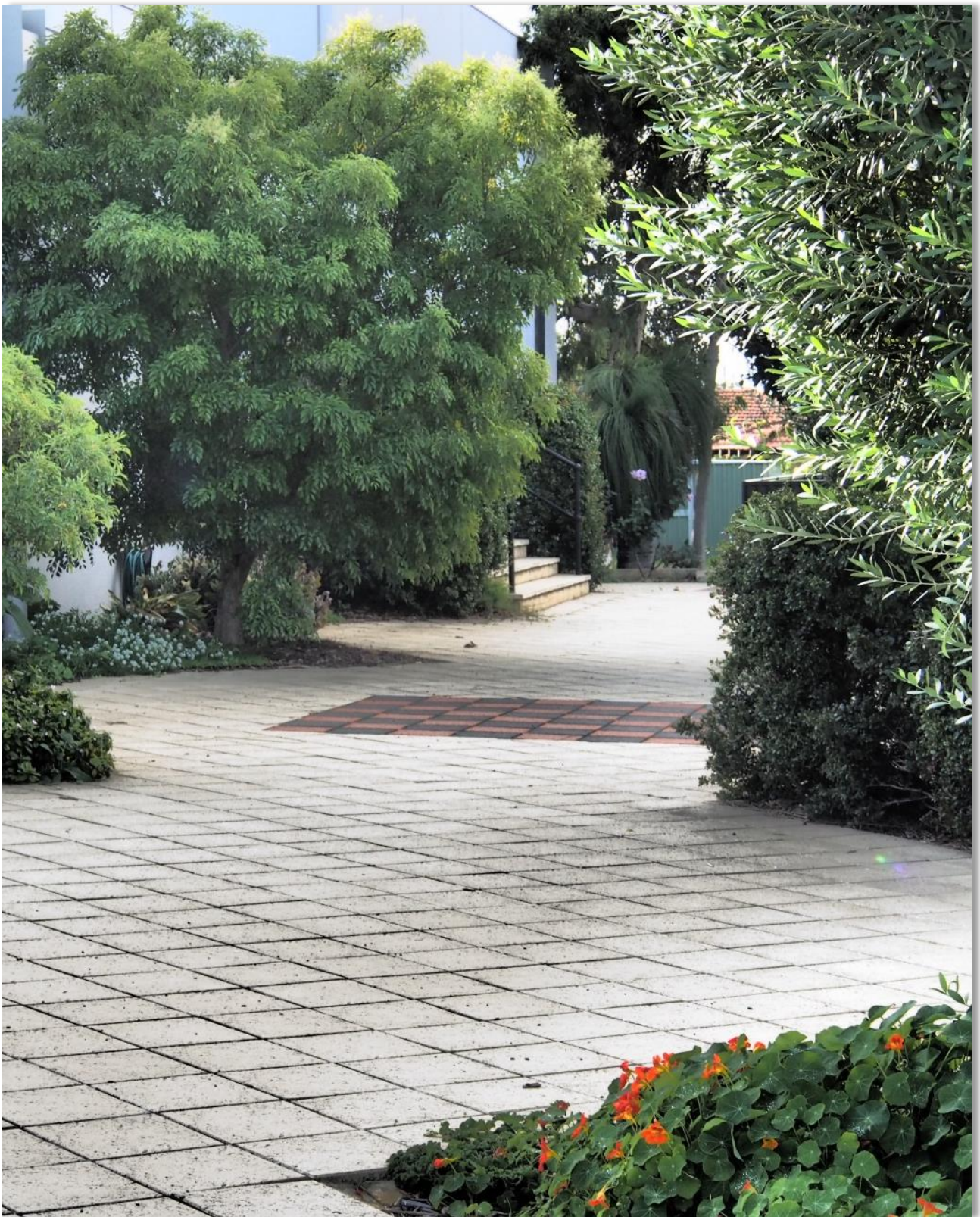


Holy Cross



Annual Report 2014 – 2015

Annual Meeting of Enrolled Members
Sunday, 7 June 2015
Anglican Church of the Holy Cross
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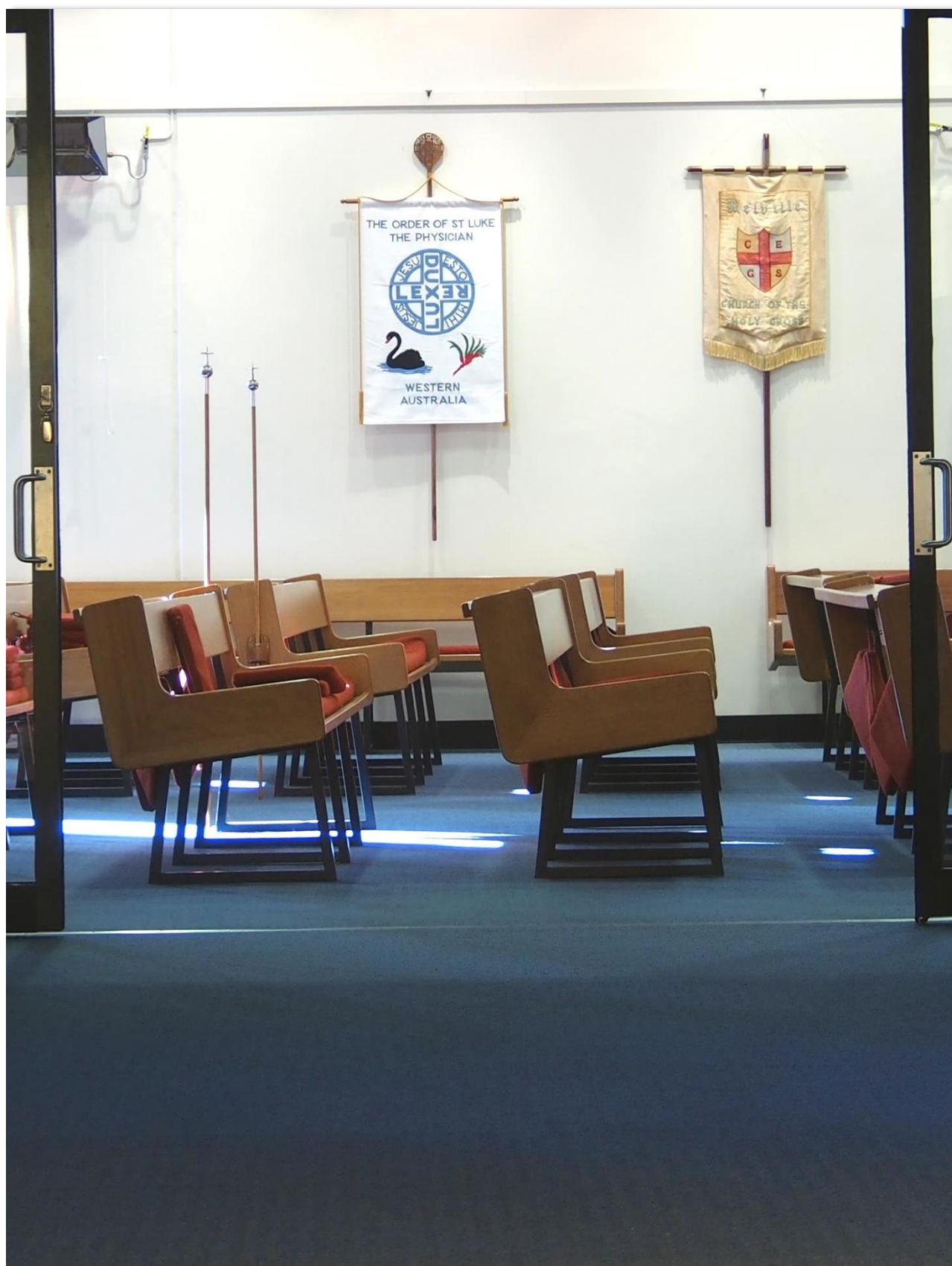


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Photographs

All photographs used in this report have been taken within the grounds or building of the Anglican Church of the Holy Cross, Melville.



