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A PRAYER FOR OUR DIOCESE

God of hope and love,
you have called us to be the body of Christ.

Inspire us in the Diocese of Willochra
to worship with joy and energy,
serve with compassion and be welcoming
of others in our communities,
so that all will know the good news of Jesus
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be honour and glory for ever.

Amen.

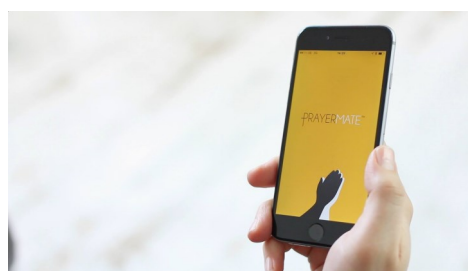


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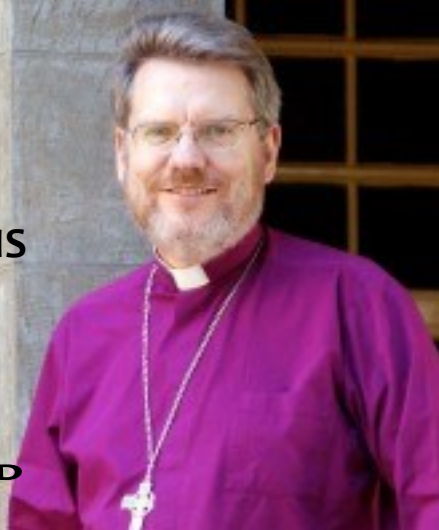
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COVER: ORDINATION 2019

WHAT POTENTIAL IS STILL UNREALISED WITHIN YOU?

BISHOP JOHN STEAD



Brother Geoffrey Tristram of the Society of St John the Evangelist writes:

Jesus said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" And then comes the amazing intimate moment between two people. A moment of deep recognition. Simon looks at Jesus, and says "You are the Christ." And Jesus looks at Simon, and says to him, "You are Peter." Two names, but more than names. Two vocations. Two men: one was called to be the anointed one of God. The other was called to be the rock on which the church of God was to be built. Each unique vocation was named, was articulated, was called forth.

Identity consists of answering two questions: Who do I say that I am? and, Who do you say that I am?

Sometimes we delude ourselves in answering the first questions and speak more about who do I want to be, aspire to be rather than admit the reality of who I am. Equally some people make assumptions about our identity based upon the minimal experience of relationship with us; they jump to a conclusion. Often we are too quick to judge and are judged too quickly.

The encounter between Jesus and Simon which is the basis of Br Geoffrey's reflection comes from Matthew 16:15-18, the first part of the reflection, Jesus' question is also mentioned in Luke 9:20 and Mark 8:29. These are questions which go beyond the surface to an underlying potential, which speak of what could be; and in the case of both Jesus and Simon talk about what will be.

Each of us has potential. Our identity is not just what is present on the surface but is also about the hidden potential: what could be.

God in human flesh as Jesus saw the potential of Simon to be Peter, the rock upon which the church of God is built.

God sees your potential too and is calling you to be entirely you; just as Peter was called forth from Simon. Such a process of becoming is life-giving rather than threatening because it invites us to be wholly who we are, to be fully human and therefore to be fully alive.

What potential still is unrealised within you?

Peace,

The Right Reverend John Stead ♦ Bishop of Willochra ♦ bishop@diowillochra.org.au ♦ Mobile: 0417551 689

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ORDINATION



An Ordination service was held on the 2nd February, Candlemas, in our Cathedral.

Some time ago, I inherited a small book from another vicar's library called "The Promised of His Glory:

for the season from All Saints to Candlemas". Along with its companion volume for Lent to Pentecost, it has helped shape our seasonal worship in fruitful and uplifting ways.

My handbook says,

... the feast on 2 February ... is a natural climax, after forty days, to the Christmas/Epiphany season. ... It is an important turning point in the Christian year.

Candlemas marks the turning from the celebration of Jesus birth at Christmas to the amazing celebration of Easter. This child in a manger came to die for the sins of the world. We, God's people, are called to take the light of the Christmas Jesus, marked by the glory of God in the highest and visiting kings and wise men, and carry it into the world, knowing that the darkness can never overcome the light.

Such a time for an Ordination: a turning point in the lives of men and women whom God has called to take his light into the world. Darren Hewitt (The Ministry District of Wakefield) and Christine Smith (Parish of Central Yorke Peninsula) made their priestly vows and

promises and were anointed by the Holy Spirit to be empowered and equipped for this calling. Margi Fiegert, who has been working as a school chaplain and Lay Leader in Port Augusta, was ordained into the diaconate to serve in the power and equipping of God's Holy Spirit at the cutting edge of ministry in the ministry team of the Pt Augusta-Quorn parish.

Colour, light, Word, music, prayer and sacrament: All these commissioned and heralded the turning from the former and the stepping out into the future ministries of pioneer, parish and community. Let us pray for these three as they minister afresh in God's name in partnership with their congregations.

THE VERY REV'D DR MARY LEWIS (DEAN)



REV'D CHRISTINE SMITH, REV'D DARREN HEWITT,
REV'D MARGIE FIEGERT



COMMISSIONING

The Commissioning of The Reverend Glen McDonald was celebrated in Roxby Downs Christian Community Church on 16th January 2019.

It was a warm welcome indeed, with temperatures passing 47°C but it didn't stop the turnout from church and community members alike.

To conduct the service Bishop John Stead joined us along with Mark Short, National Director of Bush Church Aid and Sue Ellis, Moderator of the Uniting Church in South Australia. We also had various guests from BCA, Diocese of Willochra, including the previous incumbent Rev'd Mary Lewis, and Uniting Church Frontier Services.

It was great to welcome the whole McDonald family Glen's wife Beth and their children Zac, Lili, Jaxon, Jesse and Archer, as a part of the service, and present them with gifts from the church.

Many thanks to those who made the journey up to join us and as a church community we are looking forward to partnering with Glen, Beth and their whole family to see how God can use us to show His love and freedom available through life in Christ to our whole community.

INTRODUCTION

Beth and I, with our 5 children are excited to be serving at Roxby Downs Christian Community Church (a joint ministry of the Anglican Church and Uniting Church). Beth and I both grew up in Sydney, but have

a heart for God's mission throughout the entire world. I became a Christian in the rural town of Narrabri, NSW, where my heart of rural ministry has been influenced. God in his wisdom took us to the Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn, where we served in a church in Canberra, before my ordination. This led us to the rural town of Junee in the Riverina (NSW). Our heart for rural ministry meant a partnership with the Bush Church Aid (BCA) was a good fit as we serve in Roxby Downs.

