

# BANYULE BABBLE

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## ROSEMARY REFLECTS

THE month of May straddles two important Christian festivals: Easter to Pentecost. According to traditions of the Christian Church, and the writings of Luke in his gospel and the Acts of the Apostles, there is a six week gap between the resurrection of Jesus and the coming of the Holy Spirit. But when you read John's Gospel chapter 20, the Resurrection, Ascension and coming of the Holy Spirit all happen on Easter Day.

On Easter morning Mary Magdalene meets the risen Christ and is given a message for "My brothers". The disciples and now we Christians today have the privilege of being members of God's family: Jesus is our brother.

In the evening of Easter Day Jesus breaks in on the disciples who are hiding behind locked doors. We

are told that when they recognise Jesus their fear is replaced with peace and joy. Before Jesus leaves, he gives them the task of carrying on his work in the world and prepares them by breathing on them and saying, "Receive the Holy Spirit". The gift of the Holy Spirit enables them to be effective in their mission and able to follow Jesus' example.

We are also called and equipped by God to carry on his work in the world and here in the Parish of Banyule. In Easter week the staff met together for breakfast followed by a review of the progress of our "Vision and Goals for 2011". We are encouraged by the progress as we were able to tick about two-thirds of the items that had been put together at parish and vestry meetings last year.

It is easy to feel discouraged

when the going is tough and we are surrounded by bad news. Yet the message that we're given to reflect on in the Easter season is one of hope and new life and a close relationship with God through Christ Jesus. As Archbishop Philip Freier summed up in his Easter message:

"Death, pain and suffering do not have the last word in the Christian vision. This is the meaning and joy of Easter. It does not end with Good Friday. The God who is love joins us in our suffering, not so that we can remain in it, but so that we can be liberated from it.

"Easter Day is the day Christians celebrate Jesus' resurrection into new life, and God's great liberation of humanity from death, pain and suffering. St Paul said that nothing, in life or death, can separate us from the

love of God that is in Christ Jesus (Romans 8.39). Easter is the great proclamation of this profound truth. Nothing, not tsunami, or earthquake, or flood, can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. Christ is Risen, Alleluia!"

May you know the benefits of the resurrection as you celebrate this Eastertide.

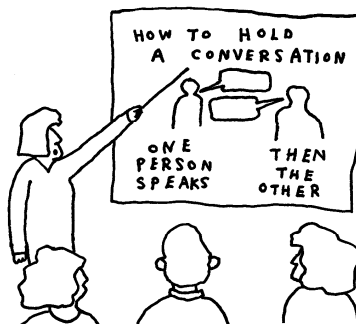
With best wishes,  
Rosemary Young

## THE WELCOMERS

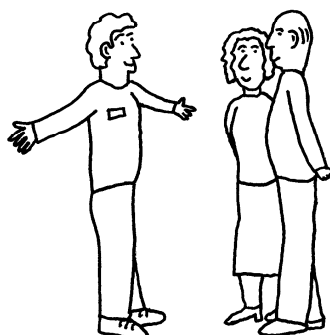
IT IS THE JOB OF THE WELCOMERS TO BE WELCOMING AND WEAR A BADGE



THEY ARE GIVEN IN-DEPTH TRAINING TO EQUIP THEM FOR THIS ROLE



IN THE EVENT OF ANY NEWCOMERS ATTENDING A SERVICE A WELCOMER WILL BE SUMMONED TO DEAL WITH THE SITUATION



THERE IS A ROTA SO THAT THE SAME PEOPLE DO NOT HAVE TO BE WELCOMING EVERY WEEK



## This Month – May

**Friday 6th:** 6.30 pm BCA AGM and Dinner

**Saturday 7th:** 10 am Fête meeting in church at St Andrew's

**Wednesday 11th:** 1.30 pm Fashion Parade at Holy Spirit

**Monday 16th:** 11 am St Andrew's Mothers' Union tour of St Paul's

**Wednesday 25th:** St John's Ladies' Fellowship evening meeting

**Saturday 28th:** 6.30 pm Soup, Rolls & Auctions at St. Andrew's. No service at Watsonia

## Next Month – June

**Saturday 4th:** Working Bee at Holy Spirit

**Saturday 11th:** No service at Watsonia

**Sunday 12th Pentecost:** 10 am Combined Parish Service at Watsonia.

## Wanted

- People for lawn mowing rosters: 9459 9049
- Stuff for 28th May auction: 9459 4750
- Non-perishable food for Anglicare: 9458 2321

## Money – March

Income: Giving: \$6,995.75  
Other: \$17,393.10  
Total: \$24,388.85

Expenses: \$28,183.53

**Loss: \$3,794.68**

Giving was up, thank you, though still not enough to cover our expenses.

