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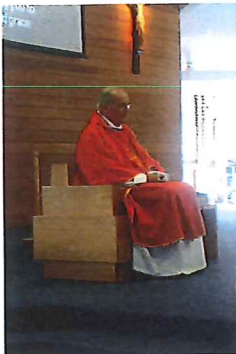
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Community Newsletter

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Mons Ian Dempsey



With coverage in the media on world events, politics, coupled with our own personal challenges it is easy to become depressed with all that is happening. It is easy to believe that there are only bad things happening in our world. If we look more closely at our society we can see the other side, the very positive effect so many people are having in the

world around us. I continue to hear of how people are giving of their time, talent, money in so many ways to help those more in need.

In our own parish there are many parishioners involved in volunteer work, not just for the church but many also in our wider society.

There are people actively involved in helping refugees, the homeless, struggling families and many more charitable works.

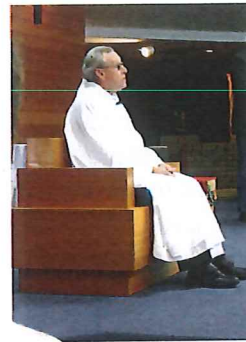
Jesus always encourages us to look beyond our own life to see those who are in need.

The Gospels are full of him continually reaching out to these people. Pope Francis also gives us a personal example of how we are also called to follow the loving care of Jesus.

The call to be missionary, to follow the example of Jesus is not easy, but we are blessed with the support we have in the people around us.

Above all we have the ever present support of Jesus in our own prayer, the sacraments and our parish community.

Mons Ian



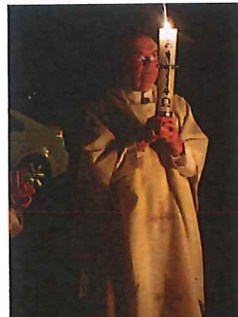
Fr Peter

The great feast of Easter is coming to an end. The Church gives us six weeks to celebrate and ponder the mystery of Jesus' rising from the dead. We move on to celebrate his Ascension to his Father and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. In this time we have welcomed new members into our Church community, we learn of our promised sharing in

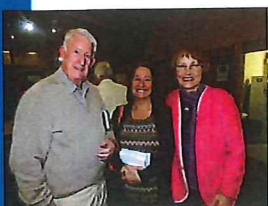
Jesus' resurrected life and the constant strengthening presence of God's Spirit with us. It is such a comforting word from God to us. We continue to live our lives of faith and hope in God's friendship and are renewed

with the certainty of His love for us. We journey on into the celebrations of our Church year with Mary who guides us in treasuring all these things and pondering them in our hearts. May God bless and

keep us in His love. Fr. Peter.



Every September, the Archbishop celebrates an **Anniversaries Mass**. This is a chance for those celebrating significant anniversaries of Marriage to celebrate and renew their commitment to each other. If you are celebrating a significant anniversary any time this year ie a 5 or 10 year from 25 years onwards, and would like an invitation to this Mass, please contact the parish office and I will organise an invitation for you. Pat



Our Parish Vision

A Catholic community enriched by, and centered on, the Eucharist, empowered to bring the Good News to all.

Anne Ryan—Pastoral Associate

Once again it has been a very busy time in our Parish. Since our last News letter we have celebrated the Easter, which is a very special time for our Parish. I hope



you have had an opportunity to look at photos of Easter that have been put in the church foyer. I am incredibly touched by all the wonderful volunteers who give so generously of their time to help in any way with all the different liturgies.

There is so much work that goes into these liturgies and it is gratifying to see the names go up on our volunteer sheets to help share the load. It is always good to see new faces over the Easter ceremonies and I hope they will always feel welcome in our church. I would like to thank the McKenna Family who put so much work and energy into the Stations of the Cross. It was very moving and meaningful and was such a gift to our Parish.

At the moment we have thirty one children going through the Sacrament Program for Confirmation and First Holy Communion. You can see their "Pray for Me Doves" up in the foyer, and I ask you to take a look at them and keep these children and their families in your prayers as they prepare for these sacraments.

Over the last month we have said good bye to another two of our parishioners, Maxine Kinnear and Pat Hightet, who had their funerals in our church. Maxine had not long moved into Grandview Nursing Home Units and Pat had been in the Nursing Home at Grandview for over five years. Pat and her husband Ron served our Parish for many years. Pat's particular gift among others was looking after the flowers in our church every week. It was a pleasure to see these ladies when we visited the home for an Anointing Mass and they will be sadly missed.

As I write this my husband and I are preparing to travel on the Ghan up to Darwin for a short holiday. We will also spending a couple of days in Kakadu, where we intend to take a scenic flight over the park and have a cruise along the river. This has always been a dream of ours, so we are very excited. I look forward to sharing some holiday stories with you.

