



OUR LADY OF THE PINES, DONVALE



Ss PETER & PAUL, DONCASTER EAST



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9am—3pm

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TWENTY- NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C, 18th & 19th OCTOBER 2025

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

Sunday: 9am

Ss Peter and Paul Parish

Weekday: Following 9am Mass

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

CREATING A MORE PRAYERFUL

ATMOSPHERE AT MASS

Following a recent joint liturgy committee meeting, it was suggested that we take small steps to help foster a more prayerful environment as we gather for Mass.

To support this, **parish newsletters will no longer be distributed before Mass begins.**

Instead, they will be available **after Mass** as you leave the church. If you are not receiving a copy electronically, we encourage you to contact the office and provide your email address.

This simple change encourages us all to enter quietly, spend a few moments in reflection or prayer, and prepare our hearts to celebrate the Eucharist together.

PARISH WORKING BEES – PREPARING FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

As we look ahead to the joy of Christmas, both parishes will be holding Working Bees to help prepare our churches and grounds for the festive season.

Our Lady of the Pines (OLOP):

Saturday, 29 November at 9:00am

Ss Peter and Paul's (SsPP):

Saturday, 29 November at 9:30am

A volunteer sign-up sheet will soon be available in the **parish foyer/narthex**. We warmly invite everyone to lend a hand—many hands make light work, and it's a wonderful way to get into the Christmas spirit together!

THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL REFLECTION

This week, Jesus reminds us to pray always and never lose heart. The persistent widow shows us that if even an unjust judge responds, how much more will God hear our prayers?

Even when answers seem delayed, God acts in His perfect time. This Gospel calls us to keep praying, keep believing, and trust in God's justice and mercy.

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 & Orene

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:

Communium 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

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Act No:

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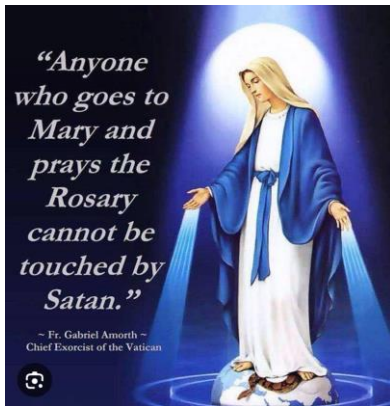
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OUR LADY OF THE PINES PARISH NEWSLETTER & NOTICES

YOUTH GROUP LEADS ROSARY

Join us on Saturday, 26 October at 9:00am for a Rosary prayer led by our Youth Group.
All parishioners are warmly invited to come together in prayer and reflection.



CHRISTMAS HAMPERS - HAMPER MASS 7TH DECEMBER

A huge thankyou to our generous Parishioners for the amazing response last weekend. There are 14 families remaining on the list in the foyer. Hamper Guidelines Forms are available to assist with your purchases. The Hamper Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 7th December. Hampers can also be brought to the Church on Saturday 6th December at the 5p.m. Mass. For any queries, please Contact Janet Goodwin on 0415204498 or Clare Williams on 0419898490

PIETY GIFT STALL NEWS

October is the month dedicated to the rosary and the Piety Gift stall will have a 30% off sale on selected Rosaries. The stall has a new shipment of items from Malta which are not available in Australia. Please check out the gift stall to see these new arrivals.



SUPERDRAW WINNER!

Congratulations to Frank Sette, our \$100 Super draw winner for this month. A reminder that the winning ticket will be drawn this Sunday at the Italian Festa. You still have time to get yourself a ticket.

SAVE THE DATE

Join us on Sunday, 23 November at 1.00pm for a special event featuring a guest speaker – a well-known Victorian identity! Don't miss this opportunity to be inspired and connect with our community. More details to come soon!

Ss PETERS AND PAULS PARISH NEWSLETTER & NOTICES

YOUTH MASS – SUNDAY, 26 OCTOBER

Our next Youth Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, 26 October at the 11:15am Mass.

We warmly encourage children, teens, and families to take part. If you or your family would like to be involved, please contact Sharon Yeo on 0401 292 911 or the Parish Office



MOVING AHEAD WITH SSPP ONE IN A HUNDRED APPEAL 2025-26

Whether you have already contributed to the Appeal for this financial year, as you have done faithfully in previous years, or are yet to do so, the target of \$A10,000 for this financial year remains a significant challenge.

If you intend to contribute and are yet to do so, or decide to join us in this important initiative, to ensure that the children of Jerusalem have access to the education they need and deserve, this would be a good time to join us and support the target.

