

Croydon Park Parish

Parish Details

Our Churches:

- St Margaret Mary's**
286 Torrens Rd, Croydon Park
- Mater Dei**
55 Beaufort St, Woodville Park
- St Patrick's**
33 Dudley St, Mansfield Park

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Fr Charles Lukati

Assistant Priest:

Fr Sam Arockiasamy SdM

Parish Staff:

-Pastoral Associate:

Sr My Vu FdCC

-Sacramental Programme

Coordinator:

Mrs Kirsty Power

-Parish Secretary:

Mrs Paula Noujaim

-Office Assistant:

Mrs Melissa Hernandez



Aug 27th 2023

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time,
Year A

*You are Peter, to you I will give the
keys of the kingdom of heaven.*

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

First Reading

Isaiah 22:19-23 (JB)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace: I dismiss you from your office, I remove you from your post, and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiyah. I invest him with your robe, gird him with your sash, entrust him with your authority; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the House of Judah. I place the key of the House of David on his shoulder; should he open, no one shall close, should he close, no one shall open. I drive him like a peg into a firm place; he will become a throne of glory for his father's house.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 137:1-3, 6, 8 (JB)

R. Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.

Before the angels I will bless you,
I will adore before your holy temple. **R.**

I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.

On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul. **R.**

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.

Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands. **R.**

Second Reading

Romans 11:33-36 (JB)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

How rich are the depths of God - how deep his wisdom and knowledge - and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel

Matthew 16:13-20 (JB)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said, 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Next Week's Readings

September 3rd 2023

**22nd Sunday in Ordinary
Time, Year A**

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9

Responsorial Psalm: 62:2-6, 8-9

*R. My soul is thirsting for you, O
Lord my God.*

Second Reading:

Romans 12:1-2

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:



RECENT: We pray for **Mrs Elisabetta Giampaolo** who passed away recently. May she rest in peace and her family be comforted.

ANNIVERSARIES: **Amerigo Possemato (25th), Teresa Carozza (14th), A.J. Anthony Joseph**

OUR SICK:

Jim McClure, Hien Vu Thai Nguelyn, Roma Sergi, Karen Mesa, Richard Mesa, Paul Nelson, Barbara Nelson, Enza Langone, Samuel Nguyen, Orlando Mammone, Rosina Riccio, Angelina Luppino, Phanxico Phuoc, Salvatore Borbouo, Carmella Mammone, Tommy O'Mahony, Nicolena DiGiovanni, Dam Thi Khuc, Velibor, Boris & Bob Basevski, Giuseppina Candido, John Best, Jean Wishmuller, Mike Kain, Ken Davey, Daryll Abrea, Veronica Aguilera, Rosa Greco, Cammi Longford, Alicea Longford, Hung Tran, Giuse Nguyen Thanh Dam, Joseph Patrose, Thomas Peter, Joe Vozzo, Chong Vu, Vince Greco, Marta Aguilera, Gloria Zelava, Viet Nguyen.

Sunday Intercessions

For all the people of this faith community, that we use the keys of the kingdom of heaven to open the treasures of God's great love for us. Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our Prayer.

May Pope Francis strengthen the faith of his brothers and sisters, so that the Church is united in Jesus Christ, abounding in his charity, and walking together as a witness to him.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our Prayer.

For all Australians, that we might listen intently to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with humility and love and learn from their experience and wisdom.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our Prayer.

May the people suffering from wildfires and floods receive the help which they need; and those in war zones receive the gift of freedom and peace.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our Prayer.

We pray for individual and personal prayers in the silence of our hearts.....

Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our prayer.

May all who have died in wildfires, floods, and violence enter the heavenly home.

We remember..

Lord, hear us.

GOSPEL DISCUSSION

In this gospel story, Jesus is fishing for information - what are people saying about him? Who do they think he is? The disciples all have a go at answering but it is Peter who comes up with the correct answer: 'You are the Messiah'.

Peter is a key character in this story and also in Matthew's gospel. Who was Peter that Jesus chose him to be the leader of the community? What sort of man was he? Was he a great, faith-filled, strong and courageous man? Peter was a fisherman. He had a wife and maybe a family. He was called by Jesus, along with other disciples, to be 'fishers of people'. Like the other men disciples, Peter often found it hard to understand Jesus and his message.

