



# Parish Bulletin

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7/8 February 2026

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 58:7-10

*Your light will shine like the dawn.*

Thus says the Lord:

Share your bread with the hungry, and shelter the homeless poor, clothe the man you see to be naked and do not turn from your own kin. Then will your light shine like the dawn and your wound be quickly healed over.

Your integrity will go before you and the glory of the Lord behind you. Cry, and the Lord will answer; call, and he will say, 'I am here.'

If you do away with the yoke, the clenched fist, the wicked word, if you give your bread to the hungry, and relief to the oppressed, your light will rise in the darkness, and your shadows become like noon.

The word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 111:4-9

Response:

*A light rises in the darkness for the upright.*

1. He is light in the darkness for the upright: he is generous, merciful and just. The good man takes pity and lends, he conducts his affairs with honour. **R**

2. The just man will never waver: he will be remembered for ever. He has no fear of evil news; with a firm heart he trusts in the Lord. **R**

3. With a steadfast heart he will not fear; open-handed, he gives to the poor; his justice stands firm for ever. His head will be raised in glory. **R**

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

*I came to you to proclaim Christ crucified.*

When I came to you, brothers, it was not with any show of oratory or philosophy, but simply to tell you what God had guaranteed. During my stay with you, the only knowledge I claimed to have was about Jesus, and only about him as the crucified Christ. Far from relying on any power of my own, I came among you in great 'fear and trembling' and in my speeches and the sermons that I gave, there were none of the arguments that belong to philosophy; only a demonstration of the power of the Spirit. And I did this so that your faith should not depend on human philosophy but on the power of God.

The word of the Lord

ASH WEDNESDAY

Wednesday 18h February 2026 9:15am Holy Mass & Service

The World Day of Prayer—Nigeria 2026  
Friday 6th March 2026 10:00am followed by Morning Tea

Alleluia, alleluia!  
I am the light of the world, says the Lord;  
The man who follows me will have the light of life.  
Alleluia!

*Jesus teaches that his disciples are to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world.*

Following upon the teaching of the Beatitudes, Jesus uses the now familiar metaphors of salt and light to describe the life of discipleship. We take salt and light for granted in our society, but these commodities were more precious in ancient cultures. Just as now, salt was used in Jesus' time for flavoring, as a preservative, and as a healing agent. Similarly, the widespread use of electricity in the modern world makes us less aware of the value and importance of light in our lives.

Still, our familiarity with this passage from Matthew's Gospel speaks well to the abiding power of the imagery that Jesus presented. Jesus' call to be salt for the earth and light for the world powerfully states our mission as Church and as Christians. Our commitment to social justice flows from the exhortation that Jesus gives us in today's Gospel. Some of the activities that this commitment leads us to are given more concrete expression as the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. When we feed the hungry, clothe the naked, console those who mourn, and so on, we show ourselves to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. When we do these things with the community of faith, the Church, we are indeed acting as "a city set on a mountain" that cannot be hidden!

VINNIES says a HUGE THANK YOU!!!!

For your generous support with groceries and cash donations via the Poor Box. The Christmas Appeal saw 48 generous hampers bring relief, hope and joy to 86 local adults and 60 children. Tranmere Parishioners contributed \$4,852 to the Christmas Appeal and from Jan to Dec 2025 a total of \$11,656.10 was donated. These donations (via the Poor Box and special appeals ) and groceries (via the carton at the main entrance) have made it possible to give food to families on each home visit. Your help is greatly valued. Again, THANK YOU



Morning Tea  
after 9:30am morning mass  
on Sunday 8th Feb 2026  
All welcome!

GOSPEL

Matthew 5:13-16

*You are the light of the world..*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You are the salt of the earth. But if salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again? It is good for nothing, and can only be thrown out to be trampled underfoot by men.

'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

With Heartfelt  
Thanks to Our  
Flowers Team

Your thoughtful arrangements lift our spirits, and create a prayerful space where all feel welcomed and at peace.

Thank you for the time, love, and quiet service you offer behind the scenes. Your service is a true blessing to our parish community.

EASTER ROSTER

As we prepare for the Holy Week and Easter liturgies, we invite parishioners to assist in various ministries. If you are available and would like to serve, please add your name to the roster sheet located at the Eastern entrance of the church. Your helps strengthen and cherish our parish community.

VOLUNTEERS UPDATES

- We extend our sincere thanks to all volunteers for your ongoing service to our parish community. If you have received a reminder from the Working with Children Check department, please ensure you complete the renewal process as soon as possible.
- Volunteers should also have received an invitation to complete the online Safeguarding course. The course takes approximately 1-1.5 hours. Once completed, please download a certificate and email it to the Parish Office. If you have limited access to a device or require assistance, please contact the parish office for support.

