Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

19th November 2023

The Gospel this Sunday is the Parable of the <u>Talents</u>. The passage from St Matthew (25:14-30) tells of a man who, before setting off on a journey, calls his servants and entrusts his assets to them in talents, extremely valuable ancient coins. That master entrusts five talents to the first servant, two to the second, and one to the third. During the master's absence, the three servants must earn a profit from this patrimony.

The first and second servants each double the initial value of the capital. The third, however, for fear of losing it all, buries the talent he received in a hole. Upon the master's return, the first two receive praise and rewards, while the third, who returned only the coin he had received, is reproached and punished. The meaning of this is clear. The man in the parable represents Jesus, we are the servants, and the talents are the inheritance that the Lord entrusts to us.

What is the inheritance? His Word, the Eucharist, faith in the Heavenly Father, his forgiveness..., in other words, so many things, his most precious treasures. This is the inheritance that He entrusts to us, not only to safeguard, but to make fruitful! While in common usage the term "talent" indicates a pronounced individual quality, for example talent in music, in sport, and so on, in the parable, talent represent the riches of the Lord, which He entrusts to us so that we make them bear fruit. The hole dug into the soil by the "wicked and slothful servant" (v. 26) points to the fear of risk which blocks creativity and the fruitfulness of love, because the fear of the risks of love stop us.

Jesus does not ask us to store his grace in a safe! Jesus does not ask us for this, but He wants us to use it to benefit others. All the goods that we have received are to give to others, and thus they increase, as if He were to tell us: "Here is my mercy, my tenderness, my forgiveness: take them and make ample use of them". And what have we done with them? Whom have we "infected" with our faith? How many people have we encouraged with our hope? How much love have we shared with our neighbour?

These are questions that will do us good to ask ourselves. Any environment, even the furthest and most impractical, can become a place where our talents can bear fruit. There are no situations or places precluded from the Christian presence and witness. The witness which Jesus asks of us is not closed, but is open, it is in our hands.

This parable urges us not to conceal our faith and our belonging to Christ, not to bury the Word of the Gospel, but to let it circulate in our life, in our relationships, in concrete situations, as a strength which galvanises, which purifies, which renews. Similarly, the forgiveness, which the Lord grants us particularly in the Sacrament of Reconciliation: let us not keep it closed within ourselves, but let us allow it to emit its power, which brings down the walls that our egoism has raised, which

enables us to take the first step in strained relationships, to resume the dialogue where there is no longer communication... And so forth. Allow these talents, these gifts, these presents that the Lord has given us, to be, to grow, to bear fruit for others, with our witness.

(Pope Francis Homily)

Planned Giving Envelopes for 2024

Planned giving envelopes are available in the church foyer for your collection. Kindly note people must check their name and address on the label since all the numbers have been reallocated for 2023. Please call the Parish office or email: acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au in case of clarifications. Please dispose of all old envelopes that you may have and only use the fresh ones that have been allocated to you for 2024. We would like to thank you for your generosity toward the Parish and are deeply grateful for your continued support and contributions.

24 Nov: Funeral Service of Monsignor Robert Aitken

The Funeral Mass for Monsignor Robert Aitken will be celebrated at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral on **Friday**, **24 November 2023** at **12.00noon**. The Committal Service will follow at 2.15pm at Centennial Park Cemetery (Catholic D Section), 760 Goodwood Road, Pasadena. For those not able to attend, the Funeral Mass will be available for viewing by livestream at https://siebert.com.au/notices/monsignor-robert-aitken/

Please note that the 12.10pm Mass in the Cathedral and the 11.00am Mass & Confessions at St Peter Claver Church stands cancelled on 24 November due to the Funeral Mass.

3 Dec: St Vincent de Paul Annual Christmas Appeal Collection 2023

The Annual SVDP Christmas Appeal special collection will take place on 2nd/3rd December in our Parish (Cathedral, Holy Name, St. Mary's & Queen of Angels). Each year the St Vincent de Paul Society assists more than 100,000 South Australian men, women and children, offering those who need it, a hand up. This help is not limited to providing material goods, food and shelter, but extends also to providing support and encouragement for people to help themselves. Our members and volunteers provide practical support, advocacy and friendship to the most vulnerable within our community. We thank you for your generosity and support to St Vincent De Paul.

