

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

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MASS TIMES

Monday 10.30am Rosary Our Lady of the Way

Tuesday 9.30am Mass St Paul of the Cross

Tuesday 11.30am Rosary and Mass 12pm Nativity

Wednesday 9.30am Mass St Paul of the Cross

Wednesday 7.00pm Mass Our Lady of the Way
and Exposition and Adoration 7.30pm - 8.30pm

Thursday 9.15am Mass Nativity

Friday 9.30am Mass and Reconciliation 10am -
10.30 am St Paul of the Cross

Friday Exposition and Adoration 11am - 12pm
and 12.00 p.m. Mass Nativity

Saturday 11am Rosary at Nativity

Saturday 5.15pm - 5.45 pm Reconciliation at
Nativity and

Saturday Vigil 6pm Mass at Nativity

Sunday 7.30am Mass St Paul of the Cross

Sunday 9.00am Mass Our Lady of the Way

Sunday 11am Mass Nativity

VESPERS

As advertised.

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Please contact Pastoral Associate for further
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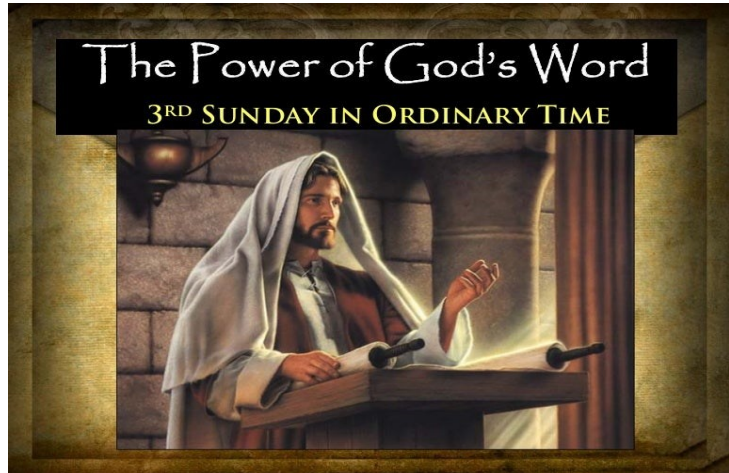
Southern Hills

Integrating the Catholic Communities of Aberfoyle Park and Blackwood in the
Archdiocese of Adelaide

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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REFLECTION

Ezra's instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need. Now here's the hard part – to share all we have without expecting anything in return.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

POPE FRANCIS' INTENTION FOR JANUARY

For the right to an education

Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.



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

FEBRUARY

SATURDAY/SUNDAY 1st/2nd

Visit of a relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis

Over the weekend of February 1 to 2 a first-class relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis will be present at St Rose of Lima Church, Kapunda. Blessed Carlo can be considered the first millennial saint and will be canonised later this year as part of the celebrations for the Year of Jubilee.

There will be Mass at 9.30am on Saturday February 1 - the church will be open until 5pm. Reconciliation will be available.

Mass will be celebrated at 10.30am on Sunday February 2, again followed by the opportunity to venerate the relic until 5pm.

This is part of a Vatican International Exhibition of Eucharistic Miracles which Blessed Carlo put together between the ages of 11 and 15.

If groups or individuals are planning to visit, for planning purposes, please contact the Northern Light parish – P: 8566 2064, E: nlparish@adam.com.au or www.northernlightparish.com.au

WEDNESDAY 5th AGM FIDELIS

You are invited to the AGM at St. Ignatius College Junior School Hall, 62 Queen Street, Norwood. RSVP: Friday, 31 January, Monica Klingberg—0403 508 904 or email: fidelis@ignatius.sa.edu.au

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 8 AT 10AM IN ST FRANCIS XAVIER'S CATHEDRAL

Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

Each year on World Day of the Sick a Mass is offered for those who are of ill health. This year Lourdes Day falls on a Tuesday therefore, it will be celebrated on the Saturday prior. All are welcome to receive a blessing and anointing. For more information, please contact the Archdiocesan Events – P: 8210 8220 or E: events@adelaide.catholic.org.au

SATURDAY 8th LOVE ADELAIDE WALK FOR LIFE

Join us as we walk for life to bring an end to abortion. Love the next generation 10am—12noon Pennington Gardens opposite St. Peter's Cathedral, North Adelaide. \$5 donation Parking Adelaide Oval, enter from Pennington Tce. Free tickets via trybooking.com/CVHLE. Gates open 9am. Please wear a White shirt. For more details see notice board in foyer.

