

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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Office Hours (Jan - Feb 2024)

Monday	Closed
Tues	9am - 12pm
Wed	9am - 3pm
Thurs	9am - 12pm
Fri	9am - 1pm

Parish Priest:

Fr Charles Lukati

Assistant Priest:

Fr Sam Arockiasamy SdM

Parish Staff:

-**Sacramental Program**

Coordinator:

Mrs Kirsty Power

-**Parish Secretary:**

Mrs Paula Noujaim

-**Office Assistant:**

Mrs Melissa Hernandez



Feb 11th 2024

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time,
YEAR B

The leprosy left him and he was cured.

First Reading

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46

A reading from the book of Leviticus

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean." As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart; he must live outside the camp.'

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 31:1-2, 5, 11

R. I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

Happy the man whose offence is forgiven, whose sin is remitted.

O happy the man to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, in whose spirit is no guile. **R.**

But now I have acknowledged my sins; my guilt I did not hide.

I said: 'I will confess my offence to the Lord.'

And you, Lord, have forgiven the guilt of my sin. **R.**

Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord, exult, you just!

O come, ring out your joy, all you upright of heart. **R.**

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 10:31 - 11:1

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone - to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved. Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel

Mark 1:40-45

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

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

Next Week's Readings

February 18th 2024

1st Sunday of Lent, Year B

First Reading: Genesis 9:8-15

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 24:4-9

R. Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

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Lenten Booklets 2024

Each week includes the Sunday Readings, a short introduction of the week's themes, a reflection from *Drawn into the Joy of the Gospel*, a reflection question and a prayer meditation. Please take one home and live a Lenten Season of renewal and transformation.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENT: Maria Sara de Monterd

ANNIVERSARIES: Phanxico Xavier Nguyen Tan Dung (2nd), Maria, Phaolo Pham Anh Dung (18th)

OUR SICK: Dan Nguyen, Carmen Hall, Franco Zardo, Ken Davey, David Scott, Anna Sagesca, Nha Thanh Le, Jim McClure, Hien Vu Thai Nguayn, 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, Daryll Abrea, Veronica Aguilera, Rosa Greco, Cammi Longford, Alicea Longford, Giuse Nguyen Thanh Dam, Joseph Patrose, Thomas Peter, Joe Vozzo, Chong Vu, Vince Greco, Marta Aguilera, Gloria Zelava, Viet Nguyen.



Sunday Intercessions

That we, the Church, will pray for all who are sick this day, for their peace of heart, healing, and comfort.

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

That those who live with illnesses will not give up hope, but carry their cross with dignity.

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

That we will respond to the prayer intention of Pope Francis this month, and remember the terminally ill, those who care for them and their families.

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

We pray for those in our society who are struggling for acceptance – especially migrants, refugees, and those with disabilities or an illness.

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

We pray that we may live as people of peace and harmony.

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

We pray for the recently deceased and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time. That they will be welcomed into the company of the saints.

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

GOSPEL

DISCUSSION



A man who has a skin problem comes to Jesus and asks to be healed. Jesus makes the man better but asks that he not tell anyone what has happened. Instead, he asks the man to visit the priest and give thanks to God for his cure.

How do you think this man felt when he realised that Jesus had healed him? The man does not do as Jesus asks; instead, he goes round telling everyone the story. Why do you think he does this?

Perhaps it was because he was just so happy to be well again and wanted everyone to know about it. We try to be like Jesus today in our world, by caring for others, and helping them when they are ill or finding things difficult. Can you tell me some ways that we can do that?

We talked last week about how Jesus healed people. And about how we can show people who are ill that we care for them. We also talked about how important it is that people are able to see a doctor or get the medicine that they need when they are ill.

Just as important is helping people to stay healthy.

There are lots of ways to keep healthy. Eating the right food and making sure we get enough exercise. Washing our hands, especially after going to the toilet and before eating. What will you do this week to try and stay healthy? And to help others to stay healthy too?

How can you be more like Jesus and care for others who are ill or finding things difficult?

(www.cafod.org.uk)



Children's Liturgy

Will be held at each weekend Mass during the school terms for primary school aged children.

"Let the little children come to me. Don't stop them, because the kingdom of heaven belongs to people who are like these children." - Jesus (Mt 19:14)

Resources for Families

Reflections for families each Sunday have been prepared to reflect on the Gospel and pray together as a family each week. They can be found each week at [Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide - Resources](#) (copy and paste the link into your web browser.)



