



ADELAIDE CATHEDRAL PARISH

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

20th August 2023

This Sunday's Gospel (see Mt 15:21-28) describes the meeting between Jesus and the Canaanite woman. Jesus is to the north of Galilee, in foreign territory. The woman was not Jewish, she was Canaanite. Jesus is there to spend some time with His disciples away from the crowds, from the crowds whose numbers are always growing.

And behold, a woman approached Him seeking help for her sick daughter: "Have mercy on me, Lord!" (v. 22). It is the cry that is born out of a life marked by suffering, from the sense of the helplessness of a mamma who sees her daughter tormented by evil who cannot be healed; she cannot heal her.

Jesus initially ignores her, but this mother insists; she insists, even when the Master says to the disciples that His mission is directed only to "the lost sheep of the house of Israel" (v. 24) and not to the pagans. She continues to beg Him, and at that point, He puts her to the test, citing a proverb. This seems almost a bit cruel, but he puts her to the test: "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs" (v. 26). And right away, the woman, quick, anguished, responds: "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table" (v. 27).

And with these words, that mother shows that she has perceived the goodness of the Most High God present in Jesus who is open to any of His creatures necessities. And this wisdom, filled with trust, touches Jesus's heart and provokes words of admiration: "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish" (v. 28). What type of faith is great? Great faith is that which brings its own story, marked even by wounds, and brings it to the Lord's feet asking Him to heal it, to give it meaning.

Each one of us has our own story and it is not always a story "for export", it is not always a clean story. Many times it is a difficult story, with a lot of pain, many misfortunes and many sins. What do I do with my story? Do I hide it? No! We must bring it before the Lord. "Lord, if You will it, you can heal me!" This is what this woman teaches us, this wonderful mother: the courage to bring our own painful story before God, before Jesus, to touch God's tenderness, Jesus' tenderness.

Let's try this story, this prayer: let each one of us think of his or her own story. There are always ugly things in a story, always. Let us go to Jesus, knock on Jesus's heart and say to Him: "Lord, if You will it, you can heal me!" And we can do this if we always have the face of Jesus before us, if we understand what Christ's heart is like, what Jesus's heart is like: a heart that feels compassion, that bears our pains, that bears our sins, our mistakes, our failures.

But it is a heart that love us like that, as we are, without make-up: He loves us like that. "Lord, if You will it, you can heal me!" This is why it is necessary to understand Jesus, to be familiar with Jesus. I always go back to the advice that I give you: always carry a small pocket-size Gospel and read a passage every day. There you will find Jesus as He is, as He presents Himself; you will find Jesus who loves us, who loves us a lot, who tremendously wants our well-being. Let us remember the prayer: "Lord, if You will it, you can heal me!"

(Pope Francis' Homilies)

September is Catholic Charities Month



In the month of September, we are promoting the Catholic Charities Appeal which supports the following agencies in South Australia: Hutt St Centre, Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, Centacare Catholic Family Services, Our Lady of La Vang and St Patrick's Special Schools. Please take a leaflet with you to find out more about the September Appeal. These frontline agencies support some of the most vulnerable in the community at a time when many people are doing it tough. Brochures with reply paid envelopes will be available at the back of the church. All donations of more than \$2 are tax deductible. Donations can be made via the reply online: <https://adelaide.goodgiving.com.au/qr/cc> or through the paid slip on the leaflets/envelopes. We thank you for your kindness and generosity to help our fellow South Aussie brothers and sisters.

2 Sep: Visit of the Holy RELIC of St John Bosco at Gawler Church

The relic statue of St John Bosco, better known as Don Bosco, will be touring Australia as part of the celebrations of the centenary of the arrival of the Salesians on Australian soil. The Salesians came to the shore of Australia on 30th March 1923 in Fremantle, Western Australia. The wax replica of the Saint contained in a glass casket comes from the Province of Hong Kong, made by Gianpiero Zoncu at the time of Don Bosco's beatification in 1929. A small bone from the right arm of the Saint was removed and placed in this wax replica before being securely concealed in the large glass casket. The Relic will be at St. Peter and St. Paul Catholic Church, corner of Porter street and Parnell street, Gawler, SA 5118 from Saturday 6pm on 2nd September to 12 noon on 3rd September. All are welcome to come pay homage and pray at the relic. For further details contact: gawlerparish@adam.com.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 St and Todd St, 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

ADELAIDE CATHEDRAL PARISH

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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 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: Turn your eyes, O God, our shield;
and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within
your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

First Reading: Isaiah 56:1,6-7

Responsorial Psalm: O God, let all the nations praise you!

Second Reading: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! Jesus preached the
Good News of the kingdom, and healed all who were sick.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

Universal Prayer Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon: With the Lord there is mercy; in him
is plentiful redemption.

