

Parish Voice

The Anglican Parish of Broadview and Enfield, Adelaide SA

Treasures

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From the Parish Priest

'Treasures' is the theme for this issue of the *Parish Voice*. When we hear the word 'treasures,' what comes to mind first are those coveted and mysterious riches hidden deep, awaiting discovery. We often think of such wealth outside ourselves and rarely reflect inward. However, there are several things that could be considered treasures of life, treasured skills, and so on. I would like to discuss how we can become a treasure for others.

Becoming a treasure to others involves cultivating qualities and behaviours that contribute positively to their lives, fostering a sense of support, encouragement, and genuine connection.

First and foremost, the quality you need is authenticity. Be true to yourself; let others see the real you. Only authentic connections last in our lives, and such connections are built on honesty and transparency.

Offering support to others is another treasured quality. Be there for them during both joyous and challenging times. Show genuine concern and be a reliable source of support. Be willing to lend a helping hand in a crisis and offer support through acts of kindness and encouragement.

Reliability is an essential, treasured quality. Be trustworthy, honour your commitments, keep your promises, and be a person others can depend on. It builds strong and lasting relationships.

Celebrating others' success is another treasured quality. While many people can only celebrate their own success, being genuinely happy for the achievements and success of others is a gem-like quality. Celebrating their milestones and accomplishments is a selfless attitude that reinforces a positive and supportive environment.

Generosity is another quality through which we can become treasures to others. It's essential to recognise that generosity extends beyond material gifts; it encompasses offering your time, attention, and energy to others. Acts of kindness, whether significant or small, contribute to making you a valuable treasure in the lives of others.

Practising empathy and respecting differences are highly valued treasures. Show empathy by actively listening to others, understanding their perspectives, and acknowledging their feelings. While doing so, embrace diversity and respect differences. Such openness in accepting others' perspectives is a treasured quality that fosters a culture of inclusivity and understanding.

Showing gratitude and letting things go are two other pivotal qualities by which we can be treasures in others' lives. Acknowledging the contributions that they have made in your life, whether in front of them or in their absence, fosters a positive atmosphere and reinforces the bonds of connection. But, in relation to certain individuals, it is essential that you let go of the grudges. Recognise that everyone makes mistakes, including yourself. So practice forgiveness. This practice creates a space for healing, and reinforces your role as a positive influence in their lives.

So, by embodying these qualities and practising them, you can become a treasure to others.

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Parish Programs

Sundays: Sung Eucharist 9.00am St Clément's
10.30am St Philip's,
4.00pm CSI Malayalam, St Philip's

Tuesdays: Centering Prayer Group 10.00am St Philip's Church

Third Tuesdays: Parish Council 7.30pm St Philip's Church

Wednesdays: Knit 'n' Natter Group 2.00pm fortnightly at St Philip's Church

Fridays: Badminton 6.00pm St Philip's Church Hall

Hospital visits, home communion, baptisms, confirmations, weddings, funerals

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Calling for Contributions

The theme for the next Issue
(No. 28) of the *Parish Voice* is:

Open Doors

Please think about what you could
contribute to our next magazine
and speak with your Congregational
Representative.

From the Editor

The concept of 'treasures' may initially conjure in our minds the idea of an old parchment map with a large red X dominating one part of the terrain. Buried treasure is the stuff of stories we have all enjoyed; people madly racing to be the one who wins this illusive prize. But of course, treasures come in many forms. There are the objects which have monetary value, but there are also those tangible things we hold dear that have value only for us, and also those treasures which we hold in our heart and our memory. Sometimes the latter two combine; the thing we hold dear is only important to us because of the connection it has to someone whom, or an experience which, we value.



In my home are many treasures of that kind. There are the latest drawings by the grandchildren which adorn the fridge until replaced by the next art work from school or home. There are photos of family which keep me connected to those I love even when apart, and which become windows into cherished times spent together. There is a calendar made with love which depicts scenes from a past holiday and offers the joy of reminiscence.

But perhaps the greatest 'treasure' we have is our faith. It comforts us in difficult times. It connects us to our beliefs and sustains our soul. We can share our faith and through doing so, offer tangible treasures to others. We can help those in need offering friendship, food, care and opportunities for change. We can work towards making the world a safer and kinder place for all. We can share our 'treasures' with others so that the world's resources are equally available. We can treasure peace. Surely, these treasures are what we should hold most dear.

Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew: 19 -21

From the Parish Priest (Cont.)

For the Parish, this has been a sober period as we bid farewell to five dear friends. Rev Dr Reginald Wynn passed away on 19.10.2023 at the age of 90. Father Wynn had a strong connection with India and is fondly remembered for his deep voice and powerful sermons. He worshipped at St Philip's until he moved to care in 2020.

Audrey Jean Adair joined her husband, Garry Adair, in eternal bliss on 5.11.2023 at the age of 91. Garry and Audrey were vibrant members of St Clement's for over 60 years. In earlier years, Audrey actively participated in various social activities of the church, such as catering for dinners and managing trading tables. In later years, she served as a sacristan.

Ellen Pauline Evans (Paula), another faithful member of St Clement's for over 50 years, passed away at the age of 92 on New Year's Day. Paula was musically inclined and often performed at weddings and other services. Additionally, she and her husband Ted helped organise numerous social events during the latter part of the 20th century at St Clement's.

Anne Lambert, a member of St Philip's, passed away. She used to attend the Wednesday services during the earlier years and then participated in the Knit and Natter fellowship before the onset of COVID.

Joan Gillham is another amazing member of St Philip's who died during this period. She was 91 years of age when she passed away on January 13, 2024. Joan and Jim were regular at the church services for about 20 years.

We thank God for the lives of these dear friends and extend our prayers to their families.

I offer you my best wishes for the New Year as I conclude this writing. May God bless you.

