

MASS TIMES

St Paul’s Sat 6:00pm | Sun 8:00am, 10:30am & 5:00pm | Mon–Wed 9:30am

St Raphael’s Sat 5:30pm | Sun 9:30am | Thurs 9:30am | Fri 9:30am

Adoration at St Raphael’s Church Thurs & Fri 10:00am–1:30pm | Sat 12:00pm–3:30pm | Sun 10:30am–4:00pm



Next Sunday’s readings: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Is 5:1-7
2nd Reading: Phil 4:6-9
Gospel: Mt 21:33-43

ROSTER FOR 3RD - 4TH OCTOBER 2026

<u>St Paul’s</u>	<u>St Raphael’s</u>
6:00pm	5:30pm
R: Chris W.	R: Samuel C.
E: Tom W.	E: Eleanor L.
8:00am	9:30am
R: Michelle C.	R: Mladen
E: Amritha A.	E: Vera-Ann S.
10:30am	
R: Greg K.	Alter Society:
E: Cathy K.	Elizabeth
5:00pm	Count Team
R: Emily T.	5
E: Trish W.	

Let us remember to pray for each other

Sick: Isabella, Des Tonkin, Elizabeth Tagbo, Anton Sylvester, Gloria Phillips, Yap CC, Amy & Jude Amalie Leditschke, Chris Harwood

Recently Deceased: Joan Keys, Ted Nugent, Edi Sfreddo, Kevin Betts

Anniversaries: Tarciana Guino Arnaiz, Martin Cash, Anthony & Maryann Cine, Olive Abbot, Margaret Mills, Mariangela Maio, Tom Flynn

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.

Today’s Theme

Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael
In the Scriptures, each one of the three angels is named as a messenger of God, entrusted with special divine missions on earth.

Entrance Antiphon: Bless the Lord, all you his angels, mighty in power, fulfilling his word, and heeding his voice.

Response to the Psalm: In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Bless the Lord, all you his angels, his ministers who do his will. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: I will thank you, Lord, with all my heart; in the presence of Angels I will praise you.

DAYLIGHT SAVING REMINDER

Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, 4 October 2026. Remember to put your clocks forward one hour before going to bed on Saturday night.

HOLY ROSARY FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

The home rosary for the month of October will be held next Friday 2nd October, 2pm at the home of Teresa De Filippo. Please contact the office for more details. All are very welcome!

MIGRANT AND REFUGEE SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 27

Each year the Holy Father offers a special message to celebrate the World Day of Migrants and Refugees. This year’s celebration, the 112th, takes place on Sunday September 27 and the theme is “Even Just One of These Children” (cf. Mt 18:10).

Pope Leo reminds us that every migrant and refugee child matters, and we are called by faith and humanity to welcome, protect and care for them. You can find the Pope’s letter here: ([click here](#)).



Give Easy

Please scan the QR code for a link to our collections:
1st Collection Support of Clergy
2nd Collection Support of Parish



Reflecting on the Gospel

This Sunday begins a series of gospel selections over the next three weeks, each beginning with the introductory phrase, “Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people” (or similar words). In each gospel the phrase introduces a parable that strikes at the hardened and misguided hearts of these religious leaders. They were narrow and exclusive in their belief about who could be saved: only those people chosen from of old by God and who strictly kept the traditions that had been developed.

Forgotten by these leaders was the lived law of love of God and neighbor also handed down from of old. Forgotten by them was the message of the prophets calling the people to conversion and renewed covenantal living. Forgotten by them was God’s incomparable mercy and compassion which does not restrict salvation to a chosen few but instead extends salvation to anyone who is faithful to the divine will.

At this point in Matthew’s gospel Jesus has triumphantly entered Jerusalem. These confrontations about who can be saved contribute to the religious leaders’ determined and hateful desire to have Jesus condemned and put to death. Jesus does not shrink from the confrontations, from the truth, from his own choice to be utterly faithful to his Father’s will.

Indeed, these gospels suggest a new twist to the saying that we must walk the talk. What Jesus is teaching through these parables is that we must walk the walk. The walk is resoluteness about our relationship with the heavenly Father and doing the divine will.

In this Sunday’s gospel Jesus pointedly indicts the “chief priests and elders of the people” by equating them in this parable with the second son who does not do the “father’s will.” Surprisingly, who does do the “father’s will” are “tax collectors and prostitutes.” Their sinful lives indicated an initial no to God, but then they came to belief, changed their minds, and repented when they heard a call to “the way of righteousness.”

Believing is not paying lip service to doing the Father’s will. Believing is changing our way of living, walking “the way of righteousness,” and doing the Father’s will. Believing is walking the walk with Jesus, even when that walk includes confrontation, suffering, and death.

