



**OUR LADY OF THE
PINES, DONVALE**



**Ss PETER & PAUL,
DONCASTER EAST**



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PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS AT 23 LEEDS ST DONCASTER EAST, VIC 3109

Tuesday to Friday

9am—3pm

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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A, 19th SEPTEMBER & 20th SEPTEMBER 2026

CHILD SAFETY POLICY

We are dedicated to ensuring the safety and dignity of all children and young people in our parish, fostering a caring and supportive environment. For our child-safe policy, please visit our parish website or contact the parish office

OUR VISION

SSPP: We are a welcoming, inclusive Catholic community committed to living our Christian faith daily. We celebrate and witness that Jesus lives and share the message of the Gospel through our actions.

OLOP: Our Lady of the Pines Parish is a welcoming, inclusive community that aims to live our Christian faith by example in our daily lives.

YOUTH MASS

4th Sunday, 11:15am @Ss Peter & Paul
Youth Coordinator: Sharon Yeo

FUNERALS & WEDDINGS

By Appointment

CONFESSION

Our Lady of the Pines Parish

1st & 3rd Saturday: 4:30pm

Ss Peter and Paul Parish

Saturday: After 9am mass &
2nd & 4th Saturday 5:30pm

ROSARY

Our Lady of the Pines Parish

Weekday: Following 9am Mass

Weekends: Sun 9am

Ss Peter and Paul Parish

Weekday: Following 9am Mass

Weekends: Sat 5:35pm, Sun 7:35am &
10:50am

BAPTISM

Our Lady of the Pines Parish

1st Sunday at 11am

Ss Peter and Paul Parish

2nd Sunday at 12:30pm

SSPP BIBLE SHARING

Wednesday: 10:15am

THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL

Matthew 20:1-16

"Why are you jealous because I am generous?"

In this week's Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of a landowner who hires workers at different times throughout the day but generously pays them all the same wage. Those who worked the longest become jealous, even though the landowner has paid them exactly what he promised. Jesus reminds us that

God's love and mercy are gifts, not rewards that we earn or compare with others. In our lives today, we can sometimes feel disappointed when others receive opportunities, forgiveness or blessings that we think they do not deserve. This Gospel encourages us to let go of jealousy and comparison and instead be grateful for what God has given us. God welcomes everyone, even those who come to Him late in life, and His mercy is available to all. We are called to rejoice in His generosity, trust in His fairness and show the same kindness and compassion to others.



PARISH & SUPPORTING PRIESTS

Parish Priest: Fr Toan Nguyen

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PARISH STAFF

Parish Secretary: Maria C. & Suzanna P

Bookkeeping: Frances Johnson

PPC Chairperson

OLOP: Peter Given

SSPP: Andres Isaza

School Principal

Brendan Keeling

OLOP Phone: 9842 2991

SSPP Phone: 9842 2056

MASS TIMES

Ss Peter & Paul's Parish

Tuesday, Thursday: 9am

Mon, Wednesday & Friday:

Communion Service at 9am

Saturday: 9am & Vigil at 6pm

Sunday: 8am & 11:15am

Mass & Divine Mercy Devotion:

1st Friday of the Month at 7:30pm

Our Lady of the Pines Parish

Wednesday and Friday: 9am

Saturday Vigil: 5pm

Sunday: 9:30am

SUPPORT US

Ss Peter & Paul's Parish

BSB: 083 347

Act No:

643843933

or QR Code



Our Lady of the Pines Parish

BSB: 083 347

Act No:

647620921

or QR Code:



OUR LADY OF THE PINES PARISH NEWSLETTER & NOTICES

PIETY GIFT STALL NEWS

The gift stall has some new colourways of our handmade prayer quilts. Each prayer quilt comes with the following prayer:

I am a little prayer quilt to hold in your hand,
To help when trouble arises, those things you did not plan.
When your fingers touch the cross, remember that God is
always by your side. Hold me tight in your fist,
if it helps to calm your fears. And don't be afraid to use
me, to wipe away your tears.

The prayer quilts make a perfect gift to include in a sympathy or get-well card which are also available at the stall.

There are also blank cards for other occasions.

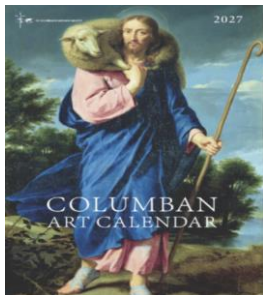
STEWARDSHIP & CLERGY ENVELOPES

The printing of all parish envelopes has now been completed. They are available for collection from the **Narthex**. If you are unable to locate your envelope, please contact the **Parish Office** and we will be happy to assist you.

2027 COLUMBAN CALENDARS

The new **2027 Columban Calendars** have arrived and are now available for purchase from the Piety store.

\$12 each Calendars are limited, so please purchase yours early to avoid missing out.