## Holy Spirit Ladies' Guild Watsonia

invite you to join us for a

# Fashion Parade

by Givoni

Ladies' Fashions, Leisurewear, Sleepwear  
& Men's Knitwear

1.30 pm, Wednesday 11th May 2011

Holy Spirit Anglican Church  
78 Watsonia Rd Watsonia

*Entry \$6 includes afternoon tea and door prize*

RSVP Joan 9846 1681 Wed 4th May

## St John's Ladies' Fellowship

Our next fellowship meeting will be on Wednesday evening, 25th May. Our guest speakers will be Margo and Tom Hartley representing Mercy Ships. These ships reach out to the forgotten poor of the world. Everyone is very welcome to attend. Please note this will be an evening meeting!

*Pauline Holbery, Secretary Tel. 9459 0364*

## St Andrew's Mothers' Union

**Monday May 16th** at 11 am: Tour of St Paul's Cathedral  
Visitors welcome.

*Betty Kettle 9435 6533*

## Thank you

Frank Webb would like to thank all the clergy and parishioners of the Banyule Parish for their prayers and good wishes during his recent prostate surgery, which was a success.

Thank you

## Parish Fair

The steering committee has met, and has decided on stalls and activities to extend the 'traditional' levels and outreach to the general community (with particular emphasis on attracting young families), in keeping with the Parish's Visions and Goals.

We will still be having almost all the usual stalls associated with a parish fête, but will not be having a white elephant store. The stalls the committee has agreed to have are:

- Anglicare goods
- BBQ and drinks
- Cakes and Sweets
- Craft
- Happy Café
- Lucky Dips (\$2 each)
- Mystery Parcels
- Plants (incl. small ones for children)
- Treasure shop ('treasures' from our op shops, that can be returned there if not sold)
- Treasure Bags for kids
- Raffles
- Fabrics
- Auction of quality items
- Hampers
- Wood turning
- A small book stall
- Toys/Jigsaws
- Face painting
- mainly music
- Photo taking

We are looking for live music and entertainment.

There will be a parish-wide meeting of anyone who is interested in being a stall holder or helper for this year's Parish Fête (November 5th 2011 at St Andrew's) to be held at St Andrew's on Saturday 7th of May at 10 am in St Andrew's Church (not in the hall). We need as much help in making this a success as possible, and would like to encourage as many of you as possible to become actively involved.

## Mission Month

May is our Mission Month—a time to pray for, reflect on, and support mission work, both in other countries and in our own.

## Soup, Rolls & Auctions!

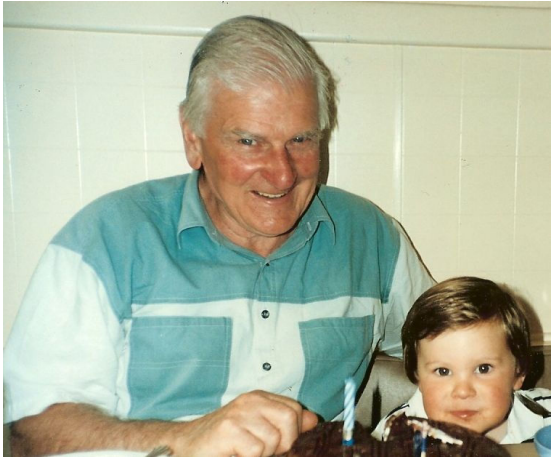
6.30 pm Saturday 28th May  
at St Andrew's

**Sip, eat and buy!**

## 5 MINUTE INTERVIEWS

Or, getting to know your fellow parishioners

## GEORGE LOCKHART



*Born:* Yarrawonga Hospital on 27 Nov 1926.

*Went to school:* George went to three different primary schools. First Rankin's Springs (midway between Hay and Sydney). Then, as George's mother was ill, the family was split up and he was sent to live with his Auntie and Uncle on a dairy farm in SA. His school was in Mypalonga on the Murray River just upstream from Murray Bridge. He has memories of the smell of his first school books, and of riding a little bike to school. His last school was Mount Evelyn Primary School where he finished grade 8. During his school years George played the cornet in a band, and later on he learnt the piano.

George is married to June. They had two daughters; their eldest is Pamela. Tragically George and June's other daughter Susan died some years ago in a car accident, aged 18 years.

*Q What hobbies do you have?*

I am a Collingwood supporter, and have been a ticket member for over 30 years; listening to classical music; gardening and reading.

