



OUR LADY OF THE PINES, DONVALE



Ss PETER & PAUL, DONCASTER EAST



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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR A, 25th APRIL & 26th APRIL 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: Sat: 4:30pm & 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

SSPP CHARISMATIC GROUP

Tuesday: 7:00pm

FOUTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Fourth Sunday of Easter draws us into the Resurrection through the image of the Good Shepherd. In the Gospel, Jesus reveals Himself as the one who knows His sheep and calls each by name, inviting us to listen and follow with trust.

This Sunday reminds us we are never lost—Christ leads, protects, and gives His life for us with faithful, personal care. It also prompts us to ask: do we recognize His voice and trust where He leads?

In this Easter season, we are invited to rest in His care, grow closer to Him, and live as His flock—guided and sent to reflect His love each day.



ANZAC DAY

This Saturday, 25 April, we mark ANZAC Day—a solemn time to remember all who have served and sacrificed in war and peacekeeping.

We honour the courage and resilience of those who served at Gallipoli and in conflicts since, giving thanks for their dedication and spirit. In our parish, we hold in prayer all veterans, current service members, and their families, mindful of the cost of service. May this day deepen our gratitude and renew in us a commitment to peace, justice, and compassion. Lest we forget.



PARISH & SUPPORTING PRIESTS

Parish Priest: Fr Toan Nguyen

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PARISH STAFF

Parish Secretary: Maria C. & Orene M.

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

MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE

The Parish Fundraising Committee will be holding a Mother's Day Raffle. Tickets will be available after Mass in the coming weeks, with some lovely prizes to be won. All funds raised will go towards the Parish Ongoing Fund for Maintenance and Needs. We appreciate your support.



FILM NIGHT

Save the Date!

Join us for a special Film Night on Friday, 19th June. A wonderful evening to relax, connect, and enjoy a great film together. More details coming soon!



PIETY GIFT STALL NEWS

The gift stall has a new range of cards that would be a suitable accompaniment for any of our Mother's Day gifts including the Biblical Herbal Book. Visit the stall before and after weekend masses for all your gift needs. All profits from sales go to OLOP fundraising.



AUDIO VISUAL OPERATORS NEEDED FOR SUNDAY

We are still seeking volunteers to assist with Audio Visual operations during Sunday morning Mass. This is a valuable ministry that supports the smooth running of our liturgies. The commitment is minimal—just once a month—and full training will be provided; no prior experience is necessary.

If you are interested in helping or would like to learn more, please consider putting your name forward. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Ss PETERS AND PAUL'S PARISH NEWSLETTER & NOTICES

PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – REMINDER

Parishioners are warmly reminded of our upcoming Annual General Meeting. This will be a brief report to 31 Dec 2025.

Location: St. Peter and Paul's

Date: Sunday, 24 May

Time: 9:00am – 10:30am

All parishioners are encouraged to attend. The AGM is an important opportunity to reflect on the life of our parish, hear updates, and contribute to future planning.

STS PETER & PAUL'S PILGRIM STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA! CHURCH TO HOME VISITATION - MOTHER MARY COMES TO US!

Have the Pilgrim Statue visit your home!

When? May to October 2026

Who? Pray with it in your household whether it's just you or your whole clan! Student, working, married, single, take Our Lady home!

How?

1. Make sure to put your details on the roster in the narthex.
2. Host Family collects the statue on a Sunday and keeps it for 7 days, returned back to the church the following weekend.
3. If you would like to host a group of prayer warriors from our parish to pray with you whilst you have the statue, that can be organised too (1 day of the week).
4. Let's rekindle family and group prayer!



VISIT OUR PIETY STALL

We invite you to visit our Piety Stall open every Sunday after the 11:15am Sunday Mass. There is a lovely range of religious items, including devotional gifts, books, and beautiful cards suitable for many occasions. Whether you are looking for something meaningful for yourself or a thoughtful gift for a loved one, we encourage you to stop by and have a browse.



NEXT LADIES LUNCH GATHERING

Our next Ladies Lunch, which will be held at East Alley, 30 Tunstall Square, Donvale on Wednesday 13 May at 12:30pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to come together in friendship, enjoy a relaxed meal, and connect with one another in a welcoming and social setting. If you would like more information or wish to attend, please contact Muriel on 0417 055 617.

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

Before the appeal weekend



CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal

Next weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal (previously held during the month of August).

CatholicCare Victoria is the Church's mission in action - empowering children and young people, strengthening families and individuals, providing safe housing and homelessness assistance, and supporting refugees and asylum seekers.

Your kindness and generosity will help provide caring and compassionate support for struggling individuals and families in our community.

Please donate to the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal.

You can donate using the appeal envelope available in our parish, donate online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au, call (03) 9967 2515 or scan the QR Code below.



All gifts of \$2 and above are tax deductible.

"For I was a stranger and you welcomed me." (Matthew 25:35)

PERMANENT DIACONATE INFORMATION SESSION

The annual May information session for the Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men (aged 30–50s) who feel called to serve as ordained ministers in the Church. It's also a valuable opportunity for anyone, including past attendees, to further discern their vocation. Wives are warmly welcome. To attend, email Deacon Kevin Pattison at Kevin.Pattison@cam.org.au with your name and parish or simply come along on the day.

