

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 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 15th 2023

**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time,
Year A**

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-10

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 22

R: I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

Second Reading:

Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-10

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Oct 8th 2023

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A
He leased his vineyard to other farmers.

First Reading *Isaiah 5:1-7 (JB)*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard. My friend has a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug the soil, cleared it of stones, and planted choice vines in it. In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too. He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me. What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done? I expected it to yield grapes. Why did it yield sour grapes instead? Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on. I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it. Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plant. He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 79:9, 12-16, 19-20 (JB)*

R. The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

You brought a vine out of Egypt; to plant it you drove out the nations.

It stretched out its branches to the sea, to the Great River it stretched out its shoots. **R.**

Then why have you broken down its walls? It is plucked by all who pass by.

It is ravaged by the boar of the forest, devoured by the beasts of the field. **R.**

God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see.

Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted. **R.**

And we shall never forsake you again: give us life that we may call upon your name.

God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved. **R.**

Second Reading *Philippians 4:6-9 (JB)*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel *Matthew 21:33-43 (JB)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son," he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures: It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see? 'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:



ANNIVERSARIES: Cosimo Piscioneri (6th), Kath Wood (11th), Maria Nguyen Thi Tan (18th), Paul Vu Cao Hien (36th), Paul Vu Dinh Linh (45th), Peter Tran Ngoc Quy.

ALSO: Thanksgiving for the 70th Birthday of Duong Ngoc Bich.

OUR SICK: Alwyn Alexi, Ken Davey, David Scott, Anna Sagesca, Nha Thanh Le, Jim McClure, Hien Vu Thai Nguen, Roma Sergi, Karen Mesa, Richard Mesa, Paul Nelson, Barbara Nelson, Enza Langone, Samuel Nguyen, Orlando Mamme, Rosina Riccio, Angelina Luppino, Phanxico Phuoc, Salvatore Borbouo, Carmella Mamme, 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

For our Archbishop, Patrick O'Regan celebrating his 65th birthday today, that as he participates in the Synod at the Vatican as a representative of the Australian bishops, he will be alive in the Holy Spirit.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all participating in the Synod, that with Pope Francis, they will explore together its themes of communion, participation and mission, and so build up the People of God in holiness.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all in leadership in the Church and religions, in society and governments, in education and business, that justice and integrity will flourish so that the poor and needy are never neglected.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For each other in this parish, that with free hearts we will fill our minds with everything true and noble, good and pure, virtuous and praiseworthy, we will produce the good fruit of God's mercy.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all who suffer from oppression, violence, and poverty, that we may be channels of justice and compassion in relieving need.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For our individual and personal prayers in the silence of our hearts...

Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For our loved ones who have died, that they may reap the fruits of their lives and assist us on our journey.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

GOSPEL DISCUSSION

The events in today's readings would have been very familiar to the people living in Jesus' time and culture. The Jewish people used to refer to their nation as the 'vineyard of God' (Isaiah 5:7 from the first reading). Around the vineyard was a hedge full of thorns. The purpose of the hedge was two-fold: to keep out both wild animals and would-be thieves. Every vineyard had its own wine press which comprised two troughs, one set a little higher than the other and connected by a channel. The grapes were pressed in the higher trough allowing the juice to run off into the lower trough. There was also a tower which served two purposes- as a look-out tower and as 'accommodation' for some of the workers.

The story refers to a landlord who rented his property. This was a common occurrence. The rent could have been paid in any of three ways - as money, as a fixed amount of the crop or as a percentage of the crop.

At the time Jesus was living, Israel was full of political turmoil and unrest. There was considerable poverty and discontent amongst the working classes. So all in all, the events in this story were not unfamiliar to the people.

As for the symbolism of the story: the vineyard represents the Jewish nation. The owner of course is God. The servants represent the prophets sent by God to challenge and call to tune those who have lost their way. Many of these prophets were killed! The son who comes of course is Jesus.

This parable can tell us much about God (the owner of the vineyard). It tells us that God trusts us - the owner rented out the vineyard and then left the country trusting that it would be looked after. The parable also tells us that God is patient. Servant after servant is sent! Finally it tells us about God's justice.

God has given us the world to look after and 'cultivate'.

- What are we doing to care for the world?
- What are we doing to enhance it?
- What are we doing to care for the people of the world who have less than we do?

Jesus came to show us the love of God for us.

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St Margaret Mary's Feast Day

Next 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: Oct 10 - 15

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

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).

Month Mind Mass for Nicola Lopresti
Friday 13th October 7.00pm at St Margaret Mary.
Join the family to keep praying for his eternal rest.

Combined Choir Practice
Saturday 14th October 5.00pm
St Margaret Mary's Church.



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



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Earthquake in Morocco

Caritas agencies are responding to the 6.8 magnitude earthquake in Morocco where more than 2600 lives have been lost and thousands have been injured. Immediate needs include getting essentials like food, clean water, emergency shelter and medicine to families affected by the earthquake, while preparing for the long-term needs of people who no longer have homes to return to. **Your support to help those affected by this catastrophe is invaluable.**

www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/morocco-earthquake/

SUPPORTING OUR PRIESTS & DEACONS

How to support our clergy

Get to know your priests and deacons. Pray constantly for them. Pray for an increase in vocations. Contribute to their financial upkeep. Volunteer to help in your parish.

First Collection

The prime way of financial support is through the First Collection which goes to the Presbytery Fund. This is supplemented by Christmas and Easter offerings, donations and bequests. All the offerings you give for baptisms, weddings, funerals and home visits go to this fund and covers a fortnightly stipend, housekeeping expenses, car, hospital and medical care. A personal Mass Offering goes directly to the priest.

Ways of giving

There are three ways you can support our clergy through the First Collection.

- The first is the traditional method of contributing during weekend Mass when the parish takes up the First Collection.
- The second way is to download the Adelaide Archdiocese App and log in to the Parish Giving section to set up a weekly or one-off donation.
(Ask your parish for help if necessary.)
- The third way is via the website www.adelaide.catholic.org.au
(Go to the Giving page and click on Donate Now, then donate to your parish.)
Or scan the QR code.



Thank you for your ongoing support
of our priests and deacons.

This Weekend Family Mass Followed by Refreshments



Please join us for light refreshments after Mass this weekend and enjoy being part of this wonderful Parish community!

In The Mailbox

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.

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.

Mass for the Unborn Child

St Joseph's Catholic Church, 24 Strathmore Terrace, Brighton

on Saturday 14th October at 10am

Followed by coffee/tea.

This Mass is for those suffering due to a loss of a child either through miscarriage, stillbirth or abortion. We will also be praying for those children who have lost their lives to accidents or illness.



CROYDON PARK PARISH SENIORS GROUP

Join us for coffee, tea and chats
with fellow aged Parishioners.

Monday 9th October, 10.30am at the Parish Office
(286 Torrens Rd, Croydon Park)

Aged 60 and over are welcome.

Need assistance with travel? Give the Parish Office a call on 08 8346 0944