



**THE ANGLICAN MINISTRY DISTRICT  
OF LOWER YORKE PENINSULA**

***Corny Point***

***Curramulka***

***Edithburgh***

***Minlaton***

***Mt. Rat***

***Pt. Vincent***

***Stansbury***

***Warooka***

***Yorketown***

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*"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,  
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish  
but may have eternal life."*

*John 3.16*

**LENT  
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EASTER**



## Mission Support Team (Leaders of Worship)

On Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March, the Mission Support Team (formerly known as the Leaders of Worship) met at St. Christopher's, Curramulka. Michael Ford led us through a discussion on four pamphlets, about to be launched in the Diocese, which set out ways of being ministering communities, both from within but also reaching out (Mission) to our neighbours, locally and further afield. Fr. Thomas added to the discussion by speaking about the need for more action.



*photograph by Anne Ford*



*“Let your imagination go” by Barb Freidenfelds.*

**India:** a land of tropical vegetation; Banana & Coconut palms, Rice paddies, Tapioca shrubs, Pineapple, and Sugarcane, with many rivers and waterways.

Mountainous country; driving through narrow, steep, windy, potholed roads with all traffic tooting & honking their horns—not

in frustration or impatience as in Australia, but just letting other traffic know we were coming through, passing, or around a corner. Bicycles, motor cycles, Tuk-tuks, cars, small buses, big buses, trucks of all sizes. The Tuk-tuks, buses & trucks all gaily painted with tassels hanging from mirrors & bumper bars. In the towns & cities hardly space to move; and add to the mix many people on foot.

The women looking colourful in their beautiful sarees.

Various shaped, rice flour based pancakes or rice with delicious spicy curries; vegetable, fish, buffalo and Dahl for breakfast, lunch and dinner accompanied by freshly squeezed fruit juice, usually pineapple. Nearly always finished with bananas, there seemed to be a dozen different varieties.

Visiting many families & being welcomed so warmly into their homes, and in some cases their hearts.

From helping to provide a meal for those in the Home for the Homeless, to cruising for a couple of days in a houseboat; again nothing like the ones we know here. Eating fresh fish bought from the markets along the way.

This was our two weeks in Kerala, India during February, with Fr Thomas. Thank you so very much for sharing your family, home & country with us; we all had such an amazing experience. Others on the trip were Sue & Bob Warren, Bev & Deane Litster & Ron Watson.



*photograph by Ron Watson*

## Shrove Tuesday in Minlaton

On Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March, the St. Benedict's congregation moved their annual pancake cooking to the main street of Minlaton. Tables & chairs were set up at the Rest Centre and Greg Illman was soon turning over dozens of pancakes on the BBQ.

Passers-by were treated to the choice of maple syrup, lemon, sugar, strawberries, golden syrup cream, ice-cream and cream as they enjoyed the pancakes and fellowship. Many tourists to the town that day came and enjoyed the food on offer. We heard some amazing stories of their travels. Even some high school students visited in their lunch hour.

Three hundred and eighty three dollars was raised and as part of our mission to the community, the money was donated to the local Kindergarten, which has used it to buy more books.



*photograph by Philippa Coote*

*Helen Martin and Rev'd Anne visited the Minlaton Kindergarten to present the cheque for \$383, raised by selling pancakes.*





## An interview with ..... Jeanette Canton

Jeanette was born into an Anglican family. She was baptised at St. Margaret's, Woodville and attended church as a teenager at Woodville Gardens. Her uncle, the Rev'd Gordon Dent, was an Anglican Priest in several Adelaide parishes before moving to Wentworth in Victoria.



This was where Jeanette was confirmed.

Jeanette and Alan were married at St. Cuthbert's, Prospect, by the Rev'd Alan Dawe, a former rector of the Parish of Minlaton. After her wedding, Jeanette worshipped at St. Georges, Magill and St. Wilfrid's, Tea Tree Gully and taught Sunday School at both churches for many years.

Jeanette & Alan ran several businesses over the next few years, sometimes 7 days a week and this made attending church regularly often very difficult.

After Alan had a heart attack in 1999, they sold the business and moved to Stansbury, where they already had a beach house.

Jeanette was now able to return to Sunday worship and has been a regular member of the St. Augustine's congregation ever since.

During Fr. Alun Hurd's time as Ministry District priest, Jeanette was asked to be a Licensed Lay Minister (LLM), along with Clinton Roberts. The two of them are now involved in fortnightly Sunday worship and once-a-month worship at Elanora Aged Care facility in Stansbury.

