Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

1st October 2023

With His preaching on the <u>Kingdom of God</u>, Jesus opposes a religiosity that does not involve human life, that does not question the conscience and its responsibility in the face of good and evil. This is also demonstrated by the parable of the two sons, which is offered to us in the Gospel of Matthew (cf. 21:28-32).

To the father's invitation to go and work in the vineyard, the first son impulsively responds "no, I'm not going", but then he repents and goes; instead the second son, who immediately replies "yes, yes dad", does not actually do so; he doesn't go. Obedience does not consist of saying "yes" or "no", but always of acting, of cultivating the vineyard, of bringing about the Kingdom of God, in doing good. With this simple example, Jesus wants to go beyond a religion understood only as external and habitual practice, which does not affect people's lives and attitudes, a superficial religiosity, merely "ritual", in the ugly sense of the word.

The exponents of this "façade" of religiosity, of which Jesus disapproves, in that time were "the chief priests and the elders of the people" (Mt 21:23), who, according to the Lord's admonition, will be preceded in the Kingdom of God by "tax collectors and prostitutes" (see v. 31). Jesus tells them: "the tax collectors, meaning the sinners, and the harlots go into the kingdom of God before you".

This affirmation must not induce us to think that those who do not follow God's commandments, those who do not follow morality, saying "In any case, those who go to Church are worse than us", do well. No, this is not Jesus' teaching. Jesus does not indicate publicans and prostitutes as models of life, but as "privileged of Grace".

And I would like to underscore this word, "grace". Grace, because conversion is always a grace. A grace that God offers to anyone who opens up and converts to Him. Indeed, these people, listening to his preaching, repented and changed their lives. Let us think of Matthew, for example. Saint Matthew, who was a tax collector, a traitor to his homeland.

In today's Gospel, the one who makes the best impression is the first brother, not because he said "no" to his father, but because after his "no" he converted to "yes", he repented. God is patient with each of us: He does not tire, He does not desist after our "no"; He leaves us free even to distance ourselves from Him and to make mistakes.

Thinking about God's patience is wonderful! How the Lord always waits for us; He is always beside us to help us; but He respects our freedom. And He anxiously awaits our "yes", so as to welcome us anew in His fatherly arms and to fill us with His boundless mercy. Faith in God asks us to renew every day the choice of good over evil, the choice of the truth rather than lies, the choice of love for our neighbour over selfishness.

Those who convert to this choice, after having experienced sin, will find the first places in the Kingdom of heaven, where there is greater joy for a single sinner who converts than for ninety-nine righteous people (see Lk 15: 7).

(Pope Francis' Homilies)

1 Oct: The Southern Cross

The October edition of *The Southern Cross* will be available in all churches of our Parish this weekend for \$2. It includes coverage of the Synod, the Voice referendum and a centrespread on the Archdiocese's new vision and mission statements.

2 Oct: Labour Day Public Holiday

There will be only one Mass at 8am in the Cathedral on 2 October as it is a Public Holiday. Please note we move to Daylight Saving time on Sunday, 1 October.

3 Oct: Funeral Mass of Msgr. Robert Egar 12.10pm Mass in the Cathedral is cancelled

The funeral Mass of Monsignor Robert Egar will be held in St. Francis Xavier's Cathedral on 3 October at 12.00pm in the afternoon. As a result there will be no regular Mass at 12.10pm. The Committal Service will follow at Centennial Park Cemetery (Catholic K), 760 Goodwood Road, Pasadena. All are welcome to attend and pay their respects. For those not able to attend, the Funeral Mass will be livestreamed at www.siebert.com.au

Thank you to all our Parishioners and well-wishers: Kangaroo Island Fundraiser

The Kangaroo Island movie fundraiser held on 24 September at Regal Cinema, was a great success and we raised \$7000 through donations, raffle and movie ticket sales. While we have a long way to go to reach our goal of \$200,000, we would like to thank all our well-wishers, patrons, supporters and other generous donors who have so kindly contributed to this worthy cause. We would especially like to thank Tony Versace and the Adelaide Cathedral Parish finance council members who made the event possible. We would also like to thank the Youth Group and others who helped with ticket sales leading to the event. Your continued patronage and generous donations to help our reach our goal is greatly appreciated.

Many Blessings,

Fr. Anthoni Adimai.
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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

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St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Adelaide

Sunday Masses Sat: 6pm(Vigil)

Sun: 7am, 9am, 11am, 2.30pm (African), 6pm

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

Sat: 8am, 11.30am

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

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

Holy Hour Tues: 6.30pm, Fri: 11am

8am Mass ONLY at the Cathedral Public Holidays* *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: All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy,

First Reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28.

Responsorial Psalm: Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-11.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, say the Lord; I know them and they follow me. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32.

Universal Prayer Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon: Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Next Week: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7.

