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Easter calls to
mind the reality of
love and the hope
of eternity.

Living Catholic



PLYMPTON MASS TIMES:
 Weekday Masses 9.30am
Mon, Wed, Thurs & Friday
 Saturday Vigil 6.00pm
 Sunday 8.30am & 10.00am
 Confession *Saturday 11.30am*
 Baptisms *Sunday 11.30am*
(by appointment)

*St John the Baptist Catholic Church
 Plympton Parish
 342 Anzac Highway, Plympton SA 5038
 Easter Sunday
 5th April 2026*

OUR LITURGY

FIRST READING Acts 10:34, 37-43

We hear one of the early sermons of St. Peter and how he summarises the work of Jesus of Nazareth, sent by God and his Spirit, achieves the Father’s plan.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 117

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

SECOND READING Colossians 3: 1-4

We hear the appeal of St. Paul that we take confidence that Jesus is in heaven and we follow him to share his life..

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 1 Corinthians 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord.

Alleluia.

GOSPEL John 20: 1-9

We hear how St. Paul uses the language of Passover in the Jewish tradition to explain now how the Eucharist is the new Christian Passover.



Easter Sunday
 4 – 5 April 2026

Happy Easter from all of us here at Caritas Australia!

Thank you for your continued support through Project Compassion. Your generosity is helping to empower the world’s most vulnerable communities, enabling them to overcome challenges and lift themselves out of poverty. There is still time to donate!



UNITE 
AGAINST
POVERTY
 this Lent

Please donate today.

You can support Project Compassion 2026 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code.

Or online at: www.projectcompassion.org.au/donate
 Or by calling: 1800 024 413

Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty this Lent.*

PLEASE PRAY FOR



Recently Deceased:

Ingo Siefaff, Ann Christie, Robert Johnson, Emilio Victoria, Mary Connell, Sr Patricia Sexton, Sr Patricia Pak Poy.

May they rest in peace!

Anniversaries:

Lou Tripodi, Bert van Wilgenbury, Patrick Kenny, Denise Gascoigne, Pasquale DiVittorio, Natividad & Exequiel Migallen, Chona & Freddy Buhler, Exequiel Migallen (Jr.) Caroline Suk Migallen, Maria Dulce & Edwardo Lonzaga, Joseph Migallen, Sherlina Pintar Migallen, Bridget Veronica & Richard Whetters, John Thomas & Cecilia Keating, Mary Pauline Wise, all the souls of the purgatory and forgotten souls.

The Sick:

Mary Lawley, Christopher Harman, Michael Harman, Mark Kelly, Edson Carlos De Lira, Geraldine Hynes, Gabriella Persefoni Nicola, Grace Muller, Margarita McMahon, Edward Siau, Brenda Pearl, Sam, Andrew Chivel, Minda Robles, Radek, Maciek, Anzie Candasse, Biebie Mouri, Maxime Djoko, Djoko Eugene, Cendrine Aybo, Julie Anguande, Aissatou Martha, Mpfoun Carine, Tim Woods, John Culkin, Oliver Power, Lisa Clarke, Francesca Mignone, Peter Comas, Dulce Juco and all sick children.

**We also pray for the sick in our parish,
in nursing homes, hospitals and the housebound.**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

We are having Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday and this is a wonderful opportunity for us to be with the Lord in silent adoration. It will be after Friday mass from 10.00am till 11.00am. Benediction is at 11.00am—11.15am.

PARISH ROSTERS: 11th & 12th April 2026

Saturday 6.00pm

Readers: David Leydon, Peter & Di Southam.

Eucharist Ministers: Marisa Loren, Josie Baker, Margaret Turner & Darryl Smitheram.

Sunday 8.30am

Readers: Nirmanthi Rupasinghe, Nirmal Jayasuriya & Valerie Webb.

Eucharist Minister: Alma Daehn & Pat Powell.

Sunday 10.00am

Readers: Orla Wright, Sheila Rocamora & Peter Clark.

Eucharistic Ministers: Anne Marie Mouri, Joshy Peter, Anne Murphy, Ryan Rocamora.



PLAY 2 GROW ST JOHN'S PLAYGROUP
Now on Fridays 9-11.00am in the School Hall
Entrance on Mornington Street 0-5 Year Old's
Gold Coin Donation Everyone Welcome
Enquiries: St John's School— Ph: 8218 3300.



SPECIAL COLLECTON FOR PROJECT COMPASSION THIS WEEKEND

A special collection will be taken up this weekend for Project Compassion. Your generosity this Lenten Season will enable Caritas Australia to provide life-changing support to vulnerable communities in need.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 12, 2026

Come celebrate and join us

2.00pm Reconciliation and Exposition

3.00pm Prayers/Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Holy Mass to follow



CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM (CLP) – starts 17th May 2026

Couples for Christ Australia (CFCA) cordially invites you to a series of inspiring talks about living your Christian faith!

For 7 Sundays starting **17th May to 28th June 2026, 2:00pm – 4:30pm** at St John the Baptist Church, 342 Anzac Highway, Plympton South Australia.

This is **FREE** for everyone seeking peace and a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ!

We invite couples, widows and widowers, separated, divorced, single matured men and women, and young adult singles.

For more info, call/text: Ben Sioson – 0421 136 934
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MEN'S RETREAT – THE MONASTERY 15–17 MAY 2026

Life as Prayer, Prayer as Life

Take time away to deepen your relationship with God and discover how prayer can become part of everyday life.