*Q What makes you happy?*

Reading good stories, listening to music. George's love of classical music began after hearing a Beethoven Violin Concerto which he thought was just wonderful.

*Q What annoys you?*

Nothing much.

*Q What have you achieved or performed in your life that has given you great satisfaction?*

Going from the building trade, where my brother Bob and I worked as builders and sub contractors, and joining the public service. I then worked my way up from a base grade temporary worker, a couple of years later I attained permanency and then worked my way up to a position of support to the police working in administration.

*Q Who (living or dead) would you most like to have a cuppa with and why?*

Nelson Mandela, because after everything that happened to him he was able to rise above it.

He could turn the other cheek and not be obsessed with hatred. He kept his equilibrium.

*Q What do you think people would be surprised to learn about you?*

Maybe that I am a Collingwood supporter.

*Q In looking back over your life who or what event(s) have had a great influence on your life?*

My teacher, Ted Kreiger, had a great influence on me. He was a great teacher, had a good philosophy on life and was well adjusted—just a very good person. He was also one of the leading people in the Education Department in Victoria. He taught me in my last years at Mt. Evelyn Primary. Strangely one day years after my schooldays, I saw him walking down Plenty Road, Rosanna, off to catch a train to the city.

*Q What motto or saying would sum up your attitude to life?*

I have learnt to *Let everything go to the keeper* everything happens for a reason and we have to live our life and do the best we can. I look to Jesus and to the future after life. This life is short and things happen that we may get upset over, but it is not worth it to dwell on it.

*Interview by Gay Miller*

## All the verses!

There has been a certain amount of following of Royal events lately, so why not look at *God Save the Queen*? Here is the standard version:

God save our gracious Queen,  
Long live our noble Queen,  
God save the Queen:  
Send her victorious,  
Happy and glorious,  
Long to reign over us:  
God save the Queen.

O Lord, our God, arise,  
Scatter her enemies,  
And make them fall.  
Confound their politics,  
Frustrate their knavish tricks,  
On Thee our hopes we fix,  
God save us all.

Thy choicest gifts in store,  
On her be pleased to pour;  
Long may she reign:  
May she defend our laws,  
And ever give us cause  
To sing with heart and voice  
God save the Queen.

The words date to approximately 1745, when a version (with some variations) was published in the *Gentleman's Magazine*.

Note the strong second verse, so much better and more powerful than the insipid Victorianish third verse, but, alas, rarely sung.

When there is a King, not only is 'Queen' replaced by 'King' and all female pronouns by male, but it is now standard to replace 'To sing with heart and voice' by 'With heart and voice to sing', even though this was not done in the *Gentleman's Magazine* version (which had 'To say with heart and voice').

There was a fourth verse (not in the *Gentleman's Magazine*):

Lord, grant that Marshal Wade,  
May by thy mighty aid,  
Victory bring.  
May he sedition hush,  
and like a torrent rush,  
Rebellious Scots to crush,  
God save the King.

This verse, though occasionally reprinted, and perhaps useful for disconcerting Scots, did not last long. Field Marshal George Wade made a hash of countering the Jacobite revolt of 1745 and was soon replaced. If you would prefer a pro-Jacobite verse, this one is of similar age:

God bless the prince, I pray,  
God bless the prince, I pray,  
Charlie I mean;  
That Scotland we may see  
Freed from vile Presbyt'ry,  
Both George and his Feckie,  
Ever so, Amen.

There have been various later complete rewritings, including four verses by William Hickson in 1838, three verses of which found their way into the *English Hymnal*; and the 'official peace version' of 1919, which added two new verses to the standard first one, and got into the 1925 *Songs of Praise*.

The last of Hickson's verses was used by the UK in the 2008 Beijing Olympics closing ceremony:

Nor on this land alone,  
But be God's mercies known  
From shore to shore:  
Lord make the nations see  
That men should brothers be,  
And form one family  
The wide world o'er.

## Vestry Notes

Meeting of Tuesday 15th March 2011 at 7.30 pm

### Drainage repairs at Watsonia

- Works carried out 21<sup>st</sup> April. Cost \$770, from the building fund.

### Stewardship campaign

- Vestry will investigate a stewardship campaign for Thanksgiving month.

### Renovation of Memorial Garden at Rosanna

- Vestry agreed on the plan. The next step is to have it costed.

### Trial removal of pews at Rosanna

- Peter will see if 10 men are willing to help on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April at 9.30am. Otherwise will get a quote from a removalist.

