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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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Holy Family Catholic Parish

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

All of us have been in situations when someone has made a negative comment or joke about God or our Catholic faith. How did you respond? Did you stay silent or pretend to go along with the crowd because you didn't want to cause waves and then, later, you felt bad? Know that God is with you all the time; the Holy Spirit will put the right words in your mouth. Pray for the strength and courage to proclaim our faith to others, especially during uncomfortable situations.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.

POPE FRANCIS' INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.



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

TUESDAY 18TH WALKING GROUP

Parish Walking Group

Our next walk on Tuesday 18 February is at Belair National Park. Please meet in the old Belair Golf Course car park at 9:30 am. A nice, easy, shady walk to the railway dam and a shorter walk available for those who want coffee early at the Sheoak Café Belair! See you there. Clem 0417 832 172.

SATURDAY 22ND ANOINTING MASS

A ceremony of the Anointing of the sick will be held the next Saturday morning.

22 Feb 2025 10.00 am at Our Lady of the Way Church.

This rite is one way in which the Church continues the healing ministry of Jesus. The healing offered by this anointing is forgiveness of sins, hope and inner peace, sometimes physical healing, and an assurance of God's steadfast care, even in death. Its effect is the strengthening of the soul, often of the body as well, and in the necessary conditions remission of sins.

A person may receive the Sacrament more than once. For example, a person receives the Anointing and then recovers but falls sick again or their condition worsens. Receiving the Sacrament does not mean that one will die. The Church encourages her ill and elderly members to receive the Sacrament so their faith may be strengthened and so they will not give in to discouragement.

MARCH

WEDNESDAY 5TH—ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES

9.30 am Our Lady of the Way

11.30 am Nativity Church – School Mass.

All welcome to celebrate in unison with our school community.

7.00 pm Nativity Church

There will be no Vespers on this day.

FRIDAY 7th MARCH WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

World Day of Prayer is celebrated in over 170 countries around the world, on this day. So, somewhere in the world, over the 24 hours, prayers are offered and support given. The 2025 Ecumenical Service will be celebrated on behalf of the **COOK ISLANDS**, with the theme, "**I made you Wonderful**", and will assist seven of their member Churches of WDP, to offer workshops on "Trauma Healing". This year, the service will be held at: **10-00am at HOLY INNOCENTS, cnr Sheoak Rd and Serpentine Rd, BELAIR.** Contact: Barb Colla 0417 589 098

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

VINNIES GROUP

Following the amalgamation of our three Parish groups, the Vinnies groups from Aberfoyle Park and Blackwood will also join, becoming one in 2025. We believe this will be more efficient, and a way of sharing resources without doubling up on administration. Vinnies will continue to provide assistance to Companions within the local area, and continue with funding raising activities including Badge Days & Bunnings sausage sizzles, as they become available. Moving forward our Parish Vinnies group will be named Vinnies Aberfoyle Park and Blackwood. Thank you to all Parishioners for your continued support.

OLD PALMS from Palm Sunday 2024

Parishioners are urged to return any palms from 2024 and place them in a box at the rear of the church. These will be burnt and used for the ashes on Ash Wednesday 5th March.

FAREWELL CLARE MEDLIN

Clare has now moved to a new home at Calvary Flora McDonald Aged Care. Fr Mwaura has visited Clare at her new home. Parishioners are able to call Clare at the Aged Care home on 8159 7000. Clare has been a long serving parishioner in many aspects of Ministry including RCIA, reading and care and share groups. Her presence will be greatly missed within our Parish Community. We wish Clare every blessing and happiness as she settles in her new home.

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.



Please forward all Parish Bulletin requests by Wednesday 5pm to parishpriest@hollyfamilyparish.org.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.

New Holy Family Parish website

The parish now has a new website address

<https://www.holyfamilyparish.org.au/> Special thanks to our parishioner Jason Cecchin (Director, Abyte Computers and Networking) for making the transition so seamless. While we will maintain links to the old Nativity and Blackwood websites for several more months, we suggest that you remove those existing bookmarks from your browsers and instead add the new one. If you have a mobile phone or tablet you can simply aim your camera at this QR code and then click on the website name that will pop up. The parish Facebook page can similarly be loaded. Otherwise type or copy the text below the codes into your browser.

