Feast of Christ the King - Year A

26th November 2023

On this last Sunday of the liturgical year we are celebrating the <u>Solemnity of Christ, King of the Universe</u>. His is a kingship of guidance, of service and also a kingship which at the <u>end of time</u> will be fulfilled as judgment. Today, we have Christ before us as King, shepherd and judge, who reveals the criteria for belonging to the <u>Kingdom of God</u>. Here are the criteria.

The Gospel passage opens with a grandiose vision. Jesus, addressing his disciples, says: "When the Son of man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne" (Mt 25:31). It is a solemn introduction to the narrative of the <u>Last</u> Judgment.

After having lived his earthly existence in humility and poverty, Jesus now shows himself in the divine glory that pertains to him, surrounded by hosts of angels. All of humanity is summoned before him and he exercises his authority, separating one from another, as the shepherd separates the sheep from the goats.

To those whom he has placed at his right he says: "Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me" (vv. 34-36).

The righteous are taken aback, because they do not recall ever having met Jesus, much less having helped him in that way, but he declares: "as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me" (v. 40). In this way Jesus reveals the decisive criterion of his judgment, namely, concrete love for a neighbour in difficulty. And in this way the power of love, the kingship of God is revealed: in solidarity with those who suffer in order to engender everywhere compassion and works of mercy.

The Parable of the Judgment continues, presenting the King who shuns those who, during their lives, did not concern themselves with the needs of their brethren. Those in this case too are surprised and ask: "Lord, when did we see thee hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to thee?" (v. 44). Implying: "Had we seen you, surely we would have helped you!".

But the King will respond: "as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to me" (v. 45). At the end of our life, we will be judged on love, that is, on our concrete commitment to love and serve Jesus in our littlest and neediest brothers and sisters. Jesus will come at the end of time to judge all nations, but he comes to us each day, in many ways, and asks us to welcome him.

May the Virgin Mary help us to encounter him and receive him in his Word and in the Eucharist, and at the same time in brothers and sisters who suffer from hunger, disease, oppression, injustice. May our hearts welcome him in the present of our life, so that we may be welcomed by him into the eternity of his Kingdom of light and peace. (Pope Francis' Homily)

26 Nov: Legion of Mary Book Table

The Adelaide Cathedral Legion of Mary will be running a book table in the portico of the Cathedral, **this Sunday**, **26 November** 2023, 9:30 am – 12:30 pm. They will be selling religious books, AND prayer cards, rosaries and miraculous medals et al. will be available for a modest donation. Please bring cash only. For any further enquiries, please ring Dermott on 0422 562 569.

2 Dec: Praying the Rosary for Peace

On the first Saturday of every month, you are invited to join Our Lady and pray the Rosary outdoors, together united, to pray for peace in Mary MacKillop Plaza (adj to St Francis Xavier's Cathedral) at 8.40am (after the 8am Mass). All welcome. This month's rosary will be recited on Saturday, 2nd December. For more information contact: Patrick Greenrod, Legion of Mary, 0414769635.

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.

Adelaide Cathedral Parish Office Closure for Christmas and New Year 2024

The Adelaide Cathedral Parish Office will be closed for Christmas and New Year 2024 from Thursday 21st December 2pm. The office will re-open on Monday, 8th January 2024 at 9.30am and resume normal business hours. Kindly note that the phone line 82108155 and email requests will not be answered during this period. We request all our parishioners who may need Mass intentions or other services during this time to kindly place your requests with the office before 20th December.

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Any emergency requiring a priest 0417 080 955 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

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: How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is my shepherd; there is

nothing I shall want.

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

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46.

Universal Prayer Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon: The Lord sits as King for ever. The

Lord will bless his people with peace.

Next Week: First week of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1, 3-8. Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9.

Gospel: Mark 13:33-37.

Liturgies & Activities (27th - 3rd Nov)

Thu St. Andrew, Apostle. Fri St. Charles de Foucauld. Sun First Week of Advent.

Prayer Requests for the Deceased

Recently Deceased: Grace Quines (SFX) and Fr. Michael Doherty.

Deceased Anniversaries:

Cathedral: Adele Altamura, Otero family, Pableo family, Torillo family, Geoff McLeod, Fr. Anthony Van Dyke, Silva family, Pereira family, Bowe family, DaSilva family, Araujo family, Calogera Micale, Thomas David, Domingo Salazar Encarnado, Edward Braganza and Lindo David

Queen of Angels: Saverio & Anna Sergi, lelasi family (Caterina, Antonio & Rosario) and Anna Marafioti.

