



The Parish of St Paul of the Cross - Glen Osmond/Parkside

11th - 12th April 2026 ♦ Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday

We are an inclusive Catholic Community connecting people to God and to one another.

Today's Theme:

OUR EASTER JOY

Today as we hail Christ as our Lord and God we are filled with the joy of the disciples in seeing the risen Lord. In this season of renewal we are like those early Christians who were 'filled with a joy so glorious that it cannot be described.'

Entrance Antiphon: Like newborn children you should thirst for milk, on which your spirit can grow to strength, alleluia.

Response to the Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.



MASSES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEK 11th - 17th April

	St Raphael's	St Paul's
Saturday	5:30pm	6:00pm
Sunday	9:30am	8:00am 10:30am 5:00pm
Monday		9:30am
Tuesday		9:30am
Wednesday		9:30am
Thursday	9:30am	
Friday	9:30am	

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St Raphael's Church

Thursday	10:00am until 1.30pm
Friday	10:00am until 1.30pm
Saturday	12:00pm until 3:30pm
Sunday	10:30am until 4:00pm

Roster for 18th - 19th April

St Paul's		St Raphael's	
6:00pm	R: Fiona E. E: Sue C.	5:30pm	R: Amritha A. E: Damien Mc I.
8:00am	R: Paul O. E: Bernie S.	9:30am	R: Carmel G. E: Rosa F.
10:30am	R: Diana G. E: Rayna T.	Count Team: 6	
5:00pm	R: Sue S. E: Dinesh A.	Altar Society: Melanie	

Next Sunday's readings: Third Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts 2:14, 22-33

2nd Reading: 1 Pet 1:17-21

Gospel: Lk 24:13-35

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 12TH APRIL

Celebrated at St Raphael's Church, Parkside. Mass will be the usual time of 9:30am at St Raphael's Church.

- The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available after 9:30am Mass and at 3:00pm.
- Adoration will be from the conclusion of the 9:30am Mass until 4.00pm.
- The Regina Caeli recited at 12noon.
- The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be recited at 3.00pm.
- The day will conclude with Benediction just before 4.00pm.



GIVE EASY

Please scan the QR code for a link to our collections:

1st Collection
Support of Clergy

2nd Collection
Support of Parish



LET US REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR EACH OTHER

Sick: Mark Byass, Paulina Costantine, Elisha Nicols, Trish Betros, Claire Bickmore, Anton Sylvester, Gloria Phillips, Amalie Leditschke, Chris Harwood, Amy & Jude

Recently Deceased: We pray for those who have died

Anniversaries: Fr David Wilkie CP, Charles John Hodge, Antonietta Spina

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which our parishes, communities and offices stand and we pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

We commit ourselves to actively work alongside indigenous people for reconciliation and justice.

EASTER CAME THAT EVENING !!!!!

The Fire, the Dawn, the Alleluia

Since the Easter Vigil last week, our prayer has been alight with the great prayers and symbols of Easter. We have seen the joy on the faces of our young catechumens as the baptismal water was poured and they were anointed with the perfumed Chrism oil. We have stood before the Easter fires blazing in the night, and watched the great Easter Candle carried into the darkened church. There have been Alleluias and Exsultets, and again and again the words have echoed in song and prayer: **“Christ is risen, He is risen indeed.”**

We have listened to the story of stones rolled away from tomb doors, shrouds left lying behind, and angels in dazzling white. It is the dawn of a new world - death undone, hopes fulfilled - and the garden of Paradise, once lost, restored again in the garden of the Resurrection. Dawn indeed, as the sun rises on Sunday morning.

But then... Evening came.

But our Gospel today takes us not to Sunday morning, but to Sunday evening - to what we might call a second resurrection. Not in a garden, but in an upper room.

Behind Locked Doors

In that upper room, behind locked doors, it is still night. The doors are locked not to keep soldiers away, but to hide from what they themselves have done. They are hiding from their own failure, facing the same despair that drove Judas to suicide - haunted by what they had done, what they should never have done, their cowardice and guilt. Their shame is sharpened by the memory that it was left to the women to stand and remain through the nightmare of Calvary.

The stone may have been rolled away, but the upper room is still tightly sealed, filled with the death of their dreams. Their lives feel as finished as that of the Master. Only days before, their hopes had been sky high - a brand-new world, and themselves at the centre of it. And so, beneath their grief, another question lingers: had they been wrong about Jesus - His promises, His prophecies? Of course they loved Him still. Yes, they had failed Him. But quietly, painfully, another thought presses in: had He failed them?

And then - He appeared

And then, unannounced and completely unexpected, He comes. Through locked doors and into their locked lives, there comes a second resurrection - their own.

