



**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

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TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A, 10th OCTOBER & 11th OCTOBER 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 22:1-14

"Many are invited, but few are chosen."

In this week's Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of a king who prepares a wedding feast for his son and sends his servants to call those who have been invited. Yet many refuse to come, allowing other priorities to take their attention. The king then extends his invitation to everyone, filling the wedding hall with guests. Through this parable, Jesus reminds us that God's invitation to share in his Kingdom is generously offered to all, but it is an invitation that calls for a response.

We can bring this message into our daily lives by asking how we respond when God invites us to draw closer to him. Do we make room for God in the busyness of our lives, or do other priorities sometimes take his place? The wedding garment reminds us that accepting God's invitation is more than simply turning up—it calls us to allow our lives to be changed by the Gospel. Through our love, compassion, forgiveness and service to others, we show that we have not only heard God's invitation but are striving to live it each day.



PARISH & SUPPORTING PRIESTS

Parish Priest: Fr Toan Nguyen

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Frkdillon@outlook.com.au

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

October is the month of the *rosary*, and the gift stall has a selection of lovely rosaries to enhance your prayer journey. This week we showcase the Saint Mary of The Cross MacKillop Rosary as pictured below. The rosary centre has a lovely image of Mary MacKillop, and the Our Fathers have images of St Joseph and the baby Jesus. You can view the rosary at the gift stall before and after mass. Columban Calendars are now available.



CHRISTMAS HAMPERS – HAMPER MASS 6TH DECEMBER

Thank you to our generous parishioners who have already committed to supporting families in need this Christmas. Many of the 50 families have already been selected, and we encourage others to consider helping those still awaiting support. Family lists and Hamper Guidelines are available in the church foyer.

Completed hampers can be brought to 5:00pm Mass on **Saturday, 5 December**, or the Hamper Mass on **Sunday, 6 December**.

For enquiries, contact **Janet Goodwin (0415 204 498)** or **Clare Williams (0419 204 498)**.

Thank you for sharing the spirit of Christmas through your kindness and generosity.

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

LADIES LUNCHEON GROUP - PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE AND VENUE

Our next luncheon will be held on **Wednesday 21st October at 12.30pm** at a **new venue - BBQ-K (your Korean BBQ)** at **916A Doncaster Road**, Doncaster East just near the Salvation Army Op-Shop. Everyone is welcome. If interested, please ring Muriel on 0417 055 617 to book a place.



A NOTE OF APPRECIATION FROM SR TRUDY!

Trudy thanks all who were at Mass on Sun 27th Sep and heard her update on the Sion Education Fund and the situation in Jerusalem, the West Bank, and generally.

And of course, the biggest thank you is reserved for all your efforts supporting the Education Fund throughout 2025/2026. Contributions since our transfer of \$A8,300 on 1st September have raised **another \$A988 which will be sent in due course**.



YOU'RE INVITED

Back to
SS PETER & PAUL'S

Sunday 8th 11:15am
November, 2026

Join us for Mass, followed by a community celebration in our school's courtyard! Enjoy a BBQ, browse our memory display, and take a stroll through the school buildings.

We'd love to have you here as we come together to celebrate the heart of our wonderful school community!



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



	OUR LADY OF THE PINES	Ss PETER AND PAUL
Sick:		Paul O'Connor
Recently Deceased	Graeme Morrison	Lynette Wise, Matteo Mimmo, Angela Federico, Alba Chiodo
Anniversaries	Rachael Angelotti	Craig Gration

*To ensure the lists remain accurate, please **advise the Parish Office by Wednesday** of the week you would like a name included. Names will not be carried forward unless we are advised to do so. Anniversaries will need to be advised annually.*

CAN YOU HELP PEOPLE WHO HAVE SUFFERED CHURCH-RELATED ABUSE?

For fourteen years, the Lifeboat Geelong Foundation has been assisting victims of church-related sexual abuse from all over Australia. In recent years, generous supporters have donated several motor vehicles of varying value (from \$500 to \$20,000!), including cars from deceased estates or vehicles that are no longer required. Some have been directly gifted to a victim/survivor in need, while others have been sold to generate funds required to assist victims in a multitude of ways, e.g. counselling, rent, utilities, and other domestic and personal necessities.

