



The Feast of the Ascension

Today we celebrate the Ascension of Jesus into Heaven, 40 days after Easter. The Acts of the Apostles recounts this episode, the final separation of the Lord Jesus from his disciples and from this world (cf. Acts 1:2-9). The Gospel of Matthew, however, reports Jesus' mandate to his disciples: the invitation to go out, to set out in order to proclaim to all nations his message of salvation (cf. Mt 28:16-20). "To go" or, better, "depart" becomes the key word of today's feast: Jesus departs to the Father and commands his disciples to depart for the world.

Jesus departs, he ascends to Heaven, that is, he returns to the Father from whom he had been sent to the world. He finished his work; thus, he returns to the Father. But this does not mean a separation, for he remains forever with us, in a new way. By his ascension, the Risen Lord draws the gaze of the Apostles — and our gaze — to the heights of Heaven to show us that the end of our journey is the Father.

He himself said that he would go to prepare a place for us in Heaven. Yet, Jesus remains present and active in the affairs of human history through the power and the gifts of his Spirit; he is beside each of us: even if we do not see him with our eyes, He is there! He accompanies us, he guides us, he takes us by the hand, and he lifts us up when we fall.

The risen Jesus is close to persecuted and discriminated Christians; he is close to every man and woman who suffers. He is close to us all; he is here, too, with us in the square; the Lord is with us! Do you believe this? Then let's say it together: the Lord is with us! When Jesus returns to Heaven, he brings the Father a gift. What is the gift? His wounds. His body is very beautiful, no bruises, no cuts from the scourging, but he retains his wounds.

When he returns to the Father, he shows him the wounds and says: "behold Father, this is the price of the pardon you have granted". When the Father beholds the wounds of Jesus he forgives us forever, not because we are good, but because Jesus paid for us. Beholding the wounds of Jesus, the Father becomes most merciful.

This is the great work of Jesus today in Heaven: showing the Father the price of forgiveness, his wounds. This is the beauty that urges us not to be afraid to ask forgiveness; the Father always pardons, because he sees the wounds of Jesus, he sees our sin and he forgives it. But Jesus is present also through the Church, which He sent to extend his mission. Jesus' last message to his disciples is the mandate to depart: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations". (Mt 28:19).

It is a clear mandate, not just an option! The Christian community is a community "going forth", "in departure". More so: the Church was born "going forth". And you will say to me: what about cloistered communities? Yes, these too, for they are always "going forth" through prayer, with the heart open to the world, to the horizons of God. And the elderly, the sick? They, too, through prayer and union with the wounds of Jesus.

(Pope Francis' homilies)

Fr. Anthoni Adimai, SdM.

21 May: Mystagogy Mass at 11am

We welcome in a special way at the Sunday 11am Mass our new Catholics brothers and sisters who were received into the Church at the Easter Vigil when they celebrated the Sacraments of Initiation. We also acknowledge and thank their parish sponsors and their families.

21/28 May: Annual Diocesan Mass Count

The Annual Diocesan Mass Count began last Sunday and will continue at all weekend Masses throughout the month of May. The information is collected to help the Archdiocese with pastoral planning and financial reporting. The mass count will end on the last week of May. We appreciate your support and help in this regard and thank you for your co-operation.

27 May: James Thomson Ordination

Please join in celebrating the ordination of Deacon James Thomson to the priesthood at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral on Saturday May 27 at 10am. For those who are not able to attend, the Mass will be livestreamed via www.adelaide.catholic.org.au This is a significant event for the Archdiocese and we ask that you keep James in your prayers in his journey to ordination. For more information, please contact Archdiocesan Events on 8210 8220.

27 May: 11.30am Mass & Confessions

The 11.30am Mass and 12.00pm confessions on 27th May **stands cancelled** due to the Ordination Mass of James Thomson. Any inconvenience is regretted.