Santhosh S Kumar

Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes

Once again the people of St Clement's donated shoeboxes of love to the Operation Christmas Child Organisation. Not only did members of the congregation donate shoeboxes but some of their grandchildren and great grandchildren enjoyed being involved in the process as well. Creating treasures for others is important for all of us. It gives a sense of purpose and a belief that we can improve the lives of other people, which results in positive benefits for us all. Thank you so much to all those who contributed.

As mentioned last year, there are no longer any processing hubs in South Australia - only drop off points. My closest drop off point is now a local radio station in Hendon. The venue was very well-organised this year, which meant that the 18 shoeboxes from St Clement's could be delivered with ease. When Cliff and I arrived, we found a clip board of record sheets (or a QR code), to write details about our organisation and the number of boxes we had donated. There was also a phone to pick up if any help was needed. One of the radio workers came out of a locked door and asked if he could help. He offered to help me carry the shoeboxes through the locked door, where they were being stored. The woman who was responsible for the boxes at that site also happened to be there and said to pass on her thanks to the St Clement's Church members. Our efforts were clearly very much appreciated.

On 7th December 2023 I received an update from our Area Co-ordinator, Lynette. She informed me that although the final number of boxes packed by S.A. and the N.T. won't be available until all the "Pack a Box Online" numbers have been included, she was thrilled to report that S.A. and the N.T. packed over 18,100 boxes, which was an amazing effort. She also said that the majority of the boxes from S.A. and the N.T. went to the Ukraine, which was wonderful news.

Corinne, (the Co-ordinator of O.C.C.) conveyed the following message to all those who contributed:

"God bless you. Thank you for all your prayers and all you have done to contribute to another successful OCC year."

Lynette added, *"I would like to add my thanks, also. You have made a significant contribution to the future of many children you will most probably never meet in this life."*

As we are aware that, due to high demand and other circumstances, a child will usually only receive the special gift of a shoebox once in their lifetime, which is truly special to them and no doubt becomes a gift which is treasured forever.



Raelee

Julia loved shopping for the gifts and then packing the shoe boxes to send to children overseas. She enjoyed creating a 'treasure' box for someone else for whom this may be the only gift they receive in their lifetime



A big thank you to Raelee (right) for coordinating this special event each year

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Shoe Boxes of Love

Every Tuesday I pick up my two youngest grandsons from school. As Christmas was getting closer, I asked if they wanted to shop for our annual shoe box items. They were both keen to shop, so off we went and our shopping spree began. The usual things that Hamish and Connor chose were items they remembered were suitable. Soccer balls were definitely a 'no-no'.

We usually do a box for a boy and one for a girl, which my great-granddaughters normally fill. We were short of time so we did two boys' boxes. The boys were thrilled with their boxes, knowing they had done something for someone unknown to them and not as comfortable as them.

The biggest excitement was when I told them our boxes were going to children in Ukraine. Next year we will have to do more boxes as both the boys and girls want to be included in bringing joy where it is most needed.

I am very proud of my two grandsons and my four great-granddaughters for their caring for others.



Lorraine

Community Support

As in previous years Maria Abraham, who is the coordinator of external activities of the Women's Fellowship of the CSI Malayalam Congregation, co-ordinated and then delivered the collection of donations for the Michael Rice Units (Childhood Cancer), Anglicare (Christmas Food Hamper Drive - Magdalene Centre), Foodbank and Kickstart for Kids, to assist people in need during the Festive Season.



Maria with volunteers from the different organisations, and, some of the donations



Christmas Gifts for Anglicare SA



Above and below: Gifts ready to go

The small congregation of St. Clement's Church once again gave generously to Anglicare S.A. in 2023. There was a large range of gifts for all ages, including soft toys and story books, balls, binoculars, modelling clay, kites, a number of Hot Wheels cars, confectionery and an Origami kit to name a few. General presents included calendars, diaries, pens, bath bombs, a reed diffuser, jewellery, socks and a large (and very heavy) cutting board. There was also a variety of cosmetics which included such things as sunscreen products, body lotions, makeup, hair products, toothbrushes and toothpaste.

As mentioned in the article, "Calm and Comfort", in Issue 25 of the *Parish Voice* magazine, a group of avid knitters residing at Barton Vale Lodge made beautiful "Trauma Teddies" and one cute cat, which were very kindly donated to Anglicare for Christmas as well.

As our gifts would be combined with food donations to make Christmas hampers, it was requested that we have our donations ready for collection before the end of November, rather than early December. This would allow staff and volunteers more time to pack the hampers.

Instead of Cliff and me dropping the St Clement's donations to Anglicare, our contact person, Tammy, kindly suggested that the Anglicare pick up van would collect the donations from us so on November 22, 10 bags of treasures were picked up by two cheerful young women, who couldn't thank me enough.

Each year more and more people need the assistance of charities like Anglicare and in our small way, we will hopefully touch the hearts of the recipients and let them know that someone cares.

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to all who helped with the Christmas donations.

A special thank you also to Anne who regularly delivers donations of food to Anglicare.



Anglicare package pick up day



Treasured Teddies

In her usual fashion, Joan Harris worked steadily all year to complete her beautiful knitted gifts. This included 7 large and 21 small teddy bears. Each bear had its own unique characteristics, with embroidered buttons or daisies on their jumpers. No two bears were the same. Joan also knitted children's jumpers, beanies and pencil cases. Many jumpers and beanies were knitted in colours that matched a particular bear's clothes.

Joan then made up 47 gift packages which each included some of the following - a teddy bear, a jumper, a beanie, a ball, a rope, a colouring in book, pencils and pencil case, or a story book. This was a full year's work for Joan but a rewarding result of gifts for children to treasure.

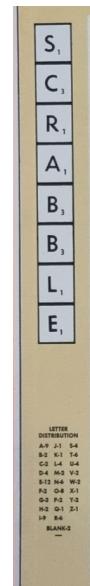


Joan (above) with some of her knitting and with the contents of the gift packages (left)



Raelee

Treasured Pastimes



One of my treasures is a fortnightly game of scrabble or anagrams at St Philip's 'Knit and Natter'.

