



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

23rd - 24th May 2026 ♦ Pentecost Sunday Year A

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

## Today's Theme:

### THE DAY OF PENTECOST

Today we celebrate the great day of Pentecost when Christ filled the Church with the power of his Spirit and sent it out into the world to bring his peace, joy and forgiveness to all mankind.

**Entrance Antiphon:** The Spirit of the Lord fills the whole world. It holds all things together and knows every word spoken by man, alleluia.

**Response to the Psalm:** Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** On the last day of the festival, Jesus stood and cried out: If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink, alleluia.



## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations and many blessings to the children who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time last Wednesday evening. It was lovely to see these children and their families preparing for this next step in their faith journey. Please continue to pray for them.

## HOME ROSARY AND MASS FOR MAY

For the last Friday of the month, 29<sup>th</sup> May, the Rosary and Mass will be held at the home of Felicia Ferrone, 29 Edmund Ave Unley at 2pm. Everyone is welcome.

## RAFFLE WINNERS

Congratulations to the winners of our Mother's Day Raffle

**Quilt:** Rita

**Hamper:** Cath H

**Body Pack:** Donna D

We raised nearly \$1000 to put towards items needed at the churches.

## 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:** Yap CC, Glenn, Keith Belton, Anton Sylvester, Gloria Phillips, Amalie Leditschke, Chris Harwood, Amy & Jude

**Recently Deceased:** Catherine Tillett, George Piazza

**Anniversaries:** Halina Duluk, Leo D'Silva, Christine D'Souza,

## MASSES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEK 23rd - 29th May

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

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St Raphael's Church

<b>Thursday</b>	10:00am <i>until</i> 1.30pm
<b>Friday</b>	10:00am <i>until</i> 1.30pm
<b>Saturday</b>	12:00pm <i>until</i> 3:30pm
<b>Sunday</b>	10:30am <i>until</i> 4:00pm

## Roster for 30th - 31st May

St Paul's		St Raphael's	
<b>6:00pm</b>	R: Maree U. E: Sue C.	<b>5:30pm</b>	R: Damian C. E: Damien Mc I.
<b>8:00am</b>	R: Ian L. E: Amritha A.	<b>9:30am</b>	R: Irma S. E: Felicia F.
<b>10:30am</b>	R: Greg K. E: Cathy K.	<b>Count Team: 3</b>	
<b>5:00pm</b>	R: Sherline A. E: Paul V.	<b>Altar Society: Melanie</b>	

## Next Sunday's readings: The Most Holy Trinity

**1st Reading:** Ex 34:4-6, 8-9

**2nd Reading:** Dan 3:52-56

**Gospel:** Jn 7:37-39

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.

## ASHES TO ALLELUIA

*"The world is charged with the grandeur of God" - Gerard Manley Hopkins*

Pentecost is the end of the Easter Season. However, it is not another separate feast, after Holy Week, Easter Sunday, Ascension. They are all Easter. In this Bulletin, I want us to allow minds and hearts to revisit the journey I tried to trace in the Bulletins and sermons over these weeks.

Three months ago, on February 18th to be precise, we began this journey to Pentecost. We began with five weeks of Lent, doing the spiritual equivalent of the Swedish Death Decluttering, a detoxing of the Soul. We quietened the inner clamour and outward busyness; created space and managed to set order in our lives. We sorted through our priorities, stripped back the excess, prioritised the essentials. And we didn't do all this just forsake of a simple Easter weekend. We did it so the beauty, the joy, the power, the healing, the peace, the vitality, the grace of the Risen Christ could sweep unhindered into our lives, transforming us, heart and soul, from the inside out. Of course it is impossible for that to happen in one weekend with chocolate Easter eggs.

In celebrating the extraordinary sacrament of Baptism and to help parents understand what is happening, we need a multitude of symbols, oil of catechumens, pouring of water, baptismal promises with robes, oil of chrism, lighted Baptismal candle. In the same way on Easter night, we have symbols to help. The new fire, the Easter Candle, the darkened church, that great hymn of praise – the Exsultet, the baptismal font and water, the great profession of faith, the self giving of the newly baptised, the gift to them of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation, the breads and wine of the Eucharist, and a multitude of joy, our Alleluias. All these are attempts to unpack what did happen, is happening, and what will happen to us because we are swept up in the tidal wave, the tsunami of life and love that is the Risen Christ.

This richness can't be captured in a single weekend. It takes seven weeks; seven weeks to begin to not just understand, but to make our own, all we are being invited into through what the Sunday Mass calls 'The Paschal Mystery. I have used these weekly bulletins to help us explore the landscape Easter invites us into.

### **1. Easter Begins by Breaking Open the World**

The Easter journey began with earthquakes, torn Temple veils, tombs burst open, angel voices, empty graves and serene gardens as dawn arose. This wasn't just a local storm outside Jerusalem. At this Resurrection, the old world is broken open as heaven and earth meet again.

