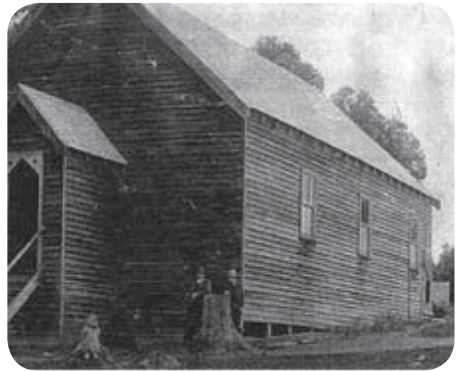


## Denmark celebrates 100 years

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1911 Denmark was separated from the Albany Road Board and officially gazetted and named the “Denmark Road District”. To celebrate 100 years, **from Road Board to Shire of Denmark**, there is a **Back to Denmark Weekend** — this weekend.

The events will take place in the Denmark central business district — right alongside St Leonard’s Anglican church.



## Time Capsule

The Denmark Shire is planning to instal a time capsule in Kwoorabup Community Park (on the right bank of the river by the new hospital) on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2011 (vide Shire of Denmark Centenary Celebrations Events Calendar).

It is proposed that a Centenary Prayer be included in the Time Capsule. A prayer for that purpose has been written by Alison Kershaw (p 6) and it is suggested this prayer be used for the special events today.

**S**T LEONARD’S ANGLICAN CHURCH, Denmark was dedicated by Bishop Riley on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October, 1899 when Denmark was still part of the Albany district. There is a brief history of St Leonard’s on the church website [www.denmarkanglican.org/about/history/st\\_l\\_history.htm](http://www.denmarkanglican.org/about/history/st_l_history.htm).

Recently, the parish received a grant towards professional services costs to prepare a conservation plan. This is now almost complete and the next step may be an application for a grant to assist with the cost of repairs and conservation of St Leonard’s church building. A special fund has been established for this purpose.

# Centenary Prayer

## **G**ROUND OF ALL BEING,

Giver and Sustainer of every moment in time:

Gather the prayers of all who meet in this little weatherboard church today.

Hold our prayers safely in this sacred space ; carry them through the years ; and deliver them into the hearts of all who may come to hear them.

Carry our prayers of gratitude for the land that nurtures us ; may the spirit of the indigenous custodians of this ancient land be ever present to guide those who make their home here ; may the rivers still flow clearly ; may towering karris keep their watch over many generations ; may migratory birds continue to find sanctuary on our shores ; and whales still make their annual pilgrimage from Antarctica.

Carry our prayers of hope for the Denmark community ; may it continue to be a place where people greet each other in the street ; where newcomers are made welcome, where music is made and choirs meet, where the arts thrive and markets hum with life.

Carry our prayers for the life of the church ; whatever changes the years may bring, may it continue to be a place where the gospel of compassion and empowerment is still heard ; may it continue to be a place of song and prayer ; a place of sanctuary and inspiration ; a place for seeking and questing ; a place of reassurance ; a place of open-heartedness ; and a place of stillness and peace.

Carry our prayers of repentance for the mistakes we have made and for what we have left undone in our environment and our community ; Strengthen us to live our lives to the full ; to comprehend the breath, and length and height and depth, of all that has been given, and all that is possible.

## **G**ROUND OF ALL BEING,

Giver and Sustainer of every moment in time:

Work within us and through all generations to accomplish abundantly far more than we can ask or imagine.

In the name of Christ, our beginning and our end, **AMEN**.

*Ephesians 3 :14-21*

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18<sup>th</sup> September 2011