The idea to play scrabble came from Father Brian Newman who used to accompany his wife Joan who knits.

I thoroughly enjoy the games and the company.

Rosemary Cowley

Please note: 'Knit and Natter' recommences February 7, 2024 and continues fortnightly after that in the Supper Room at St Philip's Church.
All welcome.

Grant

Harvest Festival



Preparations on the previous night



Right: The liturgical team processing into the church: Hanna. crucifer; Nomiki carrying the Bible; Christy carrying the vegetable basket; Aaron bearing the fruit basket; Rev Santhosh; and Rev Wilson George



Right and below right: Rev Wilson George, the vicar of the Mar Thoma Church delivered the sermon – and was also the celebrant



Above and below: The vegetable and fruit baskets brought by two families represent all produce that were brought for auction and all the food items that are prepared for this day and shared with the community



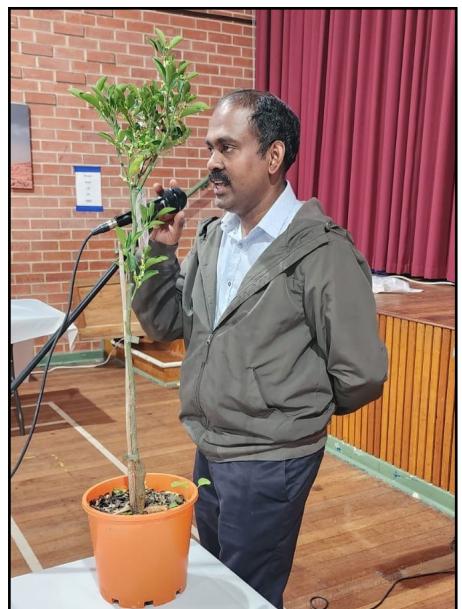


Right: After the service, auction started and the food stalls were opened.
Right: Bensilal led the auction

Left: Maria and Nomiki on the coupon counter and below left, Nomiki serving the customers



Below right: Serah and Angeline on the plant stall with their mothers Hepsi and Sophia



Angeline having friendly conversation with Toney



Above:
Kavitha and
right, Seena
at the dosa
counter



Above: Burney in the parotta stall



Harvest Festival (cont.)



Joby Abraham, Nevin, Sigan Devassy, and Sobhitharaj at the food stall selling fish curry, Kappa, butter chicken, chicken curry, beef curry, parotta, and rice



Book keeping: Sheeba and Sophia. Sanjana also served in this role



Harvest Festival special floral decoration at St Philip's Church



Above: Toney and Sneha at the snack stall



Christy and Sanjana in the Biryani stall

Above: Thanking Royal Real Estate and Elora In Fashions for their support



Right: Thanking Jomon Francis. J&K Homes Pty Ltd for their support

Community working together



Thanking Renjana Kuriakose, Oceani Legal & Migration Services, for their support.



Thanking Sigan Devassy, Enchakkal Lawyers, for their support.



Thanking Merin Mathew, Aus One Blinds, for their support.



Thanking Shibu Paulose, Ideal Loanz, for their support.



Left: : Church wardens and proud Conveners of the event: Ajith and Nevin



The event raised \$15,028.50 this year. Well done and thank you to all involved in making the Harvest Festival such a great success!

Combined Worship at St Philip's



A combined church service at St Philip's Church on October 29, 2023 was followed by a delicious luncheon and 'cuppa' in the Supper Room. During this time, two guest speakers who are directors of the "Bringing Back the Butterflies" (BBB) Project gave a very informative talk to those present. Steve Fuller is an avid gardener, butterfly enthusiast and member of *The Australian Association for Environmental Education* (AAEE) and *Trees for Life*, and Deirdre Knight is a gardener, butterfly enthusiast, member of the AAEE, and former teacher of biodiversity and sustainability.

It was astounding to learn that over 40 species of butterflies native to the Kaurna (Adelaide) plains area have now lost their habitats due to the clearing of habitation. Deirdre and Steve explained that the project, "Bringing Back the Butterflies", aims to re-establish these urban butterfly habitats. Obviously, butterflies are an important component of our environment because, by cross-pollination, they help in the production of fruits, vegetables and flowers.

The BBB Project encourages people to grow plants specific to the native butterflies. When people plant these particular shrubs in their gardens and nature strips, a sign explaining the program is placed on the site. This is aimed to encourage neighbours to engage in discussion, ask questions and hopefully become involved as well. Ideally, the BBB Program will create nature trails and networks of gardens that increase interest and involvement in a greater number of people, thus contributing even more to butterfly conservation.

Deirdre brought samples of some of the plants that we could grow in our gardens to attract butterflies. She explained that now is not the ideal time to grow these plants as we are coming into some hot weather. However, Deirdre kindly offered to deliver some plants to us next Autumn if we are interested.



More information can be obtained from BBB on Facebook, BBB on Instagram and on their website.

Raelee



Left: St Philip's musicians: Erik (flute), Carren (keyboard), and Ian (drums) in the combined service

Below: Combined service at St Philip's



George and Yvonne Bennett bringing the offerings to the altar



Bringing Back the Butterflies



Left: Hazel, Pat, Rosalie, and Coral getting things ready for the fellowship lunch



Above right: Deidre Knight and Steve Fuller displaying the information poster which can be found on the BBB website and below, addressing those present at the shared luncheon



Bringing Back the Butterflies

aaeee Australian Association for Environmental Education
working for sustainability

Learn more, volunteer and let us help you to establish and add your own butterfly garden to the trail. bbb.aaeee.org.au Contact us: bbb.aaeee.sa@gmail.com

Supported by:

South Australia has many native butterflies:
Here are two butterflies, their eggs, caterpillars and chrysalis, and their host plants. These are native to this area. There are more!