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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: The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place

First Reading: Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31.

Responsorial Psalm: Happy are those who fear the Lord.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30.

Universal Prayer Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon: To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

Next Week: Feast of Christ the King.

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12,1517.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28.

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46.

Liturgies & Activities (20th-26th Nov)

Tue The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Wed St. Cecilia.

Thu St. Clement I and St. Columban.

Fri St. Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions of Vietnam.

Sat St. Catherine of Alexandria.
Sun Feast of Christ the King.

Prayer Requests for the Deceased

Recently Deceased: Monsignor Robert Aitken (former Administrator, Adelaide Cathedral Parish), Rocco Fiorenti and Ines Trimboli.

Deceased Anniversaries:

Cathedral: Gnyanam Anthony, Julian Dumon and Clement

Nader.

Queen of Angels: Giuseppe Calarco **Holy Name:** Giro & Ferraro families.

St. Mary's: Kevin Palmer.

St. John Vianney/ St. Peter Claver: Josie O'Callaghan, Joy Bentley, Vika Tikinitabua, Rev. Brian Schmidt and Fijian families.

Prayers Requests for the Sick

Anton Sylvester, Leling Suzara, 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, Joshua Antony, Pilar Lopez, Adelina Ciavarra, Baby Ottile Sheens, Shaun & Joseph Coleiro and Denis Cranswick.

Prayers for Departed Souls in November

Littymol, Sojan, Varong Songcharoeun, Pratham Kraisron, Antonio & Grazia Violi, Vincenzo & Dominica De Leo, Giovanni Varaiodio, Giuseppe Duilio, Carmela Violi, Sidney Martin-Brown, Martin Brown, Reginald Evenden, John Gable Bill Johns family (Bill, David, Davina & Valicia Payne), Pollard family (Malcolm, Madge, Vic, Beatrice), Cyril, Phyllis, Magaret Hankins, Phane family, Wilson family, Clarke family, Von Berg family, O'Brien family, Pat Schrripa, Marianna Rocco Minici, Pasquale & Carmelo Schrripa, Setterino Zampogna, Severina Faiello, Rocco & Pasqualina Tropeano, Costa family (Maria, Giuseppe & Bruno) Elena & Antonio Cavallaro, John Coglin & Nora Kathleen O'Reilly, John Leo Day, Daniel James Kneale, Helen Jungfer, John Slattery, Percival Charles Myers, Judi Marie Welker, Gail Goodwin, Janet Shari gill, Markus Adam Noah Digamon, Anacleto Paulo,Lorenzo Idong Sr, Bagaporo family (Silverio A., Rolando A., Bonifacio A., Romeo A., Lucio & Genara A.), Matina D. & Juan Lagria, Erlinda M. Burton, Samuel B. Baviera, Pretzelo Tulayba, Michelle Candy, Baista family, Gregor family, Frakola family, Yurisevich family, Clapise family, Ana Marie family, Gojak family, Jacinto family (Imelda, Adventoa, Jocelyn, Lourdes, Jenifer, Andres, Filomeno & Dimas), Jovellanos family (Julio, Maria, Fernanda & Felecitas), Giovanna & Gian Domenico Iadanza, Barbara & Diordoro Cocca, Alberto & Maria DiSciscio, Antonio & Antonietta DeSciscio, Vincenzo Iadanza, Rosa & Antonio Capozza, Maria Dowdell, Sungkip family (Panila, Alejandro, Lucy, Dadie & Emeliano) Noval family (Carouna, Monica, Emilaloi & Renato), Atanosa family (Mathilde, Leonora & Paul), Helaria Limontin, Cornelia Cogay, Felisa Tabanyag, Alquizola family, Swigon family, Marie Josephine Estrada, Monica Schneider, Villaflor family, Bill Clohesy, McCarron family (Joan, Adan, Owen & Kiran), Eddy Dreimanic, Rose Keane, Michael Anagnos, Joyce Deagan, Alice Mary Welch, Pierina & Domenico Princi, Anna Tradico, Anna Holdcroft, Zia Annunziata Princi, Fr. Athos Righi, Soura Edonorda Lo Curcio FSP. Helen & Hugh Ojman, Zawadzki & Hay families, Chee Sem and Chok Him Know

24 Nov: Vocations Prayer Vigil

The Vocations Prayer Vigil will commence at 5.15pm with the Evening Prayer in the Church. Reconciliation will be available from 5pm and then Mass at 5.45pm followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament to conclude with Benediction at 8.15pm. Supper in the hall will follow and conclude the night. All are welcome to join this Vocations Prayer Vigil at anytime during the evening to celebrate and discern God's call.

