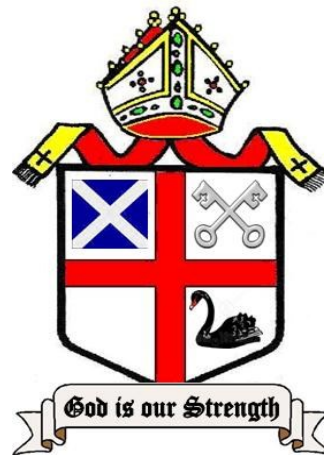


THE TRUE ANGLICAN



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People's Warden: Mrs Marion Beard
Pianist: Mrs Marion Beard

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Subdeacons: Messrs Ken Krachler and Keith O'Brien
Secretary: Mrs Miems Tee
Treasurer: Mr Ken Krachler (BBus)
Priest's Warden: Mr Ken Krachler
People's Warden: Mr Andrew Veal
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SERVICES

FOR SERVICES SEE THE INSIDE BACK COVER

Congratulations Fr Peter!



Deacon Peter Webb was priested
at the Pro-cathedral of St Mary the Virgin,
Malvern East, Melbourne, on 7 May 2023

NEWS FROM THE PARISHES

To ensure that our parishes run smoothly and in order to comply with the provisions of our Constitution, it is necessary to have meetings from time to time. We have several coming up during this quarter:

Annual General Meetings: Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meetings of the parishes of St Andrew and St Peter will be held on 20 August after Holy Communion. All items for the respective agendas must be in the hands of the Secretary of the Parish by no later than 11 August.

Synod: Synod is scheduled for 14 October and at the meeting of the Management Committee to be held on 18 August final arrangements will be made for Synod. It is expected that, as usual, Synod will be held at St Andrew's in Lesmurdie and we are hoping that our Bishop will be able to attend by Zoom.

Parish Council Meetings: While we are on the subject of meetings, the next meeting of St Peter's Parish Council will be held on 4 November and St Andrew's Council will meet on 5 November.

At its last meeting the Management Committee adopted a Child Safe Ministry Policy and has appointed Bronwyn Veal as the Safe Ministry Officer. We thank Bronwyn for being willing to accept the appointment and have no doubt that she will have the full support of Parishioners.

During the summer Denise Turner has been stitching away and we are most grateful to her for the gift of *Via Dolorosa* - a work of art.

On 18 June two Traditional Anglicans from Canada worshipped with us at St Peter's: Angeline Teh's brother, Eugene Phoa, and her nephew, John Phoa. Their "home" parish is the Parish of the Resurrection in Edmonton.

Congratulations to the following who will be celebrating their birthdays during this quarter: Jeanette Teh (2 July);

Nancy Mollan (3 July); Mia Babic (6 July); Patricia Scott (13 July); Stuart Krachler (14 July); Peter Emmens (23 July); Robyn Daniels (24 July); Pat Daniel (28 July); Shelley Dickson (28 August); Fr Robert (1 September); Levi Veal (5 September); Keith O'Brien (8 September) and Joan Burn (11 September). May our Lord bless them and grant them many happy, healthy returns.



Heartiest congratulations to Brian and Eileen LeFaever who celebrate their sixty-sixth wedding anniversary on 5 August. Brian was the first Priest's Warden of St Peters.

Congratulations too to Bishop John Keep on the twentieth anniversary of his Consecration which took place on 27 September 2003.

Every blessing,
Fr Brian.



The Traditional Anglican Church spreads the Good News of the Kingdom through Churches or Missions in the following countries: Australia, Canada, Columbia, England, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Salvador, South Africa, United States of America, Venezuela, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

SERMON PREACHED AT THE ORDINATION OF THE REVEREND PETER WEBB TO THE PRIESTHOOD



Having been a priest for over 60 years does not provide a licence for nostalgia and reminiscence. However, it does provide an opportunity to briefly review priestly conviction and practice over that time and where we are today, as Peter sets out on his priestly journey. Certainly, there has been a wealth of debate and a variety of perspectives; most notably theological, sociological, and psychological. I offer three examples.

In the early and turbulent 1960s for example, when the Parish and People movement was running strongly and in which I was personally involved, one of its leading lights Father Eric James, produced a challenging book on priesthood entitled “Odd Man Out?”. He assessed a priest’s life as one of separation and involvement: the priest as a man apart from others, yet who must be *for* others, and the inevitable tensions this created for him – and still does. Some ten years later the polemic but cooler and more radical Hans Kung gave us his bestseller “Why Priests?”. Kung’s overriding concern was for the recovery of the Church as a community within which the priest takes his place alongside others as leader. He emphasised the Church as a community “in freedom, equality, and fraternity”. The Vatican was deeply disturbed and disowned Professor Kung, but others like Edward Schillebeeckx went further: The priest was a local eucharistic leader, a pastoral functionary, who may then emerge as an authorised layman, which is the sort of view currently espoused by some of our friends in Sydney and elsewhere. Certainly, the thrust of ordained Christian ministry has been towards an increasingly inclusive priestly ministry rather than the older and more exclusive one.

