



Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

19th February 2023

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In this Sunday's Gospel (Mt 5:38-48) — one of the passages that best illustrates Christian "revolution" — Jesus shows us the way of true justice through the law of love which is greater than the law of retaliation, "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth".

This ancient law imposed the infliction on wrongdoers of a punishment equivalent to the damage they caused: death for those who killed, amputation for those who injured, and so on. Jesus does not ask his disciples to abide evil, but asks them to react; however, not with another evil action, but with good.

This is the only way to break the chain of evil: one evil leads to another which leads to another evil... This chain of evil is broken and things truly begin to change. Evil is, in fact, a "void", a void of good. It is not possible to fill a void, except with "fullness", that is, good. Revenge never leads to conflict resolution. "You did this to me, I will do it back to you": this never resolves conflict, nor is it even Christian.

According to Jesus, the rejection of violence can also involve the sacrifice of a legitimate right. He gives a few examples of this: turn the other cheek, give up your coat or money, accept other sacrifices (v. 39-42).

But such sacrifice does not mean that the demands of justice should be ignored or contradicted. No, on the contrary, Christian love, which manifests itself in a special way in mercy, is an achievement superior to justice. What Jesus wants to teach us is the clear distinction that we must make between justice and revenge.

Distinguishing between justice and revenge. Revenge is never just. We are permitted to ask for justice. It is our duty to exercise justice. We are, however, not permitted to avenge ourselves or, in any way foment revenge, as it is an expression of hatred and violence.

Jesus does not wish to propose a new system of civil law, but rather the commandment to love thy neighbour, which also includes loving enemies: "Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you". (v. 44) And this is not easy.

These words should not be seen as an approval of evil carried out by an enemy, but as an invitation to a loftier perspective, a magnanimous perspective, similar to that of the Heavenly Father, who, Jesus says, "makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust". (v. 45). An enemy, in fact, is also a human being, created as such in God's image, despite the fact that in the present, that image may be tarnished by shameful behaviour.

When we speak of "enemies", we should not think about people who are different or far removed from us; let us also talk about ourselves, as we may come into conflict with our neighbour, at times with our relatives. How many hostilities exist within families — how many! Let us think about this. Enemies are also those who speak ill of us, who defame us and do us harm. It is not easy to digest this. We are called to respond to each of them with good, which also has strategies inspired by love.

(Pope Francis' homilies)

22 Feb: Ash Wednesday Mass Timings

Mass Timings for Ash Wednesday in our parish will be as follows:

SFX Cathedral: 8am, 12.10pm & 5.45pm

Queen of Angels, Thebarton: 8.30am

St. Mary's, North Adelaide: 8am

St. Peter Claver's, Dulwich: 9am

There will be no services at St. John Vianney, Burnside and Holy Name, St. Peters.

Stations of the Cross at the Cathedral

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday from 24 Feb at 10.30am in the Cathedral followed by Adoration and Benediction at 11am.

Lenten Reflection Books 2023

The 2023 Lenten Reflection booklets are available in the foyer of all the churches in our Parish. The Psalm and Gospel readings for each Sunday in Lent are included in the booklet along with reflections written by clergy and lay people in our Archdiocese and small group questions that are suitable for secondary students to adults. We invite families and groups to use this booklet as you see appropriate by forming a weekly Lenten reflection hour, and encourage them to take home a copy for their own. The online version is at: <https://www.ofw-adelaide.org.au/publications.html>

Lenten program

You are invited to a different Lent experience. Based on a contemporary understanding of the Easter story, this program explores the place of the Gospel narratives 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. Each session will include prayer, reading, reflection, sharing and discussion. For further information and to register, email Kevin Liston. on Kevin.liston1@gmail.com or P: 0411197829

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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Otherway Centre 8362 3185

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



Regular Mass Timings

REFER TO PARISH WEBSITE FOR DETAILED SCHEDULE
OR SCAN THE QR CODE WITH YOUR PHONE CAMERA FOR
OUR REGULAR 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
Except 26 January—Mass at 9am 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: O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. My heart will rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.

First Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2,17-18.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is kind and merciful.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:16-23.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia. Whoever keeps the word of Christ, grows perfect in the love of God. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48.

Universal Prayer Response: Lord hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon: I will recount all your wonders, I will rejoice in you and be glad, and sing psalms to your name, O Most High.

Next Week: First Sunday of Lent.