In this story, Jesus calls him 'the rock', suggesting that Peter's faith was strong and unwavering. When Jesus went into the garden to pray, Peter was one of three disciples with Jesus, who fell asleep! He failed to understand or attend to Jesus' need for support and comfort. When men came to arrest Jesus, it was Peter who cut off the ear of the high priest's servant. Jesus admonished Peter saying, if you live by the sword, you'll die by the sword! And after Jesus was arrested in the garden, it was Peter who three times denied even knowing Jesus! These are not the actions of a man with strong and unwavering faith! These are the actions of a very human Peter. Recall the story from two weeks ago when Peter tried to walk on water to Jesus - his faith let him down!

Peter failed often but he kept coming back. It is easy to see aspects of ourselves in Peter - the doubt, the uncertainty, the fear, the lack of understanding, the shame. Peter was fully human, as we are. Yet Peter was the one Jesus chose to lead his community. We do not have to be perfect to be a disciple or a leader! We just need to hang in there and stick with Jesus, to the bitter end! Reflect on the question Jesus asked the disciples - 'Who do you say I am?'

Jesus is God's Son.

(www.liturgia.com.au)

Our Parish Family

Receiving Baptism last weekend at St Margaret Mary's Church,
Dawson Kristoff Salangsang
son of David and Diana.

May God bless Dawson and his family.



Resources for Families

(copy & paste link in web browser)

Sunday Reflections for families to reflect on the Gospel and pray

together can be found each week at www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/our-works-and-community/family-and-parish-based-catechesis/prayer-services



Child Protection Sunday - September 10th



"Highlight Your Voice!"

Child Protection Officers: Sr My Vu & Dan Nguyen

Listen, Learn, Love



A New Engagement with Aboriginal
and Torres Strait Islander Peoples

With a tradition stretching back to 1940, the Australian Bishops Conference contributes to the development of local Catholic Social Teaching by releasing a major social justice statement each year in the lead up to Social Justice Sunday, which this year falls on Sunday 27 August. These statements encourage the Catholic community to reflect and act on the social, economic and ecological aspects of the Church's mission.

The title of the Social Justice Statement 2023-24 is [Listen, Learn, Love: A new engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples](#). It includes experiences and views shared by the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council (NATSICC) and calls for the Church – and society more widely – to listen to, engage and address the pain of First Nations Peoples in new ways, in order to bring an end to centuries of injustice.



"In this time of renewal in the Church and in our country, we invite everyone to join us in walking with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people on this journey of healing."

Together On The Way

JOURNEY TO THE SYNOD

The third of three gathering with
Archbishop O'Regan as we journey towards the
Synod: exploring communion, participation and
mission.

Tuesday September 12 at 7pm.
Festival Function Centre, 292 Findon Road, Findon.

Bookings via: <https://www.trybooking.com/CKKUV>



*ONLINE OPTION AVAILABLE



Mass Times: Aug 29 - Sep 3

Weekday Masses

-Tues	-9.15am	-St Margaret Mary's
-Wed	-9.00am	-St Patrick's
	-6.00pm	- St Margaret Mary's followed by Adoration, Benediction & Night Prayer
-Thurs	-9.15am	-St Margaret Mary's
-Fri	-9.15am	-Mater Dei
	-7.00pm	-Mater Dei (Vietnamese 1st Friday)

Weekend Masses

-Saturday	-6.00pm	Mater Dei Vigil
-Sunday	-8.30am	St Patrick's
	-8.30am	St Margaret Mary's (Polish)
	-10.30am	St Margaret Mary's
	-5.00pm	Mater Dei (Vietnamese)

Confessions

-Saturday 12 noon - 12.30pm in St Margaret Mary's Church
or call the 8346 0944 to make an appointment.
**St Margaret Mary's Church can be opened for prayer
during office hours (please sign in at Parish Office).**

Our Parish Schools

Our three parish schools offer a Catholic education from Reception to Year 6. Contact each school for further information.