A more measured and balanced perspective was given in the 1980’s by Michael Ramsay, Archbishop of Canterbury, who identifies the ordained man as one called by God and set apart by ordination, but who displays, enables, and involves others, as a priestly representative of the people of God; gathering up roles which belong to the whole church.

He is not a monopoliser of ministry, not a mono-minister, but a representative man who gives himself to, and spends himself on, exercising leadership on behalf of the community which he serves.

I underline these pertinent insights: the priest as one called by God and set apart by Ordination; as a priestly representative of the priestly people of God, who gives and spends himself; who involves, enables, and displays, to others the way of Christ. He acts on behalf of, in the person of, Christ himself.

Underlying all this but too little emphasized, is the call to personal holiness: that he be another Christ. Yet this is not the whole story as Ramsay himself indicates; directing our attention to the Risen and Ascended Christ, who is the bestower of the gift of ordained ministry and His calling of men to this way of life.

Turning to the current situation, we may often find the ordained ministry seen in largely functional rather than sacramental terms. There is the strong influence of secular management models and priests becoming parish managers. It is easy to lose sight of Jesus as both the source of ordained ministry and the One, who through the activity of the Holy Spirit, must shape it. By way of contrast, I turn our attention to St Augustine who says of God that He is, "always active yet always at rest". This too is the secret of Jesus' ministry and should be the touchstone of ours. Jesus, ever available to the crowds which pressed upon Him. He was so because He was always completely available to His Father. This was the secret of His attractiveness, of His awesome powers; of His mighty works and saving words. He was so divinely human and so humanly Divine. He was absolutely God's man. So must we priests be through Him. At the very heart of all our ministerial service Christ Himself must be the one always active, yes, but also always at rest. Jesus with His absolute dependence on the Father, as the point of rest at the heart of all our activity. For only His touch heals, His glance penetrates, His words communicate. Priests must do much speaking: but if our words are to engage others, they must also be Jesus' words drawn from a deep inner silence; from an intent and profound listening and waiting on His Father and ours; emerging from that world of living silence where God will be heard through the language of the Spirit; learning by

listening, whereby in that lovely phrase of Douglas Steere, “we may listen another into being”.

In that grace filled moment at the laying on of the bishop’s hands in Ordination it is costly love Himself in that action, the wounded hands of Him who has taken on our weakness and used and continues to use that weakness and brokenness in His name. Ordination transports us deeply into the vast redeeming mystery of our great High Priest.

He takes us, vessels of clay, to bear His life to others. Peter, my brother, ever reach out, humbly supplicating to touch the hem of the robe of the Infinite and Everlasting God: always active, always at rest in the Priesthood of Jesus Christ.

I conclude with some words which speak profoundly of that inner priestly life which we pray will become a greater daily reality for you, Peter. They are words given to me by a nun long since called to her rest, but I am sure also still active while also at rest in Christ. She handed them to me on the day of my own Ordination all those years ago.

His priest am I, before Him day and night
within His holy place
And death and life and all things dark and bright
I spread before His face;
Rejoicing with His joy, yet ever still,
for silence is my song;
My work to bend before His blessed will
all day and all night long;
For ever holding with Him converse sweet
yet speechless since my gladness is complete.

**The Right Reverend David Robarts,
Bishop Ordinary,
The Traditional Anglican Church in Australia.
Procathedral of St Mary the Virgin,
Fourth Sunday After Easter, 2023.**

The Pro-cathedral congregation worships in the Malvern East Uniting Centre which it rents from the Tamil Uniting Church congregation.

Thanks to Miems for the photographs.

Fr Brian.

ORDINATION OF FR PETER



The Bishop Ordinary preaches the Sermon



The Chancellor witnesses the Oath and Declaration being subscribed



The Candidate lies prone before the Altar during the Litany



The laying on of hands



The newly ordained Fr Peter is vested in his priestly garments



“Take thou Authority to offer sacrifice to God and to celebrate the Eucharist ...”

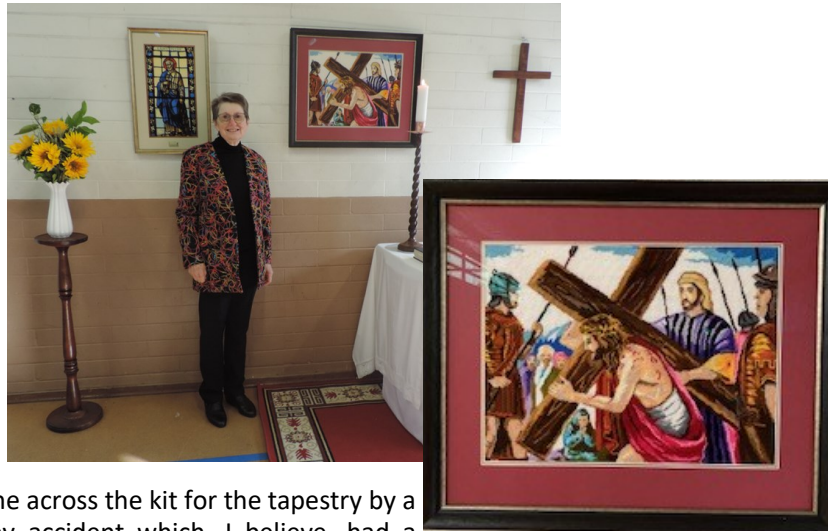


The music for the Communion Service was the *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena* by Healey Willan (1880-1968) and was provided by Mr Rowan Kidd, the Organist of the Pro-Cathedral