First Reading: Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7

Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19

Gospel: Matthew 4:4

Liturgies & Activities (20th-26th Feb)

Tue St. Peter Damian.

Wed Ash Wednesday.

Thu St. Polycarp.

Sun First Sunday of Lent

Prayer Requests for the Deceased

Recently Deceased: Mr. Mazzarino.

Deceased Anniversaries:

Cathedral: Amal Youssef, Moniz Da Silva family (Antonio, Joana & Diogo) and Leonor & Emilio Solarzano,

Queen of Angels: Ielasi family(Caterina, Rosario & Antonio) Saverio & Anna Sergi, Giuseppe Portolesi and Saverio Perre

St. Mary's: John Baptiste, Jeffrey Roche, Kathleen Wenslee and Mame Healy.

Holy Name: Giandomenico Iadanza & Antonio Guerriero.

St. John Vianney/St. Peter Claver: Richard Oon, Karen Anne Gilbert, Adele Settembri and Hollis & Wells families.

Prayers Requests for the Sick

Fidy Ruivivar, Maryellen, Brian and Rosemary Brazier, June Cochrane, Anton Sylvester, Antonio Romeo, Msgr. Robert Egar, Angelina Musico, Charles Dias, Diana, Klevis Gjeluci, Emily Swan, Julie Nelson, David Clayton, Mary Walsh, Vilma D'cruz and Lydia D'souza.

18/19 Feb: Project Compassion 2023

Please take home a Project Compassion box or set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and **For All Future Generations**.



With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction. Project Compassion 2023 reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come.

As St Pope John Paul II said, **“The future starts today, not tomorrow.”**

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations**.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or by calling 1800 024 413.

19 Feb: Festival of Hymns

On Sunday 19 February at 1pm, James Lloyd, Cathedral Organist will give a free concert at the St Francis Xavier's Cathedral featuring well-loved hymns played on the magnificent Cathedral Casavant Frères pipe organ. You are warmly invited to both attend and join in singing. James is the regular organist at the Cathedral's 11 am Sunday Solemn Mass and his vibrant and effusive style has pleased Mass-goers for many years. This promises to be an afternoon of high entertainment and great delight for those who love music played on the Casavant Frère organ. The concert is part of the 2023 Fringe Organ Recitals program at the Cathedral.

21 Feb: Gala for Life Fundraiser Dinner

Gala For Life brings you a fun and elegant fundraising dinner for Pregnancy Help Australia, with special guest speakers, including Jor-El Godsey, president of Heartbeat International, USA, on Tuesday 21 Feb from 6pm to 10pm at the Strathmore Hotel, Adelaide. Tickets on sale now through www.galaforlife.com.au Pension and student discounts available. Hope to see you there to celebrate life!

16-22 Feb: Visit of Relics

The Saint Maroun Parish, 379 Goodwood Road, Westbourne Park will be blessed with the 'Visit of the Relics of St Maroun, St Charbel, St Rafqa, St Nehmetallah and St Mary MacKillop'. The church will be open from 10 am to 10 pm on each of those days for our community and the general public to venerate and pray with the relics. For more information, please visit our Facebook page or call the parish office P: 08 8271 0806 Monday and Thursday 9 am-3 pm.

26 Feb: Retreat Walk – Semaphore

This contemplative walk along the beaches of Semaphore, Adelaide, is organised by Jesuit and Ignatian Spirituality Australia. It will begin at 9.30 am and conclude by 4 pm. This is a (mostly) silent walk beginning with prayer and ending with shared reflection. The 7km walk is graded as 'easy' and is suitable for most ages and fitness levels. Cost is \$25, meet at the carpark near the Semaphore Surf Life Saving Club, Point Malcolm Reserve, 343 Military Road, Semaphore Park. **Enquiries:** 1300 392 636 or info@jisa.org.au. Please register at: <https://jisa.org.au/retreat/retreat-walk-adelaide-south-australia/>

28 Feb/1 Jun: The Spirit of the Liturgy and The Eucharist

Get a new understanding of what our **Catholic liturgy** is all about as you explore it over five weeks with Dr. Jenny O'Brien (Office for Worship). The sessions will run on Thursdays beginning 2nd to 30th March from 7-9pm, in the Adelaide Cathedral Hall, Wakefield St.

The Eucharist – commencing Thursday 1st to 29th June (5 weeks) 7.00pm – 9.00pm, at the Cathedral Hall., Wakefield St.