REV'D GLEN McDONALD



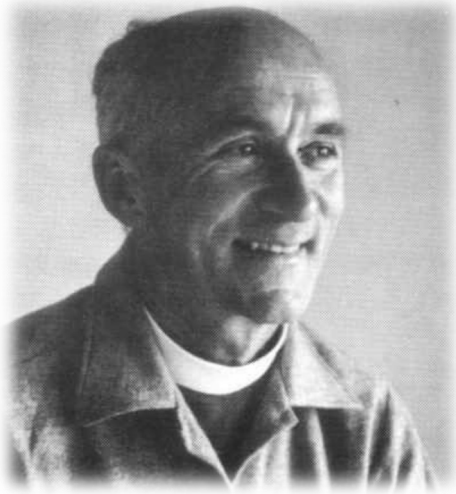
BISHOP JOHN STEAD
AND REV'D GLEN McDONALD



BISHOP JOHN STEAD, REV'D MARK SHORT,
REV'D GLEN McDONALD, FAMILY AND FRIENDS



REV'D MARK SHORT, BISHOP JOHN STEAD AND
REV'D SUE ELLIS (MODERATOR)



Bishop Bruce Rosier, the fourth Bishop of Willochra, passed away peacefully on 28th February 2019.

His funeral was held on Wednesday (Ash Wednesday) 6th March at St Peter's Cathedral, North Adelaide.

A memorial service was held on Thursday 14th March in the Cathedral Church of Sts Peter & Paul, Port Pirie to allow the Diocesan Family to celebrate the life of a Bishop of the Diocese.

Coming from the Diocese of Adelaide to observe a Willochra Synod, one was provided by a marked contrast. In the chair was a man attentive not only to the words, but their meaning. He reflected on one Synod in these terms, 'In many matters there was a wide variety of points of view, and I am very grateful that a serious and courteous attitude prevailed so that the differing opinions were respected and considered.' His care and gentle leadership were hallmarks of his approach to episcopal ministry.

Stanley Bruce Rosier was born in Subiaco, Western Australia on 18 November 1928. His father had been sent from Melbourne to Perth by Sir Keith Murdoch to oversee the journalism of his newly-acquired paper 'The West Australian'. Stanley was a short-wave radio enthusiast, and as a result, 'The

West' was the first paper in Australia to report the death of King George V.

Bruce attended school at the local Primary and Central School, and completed his secondary schooling at Hale School, where he was Dux in 1944. In 1948 he gained honours in Physics and Mathematics at the University of Western Australia, studying Philosophy and Greek at night out of interest!

He was a parishioner at Christ Church, Claremont and there came under the influence of the Reverend John Bell and then the Rev'd Brian Macdonald. The parish youth group was supervised by Mrs Joan Storrs, whose husband Christopher was later Bishop of Grafton and subsequently Warden of St John's College, Morpeth.

Bruce won a Rhodes Scholarship to study in UK and read theology at Christ Church, Oxford, graduating Bachelor of Arts in 1952 and Master of Arts in 1956. He did his ordination training at Westcott House, Cambridge in 1953, and was ordained in the Diocese of Sheffield — deacon in 1954, priest in 1955. He served a curacy in Ecclesall from 1954-57, and then returned to Western Australia to be parish priest at Wyalkatchem (1957-64) and Kellerberrin (1964-67). In 1967 he was appointed as Archdeacon of Northam and Auxiliary Bishop of Perth, with particular responsibility for the oversight of 22 rural parishes.

In 1970 he received a letter from the then Primate, Archbishop Philip Strong, asking him to become Bishop of Willochra. He was given a choice, but the letter contained some three pages of reasons why he should accept. He was enthroned as the fourth bishop of the diocese in St Augustine's Church, Port Augusta, on 4 June 1970. He came to Bishop's House,

Gladstone, with his wife, Faith and their four children, Stephen, Anne, Philippa and Catherine.

The twin keys to his ministry as bishop were a deep care for the diocese, and the imperative for unlocking the riches of scripture whenever he had the opportunity. His monthly letters in The Willochran contained much teaching on the nature of the Christian life, with strong emphases on prayer, sharing the Gospel message, and the need to express the kingdom of God in daily life. He stressed many times the importance of the local congregation, and spoke of a Christian's three 'belongings' — to God, to the local Church, and to a small group where the faith could be explored at greater depth.

Bruce was above all a teacher. While his custom of recommending a 'Bishop's Book of the Month' was not continued past the first couple of years, there would still be mentions of suitable reading matter in later letters. His own wide knowledge of matters scriptural, botanical and geographical was there to be communicated to others, and to encourage them in the great adventure of learning and applying that knowledge to good living.

As the first bishop to be appointed to the enlarged diocese, Bishop Rosier found that supplying parish clergy was a constant challenge. While a majority of priests for new appointments came from outside the Diocese, he was able to identify a number of local men to be trained for ministry and subsequently to serve in the Diocese.

This required a new financial resource to support them in theological college and in their first years of parish ministry. The bishop was very grateful when parishes and individuals responded to his

appeals for this and for the home mission support in new and struggling work.

Generous in giving of his own time, resources and care, he regularly encouraged people in the Diocese to be generous in the financial support of their parishes and the diocese, as well as giving for the mission and the Church in other places. In 1980 the Diocese investigated using the Compton organisation to run a diocesan giving campaign. This proposal was put out for wide consultation before it was finally rejected by Diocesan Council.

Bishop Rosier loved the outdoor life, and often took part in the Flinders Trek programme in which parties would hike through areas around Mount Remarkable, Wilmington or Quorn. Participants would carry their packs, set up their own camps, and explore the wonders of the countryside. One of the hikers commented afterwards, 'The bishop knows only one way — straight up!' His morning walks up Mount Remarkable from the Diocesan Centre were the stuff of legend! He still holds the record of being the only bishop of the diocese to have reached the summit.

The Social Questions Committee of the diocese was very active during his episcopate, and was responsible for bringing many questions of right behaviour, justice, and peace to church people. As a result, the bishop brought to General Synod a motion to repeal those aspects of Canon Law which prevented clergymen from engaging in secular employment. In proposing this, he identified washing up as an example of the 'servile labour' which clergymen were prohibited from engaging in. However, he also had the reputation when visiting a rectory where the wife was encumbered with the care of small

children, of going straight to the kitchen sink and engaging in just this kind of labour!

Bishop Bruce regularly took part in the wider councils of the Church, and was chair of the General Synod's International Affairs Commission. He was in demand to conduct retreats, speak at conferences, and be the guest preacher outside the Diocese. When he took long service leave in 1984, he was conducted on a grand tour of the Diocese of Northwest Texas, visited Israel and the West Bank, and fulfilled many preaching and teaching engagements there and in the UK. He also quietly established connections with the church in Burma, now Myanmar. In 1978 he was encouraged by the Diocese to attend the Lambeth Conference. The Administrator reported, 'For a long time he insisted that his attending was not really necessary, and that the Diocese could ill-afford to send him. But with customary humility he listened to 'us' as we insisted that only he could represent Willochra to the Communion. On his return he reported not only on his many official engagements, but also on the experience of 'the splendid family' of the Church of God.

