

Diocese of The Murray, South Australia.

**THE MURRAY
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NEWSLETTER**



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Rebuilding (with) Hope and Confidence

Somewhere on our website I found the theme with the word , 'with' and quite liked the sound of that but since I have only seen it without the 'with' so I am sorry to those of you who I confused.

Dear Members,

Welcome to the wonderful season of autumn, my glory vine is already starting to change colour. Here it is March and so much has happened, and not happened, because of lockdowns and many people around the world in such need. I only know 2 people who live overseas and stories from them are so different to stories from around South Australia. I know many of you have families overseas and are very worried about them. I keep thinking of 'God's perfect timing' and realise that we just have to wait, pray, have confidence in Gods timing of all things.

Most branches have reported that they are getting organised and planning meetings and useful commitments for 2021. Between us all we achieve a remarkable amount and that together with prayer and personal interactions with each other is something to be proud of.

On a personal note Richard and I were able to drive to Perth to visit our son just after Christmas and thoroughly enjoyed our time together at last. We got home before Covid raised its head in WA again.

love to you all and blessings for good health for you and those who you love

Jocelyn

World Wide President's award: Sheran Harper has been awarded an Order of Service for Guyana and the Golden Arrow of Achievement from the Anglican Diocese

of Guyana for exceptional services to MU in Guyana and internationally. A wonderful achievement for her and also a wonderful message about MU.

Publications: Eileen was very pleased with the amount of Christmas Cards sold but the diaries are losing appeal and she has quite a few left. It's not too late if you still want to order some although the year is racing by. She also has a new selection of Greeting cards with Christian messages in them.

Families Equip: The course at Morphett Vale was finally finished recently after delays last year due to Covid. It is wonderful to hear the comments of the participants at the final session. A woman who attended a course a few years ago would like us to run one at the school she is working at and asked us to provide a display at an expo at the school and the feedback was wonderful. Let us all pray that enough people show genuine interest and we can provide yet another course in the Morphett Vale area.

Diary Dates:

Lady Day.. 25th March. Our service will be held at Christ the King Anglican Church, Hutchison Street Mount Barker commencing at 11am. Tea and coffee will be available from 10.30am

BYO lunch (no shared platters).

Our Chaplain Fr Daniel Irvine will give us a brief talk after lunch.

There will be a trading table so please bring along donations.

We hope to be live streaming this service so if you cannot attend and would like to join us it can be found at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7V5RuSSnrAikoksl4SjeQA>

If you go to this in advance you could subscribe or add to favourites which should make return navigation easier.

Alternately you can go to the parish page <https://www.mtbarkeranglicans.org/> and follow the live stream links.

Mary Sumner Day.. Monday August 9th. We will hold a service followed by lunch and a council meeting with AGM. Please keep the day free and our location will be advised later