THANK YOU

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Tranmere Parish

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& Roger Worth

**Parish Office Hours**  
Tue to Fri 9:30am – 12:30pm  
Ph: (08) 8431 6932  
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**Mass Times**

Sunday 9:30 am  
Saturday Vigil Mass 6:30 pm  
Tuesday to Friday 9:15 am

**Confessions**

Saturday 6:00 pm

**Rosary**

Tues to Fri 8:45am

**Adoration of the Eucharist**

Friday before Mass 8:30am

**Novena to St. Joseph**

Wednesday after Mass

**St. Joseph's Primary School**

Principal - Adrian Grbin  
Ph: 8217 8300

**Knights of the Southern Cross**

Michael Boyle Ph: 8337 3270

**Parish Pastoral Council**

Chair – Alan Tyson Ph: 0412 389 875

**Parish Finance Council**

Chair— Brendan Moran

**Safeguarding Contact Person**

Anne Dudzinski Ph: 0418 847 804

**Vinnies Assistance Hotline**

1300 729 202 - 9:00am to 4:30pm

**ROSTERS— 14/15 Feb 2026  
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Time	Commentator/Readers
<b>6.30pm Vigil</b>	Anne Marie Platten Chris Platten Giulia Giuliani
<b>9:30am</b>	Sandy Mazzarolo Henry D'Assumpcao Thilini Silva
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	Tania Loro Montin Jessie Yesudas P
<b>Count team</b>	Julie Priem Leo Priem Anne Dudzinski George Dudzinski
<b>Altar and Flowers</b>	Dolores Arboit Christina Wong Francesca Ciancio Sarita Ingham and volunteers

*All those who have volunteered please arrive at least 15 minutes before the start time and report to the commentator for that Mass*

**CELEBRATION OF LIFE**

**Grazia Rosa De Zolt**

At St Joseph's Church Tranmere  
Tue 10th February 2026,  
11:00am  
May her soul  
rest in eternal peace

**CHILDREN SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2026  
ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH TRANMERE PARISH**

**RECONCILIATION**

Workshops—

- Monday 16th February at 6:30pm in Parish Hall
  - Monday 16th March at 6:30pm in Parish Hall
- Celebration— Tuesday 24th March at 7.00pm**

**CONFIRMATION & FIRST EUCHARIST**

Workshops—

- Monday 18th May at 6:30pm in Parish Hall
  - Monday 15th June at 6:30pm in Parish Hall
- Rehearsal at church— Sunday 26th July after parish mass  
**Celebration— Sunday 2nd August 11:00am**  
**Celebrant: Archbishop Patrick O'Regan**

To enrol, please contact the Parish Office:  
info@stjosephsparishtranmere.org.au

**ENROLMENT  
CUT-OFF  
10 FEB 2026**

*Let's pray together*

**Please remember  
in your prayers**

We pray for those listed and all the deceased relatives and friends of our Parishioners.

For the Repose of the Soul:

**Grazia Rosa De Zolt  
Henry Foo**

Death Anniversary:  
**Francesca Costa  
Maurice Quinn  
Shane Wolff**

*Eternal rest grant to them,  
O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon  
them; present them to God the Most High.*

Sick:

*We pray for the sick and housebound of our  
Parish and our relatives and friends  
who are unwell.*

**If you know of sick or elderly parishioners  
who are house-bound or in care and would  
appreciate a visit, please phone and leave a  
message with the parish office.**

SUNDAY COLLECTION SUMMARY	31 Jan/ 1 Feb 2026
Open Plate	\$394.15
Planned Giving	\$673.00
<b>PARISH TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,067.15</b>
Contribution to the Diocesan Presbytery Fund	<b>\$621.00</b>

**ARCHDIOCESE EVENTS**

**Lend a Hand with Project Compassion 2026**

Caritas is looking for local parishioners to help promote Project Compassion in their church this Lent. This includes setting up displays, handing out boxes/envelopes and sharing stories. If you think you can help, check first with your parish secretary/priest and then get in touch with Caritas Kaz on 8210 8204.

**Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes**

**Saturday February 14 at 10am in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral.** Each year, on World Day of the Sick a Mass is offered for those who are of ill health. This year Lourdes Day falls on February 11 and will be celebrated on the Saturday after (February 14). All are welcome to receive a blessing and anointing. For more information please contact Archdiocesan Events on (08) 8210 8220 or [events@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:events@adelaide.catholic.org.au)

**Dialogue Week - February 22-28 2026**

The Synod needs to hear from you!  
The 2026 Archdiocesan Synod is a big meeting to help the Archbishop and leaders of our parishes, schools and communities to make decisions for our future. Dialogue Week is a chance for you to have a voice in the 2026 Archdiocesan Synod. It's an invitation to have a conversation with someone else about the things that are important to you and to share them with the Archbishop and the Synod members. During Dialogue Week, you can send in your feedback and help shape the agenda of the Synod. Parishes, schools and communities will provide opportunities for *Dialogue Groups* during this week. You can also organise your own! Visit [www.togetherontheway.au/dialogue-week](http://www.togetherontheway.au/dialogue-week) for more information, resources and materials, and ask the parish about your local Dialogue Week activities.

