

# Glen Osmond Anglican

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## **An Easter prayer**

May the harvest from the fields  
remind us of the  
abundance we have been given  
and bounty we are to share with  
others.

May the dying of summer's  
spirit remind us of your great  
promise that death is  
temporary and life is eternal.

We praise you for your  
goodness forever and ever.

*Amen*



## **A magazine for all from St Saviour's Anglican Parish of Glen Osmond**

*Sharing the love of Jesus Christ and the hope it brings to all*

*St Saviour's resides on the lands of the Kaurana people whom we  
acknowledge as the original custodians of the Adelaide Region*



## EASTER REFLECTION GRAPEVINE MAGAZINE 2024

We have just experienced another Gather Round in South Australia, where all of the AFL teams converged on Adelaide and Barossa Valley to play their matches. There were opportunities to see the games live at various grounds, on television and to hear the commentaries on radio. Many tens of thousands of people attended the games and subsequently read about each of the games online and in newspapers. There were I'm sure, opportunities for people to share photos of themselves at the grounds on social media, witnessing the excitement of being at the games. Some of these postings would have been up within minutes.

There was however no live coverage or social media postings on the resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday nearly two thousand years ago. What we do have is four accounts of the resurrection of Jesus in the Gospels, that is from the evangelists, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. In John's Gospel, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb early on Sunday morning, to find the stone rolled away and the tomb empty. It was then that Mary was confronted by Jesus and given reassuring words that He had risen from the dead. This represented a world changing event. The followers of Jesus who were grieving from his death on Good Friday turned from despair to hope. Jesus made appearances to other followers and ten of his disciples on Easter Day. He appeared to the disciple Thomas a week later, someone who doubted Jesus' resurrection, until he could see for himself. Jesus made other appearances to his disciples until He ascended into heaven 40 days later.

The resurrection of Jesus from the dead was part of God's plan with the Son of God dying for us for our sins but rising again three days later to show that there is eternal life for all who believe. His resurrection and overcoming of death provide us with hope as we believe we will one day rise in glory to the resurrected life in heaven. Death had lost its sting. It enables us as Christians to be witnesses of the risen Jesus with confidence and boldness.

Easter Day also represents the start of Hope25 this year. Across the Anglican Church in Australia, every parish is being encouraged to be witnesses to their community that Jesus is Risen. St Saviour's Glen Osmond will be offering a course over three sessions called "Hope Explored". This course offers an opportunity to know more about Jesus Christ, about his life, death and resurrection. The sessions are based on Luke's Gospel and shares the hope that Christians have, given the uncertainties of this world.



There will be two opportunities to be part of this course over three weeks starting on Sunday the 4th of May at midday and on Friday the 9th of May, 2025. There will be a light lunch served on Sunday and refreshments including wine, soft drinks and cheese on Fridays from 6 pm. Also, our regular Friendship Lunch on the first Tuesday of the month will have a guest speaker, Burnside's Mayor, Anne Monceaux. She will speak about her faith in the context of being the Mayor of Burnside. That is at 12.30 pm on Tuesday the 6th of May. This is a regular monthly lunch which encourages friendship within our community and the opportunity to invite others to share a meal. We will launch this evangelistic program on Easter Sunday. In the last 10 days of Hope25, we will encourage everyone to pray for five people to come to Jesus Christ and to invite them to the celebration of Pentecost, a time where as promised by Jesus, the Holy Spirit came to many people.

The Season of Easter between Easter Sunday and Pentecost centres on Jesus Christ conquering death and showing that there is eternal life. The resurrection brings all of God's promises through the Old Testament to their climatic fulfillment. Jesus' resurrection and the overcoming of death guarantees for all who believe in Him will likewise rise again one day in glory to the resurrected life. There is no other hope so substantial. It is an inheritance that will never fade away, it is a lasting hope. In a world where we know only too well our own failures and fragility, we are given this assurance of salvation. This is despite all the pain, suffering and tragedy in the world.

Easter is also a time where we give thanks to God for sending His Only Son, Jesus Christ to live as one of us, giving the most precious gift of all to humanity, the redemption of all people. This is the hope that we all have that everyone who believes and receives this life-giving gift, initially through being baptised, in being born again through water and in receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit, in becoming an inheritor of the kingdom of God.

I wish you all a joyous Easter, one where we give thanks to God for Jesus Christ, in dying and rising again, showing that there is eternal life and inviting us to live a life that God wants from us, with our time, our talents and our treasure.

