



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

PARISH VISION STATEMENT

Our Catholic parish is a welcoming and inclusive community, guided by the Gospel and inspired by Passionist spirituality. We seek God through our gathering for Eucharist and sharing in liturgies which nurture our outreach and commitment to social justice.

**4th Sunday of Lent, Year B
13th — 14th March, 2021**

Parish Priest:

Fr Denis Travers cp

Assistant Parish Priest:

Fr Patrice Ndemasi cp

Pastoral Associate:

Ms Pauline Connell

Child Safe Contact Person:

Ms Pauline Connell

Parish Secretary:

Carmela Pannunzio

Passionist Community

Members:

Fr. Denis Travers cp
(Community Leader), Fr.
Patrice Ndemasi cp, Fr. Tony
Egar cp, Fr. David Wilkie cp,
Bro. Mark Wells cp, Bro. Larry
Finn cp, Fr. Matthew Qin cp,
Deacon Tony Simbel cp,
Sr. Nithya cp, Sr. Joan Mary
cp, Sr. Jasmine cp, Sr. Mary
Jimsy cp, Sr. Mary Jasmine cp,
Sr. Shiji cp, Bro. Stan Tyler cp
at Lourdes Valley

St Raphael's Parish

Primary School:

114 Glen Osmond Road,
Parkside
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Mrs Mia Harms (Principal)
Mrs Kelly Manera (APRIM)

Parish Pastoral Council

Mr Simon Cross (Chairperson)
Mr Tom Dachs (Deputy Chair)
Mrs Catherine Woods
(Secretary)

Finance Chair:

Mr. Brian Lilley

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Parish Office Hours

9am – 5pm
Tuesday to Friday
Closed Monday

Passionist Community

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CENTACARE

To book an appointment for
free telephone counselling,
please phone 8215 6700.

MASSES FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEK

13 — 19 March, 2021

Please be aware the maximum number of attendees indicated at the front door. As directed by Government requirements your name and contact details are required for tracing purposes.

	St Raphael's	St Paul's
SATURDAY	5.30PM	6PM
SUNDAY	9.30AM (Exposition till 4pm)	8AM 10.30AM 5PM
MONDAY		11.15AM Rosary 11.30AM Mass
TUESDAY		8AM
WEDNESDAY	9.30AM Communion Service	8AM
THURSDAY	9.30AM (Exposition till 1.30pm)	7AM
FRIDAY	9.30AM (Exposition till 1.30pm)	7AM

LENT: THIS COMING WEEK

The Lenten discussion Groups meet on
Tuesday 6pm (Sebastian Room) & Thursday
10am (Brereton Room)

The Morning Retreat will be on Wednesday
10th March at St Paul's (coffee available at
6.30am)

Adoration at St Raphael's Thursday & Friday
10am-1.30pm

Prayer of the Church. Thursday 1pm at St
Raphael's Church

The Stations of the Cross are at: 7.30am
Sacred Garden & 10am St. Raphael's on Friday

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY REFLECTIONS

A discussion and reflection sheet for children and
families is available on the website under Prayers
and Resources, Children's Resources.

Mass for the 4th Sunday of Lent will be live
streamed from the 10.30am Mass this Sunday.

FACEBOOK: GLEN OSMOND/PARKSIDE
PARISH

(<https://www.facebook.com/StPaulsRetreat/>)

Next Week 20 — 21 March, 2021

St. Paul's Eucharistic Ministers:

6.00pm Bernie Madigan

8.00am Sally Bray

10.30am Sue Whittaker

5.00pm Trish Wilson

St. Raphael's Eucharistic Ministers:

5.30pm Des Quirk

9.30am Vera-Ann Stacy

Readers: St. Paul's

6.00pm Marie Davis

8.00am Keith Belton

10.30am Margaret Holman

5.00pm Melita Dracopoulos

Readers: St. Raphael's

5.30pm Sandy Pugsley

9.30am Andrew Mulholland

Altar Society:

Elizabeth D.

Parish Counting Team: 2

COVID Marshals

5.30PM Ann Moller

6PM Alison Goss

8AM Peter Mase

9.30AM Carmel

10.30AM Rhonda Nemer

5PM Diane Walker

Next Sunday's readings: 5th Sunday of Lent Year B

1st Reading: Jer 31:31-34

2nd Reading: Heb 5:7-9

Gospel: Jn 12:20-33

Low gluten hosts are available in this
parish. Please visit the sacristy prior
to Mass.

Let us remember to pray for each other.

