



OUR LADY OF THE PINES, DONVALE



Ss PETER & PAUL, DONCASTER EAST



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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A, 25th JULY & 26th JULY 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

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

This weekend, the Church celebrates the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, reminding us of the precious gift that older people are to our families, our parish, and our community.

Grandparents and the elderly are living witnesses of faith, hope, and love.

Through their prayers, wisdom, and life experiences, they continue to enrich the lives of younger generations and strengthen the Church.

Pope Leo XIV invites us to ensure that no elderly person feels forgotten or alone. A simple visit, a phone call, or time spent together can be a powerful sign of God's love and bring great joy to those who may be isolated.

As we give thanks for our grandparents and all older members of our parish, let us keep them in our prayers and look for opportunities to honour, support, and accompany them with kindness and gratitude.

"Rise before the aged and show respect for the elderly." — Leviticus 19:32



World Day
for Grandparents
and the Elderly
2026

PARISH & SUPPORTING PRIESTS

Parish Priest: Fr Toan Nguyen

Toan.nguyen@cam.org.au

Supporting Priest: Fr Kevin Dillon

Frkdillon@outlook.com.au

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

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OUR LADY OF THE PINES PARISH NEWSLETTER & NOTICES

SYNODALITY PARISH GATHERING

Parishioners are invited to a Synodality gathering this **Sunday, 2 August**, at **10:30 a.m.** in the **PEACE Centre**, following Mass. This is an opportunity to share your thoughts and provide input as we continue our journey of Synodality. Please note that **morning tea will also be held in the PEACE Centre** on this day. We encourage everyone to join us.

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

Join us at Our Lady of the Pines on **Sunday, 16 August** as we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Assumption with **Adoration and Mass at 9:30 a.m.**, followed by a shared morning tea. Everyone is invited. Please bring a plate to share. To celebrate our parish groups and ministries, a short presentation will be shown during morning tea. Group representatives are invited to submit a **10-second landscape video** introducing their group by **9 August**. Email your video to kylie@designedbyartisan.com.au or send it via WhatsApp to **0420 985 827**. For enquiries, please contact Kylie Abbass. We look forward to celebrating this special feast day together.

PIETY GIFT STALL NEWS

The beautiful cross keyrings pictured, are made with crystals and handcrafted by one of our talented parishioners. They would make lovely sacramental gifts. They are available at the stall before and after weekend masses.



SPORTS NIGHT SUCCESS

A great night was enjoyed by everyone who attended our recent Sports Night! We are pleased to announce that the evening raised an incredible profit of **\$10,397**. Thank you to everyone who attended, supported and contributed to making the night such a wonderful success.

— *Social/Fundraising Committee*



Ss PETERS AND PAUL'S PARISH NEWSLETTER & NOTICES

THE PILGRIM STATUE

Our Lady of Fatima's statue has been welcomed into the homes of many of our parishioners over the months, and here are some photos. Some profound testimonials have also been received, and these will be shared soon.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT SUNDAY MASS

We are hoping to recommence our **Children's Liturgy program at the 11:15am Sunday Mass** and are currently seeking volunteers to help make this possible. Volunteers will assist our younger parishioners to engage with the Sunday Gospel in a welcoming and age-appropriate way. All that is required to assist is a current **Working with Children Check**. Support and resources will be provided. If you would like to be involved, please contact the Parish Office. We would love to hear from you.



DROP-IN CENTRE – VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED

The Drop In Centre needs volunteer drivers to be rostered on to assist with transporting people to or from the centre on the **first and third Mondays of each month** at either **10.30am or 2.30pm**.

If you can assist in this matter, please contact Pauline Donovan on 0407 328 425 Thank you

LADIES LUNCHEON GROUP

Please note our change of venue due to our original choice only serving evening meals. Our next function will be at the Shopping town Hotel at **1pm on Wednesday 12 August**. Everyone Welcome. Please contact Muriel on 0417 055 617 if you intend to join us. Bookings close on Friday 7 August.

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



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needs
continue as
support
remains vital.

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MAGI PILGRIMAGES

Saints of Italy (2nd - 16th October 2026)

Fr Franco Filipetto from St. Mary's Parish in Warrick, invites you on a 14-day pilgrimage to Milan, Padua, Florence, Assisi, San Giovanni Rotondo, and Rome, walking in the footsteps of the saints.

All-inclusive price: \$9,990 (20+ pilgrims).

