I am in Carrickalinga every other week as I babysit grandchildren – 4 at Mount Compass and 2 at Athelstone!

I was born in Reading, England and was baptized there at St Mark's Church. We moved when I was four years old, and we attended St Michael's Church, Tilehurst, Reading where I was confirmed, taught Sunday school and later in 1977 was married to Jeff. We lived in Wantage, Oxfordshire and our two sons were born in 1983 and 1987.

Sadly my Mum and Dad died in 1978 and 1988. Jeff's parents had immigrated to Adelaide some years before, so after several holidays we decided to join them, emigrating in 1991. There were many reasons to do this, and one was so that our sons, who were then 3 and 7 years old, would grow up with grandparents nearby.

It was during our holiday visits with them in the 1990s to Normanville Caravan Park that we started attending Christ Church, Yankalilla. I worshipped there whenever visiting, and when we built a house in Carrickalinga in 2003, was able to attend more often and be a bit more involved.

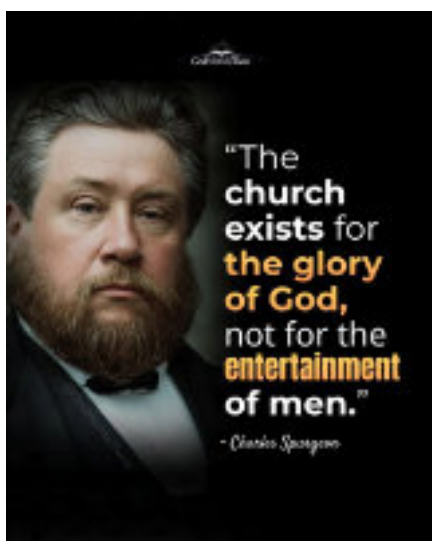
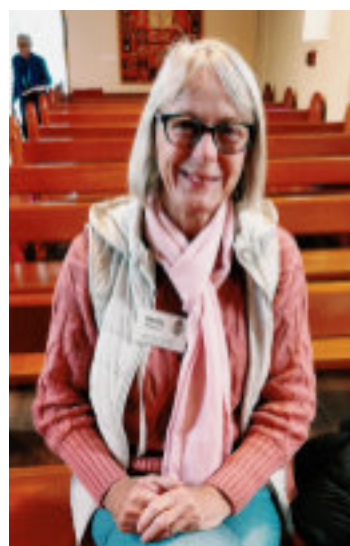
In 2022 I was asked by a local person living in Second Valley, who found my name on the internet, to set up a Christian Meditation Group in the area. I have been involved and led this since 1995 when I

heard Laurence Freeman, the Director of the World Community for Christian Meditation (WCCM) speak in Adelaide about this way of silent, listening prayer, also called "The Prayer of the Heart". Meeting regularly in a group and meditating together helps us to start and continue a daily practice, to "pray without ceasing".

I asked Father Brenton Dick if the meditation group could meet at Christ Church, Yankalilla and he agreed with enthusiasm. A sign next to the front door of the church shows the weekly meditation time (Fridays 9.15 – 10am). The group has become a small community with members from many different Churches and walks of life. All are welcome!

I love Christ Church, Yankalilla, especially because it is open every day (10am – 3pm), it welcomes pilgrims from all walks of life, it has wonderful music with its amazing organ, and it has stood the test of time since being dedicated in 1857.

Sandy



***A church can be full
and still forget why it gathers.
We were not called to create a place
where people are merely impressed, entertained,
or made comfortable.
We gather to behold God,
to be shaped by His Word,
to worship Christ,
and to carry His love into the world.
The Church is not a stage
built around our preferences.
It is a people redeemed
for His glory.
May we never settle for a faith
that only keeps us amused
when God is calling us
to be transformed.***

News from St Margaret's, McLaren Vale

Numbers have been a little low this month as a result of sickness and travel; however our services have continued with enthusiasm and love. We welcomed Fr Alex Bainton to celebrate Holy Communion with us and for us on the second Sunday, and we continue to give thanks to God for his (Fr Alex's) service. We had an uninvited guest, as a parrot had got into the church and taken refuge in the vestry. During the service we shut the internal vestry doors and opened the external door while turning off the vestry lights, and as a result decreased the lighting within the church. Half way through the service the parrot left. Due to the decreased lighting the service felt very peaceful.

Fr Peter Simmons will be celebrating Holy Communion on the fourth Sunday and we look forward to seeing him.

Greg John and I assisted with Morning Prayer on the first Sunday and Greg, Julia Drought and I assisted with Prayer, Praise and Proclamation on the third Sunday. Jac Hocking provided mementoes consisting of Pay Packets for the workers in the vineyard for the various times worked, holding the same amount of pay. Jac also provided a wonderful morning tea.



