



ADELAIDE CATHEDRAL PARISH

Third Sunday of Lent - Year C

20th March 2022

Lenten Message 2022 (Continued)

This Sunday's Gospel passage, the third of Lent, presents Jesus' encounter with a Samaritan woman (cf. John 4:5-42). He is on his way with his disciples and they stop at a well in Samaria. The Samaritans were considered heretics by the Jews, and much despised, as second-class citizens. Jesus is tired, He is thirsty. A woman arrives to get water and He asks her, "Give me a drink" (see 7). Thus, breaking every barrier, He begins a dialogue in which He reveals to that woman the mystery of living water, that is, of the Holy Spirit, a gift from God. Indeed, to the surprised reaction of the woman, Jesus responds, "If you knew God's gift and who is the one who says to you, 'Give me a drink!', you would have asked him and He would give you living water" (see 10).

At the heart of this dialogue is water. On the one hand, water as an essential element for living, which satisfies the thirst of the body and sustains life. On the other, water is a symbol of divine grace, which gives eternal life. In the biblical tradition, God is the source of living water – as they say in the psalms, and the prophets – and moving away from God, a source of living water, and from his Law brought on the worst drought. This is the experience of the people of Israel in the desert. On the long road to freedom, dying of thirst, they cried out against Moses and against God because there was no water. Then, at God's behest, Moses brings water out of a rock, as a sign of God's providence that accompanies his people and gives them life (cf. Ex 17,1-7).

The Apostle Paul interprets that rock as a symbol of Christ. He will say thus: "And the rock is Christ" (cf. 1 Cor 10,4). He is the mysterious figure of his presence among the people of God on their journey. Christ is, in fact, the Temple from which, according to the vision of the prophets, the Holy Spirit flows, that is, the living water that purifies and gives life. Those who thirst for salvation can draw freely from Jesus, and the Holy Spirit will become in him or in her a source of full and eternal life. The promise of the living water that Jesus made to the Samaritan woman became a reality in His Passion: "blood and water" came out of his pierced ribs (John 19:34). Christ, the lamb immolated and resurrected, is the source from which the Holy Spirit springs, who remits sins and regenerates to new life.

This gift is also the source of testimony. Like the Samaritan woman, anyone who encounters the living Jesus feels the need to tell others, so that everyone might arrive at the point of professing that Jesus "is truly the Saviour of the world" (John 4.42), as that woman's fellow townspeople later said. We too, generated in new life through Baptism, are called to testify to the life and hope that are within us.

If our search and thirst find in Christ full contentment, we will manifest that salvation lies not in the "things" of this world, which eventually produce drought, but in the One who loved us and always loves us: Jesus our Saviour, in the living water that He offers us.

(Pope Francis Homilies)

**Many Blessings,
Fr. Anthoni Adimai SdM.**

Holy Week Time Table for the Cathedral Parish

The Holy Week Timetable is available on the Parish website — adelcathparish.org.au. Please download your copy for more information on services in each church of our Parish.

Stations of the Cross at the Cathedral

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday at 10.30am in the Cathedral during the Season of Lent. All are welcome.

Lenten activities for St Peter Claver and St John Vianney Communities

During Lent, Stations of the Cross devotions will be held each Thursday morning at St. John Vianney Church immediately after the 9.00 am Mass.

Cathedral Parish Scripture Study Program

The 2022 Cathedral Parish Scripture Study program is scheduled to commence on Monday 21st March (not 14th February as previously 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 begin. A couple of people have asked if the program could offer an online component. We would be happy to offer this alternative to our normal program if there was sufficient interest. Direct enquiries and bookings to Br. Martyn at martynpaxton@gmail.com. The range of modules can be viewed at:

<https://www.garrattpublishing.com.au/category/little-rock-scripture-study/>

St Peter Claver's Church to be closed from Mar 26 - 28

Due to maintenance work on the sound system, the Dulwich church will close after 11am Mass this Wednesday Mar 26 until Mar 28. There will be no adoration from Mar 26—28 and Mass on Friday, March 28 has been cancelled.

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

Telephone Counselling Course Birthline Pregnancy Support Inc.

Birthline has opened applications to this year's **Telephone Counselling Course**. Do you know someone who might like to learn more about Birthline and possibly join their team? Birthline asks you to consider forwarding this information to a suitable person. It will help them welcome new volunteers! Feel free to email your enquiries to: birthline@birthline.org.au.

21 Mar: The Meaning of Easter Lent-Easter Series 2022

Based on a contemporary understanding of the Easter story, this series explores the place of the Gospel and other accounts in the development of faith and a mature spirituality. As an experience of Catholics travelling together on the Way of Jesus, it will deepen your relationship with him and broaden your spiritual vision as we move through the days from Palm Sunday to the Resurrection. Each session will include prayer, reading, reflection, sharing and discussion.