No Blame. Only Peace

There are no recriminations, no blame, no shaming or disappointment. They are not questioned, not asked to explain themselves. He simply stands among them and speaks peace: **“Peace be with you.”** He breathes His Spirit into their hearts and souls, restoring what had died within them. The story is not over; in fact, it is only just beginning. And astonishingly, He entrusts everything to them. His Father’s mission, precisely in this moment of their frailty and fragility.

A Different Kind of Resurrection

The resurrection that began at dawn now takes a different form. It is not only Christ’s triumph over death, but His living, accepting presence among those who have failed. In calling the disciples again, He gives them something they thought they had lost forever: a future, a reason to live, a reason to begin again.

Thomas and the Wounds

Thomas, so often remembered as the doubter, is really the one who insists on honesty. He cannot move forward until he faces what has been done to Christ - what he should have seen at the Cross. And so he touches the wounds, not simply to verify, but to acknowledge the truth: **“My Lord and my God.”** In that moment, it is not just belief that is restored, but relationship - truth faced, love received, and hope reborn.

The Resurrection Continues

Easter begins at dawn, but it does not end there. The Resurrection that starts at the empty tomb continues in the resurrection of faith, hope, and love in the disciples - in Thomas, in Mary Magdalene and the women, in those walking the road to Emmaus, and even in those who had already returned home to their boats and their old lives.

And Now - In Us

And it continues in us. Sometimes it comes in bright beginnings full of promise; sometimes it comes quietly, in the locked and hidden places of our lives. But the Risen Christ comes all the same, and with Him, life and future are born again:

“Behold, I make all things new.”

In Him who is risen, we too are risen indeed. Alleluia.

TAA - Sometime this week, notice when you have a few moments, imagine Christ standing there with you, just present, saying: **“Peace be with you.”**

Music Suggestions - Three pieces of music that will carry you away. A “Thank God” moment to blow away the cobwebs. If you don’t feel that way, check with your doctor. You may be deceased.

- The Gloria from Bach’s Mass in B Minor https://youtu.be/B-t-ECPkblg?si=Lx_UsFsf80qDLQRj
- The Sanctus – ‘Holy Holy’ from Gounod’s St Cecilia Mass Sung by the great Jessye Norman in Notre Dame Cathedral, Paris, 1994. A recording now 32 years old, but OMG! <https://youtu.be/RszC42mAOtU?si=QCuYBTjQKospzGe>
- Mass for St Cecilia Bach’s Magnificat, conducted by Jordi Savall https://youtu.be/fUt88ImPV-E?si=665161O79IA5j_H5

EASTER FEEDBACK

Thank you once again to all our volunteers who contributed over the Easter weekend. Whether you served as a leader on Good Friday or as a reader on Easter Sunday, your support is truly appreciated—we couldn't do it without you.

We warmly welcome any feedback from our parishioners regarding our Good Friday service and Easter Masses. The staff and clergy will be meeting next week and would greatly value your input.

Feedback can be emailed to parish@themonastery.net.au. If you prefer to remain anonymous, suggestion boxes will be available at each church this weekend.

SPA IN A JAR DONATIONS

Last year through the many generous donations of coffee jars we have enough to do our "Spa in a Jar" for Centacare's domestic violence shelter again this year.

We are looking for donations of new, luxury items to place in these jars. Some suggestions include:

- Nail polish (neutral colours i.e. shell pink, nude)
- Lip balm
- Cotton tips
- Body buffer
- Hair mask/oil
- Bath gloves
- Face crème
- Face masks
- Nail brush
- Foot scrub
- Hand crème
- Foot mask
- Fluffy socks
- Nail clippers

Or, if you would prefer to donate a small amount of cash please place it in an envelope with "Spa in a Jar" on the front, place it on the collections or drop it off to the parish office, the items will be able to be purchased to help fill the jars when it comes time to put them together.

MEN'S RETREAT – THE MONASTERY 15–17 MAY 2026

Life as Prayer, Prayer as Life

Take time away to deepen your relationship with God and discover how prayer can become part of everyday life.

Led by Valerie De Brenni and Fr Pastor Mumburi CP. For all details, head to our website: <https://themonastery.net.au/life-as-prayer-prayer-as-life-retreat-may-2026/> or see our flyer on the church noticeboard.

Bookings essential – RSVP by 1 May 2026. Contact: conference@themonastery.net.au or 8338 8700

THEOLOGY AT THE BAR

Faith, ideas & conversation. Come along, all welcome.

Interstate Guest speaker: Fr Jerome Santamaria (from Melbourne).

Date: Wednesday 15 April.

Location: Ern Malley Bar, Magill Rd Stepney

Time: 6:30pm start, for 7pm talk.