THE MORE MUNDANE

The ride-on mower donated for use at both St Margaret's and St Stephen's is now repaired and the paddock has been mowed. Thank you, Peter Filsell and Greg John. Greg has trimmed the edges along the fence lines. The repair of the fencing at the north-west corner remains ongoing.

We had a night visitor who made off with some of the copper piping from the hall and the tap near the church. As a consequence the rectory was without water for a while.

And as always may God continue to be with us in all we do and say, and 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*

PS The parrot is back in the church!



*"Let the little children come to me"
(Matthew 19:14, NIV)*

OUTREACH

This month we are beginning to plan ahead and are putting together a planning committee for next year's Shrove Tuesday. If you are interested in being a part of it, let us know.



OH&S

Margaret Richardson has donated a small ramp to assist those with walkers to wheel them into church more easily, and Greg saw to its installation. Thank you both. It also prevents the rest of us from stubbing our toes on the one inch step, and reduces the trip hazard.

News from St Nicholas', Seaford

We have had another challenging month with several key people away and some still on the sick list. Fortunately, our pianist Cathy More is now back on deck following her recent surgery, freeing Helen to take a less busy role during services instead of playing the piano at the same time as assisting with leading the services.

We ended August with a combined service held at St Nicholas'. It was lovely to have a full church for a change and to have the opportunity to listen to the parish choir during communion. The shared lunch which followed the service was a lavish spread and enjoyed by all.

On Sunday 6th September Rev Beck led us in our celebration of Holy Communion. As it was also Fathers' Day we had special prayers, giving thanks for all fathers, grandfathers, step-fathers, and father-like figures, for all families, however they are combined, who have loved and supported us in our lives. We also remembered those fathers who have died, whom we hold in our memory and in our hearts, and those who did not see the day as a celebration but a day of sorrow and loss, anger and grief, and we prayed for healing and reconciliation.

Our Meeting With God Round Table Service on the 13th September was a home service. As several of the congregation were going to be away, this Sunday's service was given out last week with people encouraged to listen to *Songs of Praise* on Channel 2 on Sunday and then read the reflection and prayers for the day. We also encouraged people to attend another service at Seaford Christian Churches or go to St Margaret's McLaren Vale as another option.

On Sunday 20th September Rev Beck led our worship which included our monthly healing and laying on of hands. The Service was a little different on this Sunday

as both Helen and Jane were away, so Chris Gunn stepped in as Warden as well as Pastoral Assistant. Service booklets were used instead of the PowerPoint as it was anticipated that we would have too few people for too many jobs. Everything went well with Rev Beck and Chris in charge. The congregation supported them as always; there was even time for Morning Tea after the service!

Sunday 27th September was our usual lay-led Prayer Praise and Proclamation service. Fortunately, both Helen and Cathy were back to assist with the service. Christine Gunn led the service with Helen giving a short reflection. She spoke about facing our own "desert moments", times of anxiety, scarcity, or doubt, when our instinct is often to grumble or demand control. But God invites us to soften our hearts, step back from our demands and trust that He can bring living water out of the hardest, most unlikely "rocks" in our lives. Cathy More followed the reflection by singing, unaccompanied, "Come to the Water".

Blessings

Helen Cook and Jane Cuthbert Wardens



Variety Concert Sunday 11th

October, 2pm

"The Sands" Lifestyle Village Hall,
cnr Seaford Rd & Grand Bvd

(Enter via Grand Boulevard)

Enjoy an afternoon of singing from
The Little Sisters, Greg John, Curtis
Antram, Rod Sandercock and
others.

Afternoon Tea provided.

\$10/ person

Proceeds go to Childhood Cancer

Tickets from Cathy Moore

0487 504 544

News from St Stephen's, Willunga

St Stephen's continues to be a perfect location for meditation on Tuesday mornings. Numbers fluctuate but the door is always open at 9am on Tuesdays for anyone who wants to take this opportunity to be still and silent together in the presence of God. Phil and Anne Duguid keep the urn on the ready and wash the cups after the morning tea to follow, and it seems that mysterious and sometimes anonymous characters see to the weeding of the garden, the mowing of the grass and the cleaning of the church - this is much appreciated.

On Saturday 3rd October Alice McHenry will again play her harp in the church for an hour from 10am. Anyone and everyone welcome to come and sit for a while to enjoy the music. Thank you Alice.

On Saturday 31st October there will be a Contemplative Prayer Service at the former service time of 5.30pm. Alice McHenry will play the harp from 5 - 5.30, at which time the service will start.

Again in the spirit of the former St Stephen's services there will be refreshments and fellowship to follow.



Saturday 31st October

Harp recital by Alice McHenry 5pm

Contemplative Prayer Service 5.30 pm



Bring along a plate of finger food
to share afterwards
BYO drinks and nibbles.

Everyone welcome.
A night of music and reflection.