The Revd Canon Brian Tee, the Rt Revd David Robarts and the Revd Fr Peter Webb

Via Dolorosa



I came across the kit for the tapestry by a happy accident which, I believe, had a little divine intervention attached. I was looking for something entirely different on Facebook Marketplace when a picture of the tapestry appeared on the screen. With Father Brian's approval, the kit, of Javanese origin, was duly purchased from a lady in South Perth. After three months' very pleasant activity on hot summer afternoons, the last stitches were worked and the opus magnum was despatched for framing. When Father Brian showed me the results he suggested that a suitable title for the tapestry might be *Via Dolorosa*. Literally, this Latin phrase means *the sorrowful way* and refers to the pilgrim route through Jerusalem following the path of Jesus from Pilate's house to Calvary. The origins of this pilgrimage supposedly date back to Byzantine times when Constantine legalized Christian worship. However, not everyone can undertake a pilgrimage and over time the fourteen Stations of the Cross were established to enable all Christians to follow 'virtually' in the steps of our Lord Jesus to Calvary. There are several versions of the Stations of the Cross, but the one I believe is most pertinent to the tapestry is that of the fifth station in John Henry Newman's *Meditations and Devotions: At length His strength fails utterly, and He is unable to proceed. The executioners stand perplexed ... Soon they see a stranger who seems strong and active – Simon of Cyrene. They seize on him and compel him to carry the cross with Jesus. This came of Mary's intercession ... by following Him with her prayers, since she could help Him in no other way, she sent this stranger to help Him.* It is my hope that the tapestry may enrich the faith of our parishioners by enabling them to take a few 'virtual' steps alongside our Saviour on the *Via Dolorosa*.

Denise Turner.

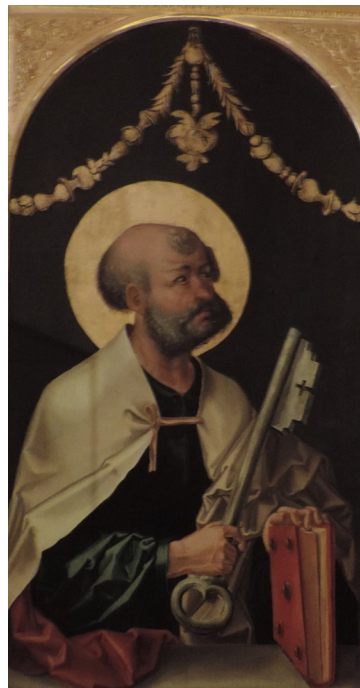
When, what, where

	What	Where	Time
JULY			
2- Sun St Peter	Holy Eucharist	St Peter's St Andrew's	9.30am 4.00pm
6- Thurs	Holy Eucharist	Port Coogee	10.30am
9 - Sun Trinity V	Holy Eucharist	St Peter's St Andrew's	9.30am 4.00pm
16 - Sun Trinity VI	Holy Eucharist	St Andrew's	10.00am
23 - Sun St Mary Magdalene	Holy Eucharist	St Peter's St Andrew's	9.30am 4.00pm
30 - Sun Trinity VIII	Matins	St Andrew's	10.00am
AUGUST			
3 - Thurs	Holy Eucharist	Port Coogee	10.30am
6 - Sun Transfiguration	Holy Eucharist	St Peter's St Andrew's	9.30am 4.00pm
12 - Sat	Management Committee	Kalamunda	10.00am
13 - Sun Trinity X	Holy Eucharist	St Peter's St Andrew's	9.30am 4.00pm
19 - Sat	Diocesan Council	Zoom	3.00pm
20 - Sun Trinity XI	Holy Eucharist and Annual General Meetings	St Peter's St Andrew's	9.30am 4.00pm
27 - Sun St Bartholomew	Holy Eucharist	St Peter's St Andrew's	9.30am 4.00pm

and at what time?

When	What	Where	Time
SEPTEMBER			
3 - Sun Trinity XIII	Holy Eucharist	St Peter's St Andrew's	9.30am 4.00pm
7 - Thurs	Holy Eucharist	Port Coogee	10.30am
10 - Sun Trinity XIV	Holy Eucharist	St Peter's St Andrew's	9.30am 4.00pm
17 - Sun Trinity XV	Holy Eucharist	St Peter's St Andrew's	9.30am 4.00pm
24 - Sun St Matthew	Holy Eucharist	St Peter's St Andrew's	9.30am 4.00pm

MELK ABBEY



The artist may be anonymous, but there can be no doubt that the subject of this painting which hangs in the Benedictine Abbey museum at Melk in Lower Austria, is that of our Patron Saint, Peter.

