THE PARISH OF ST PAUL OF THE CROSS - GLEN OSMOND/PARKSIDE

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

All Saints Year A | 31st October - 1st November 2026

MASS TIMES

St Paul's Sat 6:00pm | Sun 8:00am, 10:30am & 5:00pm | **Mon 7:00pm | Tues –Wed 9:30am - revised for All Souls**

St Raphael's Sat 5:30pm | Sun 9:30am | Thurs 9:30am | **Mon 9:30am | Fri 9:30am - revised for All Souls**

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: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Wis 6:12-16

2nd Reading: 1 Thess 4:13-18

Gospel: Mt 25:1-13

Today's Theme

ALL SAINTS

Today we offer the Lamb and celebrate the victory of our God in the company of all the redeemed in the heavenly kingdom.

Entrance Antiphon: Let us all rejoice in the Lord and keep a festival in honour of all the saints. Let us join with angels in joyful praise to the Son of God.

Response to the Psalm: Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

ROSTER FOR 7th - 8th NOV			
St Paul's		**St Raphel's**	
6:00pm	**R:** Marie D. **E:** Cathy F.	**5:30pm**	**R:** Mary Q. **E:** Des Q.
8:00am	**R:** Ian L. **E:** Bernie S.	**9:30am**	**R:** Peter Mc L. **E:** Felicia F.
10:30am	**R:** Zuzanna S. **E:** Rayna T.	**Alter Society**	Elizabeth
5:00pm	**R:** Sherline A. **E:** Paul V.	**Count Team**	N/A

Let us remember to pray for each other

Sick: Monica Joseph, Trish Betros, Nick Martino, Elizabeth Tagbo, Anton Sylvester, Gloria Phillips, Yap CC, Amalie Leditschke, Chris Harwood, Amy & Jude

Recently Deceased: Angelo Carpentieri

Anniversaries: Cecily Nathan, Terry Smith, Michael Smith, Thelma Conlon, John Nicholson, Franco Zardo, Bill Clohesy, Edek Konieczny, Raynah Valladares

THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ALL SOULS

MONDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

Mass will be celebrated at St Raphael's at 9:30AM followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11AM
The Holy Rosary will be prayed at 9:10AM.

Mass will be celebrated at 7:00pm at St Paul of the Cross Church. Blessing of the cemetary and the Memorial Garden will commence after Mass.

RECENT SCAM

Dear Parishioners,

Further to the letters we distributed from the Archdiocese of Adelaide, we would like to **confirm and clarify that only the following data is stored on the parish database.**

1. Full name
2. Spouse full name
3. Children names
4. Address
5. Email
6. Telephone number
7. Date of birth **only if it was supplied**

Bank account details are not stored on the parish database.

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.

Give Easy

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

Fr Tom Writes - He wasn't a priest, 'just' a brother, but he was a saint.

The gospel the Church chooses for this Feast of Holy Cross and the Feast of Holy Souls, is Beatitudes: "Blessed are the poor in spirit" - The perfect programme for happiness in just a few words. And even though we're never going to be able to live them fully, we're never going to be truly happy unless we try. But, if your concern in life is your own happiness, then you're already in a dead end. Happiness is a byproduct of being there for others.

The last thing Jesus wanted was a bunch of people like the donkey in Shrek, jumping up and down: "Me, me, me, me, pick me, pick me." The behaviours tell us the best way to be the best me, is to forget about being the best me altogether.

Pope Francis, in one of his letters, spoke of the saints: the everyday saints, the saints all of us have known in our families, the neighbours, the grandparents, the daily Mass-goers. I used to think, "well, they must be holy because they come to Mass every day," but then I realised they didn't come to Mass because they were holy. They became holy because they couldn't live each day without God's grace.

In our religious order, we had so many of those everyday saints. Our brothers, (lay brothers we used to call them), who chose to live the Passionist life, not as priests, but in a different and quieter way. Their job was the cooking, the cleaning, the farm work. To go out on what we called 'the quest,' - going out to businesses, families, and neighbouring farms, asking for food and assistance for the monastery and its mission. But their mission was to make the monastery a home. Back then, we priests were away for months at a time, giving parish missions and retreats. It was the brothers who made the monastery a home.

At the bottom, at the end of the tables in the refectory, they sat below the first-year novices who had only just arrived. They sat below us in chapel. It was so strange that these men who'd been living religious life for 40, 50, 60 years would sit below the newest young 17-year-old novice that I was then. We clerics just accepted that as the "natural order."