Dainty Swallowtail (*Papilio dardanus*)
The papilio dardanus has adapted to eat introduced as well as native citrus plants. Don't worry, these caterpillars will only eat a few leaves!

Australian Painted Lady (*Vanessa kershawi*)
Painted lady caterpillars feed on everlasting daisies.

Images courtesy of Delia Dickson and Luke Maguire. Vanessa kershawi Egg image courtesy of Museums Victoria.

Join us!

This native butterfly food garden is part of an emerging nature trail. It's easy to add your garden!

Native butterfly caterpillars can only eat specific plants. Help re-establish native vegetation for native critters.

BBB aims to:

- re-establish urban butterfly habitats
- be a catalyst for more neighbourly interactions
- create a network of different plots to form interesting and educative urban nature trails
- make our streetscapes more welcoming
- spark conversations about biodiversity
- build teams of people willing to help spread the project across South Australia
- provide an opportunity for everyone to become 'citizen scientists' and get active around sustainability

<https://www.aaeee.org.au/bringing-back-the-butterflies/>

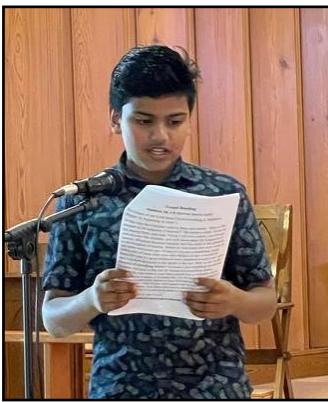
World Sunday School Day

World Sunday School Day was commemorated on November 12, 2023.

The whole service was led by the children with a preacher for the service coming from among them.



Right: Sophia Beena Lazar, the coordinator, giving the introduction and welcoming the congregation



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David



Anto



Angeline



Aaron



Meriya



Serah



Above: Jerusha and below, Anna



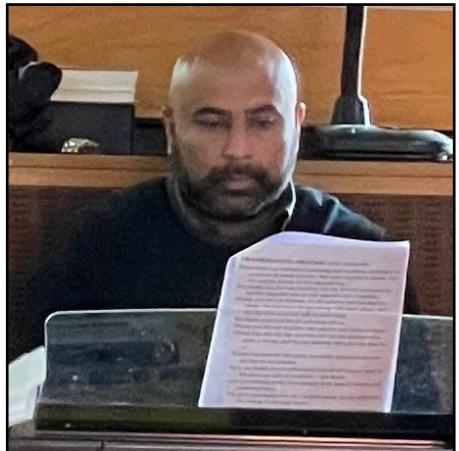
Above and right: Children leading the service



Model of Noah's Ark
made by Nomiki



Left: Nomiki Rebecca Thomas
preached on Noah's Ark



Above: Nevin playing the keyboard



Left: Children presented
a special song



Children enjoying fellowship
after the service



St Clement's Day



Rev Dianne Schaefer reading the Gospel at the St Clement's Patronal Festival in November 2023.

After the service, everyone enjoyed a delicious brunch complete with black forest cake and serviettes folded in the Bishop's mitre design.



The Bishop's Mitre

I have treasured memories of folding napkins in this way when I was younger. I always went to my grandmother and grandfather's house (on my father's side of the family) for Christmas lunch and then on to the grandparent's house on my mother's side of the family for Christmas tea.

As my grandparents became older, they needed more assistance preparing for the big day. On Christmas morning, on arrival, each family member had their own particular job to do. Such jobs included helping with the cooking of a "traditional" Christmas lunch, assisting my grandmother to wrap her last minute gifts, and cleaning and setting up the trestle tables and chairs. (Interestingly, there were quite often thirteen guests for lunch at Christmas but my grandmother, with her superstitious Cornish background, always set the table for fourteen, as thirteen was a very unlucky number!)



My task on Christmas Day was to place the cutlery, serviettes and a Christmas centre piece on the table. Included in this work was to fold the green or red linen table napkins. My father's auntie taught me how to transform the napkins into the shape of a Bishop's mitre, with simple but meticulous folding. I have often used this technique for other occasions over the years and, as I do, I am reminded of the joy that this menial task brought us both. The chats and laughs that I shared with my great aunt (who was also my Godmother) formed a special bond between us as we worked together on those wonderful family Christmases.

◆ *Instructions on how to fold the Bishop's mitre can be found on the internet.*

Raelee

Treasures Held in Trust

St Clement's Church has stood witness to six generations of worshippers in this area. In 1901 the stone vestry was added, replacing the shed erected at the back of the church twenty years earlier. Restoration on the church building in 1970, took almost six years at a cost of around \$10,000.

Since then we have tried to maintain the structure until a problem with black mould on



the abutting church wall of the vestry emerged. Heavy rainfall in 2022 resulted in water overflowing the gutter, pouring down and saturating the inside wall. Air quality was tested, and in early 2023, the eight-week long remediation process began.



Restoration of the wall, ceiling, lights and carpets was completed by APM Property Maintenance in November.

It was decided not to render part of the original stone work as a reminder of how the wall appeared in 1881.