The Abbey was founded in 1089 and its library soon became known for its extensive manuscript collection. Today it holds about 100,000 books including 1,800 manuscripts and incunabula (early printed books, especially those printed before 1500).

Services are still held daily in the Abbey which is today home to a community of 23 monks.

The Abbey school, having been founded in 1140, is the oldest continuously operating school in Austria and is now the largest private Roman Catholic school in the country.

**CHURCH KALENDAR
AND READERS' ROSTER
JULY – SEPTEMBER 2023**

JULY			<u>READER</u>	
2	<u>St Peter</u>	(Red)	St Peter	St Andrew
	First Lesson	Acts 2:1-11	Miems	Miems
	Psalm	34:1-10	Miems	Miems
	Second Lesson	2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18	Bronwyn	Fr Brian
	Gospel	Mt 16:13-19	Fr Brian	Fr Brian
9	<u>Trinity V</u>	(Green)		
	First Lesson	Hos 11:1-4	Bronwyn	Fr Brian
	Psalm	145:1-7	Bronwyn	Fr Brian
	Second Lesson	Rom 8:9-17	Keith	Miems
	Gospel	Mt 11:25-30	Fr Brian	Fr Brian
16	<u>Trinity VI</u>	(Green)		
	First Lesson	Isa 55:6-11	Service at	Keith
	Psalm	65	St Andrew	Keith
	Second Lesson	Rom 8:18-23	at 10.00am	Joshua
	Gospel	Mt 13:1-9		Fr Brian
23	<u>St Mary Magdala</u>	(White)		
	First Lesson	Song of S 3:1-4a	Joshua	Fr Brian
	Psalm	63	Joshua	Fr Brian
	Second Lesson	2 Cor 5:14-17	Denise	Miems
	Gospel	Jn 20:1-2, 11-18	Fr Brian	Fr Brian
30	<u>Trinity VIII</u>	(Green)		
	(Matins)			
	Psalm	90	Service at	-
	First Lesson	Neh 4:7-25	St Andrew	Denise
	Second Lesson	Mt 6:1-18	at 10.00am	Ken

AUGUST

6	<u>Transfiguration</u>	(White)		
	First Lesson	Dan 7:9-10, 13-14	Ken	Miems
	Psalm	66:1-8	Ken	Miems
	Second Lesson	1 Pet 3:13-22	Susan	Fr Brian
	Gospel	Jn 14:15-21	Fr Brian	Fr Brian
13	<u>Trinity X</u>	(Green)		
	First Lesson	Acts 1:1-11	Susan	Fr Brian
	Psalm	47	Susan	Fr Brian
	Second Lesson	Eph 1:15-23	Miems	Miems
	Gospel	Mt 28:16-20	Fr Brian	Fr Brian
20	<u>St Mary</u>	(White)		
	First Lesson	Acts 1:12-14	Miems	Miems
	Psalm	27:1-8	Miems	Miems
	Second Lesson	1 Pet 4:12-19	Bronwyn	Fr Brian
	Gospel	Jn 17:1-11	Fr Brian	Fr Brian
27	<u>St Bartholomew</u>	(Red)		
	First Lesson	Isa 51:1-6	Bronwyn	Fr Brian
	Psalm	138	Bronwyn	Fr Brian
	Second Lesson	Rom 11:33-36	Keith	Miems
	Gospel	Mt 16:13-20	Fr Brian	Fr Brian

SEPTEMBER

3	<u>Trinity XIII</u>	(Green)		
	First Lesson	Jer 15:15-21	Keith	Miems
	Psalm	16	Keith	Miems
	Second Lesson	Rom 12:1-13	Joshua	Fr Brian
	Gospel	Mt 16:21-27	Fr Brian	Fr Brian

Please note: there will not be any services at St Peter's on 16 and 30 July as the Scout Hall is being renovated. On those Sundays the services will be held at St Andrew's (*Fall's Farm*, 41 Cagney Way, Lesmurdie) at 10.00am.

On 16 July Fr Craig Looney of the Parish of St Joseph, San Mateo, California, will join us for worship at St Andrew's. It would be appreciated if Parishioners would please bring a plate so that we can have a light luncheon after the service and enjoy some fellowship with Fr Craig.

SEPTEMBER - cont

10	<u>Trinity XIV</u>	(Green)		
	First Lesson	Ezek 33:1-9	Joshua	Fr Brian
	Psalm	95	Joshua	Fr Brian
	Second Lesson	Rom 13:8-14	Denise	Miems
	Gospel	Mt 18:15-20	Fr Brian	Fr Brian
17	<u>Trinity XV</u>	(Green)		
	First Lesson	Gen 50:15-21	Denise	Miems
	Psalm	103:6-14	Denise	Miems
	Second Lesson	Rom 14:7-12	Ken	Fr Brian
	Gospel	Mt 18:21-35	Fr Brian	Fr Brian
24	<u>St Matthew</u>	(Red)		
	First Lesson	Prov 3:1-6	Ken	Fr Brian
	Psalm	19:1-6	Ken	Fr Brian
	Second Lesson	Eph 4:1-14	Susan	Miems
	Gospel	Mt 9:9-13	Fr Brian	Fr Brian

Unless otherwise indicated, all services at St Peter's start at 9.30am and those at St Andrew's at 4.00pm



Prize Winners



Marion Beard was pleased to receive the First Prize



Pearl de Lang with the Third Prize won by her son, Kevin

The annual Mothers' Day Raffle at St Peter's was advertised as having only one prize, but the parishioners, being as generous as always, with the help of St Andrew's Parish, donated so many items that it was possible to have three prizes.