Truth be told, all of us are a little like both sons in the parable. Sometimes we hear and respond faithfully to God’s will, but at other times our actions don’t carry through what we hear and believe. The good news in this is that God does not change the divine mind about calling us to salvation. Whether we say yes or no to God’s call, God does keep calling us. We are the ones who need a change of mind. We are the ones who must believe in God’s offer of salvation and faithfully do God’s will.

Living the Paschal Mystery

The longer form of the second reading from the Letter to the Philippians gives us a hint as to how we can hear Jesus’ teaching and respond in faithful obedience: “by being of the same mind, with the same love, united in heart. . .”

This is kingdom perspective—to change our focus from ourselves to others and, in turn, our concern for others helps us focus on God and the divine will for us.

Jesus himself is the model, for “he emptied himself . . . becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.” The change of mind described in the gospel entails self-emptying for the sake of others, lived every day in the little things that come our way.

This gospel challenges us constantly to turn our hearts toward God, discern the divine will, and walk the walk of Jesus. Faithfully. Obediently. Resolutely.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Everyone is welcome to attend any of the following events

3/10	Mass & Devotions at St Raphael's Church
10/10	Parish walk
19/10	St Paul of the Cross Feast Day
16-18/10	Retreat at The Monastery
21/10	Safe guarding essentials training

MASS & DEVOTIONS IN HONOUR OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Saturday 3rd October, 12pm at St Raphael's Church, Parkside.
Confessions from 11:15am - 11:45am.

Holy Rosary recited at 11:30am. Mass at 12:00pm.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament follows Mass until 3:15pm
and concludes with Benediction.

Enquiries: Elizabeth 0431 664 382

OCTOBER EVENTS

Just a note to say the following pastoral activities will be cancelled during the month of October, while Sue is away:
Knit and Knatter, Books & Bikkies, Conversation Café, Family friendly Mass.

THANK YOU!

Our Spring Fling has flung and I would like to say a big thank you everyone who donated cakes, biscuits, slices, crackles, produce or a book (or more) to our Book and Bake sale.

Also, to all those who came along and supported the sale by purchasing some of the delicious goodies that were available or several of the books we had on offer. The support by everyone is much appreciated. We raised over \$600!

GENEROUS SUPPORT

I just wanted to provide a small update to our Bags of Love project. Due to the overwhelming and generous support provided by you, the parishioners, we still had some money left over from buying everything that was needed to fill/top up our Bags of Love. To continue to help those who are currently unhoused at the moment and relying on others for even just some of the basics, it was decided that the parish would be an "Angel for a Day" at the Hutt St Centre.

Our Angel for a Day gift will provide breakfast and lunch on our chosen day for up to 200 people experiencing homelessness. We're helping ensure that every person who may be facing one of the most difficult and isolating times of their lives can enter the Dining Hall at Hutt St and be greeted by a friendly smile and have a nutritious, wholesome meal.

We have chosen St Paul of the Cross Feast Day and Christmas Eve to be the days we support.

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest: Fr Tom McDonough CP | **Assistants to the Parish Priest:** Fr Cao Anh Phi CP • Fr Pastor Mumburi CP

Pastoral Associate: Sue Schulz | **Secretary:** Carmela Pannunzio | **Admin:** Claire Hamlyn

WHS: Donna Cooper | **Safeguarding for All:** Sue Schulz | **Pastoral Council:** Peter McLoughlin | **Finance:** Brian Lilley

PASSIONIST COMMUNITY Fr Tony Egar CP • Fr Paul Kien CP • Fr Pham Quang Vinh CP • Fr Jeff Foale CP

Bro Mark Wells CP • Bro Phuc Van Nguyen CP

Passionist Sisters: Sr Jasmine • Sr Nithya • Sr Mary Jasmine • Sr Kasilda

RETREAT AT THE MONASTERY - LAST CHANCE TO RSVP!

Laudato Si: On care for our Common Home.16 – 18 October 2026. Come and discover the beauty of creation as a pathway to prayer and reflection. Inspired by Pope Francis' Laudato Si', this retreat will explore visio divina through contemplative photography in the beautiful gardens of the Monastery. Led by Ms Val de Brenni and Fr Pastor Mumburi CP. **All welcome, please RSVP before the 2nd of October, 2026.**

Call 8338 8700 or email conference@themonastery.net.au

PASSIONIST COMPANIONS

Passionist Companions will meet on Friday, October 2nd at 7pm in the Dollard Room. We will be contemplating "Solitude". Please bring a small plate of supper to share after our meeting.

