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PARISH VISION:
A Welcoming Community,
United in Faith,
Centred in
the Eucharist,
Which embraces the Spirit
and Nature of all
God's People

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF SALISBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

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Parish Bulletin (The Echo):
Diane Innes
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SUNDAY MASS TIMES

St Augustine's Church
23 Commercial Rd Salisbury
Saturday: 6:00pm
Sunday: 9:00am & 6:00pm
Polish Sunday: 12 noon
Filipino 1st Sunday of Month: 3:00pm
Italian 2nd Sunday of Month: 10:30am

Holy Family Mass Centre:
Shepherdson Rd Parafield Gardens
Sunday: 10:30am

St Finbar's Church:
Greencroft Road, Salisbury North
Sunday: 9:00am

RECONCILIATION
Saturday after 9:30am Mass and
before the 6:00pm Vigil Mass
5:15pm - 5:45pm

15th February 2026
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year A
'Project Compassion Sunday'

First Reading: Sirach 15:15-20

A reading from the book of Sirach.

If you choose, you can keep the commandments, and to act faithfully is a matter of your own choice. The Lord has placed before you fire and water; stretch out your hand for whichever you choose. Before each person are life and death, and whichever we choose will be given. For great is the wisdom of the Lord; he is mighty in power and sees everything; his eyes are on those who fear him, and he knows every human action. He has not commanded anyone to be wicked, and he has not given anyone permission to sin.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 (R.1)

R. Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

Happy are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord. Happy are those who keep his decrees, who seek him with their whole heart. **R.**

You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently. O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes! **R.**

Deal bountifully with your servant, so that I may live and observe your word. Open my eyes, so that I may behold wondrous things out of your law. **R.**

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, and I will observe it to the end. Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart. **R.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

We speak God's wisdom, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians. My brothers and sisters, among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. As it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived what God has prepared for those who love him." These things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God.

Gospel: Matthew 5:17, 20-24, 27-28, 33-34, 37

On the mountain, Jesus gathered his disciples around him and he taught them, saying: "Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. "You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not murder'; and 'whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.' But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, 'You fool,' you will be liable to the hell of fire. "So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. "Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.' But I say to you: Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, Let your word be 'Yes,' if 'Yes' or 'No,' if 'No'; anything more than this comes from the evil one."

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

James Peacock

ANNIVERSARIES

Dorothy Abela

Omero Feltrin

Debbie Loffler

Gino Silvestri

Tracy Torbarina

THE SICK

Rebecca Alarcon

Khale Antonello (*Baby*)

Humberto Babasa

Arthur Borce

Jan Von der Borch

Raelene Brown

Chelsea Cunningham

Paul Cunningham

Dimetri de la Rea

Erlinda de la Rea

Leigh G.

Nina Gallur

Carlos Gotardo

Mary Harris

Annette Harvey

Shaun I.

Lynda Nora Kearney

David Kennedy

Oscar Lacuesta

John Lewington

Stephanie Lopez

Jim Love

Teofila Malagar

Francescopaolo Mastrullo

Marijose Mejia

Tonie Michael

Hazel Gabriela Mu (*Baby*)

Andrew Neal

Mitchell O'Brien

Eileen & Paul O'Gorman

Theresa P.

Olivia P.

Michelle Purvis-Bond

Joseph Riley

Corine Roberts

Ramon Romero

Paul Sahb

Apple Sangalang

Peter Smith

Kirsten Sudario

Paul Waldon

Kim Wilson

Ray Woolley

For all those injured in the Bondi Beach Terrorist Attack



Jeff Wright

Arthur Borce

Loretta Dixi *nee* GiglioKiara Eveiry Duran (*Baby*)

Graciana Duthie

Luz Jeffrey

John McGrath Snr

Falina Nguyen

Sales Family

Samson Valenzuela

Rosey Varghese

REGULAR WEEKDAY MASS TIMES**St Augustine's Church**

Tues – Thurs at 8:00am (English)

Fri – Sat at 9:30am

Please Note:***Saturday with Adoration after Mass*****PARISH OFFICE HOURS****Mon:** 9:00am – 12:30pm**Tues - Thurs:** 9:00am – 3:00pm**Fri:** 9:00am – 12:30pm**RECONCILIATIONS****St Augustine's Church****Saturday** *after* 9:30am Mass and *before* the 6:00pm **Vigil Mass**
5:15pm-5:45pm**BAPTISMS****St Augustine's Church****Within Mass:**

Saturday at 9:30am

Outside Mass:3rd Sunday at 10:30am**Holy Family Mass Centre**1st & 4th Sunday

Within the 10:30am Mass

POLISH MASSES**The Polish Mass with Exposition on every Tuesday evening, has been suspended. It will resume on Tuesday, 24th February 2026.****For all enquiries please contact The Polish Chaplain on 8445 8466.****NEW CREATIONS IN CHRIST &****RISE AND SHINE IN THE****HOLY SPIRIT POWER****LENTEN PROGRAM 2026****BY CHERYLE DOUGLAS**

In the Parish Family Centre

on Wednesdays at 9am

Commenced on 11th February until 11th March 2026, except 18th February (ASH Wednesday).

