

St. Clement's Anglican Church

A BRIEF HISTORY
1858 – 2022

“The Little Church
On the Hill”



The Parish of Broadview and Enfield



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The Parish Church of St. Clement's – Enfield, South Australia, derives its name from the Third Bishop of Rome – Clement (88-97 AD).

Clement wrote a letter to the Christians in Corinth to settle a controversy among them. While its tone was one of charity rather than authority, this letter showed that the Bishop of Rome considered himself empowered to intervene in the affairs of another community; and the fact that his letter was soon regarded as having almost canonical status evidence of the Roman Bishop's prestige throughout the whole Christendom.

Clement, who was regarded as the oldest of the Apostolic Fathers, was exiled to Siberia where he ministered to the needs of the exiled Christians. However, eventually he was sentenced to death, and was tied to an anchor and lowered into the sea to his death.

The Anglican Church at Enfield, South Australia, known as St. Clement's Church has its Patronal festival within the octave of St. Clement's Day, November 23rd, each year, and the sign of the anchor is shown on the front of the altar, together with two fish, which represent the sea into which Clement was cast to his death. This was carved by Mr. Kennion Brindal and presented to the church.



AMALGAMATIONS:

In 1987, Northfield parish (formerly known as Church of St Francis of Assisi) was amalgamated with St Clements on the 1st March, 1987.

In 2005, St. Clement's Church, Enfield became a co-operating parish with St. Philip's Church, Broadview and together was known as "The Co-operating Parishes of Broadview and Enfield.

In January 2009 the parishes amalgamated and we are now "The Parish of Broadview and Enfield".

CHURCH CHRONOLOGY

The Foundation Stone was laid on the 27th July, 1858 and on the 24th November 1867 the Church was opened for worship.

In 1880 a shed was erected at the back of the Church and served as a Vestry for many years.

1882 the Vestry decided that the Church should be restored and enlarged and a new Chancel was built at a cost of four hundred pounds (\$800).

1901 saw the stone Vestry built to take the place of the shed which had been erected some twenty years earlier.

1918 the Church had a thorough renovation and some sixty pounds (\$120) was spent. Electricity was also installed.

1968 - Fifty years on and urgent repairs was needed to maintain the old building.

On 26th November 1969 a Special Vestry Meeting was held to decide the future of the Church building – either restore or rebuild. Advice was sought from an independent architect, a builder experienced in church restoration work and an architect from the National Trust. All three gentlemen suggested that restoration could be carried out and so preserve the old, which had become known local as the “Little Church on the Hill”, and was for many years to come.

The cost of this project was estimated to be about \$10,000. It was not until late 1970 that the work actually commenced and continued for almost six years.

Today we are still worshipping in this old church and we are proud to be part of this wonderful and beautiful house of the Lord.

For many years the City Emblem of the City of Enfield depicted St. Clement's Church in the top right hand corner. (See back page)

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

As we step into the front porch of our church, we see on the right, a brass plaque to the memory of the Reverend Frank Mayger, who was Rector of St. Clement's from 1967-1979 and worked very hard to organise and supervise the major restoration work carried out at that time.

The painting of the Church was done by Marjorie Newton in 1970 and the sketch (also on second page) was done by Jonathan Hogarth in 2009. Currently these are replaced by two early photographs of the church.

We then enter the Church itself:

The Windows:

Either side of the Nave we have stained glass windows – these were given by Mrs. Agnes Baker 'in memory of her late husband, Les, and for all those who have no memorial'. (23-3-89)

The first one on your left depicts **St. Luke**, as a caring and experienced old physician with a mother and child. The next one shows a happy **St. Francis**, surrounded by animals and the third one behind the Choir Pews is of **St. Clement**, our Patron Saint, as an early Pope with the letter he wrote to Corinth.