-St Margaret Mary's School
Principal: Ms Kelly Campbell
5 Eldon Street, Croydon Park (8245 5800)
Playgroup Fridays, 9.15-10.45am



-St Patrick's School
Principal: Mrs Barbara Ahern
33 Dudley St, Mansfield Park (8303 4500)
Playgroup Wed & Fri, 9.30-11.30am



-Whitefriars School
Principal: Mr Frank Congedi
45 Beaufort St, Woodville Park (8178 7700)
Playgroup Tues & Thurs, 9-10.30am



Maranatha Portuguese Prayer Group

6pm Tuesday Nights
In St Margaret Mary's Hall

Blessing of Milestone Wedding Anniversaries



If you or someone you know is celebrating a milestone anniversary this year, we invite you to let the Parish Office know of their details so they can be acknowledged at a Special Anniversaries Mass to be held in our Parish on Oct 15th and presented with a Certificate from the Archdiocese.

Sacramental Programme

Approaching dates

Confirmation Dates:

Fri Sept 1st	-7pm	St Margaret Mary's
Tues Sept 5th	-7pm	St Margaret Mary's
Fri Sept 8th	-7pm	St Margaret Mary's



First Holy Communion Dates:

Sat Sept 16th	-6pm	Mater Dei
Sun Sept 17th	-8.30am	St Patrick's
	-10.30am	St Margaret Mary's
Sat Sept 23rd	-6pm	Mater Dei
Sun Sept 24th	-10.30am	St Margaret Mary's



ADORATION

We invite all of you every Wednesday to attend St Margaret Mary's Church at 6pm for Holy Mass, Adoration, Benediction, Rosary, and Night Prayers.

Your presence not only enriches the experience to yourself but also uplifts the entire community.

Bring your friends and family along. Everyone is welcome.



Gardening Day

St Margaret Mary's Church
9am Saturday, September 2nd

We need volunteers to help maintain the grounds around the Parish Office and St Margaret Mary's Church.

So if you like gardening, please come along. Every little bit of help makes a big difference!

Morning Tea will be provided.



THE LEGION OF MARY OF THE ADELAIDE CATHEDRAL PARISH

*invite you to pray the Rosary
together outdoors for peace*

8.40AM (AFTER THE 8AM MASS),
ON THE FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH (2nd SEPTEMBER 2023)

AT ST MARY MACKILLOP PLAZA (ADJ TO ST FRANCIS
XAVIER'S CATHEDRAL)

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:
MR PATRICK GREENROD 0414 769 635

NOTE: FREE UNDERGROUND PARKING ADELAIDE CATHEDRAL PARISH

Sunday Message

The Gospel challenges each one of us to answer this question
"Who do you say that I am?"

Jesus should not be what people have said or written about,
but should always be our own personal discovery.

In the letter to Timothy, St Paul did not say "I know what I have believed", he said "I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I have no doubt at all that he is able to take care of all that I have entrusted to him until that Day."

Christianity does not mean reciting a creed,
it means knowing a person, Jesus Christ.

Father's Day Next Weekend

We encourage everyone to attend Mass next weekend with your families to celebrate Father's Day.

There will be a **special blessing for fathers**, and **gifts will be handed out** to all the Fathers as well.

We look forward to celebrating together!

With Fr Charles' approval
the Divine Mercy Group
invites you to celebrate

Divine Mercy Mass

with Adoration &
the Divine Mercy Prayer

10am Saturday September 9th
at St Margaret Mary's Church
286 Torrens Rd, Croydon Park
followed by lunch
in the Parish Hall at 12noon.



Jesus | Trust in You!

In The Mailbox

Visit of the Relic of St John Bosco

September 1-5 (Sts Peter & Paul's Church and Xavier College)
1 Parnell Square, GAWLER, South Australia, 5118

The relic statue of St John Bosco will be touring Australia as part of the celebrations of the centenary of the arrival of the Salesians. For more information please contact Fr William Matthews SDB through email: wmatthews@salesians.org.au

Kangaroo Island Parish Fundraiser

Adelaide Catholic Cathedral Parish invites you to a fundraiser for the Kangaroo Island Catholic Parish to watch the upcoming **Hercule Poirot Film, A Haunting in Venice**.

There will be raffle prizes too.

Tickets \$25 (incl. Movie, Choc Top, Popcorn & Bottle of water)

Date: September 24 2023, 2:00pm

Location: Regal Theatre, 275 Kensington Road

Purchase tickets: (08) 8210 8155 or acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au