Our contributions are destined for the Notre Dame de Sion Local Children's Education Fund Jerusalem, the Parish's overseas-aid initiative. The Fund organiser Sr Trudy will be extremely grateful for whatever we can provide. To join with us the account references for direct deposit are:

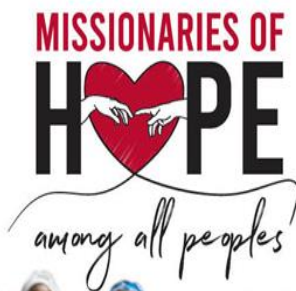
**SS PETER & PAUL'S SOCIAL JUSTICE
BSB 083-347 Account No. 473008563**

Thanks all, on Sr Trudy's behalf and mine,
Harry Martin (Mob. 0421 770 498)



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

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY



This week, you're invited to partner with the Church in Zambia to help women overcome poverty and mothers give birth safely.

The Women's Cooperative, led by Sr Jane will provide women with the training and support required to break the cycle of scarcity, and the Chilonga Mission Hospital is determined to ensure every woman and baby receives a safe and dignified start to life.

During World Mission Sunday, we are called to be 'Missionaries of hope among all peoples', and we invite you to extend Christ's love to those in need in Zambia. You can support this work by using the appeal envelope, going online at catholicmission.org.au/mission, or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also assist many other Church programs around the world.



**catholic
MISSION**

Freecall: 1800 257 296

catholicmission.org.au/mission



ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Our full **Christmas Mass timetable** will be shared soon.

In the meantime, please note that our **Advent Reconciliation Service** will be held on **Tuesday, 16 December at 7:00pm** at **Sts Peter & Paul's Church**. We invite you to join us in this beautiful time of reflection and preparation as we ready our hearts for the joy of Christmas

ALL SAINTS DAY AND ALL SOULS DAY

At **Sts Peter & Paul's**, we will celebrate this in the first week of November

- **All Saints Day** on **Saturday, 1 November**, and
- **All Souls Day** on **Sunday, 2 November**.

Our Lady of the Pines will observe **Remembrance Day** on the 2nd weekend on **8–9 November**.

You are warmly invited to bring a **photo of your loved one(s)** to the **All Souls Day Mass** or the **Remembrance Masses**, as we come together in prayer and remembrance for those who have gone before us.

If you would like a **Mass offered for a loved one**, please use the **Mass Intention envelope** found in your thanksgiving pack or available in the **foyer/narthex**.

FR ROZO PALIC – HEALING SERVICE

Fr Rozo Palic, a priest from the Diocese of Clonmel, Ireland, will visit **Sts Peter & Paul's Parish** on **Friday, 31st October at 7.00pm**.

Fr Rozo is known for his healing ministry, which has touched many lives across Europe, America, Canada and Australia. He is the founder of the *Brotherhood of the Triune Love* and the *Perpetual Adorers of the Holy Trinity* community in Trieste, Italy, and has written several books based on Scripture.

For further information or to register your interest, please contact **Bernadette O'Hanlon** on **0407 007 708** or ohanlon@bigpond.net.au.

ROSTERS

OUR LADY OF THE PINES ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 25th OCTOBER & 26th OCTOBER

READERS:

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

COMMENTATORS:

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

AUDIO VISUAL OPERATORS:

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

ALTAR SERVERS:

- Sat 5pm: Alex, Nick & Lily
- Sun 9:30am: Rosa, Alden & Porscha

MONEY COUNTING:

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

WELCOMING COMMITTEE:

- Sat 5pm: Jill & James Beckford
- Sun 9:30am: Janet & Pat Goodwin

PIETY STALL:

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

HOSPITALITY TEAMS:

- Aileen NG, Dolly NG, Corrinne NG & Jo Ann NG

Ss PETER AND PAUL'S ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 25th OCTOBER & 26th OCTOBER

READERS:

- Sat 6pm: Lia Di Marzio
- Sun 8am: Sheryl Kamath
- 11:15am: Youth Mass

COMMENTATORS:

- Sat 6pm: Larra Di Marzio
- Sun 8am: Michael Liddy
- 11:15am: Youth Mass

AUDIO VISUAL OPERATORS:

- Sat 6pm: Andrew Di Marzio
- Sun 8am: Greg Sleeth
- 11:15am: Youth Mass

ALTAR SERVERS:

- Sat 6pm: Adrian & Ambrose
- Sun 11:15am: Zach & Amelia

MONEY COUNTING:

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

COMMUNION MINISTER:

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

CLEANING ROSTER FOR 1st NOVEMBER AT 10AM:

Group 4: Lucille Young, Diane Neubecker, Anniesha Silva & Nancy Yeo

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

Jim Catalano

AT Ss PETER & PAUL'S PARISH

MASS READINGS

THIS WEEKEND READINGS 18th OCTOBER & 19th OCTOBER

First Reading:

[Exodus 17:8-13](#)

Second Reading:

[2 Timothy 3:14 – 4:2](#)

Gospel:

[Luke 18:1-8](#)

NEXT WEEKEND READINGS 25th OCTOBER & 26th OCTOBER

First Reading:

[Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18](#)

Second Reading:

[2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18](#)

Gospel:

[Luke 18:9-14](#)

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: 0421 907 112 or
Mario: 0421 907 061

NEWSLETTER REMINDER

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