



## ALL SOULS' PARISH NEWS

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> August 2025

8am & 9.30am services

Wednesday services 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> August at 10.00am



*David with Fr Michael McCaffrey, the preacher*

## A WARM WELCOME TO VISITORS; PARISHIONERS LONGSTANDING AND NEW

Parish Prayers Jill, Julie, Carol, Judith and Caroline, Nola and Brenton, Malcolm and Mary, Tony and Margie, Mark and Alison, Fiona, Jac, Cathy, Vernon, William, Pauline, John, Sienna

We acknowledge the Kaurna people, their Elders and their spiritual relationship with Country.

## CONTEMPLATION AND ACTION – further reflections from David

When it comes to faith and works, we find the perfect balance in the person of Jesus himself. The ‘self-emptying’ love of God in Jesus holds the secret to the very delicate relationship between Contemplation and Action in the Christian life. Authentic Christian action will never be based on people’s standing in the worldly hierarchy, upon worldly success, achievement or authority. Jesus, the very Son of God, did not stand detached from people as he delivered to them the good news of the reign of God in human hearts; his very person *enfolded* God’s reign in action and service. He said to his followers and to doubters too: “Go and tell what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear... and the poor have good news preached to them”. (Mt 11.4-6)

Richard Foster wrote, ‘the spiritual authority of which Jesus spoke was an authority not found in a position or a title but in a towel’. (*Celebration of Discipline*) Jesus washed his disciples’ feet and dried them with a towel. He then said to them, “If I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another’s feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you.” (John 13.14-15) Christ’s call to repentance has been responded to in such depth down the Christian centuries because of this amazing kind of ‘authority’. As that same call leads the Church on the inward journey of faith, so Christ’s ministry of the towel compels the Church to take up the outward journey of service.

We are called to journey, inwardly and outwardly, *celebrating* the good news, *proclaiming* the good news, *being* the good news, *living* the good news, *doing* the good news, Our actions will often speak louder than our words, but unless those actions are rooted and grounded in Christian faith, hope and love, they may be well-intended but may be misguided.

St Paul gives us these words to ponder:

*Have this mind among yourselves, which you have in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant. (Phil 2.5-7a)*

## MEMORIAL GARDEN

The garden has commenced and is taking shape. Emma is looking for volunteers to assist/advise on the raised/community garden bed. If you would like to donate a tree in memory of that special someone, please contact Emma on 0412 002 123.

### Diary Dates:

Coffee morning Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August 10.00am - at Café Marbella, 59a Battams Rd, Royston Park.

Garden Working Bee Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> August 10.00am - the garden is looking a bit unloved which means it's time for a working bee. If you are able, could you please assist Emma on that day at 10.00, don't forget to bring gardening tools.

From Fiona - Roster amendment for August 31<sup>st</sup>: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, 9am service only. Sue Crees is the Reader and the Welcomer is Peter Nutter.

We need volunteers for Christmas Day. Last year the Robinsons welcomed, but they won't be available this year. Would anyone else be able to Welcome? And could you remember to let me know your availability for September to February, if you haven't already. Many thanks, Fiona.

### Global Week of Prayer

What is the Global Week of Prayer?

During the Global Week of 24-7 Prayer from 1 – 7 September 2025, we envision every nation hosting a physical prayer room, with non-stop prayer happening day and night.

This event invites communities worldwide to engage in creative, hands-on prayer experiences, uniting the global Church in a shared declaration of God's greatness.

As we pray together, we seek to encounter God's presence and carry His heart for transformation into our towns, cities, and nations.

Non-stop prayer in every nation on earth. We are inviting the global Church to pray non-stop for every nation on earth. It's called the Global Week of Prayer - and you're so welcome to be part of it.

You're already making space to pray - what if your prayers became part of a global movement? Whether it's for your community or another corner of the world, praying together is powerful.

To learn more about this event, please use the direct link listed below, or cut and paste it into your web browser.

<https://www.24-7prayer.com/weekofprayer/more-info/>



## From Bishop Sophie:

On 20 September the Diocese will be hosting a discussion and lunch, where prominent Christian author, journalist and columnist Julia Baird will be guest speaker. I will follow up moderating a Q&A session.

Julia is a regular contributor to the *New York Times*, the ABC, *The Age* and the *Sydney Morning Herald*. She has won several Walkley Awards and is the author of several books.



She has some thoughtful insights into the modern church and the title of the discussion, *Grace, Awe and Hope*, echoes the subject of two of her recent books, *Bright Shining: How Grace Changes Everything*, and *Phosphorescence: On Awe, Wonder and Things That Sustain You When the World Goes Dark*.

We will also discuss how we maintain hope and the challenges of speaking about God in the modern age.

Above all, I hope the event will provide the opportunity for the whole Diocese to come together in a spirit of encouragement as we look to build on Archbishop Geoff's legacy for a vibrant future.

Please download the flyer [through this link](#) and circulate it among your friends, and anyone you think may be interested in a thought-provoking discussion followed by a light lunch.

[You can book tickets here](#) (it's free but we need numbers for catering),

URL of the Guardian events page on social media below

<https://adelaideguardian.com/events/hope-awe-and-grace-a-diocesan-gathering-of-encouragement/>



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