28 May: Rosary at Queen of Angels

May is the month in honour of Our Lady. On Sunday 28th May, starting at 9am, before the 9.30am Mass, we will be reciting the Rosary in honour of Our Lady. There will be morning tea in the hall after the Mass. All are welcome.

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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Aboriginal Catholic Ministry

Otherway Centre 8362 3185

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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

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 and 25 April - 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

Sat: Confessions: 5.45pm | Vigil: 6pm
Sun: 9.30am

St John Vianney, Burnside

Tues and Thu: Mass: 9am | Confessions (Thu): 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: Your kingdoms of the Earth, sing to God: praise the Lord, who ascends above the highest heavens.; His majesty and might are in the skies. Alleluia.

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11.

Responsorial Psalm: God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mathew 28:16-20.

Universal Prayer Response: Christ, graciously hear us.

Communion Antiphon: Christ, offering a single sacrifice for sins, is seated forever at God's right hand, Alleluia.

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Next Week: Pentecost Sunday

First Reading: Genesis 11:1-9

Second Reading: Romans 8:22-27.

Gospel: John 7:37-39.

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Liturgies & Activities (22nd–28th May)

Mon St. Rita of Cascia
Tue Solemnity of Our Lady, Help of Christians.
Thu St. Bede the Venerable & St Mary Madgelen de'Pazzi
Fri St. Philip Neri
Sat St. Augustine of Canterbury
Sun Pentecost Sunday

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Prayer Requests for the Deceased

Recently Deceased: Margaret Cunningham and Carmela DeLivera.

Deceased Anniversaries:

Cathedral: Ester Renaglia, Doris Alberque, Lawrence & Ciriaco Fernandes, Elizabeth Fernando, Dumon family, Queena Alinskie, John Anthony Fullerton,

Queen of Angels: Saverio & Anna Sergi, Ielasi family (Antonio, Rosario & Caterina), Palumbo family, Tripodi family Forza family, Aupete family and Ceraci family.

St. Mary's: Maria Ivankovic, Elvira & Xavier Albanozzo, Paul O'Loughlin, Bernard Day and Connie Isola.

St. John Vianney/St. Peter Claver: Leeson's family, Furno family, Alay Hey, Margaret Taylor, Quini Nakasima & family, Patricia Robinson & family, Sydney & Kath Cochrane, Ruth & Richard Wayte and Michael Allworden.

Prayers Requests for the Sick

Maria Therese Cummins, Fidy Ruivivar, Maryellen, Brian & 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, Ingrid Rebmann, Jithin Jamon and Shaun & Joseph Coleiro.

14-21 May: National Volunteer Week Thank you to all our Volunteers

We would like to thank our community of Adelaide Cathedral Parish volunteers across all churches: our readers, mass coordinators, eucharistic ministers, altar servers, collections volunteers, cleaners, admin and other general volunteers for their gift of time, energy, and dedication as we take the time to appreciate our them during National Volunteer Week 2023. A volunteer's contribution supports and strengthened the work of our mission of our Parish and the Archdiocese. We ask God's blessing for all our volunteers and their families and thank them once again for their ongoing support and service to the Adelaide Cathedral Parish.

27/28 May: Cakes and Cookies Fundraiser Sale for Kangaroo Island Parish

The Cathedral Parish is looking to organise a fundraising sale of delicious Cakes and Cookies on the last Sunday of each month in the Cathedral foyer after the 9am, 11am and 6pm Masses. We invite all parishioners who are willing to help with managing the stall and/or contribute to this cause by baking cakes, cookies and other baked goodies to contact Mary Bugeja on 0417808183. All proceeds from the sale will go to the ongoing fundraising effort for the Kangaroo Island Parish. The first sale will be scheduled for the weekend of 24/25 June. The success of this fundraiser is dependent on the willingness of our parishioners to manage the stall and provide baked goodies. We look forward to your patronage and support to make this event a success.