The lucky winners were: Marion Beard, Wendy Krachler and Kevin de Lang

The raffle raised just over \$350.00 which will go towards the refurbishment of the new Church.

Many thanks to those who sold tickets, donated prizes, and bought tickets, and congratulations to the lucky prize winners.

MEETINGS

The **PARISH COUNCIL OF SAINT PETER'S CHURCH** met by Zoom on 13 May 2023.



The following are some of the items that were on the Agenda:

AUDITOR'S REPORT: 2020/2021 and 2021/2022

The Chairman reported that the previous auditor was unable to continue auditing the books of the Parish. However, Mr Frank Morisey had offered to do so. His offer was gratefully accepted and it was

agreed that he be appointed honorary Auditor.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The financial statement as at 30 April 2023 was presented and received and a list of payments for the period 1 February 2023 to 30 April 2023 was approved.

INCORPORATION OF PARISH

The Chairman tabled a draft Constitution for the Parish and it was agreed to proceed with incorporation.

VISIT BY FR CRAIG LOONEY

We look forward to Fr Craig's visit and to him worshipping with us at St Peter's on 16 July.

ACQUISITION OF PREMISES IN WILLETTON FOR A CHURCH

Certificate of Title

The Chairman recorded that the duplicate certificate of title for the property in Willetton had been received from the solicitors.

Directional signs

Insofar as the placement of directional street signs was concerned, he had been in touch with the Canning City Council, but as he was unable to obtain the information required, he will contact the Council again once the Parish is just about ready to move into the premises.

He and Mr O'Brien would be meeting later in the month with a signwriter who will design an appropriate sign for the façade of the building, and one for the verge.

Plans

The preliminary plans prepared by Mr Roy Leslie had been approved by Parishioners. BuildingLines has been appointed to draft the formal

plans and specifications required by the City of Canning before any alterations may be made to the building so that it meets with the requirements of a public building. It is expected that the plans will be available shortly.

Tenancies

The tenant of Zone B had now also vacated the premises rented by her and the bond had been refunded.

EASTER OFFERING

The Chairman reported that the Easter Offering had amounted to \$4,470.00. This was most encouraging.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be the Annual General Meeting of the Parish which will be held on 20 August 2023 after Mass.

The **DIOCESAN COUNCIL** met by Zoom on 20 May 2023.



Some of the items on the Agenda were:

PROPERTY AT MOUNT RUSSELL

Canon Bell reported that he had heard from the solicitors regarding the property at Mount Russell and that he had provided them with information they had requested. As he had heard nothing further he would ask the purchaser to contact his solicitors and request them to expedite the

matter.

MEETING OF THE COLLEGE OF BISHOPS

The Chairman reported that he had received the agenda for the meeting of the College of Bishops. Unfortunately, due to the state of his health, he was unable to attend.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The financial statement for the quarter ended 31 March 2023 was presented by the Treasurer and was received.

ORDINATION OF THE REVD PETER WEBB

The Chairman reported that the ordination of the Revd Peter Webb to the priesthood on 7 May had been a great occasion and had gone well. He said that the Church was fortunate to have a very faithful man who had served the Diocese well for many years.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on 19 August 2023 by Zoom.

The **MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE** met at 12/37 Boonooloo Road, Kalamunda, on 27 May 2023.



Among the items of the Agenda were the following:

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Financial Statement as at 30 April 2023, which was presented by the Treasurer, was received.

PURCHASE OF 5/27 AUGUSTA STREET WILLETTON

The terms of the mortgage in favour of the WA Synod which is to be registered against the property purchased by St Peter's were discussed. As the parties had agreed that the Synod would advance further funds to the Parish in the event that the funds it held were insufficient to complete the renovations required to be made to the building to enable it to be classified as a public building, the total amount owing by the Parish to the Synod would not be known until such time as the renovations had been completed. That being the case, the mortgage would be entered into and registered once the final amount was known.

CHILD SAFETY MINISTRY POLICY

The Chairman thanked Ms Turner and Mr O'Brien for their suggested amendments to the Child Safe Ministry Policy which had been tabled at the last meeting.

He tabled an amended copy of the Policy and a Bill for an Ordinance for the provision of Child Safe Ministry in the Church.

After discussion it was agreed that the policy be adopted and published in *The True Anglican* and that it will lapse in the event that the Bill is passed and an Ordinance is enacted at the Annual General Meeting.

Several parishioners were considered for appointment as the Safe Ministry Officer. Mrs O'Brien will approach them and will make a recommendation to the Committee for approval.

