

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

Next Week's Readings

October 1st 2023

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time,
Year A

First Reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28

Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 24:4-9

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Second Reading:

Philippians 2:1-11

Gospel:

Matthew 21:28-32

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Sept 24th 2023

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

*Why are you jealous
because I am generous?*

First Reading

Isaiah 55:6-9 (JB)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near. Let the wicked man abandon his way, the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him, to our God who is rich in forgiving; for my thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways not your ways - it is the Lord who speaks. Yes, the heavens are as high above earth as my ways are above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 144:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 (JB)

R. The Lord is near to all who call him.

I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever.

The Lord is great, highly to be praised, his greatness cannot be measured. **R.**

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love.

How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. **R.**

The Lord is just in all his ways and loving in all his deeds.

He is close to all who call him, who call on him from their hearts. **R.**

Second Reading

Philippians 1:20-24, 27 (JB)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results - I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake. Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel

Matthew 20:1-16 (JB)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:



RECENT: We offer our prayers for **Monsignor Rob Egar** who died this week (aged 90). May he who often celebrated the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection, now share in the everlasting life it promises.

ANNIVERSARIES:
Gjovalin Pjetri (18 months), & **A.J. Anthony Joseph**

OUR SICK: *Ken Davey, David Scott, Anna Sagesca, Nha Thanh Le, Jim McClure, Hien Vu Thai Nguelyn, Roma Sergi, Karen Mesa, Richard Mesa, Paul Nelson, Barbara Nelson, Enza Langone, Samuel Nguyen, Orlando Mamzone, Rosina Riccio, Angelina Luppino, Phanxico Phuoc, Salvatore Borbouo, Carmella Mamzone, Tommy O'Mahony, Nicolena DiGiovanni, Dam Thi Khuc, Velibor, Boris & Bob Basevski, Giuseppina Candido, John Best, Jean Wishmuller, Mike Kain, 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

May Jesus hold close to him our young parishioners celebrating their First Holy Communion this weekend, and may their parents, godparents, and sponsors, be living examples of faith, love and mercy.
Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

May we all use our talents and time in the service of others, and be generous unconditionally, as Jesus has taught us.
Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

May those who have an abundance of wealth share with those who have little, and may we acknowledge daily that all we have, comes from God.
Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

May Pope Francis and the universal Church become a source of life and mercy for all who seek human flourishing and safety.
Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

May all who have come to this land, as refugees or as migrants, be welcomed without prejudice and enjoy the freedoms which belong to us all.
Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

May every Australian, preparing for the referendum on an Indigenous Voice to Parliament, seek the Lord through prayer, so that their vote is sincere and true, respecting the dignity of every person.
Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

May those who have died, especially those who have not survived migrant journeys, be received into the joy of heaven, where the last will be first, and the first, last. We remember also ...
Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

GOSPEL DISCUSSION

This parable is about the generosity of God. The parables or stories Jesus told always involved familiar settings or experiences for the people of his time. This parable is no exception. This parable is yet another example of the great reversals evident in the Kingdom. God does not judge worth in the same way as human beings judge worth. God is generous and welcomes all into the Kingdom regardless of the hour at which they arrive! This story probably served as a bit of a warning for the disciples, not to get too arrogant about the fact that they were chosen early in Jesus' ministry as followers. Being first to follow Jesus does not guarantee a more special place in the Kingdom. All are welcome - regardless of the time at which they arrive!

This parable also reveals something of the compassion of God. Even at the 11th hour, the owner welcomed the workers. Those men received a day's wage even though they worked for only an hour.

Their needs were recognised and met! This is who God is!

God loves us totally and freely.

We cannot earn God's love - it is for God to give to us! God's love is not payment for work done or a life well lived - it is pure gift.

God's law is the law of love.

We may not like everyone, but we are meant to respect people and treat them fairly. Think about your actions over the past week - is there anyone you treated unfairly or without respect?

God's love is pure gift, there is nothing we can do to earn it.

What gift of love can you offer someone this week?

(www.liturgia.com.au)

WALK WITH GOD

for Young Adults
(COYYA / Caritas Australia Initiative)

Saturday October 7, 4pm-6pm
Meet at: McElligott's Carpark,
48 Carrick Hill Rd, Mitcham

Connecting young adults with the wonder and awe of God's creation through prayer and reflection.

Sabrina Stevens, National Youth Coordinator of Caritas Australia, will take us on a walk that incorporate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander spirituality as we explore the different perspectives of connecting with creation. This walk is not for the faint hearted.

We look forward to seeing you there for a prayerful walk and fellowship.



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St Margaret Mary's Feast Day

Save The Date Sunday Oct 15th

All parishioners are invited to celebrate this Feast at the 10.30am Mass, followed by our Traditional

Multicultural Lunch & Festivities



CAN YOU HELP???