Morning Tea provided. All Welcome.

Enquiries Cheryle Douglas

Phone: 0423 480 440. By Donation. Please register at the back of the Church.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES**18th FEBRUARY 2026****(A day of Fasting & Abstinence)****St Augustine's Church**

8AM, 9:30AM, 7PM

Thomas More College

9:20AM

Holy Family Catholic School

11:30AM

SOUTHERN CROSS - FEBRUARYThe February edition of *The Southern Cross* is available at the back of the Church / Mass Centre. Cost \$2. Read about things happening in the Adelaide Archdiocese.**INTEGRITY & SAFEGUARDING**

CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF ADELAIDE



Our Parish is a Safe Organisation for Children, Young People and vulnerable Adults. We are committed to their care, wellbeing and protection. We believe they have the right to be healthy and safe, and to have their voice heard, respected and valued. We have zero tolerance for all forms of abuse and prioritise the safety and wellbeing of children, young people and vulnerable adults in all that we do.

SAFEGUARDING CONTACT PERSONS**Fr Charles Lukati, Grace Healey, Nicholas Dangcalan, Diane Innes**

Contact details can be found on the posters that are in the Church, Family Centre and Parish Office and in our Safeguarding Noticeboard in front of the Family Centre.

If you have any suggestions or complaints, please send a confidential email to: businessmanager@salcath.org.au

PROJECT COMPASSION SUNDAY - THIS WEEKEND

We're Uniting Against Poverty, as part of Project Compassion.

Project Compassion Boxes and Envelope sets are available at the back of the Church/Mass Centre

This Lent, we're raising funds to empower people living in poverty around the world. Every day, millions of people around the world face unimaginable challenges just to access basic essentials – like clean water, healthcare and safe shelter. Project Compassion helps to change that, by providing critical resources and opportunities for people to reclaim their lives with dignity, resilience and hope. But we need your help. Together, we can give people the dignity, safety, and opportunities they deserve. Please support us, as we *Unite Against Poverty this Lent*. Every dollar we raise will help to create real and lasting change for vulnerable communities around the world!



Thank you for standing with us, as we Unite Against Poverty through Project Compassion this Lent.

GOSPEL REFLECTION - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

We have just heard the least observed command of Our Lord in the Sermon on the Mount. Referring to oaths he taught, 'Do not swear at all ... instead let your "yes" mean yes and your "no" mean no. Whatever goes beyond these simple words is from the Evil One.' This is strong language. Why does Our Lord say this? In the same Sermon on the Mount, he teaches us the proper use of God's name: 'Our Father'. It is our privilege as adopted children of God to use God's name in that way. The use of God's name for oath-swearers is an abuse. Our Lord was trying to establish a new sort of society (The Kingdom) within which truth-telling was of paramount importance, where there is no two-tiered way of speaking the truth. Truth telling should issue simply from the character of the person – the truthful person truths. We know this at the very private level of intimate relationships. As a Church, we need to heed this passage and listen to the epistle of St James recalling this passage almost verbatim. (James 5:12-13) We could pause for a moment to pray that the Church herself heeds the Great Commission: 'Teach them to keep all that I have commanded you.' (Matthew 28:20) © Fr Michael Tate; mtate@bigpond.com

Updated Information and Resources for DIALOGUE WEEK February 22-28

The Synod needs to hear from you!

February 22-28 is designated as Dialogue Week in preparation for the 2026 Archdiocesan Synod. During this week people in parishes, schools and communities will have the opportunity to gather, reflect on the themes and recommendations of the Synod, and provide feedback to the Archbishop and Synod members. Feedback session guides and other resources are now available online at www.togetherontheway.au/dialogue-week.

Further information about the 2026 Archdiocesan Synod is available at www.togetherontheway.au.

