



# ADELAIDE CATHEDRAL PARISH

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4th February 2024

Today's Gospel passage (cf. Mk 1:29-39) presents the healing, by Jesus, of Peter's mother-in-law and then of many other sick and suffering people who gather round him. The healing of Peter's mother-in-law is the first physical healing recounted by Mark: the woman is in bed with a fever; Jesus' attitude and gesture toward her are emblematic: "he came and took her by the hand" (v. 31), the Evangelist notes. There is so much tenderness in this simple act, which seems almost natural: "the fever left her; and she served them" (ibid.).

That day was a sabbath day. The people of the village wait for sundown and then, the obligation of rest having ended, they go out and bring to Jesus all those who are sick and possessed by demons. And he heals them, but forbids the demons to reveal that he is the Christ (cf. vv. 32-34). Thus, from the very beginning, Jesus shows his predilection for people suffering in body and in spirit: it is a predilection of Jesus to draw near to people who suffer both in body and in spirit. It is the Father's predilection, which he incarnates and manifests with deeds and words. His disciples were eyewitnesses to this; they saw this and then witnessed to it. But Jesus did not want just spectators of his mission: he involved them; he sent them; he also gave them the power to heal the sick and cast out demons (cf. Mt 10:1; Mk 6:7). And this has continued without interruption in the life of the Church, up to today. And this is important.

The reality that we are experiencing throughout the world makes this message, this essential mission of the Church, particularly relevant. The voice of Job, which echoes in today's liturgy, is once again the interpreter of our human condition, so lofty in dignity – our human condition, the loftiest in dignity - and at the same time so fragile. In the face of this reality, the question "why?" always arises in the heart.

And to this question Jesus, the Word Incarnate, responds not with an explanation – to this because we are so lofty in dignity and

so fragile in condition, Jesus does not respond to this 'why' with an explanation –, but with a loving presence that bends down, that takes by the hand and lifts up, as he did with Peter's mother-in-law (cf. Mk 1:31). Bending down to lift up the other. Let us not forget that the only legitimate way to look at a person from top down is when you stretch out a hand to help them get up. The only one. And this is the mission that Jesus entrusted to the Church. The Son of God manifests his Lordship not "from top down", not from a distance, but in bending down, stretching out his hand; he manifests his Lordship in closeness, in tenderness, in compassion. Closeness, tenderness, compassion are the style of God. God draws near, and he draws near with tenderness and compassion. How many times in the Gospel do we read, before a health problem or any problem: "he had compassion". Jesus' compassion, God's closeness in Jesus is the style of God. Today's Gospel passage also reminds us that this compassion is deeply rooted in the intimate relationship with the Father. Why? Before daybreak and after sundown, Jesus withdrew and remained alone to pray (v. 35). From there he drew the strength to fulfil his mission, preaching and healing.

*(Pope Francis' homilies)*

**Fr. Anthoni Adimai SdM**

## 4 Feb: Sausage sizzle by youth

The youth of the Parish have organised a Sausage Sizzle after the 9am and 11am Mass, this Sunday 4 February, in the Mary MacKillop Plaza. This will also be an opportunity to farewell Fr Anthoni Adimai as he prepares to take on his role as parish priest at Newton. The money raised through the sausage sizzle will go towards the ongoing Kangaroo Island Parish Fundraiser. Please patronize this event and support our youth.

Cathedral of St Francis Xavier, 39 Wakefield Street, Adelaide

Church of St Patrick, 268 Grote Street, Adelaide

Church of St John Vianney, 546 Glynburn Road, Burnside

Church of St Mary, 179 Stanley Street, North Adelaide

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, cnr of Giles and Todd Streets, Kingscote, Kangaroo Island

Church of the Holy Name, 80 Payneham Road, Stepney

Church of St Peter Claver, cnr Stuart Road & Grandview Grove, Dulwich

Church of the Queen of Angels, cnr South Road & Kintore Street, Thebarton

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**Archbishop of Adelaide** Archbishop Patrick O'Regan DD  
**Administrator** Fr. Anthoni Adimai SdM  
**Assistant Administrator** Fr. Peter Rozitis  
**Latin Mass Chaplain** Fr. Michael McCaffrey, FSSP

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Parish newsletter: [www.adelcathparish.org/news-events/weekly-newsletters](http://www.adelcathparish.org/news-events/weekly-newsletters).