May God bless you and keep you safe
Anne Ryan

What's happening @ SMDPS

St Martin de Porres School



This term is set to be a busy one at St Martin de Porres School, we have a lot of wonderful learning opportunities for our children, families and staff occurring throughout the term.

As a Catholic School we are called to be stewards of God's creation. As a whole school community we have been working hard to educate ourselves and others of the need to be aware of our rubbish and waste and how it effects creation. We have begun an ECO WARRIORS campaign amongst our school community with the aim of reducing the amount of waste we produce. This term we are working towards becoming a 'Nude Food' school, where students and staff bring their food in reusable containers rather than commercial packaging. We hope to add worm farms to our school to support recycling our food scraps, watch this space!

In other happenings, many of our Year 4 students and their parents are actively preparing themselves to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion. It has been wonderful to see the school community and the parish praying for these children and their families during this very important stage in their faith journey.

This term the students and staff came together in prayer to recognise National Sorry Day and Reconciliation Week, it was an important time to be as a community, praying for Indigenous Australians and the importance they have had on our Land in the past and continue to have today.

Finally, SMDPS will be hosting the Journey to Emmaus program this term. The program is designed to provide Year 5 students from Catholic Schools in our region (St Martin de Porres, Stella Maris, St Bernadette's, St Teresa's and Christ the King) an opportunity to come together 'as the face of Jesus Christ', to build friendships and their own and collective leadership skills. It is a wonderful day for the children and staff to get to know one another.

From everyone at St Martin de Porres School, we pray that all are safe, happy and recognise we are all 'the face of Jesus'

God Bless

Ben Catalano

Assistant Principal Religious Identity and Mission
(APRIM) St Martin de Porres School

Introducing your Parish Pastoral Council

Tim Grauel

Member (May 2013); Chair (February 2014)

Why serve on the PPC?

Following an appeal for new members, I joined the PPC to assist in the link between parishioners and the church leadership; also wanted to do my part by sharing in the healthy operation of the parish.

Connection with Parish Groups

Church cleaning; Mass ministries (commentator, reader, extraordinary minister of the Eucharist); St Vincent de Paul Society (Fred's Van, Christies Beach); RCIA

Getting to Know You

I have happily attended Mass at St Martin de Porres since December 2004, when my family relocated to Hallett Cove from Brisbane. My wife, Carrie, often accompanies me (when she's not rostered to work); we are looking forward to celebrating our 30th wedding anniversary in June. Hannah, our daughter, is a paramedic living in Geelong. Our son, Dennis, has recently completed his university studies and lives at home. After participating in the RCIA program, I received the holy sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist during the 2006 Easter Vigil. Though I was baptised a Catholic as an infant, I did not realise this (surprisingly!) until my grandmother mentioned this (an Internet search unearthed a baptism certificate, which I had never seen before). Since March 2005, I have worked at ACH Group (an aged care provider) and am currently a senior manager overseeing large infrastructure projects. Under the pastoral care of Archbishop Philip Wilson, I have been encouraged recently to discern a call to the permanent diaconate. What does it mean to be a deacon in today's church and world? Over coming months, I hope to be able to offer some answers—and will very much value your prayers as I undertake this new journey!



My Name is **Kevin McHugh** married to Liz, and we have four adult children. We have lived in this area since 1984. I have been a secondary teacher in Catholic Schools all my career and I am currently working at the Catholic

Education Office implementing a new Student Information System computer package that is being rolled out to the most of the Catholic schools in South Australia. I have been attending Mass here at St Martin de Porres since Fr Kym Spurling was PP, and attended Mary Help of Christians at Morphett Vale before then. I have been on the Parish Pastoral Council for the last four or five years, and represent the parish on the school board at our Parish School.

Anthony Garton

Member (Since 2012); Secretary (February 2014)

Why serve on the PPC?

Having been an active member of the SMDP parish for a number of years I wanted to play a more active role in contributing to the pastoral leadership of the community. I am keen to see our parish continue to make an active, life-giving contribution to the people of our local area.

Connection with Parish Groups

Liturgy Group and Children's liturgy group.

Getting to Know You

I live in Sheidow Park with my wife Ingrid and daughter Ineke and we have been members of the SMDP community since 2002. Ingrid works at SMDP Catholic School, where Ineke also attended until moving beyond Year 5.

I am currently deputy principal at Galilee Catholic School, Aldinga Beach after working in a number of country and metropolitan catholic parish schools in South Australia. Through my work I enjoy facilitating strong relationships between staff and families to support their children's learning and development. I am also keen to strengthen relationships between the members of our community.



Joe Millemaci

Why serve on the PPC?

I was invited into the PPC by a Council member and following a request for new members. I wanted to see if I could contribute

to the life and organisation of the parish.

