



ADELAIDE CATHEDRAL PARISH

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

23rd January 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter, *Motu proprio "Aperuit illis"*, published on 30 September 2019, establishes that "the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God". Sept. 30 is the feast of St. Jerome, a biblical scholar who translated most of the Bible into Latin.

This year marks 1,600 years since his death. The title of the letter, "*Aperuit illis*," is also important. The words are taken from St. Luke's Gospel (24:45), where the Evangelist describes how the risen Jesus appeared to his disciples, and how "He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures."

In '*Aperuit illis*', Pope Francis provides a brief commentary on the First Reading from Nehemiah. He concludes, "The Bible is the book of the Lord's people, who, in listening to it, move from dispersion and division towards unity. The word of God unites believers and makes them one people."

The Second Reading is a beautiful reflection on the unity of the body from St. Paul's letter to the Corinthians. The psalm is a reflection on the Law. We desire that all the faithful discover that the Lord's words are "Spirit and life."

In today's Gospel, Jesus stands up to read the Sacred Scripture. He opens the scroll of the Prophet Isaiah and takes up the passage where it is written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor". (Lk 4:18).

Then, after a moment of silence filled with expectation on the part of everyone, he says, in the midst of their general amazement: "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing" (v. 21).

Evangelizing the poor is Jesus' mission. According to what he says, this is also the mission of the Church, and of every person baptized in the Church. Being a Christian is the same thing as being a missionary.

Evangelisation means first of all drawing close to people, it means having the joy of serving them, of freeing them from their oppression, and all of this in the name of and with the Spirit of Christ, because he is the Gospel of God, he is the Mercy of God, he is the liberation of God, he is the One who became poor so as to enrich us with his poverty.

It involves offering the strength of the Gospel of God, who converts hearts, heals wounds, transforms human and social relationships according to the logic of love. The poor are indeed at the centre of the Gospel. Let us live the Joy of the Gospel.

Many Blessings,

Fr. Anthoni Adimai SdM.

Administrator - Adelaide Cathedral Parish

26 Jan: Australia Day Mass

For more than 60 years, a special celebration of the Eucharist has been held at St Francis Xavier Cathedral to celebrate Australia Day. We come together to celebrate and give thanks for this wonderful country and to recognise the richness and diversity of the people who call Australia home. All are welcome to join us on this special occasion. For more information on the Australia Day Mass please contact Archdiocesan Events on E: events@adelaide.catholic.org.au or P: 82108220.

Please note that there will be only one Mass in our Parish on Australia Day at 9am in St. Francis Xavier's Cathedral since it is a Public Holiday. There will be no Masses in any other church in our Parish on the day.

IMPORTANT TO NOTE:

26 Jan: Santos Tour Down Under

Please note that Wakefield Street is one of a number of roads in the CBD that will be closed due to the Tour Down Under. Hence, parking at the Cathedral will NOT be available.

Sacramental Program for Children

We will be soon commencing the Sacramental Program for School-Aged children in our parish. Children will prepare for the sacraments of First Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion. Children aged 8 and above, and who are baptised, are eligible for this program. Please contact the Cathedral Parish Office on acp@acp.adelaide.catholic.org.au or 82108155 to register your interest. An email will be sent out to all parents who have registered their children in the month of February with more details.

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

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

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

Dayton University courses

The Archdiocese of Adelaide has a partnership with Dayton University in their *Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation* (VLCFF). You will need to have access to a computer since all the courses are online. Please visit: <https://vlcff.udayton.edu/> in Ohio, with some students in the Ministry Formation Program undertaking some of their study through this university. Several five week courses are currently being offered and because of the partnership, the diocese has with Dayton, each course costs about \$AU70. You don't have to be a student of the Ministry Formation Program to undertake these courses. There are seven cycles of five week and three week courses offered each year. As well, there are courses offered in Spanish. For more information about the courses on offer go to the MFP's page on the Archdiocesan website (www.adelaide.catholic.org.au). Please contact Annette Heinemann on: aheinemann@adelaide.catholic.org.au

Working with Children Check Clearance is required for all regular Volunteers of the Adelaide Cathedral Parish

It is a requirement for everyone 14 years and older to have a current police There is no longer an exemption for people who are 80 years and older. Please contact the Police Check Volunteer associated with your church to lodge/renew your application:

St. Francis Xavier's Cathedral/St. Patrick's Church:

Savia Coelho and Conrad Fernandez

Cathedral African Community: Clement Kuek

Queen of Angels: Bernard Dowd and Maria Iadanza

Holy Name: Maria Iadanza (English/Italian) and

Fr. Michael McCaffrey (Latin)

Peter Claver Dulwich: Deacon Remo Patroni

St. John Vianney: Julie Dow

St. Mary's North Adelaide: Len Nowak

Renewal of your WWCC Clearance can now be done via email and without visiting the Parish Office. Please contact the parish office on **82108155** or email: acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au if you need any further information about your local contacts or the process. Thank you for your continued support.