In the next month or so parish email addresses will also be updated to use the @holyfamilyparish.org.au domain. Further details to follow.



<https://www.holyfamilyparish.org.au/>



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Celebrating Jubilee 2025

In the Old Testament, jubilee years are strongly linked with the ongoing works of mercy, charity, forgiveness, and justice. They remain so today, and you can make use of this 'favoured time' to renew the ways you answer 'the cry of the poor' and 'the cry of the earth'. Since the Jubilee Plenary Indulgence is also available for undertaking corporal and spiritual works of mercy, here are two ideas for how we, as communities or individuals, can deepen our service to 'the least of these' and be tangible signs of hope (Mt 25:40).

Service pilgrimages

Offer opportunities for parishioners to volunteer in charitable works, such as visiting the elderly, feeding the homeless, or assisting in other community service projects. There is one outreach that you can do. We always need more people to connect with parishioners who are isolated. If you are able to, please contact the Family Care Group.

Pray for five friends

Make a commitment to identifying five people in your life you can pray for every day. Make a start and pray for them between now and start of Lent.

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .

Sick: Anthony Horne, 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 Foster, Celia Shaughnessy, Heidi

Recently deceased: Albina, Bruce Watts, Sr Carita Higgins RSJ,

Anniversary: Bolto, File and Rodolfo Inaldo

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



PARISH WEEKEND ROSTER

23 February, 2025

	St Paul of the Cross Sunday 7.30 am	Our Lady of the Way Sunday 9.00 am
SACRISTAN	Clare Jennings	Mary Ann Koh
WELCOMERS	Peter Donovan Dale Cook	Tony Ward Gregor F-R
COMMENTATOR	Terry Tierney	Cyril Brown
READERS	Tony Conlon	Ellie Rowe Leo Fogarty
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	Helen O'Loughlin	Barb Colla Mary Cogman
MUSIC	Choir	Folk Group
CANTOR	Choir	
FLOWERS	Clare Jennings	Agnes Suustiyaningrum
	Nativity Saturday 6.00pm	Nativity Sunday 11.00 am
GATES/SACRISTAN	Nadia Procter	Rene Pols
WELCOMERS	Mary Procter Michelle Lamb	Rosemary Buckley Gavin McGlaughlin
COMMENTATOR	Paul Ridings	Vee Pols
READERS	Gilda Gaufo Brian Schumacher	Erika Dixon Allan Rebello
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	Liz Brown	Sharyn Black Ewa Starrs
CHILDREN'S LITURGY		Bianca Cotton
MUSIC	Computer	Youth
SUPPER	Gemma Roberts Bev Cusack	
FLOWERS		Rose Busuttill Rosemary Buckley
CLEANERS		Rosemary Buckley Gemma Roberts

FIRST READING Jeremiah 17:5-8

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The Lord says this:

'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man, who relies on things of flesh, whose heart turns from the Lord. He is like dry scrub in the wastelands: if good comes, he has no eyes for it, he settles in the parched places of the wilderness, a salt land, uninhabited.

'A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord, with the Lord for his hope. He is like a tree by the waterside that thrusts its roots to the stream: when the heat comes it feels no alarm, its foliage stays green; it has no worries in a year of drought, and never ceases to bear fruit.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 1:1-4

R. Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

1. Happy indeed is the man who follows not the counsel of the wicked; nor lingers in the way of sinners nor sits in the company of scorners, but whose delight is the law of the Lord and who ponders his law day and night. **R.**
2. He is like a tree that is planted beside the flowing waters, that yields its fruit in due season and whose leaves shall never fade; and all that he does shall prosper. **R.**
3. Not so are the wicked, not so! For they like winnowed chaff shall be driven away by the wind. For the Lord guards the way of the just but the way of the wicked leads to doom. **R.**

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

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

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people.

But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Luke 6:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 6: 17, 20-26

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases. Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said: 'How happy are you who are poor; yours is the kingdom of God. Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied. Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh. 'Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets. 'But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now. Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry. Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep. Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.'



Next week's readings - 23 February 2025

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading	Samuel 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23
Responsorial Psalm	Ps 102: 1-4, 8, 10, 12-13
Second Reading	St Paul to Corinthians 15: 45-49
Gospel Acclamation	John 13: 34
Gospel	Luke: 27-38



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