Rector's Report

Due to the Rector's resignation on 30th November 2014 there is no Rector's Report for this Annual Meeting of Enrolled Members.

The part time locum, the Revd Julie Barrett-Lennard commenced on 21st May 2015.

We look forward to furthering the mission of our worshipping community.

Jill





Wardens' Report

The past year has been a mixture, with some very positive outcomes and a touch of sadness with the resignation of Revd. Debbie.

The building continues to be in good repair. In November thirty six parishioners and friends attended a busy bee. A scissor lift was hired and several jobs were completed including the repair of the tennis court lights, cleaning of the louvre windows in the church hall and maintenance on the data projector.

Over the year the mowing team dwindled to a team of one. To maintain the good condition of the grounds a contractor has been engaged to mow the lawns on an as needs basis as well as continuing the upkeep of the larger gardening tasks such as the pruning of the trees. Thanks to those who continue to prune the roses and maintain the garden beds however, we need more volunteers to assist with these jobs.

The cleaners continue to keep the interior looking clean and tidy. Occasionally you will notice some dust or small cleaning jobs requiring attention – any assistance that can be offered in these areas would be greatly appreciated.

God has blessed us in so many ways maintaining the church building is a small way we can give thanks to the Good Lord.

Jill Bowman
Warden



The Way Forward (Fresh Expressions)

With the resignation of Revd. Debbie, the Parish Council recommitted to the growth and development of the parish. It was recognised that many people currently in the parish were here at the laying of the foundation stone. Their hard work and love have seen many individuals come to and grow in faith. Ministers have come and gone, many friendships made and loved ones lost. Throughout this journey these people have remained faithful to the Lord and this community giving of their time, love and financial commitment. It is these people and our faith that inspire the current leadership to look at fresh ways of bringing people to the Lord while maintaining the traditional service for those who find nourishment in this place and type of worship.

With this in mind and the commitment to grow the church whilst maintaining the status quo, plans were developed on how the parish could move forward in the short term with Lay leadership while growing the financial means to engage a clergy member to work in partnership with the parish. It is also recognised, we as a worshipping community need to make space and be generous in offering “church” in different ways which may be more relevant to the wider community. One strategy was to look at developing “Fresh Expressions” of church. Information on Fresh expression was distributed to all parishioners.

Fresh Expressions (cont'd)

Other strategies agreed to are:

- Grow a prayer team to uphold plans.
- Build a leadership team to grow fresh expressions of church. The team is to consist of churched and unchurched people.
- Sunday supply minister for communion - if needed – liturgical Morning Prayer.
- Explore and engage with the community groups who are already at the church.
- Increase hall usage by community groups.
- Explore and engage with our neighbours and neighbouring parishes.
- Engage with the Mission Shaped Ministry and Fresh Expressions interest group to access support and training.
- Engage a community development facilitator to assist in the development of a 3 year plan – a fresh expression of church appearing alongside the traditional worship and community – it does not have to be either or it can be both.

Several of the strategies have been implemented – the prayer team, social events with our neighbours and neighbouring parishes, attendance at Fresh Expression Interest group events, building of relationship with hall users.

We have also changed how we fundraise with a very successful Easter Kids Market in place of our monthly jumbles. The market engaged with many of the Mainly Music families and members of the wider community.

It is with great delight that as of the 21st May 2015 Revd. Julie Barrett Lennard has been engaged as a part time locum to support the parish. We can afford this due to the generosity of Revd. Julie and we look forward to our developing relationship.

Jill

Secretary's Report

I was unable to attend all of the meetings of the Parish Council this year. Jenny S stepped in to assist with the minute taking, the completion of the minute book and collecting and sorting the correspondence. Thank you very much Jenny.

At the beginning of the church year we had one rector, two wardens, six ordinary members and one guest/advisor position. Ten meetings were held throughout the year. Revd. Debbie resigned in November and Annette H, a warden, left the parish in December 2014. The remaining members diligently continued to commit their time and energy to the parish.