Damian Howard and the Ploughboys

SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER

1 pm start
Our Lady of the Pines
Carbine St. Donvale

\$50 per head
BYO food & nibbles
Drinks at bar prices
No BYO liquor - 18+ only

To book contact:
David Sowersby 0419311775
Geoff Mullane 0409148144
Roy Tavenor 0439668803

One of Australia's top Celtic festival bands to perform live - right here in Donvale

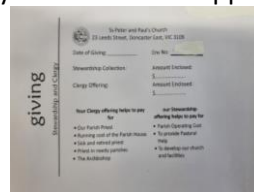
Ss PETERS AND PAUL'S PARISH NEWSLETTER & NOTICES

PARISH ENVELOPES – HAVE YOU COLLECTED YOURS?

There are still many parish envelopes waiting to be collected. If you use parish envelopes, please take a moment to check the Narthex and collect yours.

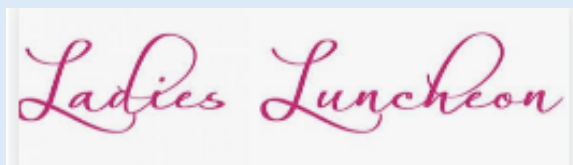
When collecting your envelopes, if you notice the name of someone who is no longer part of the parish, please let the Parish Office know so that we can update our records.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.



LADIES LUNCH

Our next Ladies Lunch will be held on Wednesday 23rd September at the Templestowe Hotel at 12.30pm. Come and meet the ladies of the Parish and enjoy a good chat and a lovely lunch. To make a booking, contact Muriel on 0417 055 617. Bookings close on Monday 21 September.



PIETY STALL

Our Piety Stall is open each Sunday before and after the 11:15am Mass and offers a wonderful selection of cards and gifts for all special occasions.

We would love to also make the stall available to parishioners attending the Saturday 6:00pm and Sunday 8:00am Masses. If you could volunteer to assist at either of these times, please contact the Parish Office.



1 IN 100 APPEAL – SR TRUDY VISITS OUR PARISH

We are pleased to welcome **Sr Trudy** to our **8:00am Mass** next Sunday, 27 September.

Sr Trudy will personally thank parishioners for their generous support of the **1 in 100 Appeal** and share an update on the challenges currently being experienced by those the appeal assists.

We warmly welcome Sr Trudy and thank parishioners for their ongoing generosity and support of the 1 in 100 appeal.

COMBINED ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OUR LADY OF THE PINES PARISH & Ss PETER AND PAUL'S PARISH

SOCIAL SERVICES SUNDAY: 20 SEPTEMBER 2026

This Sunday, 20 September 2026, we give thanks for the thousands of staff and volunteers across Catholic social services who accompany people experiencing poverty, disadvantage and marginalisation throughout Victoria. As we celebrate Social Services Sunday, we recognise the need for encounter. Passion for connection and meeting others creates the kinship that is imperative in times of hardship and for building strong communities. Through these encounters, we recognise the dignity of every person and stand alongside those who may otherwise go unheard. Catholic social services put this call into practice every day through accompaniment, advocacy, and practical support. This Social Services Sunday, we are invited not only to give thanks for this work, but to consider our own contribution: **Who is experiencing hardship around us? Who is already walking beside them? How might we strengthen and support that work?**



CARITAS AUSTRALIA: NEPAL FLOODS APPEAL

Communities in northern Nepal are facing a humanitarian crisis after devastating flash floods swept through the Rasuwa District on 26 August. Over 1,000 people have lost their lives, many remain missing, and thousands of families have been affected. Homes, roads, bridges, schools and essential infrastructure have been destroyed, leaving vulnerable communities in urgent need of support. Caritas Australia is working with Caritas Nepal and local partners to provide lifesaving assistance, including emergency shelter, food, safe drinking water, healthcare and protection support for affected families. Together, we can provide urgent relief and hope to families rebuilding their lives in Nepal. To donate to the Caritas Australia Nepal Floods Appeal, visit www.caritas.org.au/nepal or call 1800 024 413.



CATHEVENTS – PILGRIMAGES

Feeling called to journey a little further in faith?

CathEvents has added a range of upcoming **pilgrimages to Greece, the Holy Land and Italy**. Each pilgrimage departure is now listed separately, making it easy to see what is coming up and when.

Visit **CathEvents** to explore the pilgrimages and other Catholic events available.



*** S P E A K E R N I G H T *** **GREG SHERIDAN AO**

God is Good For You
A journalist proclaims Christ to a secular world

Greg is the foreign editor of The Australian newspaper, a well-known author and is a parishioner of St Gregory's Parish.

Greg's three books on religion and Christianity have been best sellers.