With every blessing,  
**Fr Paul**

## HOPE 25: What have the Christians ever done for us?

I wonder if you recognise this slightly massaged line, borrowed from Reg, Leader of the People's Front of Judah (played by John Cleese in the movie Monty Python's Life of Brian, 1979). His tirade went along the lines of:

*'Well apart from the roads, sewerage, education, bringing peace .....  
what have the Romans ever done for us?'*

It reminds me of the enormous impact that Christianity has had on society – since Jesus brought his message of *love for all* to the Kingdom of Herod around 2000 years ago. It is encapsulated so well in Luke 6.31,

*'Do to others as you would have them do to you'.*

Lucky for us, Jesus encouraged his disciples to take his message to the gentiles - to all nations - with Paul and his fellow disciples spreading it to the north and west and beyond.

By the 13<sup>th</sup> century Christianity was well established across western Europe. With an unpopular King John ruling England, it was the then Roman Catholic Archbishop of Canterbury - Stephen Langton – who drafted the ground breaking Magna Carta which King John was forced to sign in June 1215. This document is the basis of our modern system of democratic governance. Its enduring tenets, justice and equality, are principles based on the Bible and Jesus' teachings.

Archbishop Stephen was also responsible for arranging our Bible into the organised structure of chapters we are familiar with today. While the canon of the Bible was agreed to at the Council of Nicaea in 325, Archbishop Stephen categorised its internal structure further.

In *'The Book that made your World; How the Bible Created the Soul of Western Civilisation'* (2011), Vishal Mangalwadi, a highly regarded Indian intellectual, who has studied eastern religions as well as Christianity, attributes many of the wonderful aspects of our society - aspects we so readily take for granted - to Christianity and its foundation in the Bible. He points out Christianity is the only religious faith which encourages joy and hope amongst its members.

Vishal's book, leaves no doubt that one of the greatest gifts Christians can give humanity is to share our good fortune with others. Here is just a taste of some of the reviews which shed light on the central role that the Bible has had in grounding our society:

*'Read this book for a rich history lesson and a moving reminder of how the Bible has empowered freedom, education, technology, science and the very soul of western civilisation....'*

*Rob Hoskin, CEO, OneHope*



*'Vishal not only enables us to see from his special perspective the significance of the Bible in establishing many of the blessings of Western culture that we too easily take for granted, but also the dangers involved in turning away from a biblical world view.*

*Gary Inrig, senior pastor, Trinity Evangelical Free Church, Redlands, CA*  
*'Vishal's uniquely Indian perspective on the centrality of the Bible for the development of the West and its emphasis on human dignity makes **The Book that Made your World** essential reading for any thinking Christian. And it serves as a stark warning to the Western world that we forget the Bible and the Christian faith only at great peril to our liberty and even our survival.'*

*Chuck Colson, founder of Prison Fellowship and the Colson Centre for  
Christian Worldview'*

Through the ages leaders with strong Christian or similar faith values have been instrumental in social reforms. Most of us are familiar with William Wilberforce, the founder of the Christian Missionary Society. He also led the parliamentary campaign against the British slave trade resulting in its *Slave Trade Act, 1807*, and he founded the Society Against the Cruelty of Animals. Elizabeth Fry, a Quaker, in the 1840s successfully campaigned for prison reform (especially for women), improvement to the hospital system and for better treatment of the insane.

Christianity and the Bible have played an important societal role in many other ways. For example, the development of polyphonic music (consisting of multiple melodies and/or voices) in Christian worship in the 11<sup>th</sup> century laid the foundation for western classical music and until the 13<sup>th</sup> century the pipe organ, dedicated to the glory of God, was the most complex machine around.

The most significant influence of Christianity though must be through its search for truth. While it was the Greeks, prior to Socrates (370BCE) who first introduced the concept of 'logos' – that is, that the rational word is the controlling feature of the universe - they had become sceptical of it by the time of Jesus. However, it remained important to the Jewish people because they relied on the written scriptures of the Old Testament to inform and guide their daily lives. And in the New Testament the Gospel writings of John, who lived with and followed Jesus, directly connect logos and the Word to Jesus. His Gospel begins with:

*'In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God.* *(John 1. 1-2)*

*'And the Word became flesh, and we have His glory, the glory as of a Father's only son, full of grace and truth.* *(John 1. 14)*

The desire for deep understanding of the Bible by the Church during the medieval and Middle Ages, this search for truth which encouraged reflection and rational thought – was fundamental to development of our western education system, the establishment of universities and the pursuance of science.