On the other side, the first window shows **Martha**, who like St. Luke, is in a serving role – ladling food into a bowl for three waiting children. Next is **St. George**, dressed as an early Crusader, having conquered the 'Dragon', with the maiden in the background. (At the request of Mrs. Baker, the face of St. George is of her husband.)

The Sanctuary Windows: (See last page)

Were a gift to St. Clement's in memory of Mrs Joan Mary Brindal. (2-9-90)

On the left is the Crucifixion with nails through the wrist (as requested by the donor). In traditional pose are Mary and John at the foot of the Cross but in everyday attire.

The central group of three windows is inspired by the Emmaus Story, where the Resurrected Christ is in the act of breaking Bread in the ordinary home where he accepted hospitality. All three Christ figures are in plain 'T' shirts. The mother and two children are Joan Brindal's grand-daughters

On the right the Holy Ghost descends upon the apostles.

Cedar Prest designed and created all the stain glass windows.

The Wall Hanging:

'The Mantle on the Wall', behind the Priest's Prayer Desk, reminds us that Jesus embraces us with his love and helps us to be like the wise man who built his house on rock. This was given to the congregation by Rev'd Ian Young.

Framed Banner of St. Clement's Mothers' Union:

The banner was used from 1859-2011. With an aging congregation in 2011 the number of members had declined so much that it was not viable for the ladies to continue. It was decided to have the banner framed to preserve it.

FURNITURE, FITTINGS AND ORNAMENTS:

CHURCH:

Statue of St. Francis of Assisi:

Directly behind the organ, was presented to the Church of St. Francis of Assisi by Mrs. Vida Wintle in memory of her late husband and transferred to St. Clement's when the Northfield Parish was amalgamated with St. Clements on 1st March, 1987.

Prayer Desk and Lectern:

Made and presented by Mr. H.J.R. Edwards (18 May, 1884)

Ornamental Front Plate of the Altar:

Made with refurbished and presented by Mr. K. Brindal (1997)

Font: *Presented by Mr. W.H. Brooks (1873)*

Font Cover:

Presented by Miss Bentham in memory of Hubert Bury (1899)

Fontal Ewer (Jug):

Made by Mr. A.E. Robinson from material donated by members of the Parish in memory of Hubert Bury (1920)

Eucharistic Lights, Vesper Lights and Litany Desk:

Presented by the Reverend L.P. Crawford (1899)

Altar Cross:

Presented by the Sunday School Scholars (1907)

Missal Stand:

A gift from the Parish in memory of Lieut. Earnest Nutting who gave his life in the Great War at Grant Court, France, 18th November 1916 (1916)

Crucifix – a Brass Figure on a Blackwood Cross:

From St. Catherine's, London – presented by Mr. A.E. Robinson (1917)

Brass Alms Plate:

Given by the Guild of the Holy Childhood (Easter 1919)

Sanctuary Lamp:

Presented by the Reverend C.W. Woolley (1940)

Processional Cross:

In memory of E.C. & A.E. Lewitzka – made and presented by their grandson Mr. E.C. Robinson (1957)

Three Pedestal Flower Stands:

Made and presented by Mr. K. Brindal (1978)

Three Hassocks:

Worked and presented by ladies of the Parish (1978)

Organ:

'Eminent Omegon' – a Thank Offering from the parishioners for 64 years of Service by Mr. Sydney A. Robinson as Organist at St. Clement's (July 1983)

Amplifier (Realistic) and Microphone Stand:

Donated by the Church of St. Francis of Assisi, Northfield. A Diversity Wireless Tune has recently added.

Microphone:

Donated by Mr. R. Harris. A second microphone and a personal unit have also been added.