Holy Name: Caterina Carli.

St. Mary's: Leo Kelly and Major Rogers.

St. John Vianney/ St. Peter Claver: Michael Miller, Tony Trewartha, Gerald Cattanach, Barry Maloney and Jillian Burns.

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 Charles 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

Krispianus Sogen, Matias Mari Koten, Agnes O. Huraint, Maria Puteh Lamury, Nelle Lion, Nene Tapo, Nene Tobi, Agustinus Lasi Bobo, N.K Simon & family, Annamma Korab, N Korah, Scaria U, Mattew Panagattu, Maguire family, Joaquim family (Humberto, Maria Gorety, Joao Veney, Antonio, Beatriz & Jose), Josefa & Domingos Guiteres, Domingas Noronha, Jose Alexandrino, Grugierczyk family, Slowiak family, Tilley family, Maria Maaz & family, Adam family, Khouri family, Maroun family, Eskadar family, Mehmi family, Rahmi family, Mariet & Elia Adam, Hoda Rahme, Sherlock & Links families, Slattery & Proud families, Roman family, Brigidine sisters, Judd & Sachnowicz families, Leslie & Richard Suhanek, Ronald & Gertie Pearce, Timpano family, Maria Teresa Picola, Joseph, Margaret, Giuseppina, Kusolwong family (Samuth, Anong, Anawat & San), Kneale family (Daniel James, Cyril James, Edith Ruth & Peter John), Theron Bowcutt Butler, Christina Deppe, Lynn Clements, Patricia Ruth Berry, Jeffrey Moruka, Montree Hongboontrai, Rocco Fiorenza, Carlupano Anthony & Pascaol Carvalho, Esbelta Nunes, Rhonda & Eugene O'Connor, Evelyn & Joseph DeBono,

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 of 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 go 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.

Music at the Cathedral in 15-20 Dec 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.

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.

Latin Mass Community Announcements

There will be a Cooked Breakfast fundraiser for the Youth Group today after the 8am and 9:15am Masses. Sausage and Drink \$5; Scones, Jam and Cream \$8; there will also be a plant stall (~\$10 or less).

Servers' practice continues tomorrow at 5:30pm; and Scripture class resumes at 7:30pm.

The 18-25 Young Adults' Group meets tomorrow, Mon. 27 Nov. beginning with Adoration at Holy Name at 6:30pm followed by a social activity. All welcome.

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.

We will be hosting the 40-Hours Adoration Devotion beginning this Fri 1st Dec. and continuing till Sun. morning 3rd Dec. Please see flyer for schedule and to sign-up. The Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibition designed by Bl. Carlo Acutis will be on display throughout.

This Friday is the 1st Friday of the Month.

10am: Mothers' Rosary Group meets for morning tea and the Rosary. Contact Louise Moir for details and location.

5:30pm: Children's catechism classes.

6:30pm: Sung Mass to begin 40 Hours Adoration, followed by a Eucharistic Procession, Litany of the Saints and Night Prayer. There will be the usual Holy Hours for the clergy at 3am and families at 5:30am. Masses on Sat. morning are at 7am and 8:30am.

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

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.

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 is now available our website and will be available in all our churches from 3rd December 2023. Please download it from our website or take home a copy 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 is being continued with the same intention.

Order of Malta National Day

The Order of Malta is a lay religious order established to serve the sick and poor and to defend the Catholic faith. The Order dates back to 1048 when Crusaders built a church, convent and hospital in Jerusalem to defend and care for pilgrims in the Holy Land. The Order of Malta is active in 120 countries, caring for people in need through its medical, social and humanitarian works. As a sovereign body in International Law, we have accredited diplomatic missions with 108 countries, including diplomatic status in the United Nations. The Order of Malta is dedicated to preserving human dignity and caring for all those in need, regardless of race or religion. In South Australia, we support people experiencing homelessness and poverty. We also meet for prayer, Mass and spiritual retreats throughout the year. For information, visit www.orderofmalta.org.au or contact Noel Mifsud at 0490 485 247 or please email: southerncentral@orderofmalta.org.au

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.