## HOPE 25: What have the Christians ever done for us? (cont'd)

Today, it is not uncommon to hear people say we live in a post-Christian society - a **post**-Christian society. At recent Lay Leaders gatherings Archbishop Geoff has pointed to other occasions in history, where the Christian movement was at a low ebb but rebounded, becoming stronger in the process.

Hope 25 gives us an opportunity to begin this turnaround, but first, during this time of preparation we have an opportunity to carefully assess our faith and how we present it – so that it resonates with our current society. This is where the Hope25 Zoom series has been particularly helpful.

We need to grab the opportunity that Hope 25 provides – put Christianity on the ascendency again. We are ambassadors of Christ and we have a lot to offer through gently making people aware of Jesus and his teachings, and enabling better understanding of the Bible.

This Lent and during the Season of Easter, please give some time to thinking about the positive contribution St Saviour's can make to Hope 25. Faith gives us hope and optimism facing the future in uncertain times. It can change people's lives!

### HOPE|EXPLORED at St Saviours Anglican Church

596 Portrush Road, Glen Osmond

**3 Sessions starting at 12 noon**

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> May**

**a light lunch provided**

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**3 Sessions starting at 6.00pm**

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> May**

**Wine and Cheese Evening**

#### What is Hope Explored?

At a time where there is so much uncertainty in the world, we explore the hope in knowing Jesus Christ as the Son of God. Hope Explored is a series about the life, death and resurrection of Jesus that examines his extraordinary claims. Through teaching from studies from Luke's Gospel, Hope Explored shows how Jesus offers us a hope worth having, a hope that won't disappoint us.

We hope you will enjoy each session which will consist of two short videos, a short Bible study, a talk and a discussion based on the talk.

*There are few emotions more powerful than hope.  
But these days, hope often feels hard to come by.*

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## BAPTISM AT GLEN OSMOND



Alexandra Kasprzak was baptised on Sunday the 12th of January 2025 on a day where we marked the Baptism of Our Lord. The baptism was where Alexandra was welcomed into the church as an inheritor of the kingdom of God and given the gift of the Holy Spirit. Her parents, along with godparents, family and friends were present as part of the 10 am Sung Eucharist. A special morning tea followed the service.

## BLESSING OF PAINTING

A picture in honour of former Choir Director and long-term parishioner, Rosemary Scrutton was blessed on Sunday the 2nd of March, 2025. The picture called "Light of the World" was donated by the Church of the Holy Name of which Rosemary was an oblate. Sr Carol Tanner, a sister with the Anglican Order based in Melbourne was present for the blessing. The picture will be hung in the choir room and is in addition to a stained-glass window erected in the choir room in honour of Rosemary a year ago.

Pictured from the left is Jenny Francis, parishioner, Sr Carol Tanner, Fr Paul and Clive Waters, choir member and a friend of Rosemary's.



## MOTHERING SUNDAY

St Saviour's celebrated Mothering Sunday with simnel cake and posies on Sunday the 30<sup>th</sup> of March. The Sunday in the middle of the Season of Lent is otherwise known as Refreshment Sunday. It is a tradition unlike Mother's Day in May where simnel Cake is given out in memory of our Mother Church and our earthly mothers.



It is a tradition from the 16<sup>th</sup> century in England where those who were baptised or attended a church during their childhood returned to their 'mother church'. It was also an occasion for those who undertook domestic work or were working in factories to visit home and to see their families and care for their mothers. The distribution of Simnel Cake on Mothering Sunday



is regarded an indulgence at this halfway point in the season of Lent.

Thank you to those who made the Simnel Cake and supplied the posies this year.



# The Choir Beneath the Spire

Members of St Saviour's choir joined St Michael's Mitcham choir in the finale of the Festival of Hope in Theology and the Arts at St Michael's Mitcham on Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup> of February at 5 pm. The festival aimed to set the scene for the Anglican Church's Hope25 season of sharing our hope in Jesus between Easter and Pentecost and included visual arts and photography, poetry and stories, and theological responses to hope. The final event at St Michael's involved our choir singing hymns focused on hope. Also, the winners of the Hope25 Hymn competition were announced and sung publicly for the first time. Several of the hymns will be sung during the season of Hope25 between Easter and Pentecost.

