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# WEEKLY E-NEWS

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## **Important information for parish teams:**

### **Free Workshops available for 2025: BOOK NOW!**

Registrations are open for a variety of Liturgical and Pastoral workshops offered by the Community Life & Worship team for your Parish.

Please find the list of workshops on offer either in the attachments section of the e-News or by visiting our website, [ofw-adelaide.org.au/courses-workshops](http://ofw-adelaide.org.au/courses-workshops) or [click here](#) for attachment.

Contact [worship@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:worship@adelaide.catholic.org.au) or call 8210 8130 to arrange for a member of the team to visit your Parish.

### **The Southern Cross**

The February edition of The Southern Cross – our first for 2025 – will be delivered to parishes this week, for distribution at Mass centres on the weekend. Please promote widely in your parishes and communities, thank you, Jenny Brinkworth.

### **Creating a Safer Online World**

As children and young people head back to school and start the new year of activities in our parishes, it is a good time to think about how we use the internet. Increasingly, our learning, friendships, and social connections happen online, as well as in person at school and church. This makes it a perfect moment to focus on engaging with the online world safely, setting sensible limits on device use, and modelling good online behaviour ourselves. The Archdiocesan Integrity and Safeguarding Department is available for advice on safeguarding matters (8210 8150 or [caasafeoperations@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:caasafeoperations@adelaide.catholic.org.au)) [Click here](#) for the Parish Bulletin Article and [click here](#) for the attachment.



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### **Caritas Australia celebrates 60 years of PROJECT COMPASSION this year!**

**Project Compassion 2025 Sunday is March 2 – *Please highlight this in your Parish Calendar!***

Project Compassion has been our national fundraiser during Lent since 1965.

Lent is a time of reflection and preparation. We are called to PRAY, FAST and GIVE ALMS. These actions fit perfectly with our mission,

Project Compassion 2025 has its foundations in Adelaide, and we are deeply grateful for the generosity of God's people (**YOU!**) for 60 years!

This year's stories highlight the transformative work **Caritas Australia** is doing in Vietnam, the Democratic Republic of Congo, and Samoa.

By sharing these stories, we hope to deepen our collective understanding of the challenges faced by our global brothers and sisters, and to feel the joy of restoring dignity and hope within their communities.

**Please check out our website for lots of resources to support your parish in awareness raising and fundraising at [caritas.org.au](http://caritas.org.au) or at: [Project Compassion 2025 resources](#)**

## Invitation to Safeguarding Forum with Fr Hans Zollner

The Integrity and Safeguarding Department of the Archdiocese is pleased to announce that it will be hosting an important safeguarding forum featuring Fr Hans Zollner in Adelaide on Thursday February 13. This free event, which will take place at Sfera's in Modbury, is co-sponsored by Australian Catholic Safeguarding Ltd and is strongly supported by the Archbishop. Clergy, safeguarding personnel, and employees of the Archdiocese are encouraged to attend. Fr Hans is an internationally renowned Safeguarding expert, Catholic Priest, Theologian, Psychologist, and Professor. He was a member of the Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors for nine years and he is currently the Director of the Institute of Anthropology at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. Fr Hans is recognised as one of the world's leading Safeguarding Experts in relation to the prevention of sexual abuse. Please join us as we explore the essentials of effective Safeguarding and reflect on our shared responsibilities to nurture and sustain genuine cultures of safety within our Church. Please direct queries to Mary-Ann Carver via email at [mcarver@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:mcarver@adelaide.catholic.org.au) or P: 08 8210 8222. [Click here](#) for more information.

## RCIA Save the Dates!

For those parishes preparing candidates for baptism at the Easter Vigil, please save the dates.

Rite of Election: **March 9** – St Francis Xavier's Cathedral, afternoon tea and discussion with the Archbishop 2-4pm, liturgical rite 4-5pm. Information and registration will come out in this month. This rite is required for all those who will be baptised this, Easter.

Mystagogy Mass: **May 24** – St Francis Xavier's Cathedral, 6pm. All those who were baptised at the Easter Vigil are invited to celebrate with the Archbishop. Reception to follow.

