#### **Priests and Deacons Sunday - Year A**

8th October 2023

This Sunday's liturgy offers us the parable of the tenants to whom a landowner lends the vineyard which he has planted, and then goes away (cf. Mt 21:33-43). This is how the loyalty of these tenants is tested: the vineyard is entrusted to them, they are to tend it, make it bear fruit and deliver its harvest to the owner. When the time comes to harvest the grapes, the landlord sends his servants to pick the fruit.

However, the vineyard tenants assume a possessive attitude. They do not consider themselves to be simple supervisors, but rather landowners, and they refuse to hand over the harvest. They mistreat the servants, to the point of killing them. The landowner is patient with them. He sends more servants, larger in number than the previous ones, but the result is the same. In the end, he patiently decides to send his own son. But those tenants, prisoners to their own possessive behaviour, also kill the son, reasoning that, in this way, they would have the inheritance.

This narrative allegorically illustrates the reproaches of the prophets in the story of Israel. It is a history that belongs to us. It is about the Covenant which God wished to establish with mankind and in which he also called us to participate. Like any other love story, this story of the Covenant has its positive moments too, but it is also marked by betrayal and rejection.

In order to make us understand how God the Father responds to the rejection of his love and his proposal of an alliance, the Gospel passage puts a question on the lips of the owner of the vineyard: "When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" (v. 40). This question emphasises that God's disappointment at the wicked behaviour of mankind is not the last word! This is the great novelty of Christianity: a God who, even though disappointed by our mistakes and our sins, does not fail to keep his Word, does not give up and, most of all, does not seek vengeance!

My brothers and sisters, God does not avenge himself. God loves, he does not avenge himself. He waits for us to forgive us, to embrace us. Through the "rejected stones" — and Christ is the first stone that the builders rejected — through situations of weakness and sin, God continues to circulate "the new wine" of his vineyard, namely mercy.

This is the new wine of the Lord's vineyard: mercy. There is only one obstacle to the tenacious and tender will of God: our arrogance and our conceit which, at times also becomes violence! Faced with these attitudes where no fruit is produced, the Word of God retains all its power to reprimand and reproach: "Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a nation producing the fruits of it" (v. 43).

The urgency of replying with good fruits to the call of the Lord, who asks us to become his vineyard, helps us understand what is new and original about the Christian faith. It is not so much the sum of precepts and moral norms but rather, it is first and foremost a proposal of love which God makes through Jesus and continues to make with mankind. It is an invitation to enter into this love story, by becoming a lively and open vine, rich in fruits and hope for everyone.

A closed vineyard can become wild and produce wild grapes. We are called to leave this vineyard to put ourselves at the service of our brothers and sisters who are not with us, in order to shake each other and encourage each other, to remind ourselves that we must be the Lord's vineyard in every environment, even the more distant and challenging ones.

(Pope Francis' Homilies)

## 8 Oct: Sausage Sizzle 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 8 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 Ministers of Holy Communion. Extraordinary Attendance is required of all who volunteer in these vital roles and your cooperation in this regard is greatly appreciated.

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

The training will be facilitated by Fr. Matthew Newman. People who are interested in joining the Reading or Eucharistic Ministry can also attend.

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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

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: Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of

First Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7.

Responsorial Psalm: The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

Second Reading: Philippians 4:6-9.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43.

Universal Prayer Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon: The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the souls that seeks him.

Next Week: Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-10.

Second Reading: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20.

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14.

#### **Liturgies & Activities (9-15th Oct)**

Mon St. Denis and St. John Leonardi.

Wed St. John XXIII. St. Pope Callistus.

Sun Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

#### **Prayer Requests for the Deceased**

Recently Deceased: Kevin Rutt, Kathleen Tymukas, Luciana Travalgini and Rufino Largosa.

Deceased Anniversaries:

Cathedral: James Edward Wheeler, Norman Bordolba, Leo

Henderson

Queen of Angels: Anna Marafioti

St. Mary's: Niamh O'Dea.

St. John Vianney/ St. Peter Claver: Monica Schneider, Helen James, Beth & Frank Waddington, Colin Davies, Lily Yao, Stella & Laurie Gowland, Gavin & Dulcie McIver, Lowe family, Whippy family and Henry & Lorna Fyfe.