Next Week: Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 22:19-23

Second Reading: Romans 11:33-36

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

Liturgies & Activities (21st– 27th Aug)

Mon St. Pius.
Tue The Queenship of Mary.
Wed St. Rose of Lima.
Thu St. Bartholomew.
Fri St. Louis and St. Joseph of Calasanz.
Sun **Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time.**

Prayer Requests for the Deceased

Recently Deceased: Fr Peter Dunn, Fr Noel Molloy, Fr
Adrian Noonan

Deceased Anniversaries:

Cathedral: Raffaello Godi, Jean Yves Marie Abiven, Erna
and Josef Slowiak, Alfredo Silvestri, Robert Charles Joe,
Schofield, Felician Jayawardena and Sr Chithra
Wijewardena, Newton Long, Joseph Spaccatore, David
Richard.

Queen of Angels: Des Hancock, Belmonte, Zotti, Tripodi,
Palumbo, Forza, Gerace and Laurendi family

St. Mary's:

Holy Name: Mariantonia Caretti

St. John Vianney/ St. Peter Claver: Christine Patroni, Terry
& Doug Osmond, Flo & Bob Murcutt, Edward & Claire
Shelley, Kennedy families, Christine Heading and Mark T.

Prayers Requests for the Sick

Jessica Louise Bickley, June Cochrane, Anton Sylvester,
Antonio Romeo, Smith family, Msgr. Robert Egar, Angelina
Musico, Charles Dias, Diana, Klevis Gjeluci, Emily Swan,
Julie Nelson, David Clayton, Mary Walsh, Vilma D'Cruz,
Ingrid Rebmann, Joshua Jose, Jithin Jamon, Madison
Musico, William Shemmeld, Denis Cranswick and Shaun &
Joseph Coleiro.

20 Aug: Understanding the Voice to Parliament

Understanding the Voice to Parliament” is a talk being organised by Churches Together SA, with Noel Pearson and Rev Tim Costello as guest speakers on Sunday 20 August 5pm-6.30pm, Pilgrim Uniting Church, Adelaide. All are welcome to attend.

22 Aug: Interested in providing spiritual support for people in prison?

Prison Chaplaincy and Spiritual Care (PCSC) is seeking people who can lead a time of Christian Spiritual Reflection for those in prison. Volunteer opportunities are available at Yatala Labour Prison, Adelaide Women’s Prison, Adelaide Remand Centre, and Mobilong (Murray Bridge) Prisons. This is a unique and privileged opportunity to meet in small groups with those in prison to reflect on God’s Word, worship, pray and possibly share in communion. Full training, resources and support is provided.

If this is an opportunity that speaks to you, we would love to hear from you. To find out more come to an **Information Session: Tuesday, 22nd August, 5.30-6.30pm, at Gartrell Uniting Church Café (Corner of Alexandra Avenue and Prescott Terrace, Rose Park). RSVP is essential to Craig Bossie: Craig.Bossie@sa.gov.au**

24 Aug: Knitting at Dulwich Hall

The Dulwich Knitting Group will meet on Thursday, 24 August in the Hall at Stuart Road, Dulwich, diagonally across the road from St Peter Claver’s Church. Come at any time from 10.30 am. All parishioners and friends are welcome. Those who attend find it an enjoyable and relaxing day. Stay, knit and have morning tea with us, or call in for a chat. If you wish, bring a light lunch and stay longer. We look forward to seeing you. If you have spare balls of 8-ply wool, we would appreciate your donation to help our knitters. We knit or crochet 25cm squares to make into rugs for local people in need. If you would prefer, we welcome help to join squares into rugs. Further dates for the year are the 4th Thursdays of the month - 24 August, 21 September. For further information, contact Cheryl (0417 015 338) or Julie (0468 636 190).

26 Aug: Musicians Retreat with David and Emma Kruse at Henley Beach Parish

Date & Time: Saturday 26 August | 10am – 4:30pm
Venue: Henley Beach Parish, 420 Seaview Rd, Henley Beach.

Musicians by their very nature are always giving of themselves through their artistic expression, whether in a pub band, on a stage, or leading music in a church. This retreat is for any musician who needs time in prayer, reflection and renewal in the company of other musicians. David and Emma Kruse work in the Brisbane Archdiocese Office for Evangelisation and began Enemy Love Records in 2022. They bring a wealth of experience and freshness to the pastoral care of musicians. Morning tea and lunch are included in the day. There is no cost to participants. RSVP online or contact Peter Bierer: pbierer@adelaide.catholic.org.au

27 Aug: Legion of Mary Book Table

The Adelaide Cathedral Legion of Mary will be running a book table in the portico of the Cathedral, on **Sunday, 27 August 2023, 9:30 am – 12:30 pm**. They will be selling religious books, and prayer cards, rosaries and miraculous medals will be available for a modest donation. Please bring cash only.

For any further enquiries, please ring Dermott on 0422 562 569.

27 Aug: Lefevre Formation Event

Experiencing rejection, acceptance, and forgiveness with Jan Ruff-O’Herne AO (January 18 1923 – August 19 2019). When the Imperial Japanese Army overran south-east Asia, Jan was forced into sexual slavery. For 50 years, many living in Adelaide, she remained silent about her treatment, but then she was inspired to help other victims, known to the Japanese as ‘comfort women’. From the 1990s until her death, Jan became a fearless advocate for these abused women. This presentation, through recorded interviews plus recollections by her daughter Eileen Mitton and commentary by Fr. Roderick O’Brien, marks the centenary of her birth.