You could help this important work simply by bringing it to the attention of people who might consider donating a motor vehicle, if possible, in roadworthy or near-roadworthy condition, which, for whatever reason, is no longer required. For more information, please contact:

Fr Kevin Dillon
0421 777 360

frkdillon@outlook.com.au or

Damian Coyne
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dkcoyne@hotmail.com

OCTOBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

October is traditionally dedicated to the **Holy Rosary**, a special time when we are invited to turn to Mary and, through her intercession, draw closer to her Son, Jesus. Throughout October, we invite parishioners to join us in praying the Rosary together:

Our Lady of the Pines

- Following the **9:00am weekday Masses**
- **Sunday at 9:00am**

Ss Peter & Paul's

- Following the **9:00am weekday Masses**
- **Saturday at 5:35pm**
- **Sunday at 7:35am and 10:50am**

Whether you pray the Rosary regularly or have not prayed it for some time, you are warmly encouraged to join our parish community during this special month as we entrust our families, our parish and the needs of our world to Our Lady's intercession.

Southern Stars And Young Stars Social Club Party Night

Party For Single Catholics In The 28 To 60
Age Group

Saturday 24th October

Starting at 8.00pm

Location : St Benedict's Parish Hall
Central Ave Burwood , Melway Map 60 H 6

Cost :Non members \$13.00, Members \$7.00
Includes Supper And Lucky Door Prizes.

Enquiries : Peter 9885 2167

2026 Remembrance Masses



Our 2026 Remembrance Masses will be held at
Our Lady of the Pines at 5pm on Saturday evening November 7th
and 9.30am on Sunday morning 8th November.

All are welcome and we would love you to bring a photo or
memento of your loved one and light a candle in their memory.

ROSTERS

OUR LADY OF THE PINES ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 17th OCTOBER & 18th OCTOBER

READERS:

- Sat 5pm: Mary Wynack
- Sun 9:30am: Leonard Healy

COMMENTATORS:

- Sat 5pm: James Beckford
- Sun 9:30am: Anna Basa

AUDIO VISUAL OPERATORS:

- Sat 5pm: Carlos
- Sun 9:30am: Bruce Stewart

ALTAR SERVERS:

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

MONEY COUNTING:

- Group 6: Marie Christensen, Chris Haswell, Joan Mc Donald

WELCOMING COMMITTEE:

- Sat 5pm: Gabrielle Collins & Mary Wynack
- Sun 9:30am: Peter Given & Kath Given

PIETY STALL:

- Sat 5pm: Gillian Beckford
- Sun 9:30am: Sue Keating

HOSPITALITY TEAMS:

- Payne, Cleven, Keating, Yang

Ss PETER AND PAUL'S ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 17th OCTOBER & 18th OCTOBER

READERS:

- Sat 6pm: Patrick Soosay
- Sun 8am: Muriel O'Gorman
- Sun 11:15am: Vince Taranto

COMMENTATORS:

- Sat 6pm: Katrina Chong
- Sun 8am: Frank Smit
- Sun 11:15am: John Mirams

AUDIO VISUAL OPERATORS:

- Sat 6pm: Felin Siamir
- Sun 8am: Volunteer
- Sun 11:15am: Volunteer

ALTAR SERVERS:

- Sat 6pm: Sun 11:15am:

ROSARY LEADERS:

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

PILGRIM STATUE:

- Joyce

MONEY COUNTING:

- Group 1: George Cooper, Greg Sleeth, John Mirams

COMMUNION MINISTER:

- Sat 6pm: Loraine Lednar
- Sun 8am: Murial O'Gorman
- Sun 11:15am: Albert Ling & Volunteer

CLEANING ROSTER FOR 17th OCTOBER AT 10AM:

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

MASS READINGS

THIS WEEKEND READINGS 10th OCTOBER & 11th OCTOBER

First Reading: [Isaiah 25:6-10](#)

Second Reading: [Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20](#)

Gospel: [Matthew 22:1-14](#)

NEXT WEEKEND READINGS 17th OCTOBER & 18th OCTOBER

First Reading: [Isaiah 45:1.4-6](#)

Second Reading: [1 Thessalonians 1:1-5](#)

Gospel: [Matthew 22:15-21](#)

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.