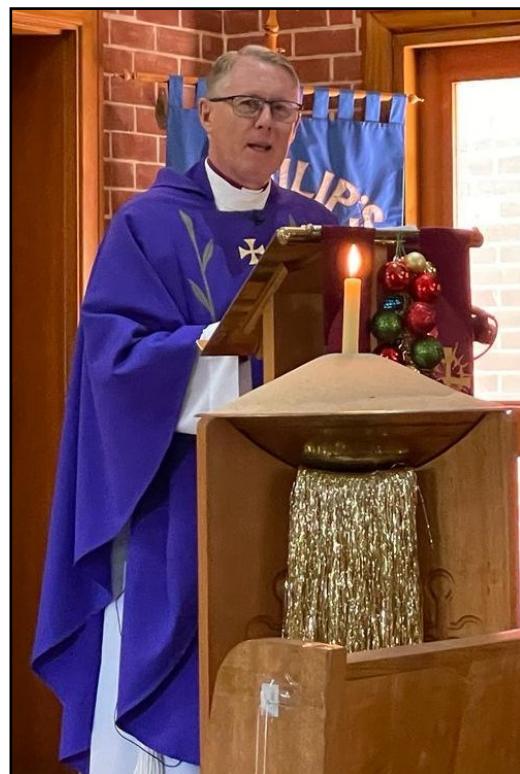
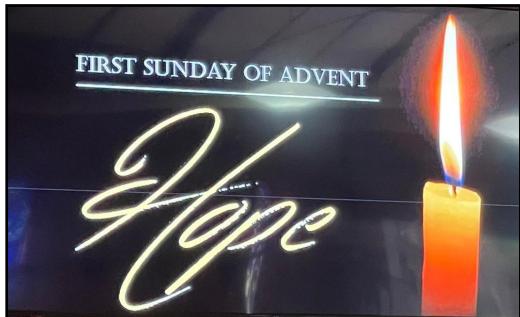
The updated vestry adds to the treasure that is St Clement's Church and highlights the idea that treasures held in trust do need to be sustained.

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The Archbishop's Visit

Advent 2023 began with a visit from the Archbishop on December 3. The first candle of Advent was lit by Rosalie Schwartz and then the Most Rev'd Geoff Smith, Anglican Archbishop of Adelaide and Primate of the Anglican Church in Australia delivered the first sermon of Advent.





Hazel Price, Rosalie Schwartz
and Lynn Ward in the tea counter

After the service everyone enjoyed the opportunity to relax and chat over a shared meal



**Photos on Page 18 in order
left to right:**

- ◊ Cantor Pat Luke with Nomiki, the organist
- ◊ Rosalie Schwartz lit the first candle in the Advent Wreath
- ◊ Processing into the church
- ◊ Most Rev'd Geoff Smith delivering the sermon



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Hope



Reflections on the 2023 Advent Study



Santhosh chose an unusual booklet for the Advent Study: *An Unlikely Advent* written by Rachel Billups. I certainly found it different.

We were encouraged to get away from the commercialisation and social events of the season and contemplate, meditate and discuss the true meaning of Advent, waiting and preparing ourselves for the Nativity. We cannot do faith on our own, it is

Jesus/God, me and everyone else. Life often does not turn out the way we planned. Sometimes our path is not clear. Look at Zechariah and Elizabeth whose dream of children did not turn out quite the way they planned. They were old and he was scared speechless with the visitation and the news. Sometimes our path is not clear and God steps in. Sometimes we feel we are too old, too tired. Change can be challenging but we are not doing it on our own. We need hope. God's path moves beyond what we can wish, imagine or hope for and sometimes takes us right out of our comfort zone.

Surprisingly we looked at King Herod, the villain. The Magi visited him asking the whereabouts of the Messiah. Herod enjoyed his power and privileges but recognised his limitations, he was not a messiah. He felt threatened and very angry, especially when the Magi did not make a return visit. It made us think when the author suggested there was a little Herod in all of us. We all want to be liked and feel good and sometimes we have hurt others intentionally or otherwise. Sometimes we hold onto our hurts and our words become weapons, our villain. God wants to heal us, forgive us and save us.

God uses what God chooses - I like those words; Magi or ordinary people such as the shepherds. God shows up in ordinary lives not to the most powerful and famous but to you and me at Christmas and in our respective futures.

Hazel Price

Our Advent Study was quite short - 4 hours - however we did achieve its purpose. "What does Advent mean?" To me, the study gave me a deeper understanding of God's purpose of redemption of the world, and this is continuing until Christ comes again.

Yvonne Bennett

In December four parishioners from St Philip's met for Advent Studies. I didn't like the chosen study. It was good to meet together but I would have preferred a study focusing on the stories and Old Testament prophesies of Jesus' birth.

Rosemary Cowley

The Advent Studies this year offered a fresh view of the journey.

Members were asked to examine a theory promoted by an American priest who proposed the idea that all participants in the Advent story were involved in various scandals, planted there by God. This was to show the Israelites (and by the passage of time) ourselves, a new way of living, loving and accepting all peoples.

I would encourage interested members of the congregation to participate in such studies which I regard as stimulating and enlightening,

Margaret Nelson

Christmas Raffle

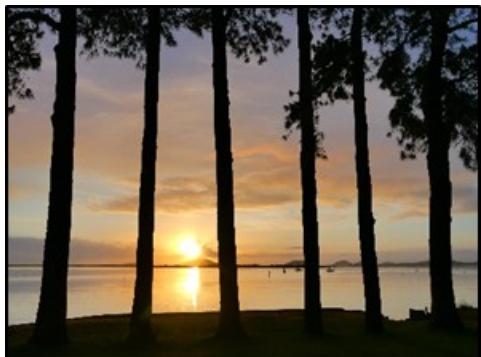


Christmas Raffle draw was a great success this year. It was well organised by Rosalie Schwartz teaming with Lynn Ward and Hazel Price.

The raffle raised \$570 which will be put to good use within the parish this year.



Treasured Memories of People, Times and Place



Pindimar Bay is a place on the New South Wales coastline located near Nelsons Bay, Tea Gardens and Hawks Nest, north of Newcastle.

It has been a sacred place for many; a place to have holidays with family and friends who have gathered and shared at various times. It is a place of serenity and quietness, fun and laughter, and where great stories have been told and retold over my seven decades. I deeply and gratefully treasure this place in my life.



