



Morphett Vale Catholic Parish Bulletin

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR C

26TH JANUARY 2025

AUSTRALIA DAY

Parish Priest: Fr Christopher Matala - (0430 122 001 Emergency only)
Parish Office: 3 Venning Street, Morphett Vale SA 5162
Phone: 8326 1555 or 0494 082 837 (*prefer text only*)
Office Hours: 10:00am - 2:00 pm Tuesdays & Fridays
E-mail: admin@mhocsa.org.au
Web Site: <https://mhocsa.org.au>

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH:

Corner Bains and Main South Roads, Morphett Vale

ANNIE'S OP SHOP: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Tuesdays and Fridays
ANTONIO SCHOOL: Bains Road Morphett Vale Phone 8325 4500
EMMAUS SCHOOL: Todd Street, Woodcroft Phone 8322 7211

REGULAR PARISH MASSES

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 9:00am
Saturday 6:00pm Vigil
Sunday 8:00am
Sunday 9:30am
Sunday 11:00am - Polish

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 9:15am
Wednesday 10:00am - Polish **NO MASS @ 6:00PM**
Thursday **NO MASS**
Friday 9:15am

FEAST DAY THIS WEEK: Tuesday - St Thomas Aquinas

REGULAR PARISH DEVOTIONS AND EVENTS

RECONCILIATION: After Saturday 9:00am Mass or contact Fr. Christopher
PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: Contact Parish Office or Fr. Christopher
ROSARY: Monday - 7:30pm and after weekday Masses
ADORATION: Every Friday following 9:15am Mass until 11am
DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION: First Sunday at 3:00pm
SACRED HEART OF JESUS: First Friday Mass at 9:15am
IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY: First Saturday Mass at 9:00am
BAPTISM: Enquiry forms available from the Parish website
MARRIAGE: Six months notice - enquiries to the Parish Office
FUNERALS: Contact Fr Christopher or **text** Parish Mobile
CENACLE: Wednesday 1pm - 3pm in the Parish Hall - *All Welcome*
PLAYGROUP: Thursday 10:00 am - in the Parish Hall

READINGS - YEAR C

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

26th January 2025

First Reading Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10
Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:12-30
Gospel Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

Presentation of the Lord in the Temple

2nd February 2025

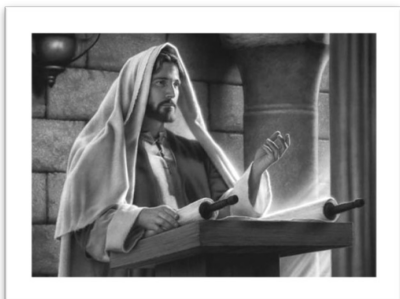
Malachi 3:1-4
Hebrews 2:14-18
Luke 2:22-40

PSALM RESPONSE: Your words Lord, are spirit and life.

GOSPEL ACCL: Alleluia, alleluia!
The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor
and freedom to prisoners. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Seeing that many others have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who from the outset were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, I in my turn after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you,

Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received. Jesus with the power of the Spirit in Him, returned to Galilee; and His reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogues and everyone praised Him. He came to Nazara, where He had been brought up, and went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day as He usually did. He stood up to read, and they handed Him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll, He found the place where it was written: The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me. He sent me to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives and to the blind new sight, to set the downtrodden free, to proclaim the Lord's year of favour. He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on Him. Then He began to speak to them, 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen'.



Where is the first tennis match mentioned in the Bible?
When Joseph served in Pharaoh's court.



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Kazimieri Bajor, Corey Hatcher; Kevin O'Neil
Anniversary of Death: Phillip John McCormack

If you would like the names of your family members to be included on the Prayer List, please contact the Parish Office. Due to privacy laws, names cannot be published in the bulletin without prior permission of the person or family involved.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS COMING WEEK

Mon 27			For the Parish - the Living & the Dead
Tues 28	St Thomas Aquinas	9:15 am	All souls in Purgatory
Wed 29		10:00 am	Kazimieri Bajor
		6:00 pm	NO MASS
Thurs 30		9:15 am	NO MASS
Fri 31	St John Bosco	9:15 am	Phillip John McCormack
Sat 1		9:00 am	Adan, Irena & Krysztof Putek
		6:00 pm	Peter Panter; Stephen Reid
Sun 2	Presentation of the Lord in the Temple	8:00 am	Members of the Salem, Georges and Zena families
		9:30 am	Scott, Kolasowski, Bogusz, Kowalczuk, Kalinowski, Gutowski family
		11:00 am	Members of the Palacz & Arnold families

MASS INTENTIONS: The schedule of Mass Intentions for the coming week is printed in the bulletin each week. If you would like a Mass said for a special intention, please use the envelopes which can be found in the foyer of the Church, print the information very clearly, and place the envelope in one of the offering bowls. It would be appreciated if you could give as much notice as possible for any Mass Intentions, especially if you would like the Mass said on a specific date. Emergencies, of course, can be accommodated.



CANDLEMAS - WHAT IS IT?: Candlemas is the feast of the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple. As is the Jewish tradition, Mary and Joseph travelled to the Temple in Jerusalem where they offered sacrifices, and Mary dedicated her first-born - the Light of the world - to God. On this day, it is traditional, to bless candles which will be used in the Church - and the home - during the coming year. At the Vigil Mass on Saturday 1st and at the Masses on **Sunday 2nd February**, (NEXT WEEKEND) Fr Christopher will bless our church candles. You are welcome to bring your own candles from home to be blessed, the only request is that they are 'real' candles - not battery operated. You can then use you blessed candles at special family occasions - birthdays, weddings etc. This is also the last day in the Christmas cycle of feasts, so manger scenes and decorations are put away



LOVE ADELAIDE WALK FOR LIFE: The *Walk for life* will happen on ***Saturday 8th February in Pennington Gardens at 10:00 am***. Parking will be available at Adelaide Oval—enter from Pennington Tce - \$5.00 donation. Free tickets for the event are available at: trybooking.com/CVHLE Gates will open at 9:00am. Don't forget your drink bottle and remember to slip, slop, slap & slide. Love Adelaide requests that you PLEASE WEAR A WHITE SHIRT, walk peacefully and with love, and follow all directions of the police and marshals. No megaphones or personal signs will be permitted - official signs will be provided by Love Adelaide.