ALTERATION TO BOUNDARIES OF THE PARISH OF ST PETER

It was noted that the Parish of St Peter would soon be moving from Brentwood in the City of Melville, to Willetton in the City of Canning. As the current boundaries of the Parish are the boundaries of the City of Melville, it may be necessary to amend them so that they include the City of Canning. The Committee was waiting to hear from the Parish in this regard.

BANK ACCOUNTS

Mr O'Brien raised the matter of multiple bank accounts. After discussion it was agreed that the Treasurers would investigate what accounts were available and the rate of interest they paid.

NEXT MEETING The Committee will meet again on 11 August 2023 at 12/37 Boonooloo Road, Kalamunda.

The **PARISH COUNCIL OF SAINT ANDREW'S CHURCH** met on 28 May 2023 after Holy Communion.



Some of the items on the Agenda were:

AUDITOR'S REPORT

It was agreed to appoint Mr Ken Krachler as honorary Auditor; the Chairman will provide him with the books as soon as possible.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Financial Statement for the period ending 30 April 2023 was presented by the Chairman on behalf of the Treasurer and was received.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Parish will be held after Holy Communion on 20 August 2023.

SYNOD MMXXIII

Synod will be held at *Falls Farm* following Holy Communion on 14 October 2023.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on 5 November 2023.

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Thanks to Dad Hengeveld (See Genesis 18:1-15) 07-18-2003

SORRY ABRAHAM, IF HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS DON'T GO UP THEN EVERYBODY IN THEIR NINETIES WILL WANT TO START HAVING CHILDREN

CHILD SAFE MINISTRY POLICY 2023

1. Interpretation

In this policy, unless the contrary intention appears –

“Abuse” means any conduct (or lack of conduct) that endangers or impairs a Child’s physical, psychological or emotional health and development. It includes the following abuse:

- Emotional - constant criticism, belittling and persistent teasing
- Neglect - absence of adequate food, shelter, emotional security, and medical care
- Physical - severe beating, shaking, burns, human bites, strangulation
- Sexual – any sexualised activity with a child including sexual conversation, fondling, masturbation, exhibitionism, attempted sexual intercourse, sexual penetration, incest, pornography;

“Bishop” means the bishop of The Traditional Anglican Church in Australia (also known as The Anglican Catholic Church in Australia); having jurisdiction within the Diocese pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution;

“Child” means any person under the age of 18 who is a member of a congregation of the Church or a participant in any activities conducted by the Church;

“Church” means The Traditional Anglican Church in Western Australia;

“Clergy” means persons who are or who at any relevant time were:

- (a) a person holding the Bishop’s Licence or Permission to Officiate; and
- (b) a person, including a lay person, authorised by the Bishop to lead public worship in the Diocese;

“Constitution” means the Constitution and amendments of the Synod;

“Diocese” means the State of Western Australia;

“Management Committee” means the Management Committee of the Synod;

“Safe Ministry Officer” means the person appointed pursuant to Clause 8;

“Synod” means The Traditional Anglican Church in Western Australia Incorporated;

“Volunteer” means any lay volunteer who works with Children and extends to any remunerated lay person who works for the Church or any of its parishes, including by way of example and without limitation, Sunday School teachers and catechists, directors of music programs involving Children, a Safe Ministry Officer and persons conducting and assisting in the conduct of Children’s social activities;

“Worker” means Clergy and Volunteers;

“WWCC” means a Working with Children Check as provided under the laws of the State and includes an alternative equivalent background check, including for example teacher registration;

Headings have been included for ease of reference but this policy is not to be construed or interpreted by reference to them;

References in the singular number also include the plural number and vice versa;

A reference to a gender includes any other gender.

2 The Church's commitment to Child safety

(1) Jesus said:

“Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven”; and

“But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea.”

(2) Consistent with the teachings of Jesus and with the laws of the State of Western Australia the Church is committed to keeping Children safe from Abuse and is committed to providing an environment in which Children can learn about and practise the Christian faith in confidence that they will not suffer Abuse from those to whom the Church has entrusted them. The Church therefore:

- (a) wants Children to feel and be safe, happy and empowered;**
- (b) supports and respects all members of its congregations, especially the Children, its staff and Volunteers, and is particularly committed to the safety, participation and empowerment of all;**
- (c) does not tolerate Abuse and will treat all allegations and safety concerns in this regard seriously and consistently in accordance with its policies and procedures;**
- (d) acknowledges that it has legal and moral obligations to contact authorities when it is concerned about a Child's safety, which it follows rigorously;**
- (e) is committed to preventing Abuse, identifying risks early, and to removing these risks;**
- (f) is committed to regular training and education of all those who work with Children regarding the risk of Abuse and has specific policies and procedures in place to achieve these commitments.**

3 Redress and support

The Church will:

- (1) offer redress and support to any Child who has suffered Abuse in its programs or on its premises;**
- (2) take all reasonable and legal steps to prevent any person known to have Abused a Child from gaining access to Children in the course of Church activities or on Church premises;**
- (3) listen to the safety concerns of Children, respond to those concerns as appropriate and communicate with them about matters related to this policy with sensitivity to age, ability and culture;**
- (4) ensure that Children and their families know their rights and how to access services, advice and any complaints processes available to them by providing information to the various parishes and displaying this on websites of parishes;**

4 Screening and training of Workers

- (1) All Workers over the age of 14 years who are working with Children must have a WWCC or statutory exemption and must provide proof thereof to the Church Wardens of the parish.**

- (2) All Workers must:
 - (a) at all times behave as followers of Jesus are expected to behave and be willing to be held accountable for their behaviour;
 - (b) complete an approved Child Safe Training Course or other appropriate training determined by the Management Committee which inter alia outlines appropriate behaviour including how to minimise the chances of Abuse, as well as training in how to identify and report cases of Abuse, to Children every three years, and must provide proof thereof to the Church Wardens of the parish.
- (3) No Worker will be permitted to work with Children in a parish unless the Worker has first complied with the provisions of clauses 4(1) and 4(2)(b) hereof.

5 Responding to concerns and complaints

The Church and its Workers must ensure that people feel safe to speak out about inappropriate behaviour without fear of being rejected or ridiculed and be committed to listening and responding appropriately to concerns and complaints about behaviour and safety. The Church is committed to protecting the confidentiality, dignity, health and well-being of all individuals involved. Consequently:

- (1) If a Worker suspects on reasonable grounds that a Child is being Abused or is at risk of Abuse, the Worker must:
 - (a) report his or her concern immediately to the appropriate State reporting agency and where required to the police; and
 - (b) notify the Bishop, the Management Committee and the Safe Ministry Officer.
- (2) All Workers must be able to:
 - (a) identify, report and respond to Children at risk of Abuse or being Abused; and
 - (b) understand their obligations to notify the relevant State reporting agency immediately if they suspect on reasonable grounds that a Child has or is being Abused or is at risk of Abuse.
- (3) The Church recognises that support may be required for a Child when a report and notification is made and will identify appropriate services for the Child and/or the Child's family.
- (4) Unless there is a legal requirement under civil or canon law for the Church to do so, the Church will neither confirm nor deny:
 - (a) that a report and/or a notification has been made;
 - (b) the identity of any person reporting incidents, concerns or allegations;
 - (c) the identity of any person against whom a report has been made (until such time as the allegation becomes a matter of public record as a result of charges being filed or the matter is general public knowledge).

6 Professional protection and support for Church Workers

Those who report Abuse or risk of Abuse will not be held legally liable for the report or any investigation of the report provided that it is made in good faith and on reasonable grounds and does not constitute unprofessional conduct or a breach of professional ethics. Mandated notifiers will as far as possible be protected from threats, intimidation, damage, loss or disadvantage because they have reported or propose to report suspected Abuse or risk of Abuse.

7 Duties and responsibilities

- (1) All Church Workers will be responsible for complying with the provisions of this policy insofar as it affects them personally.
- (2) The Management Committee will:
 - (a) make such regulations as may be required to implement this policy;
 - (b) ensure that this policy is publicly available at all parishes and on websites of parishes and will provide a copy thereof electronically to any person on written request;
 - (c) ensure those participating in the life of the Church community are aware that reporting of suspected Abuse must be made;
 - (d) review this policy and compliance therewith at least every two years and will report on the compliance with this policy to the Bishop and the Synod after each such review;
 - (e) subject to the provisions of this policy, treat all information as confidential and may only disclose the same to the Bishop and as required by civil and/or canon law.
- (3) The Church Wardens of each parish will:
 - (a) in conjunction with the Parish Priest ensure that a safe ministry compliance program is implemented and managed in the parish;
 - (b) ensure that Workers in the parish comply with the provisions of clauses 4(1) and 4(2)(b) hereof;
 - (c) keep and maintain an up-to-date record of all Workers in the parish noting on the record which of them have complied with the provisions of clauses 4(1) and 4(2)(b) hereof and the details of such compliance;
 - (d) table a copy of the record referred to in clause 7(3)(c) at the Annual General Meeting of Parishioners and provide the Management Committee, the Bishop and the Safe Ministry Officer with a copy.

8 Appointment of Safe Ministry Officer

The Management Committee will appoint a Safe Ministry Officer for such term and on such terms and conditions as it may determine and may revoke any such appointment at any time and shall not be required to provide reasons for such revocation.