## Aboriginal Catholic Ministry

Otherway Centre 8362 3185

**Cathedral Parish Music** 8210 8128

**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

**Confessions** Mon, Wed, Fri: 11-12 noon, 5-5.30pm  
Sat: 12 noon-1pm, 4.30-5.30pm

**Holy Hour** Tues: 6.30pm, Fri: 11am

**Public Holidays** 8am Mass ONLY at the Cathedral  
Except 01 January—Mass at 10am at the Cathedral  
26 January—Mass at 9am at the Cathedral

## St Mary's, Lower North Adelaide

Tues and Fri: 8am Sun: 9.30am

## Our Lady Queen of Angels, Thebarton

Wed: 8.30am (Mass suspended until further notice)  
Sat: Confessions: 5.45pm | Vigil: 6pm  
Sun: 9.30am

## St John Vianney, Burnside

Tues and Thu: Mass: 9am | Confessions: 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:** O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

**First Reading:** Job 7:1-4, 6-7

**Responsorial Psalm:** Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 9 :16-19, 22-23.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, Alleluia! He bore our sickness and endured our suffering. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Mark 1:29-39

**Universal Prayer Response:** Lord, hear our prayer.

**Communion Antiphon:** Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.

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**Next Week: 11th Feb: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**First Reading:** Leviticus - 13:1-2, 44-46

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1

**Gospel:** Mark 1:40-45

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## Liturgies & Activities (5th Feb—11th Feb)

**Mon** St Agatha

**Tue** Sts Paul Miki and companions, martyrs of Japan

**Thu** St Josephine Bakhita and St Jerome Emiliani

**Sat** St Scholastica

**Sun** 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**11am Mass: Installation of Dean of the Cathedral and Administrator of the Adelaide Cathedral Parish**

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## Prayer Requests for the Deceased

**Recently Deceased:** Salvatore Cicero, Rita Cioffi, Sr Elisabeth Dmytryk RSJ, Sr Marie Foale RSJ, Secilia Wijaya, Nunziata Monterosso, Marija Ilicic, Domenico Monteleone, Rod Kershaw, Valerian Joseph Saldanha, Edgardo Tuazo de Jesus, Marie Therese Walsh, Bridie Elward, Peter Manalo

## Deceased Anniversaries:

**Cathedral:** Raphael Ocana, Mauricio Medina, Iasiello & Parella family, Brian Clune, George Lubatti, Lena Sabellico, Margaret Manetta, Kartar Kaur, Adrian Mark Brewer.

**Queen of Angels:** Anna Marafioti, Caterina & Antonio Rosario Ielasi, Saverio & Anna Sergi, Paulmbo, Tripodi, Forza, Cerace and Lorendi families.

**St. Mary's:** Robert Kenneth John Barker,

**Holy Name:** Ina Ruggiero, Lina & Pasquale Ruggeri

**St. John Vianney/St. Peter Claver:** Connell Perry

## 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, Joshua Jose, Jithin Jamon, Madison Musico, William Hemmeld, Daphne Bizell, Peter Slobodian, Marie Winters, Joshua Antony, Pilar Lopez, Adelina Ciavarra, Baby Otilie Sheens, Shaun & Joseph Coleiro and Denis Cranswick, Beverly Garton.

## 4 Feb: Word of God Sunday

The Church in Australia celebrates the Sunday of the Word of God on the first Sunday in February – February 4 in 2024 (Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B). Pope Francis established the day, which is devoted to “the celebration, study and dissemination” of the Word of God. Visit [www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodSunday](http://www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodSunday) to access resources to help commemorate the day and for suggestions on how to better engage with Sacred Scripture in various ways and settings.

## Feb Edition of Southern Cross available

The first edition of the Southern Cross magazines in 2024 are available in the foyer of the church.

## 3 Feb: Rosary in Mary MacKillop Plaza

Join our Lady and pray the Rosary outdoors, together united, to pray for peace in Mary MacKillop Plaza (adjacent to St Francis Xavier’s Cathedral) at 8.40am (after the 8am Mass), this Saturday - 3 February. All welcome. For more information please contact: Mr Patrick Greenrod – Legion of Mary – 0414 769 635.

## 3 Feb: Mass & Devotions in Honour of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Saturday 3 February, 12pm at St Raphael’s Church, Parkside there will be Mass and Devotions to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, beginning with confessions from 11:15am-11:45am. Rosary will recited at 11:30am followed by Mass at 12.00pm. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament follows Mass until 3:15 pm and concludes with Benediction.

