



ADELAIDE CATHEDRAL PARISH

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

14th August 2022

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In today's liturgy we listen to these words from the Letter to the Hebrews: "Let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith" (Heb 12:1-2). We must give special emphasis to this affirmation in this Year of Faith.

Let us too, throughout this Year, keep our gaze fixed on Jesus because faith, which is our "yes" to the filial relationship with God, comes from him, comes from Jesus. He is the only mediator of this relationship between us and our Father who is in heaven. Jesus is the Son and we are sons in him.

This Sunday, however, the word of God also contains a word of Jesus, which alarms us and must be explained, for otherwise it could give rise to misunderstanding. Jesus says to his disciples: "Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division" (Lk 12:51). What does this mean?

It means that faith is not a decorative or ornamental element; living faith does not mean decorating life with a little religion, as if it were a cake and we were decorating it with cream. No, this is not faith. Faith means choosing God as the criterion and basis of life, and God is not empty, God is not neutral, God is always positive, God is love, and love is positive!

After Jesus has come into the world it is impossible to act as if we do not know God, or as if he were something that is abstract, empty, a purely nominal reference. No, God has a real face, he has a name: God is mercy, God is faithfulness, he is life which is given to us all. For this reason Jesus says "I came to bring division".

It is not that Jesus wishes to split people up. On the contrary Jesus is our peace, he is our reconciliation! But this peace is not the peace of the tomb, it is not neutrality, Jesus does not bring neutrality, this peace is not a compromise at all costs.

Following Jesus entails giving up evil and selfishness and choosing good, truth and justice, even when this demands sacrifice and the renunciation of our own interests. And this indeed divides; as we know, it even cuts the closest ties.

However, be careful: it is not Jesus who creates division! He establishes the criterion: whether to live for ourselves or to live for God and for others; to be served or to serve; to obey one's own ego or to obey God.

It is in this sense that Jesus is a "sign that is spoken against" (Lk 2:34). This word of the Gospel does not therefore authorize the use of force to spread the faith. It is exactly the opposite: the Christian's real force is the force of truth and of love, which involves renouncing all forms of violence.

Faith and violence are incompatible! Instead, faith and strength go together. Christians are not violent; they are strong. And with what kind of strength? That of meekness, the strength of meekness, the strength of love.

(credit: Pope Francis homilies)

Many Blessings,

Fr. Anthoni Adimai SdM
Adelaide Cathedral Parish.

13 Aug: Deacon's Day Mass

Deacons Day Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Patrick O'Regan on 13th August at 11.30am in the Cathedral. All are welcome to attend.

14 Aug: Vocations Week Appeal

This Sunday, 14th August, throughout the Church in Australia, we conclude National Vocations Awareness Week. We affirm and pray for all the baptised who are uniquely called by God and we acknowledge the Single Life, Marriage and Family Life and all Lay Ministries within the Church. The Annual Appeal to support Vocations in the Archdiocese of Adelaide will be conducted this weekend. Please contribute to the worthy cause and support the Vocations Ministry in our Archdiocese. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

15 Aug: Massing Timings Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated in our Parish on Monday, 15th August at the following Masses. All are welcome to attend.

Cathedral: 8am, 12.10pm & 5.45pm

St. Peter Claver: 11am and **St. Mary's:** 8am

18 Aug: Spiritual Healing Retreat-Charis SA

Charis SA presents a spiritual healing retreat with Fr. Roni George who visiting us from the Divine Retreat Centre in Somersby, Sydney. It will be held in St. Peter Claver's Church, Dulwich on Thursday 18th August at 7pm. Please contact 0423848717 for further details.

Final Reminder: RCIA program

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) program will begin shortly. Adults who are interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith and becoming a Catholic, kindly call the parish office on 82108155 or email: acp@acp.adelaide.catholic.org.au

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

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18 Aug: Music In The Liturgy

The Office for Worship will be hosting a course for all music ministers and choir leaders in the diocese next month. 'Music in the Liturgy' will help participants understand some of the history of liturgical music and learn appropriate ways to select music for preparation of Catholic Masses and other liturgical celebrations. It will be held on Thursday evenings, starting August 18, in the Cathedral Hall. Contact the Office for Worship on 8210 8130 or worship@adelaide.catholic.org.au for more details.

26 Aug: Relationship Education Course

Centacare Catholic Family Services has organised a relationship education course for couples preparing to marry or in a long-term relationship. It is based on current research about what makes long term relationships successful. Dates are **Fri, 26 Aug**, 7pm-10pm and **Sat, 27 Aug**, 10am-4pm at Centacare, Level 2, 45 Wakefield St, Adelaide. Please call 8215 6700 or E: registrations@centacare.org.au for more details.

11 Sep: Let Us Dream

You are invited to our 'Let us dream – Exploring Pope Francis' path to a better future' presented by Josh McDermid on **Sunday 11 September from 4-5pm** at the Lefevre Catholic Community Meeting Rooms, 253 Military Road, Semaphore. Enquiries to Fr Roderick O'Brien P: 8449 6378. A certificate of attendance is available for professional development. Please register with Fr Roderick before the day.