Kneelers:

Tapestry Covers worked and given by the ladies of the parish (1978)

Wall to Wall Carpet:

Presented by the Ladies' Guild (1977)

Bishop's Chair:

Given by St. Ninian's Church in memory of Charles Cane (1977)

Priest's Prayer Desk:

Also given by St. Ninian's Church in memory of Marie Jane Cane (1977)

Warden's Staves:

Presented by Messrs. J. Harley and S. Hartshorn (1979)

Warden's Staves Bases:

Made and given by Mr. K. Brindal (1979)

Baptismal Candle Stick:

In memory of Mr. Len Lammas – presented by the Lamas Family (1979)

Aumbry:

Presented by Mrs. Joan Thorogood in memory of her late husband, Mr. Roy Thorogood (1983)

Votive Candle Cabinet:

In memory of Dorothy May Stanier – presented by her family (2012)

VESTRY:

Fireproof Document Steel Cabinet (Chubb):

Given by Mrs. Ada Robinson with the additional donations from parishioners (1985)

Burglar proof safe:

*Presented by Mr & Mrs R.T. Harris (1968)
Replaced (2001)*

Vestment Drawers, Cupboards, Sink and Benches:

Presented by the Ladies' Guild (1970)

Chair (green office type armchair):

To the memory of Mrs. Vera Goldsworthy (1965)

Floor Covering:

Presented by the Ladies' Guild (1977)

UTENSILS:

Small Silver Chalice, Paten, Bread Box and Tray:

Presented by St. Ninian's Church (1977) – Tray in memory of Alfred L. Hincks 1949.

Silver Tray (for Communal Elements):

In memory of Mr. Len Lamma (1977)

Ceremonial Trowel:

Presented to Mr. Sydney Robinson who laid the Foundation Stone of the Parish Centre 29/11/64 and then passed it on to St. Clement's (1989)

Silver Ciborium:

In memory of John Leslie Stanier (1996)

Home Communion Set:

In memory of Mr. Richard James Parfitt (2006)

Lectern Bible:

In memory of Christopher and Alan Buxton and Jayne Stefanovic (2008)

Cruet Set on Gold Plated Tray:

In memory of Allen Andrew McDonald (2011) and Audrey Jean Mavis Bernice McDonald (2013) bought from a donation from their family given to St. Clement's.

RAGLESS HALL

The foundation stone was laid on 29th November 1964. The hall was finished in 1966 and named after a prominent pioneer family, the Ragless family, who arrived in South Australia in 1838 from the Sussex Village of Angmering in England. On the 18th September 1966 the hall with office and amenities was opened by Mrs. L.D.B. Riley who before her marriage was Miss Ragless had been Organist and Sunday School Teacher at St. Clement's. The Ragless family had donated of 1,500 pounds towards the building of the hall.

Late 1998 saw the addition of the decking and the ramp and inside the addition of a 'disabled' toilet.

23rd April, 2021 saw the start to the complete restoration (which cost about \$10,000) of the stairs, decking and ramp (which included painting) by Mr Ory. The restoration of the stairs, deck and ramp took several months and was completed by the end of June, 2021.



THE "DOWN UNDER" (Later called the Op. Shop)

This room, which is literally down under the hall, was opened for the sale of used clothing and other goods in the early eighties. After a very short time it became a very viable venture. In 1984 a veranda was erected as an extension and was very welcome protection against the weather. Extensions to the now called Op. Shop took place in 1998/99 – all the work being done by parishioners. The shed like building is still standing in the car park but due to the many Op. Shops opening in the district and an aging congregation, in the early 2,000s, it was decided to close the shop.

In 2009 the doors were opened again and a new parish venture started – **The Book Shed** but in recent years this has also been closed.

In 2013 after visiting the Book Shed tentative enquiries were made by men looking for a new home for their **Men's Shed**. As only about a third of the old Op. shop space was being used for books it was agreed that we would rent them the unused space. After much discussion, planning and a lot of alterations to the book area in February, 2014 the "**MAP (Men At Play) Shed at St. Clement's**" opened and is open on Thursdays.

THE HISTORY OF THE CSI MALAYALAM CONGREGATION



Between 2011 and 2013 the CSI Malayalam Congregation used St Clement's Church as their home before becoming a member congregation of the Parish of Broadview and Enfield.