David D



Treasurer's Report

I am pleased to present to the congregation the Financial Accounts for The Anglican Church of the Holy Cross for the period 1st May 2014 to 30th April 2015.

Our Church incurred a loss of \$15,485 for this period as compared to a loss of \$57,478 for the previous period. A significant change!

Looking forward to the next financial year (2015-2016), my forecast is for a small operating surplus.

The reason for the change in our finances is we no longer have a full time Rector in the parish.

Peter Bowman
Treasurer



Treasurer's Report (cont'd)

Statement of Assets & Liabilities

	As at 30/04/2015	As at 30/04/2014
Assets	\$	\$
Cheque Account	16,621.89	3,967.29
Building Fund	2,463.18	2,404.32
Term Deposit	20,034.75	19,085.60
Rectory Trust Account	1,154.22	1,126.64
Undeposited Funds	50.00	122.00
Total Assets	40,324.04	26,705.85
Liabilities		
GST Collected	1,270.86	167.74
GST Paid	-1,154.22	-279.12
City of Melville (Grant) ¹	6,187.47	
Synod Assessment ²	-59.50	-780.00
Stipend ³	22,266.00	
Sundries ⁴	69.30	
Total Liabilities	28,211.50	-891.38
Nett Assets	12,112.54	27,597.23

Notes

1. Holy Cross received a grant of \$11,000 from the City of Melville in August 2013 for the development of the Kids+ program. \$6,187.47 is the estimated amount of this grant that remains unspent and has to be repaid. We are currently discussing this matter with the City.
2. This is an estimate from the Diocese of Perth of arrears (or overpayment in this case) of the Synod Assessment for the period.
3. This is the money owed by Holy Cross to the Diocese for the Rector's Stipend.
4. Amount owed to the Diocese for the Anglican Messenger.

Treasurer's Report (cont'd)

Income

	budget 2015-2016	actual 2014-2015	actual 2013-2014
Income	\$	\$	\$
Envelopes	21,840	23,850.45	22,526.35
Open Plate	3,900	4,922.75	7,822.40
Electronic Giving	6,500	7,608.90	5,729.20
St Ives & Myaree Gardens	275	184.30	300.60
Anglican Messenger	55	56.20	56.05
Donation-Children's Ministry		10,000.00	
Baptisms			73.00
Funerals			300.00
Photocopier Use			79.55
Fund Raising	6,200	10,415.20	10,053.05
Hall Hire	7,128	9,760.81	8,543.03
Tennis Court Hire	3,120	4,296.36	3,300.01
Kids Plus	900	1,806.50	1,155.40
Mainly Music	3,528	3,608.25	3,925.00
Unallocated Income		1,720.70	490.00
Playgroup		51.00	
Adjustments & Roundings		0.11	
Total Income	53,446	78,281.83	64,353.64
Other Income			
Grants		-6,187.47	11,000.00
Interest Earned	480	1,219.10	1,574.55
Total Other Income	480	-4,968.37	12,574.55
GROSS INCOME	53,926	73,313.46	76,928.19

Treasurer's Report (cont'd)

Expenses

	budget 2015-2016	actual 2014-2015	actual 2013-2014
Expenses	\$	\$	\$
Stipend		46,753.40	81,319.00
Locum	15,928	434.10	422.00
Synod Assessment	5,770	8,881.00	5,495.50
Anglican Messenger	264	254.10	319.80
Church Stores	300	622.79	316.52
Cleaning	3,572	3,724.16	3,711.24
Cursillo		285.00	
Donations	600		500.00
Equipment Purchases		77.27	1,104.49
Fund Raising	1,240	1,862.91	500.71
Insurance	4,500	3,904.42	7,611.75
Internet	430	619.87	91.79
Kids Plus	6,972	4,629.00	1,924.68
Licences & Copyright	460	288.19	560.91
Maintenance - Buildings	1,500	693.91	995.46
Maintenance - Equipment	600	39.07	440.63
Maintenance - Grounds	1,500	1,583.76	540.00
Mainly Music	706	1,219.55	769.61
Morning Teas	520	409.33	138.60
Photocopier	900	348.59	350.42
Playgroup		45.00	
Postage		28.33	
Printing	240		160.45
Security	240		13.15
Stewardship Envelopes			163.00
Stationary		30.21	
Sunday Club	360	115.84	188.97
Sundry Expenses	240	735.77	747.11
Synod Expenses	500	289.25	377.60
Training	720	851.16	1,020.50
Utilities & Rates	5,700	10,071.87	12,031.05
Total Expenses	53,762	88,797.85	121,831.39
Net Surplus/(Shortfall)	164	-15,484.39	-57,477.75