Mothers Union



Seven members enjoyed the usual coffee and chat at the meeting on September 7th as we had been blessed with some sunshine to travel in. All were reminded of the **Wave of Prayer Service and Council meeting at St Aidan's Aberfoyle Park on November 9th at 10.30am for a cuppa, Eucharist at 11.00am, and BYO lunch before the council meeting.**

If you are reading this newsletter and know nothing about MU a great way to learn about what we do and how we interact with other members is either to join our branch, see a member at your Anglican Church nearby or have a look at Mothers Union websites:

- * **Anglican Mothers Union Australia (AMUA)** www.muaustralia.org.au provides resources and ideas, including prayers and an inspiring "Thought for the week"
- * **Mothers Union Australia** is a public Facebook site with 1K followers
- * **MU Australia** – is a smaller closed Facebook site with 180 members from across Australia and overseas, including past Worldwide Presidents.

Our next meeting: St Ann's, Monday October 5th 9.30am.

Helen Cook, Secretary

Photo R: Our MU parish banner stands at St Stephen's, Willunga, bearing the original name of the parish, the Parish of Willunga.



Snippets from Parish Council

Those interested in undertaking training in offering Home Communion would need to have the statutory safety clearances. The training day would be on Tuesday 13th October at St Margaret's, at the changed time of 2.30pm.

Visitors and groups using church properties for meetings etc. need to be signed in.

Yankalilla: The historic font from Delamere is for the time being still held in the museum.

Security cameras for Christ Church are still an issue.

Peter will apply for a Heritage Grant 2027 to help pay for work on the church and hall. The work will be done in stages.

It was suggested that the fifth Sunday in November, which will be celebrated as a Combined Service at Christ Church, could be followed by the parish Christmas Dinner. Peter to explore options and costs (*see p. 6*).

St Ann's: Cemetery weeds had been getting out of hand; Patrick had been asked to spray and whipper-snip them.

St Margaret's fallen tree was now safe and we are waiting for the fence to be mended. The hall roof had not leaked in recent rain.

It was time to start planning for Shrove Tuesday 2027. A team to start work on it would meet and set parameters

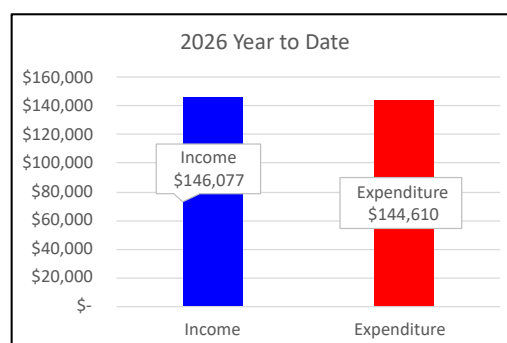
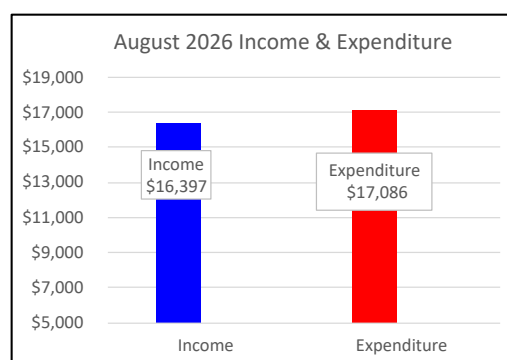
St Stephen's: repair of leaking roof was being seen to.

Rev Beck was looking for someone to celebrate a marriage blessing in December.

St Nicholas' reported about 170 attending Fr Ted's funeral, and a good number at the Combined Service. However their absence puts pressure on the others.

The number of parish meetings at present challenges those caring for someone at home.

Rev Beck gave an outline of her thesis for St Barnabas' Theological College. Our Anglican worship space and practices, she said, can suit people who are under the neurodivergent umbrella with autism, dyslexia etc. Predictable worship, avoiding unnecessary change, explaining changes etc can all make church a more welcoming space for them. However, it is important to remember that what works for some may not work for others – everyone is different.



A good way to support the continuing 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

This Month's Readings: Year A, 2026

19th 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

20th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—11th October—Exodus 32:1-14—Psalm 106:1-6, 20-24—Philippians 4 or 4:1-9—Matthew 22:1-14

21st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—18th October—Exodus 33:12-23—Psalm 99—1 Thessalonians 1:1-10—Matthew 22:15-33

22nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—25th October—Deuteronomy 34:1-12—Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17—1 Thessalonians 2:1-13—Matthew 22:34-46

ALL SAINTS DAY—1st November—Revelation 7:9-17—Psalm 34:1-10, 22—1 John 3:1-3—Matthew 5:1-12

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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

Tuesday: Meditation 9am

No scheduled services

Enquiries: 0476 754 772

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"

Warden:

Peter Filsell 0427 534 095

When there is a 5th Sunday in a month, as there will be 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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Quiz Night, St Ann's (see p. 4)



Barb, the "Raffle Queen"



The Willunga team



The young ones