The Church of South India (CSI) was formed in 1947 by the organic union of the Anglican, Methodist, Presbyterian, and Congregational traditions in south India, The CSI became a member of the Anglican Communion in 1990. The CSI recognises that the elements of all four parent traditions are important in its life. However, its liturgical heritage comes mostly from the Anglican tradition – and this united church has also inherited episcopacy and church governance from the same source. The CSI is the ecumenical expression of the Anglican Church in south India and therefore also in Australia.

The inspiration for this immigrant community to worship together in Adelaide came from the CSI Church in Melbourne, Victoria. On April 24, 2012, six CSI families gathered at Ajith Simpson's residence for a prayer meeting. They were Ajith Simpson, Seena Ajith, Shobitha Raj, Sophia Beena Lazer, Bensilal Devadanam, Hepsi Stephenson, Joshitha Mathew, Bincy Baburaj, Justin Mathew, Subhash Abel, Suraj Samuel Madathil, and Sania Suraj. These members decided to start a CSI Congregation in Adelaide.

After consultating the CSI Church, Melbourne, it was decided that the Church would have its first service on Saturday, May 12, 2012. Eight families from the CSI Church, Melbourne came to Adelaide with the necessary arrangements in place for the Holy Communion. After that service, a committee was formed under the leadership of Ajith Simpson as its President and it was decided to have Holy Communion on the first Saturday of every month. The other services were led by laypersons on every Second and Fourth Sundays. Sunday School and Women's Fellowship also started then.

Wanting to have its own space, the Congregation sought to be under the auspices of the Anglican Diocese of Adelaide. With this as its goal, the Committee approached Archbishop Jeffrey Driver and Bishop Tim Harris who kindly permitted the Congregation the use of St. Clement's Anglican Church. As requested, the CSI Church, Melbourne agreed to send Rev. Joby John on the first Saturday of every

month. Later, services were held by Rev. Thomas Korah, also from Melbourne. For some time, services were held in St. George Anglican Church, Alberton by Rev. T Sadanandan and Rev. Samson Aashirvadam. From August 2015, Rev. Vinod Victor visited once a month for the service. The first baptism of this Congregation was that of David Bensilal (son of Bensilal Devadanam), which was held on July 19, 2015.

On June 4, 2016, the congregation moved permanently to St. Philip's Church, Broadview. This facility was provided by Bishop Tim Harris. Rev Santhosh S Kumar was commissioned as the Parish Priest of the Parish of Broadview and Enfield on October 25, 2017, appointed by the Anglican Diocese of Adelaide. On May 20, 2018, Bishop Tim Harris declared the CSI Malayalam Congregation, Adelaide a member congregation of the Parish of Broadview and Enfield and so the members of the CSI Church, Adelaide, were integrated into the life of the Anglican Diocese of Adelaide as a member congregation of the Parish of Broadview and Enfield bearing the name, 'CSI Malayalam Congregation, Adelaide'.

Services are held on Sundays at 4 pm in Malayalam at St Philip's following the CSI Liturgy. The three congregations join in worship together on special occasions such as the Patronal Festivals of St Philip's and St Clement's, and when there is a fifth Sunday in the month.



Stain Glass Windows in the Sanctuary

Priest in Charge List

<u>Year</u>	<u>Priest</u>
1853-1868	A/d Rev Cannon WJ Woodcock
1868-1873	A/d C Marryat MA
1873-1884	Rev JS Haynes
1884-1887	Rev FT Whittington O/c B.H.M.S.
1887-1889	Rev RT Mathews BA
1889-1890	Rev Cannon FT Whittington O/c B.H.M.S.
1890-1891	Rev MW Wood MA
1891-1893	Rev BC Stephenson MA O/c B.H.M.S.
1893-1894	Rev T Ward
1894-1896	Rev WGM Murphy
1897	A/d C Morse MA O/c B.H.M.S.
1898	A/d C Morse MA O/c B.H.M.S.
1898-1900	Rev LP Crawford MA
1900-1901	Rev MLC Headlam MA
1901-1902	Rev LP Crawford MA O/c B.H.M.S.
1902-1903	A/d S French MA O/c B.H.M.S.
1903-1905	Rev GH Jose BA