Lenten Program 2024

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday February 14th

- 8.00am St Margaret Mary's (Polish)
- 9.00am St Patrick's
- 9.15am St Margaret Mary's
- 11.45am Whitefriars, Mary MacKillop Centre
(parishioners welcome)
- 7.00pm St Margaret Mary's
- 7.00pm Mater Dei (Vietnamese)

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent

- 7pm at Mater Dei Church (in Vietnamese)
- 7pm at St Margaret Mary's (in English)



FOOD DONATIONS

It has been brought to our attention that perishable donations have been left at the Church entrance, although we appreciate your kindness at this moment it is very difficult to manage the reception and distribution of such goods. We hope your understanding and willingness to participate in providing donations when needed.

St Margaret Mary's School and Preschool Principal's Tour

Tuesday February 20th 9.15am and 5.15pm
Limited places still available for
Term 3 Reception enrolment
8245 5800
info@smms.catholic.edu.au

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



Mass Times: Feb 13 - 18

Weekday Masses

- Tuesday -9.15am St Margaret Mary's
- Wednesday (See times on the left)
(No Adoration on Feb 14th)

- Thursday -9.15am St Margaret Mary's
- Friday -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).

Vietnamese Martyrs Community New Year Masses

New Year's Day Mass

Saturday 10th Feb, 7.30pm at Mater Dei
Praying for peace in the New Year

Remembering Ancestors Mass

Sunday 11th Feb, 5pm at Mater Dei
Second day of Tet

Changed Office Hours

(January & February 2024)

- Monday Closed
- Tues 9am - 12pm
- Wed 9am - 3pm
- Thurs 9am - 12pm
- Fri 9am - 1pm

Family Mass this weekend

Gathering and Refreshments
are back for 2024!



Please stay after Mass. It is a great opportunity to share with the community. All welcome!



FOR THE TERMINALLY ILL

"Let us pray that the terminally ill and their families always receive the necessary medical and human care and assistance."

- Pope Francis -

Challenge for humanity and the Church's mission – February 2024

WHO IS A TERMINALLY ILL PERSON?

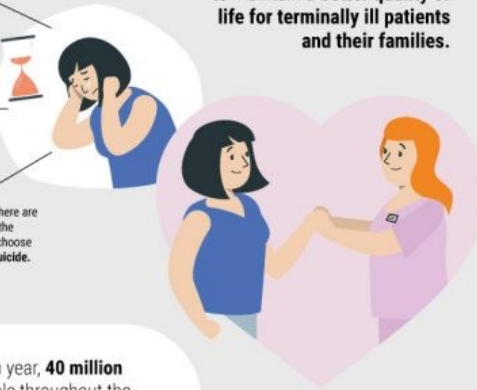


A terminally ill person is someone who has an advanced, progressive and incurable illness.

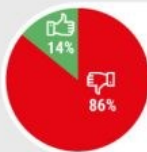
Palliative care is an alternative to maintain a better quality of life for terminally ill patients and their families.



The proximity of death creates a tremendous emotional impact for the sick person, their relatives and the therapeutic team assisting them.



In this type of situation, there are some countries in which the terminally ill person can choose euthanasia or assisted suicide.



Each year, 40 million people throughout the world need palliative care, but only 14% receive it.

"Cure if it is possible; always take care."

Pope Francis

WHAT DOES POPE FRANCIS SAY WE CAN DO TO HELP THE TERMINALLY ILL AND THEIR FAMILIES?



- **Accompany.** The spiritual assistance provided by families is a component of palliative care.
- **Provide care for their fragility.** Therapeutic care is not only medical, but also psychological and spiritual.
- **Accept vulnerability.** We cannot leave families alone in such difficult moments.
- **Be present and available.** Always offer care and the necessary assistance.
- **Openness to hope.** A cure may not always be possible, but the sick person can always be cared for.

"When illness knocks on the door of our life, the need arises in us that someone be close us, to look into our eyes, to take us by the hand, to show us tenderness and care for us, like the Good Samaritan".

POPE FRANCIS

LEAVING COLLECTION TODAY

Day of the Unborn Child Appeal

A special collection will be taken up in support of the work undertaken by Birthline Pregnancy Support and Genesis Pregnancy Support Inc.

The Day of the Unborn Child assists us to focus on those people in our families and communities who have experienced any sort of child-bearing loss, whether miscarriage, still-birth, the death of a baby soon after birth, or abortion.

We thank you in anticipation for your generous support of those who work tirelessly with individuals and families who require these important resources and services.

In the Mailbox

FRINGE FESTIVAL 2024 - PIPE ORGAN RECITALS

St Francis Xavier's Cathedral

21 February 1pm: Amir Robin-Karas

25 February 1pm: Festival of Hymns by James Lloyd

28 February 1pm: Jacinta Jakovcevic

6 March 1pm: Graham Bell

17 March 1pm: Young Organists

CARITAS 60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Sunday February 25 for Mass at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral (11am) followed by a coffee and sausage sizzle.



Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow for all future generations.



With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction to build a better future for all.



You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [Project Compassion | Donate Now | Caritas Australia](#) or by calling 1800 024 413.

