



SAT 15TH & SUN 16TH MAR 2025

THE 2ND SUNDAY
OF LENT
YEAR C

Connections

ST MONICA'S CHURCH
90 North East Road, Walkerville

ST MARTIN'S CHURCH
Corner Muller Road & Hampstead
Road, Greenacres

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday, Wednesday and Thursday
9.00am - 3.00pm
Other Times By Appointment

Phone: 8261 6200
Email: admin@gwparish.org.au
Website: www.gwparish.org.au

RECONCILIATION:
5.30pm - 5.50pm Saturday
9.00am - 9.20am Sunday
OR By Appointment

ROSARY:
3rd Sunday of the month at 8.50am
at St Martin's Church

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL
HELP:
Holy Mass, Novena & Benediction
1st Wednesday of each month at
6.30pm at St Martin's Church

EL SHADDAI:
Prayer meeting every Sunday
2-5.00pm and Mass every 4th Sunday
of the month 4.00pm at St Martin's
Church

SRI LANKAN COMMUNITY:
3rd Sunday of the month Mass at
5.30pm at St Martin's Church

BAPTISMS:
During Weekend Masses
OR 2nd and 4th Sunday of Month
St Martin's Church at 11.00am

WEDDINGS:
By Appointment

<u>MASS TIMES</u>	
<u>ST MARTIN'S CHURCH</u> Tuesday 9.00am Thursday 9.00am Sunday 9.30am	<u>ST MONICA'S CHURCH</u> Wednesday 9.00am Saturday 6.00pm Vigil Ordinariate of Our Lady of the Southern Cross Sunday 11.00am

IMPORTANT PARISH DATES

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
Tuesday 18 March at 7pm at St Martin's School Boardroom

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL
Tuesday 18 March at 6pm at The Parish Office

2024/2025 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM
During Masses Saturday 5 & Sunday 6 April

BAPTISM PREPARATION MEETING
Monday 7 April at 7pm at St Martin's Church Hall

ST VINCENT DE PAUL
2nd Tuesday of the month at 7pm at St Martin's Church Hall

LECTIO DIVINA
Returning after Easter

NINNA MARNI
Monday 17 March at 1.30pm at St Martin's Church Hall

SCHOOL MASS
Wednesday 19 March at 9am at St Monica's School

YOUTH MASS
Saturday 5 April 2025 at 6pm at St Monicas Church

CHILDREN'S LITURGY
During Masses Saturday 15 & Sunday 16 March

Stewardship Thought

"I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." - Genesis 15:7

Just as the Lord gave Abraham, Moses, and the Israelites a land to possess, He has also given each of us a home. Whether your home is grand or humble, it is a gift from God. Abraham prepared a great sacrifice to the Lord in gratitude for the home God gave him. How do you show your gratitude to God for the home He has given you? Do you make sacrifices of any kind? Do you return any of your finances to God, investing in your eternal home just as you invest in your earthly home?

We pray that we invest in our heavenly home as we do in our earthly home.

Vinnies News



This weekend we will be holding a cake stall after 6.00 pm Mass at St Monica's and on Sunday morning at St Martin's church there will be a Sausage Sizzle and Cake Stall after Mass. For \$3 you can buy a sausage, piece of bread, onions and sauce. A variety of cakes and slices will also be for sale.

Cash and eftpos facilities available.



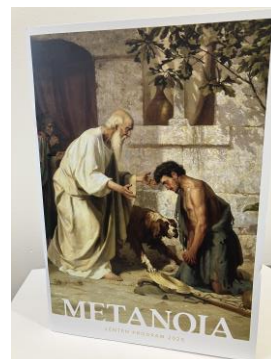
Thank you for your ongoing support.

Lenten Reflection Group

You are invited to join our Lenten Reflection Group.

The same session will be run twice a week:

Tuesdays at 9.30am and
Thursday at 7.00pm
both at St Martin's Hall.



All Welcome to attend.

