



News From Diocesan Council

May 2026

Trust funds of parishes whose recognition has terminated: The Legislation Review Committee is still considering this matter and will bring a recommendation to Diocesan Council in due course.

Memorial Gardens audit: The audit remains in progress.

Diocesan Digital Mission Action: Fr Daniel Irvine spoke to his tabled report advising that rapid developments in artificial intelligence and changing digital engagement practices have significantly altered assumptions in work on the proposed diocesan website project.

Parish status of Onkaparinga Valley: After reviewing financial information supplied, Diocesan Council supports a petition to Synod seeking restoration of the Parish of Onkaparinga Valley to full parish status.

Property Report

St Francis of Assisi, Christies Beach - Contract documentation is being prepared for the selected builder.

St Jude's Port Elliot - The toilet block has been completed.

St Catherine's Keith - Hall repair works previously approved are awaiting site meetings with potential contractors.

Finance Audit and Investment (FAI) Committee Report

Diocesan Council accepted the recommendation of the FAI Committee that the 2025 audited Financial Statements for Endowment of Churches The Murray Fund, The Murray See Fund, and the Diocese of The Murray be adopted and presented to Synod.

Further, Diocesan Council accepted the recommendation of the FAI Committee that the 2027 Draft Budget be adopted and presented to Synod.

Governance - The Governance Committee is reviewing governance documentation and legislation updates.

Anglican Schools update - Chris Prance and the Administrator advised that all Anglican schools within the Province now have chaplaincy support. Significant building projects continue at Investigator College and Woodcroft College. A chapel is being established at Investigator College incorporating liturgical items from Delamere.

Next 2026 Diocesan Council meeting dates - 10 July, 10-11 September, 26-27 November.

Next 2026 Finance, Audit & Investments Committee meeting dates - 5 August, 28 October.

Synod - 19-21 June, Christ the King, Mount Barker.

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