29 Nov to 3 Dec: Festa at Queen of Angels

The Annual Triduum for the "Festa della Madonna Immacolata" will take place at Queen of Angels Church, Thebarton from 29th November to 3rd December. The schedule of Masses for the Triduum are outlined below:

Date	Day	Mass Intention	Time
29 Nov	Wed	Vocations Mass	7.00pm
30 Nov	Thu	Anointing of the sick and Infirmed Mass**	10.30am
1Dec	Fri	Holy souls Mass	7.00pm
2 Dec	Sat	Vigil Mass	6.00pm
3 Dec	Sun	Feast of Madonna Immaculata	9.30am

**The Mass on 30 November is not only for the sick but those suffering from any malady or infirmity, stress as well as other conditions. All are cordially invited to the Masses and events scheduled for this year.

3 Dec: A Service of Advent Lessons and Carols St. Raphael's Church

A service of Advent Lessons and Carols will be held on the First Sunday in Advent, 3rd December at 5pm in St Raphael's Church, Young Street, Parkside. All are welcome to attend.

3 Dec: Celebration of the Feast of St. Francis Xavier at the Cathedral

The Adelaide Catholic Cathedral Parish celebrates the feast of St. Francis Xavier, patron saint of our Cathedral on Sunday, 3rd December at the 11am Mass. This will be followed by a celebration (lunch, dance, music games & raffles) at the Cathedral



Church Hall from 12.30pm-4.30pm. All proceeds will go to the Kangaroo Island Parish fundraiser. Donations and sponsors to support the event are most welcome.

Tickets: Adults \$20. Children under 5 years are free Tickets can be purchased through trybooking.com: https://www.trybooking.com/CMWGH or transfer to Agnelo Fernandes: BSB 085070 A/C: 805019964 Text your payment screenshot to any of the organisers Last date for bookings: 30th November.

Event Administrator: Fr. Anthoni Adimai. **Event Organisers:** Agnelo - 0449506681, Serling: 0424167956 or Peter: 0431040686.

8 Dec: Adelaide Cathedral Parish Volunteer Thanksgiving Nite

The Adelaide Catholic Cathedral Parish cordially invites the **current volunteers** of all our churches in the Parish to a Thanksgiving Mass and End of Year Dinner on Friday, 8 December 2023. The Parish would like to acknowledge all our volunteers for their presence and service. The Celebration will begin with the 5.45pm Mass at the St. Francis Xavier Cathedral followed by evening tea in the Cathedral Parish Hall.

If you volunteer with the parish as a CLC member, Mass Coordinator, Reader, Eucharistic Minister, Choir Member, Musician, Sacristan, Altar server or any other role, then we would love to see you there. Kindly register your confirmation of attendance, role in the parish, and dietary requirement by 3rd December through your respective representatives ONLY or the Parish Office: acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au

Choir members of all churches: Astrid Sengkey or Timothy Davey.

Cathedral Altar Servers: Mavis Pinto/ Michelle Tie **St Francis Xavier's Cathedral:** Sacristans or call the Parish Office.

St Mary's: Len Nowak.

Queen of Angels: Bernard Dowd/ Maria ladanza. Holy Name: Maria ladanza/ Fr. Michael McCaffrey

(Latin Mass Community).

St Peter Claver: Deacon Remo Patroni/ Jane

Moran.

St. John Vianney: Jean Lucas

10 Dec: Festa of Santa Lucia at Holy Name

The Feast of Santa Lucia will be held at the Church of the Holy Name, Stepney on 11 December at the 11am Mass. All are welcome to attend.

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 washrooms, lawns and carpark at all times.

Latin Mass Community Announcements

Servers' practice continues tomorrow at 5:30pm; Scripture Class is in recess until Mon. 27th Nov.

