

St Oliver Plunkett's—Pascoe Vale

Welcome to the final week of our Parish Thanksgiving Program.
In recent weeks we have reflected on:

- The role of faith in our lives
- The importance of coming together to celebrate the Eucharist each weekend
- Our commitment to growing in faith

We have also considered the notion of our parish as a *community* of faith:

- Are we a place of welcome?
- Do we have a clear mission to live the values of the Gospel?
- Am I making my contribution to parish life by being involved in our Groups & Ministries?

This week brings it all together. We look to the future – imagining what sort of parish we want to be. Ours is one filled with optimism – but one that needs the support and contribution of every individual if we are to achieve our dreams.

This week we ask you to finalise your commitments by:

- Signing up for a parish group or ministry
- Making your meaningful pledge of financial support to the Thanksgiving Program

This weekend Fr Paul will speak with us on these important matters.

Thoughts from our Leadership Team

Why do you think it is important to support your Parish financially through our Thanksgiving Program?

To ensure our parish continues to operate and the continuation of church based programs - **Tina Baltatzis**

To benefit and continue to be able to come to my church; to have the community that I belong to - **Anonymous**

It is important that we support our parish to survive financially, so that there will always be a church operating for the future of all parishioners - **John Pertile**

I know the sacrifices my parents, wider family and other parishioners have made for the 64 years my family has been in this Parish. I have been a beneficiary of those sacrifices. It's my responsibility and wish to do what I can as a parishioner to contribute to a parish that is faith-nurturing for all. I'd like to do more in and for my parish than I do and hopefully, when I retire in a few years, I will be much freer to do so. Lively local faith communities are the most likely first point of contact with people who have been disaffected with the Catholic Church or who have never had anything to do with the Catholic Church. Contributing financially is one way of helping St Oliver's be a flourishing faith community, one that is attractive to those who belong to the parish already and to other people in Pascoe Vale and beyond - **Mark Brolly**

To uphold the running of our Church/Parish. To support all the programs offered by our Church so that we can continue to gather as a faith community - **Emily Monaco**

The Parish is my spiritual home and like our own homes, it also needs to be maintained - **Anonymous**

Key Dates

14th June	Our Future Forum
10:45am	Church
7:00pm	Church
16th & 17th June	Our Future Weekend

“The future is most of all, in the hands of those people who recognise the other as a ‘you’ and themselves as part of an ‘us’. We all need each other.”