Second Reading: Philippians 4:6-9.

Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43.

Liturgies & Activities (2nd-8th Oct)

Mon The Holy Guardian Angels

Wed St. Francis of Assisi Thu St. Faustina Kowalska

St. Bruno

Sat Our Lady of the Rosary

Prayer Requests for the Deceased

Recently Deceased: Diosdado Dela Trinidad

Deceased Anniversaries:

Cathedral: Rufino Largosa, Geromino Antezana, Anna Maria Macwilliams, Leonor & Emilio Solarzano, Vincente & Vincente Emilio Basano.

Queen of Angels: Fortunato Rillota, Marianna Mazzaferro, Giuseppe Martino, Brian Pitcher, Pivato family, Gazzola family, Antonio Strangio, Anna Marafioti, Ellul family, Mallia family, Psaila family, Charlie Ciantar and Tessie Mansuito.

St. Mary's: Basilio De Angelis, Raymond Axon and Doris McGrath.

Holy Name: Antonio Maione.

St. John Vianney/ St. Peter Claver: David Hunt, Merle & Stephen Morris, Seru Veretani & family, Gladys Tanner, Val Hardy, Irene Kennedy, Zelma Huppatz, Patricia Olifent, Patricia Foote and Catherine Michelmore.

Mass for the repose of the soul of the late Monica Schneider will be celebrated at St John Vianney Church on Tuesday 10th October at 9.00am. All are welcome;

Prayers Requests for the Sick

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

1 Oct: October Holy Rosary Devotion by the Dulwich-Burnside Community

For nearly 50 years, the Dulwich-Burnside community has had a Special devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. This community has been blessed with many priestly vocations. During the month of October, the Rosary will be prayed at 7:00 pm from Monday to Friday in our homes. We invite you once again to join us in this special devotion and strongly encourage you to host a rosary evening by inviting our Blessed Mother into your home. For details of the host locations, please see the roster sheet at the front of the church at St. John Vianney and St. Peter Claver. Host locations will be published in the newsletter each week of October. Please refer to the dates, times and locations mentioned in the next article for your reference. Please contact Veronica Boast on 0414242876, Deacon Remo Patroni on 0414189268, Jean Lucas on 0421280100 for more information. All are welcome to attend and no formal registration is necessary.

Details of Week 1: October 2023

Date: Name: Location:

2nd Rosemary MacKenzie 4 Edinburgh Avenue,

Stonyfell.

3rd Grace & Tony Versace 121 Devereux Road,

Beaumont.

4th Margaret Poniatowska 9 Wheal Watkins St,

Glen Osmond.

5th Jacinta Ong 5 Torrens St,

Linden Park.

6th Deacon Remo Patroni 11 Bolingrove Ave,

& Gale Patroni Toorak Gardens.

1 Oct: Season of Creation at Mercy Grove, Belair National Park

The Christian family unites in the Season of Creation - a worldwide celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home. You are invited to join us at Mercy Grove, Belair National Park, on Sunday, 1 October from 1pm to 3pm for a time of prayer and reflection amongst nature. Please contact Deacon Tee Ping Koh for further details on 0409538328

4 Oct: Chad's Forum: Is Australia a racist country?

The event will be held on Wednesday, 4 October, 7.30pm at St Chad's Anglican Church, 14 Cheltenham St, Fullarton, SA. The speaker will be Rabbi Shoshana Kaminsky.

7 Oct: Praying the Rosary for Peace

First Saturday of every month. You are invited to join Our Lady (*Saturday October 7*) and pray the Rosary outdoors, together united, **to pray for peace** in Mary MacKillop Plaza (adj St Francis Xavier's Cathedral) at 8.40am (after the 8am Mass). **All welcome.** For more information please contact: Mr Patrick Greenrod, Legion of Mary, 0414 769 635.

7 Oct: Walk with God for Young Adults (COYYA /Caritas Australia Initiative)

You are invited to 'Walk with God' on Saturday, 7 October, 4-6pm, an event hosted by Sabrina Stevens, National Youth Coordinator of Caritas Australia. An evening that connects young adults with the wonder and awe of God's creation through prayer and reflection, seeking God in all things. This walk will incorporate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander spirituality as we explore the different perspectives of connecting with creation. This walk is not for the faint hearted. We look forward to seeing you there for a prayerful walk and fellowship.

Location: McElligott's Carpark (Top of Carrick Hill Road), 48 Carrick Hill Drive, Mitcham SA 5062. To book please visit the Trybooking website on: https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1111869

8 Oct: Sausage Sizzler Fundraiser by the Cathedral Parish Young Adults Group

The Young Adults Group of the Adelaide Cathedral Parish will be having a Sausage Sizzle fundraiser after the 9am and 11am Masses on 8th October 2023. Your patronage to help the Youth Group with their annual fundraiser is greatly appreciated.