Led by Valerie De Brenni and Fr Pastor Mumburi CP

For all details, head to our website: <https://themonastery.net.au/life-as-prayer-prayer-as-life-retreat-may-2026/> or check out our flyer.

*This retreat, together with a 1,500 word reflection paper, has CESA approval as a SAM day for teachers.

The Monastery, 15 Cross Road Urrbrae SA 5064 - Bookings essential – RSVP by 1 May 2026

conference@themonastery.net.au | 8338 8700

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

'I AM CALLED' SHEETS



We invite parishioners to read the 'I Am Called' sheets displayed on the wall at the back of the church, and to write your names on the children's sheets to show that you will be praying for them as they prepare to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion on **Sunday 16th August** this year.

*Please note the parish office will be closed
Monday 6th April 2026.*

MORNING TEA



Please join us for morning tea this **SUNDAY 5th April** after the 8.30am Mass (only) in the church foyer. We invite you to join your fellow parishioners for a cuppa and a chat.

KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS (KSC)

KSC Edwardstown/Plympton Branch Update

A written communication from the Branch Chair, Paul Melbourne is included as an insert in this week's Parish Bulletin. It provides an update on Branch membership and activities since the last communications provided in mid-2025.

Four new members were inducted into the KSC and Branch in October 2025. They are Plympton Parish laymen, namely Paul Hay, Maurice O'Rielly, Joshy Peter and Peter Quinn. We congratulate them and at the same time invite other laymen of the Parish to think about becoming a Knight through membership of the Branch.

The Branch continues with its donation giving from funds raised through the paper recycling activity.

Paper Collection

Just a reminder. Paper collection takes place at St John the Baptist Church on the first weekend of each month. Thank you for your support.

BAPTISM - THIS WEEKEND

Congratulations and welcome to:



Luther Ambrose Faustorilla and his parents Jan & Katherine.

May God's blessing be with Luther as he will receive the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend.

THEOLOGY AT THE BAR

Faith, ideas & conversation. Come along, all welcome!

Interstate Guest speaker: Fr Jerome Santamaria (from Melbourne). **Date:** Wed 15th April.

Location: Ern Malley Bar, Magill Rd Stepney SA.

Time: 6:30pm start, for 7pm talk.

Snacks, toasties and drinks available at the bar

THE SOUTHERN CROSS

The **April** edition of the Southern Cross is now available in the church porch.

Thank you for supporting your local Catholic Newspaper.



PLYMPTON PARISH DIRECT GIVING APP

You can now make your donations to the **First** and **Second Collections** online. Direct Giving via the Archdiocesan App is cashless, fast and secure. Download the Adelaide Archdiocese Find a Mass on your mobile phone and set up Direct Giving to the First and Second collections, as well as Special Appeals. Or contact the Parish Office to set up a Direct Debit or a Direct Credit. The Website provides a direct link to your parish from a pc / laptop / tablet.

<https://adelaide.goodgiving.com.au/qr/parish/plympton>

PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR - Fr Denis Ssemuju
8293 6600

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Open Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri 9.00am - 3.00pm
Thursday Closed

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David Leydon

Safeguarding Contact Person

Helen Konieczny - 8293 6600

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST SCHOOL - 8218 3300

Principal - Todd LaForgia

Deputy Principal - Matthew Min

APRIM - Amanda Rego



Hearing assistance available Please ask for a receiver.

COMMUNION FOR COELIACS

Please see Priest before Mass to arrange a
Gluten Free Host.

TOILETS ARE LOCATED IN THE FRONT FOYER

Baby change table available for use in toilet area.



Plympton Parish



www.plymptonparish.com.au

Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which our parish gathers and we pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging. We recognise and honour the enduring spiritual, cultural and historical connections of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this land and commit ourselves to walking together in respect, reconciliation, and justice.

Next Week's Readings

Second Sunday of Easter

First Reading: **Act 2:42-47**
Second Reading: **1 Peter 1:3-9**
Gospel: **John 20:19-31**

VINNIES CLOTHING BIN



We have a Vinnies Clothing Donation Bin in the Church foyer. Please donate your clean and good quality clothing, shoes, hats, handbags, scarves, coats, blankets etc. to help those in need. Thank you.

Our Parish is a Safeguarding Organisation

We are a Safeguarding Organisation which is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and adults at risk. We believe that all God's children, young people and adults at risk have the right to be healthy and safe, and to have their voice heard, respected and valued.

A Safe Environment for all.

“Then the other disciple also went in... he saw and believed” (Jn 20:8)

Fr Denis Ssemuju

Today, we gather as one community to proclaim: “This is the day the Lord has made” (Psalm 118). The Father has raised Jesus Christ, His beloved Son, who loved us to the end.

Easter meets us in the ordinary rhythm of our lives—our families, our work, our neighbourhoods. Yet today everything is changed. Christ is risen: death, sin, and discouragement do not have the last word. A new life has begun, alive in us through the Holy Spirit. Christ is our peace, here and now.

The Gospel gives us a quiet but powerful sign: the empty tomb. The beloved disciple saw simple things—the cloths, the space left behind—and “he saw and believed.” Love helped him understand. In the same way, in our daily lives, God’s presence often appears in small signs: acts of kindness, moments of forgiveness, hope that returns when all seemed lost.

Here in our Plympton community, we are called to do the same: to see and believe. To renew the grace of our baptism, to live as Easter people, and to be witnesses of hope in our homes and streets.

Christ is risen. Let us live with that quiet, unshakable joy—and let others see and believe through us.

