

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

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MASS TIMES

NATIVITY (NAT)

Tuesday 12pm

Thursday 9.15 am

Friday 12pm

Exposition and Adoration 11-12pm

Saturday Vigil 6pm

Sunday 11am

ST PAUL OF THE CROSS (SPC)

Tuesday 9.30am

Wednesday 9.30am

Friday 9.30am

Sunday 7.30am

OUR LADY OF THE WAY (OLW)

Wednesday 7pm

Exposition and Adoration 7.30-8.30pm

Sunday 9am

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH COMMUNION

OLW - Thursday 9.30am

RECONCILIATION

SPC - Friday 10.00 - 10.30am

NAT - Saturday 5.15pm - 5.45 pm

ROSARY

OLW - Mon 10.30am

NAT - Tues 11.30am & Sat 11am

VESPERS

SPC - 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month 7pm

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

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Aberfoyle Park and Blackwood Catholic Parish Newsletter

VISION STATEMENT

We strive to be a welcoming, growing and vibrant Catholic Community that embraces the diversity of people and culture through our love of God.

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INTRODUCTION

THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS. We see ourselves in the crowds who cried "Hosanna to the Son of David" one day and "Crucify him" just a few days later. Like Peter and the other disciples we can be fickle followers of Jesus. We should not, however, imitate Judas and despair at our infidelity. Rather, we should look to Jesus who allowed his blood to be poured out for many "for the forgiveness of sins". Let us praise him with grateful hearts.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the King of Israel. Hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

POPE FRANCIS' INTENTION FOR MARCH

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.



Church of the Nativity
26 Sunnymead Drive
Aberfoyle Park

St Paul of the Cross
cnr Simla & Coromandel Pde
Blackwood

Our Lady of the Way
4-6 Laffers Road
Glenalta

We acknowledge the Kaurna people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather today, and pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

MARCH 2024**LENT**

Stations of the Cross will be held during Lent every Friday.

St Paul of the Cross:

After 9.30am Mass.

Nativity:

Rosary at 11am

Stations of the Cross at 11.30am

Mass at 12pm

SUNDAY 24th

PALM SUNDAY BRUNCHEON in the Cottage at 10.30am after the 9am Mass. (a little early for a luncheon!)

Parishioners from all three Mass centers are invited to a shared meal to celebrate Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter. Please bring a plate of savory or sweet finger/fork food to share. Come and make new friends and enjoy new friendships.

HOLY WEEK

SATURDAY 23rd (All Masses will begin outside)

Vigil Mass Nativity 6pm

PALM SUNDAY 24th *Please note that Mass begins outside.*

OLW 9am

Nativity 11am

TUESDAY 26th Reconciliation

Nativity 7.00 p.m.

EASTER TRIDUUM CELEBRATIONS

HOLY THURSDAY 28th

7pm OLW and Nativity with Adoration until 10:30pm in both churches.

GOOD FRIDAY 29th

Reconciliation OLW 10am followed by Stations of the Cross at 11am

Stations of the Cross at Nativity 10am

Good Friday 3pm OLW and Nativity

SATURDAY 30th

Easter Vigil 7pm OLW and Nativity

Supper to follow at Nativity Church to welcome Luke West into the Catholic Faith.

EASTER SUNDAY 31st

9am OLW and 11am Nativity

APRIL 2024

SUNDAY 7th April Divine Mercy Sunday

SPC 7.30am

OLW 9am

Nativity 11am

Chaplet and Adoration at Nativity 3pm

REGULAR DIARY DATES please add to your calendars

St Paul of the Cross

Morning Tea: after 7.30 am Mass on the first Sunday of the month in the Meeting Room.

Our Lady of the Way

Morning Tea: following 9am Mass on the first and third Sundays of the month in The Cottage.

Cards and Boardgames: on the second Tuesday of the month from 10am until 12pm.

Knit and Natter: 10am—12pm in The Cottage every Wed.

Nativity

Supper after the 6pm Vigil Mass - to be advised by Commentator.

Morning Tea after 11am Mass - to be advised by Commentator.

Morning Tea in the parish office at 10am on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month.

Tuesday Trekkers every Tuesday meet in the Nativity Church carpark at 9am for a brisk walk around the suburb followed by morning tea.

PARISH NEWS**SPECIAL COLLECTION**

GOOD FRIDAY HOLY PLACES APPEAL 29th MARCH

Vatican appeal to promote missionary work of the Church and support education, health, medical and social works for the people of the Holy Land and to preserve and restore the sacred historical sites.

Magi Pilgrimages!