After 17 years as Bishop of the Diocese, Bruce felt that he needed a new direction. One of the farewell comments thanked Faith for making him available to the Diocese. Their family life led the Bishop to write about the need for 'love, fidelity, honesty and forgiveness' as the basis of marriage. He was active in the Marriage Encounter movement, and often spoke of the need for strong and healthy family life.

As rural communities declined, the bishop explored alternatives to full-time stipendiary ministry. Cooperation with other Churches

was established in Peterborough, Iron Knob, and Leigh Creek. He was following an ecumenical vision in which each branch would cherish its own special insights, while also appreciating the treasures in other parts of the Christian family. He was insistent that all Christians had a ministry, and in addressing Synod in 1983, raised the questions of part-time or shared ministries in small, struggling parishes.

As he left the Diocese in 1987 to become Rector of the Parish of Parkside in the Diocese of Adelaide, the Editor of The Willochran wrote, 'He spent a great deal of his time visiting every corner of the diocese, welding its people into a caring family. His gift of remembering names and faces, and of making each person feel important has made him one of the most loved bishops in Australia.'

BILL GOODES



REST ETERNAL GRANT TO HIM, O LORD.
LET LIGHT PERPETUAL SHINE UPON HIM.

COOL WORLD THE REV'D JOHN FOWLER

Once upon a time Sunday nights were big business in the world of television. Most networks would schedule either their most popular programmes or something brand new that was exclusive to that network. And there was Sunday Night At The Movies, where the latest films were screened, and Disneyland, which was essential family viewing back in the day.

Those days seem to have gone by the board, with only the ABC reserving Sunday nights for some of their better programmes along with a top of the range mini-series or two.

By the time you get to read this column, one of the finest programmes I've seen on the ABC in recent times, *The Cry*, will have finished its four episode run. However, it can still be seen on iView and I expect it to be released on DVD before too long.

Featuring a stellar cast, including Asher Keddie, Alex Dimitriades and Jenna Coleman, *The Cry* is best described as a psychological thriller in which the disappearance of a baby from a small coastal town in Australia provides the catalyst for a journey into the disintegrating psychology of a young couple as they deal with an unthinkable tragedy under both the white hot light of public scrutiny and behind closed doors.

Jenna Coleman is simply stunning as Joanna, the young mother whose baby is taken from the family car when she and husband Alistair venture into a supermarket for just a few moments. As Joanna tells the police, baby Noah was asleep and she didn't want to wake him for what was only a brief foray into the supermarket. As viewers will appreciate, Noah is prone to lengthy spells of crying so it is understandable that Joanna is reluctant to wake her baby up and this should not be seen as her being a bad mother...as is suggested by some, including the police.

Each of the four episodes examines not only the events which lead the couple to that tragic night but the implications and ramifications of baby Noah's

abduction, while the back story to *The Cry* surrounds Alistair's desire to gain custody of his daughter Chloe.

And this is where the story begins. Alistair and Joanna had met while he was married to Alexandra, who upon discovering her husband's infidelity flees the family home with their daughter leaving no clue as to their whereabouts. Initially Alex is an obvious suspect perhaps seeking revenge for Alistair's misdeeds. The police then target Alistair's mother Elizabeth, whose motive is unclear, and viewers are left perplexed at this unforeseen turn of events.

And this is both the appeal and the challenge of *The Cry*...plotlines which go off in all directions, flashbacks providing both clues and confusion and all the while the clock is ticking and we are left wondering whether the priority is to find baby Noah or to apportion blame for his abduction.

Sunday nights were once the domain of the best of the best of what television had to offer and the ABC is pretty much last man standing in continuing that tradition and *The Cry* certainly represents the best of the best that the small screen has offered in a very long time.

I cannot recommend *The Cry* highly enough and suggest that you undertake any means possible to watch this extraordinary piece of television.

CANON JOHN FOWLER

MINISTRY DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN FLINDERS



ST PETER AND PAUL CATHEDRAL CHURCH, PORT PIRIE



At the Cathedral 2019

LEARNING DISCIPLESHIP - SATURDAYS 10.30 am – 4.30 pm

A program of discipleship for clergy, mission team leaders, LLMs
and all other disciples

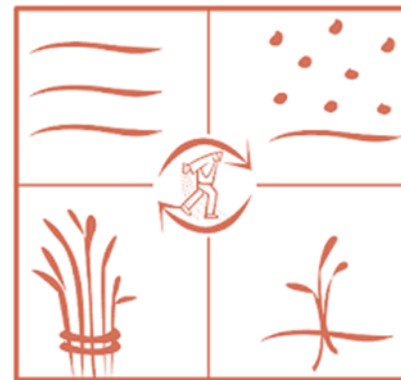
Come meet our God of hospitality:

- our God who is the host inviting us to share in his life
- our God who is guest and walks alongside accepting our invitation to live within us
- Immanuel - God with us.

Morning Sessions 11.00 – 12.30 **“Hospitality”**: worship and study using
material from The Centre for Christian Ethics at Baylor University

www.ChristianEthics.ws

Afternoon Sessions 1.30 – 4.30 **Meeting our God of invitation and mission** with visiting pastors and
scholars.



March

16th	10.30am - 12.30pm	Building a place of hospitality: Acts 6-16	Mary Lewis
16th	1.30pm - 4.30pm	Welcome to Life	Bishop Tim Harris

May

18th	10.30 - 12.30pm	Entertaining Angels: Acts 6	Mary Lewis
		Our God of the Exodus	Rev'd Dr Katy Smith

June

7th - 9th		Diocesan Bible and Mission Conference	Bishop Paul Barker and Bishop David Nyi Nyi Naing
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Music in 2019

March 7th	7.00pm	Kologne Chamber Orchestra on Tour
April 28th	2.00pm	Piano Duet recital with Heidi Rangj and friend
June 23rd	2.00pm	David MacGillivray and Martin Baritone and Piano recital

Lay Education and Formation Days

Topic: Mission for an Emerging Church

(A model from Luke/Acts)

Join The Venerable Gael Johannsen for an informative and inspirational workshop. Explore the emergence of God's mission through the person of Jesus and the ministry of the Apostles and the early church.

Share the missional challenges of our own local contexts. Learn how to develop missional habits that will transform your neighbourhood.

Everyone Welcome. Essential for LLMS!



Friday April 5th Minlaton (St Benedict's)

Saturday April 6th Kadina (Christ Church)

Saturday May 11th Gladstone (Gilbert White Community Centre)

Times 10.00am – 3.00pm BYO Lunch

MINISTRY OF SPIRITUALITY

"Our hope is in the seed that lies beneath God's good creation. Our faith is in what we cannot see. Our love is in God's very being that is always with us."

(Seasons of the Spirit 10/2/2019)



The Ministry of Spirituality is establishing a new base in the Diocese of Willochra this year.

Based at Crystal Brook, retreats and quiet days will be organised using the St Silas Church Hall as a venue with accommodation available nearby. An advantage of this site is its central location and easy access from the main highway by either car or bus.

