



Father Paul writes – 19th of OCTOBER 2025

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

I welcome you as we come together at St Saviour's Glen Osmond today. Please make yourself known to me or one the welcomers if you are a visitor. Please also stay for morning tea following either the 8 am or 10 am services.

The determined widow in this week's Gospel encourages us to persist in prayer. She was not deterred by the judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. Instead, she demonstrates a trust and confidence in God who knows what we need and who draws close to us. In the parable, Jesus encourages his disciples to pray continually and not become discouraged.

This weekend, the wardens and Synod representatives Judy Bowyer and Sue Lewis along with myself are attending the Synod of the Diocese of Adelaide. It's like the AGM where representatives of all parishes come together to pass the budget for 2026, pass any required legislation and pass any motions relevant to furthering God's mission. The Synod Eucharist was held at St Peter's Cathedral on Friday night. Synod was held yesterday and continues today at Trinity College at Gawler.

Next Sunday, the Diocese celebrates the 175th anniversary of the Anglican Board of Mission (ABM) at St Peter's Cathedral. There will be afternoon tea at the Cynthia Poulton Hall at 4 pm and it will be followed by a Thanksgiving Evensong at 6pm. Archbishop Geoff Smith will preach at the Evensong. There are flyers for both events in the narthex. Please let me know if you would like to come along. Entry is by donation.

The biggest Friendship lunch of the year will be held on Tuesday the 4th of November. The lunch starting at midday coincides with the Melbourne Cup and is always great fun. The cost is just 10 dollars for a two course meal and wine. There are prizes for the best hats on the day along with sweeps. You'll also be able to watch the race on TV. Please place your name on the sheet in the narthex for catering arrangements. Otherwise, ring Sue Lewis on 0431 151 552.

Next Saturday, there will be the annual cleanup of the Glen Osmond Cemetery with morning tea. Then on Sunday the 2nd of November, a memorial service will be held at St Saviour's at 4.30 pm. We will pray for those who have gone before us and an opportunity to light a candle in remembrance of them. A beautiful service and one that coincides with All Souls Day. It will be followed by an afternoon tea. Your friend and priest, Paul