Brother Gabriel was one of the first brothers I knew. He was everybody's dream of a grandfather: always there, always kind, always with a twinkle in his eye, always smiling. Before he joined, he and his brother used to drive a horse and cart from country town to country town, with the tray of the cart filled with household goods and cheap dresses and clothing. He spent his whole life just cooking quietly in the kitchen, working around the house, keeping it clean. Always there, always for prayer, never missing. When I was going overseas to study, I thought, he might not be here when I get back. He knelt down and asked me for a blessing before I left. I said to him, "Brother Gabe, knowing what you know now, would you do it all again?" With that twinkle in his eye, he said, "O, Father Tom, I don't know whether I'd be game, but I hope so."

Then there was Brother Damien. Brother Damien was one of five children, each of them had a different father. He and his sister were put in an orphanage when they were five. Because they weren't officially orphans, they had to get up at 5:30 each morning and work in the laundry to earn their keep. Damian never had an education beyond primary school, but he turned himself into a cordon bleu chef. Later, he began a National Association for the lay sisters and brothers to recognise the dignity and the worth of their role. He was another one of those brothers who never went to bed till the last priest, or the last student had gotten in from late-night meetings or classes. He would sit with them while they had their meal, so they wouldn't just be sitting alone. He was Aboriginal in heritage, and every so often he would disappear and go wandering with an Aboriginal group through the outback, sharing their bush tucker and profound spirituality.

Then there was Brother Ed. Brother Ed is in an aged care home now. We joined at the same time. While I went on to live the 'high life' with studies in Belgium and Cambridge, Ed lived quietly for over 50 years in the one monastery in Hobart. He taught me one of the most important lessons I learned as a priest: just to be there at the church door every day, every Mass.
He was there at the front door of the church, saying hello to everybody. He knew the parishioners by name. He learnt the names of the tourists who would come to our city centre church and remembered them even two or three years later when they returned. He has the most wicked sense of humour. When I became boss of the congregation, he sent me a congratulatory note saying that my election was the worst example of nepotism that he knew since Caesar appointed his horse to the Roman Senate.

So many brothers. While we were the ones standing and chanting the Office in Latin, the brothers would be sitting below us in the choir, saying their rosary, saying their prayers, doing their Stations of the Cross. They had a holiness that the rest of us envied.

The Holy Ones aren't just the ones with the halo or in a stained-glass window. They're the ones with calloused hands from working, sore knees from praying, not in the front seats nor in the limelight, but knowing the real value of just being there, being there for others, being there every day. And not being (too) fussed when taken for granted.

No, we may never live the Beatitudes fully, but we'll never be truly happy until we try.

Take Away Activity: Make a great fuss of someone each day this week. For no reason whatsoever!

Music Reflection: John Bell - The Summons https://youtu.be/V0aAkOe87mo?si=jmXfQpAM3OfVw85M

UPCOMING EVENTS *Everyone is welcome to attened any of the following events*	
2/11	**All Souls Day** 9:30am Mass St Raphael's Church 7:00pm Mass St Paul of the Cross Church folllowed by blessing of Memorial Garden
7/11	12:00pm St Raphael's Church - Mass in Honour of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
9/11	Christmas Card Crew
11/11	Remembrance Day
11/11	Cross Road Forum

MASS & DEVOTIONS IN HONOUR OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Saturday 7th November, 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

KNIT AND KNATTER

With the warmer weather approaching our Knit and Knatter sessions will reduce to once a month. Any avid knitters are invited to come along to the Sebastian Centre on the first Monday of the month so the next gathering will be on the 2nd of November. Everyone welcome, tea/coffee, sweet treat and yarn provided, BYO your needles.

BOOKS 'N' BIKKIES

Our next Books 'n' Bikkies will be held on Thursday the 5th of November at 10am in the Sebastian Room. Come along and share a cup of tea/coffee, biscuits, and the book(s) that you've been reading over the last month with others that enjoy reading. All welcome!

CHRISTMAS CARD CREW

It's that time again! We're preparing to deliver Christmas cards to residents in care facilities across our parish — nearly 1,000 cards of Christmas cheer!

How you can help:
Volunteer on Monday the 9th November (10am–12:30pm) in the Sebastian Centre to write, sticker, count and pack cards (morning tea provided). Alternatively, you can donate unused Christmas cards — drop them at the Parish Office, in church boxes, or bring them along on the day.

Contact Sue Schulz in the Parish Office to get involved!

