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### Anglicare Copper Coast

#### Side by Side with their community

Anglicare Copper Coast, with the support of the parish, ministers to the needs of their local community, particularly to those having a hard time through financial problems or loneliness.

Coffee shop ministry sees members meeting over coffee to plan activities and events, supporting local businesses and raising the profile of the group in the community. It is a time of openness to the community which allows for interaction, purposeful conversations, listening opportunities and chance evangelism, along with a laugh or two.

Creative events are held to raise funds such as the recent 'Food for the Soul' art show where fifty artists—professional, local celebrities and school children—offered their talent for silent auction.

Outreach to the community is through provision of food parcels, sewn and knitted items to clients referred by Families SA and future training opportunities.



Anglicare Willochra supports Anglicare Copper Coast through partnership, and has recently awarded \$1000 grant funding to assist in setting up the necessary infrastructure for this work.

Congratulations Copper Coast!

#### Poverty—Did you know?

- A sole parent with 2 school age children on Parenting Payment receives \$585.06 per week in total  
The average weekly earnings for a full-time worker in SA is \$1127.10
- Just over 28% of households in SA have their principal source of income from government pensions and allowances, above the national average
- The global financial crisis has resulted in a spike in the unemployment rate for SA to 5.8%
- One in seven children grows up in a household with no employed adult

Source, Anglicare SA Poverty fact sheet

God of the lowly, you nurture the poor and hungry. Help us be your hands and heart to the lowly of our world this season, and in them let us meet Christ. Amen!

**Wishing you Love Joy and Peace  
this Christmas**

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