NEW COUNTERS NEEDED

As we have had some counters who aren't able to assist us any more we are in need of volunteers. We have teams of three who do the counting of the collections and bag the cash ready for banking after Mass on Sunday mornings.

If you have an hour to spare after Mass on the first Sunday of the month, then you are just the person we need!

Training and encouragement supplied!

Please ring the Parish Office on 8261 6200 to register your interest.



The
Southern Cross

The March issue of The Southern Cross is available in the Church foyers.

Open-Air Way of the Cross



Open-air way of the cross

Location: St. Pauls Catholic Church
in Urrbrae (The Monastery)

Date: Saturday 29 March 2025

Time: 10.00am way of the cross followed by
mass.

If you are interested and able to attend,
please provide your details on the sheets
provided at the church foyer. Please
contact the parish office for further
information.



Add some sparkle to your marriage

Your marriage relationship is a
most precious jewel but after a few years it
can need a polish to regain its sparkle. A
Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend has
the power to revitalise your relationship and
reconnect you with your spouse and with
God. Learn new communication skills and
simple ways to keep your relationship a
priority.

Our next Weekend is scheduled for 2-4 May
2025 – The Lyndoch Motel, Lyndoch. Call Jo &
Jon on 049 3747 478 or email
sabookings@wwme.org.au. Alternatively,
visit WWME.org.au and apply online today.

We also have a You tube video for promoting
Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend
which can be viewed at:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N0-
VBxu21Zo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N0-VBxu21Zo) or on You Tube look up "Live your
best Life Aus NZ"

The Jubilee Prayer

*Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our
brother,
and the flame of charity
enkindled in our hearts by the
Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.*

*May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the
seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from
within both humanity and the
whole cosmos in the sure
expectation of a new heaven and
a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil
vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.*

*May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of
heaven.
May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our
Redeemer throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.
Amen*

Franciscus





St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

We can Build a Fairer Australia - in the coming months St Vincent de Paul Society nationally will be releasing some ideas on how to improve the quality of life for all Australians, and how to find the funds to make Australia fairer.

If this is of interest to you and you would like to comment or hear more, you are welcome to contact the SA Social Needs Analysis and Advocacy Committee – Jennifer Harvey on 8112 8702 or at svdp@svdpsa.org.au

Incredibly, Australia’s poverty rate has steadily increased over the past two decades, with survey data suggesting the rate of poverty is at its highest since 2001. In order to lift people out of poverty Australia needs to increase the base rate of working-age support and family and domestic violence payments.

Ref: The Canberra Times (25/11/2024) Mark Gaetani (National President of The St Vincent de Paul Society)

Children’s Liturgy

Children's liturgy is a wonderful way for the children to have a better understanding of the Gospel of the day’s Liturgy and grow in appreciating the structure and the richness of the first part of the Mass.

Children's Liturgy is held on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month at both Masses.



We look forward to your support and involvement.



Second Sunday
of Lent
Nourish us
inwardly by your
word, that we may
rejoice in your
glory.

LOVING THE LEAST OF THESE

Embrace Life, the pro-life focus of the Archdiocesan Justice, Healing and Inclusion Office invites you to its second Interactive Forum, **“Loving the Least of These”** with a focus on **Genesis Pregnancy Support Services**, presented by Ms Juli Sharpe on **Wednesday March 19 at 6pm-7-30pm** at John and Mary Fennessy Rooms, level 2, Centacare, 45 Wakefield Street, Adelaide. Free parking is available in the Cathedral carpark. Contact jhi@adelaide.catholic.org.au for more details.

Our Parish Is Committed
to Health and Safety

As both our Churches are located on main road it is good practice to hold your child's/children's hand as you walk from the car to the Church building.





Second Sunday of Lent 15th and 16th of March 2025

Toefuata'iga - (*Toy-foo-ah-tah-ing-ah*) is a 13-year-old primary school student from Samoa. Samoa may be a country surrounded by water, but access to clean drinking water is scarce in some areas, with many families facing extreme hardship as a result.