Learn about the history and development of the Mass – Why we do what we do each Sunday. Find out about Eucharistic devotions outside of Mass and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Develop practical skills in preparing for Sunday Mass.

Cost: \$50. To enrol, contact the Office for Worship on P: 8210 8130 or worship@adelaide.catholic.org.au by Tuesday 28 February.

28 Feb: Consultation on Sports & Ministry

The Bishops Commission for Evangelisation, Laity and Ministry (BCELM) invites Catholics to register for an online, national sports consultation, scheduled for Tuesday, 28 February, from 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm CST. The consultation will include presentations from Dr Pérez de Camino, head of the Church and Sport Office in the Vatican's Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life as well Australian researchers and practitioners specialising in sports ministry. Participants will engage in group discussion on ways the Church can become a protagonist in the experience and culture of sport in Australia. To view the program and register visit www.nce.catholic.org.au/sport.

1,8 & 15 Mar: Fringe Festival Organ Recitals at the Cathedral

The Archdiocese of Adelaide with the Adelaide Fringe invite you to attend — *Lunchtime Organ Recitals* at the St Francis Xavier Cathedral. The half-hour recitals begin at 1pm. We welcome Val Estrella for the first recital in this series. Entry is free. All are welcome. Please phone the Cathedral Parish for further information P: 8210 8155.

Lenten Stations of the Cross St John Vianney Church, Burnside

During Lent there will be Stations of the Cross devotions at St. John Vianney Church, Burnside on each Thursday immediately after the 9.00am Mass. All welcome.

Latin Mass Community

There will be pancakes on sale today after the 9.15am Mass. \$2 each, or \$5 for 3. Cash only.

1st Holy Communion classes continue today at 11am.

There will be a *Gala for Life* dinner at 6pm this Tuesday 21 Feb. at the Strathmore Hotel, North Terrace to fundraise for Pregnancy Help Australia. Please visit galaforlife.com.au to purchase tickets.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday this week. Masses will be at 7 am and 9.30 am (both Low Masses) and 6.30pm Solemn Mass. Blessed ashes will be distributed at all Masses. Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence.

Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 6 pm every Friday of Lent.

Catechism Classes for children are from 5.30-6.15pm this Friday and the Youth Group is from 7.15 pm onwards.

Scripture Class continues this Monday at 7.30 pm, (the Gospel according to St. Matthew), and Beginners Latin continues this Tuesday from 6.30 pm to 7.45 pm. Both classes are held in the Meeting Room. Introductory Theology Classes continue this Thursday evening from 7.30-8.30 pm. All welcome.

The 2023 Latin Mass Community year calendar is now available from the doors of the church on blue paper. Please take a copy home for your fridge door.

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 9.15 am 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 Damian Wyld, Kathryn Nader, Tony Caruso, Vincenza Martucci (Ines Barson's mother).

Please also remember the recently deceased especially Bill Mamo (Tina Marsh's brother) and those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

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

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.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION NOTICE:

Churches in Adelaide Cathedral Parish

In the unlikely event of an emergency, please follow directions of the Priest who shall act as the Chief Warden and take control of the emergency response.

When directed to evacuate the church:

- Move quickly and orderly to the nearest safe exit, do not run
- If required, provide assistance to disabled persons and the elderly
- Alert the Priest / Warden if someone is unable or unwilling to evacuate
- Proceed to the designated assembly area and await further instructions from the Priest or emergency services
- Do not re-enter any buildings until advised by the Priest or emergency services

ASSEMBLY POINTS IN EMERGENCY EVACUATION	
St Francis Xavier Cathedral	Mary MacKillop Plaza
Queen of Angels Church, Thebarton	Grass area
St Mary's Church, North Adelaide	Car Park
St John Vianney, Burnside	Car Park
St Peter Claver, Dulwich	Car Park
Holy Name Church, Stepney	Car Park



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Dulwich/ Burnside St. Vincent de Paul Conference say Thank You.

The Conference would like to extend their thanks to all parishioners who generously supported the Christmas Appeal by donating money, food and gifts for Christmas Hampers. Thank you to those people who helped with packing and delivering the hampers. Thanks to your generosity we were able to assist people in our local area plus provide assistance to the Mt Barker/ Strathalbyn, Elizabeth North and Elizabeth South Conferences. Your contributions certainly provided some Christmas cheer from the feedback we received. The people we delivered hampers to in our region were most grateful for the Coles gift cards that were so generously donated by parishioners.