

Anglican Diocese of Adelaide





**B**elieve there is a future I find myself pondering on a comment made recently. In explaining what we are doing with the organ, the scope and size of the project, someone said (my words), "You really do believe you have a future, don't you?" It's a good question to ask, perhaps especially following the unveiling of that long hidden window. The 'discovery' of the St Cecilia window serves as a reminder of the love and generosity lavished on the Cathedral by former generations. We are indeed the inheritors of many cherished treasures. What will future generations say about our stewardship of the Cathedral and its many treasures? Will there be future generations of people who call St Peter's Cathedral home? (You may like to read the 5-part series of sermons preached over these past weeks - helpfully collected into a booklet with photos, available soon from the Cathedral Shop.)



# D lanned Giving

This month everyone on the parish roll will receive a Planned Giving card through the mail. Planned Giving is the way to contribute to the day-to-day expenses of ministry at the Cathedral and thus ensure there is a future. At the end of June, 138 people were making regular financial contributions through the Planned Giving Scheme - either by some form of electronic banking or the use of envelopes. Some \$4,400 per week is contributed in this way. A further \$2000 or so is received through the 'open plate' each week.

Together with income from investments and rentals (a legacy of past generations of worshippers) we just about meet our running costs. But there is little to spare with weekly expenditure running at over \$13,000.

My next words are addressed to those of you who worship regularly, who love the Cathedral, its people and all that it stands for. Will you consider becoming a regular Planned Giver? Make the commitment. Fill out a Planned Giving card. Go online and set up a regular weekly/monthly to St Peter's Cathedral. (BSB 305-122, Account No 0256051)

### hank you

To those who are already Planned Givers, thank you. Thank you for your faithful, generous, cheerful giving. And while we are saying thank you, let me again say thank you to all who continue to give to the Organ Appeal. To raise over \$800,000 in little over two years is quite remarkable. A long way to go yet to bring the organ back - but what a good start!

### nexpected Treasure

Flanked by King David playing his harp and Jubal playing the lyre (see Genesis 4: 21), St Cecilia is the patron saint of church music. Despite being one of the most popular saints in the early church she is known only from a 5th century legend. The connection with church music came about in the 16th century, when the first 'modern' organs began to be used in church.

The stunning window was a gift from the citizens of Adelaide in memory of Lady Edith Fergusson, wife of the Governor of SA, who died in 1871. It has been hidden from view since the installation of the organ in 1930. The organ builders have been able to drop an

extension cord between the large wooden pipes (which are not being removed) and the window itself. Although not perfect the single light bulb/globe lights most of the window which can be viewed at night when standing in the Memorial Garden (lit until 9pm each night).



Photo: Greg Crombie

# Dismantling the organ



THE TEAM from Harrison & Harrison: John, Andy and Kelvin



Organ on the move: uplifted and loaded ready for shipping











## News from around the Anglican Communion Swazi Anglicans : Serious about the environment

Young people cleaning up Young people the Diocese of Swaziland recently embarked on campaign to raise environmental awareness. Their challenge is to cycle 450km, conducting clean-up workshops with local informal traders along the way, working



in partnership with local Environmental Authorities. A spokesperson for the diocese reported that interns with the Department of Housing were amazed to see the church involved in the local communities in this way.

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### AUCKLAND CATHEDRAL WELCOME



V isitors from six of Auckland's Shia Muslim Centres were welcomed into Auckland's Holy Trinity Cathedral for their Ramadan fast-breaking meal. The visitors arrived an hour before sunset for guided walks around the cathedral. Some were moved to tears: "A lot of people were struck by the beauty of the cathedral," said Revd Ivica, "but for others, their emotion was as much about the unexpectedness of the welcome, and the hospitality they were receiving."

"We need to stand together in this hard time, in the face of evil terrors against humanity in different places of the world." said a Shia Muslim guest, Syed Abid Jafery.

The event mirrored the usual Iftar pattern held in mosques: welcome, call to prayer, breaking of the fast with dates and sweet tea, evening prayer, then a meal – in this case provided and served by cathedral people.

"In the light of terror like we have seen recently, it is important that we meet together to defy stereotypes of each other," said Revd Bruce, who is a founding member of Auckland's Shia Muslim-Christian Council.

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**Prayers for peace \*** Wednesdays 5.30pm

★ Joining Together for Peace A multi faith offering of word, music and candle lighting

United Nations Day of Peace Thursday 21st September, 7pm. Mats from plastic waste

The Mother's Union in Swaziland ran a competition for the best and most artistic mats created from plastic waste, aimed at encouraging local people to recycle waste. The prizes



were 'rocket stoves' – which use small twigs rather than whole branches and concentrate the heat to make them very fuel efficient. Swaziland suffers environmental challenges, including a recent devastating drought and much soil erosion caused by deforestation.

### COMPANIONS ON THE WAY IN CANADA

Companions on the Way is a programme where young women live for some months with the nuns of the order of The Sisterhood of St. John the Divine (SSJD) in Toronto – an experience that left a major impact on sisters and companions alike.



"Being here and sort of being forced to interact with the same people constantly," commented one companion, "somehow makes it a safe place to figure out healthy boundaries... and communication."

"It has been a roller coaster of a ride," said another. "[It] has changed me and has given me new insights and new ways to look at not just God, but myself, my community and the people in my community."

One of the sisters added:

"It was so lovely to have some younger people to relate to. We still have a lot to learn about how best to help them. But I enjoyed their energy, and each of them helped us in different ways."

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# A SACRED SPACE

**SOUVENIR OF ST PETER'S CATHEDRAL, ADELAIDE** Design and layout by John Hamilton, with stunning photographs by our 'own' DREAM TEAM IMAGING and others, and text by Christine Nelson. This delightful gift is perfect for tourists or anyone looking a special memento of our Cathedral.

Launch: 13 August, 12.15pm (at the Parish Meeting) Cost: \$14.50. Special launch-day offer: Two for \$25!



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