



Snippets

from Parish Council

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Even if you have not registered for the **Ten Talents Project**, why not use your God-given talents to His glory and for the benefit of the Parish?

Whether it be youth work, pastoral care, mowing, cleaning, vacuuming.... Whatever!

St James' Day Celeb'n



This year, St James' Day is to be held on Sunday 27th July.

There will be one service at St George's that day at 7:15am. The only other service will be at St James' at 9:30am and will include Sunday School. A BBQ style luncheon will be held at 12 noon and will take the form of a Sausage sizzle with salads & pavlova. \$7.00 Adults, Children Free.

New Tidings

The New Tidings was published for Trinity Sunday.



This new contemporary look publication has additional features such as:

- A Rector's Reflections on the week's readings;
- Parishioner profile;
- Children's Page; and
- Parish Contact details.

The Tidings is a credit to all involved with its production.

A "wish list" register has been created for parishioners to have the office record key omissions and new ideas.

Ten Talents Project

The Parish Council is very encouraged by the very positive atmosphere within the Parish, with numerous people/groups using their God-given talents. Currently there are 10 projects either underway or about to commence. Already \$512.80 has been banked and this is early days.

New Organ @ St George's

Following considerable research and debate, a

Roland C200 Organ/Keyboard was purchased



for St George's to replace the existing organ that was uneconomical to repair.

Consequently, the old organ is to be removed from the church and offered 'for sale'. Feel free to make an offer.

It is very pleasing to report than the shortfall in the Organ Replacement Fund had already been realised thanks to generous donations from parishioners.

Organ Recital & High Tea

An organ recital with Ross Windsor. Ross is an internationally acclaimed Australian Concert Organist, who will be entertaining us on the day. It will be held on Saturday on October 4 in St George's church followed by a High Tea in the Hall next door.

Leigh Leighton and Marianne Ross are organising this event.

Jan Shaw retires from the Office after years of faithful service

Jan Shaw has, after years of faithful service to the parish, has decided to retire from office duties. We thank her for her dedication to work, her wonderful and caring manner exhibited to all who come to the office and her generous commitment of time; far beyond her official hours of employment. We shall miss you from the office Jan, however, we will continue to enjoy your company in the parish. We are seeking an appropriate time when we as a Parish can show our appreciation to Jan for her faithfulness. Sharon Main is training Glenda Blanch as a volunteer in the office to assist in filling the gap that Jan's leaving will make. Thank you Glenda!

Essential Jesus—Study plan



Scripture Union has a new study called the **Essential Jesus** which works on the same system as E100. There are 100 Bible readings and the idea is to read five a week at home and then meet in home groups to discuss them. Some people may choose to do the readings by themselves. There have been ads for this new study in the Tidings. Neville Gardiner and Fr Nicholas have discussed

the format and felt it would work the same way as the E100 did. It is hoped that groups and individuals will pick it up and start in July. As with the E100 it is available in a normal book format for \$16 or as an e-reader for less than \$5.

Please use the Sign-on sheets at the back of the church.

Child Protection Policy workshop

On Saturday 14th June, Fr Nicholas conducted a Child Protection Policy workshop in St George's hall. Around 20 parishioners and 4 guests from Cleveland Parish attended. It was convened as a consequence of our audit which identified that we have not given enough training to our children's workers. It is important for all members of the Council to be conscious of the procedures if someone makes a complaint about one of our workers. There are booklets in the back of each Church giving clear directions if anybody feels the need to make a complaint, The diocese takes all complaints very seriously.

Tony Wood



It is with regret that Parish Council accepts the letter of resignation of Tony Wood as a Warden for

the parish.

Tony has been a warden for the past 18 months and feels his increased responsibilities at work have limited his effectiveness as warden.

Tony, thank you for your service during this period!

Parish Fete postponed and Garage Sale expanded



An adventurous Parish Fete was discussed at the meeting and in view of the date clash with wedding arrangements on the 18th October, it was recommended that the Fete be postponed until the first half of 2015.

In lieu of the Fete, it is proposed to hold an **expanded Garage Sale** on Saturday the 2nd August to include individual stalls – sausage sizzle, Devonshire teas, books, plants, cards, jams, craft,

cakes, tea and coffee etc. These individual stalls will be under the cover of portable shades in the back yard of the Parish Ministry Centre.

Parishioners are encouraged to get behind this venture to maximise the success of this fund-raising day. For some, it will be an additional outlet opportunity for their Ten Talents project and allow others to contribute by assisting on the day.

Treasurer's Talk

The Budget Analysis to end May 14, shows that we are managing to keep relatively within budget, and many parishioners seem to be making an active effort to contribute further through various special projects e.g. Ten Talents and Ding the Def, etc .

The \$750 paid last year to Koonjewarre as deposit for the proposed Parish Camp has not been refunded despite requests. Contact was made again this week and Koonjewarre has promised to rectify the oversight.

Guild Generosity

In addition to their St James' Day celebrations, the Guild has offered to:

- help towards the Parish Raffle with a **\$100 Gift Voucher for Petrol.**



- hold their next **Cent Auction** on Saturday 13th September.



Building Maintenance Request Sheets

To ensure that nothing is missed, **Building Maintenance Request Sheets** are to be printed and placed in the various buildings .

You can help by listing any maintenance issue on the sheet so that it can be duly attended to.

Counting Sheets

With the addition of additional project funds, the current counting sheets have become confusing, Brian Blinco has developed a clearer **Recording Sheet** to assist those who volunteer on the counting roster and the banker. It will also assist the Treasurer whose job it is to record the details in MYOB.

Children's Ministry

mainly music is seeking additional volunteers to assist on Monday mornings. It is a delightful programme and an easy and enjoyable time.

Jam and Rock continue with steady numbers in both groups. There is still a need for extra people to volunteer to provide a meal for Rock occasionally.

Contact: Tina for **mm** and Imogen for **Jam and Rock**