This programme allows participants to be led into a deeper connection with God

Three retreats are being planned for this year so far.

April 5th - 7th: God at the Movies- Rev'd Jenny Thompson

June 28th - 30th: Icons- Sr. Sue Nirta

Dec 6th - 8th: Advent Retreat with our Bishop John Stead

Further details to follow shortly on the Diocesan website.

For more information, please contact Rev'd Jenny Thompson 88422835 or Rev'd Sandra Bryson

ECO-SPIRITUALITY

THE REV'D DAVID AND REV'D JENNY THOMPSON

Ecospirituality is an Anglican Diocese of Willochra ministry run in the semi-arid regions of South Australia. The Flinders Ranges are an iconic example of the complex geology and unique ecology that these semi-arid areas of Australia reveal. Their isolation and the powerful vistas of this landscape epitomises the wilderness we read about in the Scriptures. Jesus frequently withdrew into the wilderness to speak to his Father and John the Baptist conducted all of his ministry in the Jordanian wilderness.

Participating in the Ecospirituality Programme offers quiet time away from the trappings of normal daily life and is an excellent way for us to deepen our connection with our Creator God.

It is a unique experience which opens our eyes to our relationship with the natural world, to our relationship with each other and to our relationship with God.

A spiritual director brings a programme of reading, discussions and devotions allowing participants to reflect on their own spirituality in a beautiful natural environment.

The Ministry of Ecospirituality welcomes everyone.

Let us introduce our first experience for 2019: "Finding God in the Wilderness".

Based at Alpana Station this heritage sheep property is centrally located and is an ideal base from which to explore many aspects of the Flinders Ranges.

The programme will be held from 27th of May to the 1st of June arriving around 4pm Monday and departing by 9.00am on Saturday.

Over the course of the next few days, we will join with Sally Henery, from Alpana Station, for a tour of the shearing shed before heading off to explore Brachina Gorge. There, Sally will give us the opportunity to experience many things along this renowned geological trail.

We will explore the local environment of the station taking in creek beds, old rock formations or stunning views. Sally offers ridgetop tours (at your own cost) which will give a more expansive view of Alpana Station. Nearby, Blinman offers us the chance to learn about some of the early settlers in this old copper mining area. Historic Cornish pasties and yummy quandong pies are treats that are available at the local Miner's Crib Bakery.

Glass Gorge, an old copper roadway, offers the chance to wander along a meandering watercourse and be amazed by the spectacular rock faces and wonder at the choir of local birdlife.

And, importantly, there will be time for personal reflection and exploration.

The cost of the program is \$650. Closing date April 18th.

For further information please contact Reverend David Thompson or Reverend Jennifer Thompson, Coordinators, Ministry of Ecospirituality, by email ; ecospiritualitywillochra@gmail.com or 88 422 835 and leave a message with your contact details.



HISTORY MADE AT WHYALLA MEN'S SHED

FEBRUARY 4 2019 BY LOUIS MAYFIELD WHYALLA NEWS

The Whyalla Men's Shed have travelled back in time to unearth a time capsule belonging to the Anglican Church.

The capsule was placed behind the Shed's memorial plaque in 1958 and after some historical work by Shed member Peter Medlicott, it was located in the wall.

Anglican Bishop John Stead officially retrieved the time capsule on Monday, opening it up to reveal a different era when the Men's Shed building had just been constructed as the Holy Trinity Church.



Inside was the August 29, 1958 issue of the Whyalla News, a form of service for the laying of the Holy Trinity

Church's foundation stone, issues of the Adelaide Church Guardian and the St Martin's Review magazines, and a welcome pamphlet from the Church of England Whyalla.

Making headlines in the Whyalla News was a housing trust proposal for an area in Whyalla West, a preview of the contenders for the 1958 Whyalla News Medallist, and a 'new' labour employment record of 1380 at the BHP Shipyards.

Bishop Stead, from the Anglican Diocese of Willochra, said it was great to see what was important to people living back in 1958.

"Many of the people who were here today remember when the church was quite active here," he said.

"The context of the church today is very different from what it was in 1958 when that time capsule was placed in the wall."

Mr Stead said the Whyalla News issue shows a time when the city was expanding – much like there is hope



FROM LEFT, BACK: REVEREND HEATHER KIRWAN, BISHOP JOHN STEAD, MEN'S SHED PRESIDENT GARY MISAN AND COORDINATOR BRIAN MARSHALL, AND PRIEST WARDEN GRAY STANTON.

FRONT: PETER MEDLICOTT AND STEPHANIE ISAACSON.

that the steel city will see great expansion today.

"Back in those days there were a lot of people new to Whyalla joining the church," he said.

Men's Shed Coordinator Brian Marshall said Reverend Heather Kirwan discovered that the time capsule had been laid inside the building, with shed members working together to find it.

"To give back to these people by using their building for a really good function is great," he said.

"For the Bishop to come down today and receive the document is very positive from our point of view. It also brought people in to have a look at the Shed."



BISHOP JOHN STEAD WITH THE ST MARTIN'S REVIEW NO 29 AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 1958 PRICE 3D.

YEAR OF HOSPITALITY—BIG BASH BBQ

Taking up the challenge of the year of Hospitality, the people of Minlaton and the Lower Yorke Peninsula are endeavouring to have a district event each month to get together for some fun food and fellowship.

With the arrival of Andrew and Louise Lang to the Ministry District of Lower Yorke Peninsula, the Tassie connection established by Henry and Jenny Ivey continues. Following a similar event last year, we took the opportunity to gather at the rectory to watch the Hobart Hurricanes and the Adelaide Strikers Big Bash match. We began with a BBQ thankful for milder weather and then retreated indoors for dessert and to the TV. The less keen sports enthusiasts chatted in the kitchen over a pleasant glass of something. But by the final overs all were in watching the Big Screen.

Sadly (for the hosts) the result went with the majority and our district priest handed over the trophy to Robert Kidd representing the home team. All agreed that it was an event worth repeating and will gather next year hopefully to see a Hurricane win.



MICHAEL AND ANNE FORD, BARBARA COOK,
LOUISE LANG AND HELEN MARTIN

THE REVEREND ANDREW LANG (DISTRICT PRIEST)



SHARING THE FEAST - VAL ROGERS AND BEV LITSTER



ROBERT KIDD, THE TROPHY, ANDREW LANG



FRIENDLY RIVALS: LOUISE LANG AND HELEN MARTIN



THE CROWD WATCHING

PASTOR PAUL VISITS COPPER COAST

Paul Kiviiri a Ugandan pastor recently visited Wallaroo and Kadina to show his appreciation for the support given to the Temanekali Christian School.

Paul was trained at Tabor College in Adelaide and following his graduation declined the invitation to remain in Australia. Instead he responded to a call to work with the many needy children in his country.

Uganda welcomes refugees and has provided a home for a million registered refugees and asylum seekers making it the largest country in Africa and in the top ten worldwide.