<u>Year</u>	<u>Priest</u>
1905-1906	Rev W Cooke
1906-1908	Rev WS Thomas
1908-1909	Rev Cannon FS Poole MA
1909-1913	A/d WJ Bussell O/c B.H.M.S.
1913-1914	Rt Rev Bishop C DD Wilson Rev HN Drummond ThL
1914-1915	Rev J Colville BA
1912-1913	A/d WJ Bussell O/c B.H.M.S.
1917-1918	A/d WJ Bussell O/c B.H.M.S.
1919-1922	Rev Arthur H. Nutting O/c B.H.M.S
1923- 1925	Rev A Stokes BA
1926	Rev FT Morgan-Plater MA O/c B.H.M.S.
1927-1928	Rev Cannon WGM Murphy O/c B.H.M.S.
1928-1929	Rev HN Drummond ThL
1930- 1933	Rev J Colville MA
1934-1937	Rev HB Walker
1937-1939	Rev FG Price
1940-1942	Rev CW Woolley
1943- 1944	Rev AR Bowers ThL
1944-1946	Rev FL Walker

<u>Year</u>	<u>Priest</u>
1946-1956	Rev JGM Gent BA ThL Schol
1956-1957	Rev N Crawford
1957-1959	A/d FA Cadd O/c B.H.M.S.
1959-1967	Rev TR Fleming ThL
1968- 1978	Rev FJ Mayger
1979 - 1994	Rev JB Gilbert ThL
1994-1999	Rev Ian Young
2000-2004	Fr Graham Roper
2005-2011	Rev Caroline Pearce
2009-2011	Rev Ian Chaplin (Assisting)
2011-2012	Rev Stuart Langshaw (Locum – August to December)
2012-2016	Rev Sophie Relf-Christopher
2016-2016	Rev Susan Straub (Locum – August to December)
2017-2017	Rev Caroline Pearce (Locum – January to October)
2017-2019	Rev Dr Santhosh S Kumar (Sick Leave - 31/3/2019)
2019-2019	The Rev Yvonne Riley (Locum – March to August)
2019- Present	Rev Dr Santhosh S Kumar (Resumed from sick leave 25 th August 2019)



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REGULAR SERVICES:

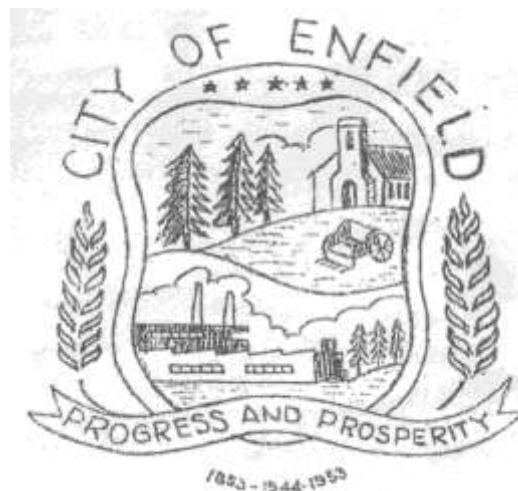
<i>St. Clements:</i>	Sunday	9.00 am – Sung Eucharist
<i>St. Philips:</i>	Sunday	10.30 am – Sung Eucharist
<i>CSI Malayalam:</i>	Sunday	4.00 pm – Sung Eucharist

WEBSITE - <https://broadviewenfieldchurch.org/>

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YOUTUBE - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLF90LtamCXxmorLNk28Dww>

HOLY DAYS & COMBINED SERVICES – as announced



COUNCIL EMBLEM 1953-1984

(June 2022)