2026 Archdiocesan Synod Working Document Now Available

We are pleased to announce the publication of the Working Document for the Synod: *A Synodal Church on Mission*. The Synod Document comprises five Key Theme papers developed over the past six months by the writing groups; each theme identifies a series of recommendations to be discerned by the Synod. The full Synod Document is available as a PDF and audiobook at www.togetherontheway.au/key-themes. Short synopses of each of the Key Theme papers are available in the February edition of *The Southern Cross* website:

<https://thesoutherncross.org.au/news/2026/01/30/se-tting-the-scene/>

All are encouraged to engage with the Synod Document in preparation for Dialogue Week conversations in your local parish, community or school. For more information about Dialogue Week please visit the links above.

SAFEGUARDING MANDATORY TRAINING

Dear Parish Volunteers,

Thank you for your dedication and contributions to the **Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide**, our **Parish** and **Communities**. We truly appreciate your involvement and commitment. As part of our ongoing commitment to the safety and well-being of those we serve, we require all our **church Employees, Clergy and Religious Persons** and **Volunteers** to complete the **Mandatory Safeguarding Essentials Course**. This course can be done online through the Archdiocesan Learning Management System (LMS). Some of you would have received an email with instructions on how to access the training module. For those who have received this email but would prefer an **in-person (face-to-face) training session** and those who have not yet received any email about this or do not use email at all, we kindly ask you to come and attend the in-person (face-to-face) training sessions. You may choose to attend **either one** of the following sessions in the Parish Family Centre:

TUESDAY – 17TH FEBRUARY 06:30pm – 8:30pm
THURSDAY – 19TH FEBRUARY 10:00am – 12:00pm

Completing the course will help our organisation meet its legal obligations and comply with the requirements set forth by the **National Catholic Safeguarding Standards (NCSS)**.

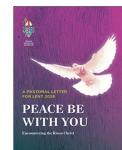
Bookings not required for these sessions. You will be asked to fill out the Attendance Sheet before the sessions start.

For queries, please ring the Parish Office on 8258 2314.

Archbishop Patrick O'Regan's Pastoral Letter

Please see the Archbishop's Pastoral Letter at:

<https://adelaide.catholic.org.au/our-people/archbishop-patrick-o-regan-dd/messages>



A QR code is also provided to view the Pastoral Letter.



COMMITTEES AND GROUPS

- Knights of the Southern Cross**
The Knights of the Southern Cross are active in the Parish.
Contact: Paul Hawkes 0439 832 834
- Knitting Group (Knit & Knatter)**
Friday mornings at 10:00am - 11:30am in the Parish Family Centre.
Contact: Lorraine 8263 7333
- Lay Canossian Association**
First Tuesday of each month at 9:00am in the Parish Family Centre.
- Reflecting the Gospel**
Every Wednesday at 9:00am in the Parish Family Centre.
Contact: Win Simons 8258 2314
- Rosary at St. Finbar's**
Every Saturday at 9:00am at St Finbar's
Contact: Win Simons 8258 2314
- Youth for Christ Australia**
Prayer Meetings held in the Parish Family Centre.
Meeting Dates: 13th March & 27th March at 6:30pm – 10pm.
Contact: Nicholas Dangcalan 8258 2314



Children's Liturgy of the Word

St Augustine's Church:

Saturdays at 6pm
Sundays at 9am & 6pm

St Finbar's Church:

Sundays at 9am

Holy Family Mass Centre

Sundays at 10:30am

NOTE: Children's Liturgy is for children in the age group of 5-12 years.

PARISH SCHOOLS

- St Augustine's Parish School**
Years Reception – 6
25 Commercial Road
Salisbury 5108
Phone: 8182 7900 Fax 8182 7999
Principal: Daniel Cowan
- Holy Family Parish School**
Early Learning - Year 6
71 Shepherdson Rd.
Parafield Gardens 5107
Phone: 8250 6616 Fax 8250 3043
Principal: Christopher Platten
- Thomas More College**
Years 7 – 12
23 Amsterdam Crescent
Salisbury Downs 5108
Phone: 8182 2600 Fax: 8182 2699
Principal: Corey Tavella