On Australia Day, this year, Jeanette was awarded the Stansbury Citizen of the Year for 2014, awarded by the Stansbury Progress Association. This was awarded for:

*Being a volunteer at Stansbury Primary School for 10 years*

*13 years as Service Coordinator for Meals on Wheels*

*LLM at St. Augustine's Anglican Church*

*Secretary/Treasurer of St. Augustine's, Stansbury*

*Secretary of the Ministry District Committee*

*Pt. Giles Seafarers Mission Committee for 2 years*

*Chairperson of Stansbury Inter-Church Association*



*Reading for the Blind*

*Member of Stansbury Lions Club*

*Member of Line dancing group that regularly entertains at Elanora and other places*

*Volunteer worker at the Information Centre in Stansbury*

Jeanette finished by saying, "I believe in God and Jesus, I was brought up in the church and can't imagine my life without my faith. It was that faith that helped me get through the tough times."

### Exciting Family News

We welcome to the Ministry District family *Lara Grace Cook*, third daughter for Karmel and Adam Cook, born in January 2014; and *Bridget Kay Cook*, third daughter for Kylie & Michael Cook, born in February 2014.



In February, *Marcus Reade-Brown*, son & step-son of Di & Bevan Reade married *Julia Davis* at St. Peter's College, Adelaide. The celebrant was the Rev'd Theo McCall, son of Bishop David McCall.



In March, *Nicholas Ford*, second son of Rev'd Anne and Michael Ford, married *Aneika Vogt* at Pulteney Grammar School, Adelaide. The celebrant was Rev'd Anne. Whilst in India in February, Fr Thomas and the six tourists from LYP attended the wedding of Fr. Thomas' cousin Riya to Jomy.

### From the Ministry District Registers

**Funeral:** *Maurice Easther* at St. Neot's, Pt. Vincent

*Kathleen Anne (Annie) Kreuer* at St. James, Warooka

## Australia Day & ROBOS

### (Reaching Out Beyond Our Shores)

This year Australia Day fell on a Sunday.

Cheryl & Greg Carmichael of St. Benedict's congregation, who annually host an Australia Day Breakfast for family and friends, decided, in consultation with Fr. Thomas, to hold an 8am Eucharist followed by a cooked breakfast at their home. Around 60 people attended and heard Kate McBride, a former member of the St. Benedict's congregation, speak about her experiences in Kenya and in particular, about her connection to a Kenyan orphanage. There was a \$10 charge for breakfast and thanks to the generosity of the Carmichaels and many others attending, the morning raised just over \$1000, which has been sent to the orphanage.



*photograph by Anne Ford*

## News from St. Neot's

In recent weeks the land behind the church has been cleared as it was becoming hard to manage. Once quotes are in, the congregation hopes to have the area laid with gravel and low-maintenance shrubs planted. This will be a far more attractive outlook than has existed for some time.

## Service at Pt. Turton

The SYP Cluster (Edithburgh, Yorketown, Warooka and Corny Point) hosted a service in the Point Turton Hall, on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December. A gathering of about 30 enjoyed the morning service and participated in a wonderful morning tea afterwards. A special collection was taken for the victims of the hurricane in the Philippines and this was sent to the Australian Board of Missions Appeal.



*photograph by Cheryl Bates*

## Bishop John visiting LYP in April

During March and April, Bishop John is travelling around the Diocese leading prayer services in as many churches as possible. These prayer services are a lead-up to Synod in May and the Centenary celebrations in 2015.

He will be in our part of the world in April, leading worship at the following places:

St. Benedict's Minlaton, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5pm

St. Augustine's Stansbury, April 24<sup>th</sup> at 5pm

*Watch church notice boards for any possible change to times.*

## Lenten Studies

On Thursday evenings, in the Minlaton Uniting Church hall, a group of eighteen from the Uniting, Lutheran and Anglican congregations are meeting together to work through a study called *“Parables & Possessions”*.



Each week includes a mixture of materials for reflection, commentary on one of Jesus’ parables, the occasional quote to spark a reaction, some questions and a prayer. There is also a suggestion of something to do as follow-up, a practical action expressing Christian discipleship in the world.

In this course the participants are invited to lay aside any indolence (by which we mean apathy and world-weariness) around the subject of personal economics which is sometimes the result of a sense of helplessness. They are encouraged to be more discerning about those in whom they place their trust. They are challenged to identify the best interests of their neighbours, especially the weak and marginalised.