9 Duties of Safe Ministry Officer

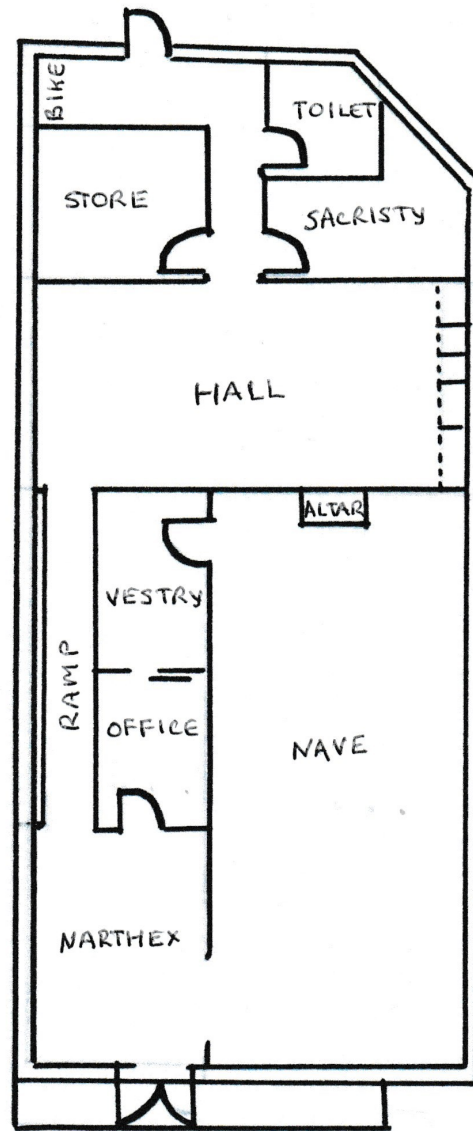
The Safe Ministry Officer will:

- (1) be the point of contact in a parish for a person to raise concerns about Abuse;
- (2) be a source of support to parents, Children, Workers, Parish Councils and parishioners in the area of Abuse;
- (3) treat all information as confidential and may only disclose the same to the Management Committee and the Bishop and as required by civil and/or canon law.

10 Records

As soon as practicable after a Safe Ministry Officer dies or otherwise ceases to be a Safe Ministry Officer, the personal representative of that Officer, or that Officer, as the case may be, shall deliver to the Secretary of the Management Committee all documents and records relating to Abuse or, in the case of documents or records that are stored on a computer, a copy of all such documents and records that were in the possession of the Officer immediately before his death or in the possession of the Officer who has ceased to be a Safe Ministry Officer, as the case may be.

PROPOSED LAYOUT OF THE "NEW" ST PETER'S



AUGUSTA STREET ENTRANCE



As can be seen from the sketch plan on the opposite page, some changes have been made to the proposed layout of the “new” St Peter’s.

Parishioners were invited to inspect the new premises after the service on the last Sunday in May, instead of the usual refreshments, and many were able to avail themselves of the opportunity to do so.

Most of the changes that have been made to the plan are as a result of suggestions made by Parishioners who were able to visit the premises.

A sign for the façade of the building has been designed by a digital design consultant at no charge to the Parish (many thanks to Michelle Leslie for this and to Keith O’Brien for arranging it). (The illustration shows what the sign will look like once it has been erected.)

Entry to the Church will be through the narthex and it is intended to store items that are used in the sanctuary and during services in the vestry.

The steps and door leading from the Church to the hall have had to be removed as they are not allowed.

Access to the hall will now be gained from the narthex via a ramp. The hall will be equipped with tea/coffee making facilities, microwave, oven, double sink, pantry and storage.

Vestments will be stored in the sacristy where the clergy and assistants will vest.

The nave, narthex and hall will be fitted with reverse cycle air-conditioning.

The store at the rear of the unit will come in handy for storage of larger items, Church records (some of which go back to 1989), etc.

Hopefully, we won’t have too many parishioners coming to Church by bike as we have only one bike rack!

Sheer Folly?

A husband walks into a boutique store to purchase a sheer negligee for his wife. He is shown several possibilities that range from \$250 to \$500 in price -- the more sheer, the higher the price. Naturally, he opts for the most sheer item, pays the \$500, and takes it home. He presents it to his wife and asks her to go upstairs, put it on, and model it for him.

Upstairs the wife thinks (*she's no fool*), "I have an idea. It's so sheer that it might as well be nothing. I won't put it on, but I'll do the modelling naked, return it tomorrow, and keep the \$500 refund for myself."

She appears naked on the balcony and strikes a pose.

The husband says, "Good Grief! You'd think for \$500, they'd at least iron it!"

He never heard the shot.

Funeral on Thursday at noon. No viewing.



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WELCOME

We invite you to join us in our service of praise, prayers and thanksgiving
and, after the service, to share in fellowship over light refreshments.

WE WELCOME ALL who seek to encounter God in the Communion of His Church through the sacrament of the Eucharist expressed by the beautiful words of the Book of Common Prayer and through fellowship with people of like minds

- ❖ **WE BELIEVE** that Scripture is the final authority in matters of faith
- ❖ **WE BELIEVE** the Scriptures, sacraments, creeds and ministry to be the basis for Christian unity and God's Good News message to the world
- ❖ **WE BELIEVE** confirmation to be a link between baptism and Holy Communion
- ❖ **WE BELIEVE** that what Jesus taught is still true and relevant today
- ❖ **WE UPHOLD** the sanctity of human life and believe in the future of the family as a focal point of our society
- ❖ **WE UPHOLD** the covenant of marriage as a life-long union, made before God, between a man and a woman
- ❖ **WE HOLD** the Book of Common Prayer to be the basis of faith and order within our Church.

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