



GOOD SAMARITAN ARTS

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DEAR ARTISANS AND FRIENDS

Welcome to the second edition of our Arts Newsletter. My thanks to all those who responded by phone or email to the first edition. It was very encouraging to have your input. We artisans hold this part of our ministry dearly. I am reminded of what James Gleeson said in relation to the work of his fellow painter Fred Williams "The rarest of artists are the ones who see familiar things as no one has previously seen them, and who, in setting down their vision, reshape our world for us." Well I don't think any of us is of the calibre of Fred Williams but we can claim a small share in "reshaping" the vision for our world. Through our Art Shop we can share the vision; we can hopefully sell some of our work and thereby help others with their ministries and we can buy more materials to carry on with our art work.

I have decided to feature one of our artists in each copy of the Newsletter. See page two for our initial featured artist.

We will have the Art Shop open during the Chapter. I would like to encourage you to look ahead to Christmas and make purchases for gifts. If you buy from the Shop you are helping us and helping others rather than making the rich richer in other shops. If you are from interstate you could ask me to post your purchases on to you. Then you will not add to your baggage .

Sister Judith Souter
for the Artisans



MAIL ORDER SERVICE

We are delighted to offer a mail order Service. Sister Judith Souter is available by mobile 0408 435 782 and is able to assist you with your order.

A flat rate of \$10 per parcel is charged to cover postage and handling.

If you are unable to come to the shop contact Judith, and, if necessary, she can photograph any item to assist with your choice.

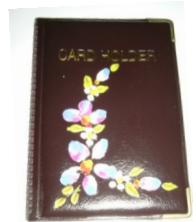
Presents

There is a wide variety of gifts in the Shop.



Manicure set \$6

If you are looking for small items to make up gift packages then Marie Lane does a wide variety of such things as diaries, address books, pens, decorated with very attractive Folk Art motifs. These are very reasonably priced. Marie takes to heart St Benedict's advice "Let the goods always be sold a little cheaper than they are sold by people of the world, that in all things God may be glorified." RB 57.



Card holder \$5

Cards are always a favourite!

Many are photographic, some have beautiful calligraphy, others are painted or are hand crafted.

Judith Souter is happy to make up orders for her hand crafted cards.

All cards sell for \$2.50 each



OUR FEATURED ARTIST
SISTER JUDY FOSTER sgs.



From 1984 through to 2007 I ministered in Liturgy formation across the Sydney region and various places across N.S.W.

EVOLUTION OF THE ARTIST

Life begins at forty. That is certainly true of my artistic life. The birth of the *Dreaming Group* (under Monica Spark's inspiration) in preparation for the 1987 chapter unleashed my creative spirit in poetry and art. Later in 1987 while in Ireland to study Liturgy, I discovered I had an eye for photography which has continued to develop.

I was born in Melbourne and spent my childhood in East Preston where I met the Good Samaritan Sisters. After Profession in 1968 I taught primary school in Sydney and Townsville. Here my love of music was the only evident artistic talent.

Candlemaking was my first foray into craft when I began making gifts to thank state school catechists in Ruse Parish in the 1980's.

I shared my gifts by conducting days on art and spirituality at The Stables Wivenhoe, in Camden NSW over many years.

I am now Liturgy Consultant for the Townsville Diocese. I travel across its extent, from the Whitsundays to Ingham out to Mt Isa and all in between. This gives me great opportunity to take a variety of photos for making cards.

I am delighted that my hand painted silk scarves are in demand locally and also at Good Samaritan Arts at Polding Villa.

Last year I offered to work with the indigenous women elders in Townsville providing them with opportunities for various art and craft activities.



It is fitting that Judy should be the first featured artist because she was very active in organising and the setting up of the Shop as place where we could display our work.

With Jacinta she worked to produce the beautiful book *The Treasures of St Scholastica's* and the set of coasters and the cards which were bi-products of the book.



Judy is delighted to share her artistic talents with some of the local indigenous people



Judy has beautiful hand-painted silk scarves For \$25 or \$30



Here she is showing a mother and son how to make candles



Judy has taught her groups decorative techniques for glass and fabric.



With these as their firstfruits
what are later artistic results going to be like?



Anita modelling one of the scarves



Judy makes candles in many colours in these shapes priced at \$5 and \$10.



NEWSLETTER FEEDBACK

We are keen to get your feedback on our newsletter. If you would like a copy sent to one of your friends give me the email or land address Please contact Judith Souter Locked Bag 60 Pennant Hills NSW 1715 Email: theresesouter@yahoo.com Mobile: 0408 435 782

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