

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS ^{"Your}

PROGRAM 2025



Lord is coming!

This is the foundation of our hope

ADELAIDE HILLS CATHOLIC PARISH

WEEKEND SUNDAY 15/16th November

Vinnies to launch their Christmas Appeal.

SUNDAY 23rd November – Feast of Christ the King.

Distribute to each family a copy of Sunday Advent Reflections
Vinnies set up the Jesse tree.

ADVENT RETREAT 12.00 p.m. to 2.00 p.m. at the OLAH Parish Hall Bridgewater.

SUNDAY 30th November – FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Blessing of the Advent wreath and lighting of the First Advent Candle.

WEDNESDAY 3rd December Mass/Advent Prayers

Mary O'Dea Community Centre at 9.00a.m.

SUNDAY 7th December – SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT - PEACE

Light the Second Candle of Advent.

Launch to bring Toiletries for Charities

End of Vinnies Christmas Appeals

Stirling Christmas pageant— we are having a food stall at the Oval from 11.00a.m. to 4.00p.m.

MONDAY 8th December– Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

Mass at the OLOR at 9.00a.m. and **6.30p.m.**

WEDNESDAY 10th December

Graduation Mass at St Catherine's at 10.15.a.m.

FRIDAY 12th December -

Penitential Rite at Bridgewater at 6.30p.m.

SATURDAY 13th December

9.00a.m. Decorate OLOR Church

SUNDAY 14th December – THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – JOY

We light the Pink Candle.

Launch of the Christmas Hamper Raffle.

MONDAY 15th December - Decorate for Christmas St Matthews' Bridgewater at 5.00p.m.

TUESDAY 16th to WEDNESDAY 24th December CHRISTMAS NOVENA, WITH MASS,

Tuesday 16th to Friday 19th at the OLOR - 6.00p.m.

Saturday 20th at Vigil Mass Bridgewater—6.00p.m.

Sunday 21st during the 5.30p.m. mass at the OLOR

Monday 22nd the Carols by Candlelight at the OLOR—7.00p.m.

Tuesday 23rd at the OLOR - 6.00p.m.

Wednesday 24th at Bridgewater Family Christmas Vigil Mass

WEDNESDAY 17th December - Mass/Advent Prayers

Mary O'Dea Community Centre after 9.00a.m.

SUNDAY 21st DECEMBER – FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT - LOVE

We light the fourth Advent candle.

Blessing of small cribs, baby Jesus

MONDAY 22nd December

Carols by Candlelight at the OLOR at 7.00p.m.

Wednesday 24th December – Christmas Vigil

Mass at Birdwood at 6.30p.m.

Mass at Bridgewater at 6.30p.m.

Carols & Midnight Mass at 11.30p.m.

After Mass we celebrate with cake/champagne.

Thursday 25th December Christmas

Mass Bridgewater at 9.00a.m.

Mass Lobethal at 11.00a.m.



New Year masses

Tuesday 31st December 2025

OLOR church at 6.00p.m.

Wednesday 1st January 2026

Bridgewater at 10.00a.m.

Advent marks the beginning of the Church's new year and is a season of waiting and preparation. In fact, the season of Advent focuses on Christ's threefold coming—past, present and future. We await and prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ at Christmas. We hope and give thanks for Christ's presence in us and in the Word and sacraments. We look to the future, waiting for Christ to come again. In the coming four weeks, we prepare with mounting expectation for the coming of Christ in a spirit of waiting, conversion and hope.

I pray that the angels will bring you good news from heaven this Christmas season, that will gladden your heart. Blessing shall not just follow you but will work for you and your loved ones this season.

May your heart desires be granted by the Lord, and may he fill your household with the spirit of peace and joy this Christmas season. We appreciate you and want nothing but the very best for you this season.

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