



Third Sunday of Advent

Today we celebrate the third Sunday of Advent. In the first reading, the prophet Isaiah invites the whole earth to rejoice in the coming of the Lord, who brings salvation to his people. He comes to open the eyes of the blind and the ears of the deaf, to heal the lame and mute (cf. 35:5-6). Salvation is offered to all, but the Lord manifests a special tenderness for the most vulnerable, the most fragile, the poorest of his people.

On this third Sunday of Advent, called the Sunday of "joy", the Word of God invites us on the one hand to joy, and on the other to the awareness that existence also includes moments of doubt, in which it is difficult to believe. Joy and doubt are both experiences that are part of our lives.

To the prophet Isaiah's explicit invitation to joy: "The desert and the parched land will exult, the steppe will rejoice and bloom" (35:1), the Gospel contrasts to the doubt of John the Baptist: "Are you the one who is to come or should we wait for another?" (Mt 11.3). Indeed, the prophet sees beyond the situation: he has discouraged people before him: weak hands, faltering knees, lost hearts (cf. 35:3-4).

It is the same reality that in every age tests faith. But the man of God looks beyond, because the Holy Spirit makes his heart feel the power of his promise, and he announces salvation: "Courage, do not fear! Here is your God, [...] He comes to save you" (v. 4). And then everything is transformed: the desert blooms, consolation and joy take hold of the lost heart, the lame, the blind, those who can't speak are healed (cf. vv. 5-6).

This is what is accomplished with Jesus: "the blind regain their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are purified, the deaf hear, the dead rise, the poor have the Gospel proclaimed to them" (Mt 11:5). This description shows us that salvation envelops the whole person and regenerates him. But this new birth, with the joy that accompanies it, always presupposes a death to ourselves and to the sin that is in us.

Hence the call to conversion, which is the basis of the preaching of both the Baptist and Jesus; in particular, it's about converting the idea we have of God. And the time of Advent stimulates us to this precisely with the question that John the Baptist asks Jesus: "Are you the one who must come or do we have to wait for another one?" (Mt 11.3). We think: all his life John has waited for the Messiah; his way of life, his own body is shaped by this expectation. For this reason too Jesus praises him with those words: no one is greater than him among those born of a woman (cf. Mt 11:11). And yet, he too had to convert to Jesus. Like John, we too are called to recognise the face that God has chosen to take in Jesus Christ, humble and merciful.

(Pope Francis' Homilies)

10/11 Dec: Adelaide Conference Vinnies Giving Tree

The Vinnies Giving Tree has been placed to the left hand side of the Cathedral Altar. The list of items needs is also next to the tree. Please place your donation in bags below the tree by 16 December 2022. Kindly do not wrap any items up. We thank you for your generosity during this season of Advent.

10/11 Dec: Advent Appeal for Ukraine

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference is supporting a special Advent appeal for the people of Ukraine, following a request from Bishop Mykola Bychok CSsR, Eparch of Sts Peter and Paul for the Ukrainian Catholic Church in Australia. Collections in dioceses, eparchies and parishes on the Second and/or Third Sunday of Advent will support *Mudra Sprava* (Wise Action), a Patriarchal Charitable Foundation in Ukraine. The organisation has three focus areas: Evacuation of people from frontline territories; Food packages for people in need; Shelters for internally displaced persons. Find out more at: www.catholic.au

11 Dec: Cathedral Christmas Concert

A free concert of beautiful Christmas choral motets will be held in the Cathedral on Sunday, 11 Dec at 7.30pm. The concert will be performed by members of the Cathedral Choir, Choir of the Holy Cross and Flinders University Chamber Ensemble, featuring contemporary and traditional works.

24 Dec: Christmas Carols at 11pm

There will be Traditional Carols before the Midnight Mass on 24 December. All are welcome to attend. Please join in singing, with the Cathedral choir, all the familiar traditional Christmas Carols followed by a joyous Christmas Midnight Mass.