Snacks, toasties and drinks available at the bar

KNITTING GROUP 2026 DULWICH HALL, 1A STUART RD. DULWICH

Knitting group for this year begins on April 23rd.

- Everyone is welcome to come and join us knitting squares to make rugs, sorting wool, sorting squares into sizes and colours, stitching up rugs and crocheting the edges
- Our rugs are taken to a variety of charities including Fred's Van, Women's Refuge Centre, Moore Street, Catherine House, Men's Shelter, Otherway Centre (now called Ngani Pari-Arra Cultural Centre), Refugee Centre and Hutt St
- Our knitting group also provides a delicious morning tea so come and have a chat with us and bring a friend if you wish
- We provide wool and knitting needles if needed
- Knitting group has been going since 2008 and occurs throughout Autumn and Winter always on the 4th **Thursday of every month** from 10.00am on

Dates are:

- **23rd April (not the last Thursday of the month)**
- **28th May**
- **25th June**
- **23rd July (not the last Thursday of the month)**
- **27th August**
- **24th September**

Contact: Julie Dow 0459 110 090
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LITURGY FOR THE MODERN CHURCH – FREE WEBINAR

Date: Thursday 23 April 2026

Time: 7:00 pm (AEST)

Location: Online via Zoom

Where is liturgy today, and how might it be renewed for the modern Church? Join experienced liturgists Carmel Pilcher and Justin Stanwix as they explore ways to reimagine liturgy in today's context.

Cost: Free

Registration: [Liturgy for the Modern Church Webinar](#)

A recording will be available to registered participants after the event.

All welcome.

MARIAN PROCESSION

The 77th Marian Procession will be held on Sunday 17 May 2026 beginning at Victoria Park and processing up Wakefield Street into Victoria Square. The Procession will commence at 2pm and all are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Archdiocesan Events on 8210 8220 or events@adelaide.catholic.org.au

MARIAN PROCESSION VOLUNTEERING

The Archdiocesan Events Office is currently seeking volunteers to support at the Marian Procession in a range of roles. If you are available and willing to help, please contact events@adelaide.catholic.org.au or 8210 8220. Volunteer roles are needed for Saturday 16th May and Sunday 17th May (which is the date of the event and begins at 2pm).

Parish Mission Statement

Guided by the Gospel, our Catholic tradition and inspired by the Spirituality of the Passionists we are a welcoming, diverse community with a strong focus on equality for all. We seek God through our gathering to celebrate the Eucharist and to share in liturgies which nurture our stewardship, commitment to social justice and providing spiritual nourishment and hospitality.

CARITAS AUSTRALIA LEBANON EMERGENCY

Dear parishioners, we thank you for the life changing support you have given to Project Compassion this Lent. We thought you would also like to know how Caritas is responding to a recent emergency.

Lebanon is facing one of its most severe humanitarian crises in years, as a sudden surge in violence and mass evacuation orders force families to flee with nothing. Within 24 hours, Caritas Lebanon reported 667,831 newly displaced people seeking safety. Despite the volatile environment, Caritas Lebanon teams are operating across seven governorates, delivering food, essential items, healthcare, psychosocial support, water and hygiene assistance, and protection services.



Let us stand in solidarity with our partners in Lebanon. Learn more or to make a specific donation to this emergency go to www.caritas.org.au/lebanon or scan this QR code on your phone. Once again, thank you for your support.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS 2026

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a worldwide Synodal Movement dedicated to the renewal of our Catholic Church through empowering couples and priests to live fully intimate and responsible relationships. Our Church today has the belief that marriage and Holy Orders are sacraments of relationship and that we are called as couples and priests to be a living sign of God's love to the world, and to love one another as Jesus loves us all. This takes hard work, and a worldwide marriage encounter weekend gives married couples and priests the tools and support they need to live this sign in today's busy life.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter has two weekends planned for 2026 - July 3-5 Royal Coach Motel; and a live-out weekend at Antonio School, November 7-8. More details are available on the website at <https://www.wwme.org.au/>. Please consider booking into a weekend to nurture and grow your relationship with your spouse.

MARIST BROTHERS ALBERTON – 100TH ANNIVERSARY

The Marist Brothers are celebrating 100 years since their move from Port Adelaide to Alberton. 1926 – 2026: A century of faith, education and community spirit. Friends and Old Scholars are invited to join us.

The invitation is also extended in a particular way to Old Scholars of Mount Carmel Girls School, whose shared history and close association forms an important part of this story.

The date: Tuesday 2 June 2026. The Venue: Alberton Hotel – 124 Port Road, Alberton. At 12 noon.

Parish Pastoral Team

Parish Priest:

Fr Tom McDonough cp

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Fr Cao Anh Phi cp

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Passionist Community

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