21-28 May: Laudato Si' Week

The annual celebration of Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si'/On Care for Our Common Home*. This year's theme is *Hope for the Earth, Hope for Humanity*. The Diocesan Council for Integral Ecology invites you to an afternoon of underwater adventure and global concern at the Marine Discovery Centre, Star of the Sea School, 333 Military Rd, Henley Beach from 2.00 to 4.30pm. *Caring for Our Coasts and Oceans – Adelaide's coastline, the Great Southern Reef and the threats to global oceans* will offer hands on experience of our precious coast and marine environments. Registration details and flyer will be available next week. Parishes and schools are also urged to show a YouTube video produced by the Laudato Si' Movement and the Vatican, called *The Letter – A message for our Earth*, available at <https://www.theletterfilm.org/watch/>. It tells the story of how climate change is impacting people and wildlife in different places, and what can be done to reverse the damage. For further information and ideas about how you can be involved in Laudato Si' Week contact James Lloyd, Pastoral Lead, Justice, Inclusion and Healing on P:8210 8210 or jlloyd@adelaide.catholic.org.au

28 May: Recruiting New Altar Servers

St. Francis Xavier's Cathedral is looking for volunteers to serve at Masses in the Cathedral. No prior experience is required and training will be provided to all. Altar serving is open to all who have received their First Holy Communion and Confirmation from the ages of 12 & above. Please contact the Parish office during working hours on 82108155 to register your interest. Training will begin in the month of June.

1 June: Adelaide Archdiocesan Office For Worship Formation Experience

The Adelaide Archdiocesan Office for Worship is providing a formation experience about the Eucharist, and all are invited to attend. To be held on five Thursday evenings from 7-9pm starting on June 1 in the Cathedral Hall, Wakefield St, Adelaide with free parking available. This course is also available via zoom for those who cannot attend in-person. Explore the history and development of the Eucharist according to the Roman rite. As well as focusing on the Eucharistic celebration itself, participants will gain insight and knowledge about Eucharistic devotions, consider architecture and space, and have the opportunity to develop practical skills in preparing for Eucharistic celebrations. Registration fee is \$50. Email officeforworship@adelaide.catholic.org.au or call P: 8210 8130 to register.

4 June: Understanding Divine Mercy talk at St Peter Claver, Dulwich

Fr. Chris Alar MIC will be presenting a prayer workshop on **Understanding Divine Mercy** on Sunday, 4 June at St. Peter Claver Church, Dulwich from 12.30-4.30pm, (BYO Lunch). **The service will start with Mass at 12.30pm followed by him speaking to the gathering. All are welcome and no prior registration is required.**

Mentored by the world's leading experts in Divine Mercy and author of the bestselling books *Understanding Divine Mercy* and *After Suicide: There's Hope for Them and for You*, Fr. Chris Alar MIC is a former wrestler and engineer with a Master's in Business Administration, and the current Provincial Superior of the Marian Fathers in Stockbridge USA.

Entrusted with spreading the message and devotion of Divine Mercy throughout the world, Fr. Chris is prolific in his teaching about the message of Divine Mercy and countless other topics associated with the Catholic faith.

This is Fr. Chris' first visit to Australia and it is an honour to have him speak in one of the churches of our Parish. Please contact Mary Bugeja on 0417808183 for more information or pick up a flyer in the church foyer.

12-18 June: Feast of St. Anthony of Padua

The Feast of Saint Anthony will be celebrated at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, Payneham, from Monday 12th June 12 to Sunday 18th June.

Mass times are:

Monday to Friday: 9:15am (English) & 6.30pm Prayers; 7pm (Italian & English);

Saturday: 10am (English); Vigil Mass 6pm and

Sunday: Masses 8am & 9.15am (English); 11am (Italian); 2pm (Indian Community), 4.30pm (Konkani Community) & 6pm (Filipino Community).