Please contact the Parish Office to let us know if you can

donate food or help on the day

on 8346 0944 or at hello@croydonparkparish.com.au

Together we can achieve great things!

Ever Thought About Becoming A Catholic?



Every year we offer an opportunity for people who would like to explore if God is calling them to be baptised (or to become a member of the Catholic Church, if already baptised in another Christian Community). This journey concludes each year with adults being Baptised at the Easter Vigil.

- Perhaps this interest has been at the back of your mind
- Perhaps you want to belong to a faith-filled community
- Maybe the questions of your children, or coming to Mass, has awakened an interest in you

This might be the moment of grace to take that first step and see what happens.

- Parishioners might know a someone who has spoken about becoming a Catholic.
- Or there may be someone whom you think might just be waiting to be asked.

Pope Francis encourages us to reach out – invite people to discover Jesus and the joy of his Gospel. So Share your Faith, Spread the Word, Invite Someone!

For those who are interested, please contact the Parish Office on 8346 0944 or hello@croydonparkparish.com.au

Information Night

7pm Tuesday October 24th, Parish Office.

Mass Times: Sep 26 - Oct 1

Weekday Masses

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| -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 |

Weekend Masses

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| -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



Our Parish Family

Baptised last Sunday at Mater Dei Church, **Georgia Kate**, daughter of Thomas and Daniella. May God bless Georgia and her family.



September is Catholic Charities Month

Help make a difference to the lives of South Australians.

In the month of September, we are promoting the Catholic Charities Appeal which supports the following agencies in South Australia: Hutt St Centre, Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, Centacare Catholic Family Services, Our Lady of La Vang and St Patrick's Special Schools. Use QR code to donate!



Migrant & Refugee Sunday

**Holy Mass at St Francis Xavier Cathedral
2.30pm This Sunday September 24th**

This annual multicultural Mass is a very important celebration for our church communities in Adelaide and consequently is live-streamed.

**The theme chosen by Pope Francis for the celebration this year is:
“FREE TO CHOOSE WHETHER TO MIGRATE OR TO STAY”**

**You are ALL INVITED to join Archbishop Patrick O’Regan at this special Mass.
Ice Cream and Coffee after Mass.**

Each one of us bring our faith, our culture and our gifts to the eucharistic table – this day is a day to celebrate our diversity but mostly our unity!

In The Mailbox

Kangaroo Island Parish Fundraiser

This Sunday, Sept 24th 2pm

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

There will be raffle prizes too.

Tickets \$25 (inc. Movie, Choc Top, popcorn and bottle of water)

Location: Regal Theatre, 275 Kensington Road, Kensington Park.

Purchase tickets: <https://www.trybooking.com/CKGCO>

or 8210 8155 or acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au

Silent Retreat at The Monastery

Join us for some quiet, personal reflection on our silent retreat led by Fr Tony Edgar CP and Fr Pastor Mumburi CP.

The retreat will commence with dinner on Friday October 6

and conclude with breakfast on **Thursday October 12.**

Contact The Monastery office on 8338 8700

or conference@themonastery.net.au

Annual Mothers and Christian Family Life Mass

(Honouring St Gerard Majella

-Patron of Mothers & Christian Families)

Friday October 13

Holy Rosary 6.30pm followed by Holy Mass at 7pm

with ‘Blessing of Expecting Mothers’ at St Francis of Assisi Church, 59 Newton Road, Newton.

After Mass veneration of St Gerard 1st class relic.

Religious books, medals etc. will be on sale in the Church foyer.

A Josephite Celebration - Tales out of School

Saturday October 14,

2pm - 4.30pm, at Mt Carmel College,

33 Newcastle Street, Rosewater, parking off Miles St.

Open to all who have a connection to the Josephite story.

Hosted by the ‘Josephites are the Future’ group.

RSVP by Friday October 6 to David:

david.cotton@mcc.catholic.edu.au or 0417 853 519

The Voice Referendum

On October 14 2023, Australian citizens will

vote in the referendum on the

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice to Parliament.

Archbishop Patrick O’Regan is encouraging Catholics

to prayerfully reflect on the upcoming referendum

and inform themselves from reliable sources such as

www.indigenousvoice.church, www.catholic.au or www.voice.gov.au.

Feast of St Daniel Comboni

You are invited to join the African Catholic Community to celebrate the feast of St Daniel Comboni of Sudan/South Sudan.

To be held in St Francis Xavier’s Cathedral on

Sunday October 15 at 2.30pm.

All are welcome to this colourful cultural celebration of a saint who stood up for injustice and promoted care for the marginalised.

For more information, please contact the Multicultural Office on

E: multiculturaloffice@adelaide.catholic.org.au