Auditors Report

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

TO THE PARISHIONERS OF THE WORSHIPPING COMMUNITIES OF HOLY CROSS MELVILLE

SCOPE

I have examined the special purpose financial report of the Worshipping Community comprising a Receipts and Payments account for the year ended **30 April 2015** and Statement of Cash Balances at **30 April 2015**. The Parish Council is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial report and the information therein and has determined that the basis of accounting used is appropriate to the needs of the parishioners. I have conducted an independent examination of the financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the parishioners. No opinion is expressed as to whether the basis of accounting used is appropriate to the needs of the parishioners.

My audit has been conducted to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free of any material misstatement. My procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with the cash basis of accounting whereby revenue is recorded when it is received, expenses are recorded when they are paid, and no assets or liabilities, other than cash and bank balances, are recorded. Accounting Standards and other professional reporting requirements are not applicable to the cash basis of accounting adopted by the Worshipping Community.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to parishioners for the purpose of fulfilling the Parish Council's financial reporting requirements in terms of the Order of Worshipping Communities Statute of the Anglican Diocese of Perth. I disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

EXAMINATION OPINION

In my opinion, the financial report presents fairly in accordance with the cash basis of accounting, as described above, the receipts and payments of the Worshipping Community for the year ended **30 April 2015** and its cash and bank balances as at that date.

.....*B Smith-Gander*.....

Signature

.....*27/05/2015*.....

Date

.....*BETTY SELINA SMITH-GANDER*.....