Mass for the repose of the soul of the late Monica Schneider will be celebrated at St John Vianney Church on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> 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, Madison Musico, William Shemmeld, Daphne Bizell, Peter Slobodian, Marie Winters, Shaun & Joseph Coleiro and Denis Cranswick.

#### 8 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.

Date: Name: Location:

**9th** Jacquie & Richard Moller 5 Rinvington Groove,

Tusmore.

**10th** Divya Prakash 34 Compton Drive,

Wattle Park.

**11th** Melita Dracopoulos 138 Watson Avenue,

Toorak Gardens.

**12th** Veronica Boast 15 Ilfracombe Drive,

Wattle Park.

**13th** Jane Moran 1 Fowlers Rd,

Glenunga

#### 8 Oct: Priests and Deacons Sunday

This weekend the Archdiocese is marking "Supporting our Priests and Deacons Sunday." At all our Masses we will be invited to thank God for their ministries and offer them our prayerful support. In particular, we will be asked to renew our commitment to the financial support of all our priests and deacons through our support of the First Collection.

#### 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 1<sup>st</sup> class relic of St. Gerard (Patron of Mothers and Christian Families). Religious books, medals etc. will be on sale in the Church foyer.

#### 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 <a href="https://www.voice.gov.au">www.voice.gov.au</a>, <a href="https://www.catholic.au">www.catholic.au</a> or <a href="https://www.indigenousvoice.church">www.indigenousvoice.church</a>

#### 14 Oct: Mass for the Unborn Child

Brighton Catholic Parish will be celebrating a Mass for the Unborn Child this year. This Mass is for those suffering due to a loss of a child either through miscarriage, stillbirth or abortion. We feel that sometimes we overlook these people, and this Mass is our way of letting them know that the Church has not forgotten them. We will also be praying for those children who have lost their lives to accidents or illness. The Mass will be celebrated at St Joseph's Catholic Church, 24 Strathmore Terrace, Brighton on **Saturday October 14 at 10am.** 

### 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 on 8210 8129. pbierer@adelaide.catholic.org.au Location details are to be announced. Register for in-person or online participation: https://www.trybooking.com/CLUCM

#### 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

The final Confirmation class is today at 11am.

10 members of our Community will be confirmed this Saturday at 10.30am. Please keep them and their families in your prayers this week as they prepare to receive this sacrament.

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.

#### **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. They regularly meet on Sunday evenings and their schedule is as follows:

1st and 3rd Sundays: Choir for 6pm Mass

4pm - Choir Practice

6pm - Sunday Mass

7pm - Dinner in Chinatown

2nd and 4th Sundays: Group Meetings

6pm - Sunday Mass

7-8.30pm - Group gathering in the Cathedral Hall.

If you are interested to know more about the group and their activities, please contact Samantha David on 0404887964 or Julian Stewart after the Sunday 6pm Mass at the Cathedral. Please note that the Youth Group is open ONLY for people aged 18-35 years.

#### 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 WWCC clearance is up-date. Please contact the parish office on email: <a href="mailto:acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au">acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au</a> or call 82108155 if you need further information about the process..

#### 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 would 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 backgrounds through programs like the 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.

#### 2 Nov: All Souls' Day Mass Timings

St Francis Xavier Cathedral: 8am, 12:10pm & 5:45pm St John Vianney: 9am St Peter Claver: 7pm St Mary's: 8am Queen of Angels: 8:30am

Envelopes for All Souls Mass Offerings for the month of November have been placed in the foyer of all churches of our Parish. Kindly collect your envelopes and return them via the weekly Sunday Mass Collection or to the Parish office to make your All Souls Mass offerings. The names will be published in the newsletter for All Souls Day in November and they will be offered up at Mass.

# IMPORTANT PARKING NOTICE: Cathedral Car Park and Staircase and Driveway on the Cathedral lawns

All pedestrians and parents with baby strollers must use the carpark staircase when entering and exiting the underground carpark. Using the carpark ramp as a pedestrian walkway or for baby strollers is a major safety hazard. Please avoid doing so.

Kindly do not double park your car in the underground car park driveway. Parking on the driveway of the Cathedral lawns is also prohibited at all times. Both the driveways (underground car park and on the lawns) must be free for movement of vehicles at all times. Thank you for your help and cooperation in creating a safe environment for all our parishioners and visitors.