Fr Maria Raju would like to invite you for an 18-day pilgrimage, departing on 23rd September 2024. This pilgrimage features Fatima, Lourdes, Turin, Milan, Padua, Venice, Florence, Assisi, Rotondo and Rome for an all-inclusive price of \$8790. The fare includes Return Economy Airfares + Local Transfers in Deluxe coaches + Stay in Premium Hotels + All Breakfasts & Dinners + Catholic Priest + English speaking professional guides. For enquiries & bookings call 03 8839 6615 or 1300 721 561 or email us pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au.

PARISH NEWS

Child Protection

It is a requirement of the South Australian government that all adult volunteers in the parish undergo a ‘Volunteer’s Induction’.

We would like to advise that we have below 90-minute Volunteer briefing Open sessions scheduled at Adelaide Cathedral Hall, 39 Wakefield Street for 2024.

Tuesday 30th April 6.30 pm- 8.00 pm

Wednesday 26th June 10.30 am-12.00 pm

Wednesday 30th October 10.30 am- 12.00 pm

The parish training evening will be later in the year.

Financial Support for our Churches

Our Joint Parishes are grateful for your financial support. This QR code works with any smartphone, safely linking parishes to the Giving page of the Adelaide Archdiocese website. You can then select either Aberfoyle



Park or Blackwood and make a one-off contribution or set up a regular amount which we can then acknowledge as part of the Parish's Planned Giving program. For further details of our program or using the QR code contact the Parish office or email either of our PFC Chairs at bwoodpar@gmail.com or pfc@nativityparish.com.au. Alternatively, you may call 0407613749.

Project Compassion

Please finalise your Lenten almsgiving for

Project Compassion 2024 by Holy Thursday,

28th March and return your boxes and envelopes in the baskets provided, as your

Gifts will be brought forward with your

Offerings of Bread and Wine, during the **Procession of**

GIFTS, at the celebration of **the Mass of The Lord's Supper.**



Money to Lolotoe East Timor

The World Development Committee sent \$3,600 to Lolotoe to pay for repairs to the Convent damaged by Cyclones last year.

Funds were also to be used to further the Education of 14 young girls from very poor families.

Please pray for members of the Blackwood and Aberfoyle Park communities.

Sick: John Spurr (son-in-law of Mary & John Quirk), Veronica Stanley, Kate Joseph (sister of Judi Betros), Judi Betros, Jen Dunstan, Lesley Souter, Trevor Kuerschner, Roger Matthews, Leonata Griffiths, Magdalena, Chris Wright.

Recently deceased: Vince Baldacchino, Mary Furey, Veronicah Stanley

Anniversary: Peter Starrs, Stephen Wooding, Teofilo Inson, Eugene Secker, Joan Hinklethein, Anne Tohl, Carmel Balnaves



Please contact either parish office to have names added to or removed from the prayer list.

Parish Next Weekend Roster

31 March 2024

SPC Sun 7:30am OLW Sun 9:00am

SACRISTAN	Mary Ann Koh	
WELCOMERS	Helen O'Loughlin	
	Julie Langman	
COMMENTATOR	Tony Conlon	
READERS	Peter Donovan	
	Brian Fogarty	
MUSIC CANTOR	Folk Group	
FLOWERS	Jen Dunstan	
Sat 6:00pm NAT Sun 11:00am NAT		
SACRISTAN	Rene Pols	Nadia Procter
WELCOMERS	John Giles	Rosemary Buckley
	Gemma Roberts	Mary Procter
COMMENTATOR	Vee Pols	Maria Robertson
READERS	Ann Donnelley	David Diggins
	Gilda Gaufo	
	Golda Cruz	Golda Cruz
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	Bev Cusack	Rita Chiappini
	Jen Crabb	
ALTAR SERVERS	Asmitha Devanand	Sharyn Black
	Lucas, Alwin	Alannah
MUSIC	Aaron	Chloe
	Duane	Twilight
MORNING TEA SUPPER	Gemma Roberts	
	Bev Cusack	
CLEANERS	Rosemary Buckley	
	Gemma Roberts	
COUNTERS	Angela Santinon	
	Helen Langeluddecke	

First Reading Is 50:4-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied, he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple.

The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away.

I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults.

So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24.R.v.2
(R.) My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

1. All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads. "He trusted in the Lord, let him save him: let him release him if this is his friend." **(R.)**
2. Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet, I can count every one of my bones. **(R.)**
3. They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe. O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me! **(R.)**
4. I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled. "You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory. Revere him, Israel's sons." **(R.)**

Second Reading Phil 2: 6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians.

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross.

But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation Phil 2: 8-9

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross.

Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel Mk 14: 1-15: 47

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Narrative form.

**Next week's readings - 31 March 2024****Easter Sunday**

First Reading	Acts of the Apostles 10: 34, 37-43
Responsorial Ps	117: 1-2, 16-17, 22-23.R.v.24
Second Reading	St Paul to the Colossians 3: 1-4
Gospel Acclaim	1 Cor 5: 7-8
Gospel	John 20: 1-9



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