**FRIDAY, 2ND OCT
6.30PM**

Clifton Centre
9/21 Egan Dr, Bulleen
Adjacent to St Clement
of Rome's Church

*Pizza Dinner to start
followed by
presentation and
discussions*

Info: doncaster@cam.org.au
RSVP via QR Code or Sign Up
Sheets in the Church Foyer



PRAYER SERVICE OF LAMENT

On the Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows, the Archdiocese of Melbourne held its annual Prayer Service of Lament for victim-survivors of abuse. The service acknowledged the profound and lasting harm experienced by survivors, their families and the wider community.

Archbishop Peter A Comensoli expressed his deep sorrow and apologised for the Church's failures to believe victims and protect their safety. He reaffirmed the Church's commitment to listen, seek truth and justice, support healing, and remain vigilant in safeguarding children, young people and vulnerable adults.

ROSTERS		
<u>OUR LADY OF THE PINES ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND</u> <u>26th SEPTEMBER & 27th SEPTEMBER</u>		<u>Ss PETER AND PAUL'S ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND</u> <u>26th SEPTEMBER & 27th SEPTEMBER</u>
READERS: - Sat 5pm: Mary Wynack - Sun 9:30am: Suraj Perera COMMENTATORS: - Sat 5pm: Lisa Bertoula - Sun 9:30am: Corrine Ng AUDIO VISUAL OPERATORS: - Sat 5pm: Gabrielle - Sun 9:30am: Lukas, Antony & Daniel ALTAR SERVERS: - Sat 5pm: Lily, Alex & Emily - Sun 9:30am: Alden, Tiana & Madelyn MONEY COUNTING: - Group 3: Anna Basa, Arthur Williams & Janet Goodwin WELCOMING COMMITTEE: - Sat 5pm: Nicole Cordeiro & Carlos Cordeiro - Sun 9:30am: Janet Goodwin & Pat Goodwin PIETY STALL: - Sat 5pm: Rita Latimour - Sun 9:30am: Mirella Drago HOSPITALITY TEAMS: - Christensen, Nolan & McDonald		READERS: - Sat 6pm: Larra Di Marzio - Sun 8am: Chris Boag - Sun 11:15am: Diago COMMENTATORS: - Sat 6pm: Josie Lim - Sun 8am: Saliya Gurusinghe - Sun 11:15am: Volunteer AUDIO VISUAL OPERATORS: - Sat 6pm: Elaine Chong - Sun 8am: Greg Sleeth - Sun 11:15am: Volunteer ALTAR SERVERS: - Sat 6pm: Sun 11:15am: ROSARY LEADERS: - Sat 6pm: Kaushi - Sun 8am: Ron - Sun 11:15am: Jacqui PILGRIM STATUE: - Marcello S MONEY COUNTING: - Group 3: Angela Stuart, Bernadette Mithen, Dawn Pratley & Ann Wetherall COMMUNION MINISTER: - Sat 6pm: Loraine Lednar - Sun 8am: Marina Ting - Sun 11:15am: Anna Fabris & Verna Carter CLEANING ROSTER FOR 3rd OCTOBER AT 10AM: Group 4: Lucille Young, Diane Neubecker, Anniesha Silva & Nancy Yeo
PLEASE NOTE: From 6 September, the Sick and Anniversary Lists will be included in the weekly Parish Newsletter instead of the Mass PowerPoint. To ensure the lists remain accurate, please advise the Parish Office by Wednesday of the week you would like a name included. Anniversary names will not be carried forward unless we are advised to do so.		
WE PRAY FOR THE SICK		
<u>AT OUR LADY OF THE PINES PARISH</u>		<u>AT Ss PETER & PAUL'S PARISH</u> Paul O'Connor
WE PRAY FOR THE ANNIVERSARY MEMORIAL & THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY PASSED		
<u>AT OUR LADY OF THE PINES PARISH</u> Rafael Rivas, Marco Cabrera, Ana Theresa Aguzzi, Maria Lim Hock Im & Ryan J Kim, Constanca Maceda		<u>AT Ss PETER & PAUL'S PARISH</u> Phillip Fong, Jack Brun & Agnes Tan
MASS READINGS		
<u>THIS WEEKEND READINGS</u> <u>19th SEPTEMBER & 20th SEPTEMBER</u> First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9 Second Reading: Philippians 1:20-24. 27 Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16		<u>NEXT WEEKEND READINGS</u> <u>26th SEPTEMBER & 27th SEPTEMBER</u> First Reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28 Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-11 Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32
SUPPORT OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY - List Your Business in our Parish Newsletter. Contact (03) 9842 1480		
<u>Mark's Gardening Service:</u> Weeding, Mowing, Mulching, Hedging – All your garden needs. Pension Discounts Call Mark: 0456 166 860	<u>Fabris Electrical Contractors:</u> Electrical services and Data or Phone system installation. Call Marco: 0421907112 or Mario: 0421 907 061	<u>Drypt - Automotive Detailing</u> Paint correction and ceramic coating Call Steven: 0400 999 502
<u>NEWSLETTER REMINDER</u> Please forward any newsletter items to the Parish Office by no later than Wednesday midday. Thank You.		