24 Dec: Christmas Appeal for the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry

The Otherway Centre is the home of the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry (ACM) and the cultural hub of Centacare. Money raised from the appeal funds activities that bring the community together and provide vital healing and yarning opportunities to strengthen cultural and spiritual connections. Located at Stepney, the Centre has been supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and the wider community for more than 30 years. Your Christmas contributions to this important cause is greatly appreciated.

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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Parish newsletter: www.adelcathparish.org/news-events/weekly-newsletters.

Aboriginal Catholic Ministry

Otherway Centre 8362 3185

Cathedral Parish Music 8210 8128

Any emergency requiring a priest• 0417 080 955

Pastoral Care: Visitation and Communion can be arranged for parishioners who are ill. Please call the Office: 8210 8155.



Regular Mass Timings

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OR SCAN THE QR CODE WITH YOUR PHONE CAMERA FOR
OUR REGULAR AND CHRISTMAS TIMINGS

St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Adelaide

Sunday Masses Sat : 6pm(Vigil)
Sun: 7am, 9am, 11am,
2.30pm (African), 6pm

Weekday Masses Mon - Fri: 8am, 12.10pm & 5.45pm
Sat: 8am, 11.30am

Confessions Mon, Wed, Fri: 11-12 noon, 5-5.30pm
Sat: 12 noon-1pm, 4.30-5.30pm

Holy Hour Tues: 6.30pm, Fri: 11am

Public Holidays 8am Mass ONLY at the Cathedral

St Mary's, Lower North Adelaide

Tues and Fri: 8am
Sun: 9.30am

Our Lady Queen of Angels, Thebarton

Wed: 8.30am (Mass suspended until further notice)
Sat: Confessions: 5.45pm | Vigil: 6pm
Sun: 9.30am

St John Vianney, Burnside

Tues and Thu: Mass: 9am | Confessions: 9.30am
Sun: 9am

St Peter Claver, Dulwich

Wed: 9am, Fri: 11am Confessions: 11.30am
Sat: Confessions: 5.30pm | Vigil: 6pm
Sun: 11am

Holy Name, Stepney

Sun: 11am

St. Patrick, Grote Street, Adelaide

Sun: 10.30am (Croatian)
4.00pm (Portuguese) ONLY 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Kangaroo Island

Sun: Confessions: 9:00 am | Mass: 9.30 am

Please contact the Parish Office for Baptism & Wedding bookings.

WORSHIP

Entrance Antiphon: Rejoice in the Lord always, again I say, rejoice, Indeed, the Lord is near.

First Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6,10.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, come and save us.

Second Reading: James 5:7-10.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11.

Universal Prayer Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon: Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear. Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.

Next week: Fourth Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 7:10-14.

Second Reading: Romans 1:1-7.

Gospel: Matthew 1:23.

Liturgies & Activities (12th– 18th November)

Mon Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Tue St. Lucy.

Wed St. John of the Cross.

Fri Blessed Philip Siphong and Companions.

Sun Fourth Sunday of Advent.

Prayer Requests for the Deceased

Deceased Anniversaries:

Cathedral: Giuliano Di Francesco, George Fernandes, Dumon family, Gerald Peiris, Barbara Marian Checuti, Patrick Sniatynskij, Teresa Vella,

Queen of Angels: Anna Lustri.

St. Marys: Stanislawa Kapinski.

Holy Name: Domenico Barbaro.

St. John Vianney/St. Peter Claver: Barry Maloney and Jillian Burns.

Prayers Requests for the Sick

June Cochrane, Kuranye Owen, Anton Sylvester, Antonio Romeo, Teresita Agravante, Angelina Musico, Amy Lopez, Julie Nelson, Elijah Oleta, Agnes Sobida Liat, Bebut & Stella Alquizola, Shamie Legaya, Msgr. Robert Egar, Richard Murphy, Charles Dias, Diana, Klevis Gjeluci, Emily Swan, Minguel Rodrigues, Vilma D'cruz, Joshua Jose, Letemichael Mender, Janet Gracey and Patricia Holdcroft.

