



Celebrating That We Are All Saints In Christ

Have you ever heard people referring to Christians as those "holy Joes who think that they're better than everyone else"? Sadly, that kind of thinking can be a real barrier to people learning about God's love for them in Jesus. All Saints Day is a good opportunity to respond to this issue. In the New Testament, "saints" were not the revered dead but the living faithful. Not the especially "holy ones", but rather **all** God's forgiven people who trust in Jesus. So ironically, and contrary to this common but mistaken caricature, Christians **don't** think of themselves as being better than anyone else. Instead, we admit that we're just as sinful as everyone else, but we have been forgiven and accepted in Jesus. We are holy, because of, and in union with Jesus our Saviour. We are all saints in him. Now that's truly worth celebrating!

Pastor Richard Haar

Bible Reading: 1 Peter 2: 9-10 (NLT)

Podcasts of weekly messages are available at www.paravista.org.au

[Prayer Requests](#)

Please forward all prayer requests to the church office via churchenquiries@paravista.org.au or phone 8263 5087. If you know or have spoken to anyone who does not have access to a computer, please assist them to submit their request and offer to pray with them.

[Notice of Half Yearly General Meeting](#)

Please mark your dairies for the upcoming half-yearly GM to be held on **17th November 2024**. Reports to follow.

[October Food Donation](#)

Once again there was very generous support for our October food collection to support the work of Lutheran Care as they assist families really struggling in the northern/NE suburbs of Adelaide. Thank you for helping LC to bless these families.

[December Collection](#)

Our last collection for 2024 will be on Sunday 1st December rather than the last Sunday in November. This is because Lutheran Care is unable to collect our donations on Tuesday 26th November. More details of what is required will be in next week's Weekly News.





November

1 st – 10 th November	Glynde Art Exhibition 5.30-6.30pm
8 th November	Music Fundraiser for Kenyan School 7-10pm
9 th November	Global Leadership Summit 9-5pm
17 th November	Half-Yearly General Meeting
23 rd November	Young Adults
24 th November	KAPS

Operation Christmas Child

Our Christmas boxes are on the way. On Tuesday 22nd October, 10,496 boxes were transported to Perth ready to be inspected and then forwarded to the Philippines or Cambodia. As part of this shipment was the 500000th box donated in South Australia since OCC commenced in 1988. It was identified that this box was for a 11-14 year old boy. On Thursday 24th October the remaining boxes were forwarded to Perth.

Thank you again for your generosity which enables these children and families to be blessed at Christmas.

Christmas Trees Available

Christmas trees are again available through Birdwood congregation. Money raised goes towards supporting Chaplains in Adelaide Hills schools. Cost of the trees is \$60. For more details or to place an order contact John Dolling 0409 819 864 or dollingjohn47@gmail.com.

Orders will not be finalised until payment has been received. Trees will be available on Saturday 14th December.

Music Fundraiser For Kenyan School

On 8th November, there will be Gospel concert held as a fundraiser for Bishop Michael Musale to support the Kenyan Children. We will be needing helpers for this Fundraiser, so can you please consider helping in one of the following ways:

- Ushering
- Carpark attendant
- Security
- Serving coffee or food
- Cleaning at the end of the event
- Praying with people if needed.

Please advise Merv Thiele of your availability by calling him on 0429 009 847.

[A Night Of Fun And Fundraising!](#)

Come along and experience the uplifting songs of the Well-Being Social Club (formerly known as the Borderers) It'll be a ONE OFF event that you'll remember for many reasons. Not only will you be entertained, but you'll also get to hear the enigmatic and amazing Bishop Michael Musale explain how he's helping transform this part of Africa with YOUR help.

We'd also like to just reassure you that all of the monies raised will be going to sponsor the schoolkids in Turbo, Kenya to receive meals and to attend school.

Tickets - Adults \$25... Children free!

Use the QR code to book or this follow this link provided:

<https://www.trybooking.com/CWKTU>

Look forward to seeing you soon! **FREE snacks and nibbles provided during the interval.**

[Global Leadership Summit](#)

The Global Leadership Summit 2024 is approaching on **Saturday 9th November 9am-5pm** here at **Good Shepherd Para Vista Lutheran Church.**

Attending the Global Leadership Summit will provide you with an opportunity to gather with others in positions of leadership. Together you will listen to speakers who will inspire and encourage you to grow personally and professionally. You will also be given time to share the joys and struggles of ministry and share how you are leading in your church community.

Tickets are free for our community. Please let us know if you would like to attend by **Thursday 7th at the latest.** If you need any further information please email us at pastoralcare@paravista.org.au

[Growing Faith At Home](#)

Happy Reformation Day for yesterday!

On October 31, 1517, Martin Luther nailed 95 Theses to the castle church door in Wittenberg, Germany, signalling the beginning of what is known as the Protestant Reformation. Please find a brief history and quiz about Martin Luther from Grow Ministries in the attachment that you might like to explore. In addition, here are some more Caring Conversation starters you might like to talk over with your friends and family.