18 Sep: Catholic Charities Appeal



Charity is at the heart of Living Catholic. The Catholic Charities Appeal was founded in 1941 by Archbishop Beovich to help people in our community. Originally the Appeal was established to support the four orphanages in the Diocese. As social circumstances changed the large orphanages were closed and children were cared for in family-type homes. This led to an increase in the number of Catholic welfare agencies providing for the different needs of children and families. A call for increased giving to the Catholic Diocesan Charities Appeal was made. Archbishop Gleeson was then able to include these other agencies in the Appeal. Catholic Charities is your umbrella organisation that supports the following agencies working with the most vulnerable in South Australia: Hutt St. Centre, Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, Our Lady of La Vang & St. Patrick's Special Schools, Centacare Catholic Family Services. The Annual Catholic Charities Appeal will take place in our Parish on 18 September. Kindly donate generously to this noble cause and help our fellow South Australians.

18 Sep: Blessing of Significant Wedding Anniversaries

Significant wedding anniversaries will be celebrated in our parish on Sunday, 18 September. Nominate yourself or other married couples who are celebrating significant anniversaries, to receive a certificate on the day. Please contact the Parish office on P: 8210 8155 or E: acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au

23 Oct: Catholic Tennis Centenary

The SA Catholic Tennis Association will commemorate its centenary with an afternoon tea at its headquarters on Military Road, West Beach on Sunday 23 October from 2-5pm. Tea will be provided and drinks are available for purchase. Past players, office bearers and their families are cordially invited to this milestone event. Please email: westbeachtennisclub@gmail.com or contact Peter Nelligan on M: 0405 720 795 to register your interest.

Call for New Volunteers

St Vincent De Paul Adelaide Conference calls you to be a helper to those in need in the Adelaide CBD. If you feel you can spare an hour or two to visit and provide help to those in need, please call Ruthy 0450 913 238 or Claire 0438 293 602.

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 - 8.30 pm - Group gathering in the Cathedral Hall

If you are interested to know more about the group and their activities, please contact Samantha David on 0404 887 964.



Africa Food Crisis Appeal

After three years of poor rainfall, some of the worst locust plagues seen in decades and ongoing conflict, displacement and the impacts of COVID, millions of people are facing hunger and even starvation across the Horn of Africa. Through partners on the ground, donations to Caritas Australia's Africa Food Crisis appeal will go towards food distributions, support for children impacted by malnutrition, clean drinking water, cash transfers to households at risk of poverty, hygiene supplies as well as seeds and household items for families that have been displaced by conflict. Donations towards this appeal can be made by can be made at: www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/africa-food-crisis/

Latin Mass Community

Tomorrow, Monday, 15th August, is the Feast of The Assumption of the B.V.M. There will be Low Masses at 7am and 9.30am, and Sung Mass at 6.30pm.

The next *Into the Breach* session is this Wednesday at 6.45pm.

Introduction to the Faith classes continue this Thursday at 7.30pm.

The monthly Play Group for pre-school age children is this Friday morning at 9.30am. All Welcome.

Fr. McCaffrey is on annual holidays for the month of August.

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 do not place any advertising material in the church without the prior permission of the chaplain. Thank you.

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), Vincenza Martucci (Ines Barson's mother). Please also remember the recently deceased, especially Mary Miller, Margaret Mary Kemp (Paul Kemp's mother), and also those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

August Edition of the Southern Cross

The August edition of the Southern Cross is now available in all the churches of our Parish. This issue has a wrap-up of the historic Fifth Plenary Council and a feature on Vocations Awareness Week including articles celebrating significant anniversaries for Mgrs Rob Egar, John Swann, Robert Aitken and Fr George Nader.

SALA at The Monastery

This year, The Monastery is hosting two artists as a part of the South Australian Living Artists (SALA) festival. Colleen Duffy's artwork will be on display until 31st August and Ainslie Gillies-Patel will display her artwork until 14th August. All are welcome to visit and view the stunning pieces during business hours, Monday to Friday.

Adult Formation Program at Semaphore Fr Johann Hinteröcker

Fr Hinteröcker, originally from Austria, worked in Australia from 1866 until his death in 1872. This presentation will provide some information about his life as a scientist and teacher. To be held on **Sunday 14 August from 4pm to 5pm** at the Sacred Heart Church Parish meeting rooms, 253 Military Road, Semaphore. Please register with Fr Roderick O'Brien on P: 8449 6378. A certificate of attendance is available for professional development.

COVID-19 Protocols Update: 17 June 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 and also includes funerals and weddings.
- Wearing of face-masks is not mandatory in Church but is strongly recommended by the Archbishop. Please carry your own mask if you plan to wear one. 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.
- Communion is given only in hands.
- Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.
- Procession of gifts has resumed.
- Collection plates are to be passed around with minimum contact.
- All surfaces should be cleaned at least daily, with special attention given to frequently touched surfaces.

Screening Process for Volunteers

There is a mandatory requirement for everyone 14 years and older to have a current Working with Children Check if you are a regular volunteer with the Parish. Please contact the WWCC Volunteer associated with your church to lodge/renew your application:

St. Francis Xavier's Cathedral/St. Patrick's Church: Susan Wainwright & Deacon Paul Crowe
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: Michelle Dinning

Please contact the parish office on **82108155** or **acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au** for more information about your local contacts or the process.

IMPORTANT TO NOTE: Cathedral Car Park and Staircase

Using the carpark ramp as a pedestrian walkway or for baby strollers is a major safety hazard. Please avoid doing so. Thank you for your cooperation.

Safeguarding Children

A reminder that all children 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.