



ADELAIDE CATHEDRAL PARISH

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

13th February 2021

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

As we reflect on the Beatitudes this weekend, let us reflect from the Catechism of the Catholic Church 1716-1729, teaching on the Beatitudes. The Beatitudes are at the heart of Jesus' preaching.

They take up the promises made to the chosen people. The Beatitudes fulfil the promises by ordering them no longer merely to the possession of a territory, but to the Kingdom of heaven.

The Beatitudes respond to the natural desire for happiness. The desire is of divine origin; God has placed it in the human heart in order to draw man to the One who alone can fulfil it.

The Beatitudes reveal the goal of human existence, the ultimate end of human acts: God calls us to his own beatitude. This vocation is addressed to each individual personally, but also to the Church as a whole, the new people made up of those who have accepted the promise and live from it in faith.

God put us in the world to know, to love, and to serve him, and so to come to paradise. Beatitudes make us "partakers of the divine nature" and of eternal life. With Beatitudes, man enters into the glory of Christ and into the joy of the Trinitarian life. The Beatitude we are promised, confronts us with decisive moral choices. It invites us to purify our hearts of bad instincts and to seek the love of God above all else.

It teaches us that true happiness is not found in riches or well-being, in human fame or power, or in any human achievement — however, beneficial it may be — such as science, technology, and art, or indeed in any creature, but in God alone, the source of every good and of all love. The Beatitudes respond to the desire for happiness that God has placed in the human heart.

The Beatitudes teach us the final end to which God calls us: the Kingdom, the vision of God, participation in the divine nature, eternal life, filiation, and rest in God. The beatitude of eternal life is a gratuitous gift of God. It is supernatural, as is the grace that leads us there.

Many Blessings,

Fr. Anthoni Adimai SdM.

Administrator - Adelaide Cathedral Parish

13 Feb: Feast of St. Josephine Bakhita

Tuesday, 8th February is the Feast of St Josephine Bakhita. **The African Catholic Community will celebrate Mass this Sunday, 13th February at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral at 2.30pm.** Archbishop O'Regan will be the main celebrant.

Australian Catholic Religious against Trafficking in Humans (ACRATH)

The World Day of Prayer, Reflection and Action Against Human Trafficking was held this week on the feast of St Josephine Bakhita (Feb 8) following a request from Talitha Kum, the worldwide Network of Consecrated Life Against Human Trafficking. Josephine Bakhita was born in Southern Sudan in 1869, and during her life experienced kidnapping and slavery in both Sudan and Italy.

After gaining her freedom she dedicated her life to sharing her story and to supporting the poor and suffering. She eventually became a Canossian Sister and was canonised in 2000. ACRATH invites you to use the following resources to bring about an end to human trafficking and slavery: www.acrath.org.au/resources/

20/21 Feb: Day of the Unborn Child Appeal

A special collection is being taken up in support of the work undertaken by Birthline Pregnancy Support, Mothers without Medicare & Genesis Pregnancy Support Inc. The Day of the Unborn Child assists us to focus on those people in our families and communities who have experienced any sort of child-bearing loss, whether miscarriage, still-birth, the death of a baby soon after birth, or abortion. We thank you in anticipation for your generous support of those who work tirelessly with individuals and families who require these important resources and services.

Adelaide Cathedral Parish RCIA program

Adults who are interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith and becoming a Catholic, the RCIA program will begin shortly. Kindly contact the parish office via email: acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au or call 82108155 to register your interest in joining the program.

IMPORTANT TO NOTE: Cathedral Car Park

Please ensure all Pedestrians use ONLY the Carpark Staircase when entering and exiting the Adelaide Cathedral Underground Car Park. Kindly do not use the Car Park Ramp as a Pedestrian walkway. Thank you for your cooperation.

Cathedral of St Francis Xavier, 39 Wakefield Street, Adelaide

Church of St Patrick, 268 Grote Street, Adelaide
Church of St John Vianney, 546 Glynburn Road, Burnside
Church of St Mary, 179 Stanley Street, North Adelaide

Church of the Holy Name, 80 Payneham Road, Stepney
Church of St Peter Claver, cnr Stuart Road & Grandview Grove, Dulwich
Church of the Queen of Angels, cnr South Road & Kintore Street, Thebarton

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, cnr of Giles and Todd Streets, Kingscote, Kangaroo Island



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Find Out More: <https://palms.org.au/current-opportunities/assignments-abroad/> **or Phone:** 0422 742 567. Join our online forum - <https://palms.org.au/event/zoom-information-session/> at 5.30pm AEDT on Thursday 17 March, and engage with a panel of Palms most experienced Program Participants.