Full Name

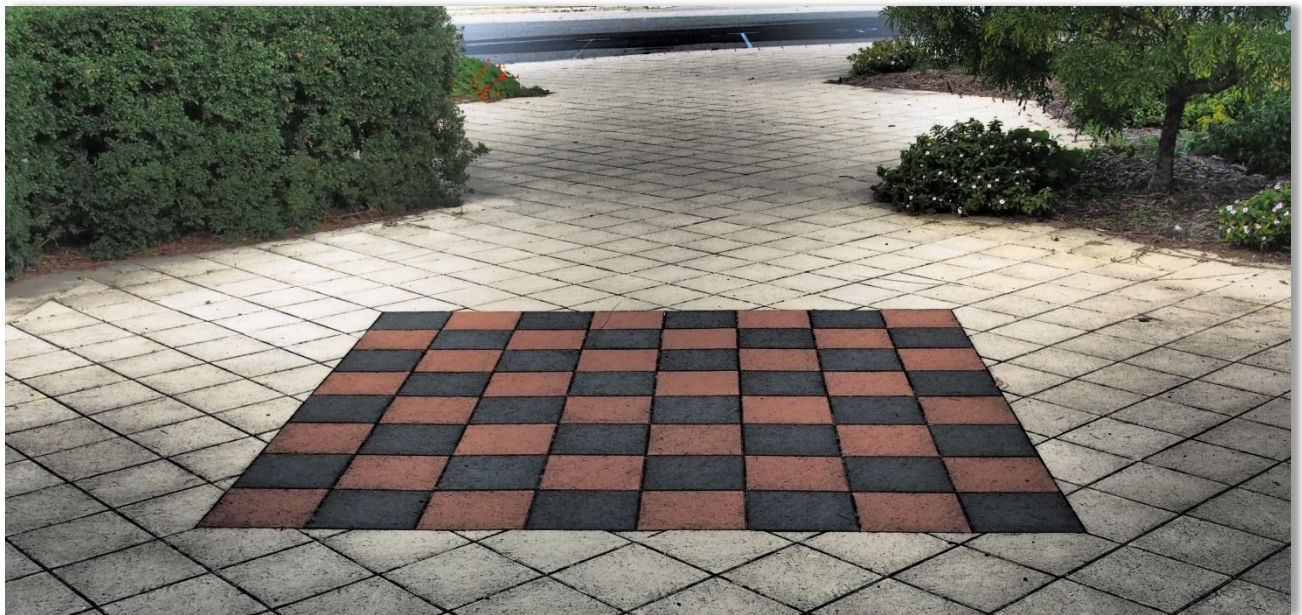
Bible Study Group

The Tebbutt's hold a Bible Study on the first and third Tuesday of each month at the Church commencing 9:00 am. There is a reading followed by an informative discussion for an hour, followed by a delicious morning tea.

Our present study, Evangelism, is typical.

All are welcome. We know that you will enjoy the studies and the company in the coming year.

Pat & Norma Tebbutt



St Ives Communion Service



Mrs Beryl Shooter continues to take Holy Communion Services at St Ives on the first and third Monday, monthly.

Monday 22nd December 2014: An Ecumenical Carol Service. Mrs Joy Winthrop very kindly prepared the Service booklet in large print and invited the choir from Pater Noster Roman Catholic Church for the service. Deacon John Kiely, Mrs Joy Winthrop and Mrs Beryl Shooter officiated. Holy Communion was administered to all who wished to partake from Deacon John Kiely or Mrs Beryl Shooter.

Friday 10th March 2015: World day of Prayer: Mrs Beryl Shooter, Mrs Joy Winthrop, members of Paster Noster Church, Mrs Betty Rushforth and members of the Uniting Church shared this service with the residents.

The residents value these services and faithfully attend. Some residents have Holy Communion in their home or rooms when required.

The staff of St Ives are most welcoming and supportive.

Currently, hymns are being printed in large print – this is greatly appreciated.

The Order of Service which a deacon or LPM is authorised to conduct has also been printed in large print.

Mrs Beryl Shooter
Lay Pastoral Minister

Jumble Sale Report

Jumbles this year raised \$2,896 net. Our last Jumble Sale was on Saturday 14th November, 2014.

For many years now questions have been raised as to the viability of putting on monthly Jumble Sales. It takes a lot of time, effort and planning to hold one. It's hard work and the number of volunteers ready, willing and able to do the work is declining.

A decision was made last year to reduce the number of Jumbles held each year and change their format.

To this end, other types of "Jumble Sales" have been organised. Our first, The Easter Kids Market was held in March 2015 this year and raised \$957 net (this is in addition to \$2,896).

Our aim with these new "Sales" is to work smarter, not harder, while still achieving our goals of fundraising, fellowship and community outreach.

Peter B



Children's Ministry

Mainly Music

Mainly Music continues supported by a fabulous team. Between 10 and 20 families regularly attend.

July this year is the 5th birthday of Mainly Music. Over the five years we have had contact with over 80 families. Our prayer is that as we sew may the Good Lord reap.

Thanks to all the team for the love and support offered to the families.

Jill



Children's Ministry (cont'd)

Melville Kids plus+

This year the format of Kids plus+ has changed. Instead of weekly session a 6 week program is delivered starting in week 3 of the school term. The wonderful volunteers work very hard to deliver a first class program, this term the theme is "Fruit of the Spirits". We have also linked in with Noelene from GFS who has been very supportive.

Several families have moved on as the children have taken up a sport. Currently there are five families who attend and it is hoped, with advertising, the numbers will grow again. Sincere Thanks to the volunteers for their hard work and devotion.

Jill



Children's Ministry (cont'd)

Sunday Club Report

Sunday club continues being held on the 1st Sunday of the month. Families appear to be able to manage and enjoy the monthly opportunity to come together. The children have a lesson linked to the lectionary combining lessons, craft and games. It has been great to see whole families attend together with parents and grandparents enjoying the church service while the children are engaged in meaningful activities. Thanks to Emma for her commitment.