Pictured are choir members Margie Pointon, Helen Sage, Judy Bowyer and Clive Waters.

The choir is on the lookout for new members. If you enjoy singing and would like to be part of our Sunday worship, please contact the Choir Director, Margaret Taylor on 8379 7227 or 0414 245 303.



## FRIENDSHIP LUNCHES

St Saviour's in its outreach to the community holds a monthly Friendship Lunch on the first Tuesday of the month from midday. The concept has been running for around 10 years and is an opportunity to invite community members along for a meal and fellowship with others. The cost is 10 dollars and includes a two-course meal with wine, orange juice, coffee and tea. The best deal in town! The lunches start at midday with pre-dinner lunch drinks and the meal itself at 12.30 pm. The lunches coincide with the Melbourne Cup on the first Tuesday of November, which always attracts a good crowd, along with the Christmas lunch on the first Tuesday of December. If you would like to be part of it, sign up each month on the sheet at the back of the church or book through Sue Lewis on 0431 151 552. Pictured are those who attended the Christmas lunch.





## CHAPLAINCY MONTH

St Saviour's in May will celebrate Chaplaincy Month in the Diocese of Adelaide. The chaplain at the Glenunga International High School, Jacquie Maynard will speak about her role at the school on Sunday the 4<sup>th</sup> of May.

Jacquie is funded two days a week by the Federal Government and two days a week by the churches in the Burnside Inter Church Council. The Burnside Inter Church Council supports the pastoral care workers, otherwise known as Chaplains in the Burnside Council area, which also includes the Linden Park, Burnside and the Rose Park Primary Schools. And then on Sunday the 25<sup>th</sup> of May, the chaplain at Pulteney Grammar School, the Rev'd Paul Harris will preach and speak about his role. We look forward to both speaking during May. Also, on Sunday the 4<sup>th</sup> of May, we will commission the pastoral care workers in the Burnside Inter Church Council area at St David's Burnside at 4 pm. All are welcome.

Pictured is Jacqui Maynard with now Deputy Chair of the Burnside Inter Church Council, Fr Paul Devenport and the co-ordinator of the wellness programs at the school, Paul Mildren.



## SOUNDWAVES – CHILDREN’S CHOIR

A new venture for St Saviour’s is the development of a community choir called “Soundwaves at St Saviour’s”. The community choir will be free for school aged children of all abilities and backgrounds. No experience, skills or background in music is required. It will also harness the power of community through well-being, building confidence and fostering friendships outside the school gates. The choir will run every second Sunday afternoon during school terms. St Saviour’s has applied for a community grant through Burnside Council to assist the program. It is being co-ordinated by parishioner, Kate Hepburn and daughter, Zoe. Registrations can be made at [soundwavesatstsaviours@yahoo.com](mailto:soundwavesatstsaviours@yahoo.com)

There has been publicity through the local schools and Burnside Council. If you know anyone who would like to be part of the program, please register or speak to Kate on Sundays. It’s hoped the choir once established and confident will be able to take part in providing musical items at St Saviour’s and to participate in community events.





**FREE COMMUNITY CHOIR**

**FOR SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN**

# **Soundwaves**

**AT ST SAVIOUR'S**

**EVERY 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY DURING TERM TIME  
4-5:30PM - ST SAVIOUR'S GLEN OSMOND  
596 PORTRUSH RD GLEN OSMOND**

**REGISTER YOUR INTEREST NOW**

**ALL ABILITIES WELCOME**

**[soundwavesatstsaviours@yahoo.com](mailto:soundwavesatstsaviours@yahoo.com)**

## **PUBLIC MEETING AT ST SAVIOUR'S**

Political MP's and candidates for the seats of Sturt, Boothby and Adelaide attended a public meeting at St Saviour's on Thursday the 20<sup>th</sup> of March regarding the push for a freight bypass around Adelaide's eastern suburbs.

The meeting was arranged by the community group Our Roads SA, which has campaigned for the bypass for some years. St Saviour's has supported the move, given the traffic and health concerns at the busy intersection.

The meeting was well attended and spirited with all political parties supporting the bypass around Monarto, Sedan and Truro.





## **Cemetery Report** *by Elisabeth Gobolos*

St. Saviour's Heritage Cemetery is 170 years old in 2025. The first leases were taken out in 1859 by Redman Goldsack, Thomas Breaker and Martin Kugellman. Two of the parish ministers are buried there - Rev'd William H Mudie in 1903 and Rev'd William H Winter in 1921.