Palms Global Mission

Now that restrictions on international travel are starting to ease, Palms Global Mission is redoubling its efforts to respond to overseas communities' requests to assist them through skills exchange. Those considering a Global Mission placement can be advised of the following support:

- The Archdiocese will support the preparation costs of participants at Palms' Orientation Courses and a re-entry weekend on their return from mission placement.
- Catholic Bishops support a Lay Missionary Gratuity Fund that provides a payment of \$2500 for each year one is on this mission.
- Palms negotiations with Catholic schools assures great support and benefits for teachers giving up to two years for this mission. Teachers should talk with Palms about the details.

Please visit: www.palms.org.au/current-opportunities/



The theme of **Project Compassion 2022** is 'For all future generations'. Taken from the scripture passage *'When God gave his covenant to Noah and every living creature, for all future generations'*.

This theme connects to the Cry of the earth/Cry of the poor focus from the Bishops Conference, and our Catholic Earthcare work. Caritas Australia brings us 'Stories from the field' – the true stories of the people benefitting from Caritas programs. The main story this year is of 12-year-old Anatercia from Mozambique and other stories include Biru from India, Janice from Australia, Rosalie from the DRC, and Shaniella from the Solomon Islands. We would like to thank all our parishioners for supporting Project Compassion 2021 and request you to visit the website www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion/ for more details on how your contributions have changed lives.

Seeking Expressions of Interest to join the 'Caritas Advisory Committee'

"Social Justice, Ecology and Peace are inseparable" (Bishop Long's words in the Social Justice Statement in 21/22). **The Caritas office** in the Archdiocese of Adelaide is seeking members to join its advisory committee in 2022. Your passion and expertise would be most valued in collaboratively guiding and promoting the work of Caritas in Adelaide. For more information contact Tracey on P: 8210 8172. Please send your expressions of interest to the following email: caritas@adelaide.catholic.org.au

5 Mar: Charis SA presents A Lenten Retreat: The Power of Prayer

There will be a Lenten Retreat on the Power of Prayer conducted by Fr Lancy D'Silva on 5th March at the Dulwich Hall from 10.30am to 3.30pm. It will include Praise & Worship, Teaching, Adoration and Mass. Please contact Carmen on 0407060715 to register your interest. Your generous donation will be appreciated.

Synod of Bishops local consultation

Hundreds of groups and individuals across the country have shared their stories about how all members of the Catholic Church can walk together to carry out our mission as Christians. Have you? The local consultation process for the global Synod on Synodality is open for two more weeks – until **Sunday, February 27**. Join with family, friends, parishioners or participate yourself. Find out more at: www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch

12 Mar: Retreat Morning at the Monastery 'Healing for my Soul'

This year, Fr Denis Travers is running five retreat mornings at The Monastery. Our first retreat morning, 'Healing for my Soul' will be held on March 12 from 9am to 12.30pm. Contact the Monastery office on 8338 8700 or conference@themonastery.net.au to book as numbers are limited. Suggested donation \$20.

Cathedral Parish Scripture Study Program

The 2022 program is scheduled to commence on Monday 21st March (not 14th February as planned). The program will commence with a double module 'Women In The Old Testament' (10 sessions) followed by a two week break after which Women in the New Testament (8 sessions) will start. Direct enquiries and bookings to Br. Martyn at martynpaxton@gmail.com

Get vaccinated for the common good

Vaccination against COVID-19 is a morally good thing, providing protection for the person vaccinated and the wider community. Some COVID-19 vaccines are associated with ethically questionable production and research practices, but Pope Francis and the Australian Bishops have advised that it is morally permissible to receive any vaccine made available. More information is available at <https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus>.

Latin Mass Community

1st Holy Communion Classes start today Sun 13th Feb at 11am.

