

## Father Paul writes 9th of November 2025 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

I welcome you to St Saviour's Glen Osmond. If you are a visitor, I hope you enjoy our services today. Please stay for morning tea following both services.

We are just a few weeks until the new Church Year with the Season of Advent, a season where we prepare for the celebration for the coming of Jesus Christ as a baby. Our New Testament bible reading and the Gospel today focus on the promise of eternal life. Paul speaks of God and Jesus Christ who loves us through grace, who gave us eternal comfort and hope, and to be strengthened in every good work and word. Then in the Gospel, Jesus in a trick question about the resurrection reiterates God as a living God and that all the brothers and the woman in the story were alive in heaven. We will also remember those who fought in past conflicts, particularly in the First and Second World Wars. We will remember them with a minute's silence and with the playing of the Ode.

Next Saturday is our Garage Sale at St Saviour's between 9 am and 3 pm. The sale is part of the Garage Sale Trail around Adelaide over two weekends. The event is aimed at helping people offer their unwanted bric-a-brac, clothing, books etc for sale rather than possibly ending up in landfill. There will also be plants, cakes and pastries for sale along with a BBQ and a Devonshire tea. If you have anything to donate between now and the 15<sup>th</sup> of November, place check the pew sheet for the drop off times on the Thursday and Friday, prior to the garage sale. If you can assist on the day, please place your names on the various sheets at the back of the church or contact Sue Lewis or Beth Walton on 0438 916 499. The day is a parish fundraiser and so come along on the day and support the garage sale and enjoy staying on for morning tea and or for lunch.

We will celebrate Christ the King on Sunday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of November. Our preacher will be the Rev'd Deborah Jeanes who has been licenced to be the Deacon for the Deanery of the Torrens, which now takes in St Saviour's. Deborah has agreed to assist at St Saviour's on occasions, which will include taking bible studies. I look forward to her being part of the parish.

Speaking of bible studies, we are holding an Advent Bible Study over four weeks starting on Wednesday the 26<sup>th</sup> of November. The study called

"Caravan", written by the Rev'd Canon Stephen Daughtry features eight incarnational stories set in an Australian landscape. The study will be held in St Stephen's Chapel at 7 pm for about an hour or so over the four Wednesdays. The study will also be offered through the internet connection, Zoom. Please register on the sheet in the narthex. If you intend to join us by Zoom, please let me know your email address. I hope this bible study helps in our spiritual preparation for Christmas.

St Saviour's is again holding a Christmas Hamper Program through Anglicare SA to help those in need this Christmas. Boxes should be available at the back of the church today to donate any or all the items below. Otherwise, donated items can be left in baskets in the Church and St Saviour's will compile the hampers. Donations can be given between now and Sunday the 30<sup>th</sup> of November.



Just some forward notice, St Saviour's will be hosting the Burnside Inter-Church Council monthly prayer breakfast on Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup> of December. The breakfast will be held between 7.30 am and 9 am in the meeting room. Breakfast will be supplied but if you able to assist, please speak to me beforehand. All are welcome. That same day, Synod will meet to hopefully

elect a new Archbishop. The special synod will begin with a Synod Eucharist at St Matthew's Kensington at 7 pm on Friday the 5<sup>th</sup> of December. It will continue at Memorial Hall at St Peter's College the next morning starting at 9 am.

Your friend and priest, Paul