11 Dec : Festa of Santa Lucia at Church of the Holy Name

The Feast of Santa Lucia will be held at the Church of the Holy Name, Stepney on 11 December at the 11am Mass. All are welcome to attend.

23 Dec-2 Jan: Parish Office Closure

The Adelaide Cathedral Parish office will be closed from 12pm on 23 Dec 2022 and will reopen on 3 Jan as per normal Parish office hours. Please make your Mass offerings for this period before 23 Dec in case you need to. During this period, for an emergency requiring a priest please call the emergency number.

23 Dec-8 Jan: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Recess

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St Peter Claver Church, Dulwich will go into the Christmas period recess after close of Exposition on Friday 23 December 2022, resuming Monday 9 January 2023.

14-23 Jan: Road Closures in January 2023

There will be road closures around Victoria Square and Wakefield Street during the month of January due to the Santos Down Under Cycle Race. More details regarding the dates and changes to services (if any) will be published in the newsletter next week. Please note the changes when planning to attend services at the Cathedral since there will be limited or no access if you are driving into the city.

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 after the 6pm Mass:

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.

Thank You to our Patrons and Volunteers Feast of St. Francis Xavier Fundraiser

The Clergy and staff of the Adelaide Cathedral Parish would like to thank all our Volunteers and Patrons who joined us for a fundraising lunch last Saturday, 3 December at Seaton Parish Hall to celebrate the Feast of St. Francis Xavier. The funds (\$4000) were raised in support of the Kangaroo Island Parish, which is part of the Adelaide Cathedral Parish. Your kindness and generosity is greatly appreciated.

Pathways Snack-N-Chat

'Snack and Chat' opportunities for young people to gather, meet up with each other and informally consider your life's pathways whatever that may be. For further information contact jenny.seal@olshaustralia.org.au

Christmas Shopping at the Mary MacKillop Museum Gift Shop

The Mary MacKillop Museum Gift Shop has a Special Christmas gift stall during December. Handcrafted cards for Christmas, birthdays, anniversaries, bereavements, sacraments (Baptism, Confirmation, First Reconciliation, Communion and Marriage) are now available. Most of the above items are also available online: www.marymackillopadeelaide.org.au A 'click and collect' option is available for those who would like to use it.

Palms Australia: Roll up your sleeves: make a difference overseas.

Do you require professional renewal, or are you seeking a retirement challenge? Communities abroad are asking for qualified and experienced Australians able to mentor their people in education, health, administration, trades, agriculture and more. Imagine yourself re-engaging your vocational passion in Africa, Asia or the Pacific.

Since 1961 Palms Australia has been recruiting Australians able to offer mentoring that will allow overseas counterparts opportunities otherwise unattainable. Sharing your skills will strengthen the capacity of workers overseas to serve their communities for generations to come, long after you return home.

Communities in American Samoa, Cambodia, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste, and Zambia are seeking to fill a variety of roles. Enquire about those roles via www.palms.org.au or by calling 02 9560 533 or 0422 472 567.

Adelaide Cathedral Parish School-Aged Sacramental Preparation Program

The Adelaide Cathedral parish will be conducting a preparation program in 2023 for the Sacraments of Initiation, including Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation. Candidates should be at least 8 years old in 2023.

The program will start with an introductory evening on Wednesday 22 February 2022. Parents who would like their child enrolled in this program or need further information should contact the Parish Office on 08 8210 8155 or email: acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au

Ideally, enrollments should be completed by the end of December 2022. Please note that the Parish office closes on 23 December at mid-day. If your child requires the sacrament of baptism, you will need to arrange an appointment to meet Fr Anthoni Adimai, our parish administrator, before they can be enrolled in any other preparation program.