Presenter: Kevin Liston

Where: St Martin de Porres (Hallett Cove) Church foyer

When: Mondays of Lent – March 21 and 28 & April 4 and 11

Time: 10.30am to 12 noon or 7pm to 8.30pm (choose your time)

For information or to register contact Kevin Liston: kevin.liston1@gmail.com or 0411 197 829 or just turn up on the day.

26 Mar: Lenten Retreat: The Last Seven Words Jesus Spoke from the Cross

Lenten Retreat Saturday on 26th March 11am - 3.15pm at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church, 420 Seaview Road, Henley Beach. Speaker Fr. Josy Sebastian MSFS. The day includes talks, reconciliation, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, reflection and Mass. Please bring your own food tea/coffee provided. Enquiries and bookings phone Pauline 0403002240 by 24th March. Cost by donation. All welcome. Covid-19 protocols to be observed. For information contact: Pauline Cotton 0403002240.

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.

10 Apr: Adult Formation at Semaphore

"When Sacred Heart College was at Semaphore and Largs Bay" on Sunday April 10 2022 from 4pm – 5pm at the Lefevre Catholic Community meeting rooms, 253 Military Road, Semaphore. Please call 8449 6378 and speak with Fr. Roderick O'Brien for enquiries. Kindly register before the event and on the day.



Caritas Australia Ukraine Appeal

The war in Ukraine is an escalating humanitarian crisis. In a matter of days, over a million people have been forced from their homes and at least 400 civilians have lost their lives. Many are seeking refuge in Poland and surrounding countries. Long-standing partner, Caritas Ukraine, is on the ground, supporting people in need during this humanitarian crisis. Your urgent support today will help provide critical assistance including emergency shelter, food, clean water, transportation services and psychological support to people affected by this crisis. Donate today at www.caritas.org.au/ukraine or call 1800 024 413 toll free.

Project Compassion 2022



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'.

3rd Weekend in Lent - Janice from Australia

This weekend's *story from the field* is about Janice from Australia. A Wagilak woman, Janice is a traditional dancer who tells her family's stories through movements handed down over generations. Caritas Australia supports the Djilpin Arts Aboriginal Corporation, which operates a centre for traditional and contemporary Aboriginal arts and culture, providing employment and generating income for local communities.

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.

Ethical Easter Eggs

As Easter is fast approaching, ACRATH is calling for everyone to consider the ethical dimensions of their purchases and make sure your Easter chocolate is slavery free. As Pope Francis says 'Every person ought to have the awareness that purchasing is always a moral – and not simply an economic – act.' ACRATH has compiled resources and advice to help you ensure growers and consumers in the chocolate supply chain has a Happy Easter. Please visit the following link: <https://acrath.org.au/take-action/slavery-free-easter/>

To know if the chocolate is slavery-free look for chocolate with one of these logos:



Latin Mass Community

1st Holy Communion Classes continue today at 11am.

The Young Adults Group meets this evening beginning with a Holy Hour and Vespers at 6pm followed by pizza and a talk at 7.15pm. All welcome.

This Friday is the Feast of the Annunciation. There will be Low Mass at 7am and Sung Mass at 6.30pm.

The Arts and Crafts Group meets this Friday from 9.30am – 11.30am in the Meeting Room. Contact Janette for more details on 0422 645 324. All Welcome.

The Youth Group meets this Friday at 7.30pm.

Stations of the Cross take place at 6pm every Friday of Lent, just before the 6.30pm Mass. There are additional 7am Low Masses on all the Tuesdays and Wednesdays of Lent.

Next Sunday is our Annual Car Wash fundraiser for Caritas (Project Compassion). The Youth Group and Young Adults will run the car wash again this year. Small cars are \$10/each, large vehicles \$15/each (cash only).

St Martha's Helpers are currently looking for volunteers to help provide a home-cooked meal to parishioners who are sick or who have just had a new arrival in their family. If you are interested, please contact either Susie on 0418 639 494, or Marguerite on 0421 084 268.

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 note that while capacity restrictions have been lifted, masks are still required and signing-in is still required for churches (which are classed as a 'defined public activity'). Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in this matter.

Congregational singing is permitted, but masks must still 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.

COVID-19 Protocols Update: 12th Mar 2022

- 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 full capacity in all churches.
- These density requirements (full capacity) also includes funerals and weddings.
- COVID check-in using the QR Code or entering your details into the Register prior to entering the Church is still mandatory and 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.**

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. We continue to see instances of parishioners using the ramp to walk to and from the Cathedral to the carpark. Kindly do not use the Car Park Ramp as a Pedestrian walkway. Thank you for your cooperation.

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.