## Jubilee Year 2025 – Pilgrims of Hope

### Graphics

Graphics for the Jubilee logo and for a pull-up banner can be found among the Jubilee Resources page [here](#).

### Jubilee Year calendar and resources

There are 36 events throughout the 2025 Jubilee Year, highlighting special aspects of Church life ([Click here for the Calendar](#)). For each event, the National Centre for Evangelisation has prepared a brief resource that

parishes and individuals can use for personal or group prayer and reflection. The resources include:

Introduction: a brief explanation of the Jubilee event and personal prayer;

Teaching: relevant text from Papal or Church documents to assist local reflection and homily notes;

Reflection: Testimony - a human story of someone with experience in the relevant field; image/artwork - a visual representation highlighting the theme for contemplation;

Prayers of intercession: two examples that can be used by parishes;

Additional resources: further resources to assist understanding, promotion or advocacy of the Jubilee theme.

You can find and download the resources by clicking [here](#). Contact the Community Life & Worship team at E: [worship@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:worship@adelaide.catholic.org.au) or P: 8210 8130, if you have any issues accessing the files.

## Walk for Life

The Vicar General Fr Dean Marin is encouraging everyone to attend the upcoming 'Walk for Life' which will be held on **Saturday February 8** at Pennington Gardens, opposite St Peter's Cathedral, from 10am till 12 noon. This year's theme is "Love the Next Generation".

Please refer to the attached leaflets for more information: [Click here](#) for the Vicar General's Letter. [Click here](#) for Invite 1. [Click here](#) for Invite 2. [Click here](#) for Invite 3.

## Job Vacancies

### Volunteer Teacher of English for Refugees and Asylum Seekers

Vinnies Refugee and Asylum Seeker Service (Kilburn) is seeking a volunteer to teach basic and functional English to refugees and asylum seekers. Classes are held at the Kilburn Community Centre on Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 9.30am to 12.15pm. Class dates follow the school term. Qualifications are not essential, but some experience is necessary. There is volunteer support for the teacher at the classes. The group is composed mainly of older persons who have not been to school, male and female, from mixed countries of origin and all are refugees. Their English level is low. The volunteer is needed to start as soon as possible. Further information from Emma Yengi, Coordinator. P: 08 8340 3053, Emma 0448 775 414 E: [eyengi@svdpsa.org.au](mailto:eyengi@svdpsa.org.au). For more information about the role and how to apply, [click here](#).

**Bulletin notices** ([Click here](#) for related flyers or attachments)

### St Vincent de Paul Society campaign

We can Build a Fairer Australia. In the coming months, and in the lead up to the Federal election, St Vincent de Paul Society nationally will be releasing some ideas on how to improve the quality of life for all Australians, and how to find the funds to make Australia fairer. If this is of interest to you and you would like to comment or hear more, you are welcome to contact the SA Social Needs Analysis and Advocacy Committee – Jennifer Harvey on 8112 8702 or at [svdp@svdpsa.org.au](mailto:svdp@svdpsa.org.au).

### Lefevre Catholic Community – Fr Julian Tenison Woods in the Philippines

**Sunday February 16 from 4pm to 5pm at the Lefevre Catholic Parish, 253 Military Road, Semaphore.**

Fr Julian Tenison Woods, a pioneer Australian scientist and priest, integrated faith and science in his life and ministry. Fr Roderick O'Brien will present an overview of Fr Julian's three voyages to the Philippines and the treasure trove of scientific papers and articles and correspondence he left for us. For enquiries, call Sr Marie on 8449 6378. A certificate of attendance is available for professional development. Register with Sr Marie prior to the event and on the day.



### Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal

We urgently need your support.

The ceasefire means more aid can assist people in Gaza, but the need is immense and the recovery long. Gaza's people cannot recover alone. They need the support of the global community to survive and rebuild.

**Please donate to Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal.**

You can donate online [www.caritas.org.au/gaza](http://www.caritas.org.au/gaza) or phone 1800 024 413

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