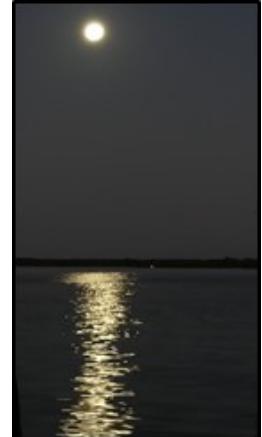
Pindimar ('Pinny' as my family affectionately call it), has a timeless quality, and a very small population, no shops or traffic, just a small fishing village. The sunrise awakens over the water and the birdlife brings a chorus of life. Throughout the day, the scene changes with the waxing and waning tide and the changes in weather. Bait is gathered at low tide by pumping for 'yabbies', and you can watch hundreds of soldier crabs moving across the exposed sand.

The wind blows as it wills, and the fishing is built on great hope; many times are spent with no bites, and at other times great rejoicing when fish are caught and then eaten for breakfast or dinner.



Night time is my favourite time for fishing, especially when the moon rises providing glitter on the water, and the wind has dropped and all is calm. This is a time of contemplation and restoration.

Treasured memories forever.



Morris Bastian

Carol Nite 2023



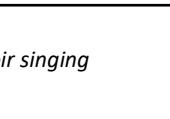
Above: Welcome dance by the women



Above right: Dance by children

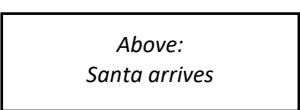


Right: Church choir singing





Above: Scenes from the Nativity show



*Above:
Santa arrives*



Above: Children farewelling Santa



*Above and right:
Family and friends enjoying
Christmas feasting
after the carols*

Sunday School Finale 2023



*Right:
Rev Noble Sugunanathan, the Chief Guest of the day, delivered a meaningful message to the children.*



The music for the service was provided by Nevin and Ajith



Sophia Beena Lazar, the coordinator, presenting the Sunday School report for the year 2023



Gifts were presented to the children by the Chief Guest, Rev Noble Sugunanathan

Advent at St Clement's



Grant, lighting the first and second Advent candles for Hope and Peace respectively



Maureen, lighting the third Advent candle for Joy



Talirah, lighting the fourth Advent candle for Love



Thank you to the following people for supplying the Christmas decorations for the church this year:
Lorraine: the new Christmas tree
Angie: the decorative base
Joan: the Nativity
Ruth: the hand-made paper star on the tree top



Hidden Treasures

A parable to consider...

³¹(Jesus) told them another parable:

The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. ³² Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches.



Matthew 13: vs 31 and 32

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St Clement's Christmas Eve Celebrations



Happy, festive times together at St Clement's



A special time of year for families



In the company of family and friends



Some were back for a much welcomed visit



Some had travelled far to be here for Christmas celebrations



Christmas and New Year Celebrations



Far left : Grant, lighting the Christ candle and left, Rev Santhosh blessing the figure of Baby Jesus in the Nativity scene on Christmas Day at St Clement's



Right:
Lynn Ward
lighting the
Christ
Candle in
the
Christmas
Eve
Midnight
Mass at
St Philip's



Left: Philip Penn's family placing the baby Jesus in the crib and lighting the candle during the Christmas Eve service



Right: CSI Malayalam Congregation Watchnight service on New Year's Eve

Left: Blessing the sweets at the end of the New Year's Eve service



Beautiful flower arrangements brightened the church

Left: Fellowship together at St Philip's following the service on New Year's Eve

Around the Parish



*Left and below:
Floral displays at
St Philip's*

*Thank you to
those whose
care and
expertise brings
such beauty into
the church*

*2023 Synod representatives:
Margaret Nelson, Morris Bastian, and Santhosh S Kumar*



*Left: Anna celebrating
her birthday with her
family and friends*



*Below: Cliff leading the 'Happy Birthday' song for Grant
and Andrew who almost share birthdays—just one day
separates them.*



Peace as a Treasure



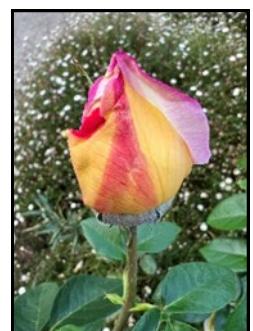
My treasure is my Peace rose. Originally it was bred in the 1930s and was released on April 29 1945, in the USA (the day Germany surrendered), commemorating the end of WWII. A Peace Rose was handed out to each member of the UN to take back to their country.

When I was young, Mum had a Peace Rose in the front garden along with various others. The Peace rose had the largest flower heads with subtle yellow and pink hues following bright yellow and red buds. I remember it was Mum's favourite, it was truly beautiful and admired by passers-by.

When we decided to move to Adelaide, I was excited to hopefully be able to grow my own roses after many years living in the tropics. As we began landscaping our new garden, I ventured to a local garden centre to check out rose possibilities. As it happened, I spotted their one Peace Rose in stock and remembered Mum's, but another customer had their eye on it – I was rather green! I hung around looking at other roses, then noticed the customer was moving on leaving the rose alone, so I quickly made my way around and placed the Peace rose in my trolley with restrained glee and relief!

It was planted in our front garden and has produced some amazing flowers despite nightly invasions by earwigs; and a setback with heat burn on the stems a couple of summers ago when I thought it might die! This summer after nearly 80mls of rain it is thriving with the most flowers so far.

I am so grateful to have this treasure to remind me of my mum (who incidentally spent a lot of time keeping peace amongst four children in the household); the beauty of nature; and the need to keep praying for lasting Peace in the world.



Anne Bastian

Treasures



When I was looking for a treasure in my life to write about, I looked back over my life and it came to me. When I was seven years old, it was a significant time in my life because that was when my first introduction to the church happened. My Uncle Bert, who lived next door, had come over to our place to ask my parents if they thought my siblings and I would like to come to Sunday School at the local church. I had no idea what Sunday School was. My parents said, "Yes" and from thence forth my uncle took the three of us and his three children to church.

This was my first introduction to Jesus and over a period of time, I began to treasure my time spent at Sunday School, learning more about the Bible and what it was to believe. Jesus came into my life. This led me to be baptised and confirmed in the church.