"God saved you by His grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it." Ephesians 2:8-9 NLT



Music Fundraiser for Kenyan School
TICKETS \$25
CHILDREN FREE

The band formerly known as the Borderers (now the WellBeing Social Club) invite you to join them in raising money for a school in Kenya!
All Monies raised sponsor students to be fed and attend school!
Your support is life changing!

FRIDAY 8TH NOVEMBER
DOORS OPEN AT 7PM
GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH PARA VISTA
To book use QR code or use link
<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1307898>



REENERGISE YOUR LEADERSHIP FROM A GLOBAL COMMUNITY.

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO ASK JESUS RIGHT NOW?

MY TALENTS AND GIFTS CAN BEST HELP OTHERS BY...



HOW DO YOU KNOW GOD LOVES YOU?

KAPS... ReKAp

Last Sunday we were blessed with amazing weather, perfect for our water games outside on the oval. The message at Worship focused on 'Courage' and God's promise to be with us, no matter what is around the bend in the road. It was lovely to chat afterwards as we enjoyed our sausages, salad and (s) zooper doopers!

Our next event is sure to get us in the Christmas spirit, with our theme of 'Christmas in November'. It is an all-ages event, so younger siblings are most welcome. Pop it in your diary now! November 24th, 4pm to 6:45pm. (Please note: Slightly longer time) Start thinking about who you might like to invite... Look forward to seeing you then!

Rachel and Georgie

Wednesday Worship

This week we were blessed to have three of our Good Shepherd Old Scholars (currently finishing Year 12 at Endeavour) return to share the message on Wednesday. It is a great delight to see them shine as they shared a fitting, God inspired message 'Finishing Well' with enthusiasm, care and love. Please have a look at this week's devotion for their reflection, or look at the display in the café area. Next week, we look forward to hearing from Pastor Joel Cramer as he joins us for the last time. (He is moving to New Zealand next year.) Please come and join us next Wednesday at 8:50am for worship and a cuppa afterwards!

School Snippets

Last Friday night our Year Two students came back to school for their Camp-In experience. It was lovely to chat to them over tea and see them engage in different activities. Before bed, children gathered together for a story and then sang and danced to one of the worship songs. They settled in for the night in tents in the gym, grouped in class 'villages'. The next morning, they were treated to a pancake breakfast before going home to share their stories with their families. This week our wonderful library staff have been hosting our first Book Fair with the theme 'Book Fair Garden: Catch the reading bug'. Many families are taking the opportunity to purchase a range of exciting reading material. People still enjoy and value holding a book in their hand! For more of what we've been up to, here is the link to our school newsletter: : <https://inewsletter.co/J1WDLx/latest> or you may like to pick up a hard copy from the stand in the café area. If you are more of a visual person, please have a look at our school's ever changing Facebook page!

KAPS YOUTH EVENT YEARS 2-7

SUNDAY 24 NOVEMBER

Younger siblings welcome

4pm-5:45pm Christmas activities
5:45pm-6:45pm Worship & dinner -
all family members are welcome
(food provided but welcome to BYO)

Parent/caregiver
must be present

Good Shepherd
Lutheran Church
Para Vista

\$2 per child
donation

For any queries, please
contact Rachel P-0475582289

CHRISTMAS IN NOVEMBER

Office News

Café Time!!

Tea and coffee are available after Sunday services, and you are most welcome to come and enjoy!!



Notices for Weekly News



Weekly News items are to be sent to churhenquiries@paravista.org.au / krishna.vasani@paravista.org.au by Wednesday Evening. Out of hours please leave a message on the answering system 8263 5087 or email the office and staff will respond as soon as they are able.

Connect Cards

Connect Cards are available as you enter worship. Please complete the card using pencils which are available from holders on the side of chairs in the worship centre. They may be placed in the offering boxes provided at exits as you leave. Connect Cards may be used for comments, small group or prayer requests or to communicate with office or Pastoral Care staff.

Name Badge Request

The cost for a replacement name badge is \$12. If you would like to order one, contact the church office on 8263 5087 or send an email to: churhenquiries@paravista.org.au

“...Fear of the Lord is the foundation of wisdom. Knowledge of the Holy One results in good judgment.”
Proverbs 9:10 (NLT)

Safe Church

In observing Christ's command to love one another, we are to treat each other with respect and dignity. In honouring people, we are also fulfilling our responsibility under the law of the land. The LCA and Good Shepherd Para Vista is committed to ensure the church is a safe place. If anyone feels they have been subjected to sexual abuse or harassment in any form by anyone who holds a position of trust in the church, please contact:

P: 1800 644 628 E: report.abuse@safeplace.lca.org.au

Weekly News submissions should be made by the Wed prior to Friday publication.

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Church Office Hours: Tues-Fri 9am-3pm (closed 12:30pm-1:30pm for lunch).

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