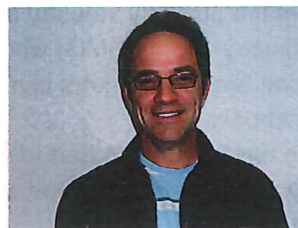
Connection with Parish Groups

Extraordinary minister of the Eucharist

Getting to Know You

I have been a member of the parish since my wife Romana and I moved to Hallett Cove in 1982. We have had a long association St Martin de Porres Catholic School with both our boys attending school there. My wife and I teach in Catholic schools. I am current at Sacred Heart College Middle School and Romana teaches at Emmaus Catholic School. Our two boys attended Sacred Heart Middle and Senior Colleges. Jesse is studying engineering at Adelaide Uni and Andrew has followed in our footsteps and teaches in a Catholic school in Horsham.

My interests include travelling, dining, off road driving and gardening.



A word!

*A careless word may kindle strife
A cruel word may wreck a life
A timely word may level stress
A loving word may heal and bless.*

Introducing your Parish Pastoral Council



Charlie Saba

Recently I accepted the call to join the Parish Pastoral Council in February and look forward to helping support and maintain the strong sense of community we have in our parish.

I moved into Hallett Cove in 1993 with my wife Joy and our three children Stephen, Cherie and Rachel. Over the past 20 years, we have always felt welcomed and lucky to be a part of this vibrant St Martin's Catholic community. We have formed some very close friendships and have shared the highs and lows in our life with these friends. Over the years I have been involved as a Eucharistic minister, an RCIA sponsor, on the Baptism Team, Reading and Commentating, the Parish Finance Council, Children's Liturgy and helped with general maintenance issues in our church and parish house.

Joy and I are committed to supporting and enriching marriages and family life and we do this through our involvement in Worldwide Marriage Encounter as weekend presenters and assisting the SA unit leaders. I currently work from home in the property industry and Joy works for Schools Ministry Group (SMG) who employs the Christian Pastoral Support workers in many of our schools.

For our family, Hallett Cove has been a big part of our lives both in our faith journey and in the friendships we've made over the years.

Anne Boots



I have been a member of the Parish Pastoral Council for approx 2 years. At a stage when new members were required, I was asked if I would be willing to join P.P.C. I decided that I should try to contribute.

I have, with my husband Bob, been a member of the Berrima Buddies Family Group since its inception about 20 years ago. We were also involved in Fred's Van at Christies Beach for 10 years.

During my working life, I was a carer in Aged care for over 20 years. It was a job I really loved.

I retired to become a volunteer 7 years ago. I go to Southern Cross Care's "Pines Lodge" twice a week to offer pastoral care and other help to residents and staff.

*A raindrop landing on your cheek
is a kiss from someone that lives in
heaven
and is watching over you.*



Name : **Rae Campbell**

Born : 31st July 1944

Parents : Irish

Place of birth : Unley Park SA

Raised : Birdwood S A in early

years, then suburban Adelaide

Married Warren Francis

Campbell on 24th March 1962 at

St Francis Xavier Cathedral

No of children 6

Grandchildren 11

Lived in this area 35 years

Have been with this parish since its inception, through thick and thin

Until recently did LAPS with St Martins School

Joined PPC after Warrens passing, to attempt to give back some of the love and friendship shown to me

Involved in the church in Music, reading, PPC

Occupation Founder and Director of South

Australia's first Koala Hospital



And just look at who has been to visit the Koala Hospital



My most grateful thanks to my parish angels, Jo, Geraldine, Julie and Anne who supported and cared for me during my long hospitalisation and are still caring for me. Their concern and support is wonderful.

I thank all those who prayed for my recovery, I'm sure it was those prayers that kept me alive during a very stressful time.

I am recovering slowly and gaining weight and strength week by week.

It was a great consolation to receive Communion so regularly while in hospital and continuing now that I'm home. That spiritual support is a lifeline that is greatly cherished and I thank the hospital chaplains for their care and concern, and thank Geraldine and Anne who bring me communion now that I am home.

Maire Docherty.

FUN AND FUNDRAISING GROUP HIGH TEA

"A lovely relaxing way to spend an afternoon" was one of many comments from the 39 men and women (and one beautifully dressed little girl) who attended the High Tea at St Martin de Porres on 25 May.

Think champagne, fine china tea cups, silver spoons, delicate savoury and sweet treats served on three tiered plates, relaxing music, excellent personalised service and plenty of time to chat, meet new people or reconnect with friends – that was the aim of the Fun and Fundraising Group when they planned their High Tea.