Event Details

Date: Saturday 2 May 2025

Time: 10:00am – 11:30am

Venue: Catholic Theological College Melbourne VIC

Address: 278 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne VIC

MIDDLE EAST EMERGENCY APPEAL – AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

Aid to the Church in Need is calling for urgent prayer and support for Christian communities affected by war in the Middle East. Your help will provide emergency food packages, support parishes sheltering displaced families, keep schools running, and supply vital medical and pastoral care.

To learn more or give today, please scan the QR code or visit www.rebrand.ly/EmergencyAppeal



ANCHORED

Anchored
Helping Kids Thrive: Developmental Changes and Digital Wellbeing
Tuesday 28 April 2026, 7pm-8pm
Online

Facilitated by Real Talk, this practical and faith-centred webinar will help parents and caregivers of children aged 12 and under better understand key stages of childhood and adolescence, set healthy digital boundaries and respond with confidence and care.

Further information and registration: <https://melbournecatholic.org/events/anchored-helping-kids-thrive>

Register now:



Enquiries: proclaim@cam.org.au

CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF MELBOURNE

The Polish Catholic community warmly invites the faithful of the Archdiocese of Melbourne to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the dedication of the Divine Mercy Shrine.

Event Date
Saturday 25 April 2026
12.00pm–5.00pm

Location
Divine Mercy Shrine
343–337 Greens Road
Keysborough
Link:

<https://melbournecatholic.org/event/s/20th-anniversary-of-the-dedication-of-the-divine-mercy-shrine>



CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE
OF MELBOURNE

20th Anniversary of the Dedication of the Divine Mercy Shrine

ROSTERS

OUR LADY OF THE PINES ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND

2nd MAY & 3rd MAY

READERS:

- Sat 5pm: Maria Carey
- Sun 9:30am: Kathy Stewart

COMMENTATORS:

- Sat 5pm: Peter Given
- Sun 9:30am: Geoff Mullane

AUDIO VISUAL OPERATORS:

- Sat 5pm: Maria & Lyn
- Sun 9:30am: Leonard Healy

ALTAR SERVERS:

- Sat 5pm: Lily, Tiana & Nick
- Sun 9:30am: Porscha, Madelyn & Meagan

MONEY COUNTING:

- Group 9: Pat Goodwin, Martin Pirotta & Godwin Bonavia

WELCOMING COMMITTEE:

- Sat 5pm: Nicole Cordeiro & Carlor Cordeiro
- Sun 9:30am: Peter Given & Kath Given

PIETY STALL:

- Sat 5pm: Lisa Bertoula
- Sun 9:30am: Janet Goodwin

HOSPITALITY TEAMS:

- Davis & Lazzari

Ss PETER AND PAUL'S ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND

2nd MAY & 3rd MAY

READERS:

- Sat 6pm: Paul O'Hanlon
- Sun 8am: Paul O'Connor
- 11:15am: Tehani Fernando

COMMENTATORS:

- Sat 6pm: Marie De Kretser
- Sun 8am: Harry Martin
- 11:15am: Carmel Nigro

AUDIO VISUAL OPERATORS:

- Sat 6pm: Nick Soo
- Sun 8am: Frank Smit
- 11:15am: Amor Grabkowski

ALTAR SERVERS:

- Sat 6pm:
- Sun 11:15am:

MONEY COUNTING:

- Group 2: Imelda Sutanto, Elaine Edwards & Patrick Martin

COMMUNION MINISTER:

- Sat 6pm: Paul O'Hanlon
- Sun 8am: Volunteer
- Sun 11:15am: Carmel Nigro & Volunteer

CLEANING ROSTER FOR 2nd MAY AT 10AM:

Group 5: Bernard O'Haloran, Alfredo Weeny, Shonita Naneo & Daniella Taranto

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

AT OUR LADY OF THE PINES PARISH

AT Ss PETER & PAUL'S PARISH

Bernard Ferre

WE PRAY FOR THE ANNIVERSARY MEMORIAL & THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY PASSED

AT OUR LADY OF THE PINES PARISH

AT Ss PETER & PAUL'S PARISH

Jeremy Nott

MASS READINGS

THIS WEEKEND READINGS

25th APRIL & 26th APRIL

First Reading:

[Acts of the Apostles 2:14. 36-41](#)

Second Reading:

[1 Peter 2:20-25](#)

Gospel:

[John 10:1-10](#)

NEXT WEEKEND READINGS

2nd MAY & 3rd MAY

First Reading:

[Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7](#)

Second Reading:

[1 Peter 2:4-9](#)

Gospel:

[John 14:1-12](#)

SUPPORT OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY

List your business in our parish newsletter. Contact (03) 9842 1480

Mark's Gardening Service:

Weeding, Mowing, Mulching, Hedging –
All your garden needs. Pension Discounts
Call Mark: 0456 166 860

Fabris Electrical Contractors:

Electrical services and Data or Phone
system installation. Call Marco:
0421907112 or Mario: 0421 907 061

Drypt - Automotive Detailing

Paint correction and ceramic coating
Call Steven: 0400 999 502

NEWSLETTER REMINDER

Please forward any newsletter items to the Parish Office by no later than Wednesday midday.
Thank You.