NOTIZIE ITALIANE - Domenica 15 Febbraio 2026

Dal Vangelo secondo Matteo - Mt 5,17-37

In verità io vi dico: finché non siano passati il cielo e la terra, non passerà un solo iota o un solo trattino della Legge, senza che tutto sia avvenuto. Chi dunque trasgredirà uno solo di questi minimi precetti e insegnerrà agli altri a fare altrettanto, sarà considerato minimo nel regno dei cieli. Chi invece li osserverà e li insegnerrà, sarà considerato grande nel regno dei cieli. Io vi dico infatti: se la vostra giustizia non supererà quella degli scribi e dei farisei, non entrerete nel regno dei cieli. Avete inteso che fu detto agli antichi: "Non ucciderai; chi avrà ucciso dovrà essere sottoposto al giudizio". Ma io vi dico: chiunque si adira con il proprio fratello dovrà essere sottoposto al giudizio. Chi poi dice al fratello: "Stupido", dovrà essere sottoposto al sinedrio; e chi gli dice: "Pazzo", sarà destinato al fuoco della Geènna. Se dunque tu presenti la tua offerta all'altare e li ti ricordi che tuo fratello ha qualche cosa contro di te, lascia lì il tuo dono davanti all'altare, va' prima a riconciliarti con il tuo fratello e poi torna a offrire il tuo dono. **Parola del Signore.** Gesù lo spiega mediante una serie di antitesi tra i comandamenti antichi e il suo modo di riproporli. Ogni volta inizia: "Avete inteso che fu detto agli antichi...", e poi afferma: "Ma io vi dico. E così per sei volte. Questo modo di parlare suscitava grande impressione nella gente, che rimaneva spaventata, perché quell'"io vi dico" equivaleva a rivendicare per sé la stessa autorità di Dio, fonte della Legge. La novità di Gesù consiste, essenzialmente, nel fatto che Lui stesso "riempie" i comandamenti con l'amore di Dio, con la forza dello Spirito Santo che abita in Lui. E noi, attraverso la fede in Cristo, possiamo aprirci all'azione dello Spirito Santo, che ci rende capaci di vivere l'amore divino. Perciò ogni precetto diventa vero come esigenza d'amore, e tutti si ricongiungono in un unico comandamento: ama Dio con tutto il cuore e ama il prossimo come te stesso».

(Source: Pope Benedict XVI, Angelus 13 February 2011)

***La prossima messa in italiano: Domenica 8 Marzo 2026 alle 10.30**

***Messa Mercoledì delle Ceneri al Centro: 18 Febbraio alle 11.00**

e il pranzo alle 12.00

***Incontro Laiche Canossiane: Martedì 3 Marzo 2026 alle 9.00 am**

PARISH PASTORAL FUNDING

	18th January 2025	Avg for Year	Target
ENVELOPES	\$ 9,723.85	\$ 3,962.00	
OPEN PLATE	2,240.42	3,420.10	
TOTAL	\$ 11,964.27	\$ 7,382.10	\$7,500
1st Collection	\$ 2,738.00		
	25th January 2025	Avg for Year	Target
ENVELOPES	\$ 6,384.50	\$ 6,395.04	
OPEN PLATE	1,927.84	2,445.04	
TOTAL	\$ 8,312.34	\$ 8,840.08	\$7,500
1st Collection	\$ 2,586.00		

Note: Figures include direct debits, credit card collections and unpledged direct deposits.

WEEKDAY & SUNDAY READINGS

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year A

Monday 9th - Sunday, 15th February 2026

Mon: James 1:1-11; Ps 118:67-68; Mk 8:11-13

Tues: **The Seven Holy Founders of the Servile Order**
James 1:12-18; Ps 93:12-15,18-19; Mk 8:14-21

Wed: **ASH WEDNESDAY**
Joel 2:12-18; Ps 50:3-6,12-14,17; **2 Cor 5:20 – 6:2; Mt 6:1-6,16-18**

Thurs: Deut 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4,6; Lk 9:22-25

Fri: **Day of Prayer and Penance for Victims of Abuse and Violence**
Is 38:1-9; Ps 50:3-6; Mt 9:14-15

Sat: **St Peter Damian**
Is 58:9-14; Ps 85:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

Sun: **FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR A**
Gen 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Ps 50:3-6, 12-14, 17; Rom 5:12-19; **Mt 4:1-11**

COUNTING ROSTER 2025

DATE	SUPERVISORS & COUNTERS
15th Feb	Malcolm Allison & Bernadette Haggerty Paul Haggerty, Stan & Christina Zalupka
22nd Feb	Anne & Kevin Blake Carol Sahb, Sheila Najar
1st Mar	Josie Shimmin & John Shimmin Ellen Arklay & Christopher Carroll

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

St Augustine's Church
19 th Feb – Anna's Group
St Finbar's Church
21 st Feb - No Group

MASS PREPARATION TEAM

Holy Family Mass Centre
22 nd Feb – Salve Sulit