Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

10th September 2023

Dear sisters and brothers,

RE: The Voice Referendum

Grace and peace, I hope this note finds you well. In 2017, The Uluru Statement from the Heart was presented to the Australian Government by Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leaders. It called for reforms to address disparities between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians, specifically providing a constitutionally protected First Nations Voice and a Makarrata Commission (a process of conflict resolution, peacemaking, and justice). A copy of this statement is available to view on your church noticeboard.

On 14 October 2023, all Australian citizens will vote in the referendum on the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice to Parliament. Over the past months, many community leaders and leaders of organisations have put forward cases for and against this proposed alteration to our constitution.

We will be asked the question: 'A Proposed Law: to alter the Constitution to recognise the First Peoples of Australia by establishing an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice. Do you approve this proposed alteration?'

The Australian Catholic Bishop's Conference (ACBC) released a statement regarding an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander voice to parliament in May, 2023. In this statement, the ACBC stated:

'This is an important moment in the history of the nation, and it can help us to move towards a deep and just reconciliation. It also offers a mechanism to improve the lives of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples. We urge all Australians to engage in the debate productively, respecting each other and accepting that people may, in good faith, have differing concerns and perspectives. We are an open democracy, and this is a moment to use our democratic institutions to produce a high-quality debate shaped by a genuine concern to do justice and bring healing to First Nations Peoples.'

The words of Pope Francis also speak to us at this time of discernment, reminding us of our obligation to advocate for the marginalised in the pursuit of the common good:

"Even in the developed world, the effects of unjust structures and actions are all too apparent. Our efforts must aim at restoring hope, righting wrongs, maintaining commitments, and thus promoting the well-being of individuals and of peoples. Throughout September, I am asking all Parishes and Communities to prayerfully reflect on this upcoming referendum. I encourage all Catholics to consider this important issue and inform themselves from reliable sources such as: voice.gov.au, www.catholic.au or www.indigenousvoice.church, or

Please pray the prayer for 'The Voice' regularly in your Parishes and families in the lead up to the referendum. The Frequently Asked Questions flyer, produced by the Justice, Healing and Inclusion Team may address questions you have about the referendum. It is an excellent resource which draws on information from the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council (NATSICC).

In Domino,

+Patrick O'Regan
Archbishop of Adelaide

10 Sep: Safe-Guarding Sunday

Safeguarding Sunday, held 10 September 2023 in the Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide, provides us with an opportunity to celebrate the presence of children and young people in our parishes and communities, as we continue encouragement and commitment to a safe environment for all. Children that come to Mass on Safeguarding Sunday will be gifted a highlighter containing the message "highlight your voice", reflecting the importance of ensuring our parishes and communities provide a space for children and young people to participate, belong and be heard.

Safeguarding Sunday forms part of *National Child Protection Week (3-9 September 2023)* in Australia, a national initiative to engage members of the community in supporting families and protecting children. The national overarching 2023 theme is continuing to champion last year's message 'Every child, in every community, needs a fair go', with a focus this year on 'Where we start matters', in terms of where we live, the resources available to us, and the opportunities presented to us, which make a significant difference to our life outcomes.

The Adelaide Cathedral Parish and the Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. Mindful of the theme for *National Child Protection Week*, may we work to build and support safe communities for all people.

Children please collect your colorful highlighter which is available at the church entrance after Mass.

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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

<u>Confessions</u> Mon, Wed, Fri: 11-12 noon, 5-5.30pm

Sat: 12 noon-1pm, 4.30-5.30pm

Holy Hour Tues: 6.30pm, Fri: 11am

<u>Public Holidays*</u> 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: You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

First Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-9.

Responsorial Psalm: O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

Second Reading: Romans 13:8-10.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20.

Universal Prayer Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon: Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

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Next Week: Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Sirach 27:30-28:7. Second Reading: Romans 14:7-9.

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35.

Liturgies & Activities (11th – 17th Sep)

Tue The Most Holy Name of Mary.

Wed St. John Chrysostom.