Sick: Sadie Thomas, Sr Mary Teresa OCD, Gregory Michael Allen, Eddy Moss, Anton Sylvester

Recently Deceased: Helen Penny, John Perry

Anniversaries: Nora White, Peter Buksinski

Dear Parishioners,

4th Sunday of Lent: Darkness and Light

The ancient Romans had a term for a phenomenon that might be compared to our modern concept of a 'mirage'. While mirages are a result of light being bent so that we think we can see water in the distance, the Romans talked about how people thought they could see actual lights in the distance.

That is, people wandering in the desert would see a reflection of light on the horizon or on a far distant hill, and thinking it was a campfire would move towards it seeking refuge and safety. Of course, as they got closer, the light moved further away and so they were doomed to an endless and fruitless search for the safety they sought. The Romans called this light 'ignis fatuus' – a false light.

While the 'light' they saw seemed to invite them towards shelter, welcome and the company of others, in fact it was an empty and alluring experience that offered nothing but further struggle and search.

At times of vulnerability or need, we too try to escape from darkness and difficulty, aloneness, and loss – we instinctively look for hope, for light, and for the way forward. But we can also be led astray.

Our world is vulnerable at this level today. Many empty promises, numerous popular but misleading slogans, and at times simple falsehoods can be so easily promulgated and spread quickly. They can surround us like the night, and lead people into behaviour that would seem to be seeking 'the light' but is in fact orientating them towards the 'ignis fatuus' – the false light.

We must not allow our societies to descend into such darkness. We may not have all the answers society needs, nor will we always be right, but we certainly can seek the truth. It may take patience and discipline, but as Jesus reminds us, it is in sincerely seeking the truth – in all matters and moments – that enables us to come to the light.

Part of our spiritual life is to become a beacon of light to others - in relationships, in the wider community and especially amongst those for whom we are guides and guardians. Jesus, the Light, invites us to show others the way – something we can do every time we listen, each time we sit down around the kitchen table, every time we extend a helping hand or offer prayerful or practical support. The light of Jesus shines most brightly in the domestic church, and it will always show us the way to acceptance, belonging, meaning and authentic life.

May God bless your Lenten journey.
Fr Denis cp

SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION 2021

Families who wish to explore their child preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation are advised the Information Evening will be held in St Paul's Church on **Wednesday 24th March at 7pm**. Attendance at this meeting is a requirement to learn how the program will be delivered and to answer questions you may have. *Children do not attend this meeting*. If you would like to be involved, please email Pauline at pconnell@themonastery.net.au to register your interest and attendance at the meeting.

ALTAR SERVERS

If any of the children who recently completed the altar server training would like to assist with the liturgies over Easter, please email Pauline detailing which ceremonies you would like to be involved with and we can plan from there.

NOTICE REGARDING EASTER TIMETABLE

Dear Parishioners, along with every parish in the Archdiocese we received an Instruction from Archbishop O'Regan this past Wednesday.

This has necessitated some changes to our programme for Easter. We are restricted to one Vigil Mass in only one church in the parish on Holy Saturday.

We may only have two celebrations of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday.

Some familiar parts of various other ceremonies are simplified or omitted. The prohibition of singing remains in place, as do all COVID-19 safe practices and social distancing limits.

Consequently, there is a **NEW EASTER TIMETABLE** available today. Please take one. Bookings will still be required, and the new times are now on our Webpage. Streaming of most Liturgies will take place.

EASTER ROSTERS

Thank you to those who have offered their availability so far. There is still time and opportunity to be included, so please add your names to the lists

We particularly need some assistance with the parking on Good Friday. We expect it to be easier to manage this year due to the booking system required for the Stations of the Cross. Prayer guides, please take an envelope which contains a letter of instruction and a copy of the prayers for this year.

If you would like to be involved "behind the scenes" in the leadup to, and across the Easter weekend, please either add your name to the end of a list with a note or contact us via the parish office.

PALM SUNDAY READERS

This weekend the readings (in parts) for the Gospel on Palm Sunday will be available. **Please add your name to the appropriate place on the list and take a copy of the readings to practice.**

If you are not a regular reader but would like to be included, please feel free to add your name and include your contact details.

A reminder to everyone, due to COVID-19 regulations, please bring a palm, olive branch or greenery from home for these Masses.

DEACON TONY SIMBEL

The parish extends congratulations to Deacon Tony, who has now received a date for his Ordination to the priesthood. The ceremony will take place in our Parish on Saturday, May 15th.

Archbishop O'Regan will be present with us to ordain Deacon Tony. More details about the ceremony and first mass will be announced in the coming weeks.

Fr. Denis

HELP REQUIRED

One of our migrant parishioners is moving into a unit after Palm Sunday. They have asked if anyone has any of the following items they no longer require:- Fridge, washing machine, queen size bed, bunker bed/ small bed for a 8 year old, square dining table (small) and chairs, (living room is small), small table, few chairs, iron.

If you have any of the above items and would like to donate something please contact the parish office on 8338 1277.