## Spiral of Prayer

Several members from the Ministry District, as well members from other denominations, attended the Spiral of Prayer recently. This was an inspirational day & a half, conducted by the Ven. Michael Hillier & held in the Lutheran church hall, Yorketown. We looked at many aspects of prayer including how we pray, where we pray and intercessory prayer. This was a wonderful time of reflection & I'm sure everyone came away refreshed. Many thanks must go to Barb Murphy for instigating the discussion.

*Barbara Friedenfelds*

## MONTHLY WORSHIP ROSTER

### First Sunday

Mount Rat – 8.00am (HC)  
Minlaton – 9.15am (HC)  
Yorketown – 9.30am  
Edithburgh – 9.30am  
Stansbury – 11.15am (HC)

### Second Sunday

Minlaton – 9.15am (HC)  
Curramulka – 9.30am  
Edithburgh – 9.30am (HC)  
Port Vincent – 11am  
Warooka – 11.15am (HC)

### Third Sunday

Minlaton – 9.15am (HC)  
Yorketown – 11.15am (HC)  
Stansbury – 11.15am  
Corny Point – 2.00pm (HC)

### Fourth Sunday

Minlaton – 9.15am  
Yorketown – 9.30am  
Curramulka – 9.30am (HC)  
Edithburgh – 9.30am  
Port Vincent – 11.00am (HC)

### Fifth Sunday

Usually one service only in the Ministry District  
at a pre-arranged centre - 10.30am (HC)  
*(see local paper and church noticeboards)*



### A request from St Mary's, Edithburgh

As many of you are aware, June & Geoff Harrison are about to set off on a mission of awareness to promote The Mission to Seafarers. Can I ask that you all hold them in your prayers over the next three months? We wish them safe travels & God's blessings on their journey and look forward to their safe return later in the year.

*Barbara Freidenfelds*

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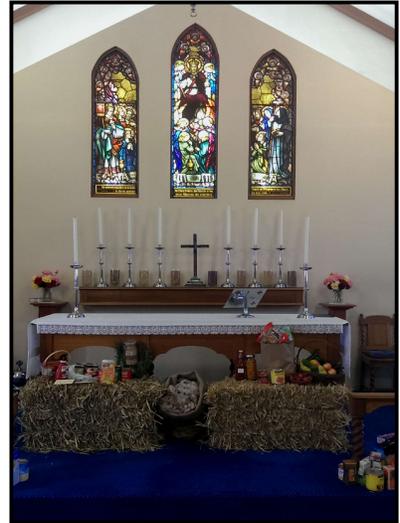
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1. Harvest Thanksgiving at Edithburgh
2. Holy Family at Minlaton
3. Crib Service at Minlaton
4. Geoff Harrison and seafarers at Christmas
5. Michael Hillier & Margaret Sweeney at Spiral of Prayer
6. Harvest Thanksgiving at Minlaton
7. The Indian wedding

## SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER AROUND THE MINISTRY DISTRICT

13 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Palm Sunday</i>	9.15am - Minlaton <b>HC</b> 9.30am - Curramulka <b>MP</b> 9.30am - Edithburgh <b>HC</b> 11am - Pt. Vincent <b>MP</b> 11.15am - Warooka <b>HC</b>
14 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Monday in Holy Week</i>	8am - Minlaton <b>HC</b>
15 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Tuesday in Holy Week</i>	7.30pm - Minlaton <b>HC</b>
16 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Wed. in Holy Week</i>	8am - Minlaton <b>HC</b>
17 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Maundy Thursday</i>	7pm - Edithburgh <b>HC</b> 7pm - Minlaton <b>HC</b> 8.30pm - Warooka <b>HC</b>
18 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Good Friday</i>	9.30am- Yorketown <b>MP</b> 10am – Minlaton <b>MP</b> 10am – Curramulka <b>MP</b>
20 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Easter Day</i>	8am - Yorketown <b>HC</b> 8.30am – Pt. Vincent <b>HC</b> 9.30am – Stansbury <b>HC</b> 9.30am – Edithburgh <b>HC</b> 10am – Minlaton <b>HC</b>

## From St. Christopher's, Curramulka

Pat Longbottom has stepped down as warden after many years of service (1988-2014).

Pat grew up in Curramulka and was baptised and confirmed at St. Christopher's.

Through the years, Pat has been involved in many aspects of church life. She taught Sunday School and was a member of the Ladies Guild, later becoming Secretary (1976) until its final meeting in 1999.