After that time, I only went to church off and on over the years as I either worked on Sundays or I was attending my children's sport or I was just too lazy.

After I had retired from work and had moved to Enfield, I went back to church. I remember meeting Angie one Friday night. She asked us if we would like to come to St Clement's Church and I have been coming to St Clement's regularly since 2004. In one sense, I found my treasure in Jesus again as well as in the parishioners at St Clement's.

To this day I thank my uncle for knocking on our door all those years ago and introducing us to Jesus, which I have never regretted for I know Jesus will never give up on me. So I can say I found the greatest treasure of all - **Jesus!** May others find the treasure I have found - **The Word of God.**

God Bless.

Andrew

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A Treasured Connection

Whenever I visit my family in the south east of South Australia, I drive past the war memorial in the centre of Millicent.



As I do, I am reminded of my uncle, whose name is among the list of service people who died in combat. My uncle (my father's brother) enlisted in the army in 1940 and died in action in New Guinea in 1943. He was buried in the Lae War Cemetery. He was only 25 years old. I really didn't know very much about him and in those days photos weren't as plentiful as in recent times so the family only had one or two photos of him.

A number of years ago, I was in Canberra and visited the Australian War Memorial. I located my uncle's name on the Wall of Remembrance and placed a red poppy there for him. Even though I never knew him, I had wondered what he was like and during my early years I often visited the memorial to reflect on his life and I tried to imagine his experiences in New Guinea. Despite the lack of personal details, I knew that he was highly regarded in the family and being his name-sake, I felt a sense of personal connection with Clifton Ivan Gurney.

Clifton Gurney



A Special Christmas Memory

It was a tradition in my family to all meet at my grandma's house for Christmas tea. It was on one such occasion in 1933, when I was 3 years old, that an incident occurred that the family often discussed for years after the event.

I was sitting in the lounge room with the rest of the family members, including all my young cousins. During the afternoon my Uncle Bert said, "I won't be long. I'm going to the shop to buy some things for Grandma. I had better hurry before Father Christmas comes." (The 'corner shop' most probably wasn't open on Christmas Day in those days, but as young children, we didn't know that.)

Would you believe that Father Christmas did come soon after Uncle Bert went to the shop? All the children were sitting on the floor near the Christmas tree when a jolly Father Christmas burst through the door ringing his bell and shouting, "Ho! Ho! Ho! Happy Christmas!" We were so excited.



Father Christmas then gave out all the presents that were under the tree. I was sitting beside my darling sister, Val. We were very close because she was only 20 months older than me. After receiving three gifts, my dear sister looked up at Father Christmas and said, "No more thank you Father Christmas. I have enough!"

After Father Christmas had left, Uncle Bert finally returned from the shop. We called out, "You've missed him! You've missed him! Father Christmas has just been!"

I seem to remember that Uncle Bert often missed seeing Father Christmas on Christmas Day, as he was always elsewhere. My kind sister is no longer with me, she passed away in 2010, but I have this treasured memory of her unselfish words and I always think of her with a smile on my face when gifts are being given at Christmas.

Joan Harris

Musical Treasures

Two items that I really treasure are musical instruments. The first is a violin that was chosen for me by my Great Uncle Harold. Harold Raymond, MBE became blind as a child after falling from a roof. He was a pupil at the Brighton home for deaf, dumb and blind children (later known as Townsend House). He studied the violin and, for nearly fifty years, raised funds for the institution by undertaking concerts with other performers. His troupe travelled much of South Australia putting on shows for country towns and local schools. One highlight of these concerts featured Harold making his violin, Maureen, talk.

Living in Prospect not far from us, my mother would regularly take us to visit Uncle Harold and Auntie Clare and he would inevitably entertain us with his violin. This inspired me to follow in his footsteps although by the late 1960s/early 1970s, the guitar became the most popular instrument. I evidently even asked Mum if I could secrete my violin in a guitar case when I had to catch the bus and train to music lessons. I never came close to being the concert violinist

my mother thought I could be but that violin chosen by Uncle Harold for its tonal qualities is something I cherish.

Meanwhile my father was actually a guitarist and played in several bands including, "The Blue Notes". He bought himself a Hofner acoustic/electric guitar featuring a round venetian cutaway and this became his pride and joy. In my high school years, my friends would come around and we would secretly get out his guitars combine them with the piano, improvise saucepans for drums and have loud 'jam' sessions.

Dad continued playing until his fingers could no longer form chords and apart from performing at numerous pubs, he played at the opening of the brand new Woolworths store at the Terminus which we now know as North Park. When he retired

down to Port Elliot, he continued to entertain the old folks in nursing homes. As I was the only one of my siblings that had an interest in music, Dad always said that his guitar would be handed on to me and he did this a couple of years before he died.

While these two instruments are treasured possessions, equally treasured are the memories they hold of two men who were a part of my life.

GB

Some Thoughts to Consider:

True wisdom is like an ocean; the deeper you go the greater the treasures you'll find.
Matshona Dhliwayo

Guard within yourself that treasure kindness. Know how to give without hesitation, how to lose without regret, how to acquire without meanness.

George Sand (Amantine Lucile Aurore Dupin de Francueil)

Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere.

Chinese Proverb

Remember that wherever your heart is, there you will find your treasure.

Paulo Coelho

Let's treasure our roots, even when we are far away.

Natalia Lafourcade



HAROLD RAYMOND
BLIND VIOLINIST



What is a Memory

*A memory can be
But a moment in time:
The sound of the sea
Or my child's hand in mine.
A memory can be
Lost in another time
Only to be brought back
By a fragrance or a line
Or a precious yellowed photo
Found inside a story book.*



*And as my mind retreats
From a life once so crammed
With parenting, work and church,
It's a treat to have the time
To venture back to places lived
And recall fig jam and cream
Spread on the married loaf,
Or the mooing of a cow
Inside the milking shed,
Awaiting Dad's warm hands.*



*To return to my old home
With sisters two in tow,
And find the 'secret' cupboard
Where a land beyond imagined
Was really just a place
For all the baby clothes,
And find a rose my mother grew
Still in flower despite the years,
Indeed, these precious memories
Are my treasures for to keep!*



Anne Bastian

Revamp of the Church Memorial Gardens

Mulching of the St Clement's Church gardens was last done in August, 2022 with the help of the Prospect and Blair Athol Lions Club. A very good quality mulch was used and it lasted well but it was now time to top up again to improve water retention and weed control.