Christmas & New Year Time-Table 2022-23

The Christmas and New Year Timetable 2022-23 for all Masses is our Parish is now available on our website adelcathparish.org and includes Confession timings. Paper copies are also available in the foyer of all churches in our Parish.

Latin Mass Community

Today is the annual St. Lucia Festa of the Italian Community. Please take extra care when exiting the carpark this morning as it will be busier than usual.

There will be a homemade pasta bake fundraiser sale after the 9.15am Mass today. \$5/bowl. All are welcome.

2023 FSSP calendars (\$15) are now on sale at the bookstore.

Next Sunday, 18 Dec: Children's Christmas Play at 11am (Ellengowan Hall); Advent Carol Service at 8pm (St. Patrick's Grote St).

Christmas movie night fundraiser – Wed 21st December at 6.15pm at Palace Nova Eastend. *It's a Wonderful Life* starring Jimmy Stewart. "One of the greatest films ever made!" Tickets are \$21 for adults and \$16 for children under 14. All the info is in the link: <https://www.trybooking.com/CEMKP> Bookings essential.

Christmas Day Mass times:

Midnight Solemn Mass

5am Sung Mass

7am Low Mass

9.15am Sung Mass

Please note that there will be NO 5pm Mass on Christmas Day.

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 website.

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

Please remember the sick in your prayers, especially Bill Mamo (Tina Marsh's brother), Kathryn Nader, Tony Caruso, Luise Obrist (Gaby Freer's mother), Vincenza Martucci (Ines Barson's mother).

Please also remember the recently deceased, and also those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

November Holy Souls

Paul & Jeremy Milton, Sylvia Wolf, Douglas Cabral, Rocco Fiorenza & family, Pacetta family, Cirillo family, Bernard & Josephine Jayawardena, Edward & Violet Baker, Margaret Baker Genovesi, Louise Isler, Griestje Lena Versteegen, Pardede family, Cornish family, Marshall family, Terrace & Basil Cabral, Florine Colaco, Custodio Xavier & Ana Severina Fernandes, Thelma Rodrigues, Joseph & Sebastian Rosario Lobo, Louisa & Gasper Fernandes, Philomena & Louis Caitan Correa, Franklin Correa, Bertha D'souza, Joe D'mello, Angel Mendonca, Ben D'souza, Sabina Fernandes, Benny Rodrigues, Maria Pinto, Maria Rodrigues, Arnold & Audette Drego, Michelle D'souza, Mathias family (Maria, Joseph, Harold, Leslie, Dulcine and Pascal), Lincoln Xavier Colaco and Joe Carvalho.

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 government health protocols. Please stay home and do not attend church services till you have fully recovered.** Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are requested to stay home and not attend services.
- 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.
- Hand sanitiser is available at church entrances. Kindly sanitise your hands before entering the church.
- Communion is given only in hands and 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.

Cathedral Car Park and Staircase Driveway on the Cathedral lawns and Driveway in the Underground Car park

All pedestrians and parents with baby strollers must use ONLY the carpark staircase when entering and exiting the underground carpark. Using the carpark ramp as a pedestrian walkway or for baby strollers is a major safety hazard. Please avoid doing so. **Please do not double park your car in the underground car park driveway. Blocking the safe entry and exit of vehicles during Weekend Masses and is a major safety hazard.** Parking on the driveway of the Cathedral lawns is also prohibited at all times. Both the driveways (underground car park and on the lawns) must be free for movement of vehicles at all times.

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.

Child Safe Environments Briefing 2023

We would like to thank all our volunteers who enrolled for the Child Safe Environment Briefing in December. We will be announcing a schedule with dates and times for 2023 in January. All volunteers who have not attended a briefing in the last 3 years would need to enrol for one of the dates published since the CSE briefing is mandatory. **If you have attended a Child Safe Environments or RRHAN training within the past 3 years you do not need to attend the Volunteer Briefing.**