At the time when Paul returned home there was a rise in orphans as a result of the genocide in neighbouring Rwanda and the deaths of parents on account of the HIV-AIDS crisis. His response was to put into practice the teachings of Jesus and provide a home, sustenance and education for those who came to him for help.

Paul joined the Anglican Parish of the Copper Coast at the Patronal service of Christ the King Kadina and shared with some of the congregation at the meal in the café which followed.

He joined the Copper Coast Christian Men's Group on Monday (26th) and following another meal (and recognition of the 90th birthday of Doug Williamson!) gave a powerful and deeply moving address.

In the course of answering questions he responded to the regret expressed by one of the men regarding the decline in attendance at our local churches. Paul, with great humour, suggested that maybe we needed some missionaries from Africa!

Paul has been motivated, along with many of his compatriots by the historic work of Dr David Livingston sent by the London Missionary Society to Africa. Although Livingston was recorded as only converting one man his love for the people his life was a powerful witness. When he died there was a fight over his remains. The concession was the British could have his rotting corpse but his heart stays.

Paul is responsible to find \$AU28,000 a year to provide for: 421 students (112 boarders) aged 5 to 17 years; 14 teachers and 8 support staff. Presently they farm 10 acres with the hope to expand to 50 and become self sufficient in food.

His request to us is for second hand mobile phones for the teachers, brass instruments for the school band and cash donations.

Pauls visit to us demonstrates the power of the Gospel - lived.



Rule-Breaking Love



Here is Love
that breaks all the rules -
coming in flesh,
consorting with fishermen and harlots,
touching the unclean,
pouring Itself out unstintingly
to bleed with bleeding women
and wounded men.
Love that chooses death
in order to create life.
There is no safety in this Love,
only hard-won salvation
calling us to enter itself,
take up the instrument of its humiliation,
and live and die in its embrace,
willingly suffer the penalty of rule-
breaking,
because there is no other way
to mend a broken world

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OTHER FISH TO FRY

John 21:1-14



They tried to nail you down
to synagogue and Temple,
but instead you took to the streets
because
you had other fish to fry.
They tried to confine you
to doctrine and law,
especially the ones about purity,
but instead you touched lepers
and ate with sinners
because
you had other fish to fry.
They wanted you to be
a good Jewish male,
confident in your superior masculinity,
but instead you spoke to women -
Samaritan and Canaanite at that -
because
you had other fish to fry.
They tried to wash their hands of you,
get rid of you,
nailing you up on shameful gallows,
but instead you loved them
and forgave them
because
you had other fish to fry.
They thought you had gone for good -
Proconsul, Pharisee, Disciple -
but there you were instead,
in a garden,
a locked room,
on the Emmaus road,
and on the beach
with those whom you loved,
frying other fish.

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ST PETER'S MINTARO

SPIRITUAL HEALING MINISTRY



St. Peter's Mintaro to become a sacred space of spiritual healing for those who have suffered church abuse in Australia on the 19th of March 2019

The need for the church of God to reach out to those wounded by the very individuals mandated to care for them the most has reached its apex in the aftermath of the Royal Commission.

One of the most devastating consequences of the harm done to them by ministers of religion is the belief of many victims that it was God himself who harmed them. At the centre of spiritual healing for survivors, the link between the perpetrator of the trauma and our Loving God must be broken.

The avenues of spiritual healing for victims of clergy abuse are scarce in Australia. There is a clear need for a dedicated Sacred Space for victims of church abuse, to be used for personal and communal prayer. To address this critical spiritual need Bishop John Stead, shepherd of the Anglican Diocese of Willochra has embraced a new ministry initiative to provide a sacred space dedicated to spiritual healing.

The vision for St Peter's Mintaro is to transform the grounds and the church into a sacred space that will promote spiritual healing for those harmed by ministers of religion here in Australia. It is hoped that St Peter's will be both an ecumenical and an interfaith venture. St Peter's sacred space will offer a menu of

options for its visitors. Upon arrival, visitors will be welcomed and given a pamphlet that describes the ministry of St Peter's with a description of what forms of ministry are on offer. Visitors can choose to engage any, all or none of the options offered. St Peter's ministry menu will consist of the following:

1. Pastoral care

Pastoral care is an ancient model of emotional and spiritual support found in all cultures and traditions. It has been described in our modern context as individual and corporate patience in which trained pastoral carers support people in their pain, loss and anxiety, and their triumphs, joys, and victories. At St Peter's Mintaro the provision of pastoral care will centre on offering our visitors a safe place in which spiritual and emotional support will be offered to those who wish to share their stories with the ministers on staff. The listening that takes place and the emotional and spiritual support offered during the ministry of pastoral care is not counselling per se: The desired end state of a pastoral care listening session is simply to listen to what the person wishes to share and to provide emotional and spiritual support in the light of what has been shared.

2. Spiritual companionship

Spiritual companionship is the help given by one Christian to another that enables the recipient to listen to God's personal communication to him or her, to respond to this personal communicating from God, to grow in intimacy with God and to live more fully the fruit of this relationship with God. The focus of the ministry of spiritual companionship at St Peter's will be to help those who wish to avail themselves of this

ministry to discover who God truly is, independent from the minister or person or system responsible for the abuse they have suffered, suffering would be compounded by a distorted understanding of God in the aftermath of their earlier experience.

3. Reclaiming the church as a safe place.

Many survivors of church abuse are no longer able to enter churches, even for the funerals of their parents, so inextricably linked is the abuse with the physical structure of a church building or a school associated with a church. I propose St. Peter's Church will be renovated so that the outside remains as it is although completely revitalised, while the interior will be transformed in the style of minimalist chapels now being created in Europe. The intent of such a minimalist chapel to create a sacred space that survivors immediately recognise as a holy place despite the absence of standard features of churches wherein people might have suffered abuse. The goal is to create a sacred space that fosters spiritual connectivity with God through beauty and simplicity.

The plan is for St Peter's to be transformed as much as possible into a replica of the 13th century St Francis Oratory in Assisi, creating a sacred prayer space linking all of pre-Reformation Western Christianity to provide a sacred Christian space that could assist survivors in prayer. remodelled space will offer a sacred Christian place that would be unlikely to trigger, in a survivor, memories of a place of abuse linked to a specific church in Australia. Granted, some might not want to step into the chapel regardless, but some will.

The chapel is intended primarily for private use: individuals can have the chapel entirely to themselves for private prayer. A minister will wait outside the chapel while the person is inside so that the survivor can have one-on-one time alone with God in the sacred space. This sacred alone time is to help foster the understanding that God is God: that God is not the minister who harmed them. *'Be still and know that I am God.'* (Ps 46:10).