Fr. Sofatzis continues a 5-week course on Dr. Brant Pitre's Book *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary* this Thurs. 7:30-8:30pm. All welcome.

Youth Group meets this Friday beginning with Catechism Classes at 5:30pm.

A reminder, Catechism Classes for school children (Grades 3-12) are on every Friday evening in term time, 5:30-6:15pm. We wish to assist parents in fulfilling their obligation in educating their children in the Faith. Parents, please encourage your children to attend

Our next Confraternity of St. Peter morning is this Sat. 25th Nov. beginning with 8:30am Mass, followed by a holy hour, morning tea and a talk. All members of the Confraternity are encouraged to attend.

There will be a Cooked Breakfast fundraiser for the Youth Group next Sun. after the 8am and 9:15am Masses. Sausage and Drink \$5; Scones, Jam and Cream \$8; there will also be a plant stall.

Fraternity Calendars and Christmas Cards are on sale at the bookstall. Calendars are \$15, and packs of Christmas Cards are \$10.

We will be hosting the 40 Hours Adoration Devotion at Holy Name Church, 1st - 3rd Dec. The Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibition designed by Bl. Carlo Acutis will also be on display. Please take a flyer and consider signing up for an hour of prayer.

There will be a Cherished Women's Retreat on Sat. 25th Nov. (9:30am-4:30pm) at St Luke's Catholic Church, Noarlunga Downs. More info at: https://foodandwine.events/event/19978238-a/cherished-womens-retreat

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, Michael Turnbull (Bob Turnbull's brother), Kathryn Nader, Tony Caruso and Vincenza Martucci (Ines Barson's mother). Please also remember the recently deceased, especially David Bruer (Mike Bruer's father) and Gregory Mach (Daniel Mach's father) and those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

17 Dec: Blessing of the Cribs Mass

The Cathedral Parish invites families to bring their Nativity Scene to the Blessing of the Cribs Mass. Families can bring forward their cribs as part of the entrance procession and the Blessing Ceremony will take place during the Mass. Check with your local parish for similar events involving local schools and blessing of the cribs. For more information, please contact the Parish office on Tel: 82108155.

Music at the Cathedral in December 2023

15th December at 7.30pm (Friday): Christmas Choral Recital with orchestra

16th December 7.30pm (Saturday): Organ Carols Recital – Dr Amir Robin-Karas

17th December at 12.30pm (Sunday): Christmas Choral Recital with orchestra (at Holy Cross Church, Goodwood)

19th December 1pm (Tuesday): End of Year Organ Student Concert

20 December 7pm (Wednesday): Christmas Carols – James Lloyd. Congregation participation encouraged. Sunday 24 December 11pm: Christmas Carols with the choir. Congregation participation encouraged.

Please contact music@adelaide.catholic.org.au for more information or checked the Church notice board.

School Aged Sacramental Program 2024

The Adelaide Cathedral Parish will be conducting a preparation program in 2024 for the Sacraments of Initiation, including Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation. Candidates should be at least 8 years old in early 2024. The program will start in February 2024 and enrollments should be completed by the end of December 2023. If your child requires the sacrament of baptism, you will need to arrange an appointment to meet Fr. Anthoni Adimai, our parish administrator, before they can be enrolled in any other preparation program. Parents who would like their child enrolled in this program should contact the Parish Office email: acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au or call 82108155.

Advent Booklets & Christmas Time Table

The Advent Reflection booklets 2023 are now available in the foyer of all churches in our Parish. It is a beautiful prayer resource that can be used in a group setting or at home this Advent season. We invite each family to use this booklet as you see appropriate, that may be by forming a weekly Advent reflection hour. Please take home a copy from the entrance of the Church.

The Christmas time-table for Christmas and New Year Services will be available on our website and in all our churches from 1st December 2023. Please take home a copy or download it from our website once available.

Adoration at St Laurence's Church, North Adelaide

There is a silent adoration of the Blessed Sacrament exposed every Friday from 7-8pm with opportunity for Confession. This began with Pope Francis' call for a day of prayer, fasting and penance on 27 October, to obtain peace, especially in Ukraine and the Holy Land. It