Jill



Children's Ministry (cont'd)

All of the children's Ministry programs are valued by the families who participate. Following are comments from one of the families and a volunteer:-

"My girls and I have been involved in Mainly Music and Kidsplus+ at Church of the Holy Cross for 4 years. We love going to the programs. Mainly Music is a great place to spend time and interact with your child(ren) and also to catch up with parents over a cuppa to support and encourage each other on the parenting journey and life in general. KidsPlus+ is a caring and supportive place that the child(ren) can go and have fun together. My daughters really like the craft activities each week. I think it is important to have friends outside of school and KidsPlus+ is one way of providing that for our daughters. We really like the caring, encouraging and supportive atmosphere that Church of the Holy Cross provides and we value other Christian role-models and Christian input in our girls' lives."

"As a volunteer at Kidsplus+ I can see that it is a wonderful program for the development of team work, self confidence, trust and personality. The children who attend are very happy to take home crafts, prayers cards, cooking and other items that can be used with the whole family. At the end of each session they are very keen to show their parents and brothers and sisters what they have been doing. If laughter and happiness are any indication Kidsplus+ is the place to be on Thursday afternoons."

The Order of St Luke the Physician

Combined Secretary and Chaplain's Report



Membership

- Members: 8
- Associate Members: none
- New Members: none
- Lone Members: The Rev'd. Charles Brookes
(Attempts to contact other
(lone members has been unsuccessful)

Services

Monthly healing services are held on the first Thursday of each month. Monthly: Last Sunday of each month: Laying on of hands, prayer and anointing following Eucharist at Holy Cross Anglican Church, Melville – average attendance 4-5.

Topics covered during the past year

- Struggling with thirst
- Healing was also fulfilment of prophecy
- Meditation – 'The Broken Shell'
- The Healing Ministry of the disciples
- Healing through the Sacrament of the Eucharist
Rev'd Lynne Eastoe – Guest Preacher
- Change, acceptance and healing
- Letting go letting God and healing
- Struggling with grief
- St Brigit of Kildare and healing
- Carols and short Bible Readings

The Order of St Luke the Physician (cont'd)

Special Services

- Sunday 7th September 2014: Combined Chapter Service with Canning River Chapter: to confer State Life OSL Membership upon Rev'd Charles Brookes by Canon Frank Watts, followed by afternoon tea and fellowship.
- Sunday 19th October 2014: Celebration of St Luke's Feast Day in St George's Cathedral, Perth. Guest Preacher Rev Dr Stewart MC Phearson - Dean of Bunbury Cathedral, followed by refreshments on the terrace.
- Friday 20th February 2015: Service for Peel Chapter

Achievements

- Mr Roy Rigby together with Mrs Norma Tebutt manned a stall at the New Age Expo on Friday 17th October 2014 at the Burswood Casino
- Mrs Greta Atkinson has raffled a beautifully hand-made quilt which was donated as a fund raiser. Proceeds of which will be documented in next year's financial statement.

Talks About The Healing Ministry Given By The Chaplain

- Sunday 26th October 2014 in St Luke's Anglican Church in Dalwallinu, by invitation from the Rev'd Kathy Barrett-Lennard. The chaplain was accompanied by the Convener of Peel Chapter - Mrs Margaret Pickering.
- Monday 9th March 2015: Mother's Union

Personal Learning

The chaplain has attended the Mandatory LPM Training Day and six Personal Learning Days at Wollaston College during the year also 'a grief and loss seminar.'

The Order of St Luke the Physician (cont'd)

Acknowledgement Of The Following People

- Hospitality of Melville Anglican Church and support of the rector Rev'd Debbie May and her husband Wayne until end of October 2014.
- Mr Peter Bowman for his support with printing flyers and service sheets.
- Treasurer: Mrs Betty Smith-Gander
- Secretary: Mrs Hazel Dagg
- The support of all OSL members and associates.



The chaplain continues to believe in the prudence of considering the seeking of expressions of interest for the position of Chapter Chaplain for Perth Melville Chaplain at some future date.