All Masses con-celebrated by Fr. Andrea Calabria OFM Conv and Fr. Michael Romeo. St Anthony's bread will be distributed after all Masses on Tuesday, 13th June and Sunday 18th June and a special blessing for children. Throughout the afternoon of Sunday, 18th June there will be food, beverages and local entertainment. You are warmly invited and welcome to attend especially those who have a devotion to St Anthony the Universal Saint. For further information or enquiries P: 0413 743 405.

Latin Mass Community Announcements

1st Holy Communion classes and Confirmation classes continue today.

There will be a meeting for the parents of the 1st Communicants today at 11am in the Atrium (Building A, next to the playground)

Our Annual May Crowning will take place after the 9.15am Mass today, followed by the Annual Archdiocesan Marian Procession at 2pm. We will meet under the Cathedral Parish banner from 1.30pm this afternoon for the procession.

Next Sat 27th May is our annual pilgrimage to Sevenhill for the Vigil of Pentecost. Please take a flyer.

Next Sunday is Pentecost Sunday. There will be a lunchtime concert by Anna Freer and our choir at Calvary Hospital Chapel, North Adelaide. Admission by donation. Please see the posters. Proceeds from the concert will go to the Mary Potter Hospice Foundation.

The Annual Diocesan May Mass count is taking place at all Sunday masses over the 4 Sundays in May. Thank you for your understanding.

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 Damian Wyld, Anthony Green (Benedict Green and Anna Ros's son), Kathryn Nader, Tony Caruso, Vincenza Martucci (Ines Barson's mother). Please also remember the recently deceased especially Fr. Terence Gordon FSSP, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Each year, our parish runs a series of instruction for adults who are interested in joining the catholic faith. This is called the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). The 2023/2024 sessions will start in late August 2023. If you are interested in joining this group, or even have an interest in finding out more about the catholic faith, you are invited to contact the Parish Office via email at acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au or call 82108155.

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.

24 June: Heart Beats Fundraiser

Heartbeats is a fundraising musical event for Birthline Pregnancy Support featuring live performances, trivia games and prizes, stalls for food and drink for purchase and educational display of the miracle of life. It will be held on Saturday June 24, 7pm-10pm, at John the Baptist Centre, 342 Anzac Highway, Plympton. There will be food and drink for purchase throughout the evening. \$20 entry fee. Please visit Trybooking to book your tickets: <https://www.trybooking.com/CHUGT>

24 Jun: Sao Joao Festival Fundraiser for Kangaroo Island Parish

The Goan Community of the Adelaide Cathedral Parish will be organizing a San Joao Festival Fundraiser for the Kangaroo Island Parish on June 24th at St. Francis of Assisi Hall, 59 Newton Rd, Newton 5074 from 6.30pm-10.30pm. Join us for an evening of celebration, games, Bingo, In-house Auction and Dinner. **Tickets are priced at \$20 for Adults and \$15 for Children.**

For booking confirmation, kindly text your name a screenshot of the payment to any of the event organizers. Booking closes on 17th June by 7pm or when maximum capacity is reached. **Please contact the event organizers on:**

Agnelo - 044 950 6681 Serling: 0424 167 956.
Peter - 0431 404 686 Anil - 0401 775 256.

Kindly book using the following Account details:

Name: Agnelo Fernandes
BSB: 085 070 **Account No:** 805 019 964

Donations and sponsors to support the event are welcome.

Music of Hope Concert

The Cathedral of St Francis Xavier's Choir, The Choir of Holy Cross and The Flinders University Chamber Ensemble present a concert featuring Music of Hope on Sunday 18 June, 12.30pm at Holy Cross Church, Goodwood and Friday 23 June, 7pm at Cathedral of St Francis Xavier, Adelaide. The concert is co-directed by Arthur Siow and Timothy Davey. All are welcome.

Learn to play the Pipe Organ.

For children interested in learning how to play the organ, information on lessons in how to play the organ can be obtained by contacting Astrid or Timothy on music@adelaide.catholic.org.au or 8210 8128. A great way to learn about the Cathedral Pipe Organ and learn a new skill.

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