Date & Time: Sunday, 27th August from 4–5pm at the Lefevre Catholic Parish Meeting Rooms, 253 Military Road, Semaphore (adjacent to Sacred Heart Church).

Please call Fr Roderick O’Brien 8449 6378 for more details. **(Registration is not required).**

1 Sep: Memorial Mass of Fr. Noel Molloy

The Memorial Mass of Fr. Noel Molloy will be celebrated at St. Francis Xavier’s Cathedral on **Friday, 1st September 2023 at 9.30am**. For those who knew Fr. Noel Molly you are welcome to attend the Memorial Mass.

12 Sep: Journey to the Synod

The third of three gatherings with Archbishop O’Regan as we journey towards the Synod: exploring communion, participation and mission. Tuesday, 12 September at 7pm. Festival Function Centre, 292 Findon Road, Findon. Please direct enquiries to Sarah Moffatt: smoffatt@adelaide.catholic.org.au or P: 8210 8110. Bookings via: <https://www.trybooking.com/CKKUV>

14 Sep: Book Launch – Reluctant Prophet

You are invited to the book launch of *Reluctant Prophet: Tributes to Albert Nolan OP*, on Thursday, 14 Sep at 5pm for a 5.30pm start. Sophia Adelaide, 225 Cross Road, Cumberland Park 5041. RSVP to hdregan@atf.org.au by 7 September. All are welcome. Book at Trybooking: <https://www.trybooking.com/CKETK>

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.

Latin Mass Community Announcements

Confirmation class continues today at 11am.

Servers' practice continues tomorrow at 5.30pm.

There is no Scripture Class this Monday. Class resumes next Monday, 28 August.

Today, there will be a shared Pot Luck lunch in the Tea Room beginning at 12.30pm. All Welcome. Contact Janette or Ines for details.

All the Lost and Found items will be displayed in the meeting room after the Masses today. Whatever remains will then be put in the Vinnie's bin. Please have a look.

Tickets are on sale for our Movie Night Fundraiser on next Sun 27 August. Please take a flyer or see the table at the bookstall.

Sunday 3 September is our annual Fathers' Day Cake Stall to raise money for the bus hire for our October Crex Pilgrimage. All donations of cakes greatly appreciated. Thank you.

A group of our parishioners have published a magazine *Agony*. It is on sale at the bookstore for \$20. Please see Sean Haylock if you are interested in contributing to future editions.

There is a proposed 4-Day Retreat for Men with Fr. Adrian Wee. (Jan 2024 in Belair) Please take a flyer for details, or make a booking at the table after the 9.15am Mass.

Fr. McCaffrey is currently on leave from 17th – 27th August.

If you are an adult and have not been confirmed, please send Fr. McCaffrey an email at the community email address. Confirmations will take place in October this year.

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 Daniela Vergulis, Vincent Moran, Jana Basani, Damian Wyld, Anthony Green (Benedict Green and Anna Ros's son), Brianna Hockley (Jess Marsh's neice), Kathryn Nader, Tony Caruso, Vincenza Martucci (Ines Barson's mother).

Please also remember the recently deceased, especially Louise Obrist (Gaby Freer's mother), Hanna Winnicka (Joanna Rzad's mother), Alexandra Vergulis, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Sep 17: Blessing of Milestone Wedding Anniversaries

Celebrations for milestone wedding anniversaries in the Archdiocese will be held at St. Francis Xavier's Cathedral on 17 September to commemorate couples in their life-long commitment. **This special blessing is only for couples completing 5,10,15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 or 50 years or more of marriage in 2023.** Please contact the Parish office via email: acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au or call 82108155 with the following details:

- ◆ Full names: You and your spouse.
- ◆ Date, month and year of Marriage.
- ◆ The Church in our parish that you currently attend Sunday Mass.

Kindly send us your details no later than 7 Sep 2023. **If you belong to another Parish, please ensure you contact your local Parish for registration.**

24 Sep: Kangaroo Island Parish Fundraiser



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FOR THE KANGAROO ISLAND CATHOLIC PARISH

Join us in supporting the Kangaroo Island Catholic Parish to fundraise for new Parish accommodation.

Be entertained by Belgian sleuth, Hercule Poirot, as he investigates a murder while attending a Halloween seance at a haunted palazzo in Venice, Italy.
Directed by and starring Kenneth Branagh.

24 SEPT 2023 • 2 PM • REGAL THEATRE



TICKETS \$25 – INCLUDES MOVIE, CHOC TOP, POPCORN & BOTTLE OF WATER.

THERE WILL BE RAFFLE PRIZES TOO.

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Adelaide Catholic Cathedral Parish invites you to a fundraiser for the Kangaroo Island Catholic Parish to watch the upcoming Hercule Poirot film, *A Haunting in Venice*. There are some attractive raffle prizes too!

Tickets: \$25 (Movie, choc top, popcorn & water).

Date: September 24, 2023, 2.15pm for 2.45pm start.

Location: Regal Theatre, 275 Kensington Road.

Purchase tickets: Scan the QR in the poster to buy tickets or call the Parish Office to purchase tickets over the phone. **T:** 8210 8155.