4. A healing garden for survivors

The Quiet Garden at St Peter's Mintaro is to be rededicated as a Healing Garden, on the model of the successful Healing Garden of the Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago, which was created to be a place that invites reconciliation, hope, and healing for survivors of church abuse and their families. It is a place where survivors will be offered the opportunity to write their stories and name the person and or the system responsible for the abuse they suffered, and then pray their story directly into God's hands by burning the story in a special area in the garden; alternatively, they may, in private, tell the story verbally to themselves and before God. This prayer is an act of surrendering into God's hands the pain that only God can fully understand and ultimately heal. *'Let my prayer be set forth as incense before Thee, The lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.'* (Ps 141:2).

5. The Cross

A tall wooden cross will be erected on the grounds of St Peter's, Mintaro. At the base of the cross, a body of water in the fashion of a small boat will be constructed. A water pump will ensure that the water will flow continuously. Survivors will be given small pieces of slate on which they will be invited, **first**, to write the names of those who have harmed them, **and then** to drop their piece of slate into the water at the foot of the cross. The action is twofold in purpose. Firstly, it symbolises the delinking of themselves from the person who harmed them and, secondly, it places that person and what they did at the foot of the cross for Jesus to take and to carry for them. *'Then Jesus said, Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.'* (Matt 11:28).

The mission and vision of St Peter's are to facilitate opportunities for people who have suffered church abuse to re-establish direct communication with God in the hope that a discovery or rediscovery of God's love for them will take place.

The model of pastoral care and spiritual companionship for survivors and their supporters to be offered at St Peter's Mintaro is that of the spiritual meeting place at the University of Canberra. In this style of ministry, individuals drop in and are offered pastoral care on an ad hoc basis. Our hours of operation will be from 10 AM to 3:30 PM initially.

St. Peter's will not be a place for formal worship services. Communal prayer will take place in the form of Christian Mediation which will take place at noon each day. All are welcome to experience and share in this style of prayer.

Phone numbers for those needing care not offered at St. Peter's will be posted on the church door for those who **might** need immediate assistance.

St Peter's Mintaro will be a welcome pilgrimage destination for survivors and supporters to bring their stories and leave them in God's hands. Loved ones of victims of clergy abuse are welcome to come to St. Peter's and leave a symbol of their lost loved one in an area of the garden designated as a memorial site for those who took their lives in the wake of the harm they suffered.

Jean and Joe Johns, both retired military chaplains who were on active service in the Middle East Area of Operations with the Canadian Armed Forces and The Australian Defence Force will be first ministers to serve at St. Peter's.

This new ministry initiative will need much prayerful support from God's people. All people of faith are welcome and are encouraged to come to St. Peter's and pray in the healing garden for the spiritual healing of church abuse victims.

Donations for this new work of God will be needed. Much work on the grounds needs to be done for the long term use of St. Peter's. All donations are to be directed to the Anglican Diocese of Willochra earmarked for St. Peter's Spiritual Healing Ministry.



JOE JOHNS AND BISHOP JOHN STEAD

ISSUES THE REV'D FLO WALTERS

WHO CARES?



Recently an elderly non-church friend from Adelaide came for a visit. She has been her husband's carer for many years, and was at her wits' end. Her husband rarely leaves the house except for medical appointments, and nobody visits him. My friend tries to make allowances for his nasty words and rude behaviour, but finds it hard to stay positive – when all around her is negativity.

As she drove away I was left wondering just how many elderly carers are there out there just like her – trapped in intolerable circumstances, and stressed out by a whole range of things. How many are there out there without anybody nearby to listen and to care? Families are often too busy, and friends can only do so much.

How many elderly carers out there are angry and frustrated with what life has dealt them? How many put their own physical and/or mental health issues to one side as they focus on the needs of the ones they're caring for?

Often the struggles and sacrifices of carers go unnoticed. They just get on with what they believe they are called to do, without drama, and without expecting to be acknowledged.

I too am an elderly carer but fortunately I live in very different circumstances. My husband and I have our own trials, challenges, stresses, and concerns - but there is not a day goes by when we don't feel incredibly blessed.

As Christians who know in our hearts that God cares, let us strive to remember those who are primary carers – because what they are doing can be isolating, draining and restrictive. Let us think of them and pray for them. Whether in the church or outside of the church, they need all the help they can get..

National Redress Scheme

**For people who have experienced
institutional child sexual abuse**

The Diocese of Willochra is committed to the National Redress Scheme to provide an additional avenue for redress for those who have experienced abuse in the church. The Diocese was declared as a Participating Institution in the Scheme on 1st March 2019.

Persons wanting to make an application to the Scheme may do so at any time while the Scheme remains open.

Further information about the National Redress Scheme, including information on how to access advisory and support services, can be found [here](#).



THE WILLOCHRA HOME

Crystal Brook Christmas Pageant 2018

A group of Willochra Staff worked together to make the 'Charlie in the Chocolate Factory' float for the 2018 Crystal Brook Christmas Pageant. Many hours of hard work and dedication was put in to create this colourful and fun entry for the pageant.



Port Pirie Christmas Lights trip 2018



Activities staff took a number of Willochra Home Residents to Port Pirie to have a look at the Christmas lights. All Residents thoroughly enjoyed the trip and thought the lights looked lovely.



CAMP WILLOCHRA



Camp Willochra welcomed Jayne and Jerrell Alexander as Camp Managers in 2017 and its been a journey for them both, especially welcoming baby Jude to the family.

Jayne gave an honest and heart felt account of the past two years on her facebook page recently, and has allowed us to share this with you all.....

Two years ago today Jerrell and I were on our way to South Australia to start a new adventure. Its funny looking back at this moment, we had taken on a job as camp managers blind to what was before us and the behemoth job we had taken on. Blind to the encroaching anger and sadness of leaving beloved family and friends



JAYNE, JERRELL, JUDE , TANYA AND JOE ALEXANDER

at home, unaware of how much growth would come from being obedient to the One who sent us, and completely oblivious to the blessings God would shower upon us through an amazing church family and support group who have shared our burdens and achievements.

Not to mention a supportive boss and colleagues who understand our dream for this campsite and are working hard to make it happen.

I believe that God directs our paths and although those paths are not always easy (and these past two years certainly haven't been), they are always rewarding in some way or another.

I have been through a lot of heartache and struggle, particularly due to leaving family and close friends behind and living in such an isolated area, and it's still a raw and real emotion when I think about it.

But man, I have grown so much in these last two years! And hey I have a baby now! (That's another story.) Suffice it to say, God is good and every moment of our lives is another chance for us to be refined by the afflictions we face and blessings we are so graciously given.

Shout out to my amazing husband who has been such a support and rock through it all. I couldn't have asked for a more selfless and loving man! Love you Bullwinkle!

JAYNE ALEXANDER - CAMP MANAGER



BUSPA'S CORNER

The driest part of the driest state of the driest continent on earth also has limited resources and opportunities for wealth creation through employment. This is reflected on the church because the church's revenue has to come from its people. In the early 1990's, the then Bishop, Bishop David McCall looked toward a model of ministry in the church that would aim to make the Diocese self-sufficient without relying on external sources of funds.