The support and enthusiasm of all chapter members is much appreciated by the chaplain.

The spiritual growth within the chapter remains a source of encouragement.

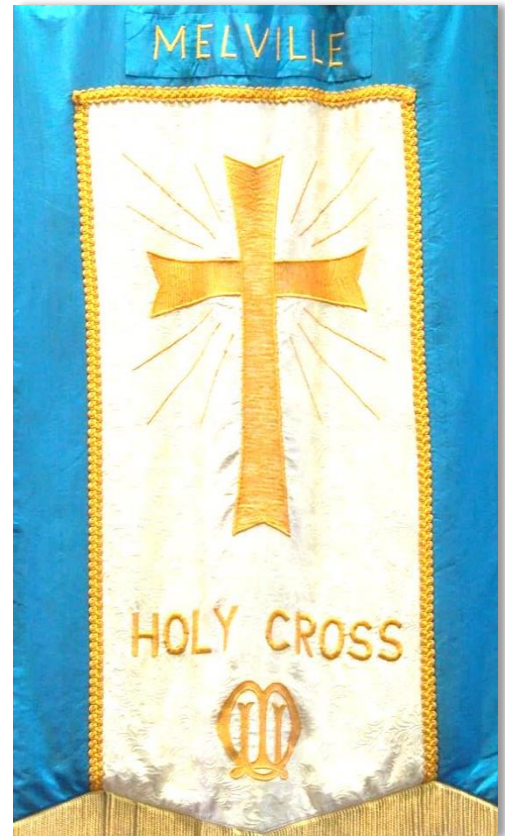
Prayerfully and with God's direction we embrace a new year.

Mrs Beryl Shooter
Chaplain

MU Australia – Melville Branch Report

MU continues to quietly help our Parish by members:

- Being on the flower roster
- Being on the Alter duties
- Being on the Morning teas
- Organising birthday cards for members of the Church family
- Being involved with Mainly Music
- Being involved with Kids Plus
- Organising the Cradle Roll
- Purchasing bible books for baptisms
- Being involved with St Luke's Healing Ministries



We have attended MU Council Meetings here and Rockingham. Shared meetings with Applecross. Had a Christmas Party with Applecross. Attended the World Day of Prayer at Pater Noster and took a World Day of Prayer program to St Ive's, Myaree the same week. Held a bring and buy. Held a meeting with Applecross. Had two MU ladies from England and Wales as guests. Went to the Area Festival in Forrstfield and also at St David's Applecross where Arch Bishop Rodger Herft was our guest. Had a Shrove Tuesday evening with Kids Plus and Mainly Music mums and children. Had guest speaker Beryl Shooter come and tell us about St Luke's Healing services.

This year our theme is Sowing/Sewing together. We are going to make heat bags to raise some money for Overseas and Northern Outreach Project.

Betty Rushforth
President Melville Branch

Multi-Media Team & Church Website

Sadly, with Wayne leaving, our team has been reduced to two, Mike and me.

It is not until someone leaves and you attempt to step into their role that you realise just how skilled and how hard working they were. So it is with Wayne.

The media equipment in the church is starting to show its age:

- The projector is not compatible with current HDMI formats.
- The radio microphones do not operate on the newly required frequencies.

and although not serious problems now, money will have to be allocated to updating this equipment soon.

A big thanks to Mike who has stepped up and taken on the extra workload now that there only the two of us on the media team.

The Church Website is a valuable source of information about our Church and the activities happening in it.

Groups within the church have been using our social media sites such as facebook and twitter to publicise news and events associated with the Church (ie the Easter Kids Market) and this has been of great benefit.

Peter B



Tennis Court Report

The tennis court continues to be a good source of income for the Church. Although usage has reduced somewhat, the annual income is still about \$4,000.

The court is used mainly during the day by groups comprising senior ladies, who are always looking for new members. Night tennis is nearly always available with only 2 nights booked regularly.

After 6 years use the old net has been replaced. However, during the next year approximately \$150 will need to be spent on remarking the lines.

Vacancies are available, so form a group and tell your friends.

Norm



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