WESLEY NEWS

MARCH DIARY DATES

Sunday 1st at 10.00 am

Rev Alex Rodgers & Rev Mark Dickens HARVEST THANKSGIVING LENT 1

Sunday 8th at 10.00 am Rev Alex Rodgers

Holy Communion LENT 2

Thursday 12th at 2.00pm CHURCH COUNCIL

Sunday 15th at 10.00 am
Rev Alex Rodgers
LENT 3

Sunday 22nd at 10.00 am
Rev Alex Rodgers
LENT 4

Wednesday 25th March ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

Sunday 29th at 10.00 am Rev Mac Macdonald LENT 5

MUSIC @ WESLEY

Choir Practice

Wednesday evenings in the Choir Vestry at 7.30 pm

ARTS @ WESLEY

Patchworkers & Quilters

Monday mornings in the Susannah Wesley Hall Contact Pat: 8331 9816

WESLEY IS HOME TO

Young Adelaide Voices
Adelaide Harmony Choir
Metropolitan Musical
Theatre Company
Monteverdi Singers

MINISTERIAL MEANDERING

My son Niall, is at home with us at the moment. He is Studying Information Technology at A.N.U. and he seems to be enjoying it very much.

I have to admit to being in two minds about his area of study. On the one hand he is really helpful when it comes to problems with my computer — a quick call on his mobile and he talks me through whatever to do to fix it up (Although he does conclude this help with the words "old fogey". On the other hand I worry about all of the problems associated with IT at the moment.



I am sure you are all aware of these. The loss of privacy, the fact that we can be traced wherever we are in the world, our bank information and other information is freely available to anyone with the money to pay the right amount to the right people.

But most disturbing of all is the way that young people blithely share all of their personal information on the internet without thinking of the consequences. I heard of one teenager who shared a very personal photograph with her boyfriend over the internet only to find a few weeks later that her father had been shown the picture in a less than salubrious magazine by a workmate. Needless to say he had said that he had been shown it by a "friend".

When personal information like this is made available by Internet hackers and others you might imagine that young woman many years later being confronted with it by her husband or a relative or God forbid, even a child. How might she explain this? It is a forceful lesson for all of us to keep our personal and private information off the internet unless we are absolutely sure that it will be safe.

But even then we need to be in two minds. The number of times I have heard of computer printouts being discovered in bins with personal computer information printed on it – thrown out by banks, government departments and health insurance companies – the mind boggles...

So, be aware, and don't let your information out of your sight.

Blessings, Alex

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

The Annual General meeting of the Congregation will be held on **Sunday**, 22nd **March**, 2020 in the church, immediately following the worship service.

At this meeting, the financial statements will be presented by the Treasurer, and reports received from the Minister, the Chairman and the Secretary of the Church Council. Following this, election of members of Church Council will take place.

As their terms of office expire this year, the following members offer themselves for re-election.

Mrs Joan Atkinson and Mrs Jenny Stewart

If there are any additional nominations to serve on the Church Council, nomination forms are available from the Chairman, Dr Mark Symons or the Secretary, Jenny Stewart.



HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Our annual Harvest Thanksgiving Service will be held on **Sunday 1**st **March**. This will be a combined service with Prince Alfred College and will feature an augmented Wesley Choir and input from students of PAC. The service will be led jointly by **Rev Alex Rodgers and Rev Mark Dickens**, chaplain of PAC.



All produce will be donated to Uniting Communities Eastern Services.

COMMUNION & RECEIPT OF NEW MEMBERS

This month's communion service will be held on **Sunday 8th March at 10.00 am**. During this service **Jenny Church** and **Helen Drummond** will be received into membership. We are delighted that they have made this important faith decision and welcome them officially into full membership of this church.

NEWS OF OUR PEOPLE



Vivienne Hackett-Jones Okutoi was baptised during Sunday Worship in this church on Sunday 16th February. Vivienne is the daughter of Mary Hackett-Jones

and Gabriel Okutoi, and the granddaughter of **Penelope Hackett-Jones**. Vivienne's brothers Arthur and Frederick were there to see the proceedings.





Sonja Cherney is currently in Bratislava visiting her parents. When she wrote, she was in the mountains enjoying the fresh air and snow. While there she will celebrate her 50^{th} birthday.

LENT & EASTER

- Ash Wednesday, start of Lent:
 Wednesday 26th February
- Palm Sunday:

Sunday 5th April

• Maundy Thursday:

Thursday 9th April

• Good Friday:

Friday 10th April

• Easter Day:

Sunday 12th April

Special services will be held on Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter Day with an augmented choir.

COME AND SING THE "CRUCIFIXION



On Saturday afternoon 4th April the Royal School of Church Music will present a "Come and Sing" Stainer's "Crucifixion" in this church. Everyone is invited to come and sing along. Please bring your own score if you have one. Graham Bell will be the organist and the conductor will be Anthony Hunt. Anthony Hunt is Director of Music at St Peter's Cathedral.

If you would like to sing in the choir or just have a practice, come at 10.00 am for rehearsal. Please bring your lunch with you. The performance will be at 2.00 pm in the afternoon.

Even if you don't consider yourself a singer, come and sing what you can or just listen to this beautiful and moving musical performance. It will be a fitting start to Holy Week.

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