Bishop David McCall wrote:

"The most significant development during my episcopate was the establishment of Ministering Communities in Mission (initially described as Collaborative Ministry)."

He went on to say *"I first spoke about the concept of Ministry Districts and non-stipendiary clergy in my Presidential Address to Synod in 1994. In 1997 Father Garry Weatherill was appointed as the Ministry Development Officer with the responsibility of supporting and guiding the newly established ministry districts of Wakefield, Southern Flinders and Eyre. It was a great joy to ordain the first non-stipendiary priests and deacons during the closing years of my episcopate."*

Theologically the idea of ministering communities is a Biblical concept. The teaching of the apostle Paul (1 Corinthians 12) about the Church as the Body of Christ lies at the heart of the understanding that all the baptized are called to play their part in the mission and ministry of the Church. As we are aware if some parts of the body are ill or not functioning properly the whole body is affected. It is the same for the Body of Christ which we know as the Church. If we do not understand ourselves as having a role to play in the mission and ministry of the Church the Church will be less able to fulfil its mission.

To put this another way – the Church moves from the idea that a congregation is a community gathered around a minister to becoming a ministering community. This reflects the true nature of the Church

and is given expression when a parish or a congregation resolves to understand itself as a *Ministering Community in mission*.

The Church has always understood that every baptized Christian is called to be a minister of Christ; however, for a very long-time ministry within the Church was largely the responsibility of the parish priest. With smaller congregations and less money it was clear that lay ministers would have to be responsible for many of the tasks previously carried out by an ordained priest. In a Diocese like Willochra this was not a new idea; lay readers played an important role from the inception of the Diocese.

What was new was the understanding that each congregation was a ministering community and that licensed lay ministers would work with a local non-stipendiary priest to ensure that the ongoing ministry of word and sacrament, as well as outreach to the wider community, were faithfully fulfilled. The local non-stipendiary priest could not be expected to fulfil the role of a stipendiary priest.

Such an approach to the ministry of the Church was entirely consistent with the Petrine teaching (1. Peter 2.9-10) that all the baptized are part of the royal priesthood. (The phrase 'the priesthood of the laity' is not Biblical and is liable to undermine the concept of ordained ministry.)

The development of ministering communities in mission is not unique to the Diocese of Willochra and is being embraced in many parts of the Church. In essence it has nothing to do with whether or not the priest is paid a stipend; it has everything to do with what the Church is meant to be.

Other Bishops throughout Australia have had to come to terms with *"cutting the cloth"* to suit the needs of each Diocese, and the Diocese of Willochra continues to aim to provide effective ministry throughout its far-flung parishes.



JOHN CRONSHAW

In a Dry and Thirsty Land is a history of the Anglican Church in what is now the Diocese of Willochra.

It was launched on 22nd February 2015 at a service held at Sts Peter and Paul Cathedral, Port Pirie.

The book begins with an essay by Dr David Hilliard, Adjunct Professor of Religious History from Flinders University called *A brief history of the Diocese of Willochra*.

It then records the history of the bishops, people, ministries and institutions in the Diocese.

It is truly a product of the Diocese because so many people have contributed articles, memoirs and photographs.

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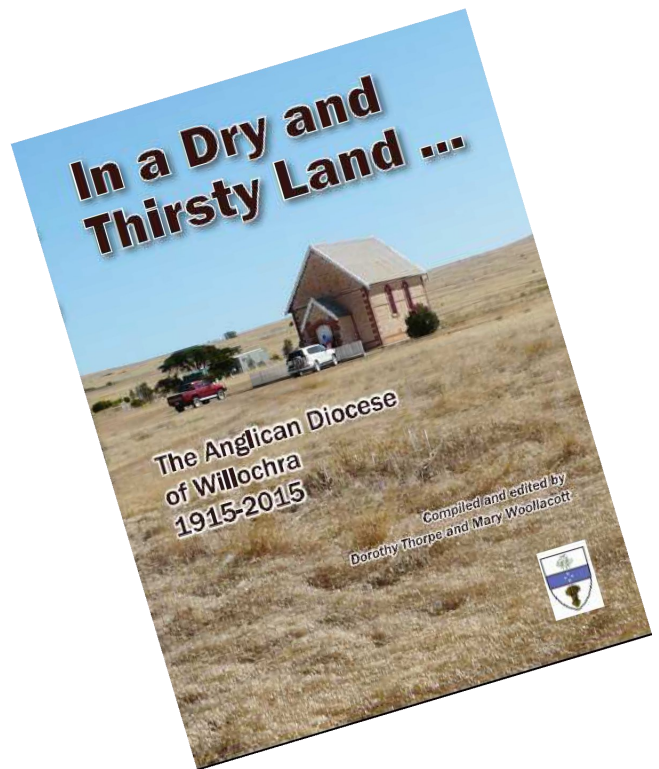
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Vision:

Our vision is of a world where God's love is shown through loving, respectful, and flourishing relationships.

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- ♦ To promote and support married life
- ♦ To encourage parents in their role to develop the faith of their children
- ♦ To maintain a worldwide fellowship of Christians united in prayer, worship and service
- ♦ To promote conditions in society favourable to stable family life and the protection of children
- ♦ To help those whose family life has met with adversity

THE MOTHERS' UNION PRAYER

Loving Lord,

We thank you for your love so freely given to us all.

We pray for families around the world.

Bless the work of the Mothers' Union

as we seek to share your love

through the encouragement, strengthening and support of marriage and family life.

Empowered by your Spirit, may we be united in prayer and worship,

and in love and service reach out as your hands across the world.

In Jesus' name. Amen

THE CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION CADENABBIA LAKE COMO, ITALY



For those who travel, The Rev'd Roger Williams, Chaplain of the Church of the Ascension, Cadenabbia on Lake Como would like to make known the Church of the Ascension Cadenabbia on Lake Como Italy to any who might be visiting or holidaying in the Lake Como region. The Church of the Ascension is one of the few English-speaking churches in Italy in the Anglican Diocese of Europe.

The Church is open daily, and our regular Sunday Morning Service in English is at 10.30am to which you would be most welcome at this very inspiring and beautiful part of the world.

The Church was built by residents and holiday makers back in the 1890's, it is one of the important landmarks of Cadenabbia and should you be walking the Greenways Walk it is mentioned as a place to visit. This prominent church with several fine features is immediately opposite the Passenger and Car Ferry in Cadenabbia.

More information can be found on the website - www.churchonlakecomo.com or Facebook - Church of the Ascension.

Rev'd Roger Williams. Chaplain. Email - revrgwilliams@hotmail.com



ANGLICAN BOARD OF MISSION

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The 2019 ABM Lent Appeal

The Anglican Board of Mission is focusing on building up the Anglican Church in Zambia with this year's Lent Appeal, as well as support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglicans.