### **2. Easter quickly moved from public drama, into frightened human hearts.**

The Risen Christ entered locked rooms. Shame, fear, guilt, failure, disappointment. The disciples discovered that Resurrection wasn't resuscitation. With Christ's gentle touch, failed and frightened disciples, who thought they had lost Christ forever, find he is there, to open up vast new horizons of possibilities.

### **3. We then explored how Easter settles into the suburbs, into our ordinary every day.**

The laundry still needs to be done, kids chauffeured, aged care homes visited, family disagreements sorted. We have to accept that Christ has moved into our home, into the spare room, and is not going to move out, or stay quiet 9-5. The next surprise was when it finally dawned, we should stop looking everywhere else for Christ. Because Christ has moved out of the spare room and made his home in our hearts. We can be thankful we have done all that decluttering and shut down all that inner noise. Christ's voice is so soft, his touch so gentle, very easy to miss if we are not careful.

And so, we come to Pentecost. The gospel passages have been about appearances in locked rooms, touching Christ's wounds, meals at Emmaus, breakfasts by the lakeside, ascensions into heaven, and now Pentecost. Yet, we realise it has all been the one journey of dawning awareness of hearts transformed, life re-imagined, old, familiar routines now newly appreciated, our home, our marriage, our partners, our children, our work - everything is sacred. For Christ is everywhere.

So, looking back over these seven weeks of walking our own Emmaus journey, we realise: 'How can I possibly keep this to myself?' 'I just have to share this good news. People just don't know what they are missing!' The Spirit is sending us out, not because we have to, but because we want to. Easter began at Jerusalem — but it was always meant for us; but not just for us, it was meant to take the world by storm.

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### **TAA**

This week, take ten quiet minutes to look back over your own Easter journey. Ask yourself:

- o Where did Christ break open something in me?
- o Where did he enter a locked room in my heart?
- o Where has he quietly moved into my ordinary life? Where have I begun to hear the Spirit nudging me outward.

### **Music Reflection**

Mussorgsky - The Great Gate of Kiev <https://youtu.be/b8gs4TozJbQ?si=pd05dPCvmVU8V3Hk>

J.M. Talbot - Come Holy Spirit [https://youtu.be/BHZ\\_mRvXLZM?si=u397vvDGc-8D7\\_hD](https://youtu.be/BHZ_mRvXLZM?si=u397vvDGc-8D7_hD)

## RCIA

Last Saturday night the Mass for new Catholics was celebrated in the Cathedral with our Vicar General, Fr Dean Marin. It was wonderful to see the people who, as adults, have chosen to be part of the Catholic Church.



## NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK (18–24 MAY)

This week reminds us that strong relationships and shared responsibility create safe and welcoming communities. Our parish flourishes because of volunteers who generously share their time and talents across ministries, pastoral care, programs like Spa in A Jar, Bags of Love and the Brother Michael Hamper Appeal, while also meeting safeguarding requirements and supporting safe practices. This year's theme, "Your Year to Volunteer," encourages us all to step forward as we thank all who serve with dedication and care.

**St Paul of the Cross community and staff would like to invite all volunteers to an afternoon tea on the 24<sup>th</sup> of May at starting at 2.30pm in the Sebastian Room. Tea, coffee and soft drink provided, BYO alcoholic beverages and glasses.**

## SACRAMENTS OF CONFIRMATION AND FIRST COMMUNION FOR CHILDREN

Enrolment forms for Confirmation and First Communion for children in 2026 are now available in the church foyers, on the website and attached to the e-bulletin. Parents and carers are asked to discern if their children are ready to receive these sacraments. Children who have received the Sacrament of Reconciliation before January of this year, may be enrolled for these Sacraments.

Please fill in the form and return it to Sue Schulz at the Parish Office or email [sue.schulz@themonastery.net.au](mailto:sue.schulz@themonastery.net.au) by **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> of May**. You will receive more details regarding the Parent Information night once the enrolment form is received.

## KNIT AND NATTER

Anyone interested in knitting some beanies, handwarmers or scarves for the homeless as we head towards winter is invited to come to our first Knit and Natter session in the Sebastian Centre on Monday the **25<sup>th</sup> of May at 10am**. I have quite a large supply of wool so bring your own needles, and we can get clacking on some warm, useful items for those who need them. If you have a pattern you would like to bring and share, I can arrange photocopying.

At our first gathering we can decide how often to meet, weekly, fortnightly, monthly?? And if you can't make it to the session but would like to be involved, contact Sue in the office (83381277 or [sue.schulz@themonastery.net](mailto:sue.schulz@themonastery.net)) and I can arrange some wool and a pattern if needed.

## PARISH WALKING GROUP

Our next walk is on Saturday 13 June and will include a historical walk around Marion. You can meet at The Monastery at 9.30am if you would like to carpool or meet at Annie Doolan's Cottage 45b George Street Marion (behind St Ann's Chapel) at 10am. Parking is available on George Street All parishioners are welcome to come along for this gentle walk followed by coffee and conversation.