The 1st Play Group for 2022 meets this Friday, 18th Feb at 9.30am.

The Golden Oldies meets this Friday evening after the 6.30pm Mass. All Welcome.

Next Sunday, 20th Feb is the annual Day of the Unborn Child appeal. There will be a leaving collection at all Masses next Sunday. Proceeds from the collection go to Birthline, Mothers with Medicare and Genesis Pregnancy Support. Thank you for your generosity.

Flyers for our upcoming pilgrimage to Penola for the Feast of St. Joseph are now available at the doors of the church. Please take one home.

The 2022 Latin Mass Community Calendar is now available from the doors of the church on yellow A4 paper. Please take one home and put it on your fridge.

Welcome to new parishioners. If you are new to the Latin Mass or new to Holy Name, please don't hesitate to introduce yourself to either Fr. McCaffrey or Fr. Sofatzis after Mass. There is a cuppa after the 9.15am Mass every Sunday in the tea room behind the church diagonally across the car park. All welcome. Also please feel free to register as a parishioner on our community census. The link is available on the blogspot.

Please respect the social distancing norms, sanitise your hands and either scan the QR code displayed at each door or record your name by hand each time you enter the church. The Archbishop requires that we wear masks inside church. (There are masks available at the doors of the church if you forget to bring one.) Thank you for your co-operation.

Congregational singing is permitted, but masks must be worn while singing. The Covid Marshals for this Sunday are 8am Rob Marsh, 9.15am Brian Moran, 5pm Peter Balan, and Bianca Fisher is the Covid Marshall for weekday Masses.

Please see the community blogspot for other information.

Please remember the sick in your prayers, especially Jane Carey, Kathryn Nader, Tony Caruso, Luise Obrist (Gaby Freer's mother), Terry Hockley (Jess Marsh's father), Vincenza Martucci (Ines Barson's mother). Please remember also the recently deceased, and also those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

28 Mar: Catholic Clergy- Laity Golf Day

The Catholic Clergy-Laity Golf Day will be held at West Beach Park Golf on Monday 28th March with a 12.30pm shotgun start. Attractive prizes for men and women. The John Mahoney Parish Trophy will be awarded to the Parish with the best three Stableford scores. Spouses and friends are welcome to attend the presentation dinner from 6.15pm. Cost for Golf and Dinner is \$90 (discount for clergy & pensioners). Entries close on Friday 18th March. Field limit of 100. Please call Denis Toohey on 83531273 for further information.

COVID-19 Protocols Update: 27th Dec 2021

- **If you have tested positive for COVID-19 please follow the instructions as per SA Health in terms of contact tracing and isolating yourself as per government health protocols. Please stay home and do not attend church services till you have fully recovered.**
- **The density requirement has been updated to 3 people per 4 sq. meters.**
- **These density requirements also includes funerals and weddings services (previously viewed as a private activity) held in the church which was earlier capped at 150 people. It will now be determined by the seating capacity of the church. Please check with the local church for more details.**
- **COVID check-in using the QR Code or entering your details into the Register prior to entering the Church is mandatory.**
- **QR codes are still required for our churches as defined under Public Activities.**
- **Wearing of face-masks completely covering your nose and mouth is mandatory in Church at all times. Please carry your own mask. This includes all religious except when delivering a sermon.**
- **Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are requested to stay home and not attend services.**
- Hand sanitiser is available at church entrances. Kindly sanitise your hands before entering the church.
- There should be no physical contact outside one's family or household group. There should be no shaking of hands or holding hands during Mass.
- Every gathering must record contact details. Logs are located at the entrance to the church.
- Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- No hymn books are to be passed around and congregational singing with facemasks on is now permitted.
- Communion is given only in hands.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches. Collection plates will not be passed around but a single drop point is provided at the churches.
- All surfaces should be cleaned at least daily, with special attention given to frequently touched surfaces.
- Care should be taken at the dismissal and on leaving the church to avoid social contact.
- **Kindly follow the instructions of the Mass Coordinators and COVID Marshals in terms of seating, COVID-19 protocols etc. who are here to assist you.**

Safeguarding Children

A reminder that all children within the church premises need to be accompanied to and from the toilet, ideally by an adult family member. Kindly ensure that children are supervised by an adult family member in the carparks at all times.