**Cathedral Light Show - Adelaide Fringe**

St Francis Xavier's Cathedral is set to be illuminated like never before as part of an immersive light experience to be staged during the 2026 Fringe. Titled 'Cathedral Chiaroscuro', entry to the event will be from 8.30-9.30pm nightly (except Mondays), with architecturally mapped projections accompanied by a classical and choral music soundtrack. Audience members can move around the Cathedral to view the projections from different angles and expected 'dwell time' is about 15 minutes. Tickets range from \$10 for pre-view nights to \$15 (February 20-March 22). To book, visit [adelaidefringe.com.au](http://adelaidefringe.com.au).

**Public Gathering with Dr Christina Kheng, Theologian and Synod Advisor**

During Dialogue Week (February 22-28) the Archdiocese is hosting Dr Christina Kheng, a theologian and advisor to the Vatican Synod Office. Dr Kheng will be presenting to several different audiences during the week and advising us on our Synod preparations. All are welcome to a public gathering with Dr Kheng on **Wednesday February 25, 7pm at the Altavilla Club in Beulah Park.** RSVP at <https://www.trybooking.com/DIEAD>. Space is limited, reservations are essential. A full schedule of Dr Kheng's visit is available on the Synod website at [www.togetherontheway.au](http://www.togetherontheway.au).

**The Kids' Bulletin**

[www.thekidsbulletin.com](http://www.thekidsbulletin.com)

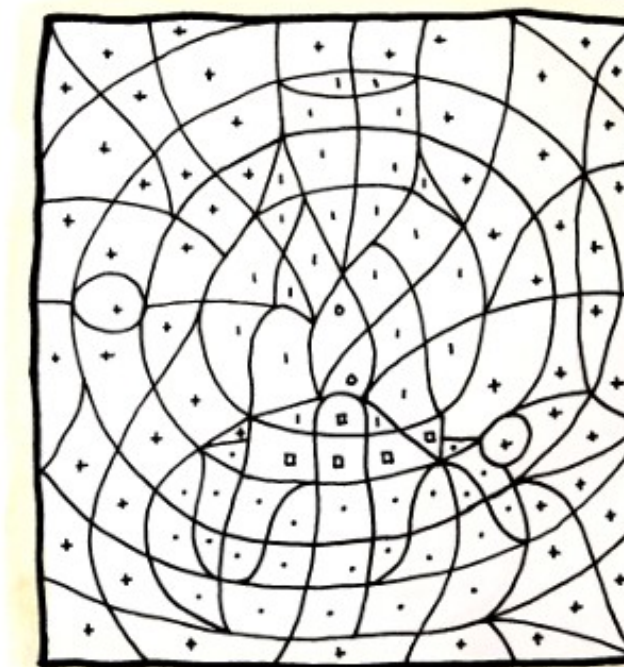
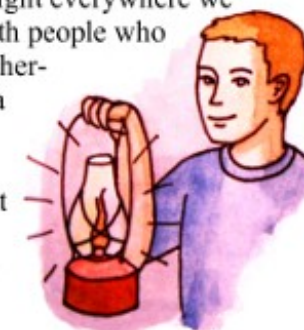


**You are the Salt and Light!**

Jesus says we are the salt of the earth. Have you ever tasted food that wasn't salty enough? It can taste pretty bland. But do you notice when food has the right amount of salt? Usually we don't think about it. It's kind of hiding in the food and making it taste good. Jesus wants us to be like the "salt" in the world, with the goodness and truth that He gives us.

Jesus also says that we are the light of the world. Can you imagine a completely dark world: no sun or lights or anything? It would be pretty scary. You'd never know what was happening or where you were going. That's what the world can be like for people who don't have the light of God's truth. It's our job to bring the truth to the world so that everyone can see that God loves them.

We have to bring God's light everywhere we go. But we must be gentle with people who don't understand the truth. Otherwise it would be like shining a light in someone's eyes, and they wouldn't be able to see anything. We need to start out like little candles, lighting the way so that people can follow us toward God.



Matt 5:13-16

*What did Jesus tell us we should be like?  
Colour in the spaces according to the code to find out!*

- + blue
- white
- o orange
- brown
- red