### MINISTRY REPORTS

#### Senior minister

- Perhaps trying to effect too many changes too soon, but accepted with a huge amount of goodwill from parishioners.
- Keep going as at present for at least another term.
- Staff are looking at providing a separate service/congregation for younger people starting Term 4.

#### Associate minister

- Pastoral Care program being recharged as Parish Partners, 25 people invited to participate.
- Participating in an In-service on The Way of Prayer.
- Completed two sessions of a supervision course.
- In this, 4<sup>th</sup> year of ordination, has submitted a work plan as required. Still works with and is grateful for the support of her field committee.

#### Assistant minister

- It has been a busy month with a number of occasional events. *mainly music* is going well with a good response to the picnic held last Saturday.

### WARDENS' REPORTS

#### Heidelberg

- Nothing happening at 1A Burgundy Street
- The Vine Street development is very close to the boundary. We have been offered \$5000 for landscaping (screening) but this is probably insufficient.
- The working bee was very effective. Many thanks to all who turned up.

#### Rosanna

- The blinds now installed.
- Rain is leaking into the Op Shop.
- Work has been done in the Vicarage, including a blocked sewer.
- Free Flow dance company have moved out.
- Peter to get quotes on window cleaning. Geoff offered to have a go first.

#### Watsonia

- The outside cross will not get forgotten.

### PARISH OP SHOPS

#### Macleod

- The shop is now open every Tuesday from 10 am to 2 pm.
- Last week the takings were \$1,027 (\$16,500 for the current year to date).
- Ceiling panels collapsed in the heavy rain. The agents have been notified.

#### Watsonia – Allan Way

- The shop received a visit from the BSL OH&S Barbara Andrews, Kaye Collins & Allan Way were inducted into OH&S. All 36 staff to have this very rigorous induction. Monthly and Quarterly checks have to be signed off, and staff must undertake a refresher course every 6 months.
- Takings for March were \$5,313.

### PARISH FAIR

- There is to be no white elephant stall.
- On behalf of the steering committee the motion was put: **Motion:** That the Fair Auction be held in the church – was voted on and carried.
- People interested in the fair are invited to attend the meeting on May 7<sup>th</sup>.

### FINANCE - Treasurer's report:

- We are tracking well but will be \$3000-\$4000 over budget for the month.
- Mission Giving – to be considered at the May meeting.
- The BAS statement for January, February & March has been sent to the ATO and an acknowledgment has been received.
- The Treasurer's report be accepted and accounts to the value of \$28,183.53 as presented be approved for payment.

### COMMUNITY BUILDING

- Agreed to celebrate Reconciliation Week (27 June – 3 July) by putting up a sign at each centre, acknowledging the Aboriginal people as original custodians of the land.
- Agreed to advertise the Discussion forums more widely which are held at Watsonia each month.

### OUTREACH

- Agreed to investigate the Archbishop's Strategic plan by doing the "Observation phase"

### OTHER BUSINESS

- Agreed to write to the tennis club asking for them to engage cleaners for the Heidelberg toilets each Saturday night.
- Preparations for St John's 160<sup>th</sup> celebrations: So far Bishop Barbara has been invited for Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October, but a committee is still to be formed to oversee this event.

*Rosemary Bellair*

**NB. IF YOU FEEL YOU WOULD LIKE CLARIFICATION ON ANY OF THESE POINTS, VESTRY MEMBERS AND WARDENS ARE ALWAYS AVAILABLE TO HELP.**

## To Mary (Part 2)

As the years went passing by,  
you watched Him grow—your Son.  
Childhood blossomed into manhood,  
and His life work was begun.

You were still so very proud,  
as He heard His Father's call  
to preach and spread the Holy Word,  
and bring new hope to all.

Then came the day His work was done.  
God called Him to His own.  
You must have been in great distress  
and felt so all alone.

But you were in His very thoughts  
as He hung upon the cross.  
He gave you into John's dear care,  
to ease your tragic loss.

For three whole days you would have mourned  
the death of your dear Son,  
but then there was a great event—  
death's battle He had won.

He had risen from the tomb,  
to reign with God above,  
giving up His life on earth  
for us—to prove his love.

*Betty Kettle*

## Misprints and Oddities

After consuming about a hundred  
portions of chips, 28 pounds of  
sausages, rolls, ice-cream and cake,  
Mrs Morgan presented the trophies  
won by the boys.

*Local paper*

Constable John Knight told the Court  
that on 30 June David Durban had  
said to him: 'I'll kill you'. 'Did he kill  
you?' asked the prosecutor, Mr H. A.  
Kelly.

*Rand Daily Mail*