SUNDAY 9th—FEAST OF ST JOSEPHINE BAKHITA MASS

You are invited to join the African Catholic Community to celebrate the feast of St Josephine Bakhita Eucharistic celebration on Sunday February 9 at 2.30pm, in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral. All are welcome.

Please forward all Parish Bulletin requests by Wednesday 5pm to parishpriest@nativityparish.com.au

All the notices to go in our bulletin are sent to the Parish Priest for approval who in turn forwards them to the editors for publication.

MARCH

Monday 31st

The Annual Catholic Clergy-Laity Golf Day will be held at Westwood Ho GC, Glenelg on Monday 31st March 2025. There is a 12.30pm shot gun start followed by a presentation dinner at 6:15 p.m. in the club rooms. In addition to the coveted Parish trophy, teams of four will compete for the Reverend Robert J Rice Team Trophy. The best three individual scores are used to decide the Parish trophy, therefore the more parishioners we have entered the better the chance we have of winning. Blackwood Parish won the trophy several years ago and it would be appropriate for the new Holy Family Parish to win it this year. Ladies are most welcome to compete in all trophies and a separate ladies competition is held also. All golfers in the Holy Family Parish are asked to contact our Coordinator who this year is Bob McEvoy 0412 310 947

PARISH NEWS

OFFICE HOURS ABERFOYLE PARK

Bianca Cotton is on leave until the end of January.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR OUR CHURCHES

Our Parish is grateful for your financial support. This QR code works with any smartphone, safely linking you to the Holy Family Catholic Parish on the Giving page of the Adelaide Archdiocese website. You can then select 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. You can also contribute to the first collection and special appeals using the app. For further details of our program or using the QR code, contact the Parish office or email either bwoodpar@gmail.com or pfc@nativityparish.com.au. Alternatively, you may call 0407613749.



VINNIES ABERFOYLE PARK

Vinnie's would like to express their appreciation to all the various communities that supported them in supplying Christmas hampers and gifts to 82 local families. In total 202 Adults including Adult children and 105 children aged 14 and under benefitted. Thank you for your generous and constant support.

Deacons Conference Appeal: Thank you As the Australian Deacons Cross makes its pilgrimage across the Archdiocese of Adelaide to the Conference venue, on behalf of the Organising Committee, I would like to thank you for your generous support with your donation of \$3250. The Holy Family Catholic Parish this weekend officially hosts the start of the Pilgrimage of the Deacons Cross to celebrate the archdiocese hosting the Biennial Deacons Conference (27 Feb to 2 Mar 2025). The conference theme is "*Pilgrims of Hope: Believe what you read, teach what you believe and practice what you teach,*" which is the prayer to the newly ordained deacons from the archbishop at the ordination ceremony. I will keep you posted on the conference. In the meantime, if you wish to support the Deacons in Australia, envelopes are still available in the church's foyer and can be placed in the collection box/basket. **Blessings, Deacon Tee Ping**



Celebrating Jubilee 2025

Jubilee 2025 invites you to be a pilgrim of hope. Our hope in God is renewed constantly in the gift of the Holy Spirit, the love of the Father and the Son, who is given, even now, to the community of believers.

Throughout 2025, in Rome, the Holy See has designated a series of 35 major Jubilee events to recognize and celebrate different groups of people and various ministries in the Church. The 2025 Jubilee Calendar of Events is in the foyer of each Mass center.

How do we, as individuals, families, and communities of faith, celebrate Jubilee 2025? During the year, the parish will offer some ideas, based around the most important 'themes' of Jubilee 2025, to help us be pilgrims of hope .

The Jubilee of the World of Communications

This weekend it kicks off with The **Jubilee of the World of Communications**, from Friday, January 24, to Sunday, January 26, 2025;

It is perhaps no surprise that the first Jubilee event in Rome is the Jubilee of the World of Communications. We all communicate, be it by word of mouth, by gesture, or, increasingly, by social media.

On average, individuals spend 2 hours and 19 minutes daily on social media; add to that the two-and-a-half hours of broadcast TV; radio, newspapers...a lot of communication.

The Jubilee of the World of Communications is an opportunity to reflect on the role of communication in the contemporary world and Pope Francis' Message for World Communications Day, which will be published on 24 January, has as its theme "Share with gentleness the hope that is in your hearts".

For us Christians, hope is a person, and He is Christ. Christian hope is about living the message of Jesus in such a credible way as to give a glimpse of the hope that it brings and is capable of communicating the hope of Christ with deeds and words in today's world.