DAY OF THE UNBORN CHILD APPEAL: A special collection will be taken up at the Masses over the **8th and 9th February** in support of the work undertaken by Birthline Pregnancy Support and Genesis Pregnancy Support Inc. the Day of the Unborn Child assists us to focus on those people in our families and communities who have experienced any sort of child-bearing loss, whether miscarriage, still-birth, the death of a baby soon after birth, or abortion.

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY AND POLAND - 2025: Brochures are available showing details of the itinerary for the Pilgrimage - just ask Father Christopher. The information is also posted on the windows at the rear of the Church. The final cost will depend on the number of pilgrims and will be confirmed as soon as the number has been settled. Please register with Harvest Journeys: 1800 819 156 (free call) and quote PV25103 - or contact them via email: info@harvestjourneys.com



WANTED: thank you to those who have already indicated their willingness to undertake a few of the tasks around the parish. We will certainly be calling on those people when it needs doing. If you would like to offer your help with things like laundering, creating or embroidering Altar linen, or archiving etc. please let the office know during office hours thank you. Maybe also start thinking about offering your services for the 'usual' rostered ministries. We will be calling for those volunteers around April/May.



The Kids' Bulletin

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 26th, 2025



In today's Gospel reading, Jesus stood in the synagogue and read from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

What did it say?

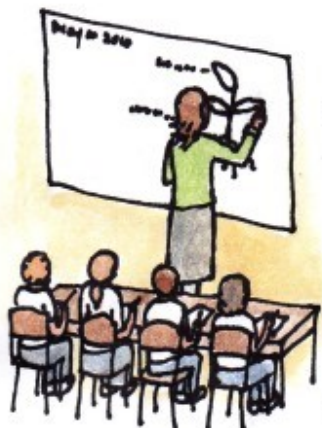
Look at this page in the mirror to find out!

The Church is a Body

The Catholic Church isn't a building. Did you know that? The Church is actually the group of people who have been baptized into the Faith. All the different kinds of people in the Church work together, just like a person's body.



Think about the different parts of your body. What do your eyes do? What about your ears? Hands? Feet? Brain?



Now think about the Church. It has a pope, bishops and priests, teachers, doctors, musicians, mothers and fathers, and even children. What do each of these people do for the Church?

What is your job in the Church right now? What do you think it will be when you are grown up?



Answer to Word-Find:
We are one body in Christ.

Saint Angela Merici

January 27

ANGELA MERICI WAS BORN IN LOMBARDY IN 1474. HER MOTHER AND FATHER DIED WHEN SHE WAS TEN YEARS OLD.



ANGELA WAS VERY SAD WHEN HER SISTER DIED. BUT GOD SHOWED HER IN A VISION THAT SHE WAS IN HEAVEN.

I'm in Heaven!



ANGELA BECAME A FRANCISCAN TERTIARY, WHICH IS LIKE A NUN, BUT NOT IN A CONVENT.



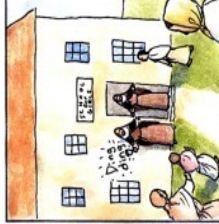
SOON OTHER YOUNG WOMEN JOINED ANGELA TO HELP TEACH THE GIRLS.

We can stay here when you start the new school.



ONCE ANGELA MADE A PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND, BUT SHE WENT BLIND FOR MOST OF THE TRIP!

This is the Mount of Olives.



THE GROUP OF WOMEN THAT HAD JOINED ANGELA GREW AND SPREAD, EVENTUALLY BECOMING A RELIGIOUS ORDER CALLED THE URSULINES.

IN ANGELA'S TIME POOR PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY GIRLS, COULDN'T GO TO SCHOOL AND THERE WERE NO WOMEN TEACHERS. IT TOOK A LONG TIME FOR PEOPLE TO ACCEPT WHAT ANGELA WAS DOING, BUT SHE NEVER QUIT. WHEN YOU HAVE A HARD TIME WITH SCHOOL YOU CAN PRAY TO SAINT ANGELA FOR HELP!

'ONE BODY' WORD-FIND



T W C H R I S T A E B C
O A R A C P A U L E A H
G O N N A B I E L B P U
E O M D R O N E G H T R
T F E Y E D T A I E I C
H O M A N Y D R F A Z H
E O B Y A P O S T L E S
R T E A C H E R S I D I
N P R O P H E T S N C H
R I S M E L L S T G O D



Find the words that are written in CAPITALS. Use the left over letters to fill in the blanks at the end.



SAINT PAUL tells us that we have been BAPTIZED into the ONE body of CHRIST which is the CHURCH. There are MANY MEMBERS, but they all work TOGETHER and CARE for each other. But the parts of a BODY are not ALL the same as each other! An EYE is different from an ear, and a HAND is not the same as a FOOT. If all your body was an EAR, then how could you SMELL?

In the Church there are many different GIFTS. Some people are APOSTLES, some are PROPHETS, some are TEACHERS. Some people have the gift of HEALING. GOD has made all these different sorts of people to work together in the Church.