Thu The exultation of the Holy Cross.

Fri Our Lady of Sorrows.

Sat St. Cornelius and St. Cyprian.

Sun Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Prayer Requests for the Deceased

Recently Deceased: Maria Mittiga, Rufino Largosa, Raymund Lagtu, Chong Tat Meng and Anna MacWilliams.

Deceased Anniversaries:

Cathedral: Pierina & Dominico Princi, Anna Holdcroft, Dumon family, Petro Bosito, Gerry Savill, Pierina & Gino Basso, Mathias family, Rosalina Acayen, Ruel Arquero, Souad Adam & family,

Queen of Angels: Catinari family (Rosina, Tommaso & Ernesto), Velardo family (Maria, Angelo & Vincenzo), Caremelo Laurendi, Letteria & Antonino Parisi, lelasi family (Antonio, Rosario & Caterina), Severio & Anna Sergi, Nicola Tripodi, Adamo & Saverio Catanzariti, Antonio & Frank Spagnolo, Maria & Cosimo Gugliemucci, Nicola & Mennato Vetrone and Vincenzo Palumbo.

St. Mary's: Thomas Moroney. **Holy Name:** Giovannino De Lisio.

St. John Vianney/ St. Peter Claver: Elizabeth Woodbury, Jan Dyer, Mary Sioh, Joan & Geoff Gough, Scott Davies, Alan Hey and Kath Cochrane.

Prayers Requests for the Sick

Anton Sylvester, Antonio Romeo, Smith family, Msgr. Robert Egar, Angelina Musico, Charles Dias, Emily Swan, David Clayton, Mary Walsh, Vilma D'Cruz, Ingrid Rebmann, Joshua Jose, Jithin Jamon, Madison Musico, William Shemmeld, Daphne Bizell, Peter Slobodian, Shaun & Joseph Coleiro and Denis Cranswick.

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 through the paid slip on the leafets/envelopes or online: https://adelaide.goodgiving.com.au/qr/cc Thank you for your kindness and generosity to help our fellow South Aussie brothers and sisters.

9 Sep: Divine Mercy Mass

The Croydon Park Parish invites you to celebrate the Divine Mercy Mass with Adoration and the Divine Mercy Prayer: 10am Saturday, 9 September at St Margaret Mary's Church, 286 Torrens Rd, Croydon Park, followed by lunch in the Parish Hall at 12noon.

10 Sep: Feast of Our Lady of Good Health at Annunciation Church, Hectorville.

The Tamil Catholic Community will celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Good Health Velankanni at Annunication Church, 20 Montacute Rd, Hectorville on Sunday, 10 September at 2.30pm. The service will be celebrated by Fr Mathew Newman. There will be a flag hoisting of Our Lady of Velankanni on 1 September at 7pm followed by Tamil Mass celebrated by Fr Justin. All are welcome.

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. At Sophia Adelaide, 225 Cross Road, Cumberland Park 5041. RSVP to https://www.trybooking.com/CKETK

17 Sep: Milestone Wedding Anniversaries

Celebrations for milestone wedding anniversaries in the Archdiocese will be held in the Adelaide Cathedral Parish on Sunday 17 September to commemorate couples in their life-long commitment of marriage. This special blessing is <u>only</u> for couples completing 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, years or more of marriage in 2023. Certificates will be distributed to those who registered by the closing date last week.

17 Sep: ACRATH presentation Lefevre Catholic Community

Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking of Humans (ACRATH) is dedicated to eradicating modern slavery and slavery-like practices, specifically human trafficking and the harm it causes. Join Angela Hart and Teresa Lynch, South Australian Coordinators of ACRATH on Sunday, 17th September from 4–5pm at the Lefevre Catholic Community meeting rooms, 253 Military Road, Semaphore, for an awareness raising and education session on how modern slavery, slavery-like practices, and human trafficking affects each one us, and how our combined small actions can assist to eradicate this growing problem.

