



Father Paul Writes - 18th of August, 2024

I welcome you all after two weeks of annual leave and a conference in Brisbane. It was a refreshing break and a chance to enjoy some warmer weather in Queensland. My thanks to the Rev'd Peter Brown, the Rev'd Stuart Langshaw and the Rev'd Paula Bullock who were able to fill in for me while I was away. My thanks also to the wardens, Katy Phillips and Sue Lewis in being able to handle any emergencies. We today welcome the Rev'd Cameron Burr as our preacher for the Feast of Title celebration at 8 am and 10 am. Cameron is the Anglican Chaplain for the Royal Adelaide Hospital and is a member of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council (NATSIAC). The Feast of Title celebration is a day where we give thanks for this church named in honour of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. The bible readings for today are set aside for the dedication of this church.

The Diocese of Adelaide is dedicating this month to raising the vocations of lay and ordained leadership ministry in our parishes and in Anglican communities. Vocations are no longer reserved solely for those called to ordination as a parish priest and are lived out in many ways as God calls the church into a new space. We are this month promoting Vocations Month and have invited the Coordinator of Education Programs at St Barnabas College to speak to us next Sunday. There are also promotional materials available at the back of the church for you to take. Potential leaders are being asked to attend an Enquirer's Day at St Barnabas College on Saturday the 31st of August between 9 am and midday and listen to a range of speakers, recent graduates, senior priests and lay leaders.

The Bishop of New Guinea Islands, Reginald Makele will be visiting Adelaide for the best part of a week later this month and will be our guest preacher as part of Martyrs Day on Sunday the 1st of September. Martyrs Day is a commemoration of the missionaries killed during the Japanese invasion of New Guinea during the 2nd World War. Bishop Reginald will also preach at a Martyrs Day Eucharist on Saturday the 31st of August at St Cuthbert's Prospect at 11 am. The Bishop of Willochra, Jeremy James will be the celebrant. The

service will be followed by a lunch, at which you are all welcome. The day is also an opportunity to support the ABM Martyrs Gift. This year, the appeal is training people in leadership skills for the community and the church in PNG. The appeal is tax deductible. To make a donation, please donate on the day or at www.abmission.org/Martyrs2024

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