The Zambian Church has a national seminary in Kitwe, St John's Seminary, which trains ordinands and clergy from all five dioceses across the country. Students from poor dioceses are able to study there as no tuition fees are charged. Instead, the seminary relies on a small monthly grant from the National Church. St John's is dependent on donor aid for staff salary support, maintenance, its internet facility, and books for both the library and students' use after the training.

ABM also supports the Gender and Governance Initiative project which is run by the Zambian Anglican Council Outreach Program (ZACOP). The aim of this project is to educate people about the rights of women and children, to decrease the incidence of gender-based violence and bring an end to child marriages. The conditions of poverty are a contributing factor, therefore the project's activities also focus on education to improve living conditions, as well as promoting awareness about gender-related issues.

Gifts to ABM's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Mission Fund support missional activities led by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. This is in consultation with the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council (NATSAC) which appraises and prioritises grant applications. Priority is also given to funding Anglican Church organisations or ecumenical initiatives where there is an Anglican connection. This project gives Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people the opportunity to grow in their faith and build flourishing communities within the Australian Anglican Church.

To donate or find out more about the 2019 ABM Lent Appeal, please visit www.abmission.org/Lent2019. You can also access some great Lent Studies and other resources at www.abmission.org/Lent.



Please consider a gift this Lent to help ABM provide a brighter future for our Partners.

Contact Vivienne For, ABM Communications Coordinator at vivienne.for@abmission.org.au for more information.

Image caption: Violet, aged 28, is a survivor of domestic violence. With the support of her Village Counselling Centre, she found the courage to change her life around, and those of her children. She is now a convenor of a Savings with Education group. With her savings and borrowings she bought vegetable seeds and has developed a small business which supports her and her children.

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National Day of Thanks

25 May 2019

Saturday 25th May 2019

Preparation for Australia's National Day of Thanks 2019 is now underway and to help people and churches plan their activities we are providing a Focus.

For the Community Focus for this year we are saying 'Thank You' to:

Local Government – Mayors, Councillors and staff in our local Councils. As well as workers in waste disposal, recycling, parks and gardens, etc. Say *Thank You* with a Card or Certificate, or take them morning tea to show them they are appreciated.

Chaplains and Pastoral Support Workers.– who are always there ready to help, encourage, and support people in crisis. They work in our Schools, Hospitals, Armed Forces, Police, Fire, Ambulance, SES, Prisons, Sports and Community organizations, etc. Let them know what they do is appreciated, and that they make a difference. Say *Thank You!*

The Personal Focus is an ongoing one – the unsung heroes in your life and community. Today our lives are wrapped in a culture of coffee. We need our coffee in the morning, or when we are having a bad day, or when we need a pick-me-up. But when was the last time you took someone for a coffee just to say *Thank You* for what they do, or for the difference they make in your life? What about your brother or sister, your parents, your grandparents? When was the last time you went out of your way to say *Thank You*? It could be a friend at School or Uni, a Teacher who has helped you, or someone you know who does not have many friends. Show them they are appreciated.

We have *R you OK day* and *Grandparent's Day*, and numerous other Days. However, we are not just about one day a year. The National Day of Thanks is about a way of life we live each day of the year and on the last Saturday in May each year we can, as a Christian Nation, publicly demonstrate that thankful way of life.

Food for Thought

Gratitude is an attitude that always acknowledges God's provision. – Robert Morris

When someone says, *You have a nice house!*

Pride says, *We are going to build a bigger one!*

Poverty says, *It was a foreclosure!*

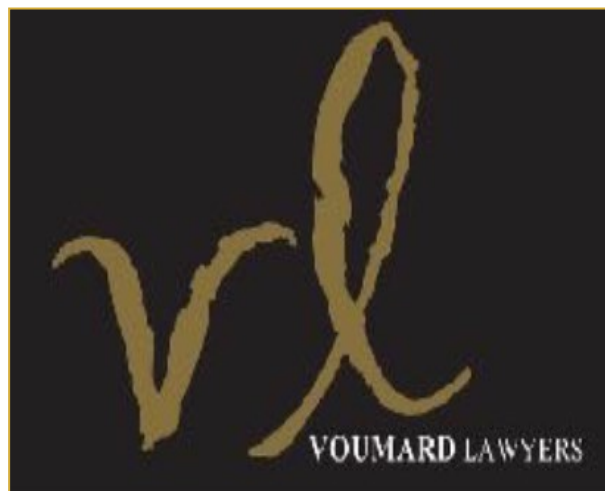
Gratitude says, *Thank you, the Lord has blessed us.*

Saying *Thank You* changes your life and the life of the person you thank.

For more information about our National Day go to the Website www.austhanks.org.au.

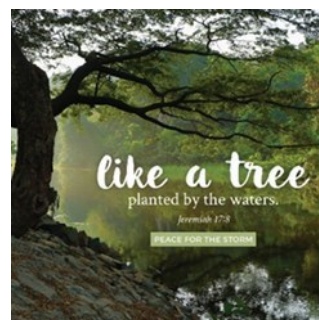
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My daughter Jo and I recently decided that we would see whether we liked cruising, so we took a 5-day trip from Adelaide to Pt Lincoln and Kangaroo Island. It was very pleasant and being a 'people watcher', I was interested in the people on board and thinking about their reasons for travelling. Most of them were 'locals' but some had travelled on the ship from other ports and were visiting us for the first time.

Jo had insisted that I take my walker with me and it was certainly useful in getting about the ship, and it seemed to always come with courtesy and understanding on the part of other travelers and staff. Making room in a lift, bringing food to a table, always being assured of a seat, were to me, indications of kindness and consideration.

The workers who controlled the boarding and alighting from the ship were some of the loveliest people around. The gangplank at Pt Lincoln was very steep and I was assisted all the way down by one of these men and similarly at Penneshaw, as we alighted into a tender, every step I took was watched. Not once did I experience any lack of willingness to be of help.

One of the reasons that I enjoy living in Riverton is that once again people are friendly and cheerful, kind and considerate. It is 12 months since Russ passed away but, in that time, I have been supported and encouraged by my many friends and acquaintances. Of course, friendliness is a two-way thing. We need to '*do unto others as we would have them do unto us*' for this to succeed and as we don't know what problems or sadness others have in their lives, we should always be prepared to listen. I thought the following piece which I read in an English magazine, was just what I needed to say.

People

Never take people for granted,
each one has a part they must play.
Some help us to look at our lives
and count all our blessings each day.
Some boost our confidence gladly
and lift us up when we're down,
and sharing a small ray of sunshine,
exchanging a smile for a frown.
Some will be there when they're needed,
perhaps just a phone call away,
and some will be quiet and caring,
just knowing the right words to say.
Some will be noisy and cheerful,
Enjoying a joke and a fuss,
and some will be weary and lonely,
and sometimes they seem to need us.
Never take people for granted,
each one has their stress and their strife,
reach out to each other - to sister and brother
and welcome them into your life.

Iris Hesselden

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We invite you to consider making a bequest to the Diocese for any of its missional initiatives.

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