24 Sep: Migrant and Refugee Sunday

The 109th World Day of Migrant and Refugee will take place on Sunday, 24 September 2023 with the theme, 'Free to choose whether to migrate or to stay'. World Day of Migrants and Refugees (WDMR) has been celebrated since 1914. It is an occasion to recognise the courage and fortitude of these people and heighten our level of empathy and understanding for the plight and difficult decisions they have had to make.

The Archdiocesan celebration of World Migrant and Refugee Sunday will take place on Sunday, 24 September 2023 at St Francis Xavier Cathedral at 2:30pm with the annual Multicultural Mass. All are welcome to participate in the celebration. No prior registration is required.

13 Oct: Annual Mothers and Christian Family Life Mass In honour of St. Gerard Majella (Patron of Mothers and Christian Families)

The Annual Mothers and Christian Family Life Mass will be held on Friday, 13 October. Holy Rosary 6.30pm followed by Holy Mass at 7pm with 'Blessing of Expecting Mothers' at St Francis of Assisi Church, 59 Newton Road, Newton. After Mass veneration of St. Gerard 1st class relic. Religious books, medals etc. will be on sale in the Church foyer.

15 Oct: Feast of St. Daniel Comboni (Patron Saint of Sudan/South Sudan)

You are invited to join the African Catholic Community to celebrate the feast of **St Daniel Comboni of Sudan/South Sudan** at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral on **Sunday 15 October at 2.30pm**. All are welcome to this colourful cultural celebration of a saint who stood up for injustice and promoted care for the marginalised. Please contact the Multicultural Office for more details on email: multiculturaloffice@adelaide.catholic.org.au

Cathedral Scripture Study Program

The 2023 program will continue with "The Spirituality of Paul" (8 sessions) and commenced on 4 September. Spots are still available for those interested. The sessions are between 7.30 and 9pm in the Cathedral Hall on Monday nights. The cost for materials is \$25. The program is based on home-study and small group discussions (one of which is conducted in Vietnamese). Two places are available. Enquiries and bookings to Br. Martyn at martynpaxton@gmail.com

Latin Mass Community Announcements

Today is Child Protection Sunday. Our community is committed to making Holy Name child safe and a welcoming place for children and young people. Just a reminder that our Child Safe contact people are Mary Hookway and Lucia Snelling. We would like to thank them, and all who work to create a child safe community. There will be some free text markers for the children available after Mass.

There is Confirmation class today at 11am.

Servers' practice continues tomorrow at 5.30pm and Scripture Class continues tomorrow at 7.30pm.

Fr. Sofatzis is currently on leave until 12 September.

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.

Scam Alert – Phishing Messages & Emails

It has come to our attention that our parishioners have been receiving text messages and emails impersonating staff and or priests asking for help in the form of money or gift cards. Do not reply or click on any links and block the email or phone number. These emails and messages are designed to look legitimate from trusted sources, but they are actually attempts to steal personal information or infect your device with malware.

To stay safe, it is important to remain vigilant and follow best practices for online security.

- Check the sender's email address or phone number
- Be cautious of urgent or threatening language in those messages as well as the request of sensitive information
- Avoid clicking links or downloading attachments from unknown or suspicious sources
- Verify the authenticity of any email or message that seems suspicious by contacting the sender directly For more information and resources on online scams check the following links:

<u>Detecting Socially Engineered Messages |</u>
<u>Cyber.gov.au | Protecting Yourself from Gift Card Scams (accan.org.au) | Avoiding Phone and Internet Scams (accan.org.au)</u>

24 Sep: Kangaroo Island Parish Fundraiser BUY TICKETS ONLINE!



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.

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.

WWCC Clearance Compliance for all Cathedral Parish Volunteers

It is a mandatory requirement that all regular volunteers 14 years and older to have a current Working with Children Check issued by the Department of Human Services, South Australia. There are no exemptions. It is the responsibility of each volunteer to ensure that your WWWC clearance is up-date. Please contact the parish office on 82108155 or email: acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au if you need any further information about your local contacts or the process.