Toefuata'iga's school community struggled without reliable access to clean water, which impacted students' education and hygiene. Teachers often had to leave the school to fetch water from nearby homes, disrupting lessons and adding strain to the community. When the water ran out at the school, students were sent home which meant they missed out on valuable learning time.

Thanks to the support of Caritas Australia in partnership with Caritas Samoa, Toefuata'iga's school now has a 10,000 L water tank through a Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) program. Teachers and students now have access to clean drinking water at their school and are able to focus on education.

"Now that we have the water tank, things are so much better, we can stay at school all day, and I get to spend more time learning and playing with my friends. I'm happy that we don't have to go home early anymore." – said Toefuata'iga.

This transformative story is just one example of how Caritas Australia's Project Compassion creates waves of change around the world. Will you stand with students like Toefuata'iga this Lent?

Please donate today.

You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code above. **Or online at:**

caritas.org.au/project-compassion

Or by calling: 1800 024 413



Photo credit: Caritas Australia

Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty* this Lent.

We wish our precious parish secretary, Rebecca a very wonderful birthday this week on the 15th March and thank her for all her tireless work.

Love Sr Brenda and Deacon Andrew.





On Sunday 9th March our Catechumens, Thomas and Rhiannon, celebrated the Rite of Election at the Cathedral. Please continue to pray for them and their sponsors as they journey towards Easter.



Devotional Candles at St Martin's Church

It is noted that parishioners sometimes light candles at the close of Mass. This occurs often, at the two weekday Masses. May we suggest that candles are lit before Mass commences. This will extend your devotional time to Our Lady as candles must be extinguished when the church is vacated.

We appreciate your cooperation.



LENT

During Lent the church encourages all to be involved in three disciplines of Lent those being, prayer, fasting and abstinence.

As a Parish exercise you are encouraged to arrive for Mass ten minutes earlier during Lent to spend some time in prayer before the Lord.

Therefore we respectfully ask that you leave your chat at the door to allow others to pray and for God to talk to us.

WAY OF THE CROSS

Friday evenings during Lent at 6.00pm at St Martin's Church.

Everyone is welcome!

What's On in the Archdiocese...

For more information contact Archdiocesan Events on 8210 8220 or via events@adelaide.catholic.org.au



'Lift Up' Good Friday Night Walk - A Journey of Reflection & Hope

This Good Friday, you are invited to walk together in the spirit of a pilgrimage, inspired by the 2025 Jubilee Year - Pilgrims of Hope. This journey is an opportunity to step away from the everyday and reflect. Our Good Friday night walk is a meaningful way to connect with the Easter story, each other, and the deeper themes of resilience, forgiveness and hope. This event is open to all ages, however it has been inspired and designed with young people in mind by COYYA (Catholic Office for Youth and Young Adults). Our journey begins at The Monastery in Urrbrae at 7.30pm. From there, we will walk towards the city. Along the route, we will pause for reflection at St Raphael's in Parkside before continuing towards our final destination - St Francis Xavier's Cathedral. The walk is roughly 6.5km total. Please register at <https://www.trybooking.com/CZHVW> to secure your spot as well as nominating for transportation provided from the Cathedral back to The Monastery should you require it. Detailed information can be found at <https://www.cathoyouthadelaide.org.au/liftup2025>

Marathon for Cancer Council

Fr Charles Lukati, Parish Priest of the Croydon Park Parish, will run the Clare Valley Half Marathon on Sunday April 6 to raise money for Cancer Council SA. By running the marathon, Fr Charles is living out the call of Pope Francis in this Jubilee Year to be a Pilgrim of Hope "always on the move". Please help him to support everyone affected by cancer, by donating to this Cancer Council Fundraising Event.

The target has been set at \$20,000. Let's see how far we can reach!