Nigel busy at work

Once again, the Lions Club volunteered to spread the mulch, which was greatly appreciated. Our contact person, Gary Pavlich, notified me and said that they would be available on January 19, 2024.



Gary Pavlich working hard on the garden

Also, Morris, Anne, Raelee and I all helped in various ways.

Thank you so much to our wonderful parishioner, Yvonne Buxton, who kindly gave us a donation for the mulch, and we were able to give a donation of appreciation to the Lions Club as well.

A great result was achieved.

Cliff



*A big thank you to Cliff, Raelee, Morris and Anne for the work they put into the gardens on 'Mulching Day'.
And thank you to Angie for all the work she does in the gardens on a regular basis.*

Editor



The church gardens looking refreshed and beautiful after the work done by our volunteers and by Gary and Nigel from the Lion's Club.

Cheese Biscuits

Ingredients

1 cup of plain flour
2 tablespoons of self-raising flour
½ teaspoon of salt
¼ teaspoon of cayenne
125gms butter
2 tablespoons grated parmesan cheese
125gms cheddar cheese
1 tablespoon lemon juice



Method

1. Sift dry ingredients into bowl, rub in butter and grated cheeses; mix to a soft dough with lemon juice.
2. Shape mixture into a roll 38cm long, wrap in greaseproof paper, then aluminium foil; refrigerate at least 3 hours.
3. Cut into slices 5 mm thick, place on greased oven trays. Bake in moderate oven 15 minutes, until light golden brown, Cool on trays.

Makes about 40 biscuits.

Note: Can be frozen for future baking—just freeze rolled mixture after Step 2 above. Thaw and bake when required

Vonnie

At Christmas celebrations in 2023, my daughter brought along this delicious and very 'more-ish' slice to share. I asked for the recipe, and found that the process of creating this delicious treat was somewhat organic...

There are more formal recipe versions on the internet but if you would like to follow the version I was given, here it is below. As you will see, there is room to improvise.

Kay

Chocolate Crack Slice

Ingredients

One packet of Salada biscuits - use about half - vary depending on the size of the tin you use.

Equal parts brown sugar and butter (I used 1 cup of sugar to 250gms butter)

One packet of chocolate melts - approx. 290gm



Method

1. Place a layer of biscuits in a lined tin (I used one 11cm x 7cm).
2. Place sugar and butter in a saucepan and bring slowly to the boil, stirring with a wooden spoon to stop the mixture catching on the saucepan. Simmer until the mixture is of caramel consistency. (If you like chewy slices boil for less time - if you prefer a more toffee-like consistency, cook for a little longer.)
3. Pour mixture onto the biscuits and place into the freezer for about 5 minutes.
4. Remove and top with melted chocolate.
5. Once the chocolate is set break into pieces and store in airtight container.

Parish of Broadview and Enfield Calendar Dates 2024

February	4	Sunday School commences
	13	Pancake Day: St Philip's 6 pm
	14	Ash Wednesday - Imposition of Ashes: St Philip's 10 am
	25	Combined Worship, Annual Vestry and fellowship: St Philip's 10.30 am
March	24	Sunday of the Passion (Palm Sunday) Craft Day: Sunday School
	28	Maundy Thursday Service: St Philip's 7 pm
	29	Good Friday Service: St Philip's 9 am Good Friday Service: CSI Malayalam Congregation 12 noon
	31	Easter Service: CSI 7 am, St Clement's 9 am, St Philip's 10.30 am
	21	Interactive session and Presentation: Sunday School
May	5	Combined Worship and fellowship: St Philip's Day Bishop Denise 10.30 am
	12	Church Annual Day: CSI Malayalam Congregation and fellowship 4 pm
June	2	Sunday School Examination
	9	Motivation Talk: Sunday School
	30	Drawing and Colouring Competition: Sunday School
July	13	Movie and Pizza Night: St Philip's Hall 6 pm
	14	Bible Quiz: Sunday School
August	11	Arts Day: Sunday School
September	1	Craft Day and Motivational Talk: Sunday School
	8	Combined Worship and fellowship on Onam: St Philip's 10.30 am
October	6	St Francis' Day and Animal Blessing: St Clement's 9 am, St Philip's 10.30 am Environment Sunday: CSI Malayalam Congregation 4 pm
	12	Harvest Festival: CSI Malayalam Cong: worship 9.30 am and Festival 11 am
	20	St Luke's Day Sunday School Examination
	3	All Saint's Sunday
November	10	World Sunday School Day: CSI Malayalam Congregation 4 pm
	17	Sunday School Finale
	24	St Clement's Day
	1	First Sunday of Advent
December	7	Carol Rounds
	8	Second Sunday of Advent
	14	Carol Nite: CSI Malayalam Congregation
	15	Third Sunday of Advent
	22	Fourth Sunday of Advent
	24	Midnight Mass of Christmas: St Philip's 11 pm
	25	Christmas Day Service: CSI Malayalam Congregation: 7 am Christmas Day Service: St Clement's 9.30 am
	29	Combined Worship: St Philip's 10.30
	31	New Year's Eve Watch Night Service: Malayalam Congregation 11 pm

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Contact Details

Parish Webpages and Platforms can be found using the following titles:

Website:

The Anglican Parish of Broadview and Enfield

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St Clement's Church:

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Malayalam Congregation, Adelaide:

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YouTube Channel:

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