11 Oct: IMPORTANT TO READ Formation Sessions for ALL Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

There will be formation sessions for Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on 11 October. Kindly note if you have not attended a session before it is MANDATORY for all Eucharistic Ministers to complete this training as it will the last workshop for the year. To accommodate those who work and those who prefer not to go out at night, these sessions will be held in both the morning and evening. For Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, it is a mandate by the Archbishop that regular lists be updated and sent to the Archbishop's Office for approval. The sessions will begin with formation for the Readers, then we will have short break and continue with the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Attendance is required of all who volunteer in these vital roles, your cooperation is greatly appreciated. People who are interested in joining the Reading or Eucharistic Ministry can also attend.

Cathedral: Wednesday 11 October 10am & 6:30pm

13 Oct: 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 a 1st class relic of St. Gerard (Patron of Mothers and Christian Families). Religious books, medals etc. will be on sale in the Church foyer.

Latin Mass Community Announcements

Confirmation class continues today at 11am.

Tomorrow is a public holiday. There will be one Mass at 8.30am. Scripture Class will continue tomorrow at 7.30pm, but there will be no servers practice tomorrow evening.

This Friday is the 1st Friday of the Month.

10am: Mother's Rosary Group meets in the tea room for morning tea and the Rosary.

6.30pm: Sung Mass followed by 1st Friday Devotions, Benediction and Compline, with Adoration continuing overnight until 6.30am Saturday. There will be the usual Holy Hours for the clergy at 3am and families at 5.30am.

Masses on Saturday morning are at 7am and 8.30am.

This year's Christus Rex Pilgrimage is now open for registrations. Please take a flyer. They are also looking for volunteers to help in various ways. Please see James Marsh for more details.

Please refrain from bringing food items into the church. Thank you.

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, Domenic Marafiote, Hannah McCaffrey, 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 and those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

14 Oct: The Voice Referendum

On 14 October 2023, Australian citizens will vote in the referendum on the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice to Parliament. Archbishop Patrick O'Regan is encouraging Catholics to prayerfully reflect on the upcoming referendum and inform themselves from reliable sources such as www.voice.gov.au, www.voice.gov.au, www.voice.gov.au, www.indigenousvoice.church

14 Oct: The World Community for Christian Meditation South Australia

Community Day – "Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest" on Saturday 14 October from 11am – 3pm. Guest presenter is Susie Herzberg, from St Theodore's Community Spiritual Garden, who will speak on 'The Pursuit of Paradise: Gardens and Spiritual Spaces' at St Theodore's Anglican Small Hall, 46 Prescott Terrace Toorak Gardens. Please bring your own lunch and cup. For more information and to register email chr.med.southaust@gmail.com

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

19 Oct: Introducing: Drawn into the Joy of the Gospel – an evening opening up the Archdiocesan Vision for Formation

Drawn into the Joy of the Gospel: Formation in the Archdiocese of Adelaide is the new diocesan statement on faith formation and formation for pastoral leaders and ministers in parishes, schools, communities and agencies and the Archdiocese of Adelaide's commitment to foster the faith formation of the people of God in this place. This gathering will engage participants in an exploration of Drawn into the Joy of the Gospel and its supporting resources to provide opportunities that draw Catholics into a closer encounter with Jesus Christ, and thus ensure that we are "permanently in a state of mission". Parish, school and community leaders and formation leaders are especially invited; however all are welcome. For more information, contact Peter Bierer pbierer@adelaide.catholic.org.au or 8210 8129. Location details are to be announced. Register for in-person or online participation: https:// www.trybooking.com/CLUCM

22 Oct: Catholic Mission Appeal

As the Australian agency of the international Pontifical Mission Societies, Catholic Mission works on behalf of Pope Francis to support Church-run mission programs around the world. Thanks to the generosity of Australians like you, last year we were able to support life-giving programs like the Deberety Goat Rearing Centre, run by Fr. Habte, in Emdibir, Ethiopia. Turning their vision into a reality, Fr. Habte and the community were able to construct sheds and purchase goats that will provide milk to families struggling to feed their children. The Centre has also provided employment which has enabled a father to provide for his family. Without your partnership, Fr. Habte and the Church could not be able to continue this critical program. But there is still work to be done in many other Church-run programs around the world. This year, we invite parishioners to support families from disadvantaged through programs like the backgrounds Auxiliadora Clinic. In three weeks' time, Catholic Mission will share an opportunity for you to partner with Sr. Carolina and the Salesian Sisters in Timor-Leste as they continue to provide an essential community project that addresses the gaps in care and well-being in rural communities like Venilale. This work simply will not be possible without your support. We hope you will accept this invitation to make a real and lasting impact for those in need.

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.