The Jubilee of the World of Communications calls on all of us to re-examine how we communicate with others and share the Gospel message in today's world.

May we have the courage and conviction as a followers of Christ to bring to the world solidarity, love and hope.



PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .

Sick: Fr George Nader, Ted Galkowski, Trevor Boote, Monique Crabb, David Graetz, Siegfried Encarnada, Marisa Bezzina, Lesley Souter, Trevor Kuerschner, Roger Matthews, Leonata Griffiths, Magdalena, Debra Dillon, Wendy Walter, Cecilia Quinn, Jonathan Reading Moore, Krystina Lekstan, Lisa Marie de Silva, John Quirk , Gail Dante, Jill Forster, Celia Shaughnasey, Heidi

Recently deceased: Fr. Chris Murphy MSC and Susan Reynolds (sister of Nati Hulks)

Anniversary:

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



PARISH WEEKEND ROSTER

2 February, 2025

	St Paul of the Cross Sunday 7.30 am	Our Lady of the Way Sunday 9.00 am
SACRISTAN	Clare Jennings	Annette Harrison
WELCOMERS	Terry Tierney Tracey Tessitore	Barb Ward Julie Langman
COMMENTATOR	Tony Conlon	Louise Sortino
READERS	Damian Borda	Peter Donovan Maria Schwarz
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS		Tony Ward Michael Cogman
MUSIC	Choir	Loreen Tomas
CANTOR	Choir	
FLOWERS		
	Nativity Saturday 6.00 pm	Nativity Sunday 11.00 am
GATES/SACRISTAN	Nadia Procter	Rene Pols
WELCOMERS	Gemma Roberts Mary Procter	Tanis Reeves Maria Robertson
COMMENTATOR	Liz Brown	Gavin McGlaughlin
READERS	Kellie Matalone Gilda Gaufo	Golda Cruz Allan Rebello
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	Michelle Lamb	Sharyn Black David Diggins
CHILDREN'S LITURGY		Steven Carnell
MUSIC	Computer	Computer
SUPPER		
FLOWERS		
CLEANERS		Maria & James Robertson

First Reading Neh 8:2-6. 8-10

A reading from the book of Nehemiah

Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, consisting of men, women, and children old enough to understand. This was the first day of the seventh month. On the square before the Water Gate, in the presence of the men and women, and children old enough to understand, he read from the book from early morning till noon; all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law.

Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden dais erected for the purpose. In full view of all the people – since he stood higher than all the people – Ezra opened the book; and when he opened it all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people raised their hands and answered Amen! Amen!; then they bowed down and, face to the ground, prostrated themselves before the Lord. And Ezra read from the Law of God, translating and giving the sense, so that the people understood what was read.

Then Nehemiah – His Excellency – and Ezra, priest and scribe (and the Levites who were instructing the people) said to all the people, ‘This day is sacred to the Lord your God. Do not be mournful, do not weep’. For the people were all in tears as they listened to the words of the Law. He then said, ‘Go, eat the fat, drink the sweet wine, and send a portion to the man who has nothing prepared ready. For this day is sacred to our Lord. Do not be sad: the joy of the Lord is your stronghold.’

Responsorial Psalm Ps 18:8-10. 15. R. See Jn 6:63

(R.) Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

1. The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul. The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple. **(R.)**
2. The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart. The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes. **(R.)**
3. The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever. The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just. **(R.)**
4. May the spoken words of my mouth, the thoughts of my heart, win favour in your sight, O Lord, my rescuer, my rock! **(R.)**

Second Reading 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27

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

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

Nor is the body to be identified with any one of its many parts.

Now you together are Christ’s body; but each of you is a different part of it.

Gospel Acclamation See Lk 4:18

Alleluia, alleluia

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners.

Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 1:1-4. 4:14-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Seeing that many others have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who from the outset were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, I in my turn, after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you, Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received. Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in him, returned to Galilee; and his reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogues and everyone praised him.

He came to Nazara, where he had been brought up, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day as he usually did. He stood up to read, and they handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll he found the place where it is written:

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me.

He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives and to the blind new sight, to set the downtrodden free, to proclaim the Lord’s year of favour.

He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to speak to them, ‘This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.’



Next week’s readings - 2nd February 2025

The Presentation of the Lord Year C

First Reading	Malachi 3: 1-4
Responsorial Ps	Psalm 23: 7-10
Second Reading	Hebrews 2: 14-18
Gospel Acclaim	Luke 2: 32
Gospel	Luke 2: 22-40



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