MEMORIAL MASS FOR THE FALLEN AT ST RAPHAEL'S CHURCH

7.00PM WEDNESDAY 11th NOVEMBER

A Memorial Mass will be offered for the eternal repose of the souls of the Passionist Chaplains and the men and women of St Raphael's Parish who sacrificed their lives in WW1 and whose names are listed on the Honour Roll Board located in the front porch of the church.
The Rosary will be prayed at 6.30PM
May they rest in peace.

CROSS ROAD FORUM - FROM THE MALLEE TO THE WORLD

Guest Speaker: Father Jeff Foale CP, AM
Father Jeff was born in 1933 on a farm at Pinnaroo joined the Passionist junior seminary at age 12, and was ordained at 24.His journey since then has taken him throughout Australia, New Guinea (1961-70), Rome (1994-2006) and Viet Nam (2005-2025) with many and varied involvements in the intervening years including:
•Leading ICRA (Indo-China Refugee Association-now ARA) and other refugee aid and advocacy groups including the Refugee Council of Australia (1975-94).
•Establishing and running the Monastery Refugee Project (1979-84) at Glen Osmond.
•Setting up and running the Adelaide Archdiocesan Multicultural Office.
•For a period, heading the Passionist Monastery at Glen Osmond.
•Participating in the Marriage Encounter movement.
When: Wednesday 11th November 7.30pm – 9.00pm
Where: The Dollard Room, The Monastery, 15 Cross Road, Urrbrae. Coffee and chat to follow.

HELPING HANDS

There are a group of volunteers who come together on an as needs basis, these are our "Helping Hands". This group has come together to help with the "Spa in a Jar" project, the "Bags of Love", preparation of items for Good Friday and Easter ceremonies, cleaning/polishing the sacred vessels, tidying the flower sacristy. There's no roster, no demand to present at every call out. It's an opportunity to help with things that need to be done, if you are available. Sue always provides tea/coffee and sweet treats, you just provide some help, a bit of a conversation and laughter.

If you would like to join this group, please contact the Parish Office with your details and you will be contacted when something needs to be done.

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

PALMS TIMOR-LESTE ENCOUNTER - 10-23 MAY 2027!

Timor-Leste is Australia's closest neighbour. It is also the nation with which Australia has had a complex chequered history. Yet very few Australians have ever been there.

An Encounter Tour to is not only an unforgettable holiday – it is an opportunity to get 'behind the scenes' insights into history, culture & the importance of relationships in sustainable development.

In a small (max 8 person) group, you will meet Palms international partners and long-term volunteers. Encounters are the ethical option to learn about development and support Australia's oldest lay Catholic international development organisation.

Book your place on the 14-day Encounter Tour here: palms.org.au/encounters.

Volunteers Needed! Catholic Community Connectors needed to assist with the Palms' Simplicity September campaign. More infor here: https://www.volunteer.com.au/volunteering/249027/parish-and-catholic-community-connector-

WORLD YOUTH DAY SEOUL 2027 – APPLICATIONS OPEN!

Young adults aged 18–35 are invited to join the Archdiocese of Adelaide's Diocesan Pilgrimage to Seoul, South Korea, for World Youth Day 2027.
Join hundreds and thousands of young people from around the globe as we come together in faith, prayer, and celebration. Encounter the many different cultures, build lasting friendships, and experience the vibrancy of the universal Church while deepening your relationship with Christ.

ADVENT TWILIGHT RETREAT: ENTERING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Date: Friday, 4 December 2026 | Time: 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm ACDT
Location: St Theodore's Church Hall & Garden, Toorak Gardens
Cost: Free entry (donations welcome) | Bookings: Essential via Humanitix
Prepare your heart for Advent with a peaceful evening of community prayer and spiritual rest, hosted by the World Christian Community for Meditation Australia (SA). Welcoming both beginners and seasoned prayers, this gentle twilight retreat offers a quiet space to step away from the pre-Christmas rush and center yourself in God's love.
The evening will guide you through simple, traditional Christian practices:

- Opening Community Prayer to ground ourselves in God's presence.
- Reflective Readings from the spiritual writing of Julian of Norwich
- 20 Minutes of Silent Meditation to quiet the mind and open the heart.
- Quiet Reflection Time in St Theodore's Community Spiritual Garden (please bring a jacket or shawl).

To Book: Scan the QR code or visit the Humanitix website and search for "Advent Twilight Retreat Toorak Gardens" to secure your free place.

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