Do It For Cancer - Fr Charles Lukati - Marathon for Cancer Council



Volunteering at Calvary - The power of a smile

Calvary Adelaide Hospital has a number of volunteer 'patient support' positions available. If you like spending time in service for others and have a positive approach to life; if you're kind, sensitive, responsible, have a sense of humour, then we would love to hear from you! For further information, please email CHCA-volunteers@calvarycare.org.au or contact Jessica on 0427 012 336.

See poster on noticeboard in church foyer:

- Fringe lunchtime Organ Recitals
- Festival of Hymns
- Lefevre Catholic Community -Adult Formation Sessions by Fr Kevin Horsell
- Clearview Kilburn Catholic Parish – Family Bingo Night
- Birthline Pregnancy Support – Telephone Counselling Course
- Homeshare: A solution to the rental crisis for older women in SA

We acknowledge the Kaurna people as the traditional custodians of the land which is the Greenacres Walkerville Parish. We acknowledge the Elders, past & present. Let us share and learn together for reconciliation and justice.

Roster This Week 15/16 March			Roster Next Week 22/23 March		
	6pm St Monica's	9.30am St Martin's		6pm St Monica's	9.30am St Martin's
Welcomers	Imelda & Chaz Vidal	Elaine Prior	Welcomers	Bernie & Maria Laroza	Arthur Family
Musicians	CD – Kyle Castellino	CD – Joseph D'Souza	Musicians	CD – Volunteer Please	CD – Mini Choir
Commentator	Eshani Obadage	Joanitha D'Souza	Commentator	Maria D'Aloia	Peter Higgs
Readers	Reg Nye Tasha Chye	Kerry Kovacs Rebecca Roberts	Readers	John LePoidevin Sharon Quinn	Joanitha D'Souza Clare Mahony
Eucharistic Minister	Volunteer Please	N/A	Eucharistic Minister	N/A	N/A
Hospitality	N/A	N/A	Hospitality	N/A	N/A

First Collection 8/9 Mar

\$ 1738.15

Counting Team:

15/16 Mar

Pauline Keynes

Michelle Arthur

Llewellyn Goode

Planned Giving Feb

Month

Weekly Av

Envelopes

\$ 1521.00

\$ 380.25

Direct Debit

\$ 3874.00

\$ 968.50

Total

\$ 5395.00

\$ 1348.75

Counting Team:

22/23 Mar

Loose

\$ 1458.55

\$ 364.64

Tasha Chye

Victor D'Silva

APP Donations

\$ 264.00

\$ 66.00

David Bland

(Totals calculated over four weeks)

This Week's Readings:

Genesis 15: 5-12, 17-18; Philippians 3: 17-4: 1; Luke 9: 28-36

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Next Week's Readings:

Exodus 3: 1-8, 13-15; Corinthians 10: 1-6, 10-12; Luke 13: 1-9

Our Sick:

Michelina Quirino, Mary Bilsborow, Christine Manuel, Maria Remedios, Edna Balingasa, Violet Mizzi, Grace Coombs, Lucy Rivera, Margaret Galdies, Martin Millane, Theresa Brugioni, Ted Woods, Abbie Berry, Gemma Manuel, Roger Boulos, Alison Wilson, Angeline Tan Hien Eng, Constantine Thomas Day, Barbara Garnaut, Pearl Mahony, Catherine Woods, Frances Brett, Mary Fairney, Graeme Mills, Mary Clancy, Kay Stringer, Rosalinda Arnuelo

Recently Deceased:

Walter Pakfiefer, Rob Szymanski, Noel Fernando, Albert De Vera

Anniversary Of Death:

Pat Kavanagh, Dorothy Quinn, Maurice Chye

Special Intentions:

Holy Souls

Priest Moderator:

Father Dean Marin VG

Pastoral Director:

Deacon Andrew Kirkbride

Permanent Supply Priest :

Father David Thoroughgood

Pastoral Associate:

Sr Brenda Balingasa sjbp

Parish Secretary:

Rebecca Haines

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Chairperson: Gerry McCarthy

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