Footsteps of St Paul (5th –19th October 2026)

Fr Sebastian A.M from St. Mary's Parish, Dandenong invites you on a 15-day pilgrimage to Greece and Turkey, visiting Athens, Corinth, Meteora, Thessaloniki, Philippi, Gallipoli, Ephesus, Istanbul and Cappadocia.

All-inclusive price: \$9,790 (20+ pilgrims).

The tour cost includes return economy airfares, local transfers in deluxe coaches, accommodation in 4-star premium hotels, daily meals, English-speaking professional guides, and entrance fees.

Enquiries: 03 8839 6615

| pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au



YOU ARE INVITED TO
THE APOSTOLATE OF
our Lady of
Guadalupe

TO INTRODUCE THE MIRACULOUS
**MANTLE OF OUR LADY
OF GUADALUPE**

WHICH HAS BEEN ENDORSED BY

Bishop His Excellency
Cardinal Juan Sandoval Iniguez,
ARCHBISHOP OF GUADALAJARA, MEXICO



WHEN

1ST OF AUGUST
SATURDAY AT 6PM
AFTER THE 6 PM HOLY MASS
BLESSING OF
MIRACULOUS MANTLE



WHERE

**SS PETER & PAUL
CATHOLIC PARISH
DONCASTER EAST
23 LEEDS ST.
DONCASTER EAST VIC**



RSVP

**BERNADETTE
0407007708**

WINTER WARMER CONCERT

St David's Anglican Church warmly invites you to its Winter Warmer Concert on **Sunday, 26 July at 2:00 p.m.** Acclaimed baritone Richard Thomas and soprano Michelle Holloway will present *Broadway to West End*, followed by a delicious afternoon tea. **Tickets:** \$40 or \$30 concession. **Venue:** 1111 Doncaster Road, Doncaster East — opposite Tunstall Square. **Bookings,** please contact Laurie on 9842 4115 or Pauline on 0438 034 739.

ROSTERS

OUR LADY OF THE PINES ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND

1st AUGUST & 2nd AUGUST

READERS:

- Sat 5pm: Lisa Bertooula
- Sun 9:30am: Maya Chhajer

COMMENTATORS:

- Sat 5pm: Vanessa White
- Sun 9:30am: Vince Taranto

AUDIO VISUAL OPERATORS:

- Sat 5pm: Maria & Lyn
- Sun 9:30am: Lukas, Antony & Daniel

ALTAR SERVERS:

- Sat 5pm: Lily, Porscha & Zayne
- Sun 9:30am: Rosa, Madelyn & Zach

MONEY COUNTING:

- Group 4: Brian Tooth, John Evans, John Brophy & Joanne Bonavia

WELCOMING COMMITTEE:

- Sat 5pm: Rose Tavenor
- Sun 9:30am: Janet Goodwin & Pat Goodwin

PIETY STALL:

- Sat 5pm: Vanessa White
- Sun 9:30am: Natalie Chim

HOSPITALITY TEAMS:

- Payne, Cleven, Keating & Yang

Ss PETER AND PAUL'S ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND

1st AUGUST & 2nd AUGUST

READERS:

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

COMMENTATORS:

- Sat 6pm: Marie De Krester
- Sun 8am: Volunteer Needed
- 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:

ROSARY LEADERS:

- Sat 6pm: Marie
- Sun 8am: Sheryl 11:15am: Vince

PILGRIM STATUE ROSTER:

- Mariluz

MONEY COUNTING:

- Group 5: Joy Cormack, Lorraine Lednar & Muriel O'Gorman

COMMUNION MINISTER:

- Sat 6pm: Loraine Lednar
- Sun 8am: Volunteer
- Sun 11:15am: Anna Fabris & Verna Carter

CLEANING ROSTER FOR 25th JULY 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

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

AT OUR LADY OF THE PINES PARISH

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MASS READINGS

THIS WEEKEND READINGS

25th JULY & 26th JULY

First Reading: [1 Kings 3:5.7-12](#)

Second Reading: [Romans 8:28-30](#)

Gospel: [Matthew 13:44-52](#)

NEXT WEEKEND READINGS

1st AUGUST & 2nd AUGUST

First Reading: [Isaiah 55:1-3](#)

Second Reading: [Romans 8:35. 37-39](#)

Gospel: [Matthew 14:13-21](#)

SUPPORT OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY

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

Mark's Gardening Service:

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NEWSLETTER REMINDER

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