IMPORTANT TO NOTE:

Use of Car Park Staircase to enter and exit the Cathedral Car Park

It has been observed that a number of parishioners are using the underground car park ramp instead of the carpark staircase to walk to the Cathedral from the carpark and back. This includes babies being pushed up/down the ramp in strollers by parents. It is a major safety hazard for cars entering and exiting the carpark to have people walking up and down the ramp. **The ramp is only meant for the entry and exit of vehicles and should not be used by pedestrians to enter or exit the car park.** We request that all our parishioners/visitors **ONLY** use the carpark staircase located at the far end of the church lawns to enter/exit the carpark for their own safety and the safety of others. **This includes parents with baby strollers.** Thank you for your cooperation in this regard.

Become An Earthcare Family

Pope Francis has now established the *Laudato Si'* Action Platform with its 7 Goals for 7 sectors over 7 years. Our Australian Bishops Social Justice Statement 2021-22, 'Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor' reinforces the call to care for all creation and invites us to join them in taking action and committing to *the Laudato Si'* goals. Catholic Earthcare Australia has made it easy for parishes and families to take up the Bishops' invitation by developing a process to assist you on the journey towards these 7 goals and to becoming living *Laudato Si'* families and communities. Become a Catholic Earthcare family at www.catholicearthcare.org.au

Adelaide Cathedral Young Adults Group

The Adelaide Cathedral Young Adults Group invite the Youth of our Parish to join them each week in their Ministry of fellowship. They regularly meet on Sunday evenings and their schedule is as follows:

1st and 3rd Sundays : Choir for 6pm Mass

4pm - Choir Practice

6pm - Sunday Mass

7pm - Dinner in Chinatown

2nd and 4th Sundays: Group Meetings

6pm - Sunday Mass

7-8.30pm - Group gathering in the Cathedral Hall.

If you are interested to know more about the group and their activities, please contact Samantha David on 0404887964.

8 Feb: Feast of St Josephine Bakhita

Tuesday February 8 is the Feast of St. Josephine Bakhita and the African Catholic Community will celebrate Mass on Sunday February 13 2022 at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral at 2.30pm. Archbishop O'Regan will be the main celebrant.

Caritas Lebanon Appeal

Fuel and food prices in Lebanon have skyrocketed since 2019, leaving the population struggling to pay for basic essentials like groceries, electricity, healthcare and education. Please give now to help Lebanese families with healthcare, education support and cash grants. We stand united with Lebanon and are accepting donations. Call 1800 024 413 toll free or visit <https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/middle-east/> All donations made through Caritas Australia are tax deductible.

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

Today, 23rd Jan, at 11am in the Ellengowan Hall (next to the tea-room) there will be a short interactive "How to use your hand missal at mass" meeting for those new to the Latin Mass, or wanting a refresher. All welcome. (If you have a hand missal, please bring it with you.)

This Wednesday, 26th January is Australia Day. There will be one Mass at 8.30am.

Holy Name Mens Group will meet this Wednesday 26th January at Dulwich for a BBQ, beginning with the Rosary at 6.30pm. BYO meat and drink. All Welcome.

The annual Latin Mass Community meeting will be held on Sunday 6th February at 11am in the Ellengowan Hall. There will be a review of 2021 and an outline of upcoming events in 2022. All welcome.

Latin Classes for 2022 commence in the 1st week in February. Beginners Latin is on Tuesdays from 1st February at 6:30 pm for one hour. No prior knowledge needed for beginners. Intermediate Latin is on Tuesdays from 1st February at 7:30 pm for one hour. Minimum 1 year of Beginners required for Intermediate Latin. Classes are held in the Meeting Room next to carpark. These are free lessons with materials provided and/or available electronically. The courses try to provide the basics of the language and a 'window' into the usage and meaning of Ecclesiastical Latin. Please contact Ross Davies for more details at rodcrd@gmail.com

2022 FSSP Calendars are still available for purchase after mass for \$15.

If your child is turning 3 this year and you would like them to attend the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, please enrol them with Lucia Snelling (0407 378 159) by the end of this week. Sessions are available on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings but places are limited.

In addition to the religious picture books for your young children, at the back door of the church we now also have pictures to colour in and word-searches, both based on the Gospel of the Sunday. Please feel free to use these during mass. (We ask that you return the picture books and colouring in pencils to the back foyer as you leave the church.)

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.

Latin Mass Timings

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.

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 held in the church which was earlier capped at 150 people. It will now be determined by the seating capacity of the church.**
- **COVID check-in using the QR Code or entering your details into the Register prior to entering the Church is mandatory.**
- **Wearing of face-masks completely covering your nose and mouth is mandatory in Church at all times. Please carry your own mask. (Celebrants are exempted).**
- **Please follow the instructions of the COVID Marshals for seating.**
- **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 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.