With lower numbers than we'd hoped for, we chose the church foyer for a more intimate atmosphere and we quickly transformed the space into a welcoming café setting with the help of Bob Boots, complete with floral table decorations made by Brenda Digance with flowers donated by Mila Grimshaw. We just tapped these lovely ladies on the shoulder and asked whether they would share their time and skills – thankfully they agreed.

There are only 4 members of the Fun and Fundraising Group at the moment; Helen Telford, Maree Friday, Anne Boots and Joy Saba, so getting other people involved to share their skills is one of our goals, so if you would like to join our group or just help with one event we invite you to speak to one of us or contact the parish office. Our focus is firstly on building connections between the people in our Catholic (and local) community, not just raising money. At present we don't have anyone in the Group who attends the 6pm Mass or anyone who is a parent at the school, so if you fit that bill, we'd love to have you on board! (We don't meet very often so you can give as little or as much time as you are able).

Other events we have planned are a quiz night with the school in September and another trading table/craft stall before the end of the year.



Hallett Cove Vinnies

The Hallett Cove Conference of the Vinnies wishes to express its gratitude to all its supporters in the Parish. Your ongoing support allows us to continue our good works helping the poor and disadvantaged in our area.

Not so well known may be the work the Society does internationally through its overseas partnership and development programs. These include the Assist a Student program in which anyone is able to support a student from a family in need in one of our partner countries, such as India, Thailand, Indonesia or the Philippines through a one-off \$70 donation. The Society guarantees that all of that money goes to the students. Anyone considering supporting this program should speak to one of our members.

If you have been thinking about volunteering for the Society, we currently have several vacancies and you would be most welcome.

Richard Hoskings
Vice-President, Hallett Cove Vinnies

If you have any comments about this newsletter, please direct them to Pat at hcp@adam.com.au



Pat Highet
28.7.29 - 19.5.14

Rest In Peace

Beloved Soul mate of Ron Highet
Loving Mother of Ronald & Merilynn,
Matthew (deceased), Andrew & Cathy,
Alex & Yolana, Anne-Marie & Bruce, Richard & Beth,
Gabrielle & Martin.
Loved Grandma of Rebecca, Sharon, David, Steven,
Amanda, Gary, Sarah, Emma, Brendan, Luke,
Matthew, Sarah, Jacob and Great Grandmother of
Matthew, Ben, James, Cooper, Ethan, Lachlan,
Natasha and Max.

Pat was an active member of the Hallett Cove Parish
for many years, providing flowers for the church and
participating during mass
as a lay minister. She was



a selfless woman, who
always went out of her
way to help others. She
had a wonderful sense of
humour which endeared
her to everyone she came
in contact with and it is
a great testament to her
nature that she formed so
many long lasting
friendships over the
years.

"You never failed to do
your best, your heart was
true and tender.
You simply lived for those
you loved, and those you
love remember."



Confirmation, First Holy Communion

Children from our parish will be celebrating these
Sacraments this month. The Archbishop will be here on
Wednesday 25th June at 7pm to celebrate
Confirmations and the Children will make their First
Holy Communion on Saturday and Sunday the 28th
and 29th June. Please keep them and their families in
your prayers.

Congratulations



Tony & Ida Schar celebrated their 45th Wedding
Anniversary on 3rd May 2014, with an 'At Home'
attended by Family and Friends, especially those who
attended our Wedding.

The anniversary celebrations were enhanced by the
arrival of their tenth grandchild.

..... WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is not
marriage counselling and each couples' privacy is of
the utmost importance. A team of presenting couples
and a priest share their stories focussing on certain
aspects of married life and then there is plenty of
private time in your room to talk about how that area
of marriage is for you.

We live our lives at such a fast pace these days.
There will probably *never* be a perfect time. Most
people who do a weekend say it was the best thing
they did for their marriage and they wonder why they
put it off so long. The Marriage Encounter weekend
has the power to refresh your relationship and your
personal and spiritual growth. Visit the website
wwme.org.au or feel free to ask us about making a
weekend in October 2014.

Charlie and Joy Saba (thesabas@gmail.com)

..... POLICE CHECKS

It is a requirement of the Archdiocese of Adelaide that
all persons performing specific functions within any
Catholic organization have completed a police check
through the Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide Police
Check Unit—this means all volunteers need a current
police clearance.

The Hallett Cove Catholic Community has an
obligation to ensure that all volunteers no matter their
role have a current clearance and to not include
volunteers on rosters if they are unable to fulfill the
obligations.

If you do not have a clearance, or if your clearance
has expired please contact the Parish Office on 8322
1158 as soon as possible to renew. An audit on
volunteers will be conducted by the Archdiocese, so it
is important to keep our records as up-to-date as
possible.

Community News

Articles, items of interest, special
occasions etc. (*subject to approval*) are being
accepted now for the next
edition. Deadline is Friday, August 29th, for
availability on the weekend of the
6th/7th September, 2014