## REFLECTION MORNING WITH FR TOM MCDONOUGH CP

### Heart on Fire – The Sacred Heart of Jesus

Join us for a morning of reflection led by Fr Tom McDonough CP, exploring the love and mercy revealed in the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Inspired by the words of Pope Francis and Pope Leo XIV, this reflection invites us to rediscover love as the heart of the Church's mission — mercy made visible in care for the poor and forgotten.

9:00am on the 13 June 2026 located at The Monastery 15 Cross Road, Urrbrae. Morning tea provided. Suggested donation: \$25. Bookings essential phone 8338 8700 or email [conference@themonastery.net.au](mailto:conference@themonastery.net.au)

## UPCOMING SYNOD LITURGY - ALL ARE WELCOME

### Opening Mass of the 2026 Archdiocesan Synod (Amended- Please note correct date below)

29 May 2026, 5:45pm at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral All are welcome to join in the opening Mass of the 2026 Archdiocesan Synod. A simple meal in the hall will follow.

## POPE LEO XIV AND JUST WAR THEORY IN THE CATHOLIC TRADITION

Join the Council of Australasian Catholics (CAC) and Garratt Publishing for a free online webinar exploring war, peace, and moral responsibility in the Catholic tradition.

Featuring Professor Darius von Güttner Sporzyński, with a response from Robert Fitzgerald AM. Thursday 11 June 2026 7:00 pm (AEST) Via Zoom. Free Event Register: <https://garratt1.wufoo.com/forms/zu3g4gc02q59bj/>

## FEAST DAY OF ST CHARLES LWANGA, ST KIZITO & COMPANIONS CELEBRATION

Sunday - June 7, 2026 – all are Welcome!  
You are invited to join the African Catholic Community to celebrate the feast of St Charles Lwanga, St Kizito & Companions Mass- on Sunday 7 June 2026 at 2.30pm, at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral.

St Charles Lwanga (24) is the Patron Saint of Youth and St Kizito (14) is the Patron Saint of Primary School Students! Attention: Young People: Please come to this Mass and feel free to wear Yellow Red or Green – colours to embrace both of these amazingly brave and courageous saints.

For more information, please contact the Justice Healing and Inclusion Office on E: [jhi@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:jhi@adelaide.catholic.org.au)

# 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.



## WHAT IS LAUDATO SI' WEEK?

Laudato Si' Week (May 17–24, 2026) is a celebration held annually to mark the anniversary of Pope Francis's landmark encyclical on caring for our common home. Sponsored by the Vatican's Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, this global celebration unites Catholics to listen and respond together to the cry of creation, rejoice in the progress we have made in bringing Laudato Si' to life, intensify our efforts through the Laudato Si' Action Platform as well as other opportunities for education and action. Take your first step today: [laudatosiweek.org](http://laudatosiweek.org)

## 2026 THEME: FROM HOPE TO ACTION

Laudato Si' Week 2026 invites us to move from hope to action. Hope is not passive; it is lived and shared through daily decisions, community life, prayer and concrete acts of care. This commemorative year reminds us that ecological conversion grows step by step, through restored relationships, protected creation, and strengthened communities. The next chapter of Laudato Si' begins with us, wherever we are.

## PENTECOST SUNDAY IN LAUDATO SI' WEEK—24 MAY 2026

*Reflection by Michael McGirr, Mission Facilitator at Caritas Australia*

There is no bad time to call on the help of the Holy Spirit. Every day, we should fall back on the ancient yet familiar prayer which begins 'Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful'. The prayer ends with the hope: 'you will renew the face of the earth'. We say those very words in today's Psalm: 'Lord, send out your spirit and renew the face of the earth'. How can we turn that hope into action? One way is to remember today's Gospel which reminds us that the Holy Spirit brings peace, not conflict. As St Paul says, there is only one body to which we all belong. Pope Leo XIV has been an outspoken advocate for peace. He knows the damage that war does to the whole of creation. God's family has only one place to live, Earth. We need to look after the whole of it, rather than fighting over parts of it.

## A PRAYER FOR OUR EARTH

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures.

You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.

Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes.

Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light.

We thank you for being with us each day.

Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace.

*- Pope Francis 2015*

### Parish Pastoral Team

#### Parish Priest:

Fr Tom McDonough cp

#### Assistant to the Parish Priest:

Fr Cao Anh Phi cp

Fr Pastor Mumburi cp

#### Passionist Community Members:

Fr Tony Egar cp,

Fr Paul Kien cp,

Fr Pham Quang Vinh cp,

Bro. Mark Wells cp.

Bro. Phuc Van Nguyen

#### Pastoral Associate:

Sue Schulz

#### Parish Secretary:

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#### Admin Assistant:

Claire Hamlyn

#### WHS Co-Ordinator

Donna Cooper

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Sue Schulz

#### Parish Pastoral Council

Mr Peter McLoughlin

#### Finance Chair:

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