Pat remains a regular worshipper at St. Christopher's and continues to greet people at the door with a friendly smile and warm hand-shake. After the service you will find Pat organizing the cup of tea or coffee.

Well done and thank you Pat!



*Rosemary Eichner*

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*In our continuing series of short articles on some of the things we do in church, Michael Ford asks :-*

### **Why do some churches cover their crosses and other icons with purple veils during all or part of Lent?**

This practice began, like so many others, in the medieval Catholic church but persisted in many Anglican churches after the Reformation. The “hiding” of Jesus is a reference to the Gospel of John in Chapter 8, verse 59 where Jesus “hid from the crowd”!

Churches used to do it for all of Lent but it has mostly been modified in recent times to happen just in Holy Week which begins with Palm Sunday. It draws vivid attention to the special events leading up to the drama of Good Friday when many churches strip their altars and remove all the usual trappings which we take for granted at other times.

## From Fr. Thomas



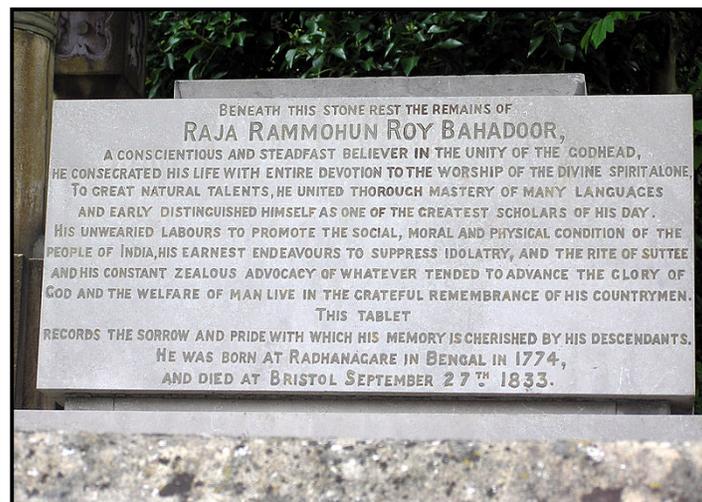
Recently I read a quote, “Easter is not just about God’s Resurrection, it is also about elimination of slavery - unification of conscience and faith”. What is the elimination of slavery? During Lent we often reflect about the Cross. The Cross reminds me about the suffering and death of Jesus. How we look at the cross and meditate is important. I often see on the cross, millions of others too - people who suffer from violence, injustice, discrimination and so on. When I was in primary school, I read the story of Raja Ram Mohan Roy. His life and work were remarkable. Ram Mohan was born into a Bengali Hindu Family in 1772 in the north east of India. In 1829 Ram Mohan Set up Brahma Sabha, which was a movement of reformist Bengali’s, formed to fight against social evils. In 1830, Ram Mohan Roy travelled to England, from the seaport of Bengal, India. He was the first educated Indian to sail to England. At the time, Roy was an ambassador of the Mughal emperor Akbar II, who conferred on him the title of Raja, to lobby the British government for the welfare of India and to ensure that the Lord Bentinck's regulation, banning the practice of sati, was not overturned. (‘sati’ refers to a funeral practice in which a recently widowed woman ignites herself, typically on her husband’s funeral pyre)

Ram Mohan is best remembered for bringing about reform laws for women, especially the law banning Sati. He was stirred by the loss of his sister-in-law to the practice of Sati. When in 1818, some Hindus objected to guidelines restricting Sati, Ram Mohan Roy produced a counter-petition requesting the Government to pass a law banning sati practice. He was at loggerheads with Raja Radha Kanta Deb, who was against government interference in religious practice. Roy risked his life and started a campaign against the practice of Sati, in which he was later supported by Debendra Nath Tagore. He appealed to William Bentinck to pass a law banning Sati practice in British India and his persuasion bore fruit and the practice was banned by a law passed in 1829 in the Bengal region, and which was later extended in 1830 to Madras and Bombay

regions. Ram Mohan died of meningitis in Britain, on 27th September 1833 and was cremated in Arnos Vale Cemetery in southern Bristol.

Ram Mohan saw the suffering of the widows in India. He wanted to give a new life for them. When we look at the cross, do we see the millions of suffering people there? From “the Cross to the Resurrection” will become meaningful to us when we decide to offer a new life to at least one suffering person. Yes, Easter is not just about God’s Resurrection, it is also about the elimination of slavery - a unification of conscience and Faith.

Have a Blessed Easter.



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