WELL DONE FR PASTOR

Congratulations to Fr Pastor who ran the City to Bay Fun Run last weekend. A big thank you to our wonderful parish community for supporting Fr Pastor. Thank you to everyone who contributed financially, offered encouragement, and kept Fr Pastor in your prayers. Your generosity and support meant so much to him.



SAFE GUARDING ESSENTIALS TRAINING

A face-to-face Safeguarding Essentials training session will be held at St Paul of the Cross in the Dollard room on the 21st of October starting at 6pm-8pm. If your training is due, or overdue, please look at attending this session. Please note: no WWCC and no Safeguarding Essentials training = no service provision. Please contact the Parish Office to rsvp or for further details.

For those unable to attend the above date, please see below for other dates:

Adelaide Cathedral Hall Parish: (Please note that there is no on-site parking available)

Date: Wednesday 30 September 2026

Address: 39 Wakefield Street, Adelaide SA 5000

Time: 10am - 12pm

Adelaide Hills Parish:

Date: Wednesday 7 October 2026

Address: 7 Mann Street, Mount Barker SA 5251

Time: 10am - 12pm

Adelaide Cathedral Hall Parish: (Please note that there is no on-site parking available)

Date: Tuesday 27 October 2026

Address: 39 Wakefield Street, Adelaide SA 5000

Time: 10am - 12pm

HEALING WEEKEND

Saturday 3rd October 11am - 4:15pm and Sunday 4th

October 9:30am - 4:15pm

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church 420 Seaview Road
Henley Beach.

Speaker: Fr Josy Sebastian MSFS

The weekend will include talks given by Fr Josy.

What is healing? Inner healing, the healing power of
forgiveness, the healing power of listening, the healing
power of the Sacraments, general prayer for inner healing.

The Sacrament of Anointing.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Reconciliation, Sunday Mass.

Please bring your own lunch tea/coffee provided.

Enquiries and bookings phone Pauline 0403002240 by 1st
October 2026.

Cost by cash donation.

All welcome!

THE CHANGING FACE OF CATHOLICISM

Webinar – Thursday 8 October | 7:00pm AEDT

The Council of Australasian Catholics (CAC) and Garratt
Publishing invite you to a free Zoom webinar exploring the
changing face of Catholicism in Australasia.

Hear from representatives of a range of Catholic groups as
they share their work, principles and areas of focus,
including social justice, education, dialogue and spirituality.
Registration is required. The webinar will be recorded and
the recording will be available the following week to those
who register.

To register for free, click here:

[https://www.garrattpublishing.com.au/event/the-
changing-face-of-catholicism-webinar/](https://www.garrattpublishing.com.au/event/the-changing-face-of-catholicism-webinar/)

PRAY WITH POPE LEO XIV: ONE MILLION CHILDREN PRAYING THE ROSARY

From 1-7 October, Aid to the Church in Need invites you to
join with Pope Leo XIV and Catholics worldwide for the One
Million Children Praying the Rosary prayer campaign, for
peace and unity in the world. Families, parishioners, prayer
groups, and schools are all encouraged to register to take
part!

For free Rosary resources and to register, please scan the
QR code or visit:

www.acninternational.org/millionchildrenpraying



*"When one million children pray the Rosary, the world will
change." - Saint Padre Pio*

KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS (SA) JOHN BREWER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2027

The Knights of the Southern Cross is a national Catholic lay
organisation that supports faith, education and service
initiatives across Australia. As part of this commitment, the
organisation offers annual scholarships to assist senior
secondary students with their educational expenses.

The scholarships are open to Catholic students currently in
Year 11 who will be undertaking Year 12 studies in 2027.
Two scholarships of \$5,000 each are available to support
successful recipients with their educational expenses.
Preference is given to awarding one scholarship to a male
student and one to a female student and, where possible,
one recipient from a metropolitan school and one from a
country school.

These scholarships recognise students who actively
participate in the faith life of their school and/or parish and
who strive to achieve their personal best. Recipients do not
need to be top academic performers; rather, the
scholarships aim to support young people who work
diligently towards their full potential.

Application Process

All scholarship information and application forms are now
available through the Knights of the Southern Cross (SA)
website. Students are required to:

- Download the Scholarship Rules and Application Form.
- Complete the Application Form.
- Obtain the required reference.
- Attach a PDF copy of their Year 11/Stage 1 results.
- Submit all documentation by email to the Knights of the
Southern Cross (SA).

Website: [Knights of the Southern Cross \(SA\)](https://www.knights.org.au)

Documents: Available via the scholarship link on the
website homepage.

Submission Email: kscsa@kscsa.org.au

**Closing Date -Applications close Friday 13 November
2026.**

If you have any questions regarding the scholarship, please
contact:

Ms Catherine Wiggett

KSC (SA) Scholarship Administration Officer

Email: kscsa@kscsa.org.au



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