Bequest of John Moore: A quote has been accepted for the work of restoration on monuments as was John's wish.

Ken Salter Memorials plans to do the work late in March

21 monuments will be restored or secured in place.



Photos of Amundsen and Fuller graves



The new sign was erected by Ross Bray and Dave Monceaux in October and includes a QR sign to direct people interested in their family history to the parish website for more information.

In October there were 24 volunteers who attended the annual working bee with both new and familiar supporters. Thank you to Sue Lewis and her helpers for the morning tea, which followed in the parish hall.

## My life as a Choir Boy by Clive Waters

### Part 4: St Stephens

St Stephen's Church, East Twickenham, Middlesex, is located on Richmond Road, not far from Richmond Bridge and is diagonally opposite The Rising Sun public house. (It is said in Britain that if one is looking for a pub in a village, then quite often, when one has located the village church, the pub will be very close!) It is also close to Marble Hill Park, a large area of the London suburban Green Belt, which stretches down to the River Thames.



#### The Rising Sun pub opposite St Stephen's Church

The church building (Grade 2 listed), dates from 1874 and is of Gothic Revival style, built externally with Kentish ragstone, a type of hard limestone and internally, it is made from bricks. The Chancel was added in 1885 and the tower in 1907. Most of the stained-glass windows were designed by Alfred Hemming and the organ, installed in 1889, is a well-preserved Henry Willis and Sons instrument. Unfortunately, there appears to be no choir at the church anymore and the old choir vestry is now a prayer chapel!

Affiliated to the church is St Stephens Primary School, located on the Northern edge of the parish and bounded by Winchester and Chertsey Roads. The school also features a chapel, all from 1896 and I attended this school, when my family moved house in around 1952. I can remember the chapel was also used as a weekly meeting place, when I belonged to the Cubs!





### The pulpit at St Stephen's



I can remember the name of our organist/choir master, Mr Hasler, quite a strict and stern gentleman. We used to play tricks on him, but quickly found out that he did not have much of a sense of humour! He ran a tight ship, which paid dividends with our performances. As with All Hallows, choir practice was every Thursday evening, to which I used to ride

my bicycle, as the church was not very far from home. I can remember summer days, especially mid-summer, when the evenings used to draw-out into twilight, as it finally became dark at around 9:30 pm. However, winters were another matter, with the cold temperatures and rain (sometimes snow) or fog, not really conducive to bike riding!

The choir was not so large as the one at All Hallows and it was at the time when young ladies began to sing with church choirs as Altos. From memory, we had the usual 10 -12 Trebles, 5-6 Altos and 6-8 Tenors/Basses. Our Sunday services followed the Book of Common Prayer Liturgy comprised Morning Prayer at 11 am, followed by Evening Prayer at 7 pm. At Morning Prayer, we sang Venite Exultamus Domino, Te Deum Laudamus and Benedictus as well as the psalm for the day, all in English! An anthem was sung during communion and as today, the settings. At Evening Prayer, the order of service was similar to what is practised today, including psalm, anthem, Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis and the canticles.

Quite often we were required to attend weddings. We sang a collection of hymns to a standard wedding service, which did not vary much in its format. We were rewarded for our attendance by being paid the princely sum of one shilling! Mind you, for a 12 year old, a shilling did go quite a long way in those days.

Acknowledgements to St Stephen's website and Wikipedia.

# Humour

Canada begins construction on a wall at the Canada US border 🇨🇦 🐻



**Felt  
uncomfortable  
driving into the  
cemetery. The  
gps blurted out  
you have reached  
your final  
destination.**

Love is caring for each other  
even when you're angry ...



Two little boys were at a wedding when one leaned over to his friend and asked: "How many wives can a man have?" The friend answered: "Sixteen..."





#### Seen on a wall plaque

Twelve things to always remember

1. The past can't be changed
2. Opinions don't define your reality
3. Everyone's journey is different.
4. Judgements are not about you.
5. Overthinking will lead to sadness.
6. Happiness is found within.
7. Your thoughts affect your mood.
8. Smiles are contagious.
9. Kindness is free.
10. It's OK to let go and move on.
11. What goes around, comes around.
12. Things always get better with time.

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*Please send in your photos,  
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in future editions of the Glen Osmond Anglican.*

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