This month’s Mass coincides with the commemoration of St Blaise. The traditional blessing of throats will take place during the Mass. For enquiries contact: Elizabeth 0431 664 382 .

## 8 Feb: CANCELLED — 8am Mass at the Cathedral

On 8 February, the 8am in St Francis Xavier’s Cathedral is cancelled due to a closed event occurring at the same time. The inconvenience caused is deeply regretted. Kindly note the same in your diaries and inform anyone you know who regularly attends the 8am Mass.

## 10 Feb: Our Lady of Lourdes Mass at 10am *11.30am Mass is cancelled*

Each year, on World Day of the Sick a Mass is offered for those who are of ill health. The Mass will be held on Saturday, 10 February 2023 at 10am in St Francis Xavier’s Cathedral. No registration is necessary. All are welcome to receive a blessing and anointing. **This means the regular 11.30am Mass is cancelled.**

For more information please contact Archdiocesan Events on (08)82108220 or E:[events@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:events@adelaide.catholic.org.au)

## 11 Feb: Installation of the Dean of the Cathedral

On Sunday, 11 February, Fr Lancy D’Silva will be installed in his role as Dean of the Cathedral and Administrator of the Adelaide Cathedral Parish by Archbishop Patrick O’Regan at the 11am Mass. All are welcome.

We welcome Fr Lancy to our Parish and ask parishioners to pray for his ministry in serving the many communities and churches in our Parish. Fr Anthoni Adimai SdM has been appointed as Parish Priest of St Francis of Assisi Parish, Newton. We would like to thank Fr. Anthoni for his leadership and guidance over the last 4.5 years and wish him blessings as he continues the Lord’s work at the Newton Parish.

## 10/11 Feb: Day of the Unborn Child Appeal

A special collection will be taken up in support of the work undertaken by Birthline Pregnancy Support and Genesis Pregnancy Support Inc. The Day of the Unborn Child assists us to focus on those people in our families and communities who have experienced any sort of child-bearing loss, whether miscarriage, still-birth, the death of a baby soon after birth, or abortion.

We encourage you to be generous in your support of those who work tirelessly with individuals and families who require these important resources and services.

## 10 Feb: Walk for Life 2024

The Vicar General invites all parishioners to the ‘Walk for Life, 2024’ at Pennington Gardens, opposite St Peter’s Cathedral, North Adelaide on 10 February at 10am. This walk will be a peaceful public witness to the value of every human life, especially the unborn. The theme will be “Every Life is a Gift” with reference to Psalm 127:3 ‘*Children too are a gift from the Lord... a reward*’

## 11 Feb: Feast of St Josephine Bakhita

Thursday 8 February is the Feast Day of St Josephine Bakhita. The African Catholic Community will celebrate this feast at the St Francis Xavier Cathedral on Sunday 11 February at the 2.30pm Mass. All are welcome to attend. No prior registration necessary.

## 14 Feb: Ash Wednesday

Mass Timings for Ash Wednesday in our parish will be as follows:

**SFX Cathedral:** 8am, 12.10pm & 5.45pm

**Queen of Angels, Thebarton:** 8.30am

**St. Mary’s, North Adelaide:** 8am

**St. Peter Claver’s, Dulwich:** 9am

## Stations of the Cross during Lent

**SFX Cathedral:** Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday starting 16 Feb at 10.30am in the Cathedral followed by Adoration and Benediction at 11am. All welcome.

**Dulwich/Burnside:** Stations of the Cross devotions at St. John Vianney Church, Burnside will be held each Thursday immediately after the 9.00am Mass starting 15 Feb. All welcome

## Latin Mass Community

1st Holy Communion Classes begin at 11am today in the music room (the small room off the meeting room). There will be a meeting for parents of the 1st Communion children at 11.10am in the Atrium (building A). The entrance to the Atrium is next to the playground equipment/cubby house.

Servers' Practice begins at 5:30-6:30pm tomorrow.

Scripture class on St Matthew's Gospel recommences at 7.30pm tomorrow

Beginner's Latin meets on Tuesday evenings from 7pm.

Intermediate Latin begins this Wednesday from 10.30am – midday.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd begins this week.

Thursday adult education classes begin on 7th Feb 7:30-8:30pm. We will be reading and discussing Dr Brant Pitre's book, Jesus the Bridegroom.

Playgroup will meet only the 3rd Friday of the month this year, 10am – midday, beginning on the 16th Feb. Friday Catechism for kids (school years 3-12) begins this week at 5.30pm, followed by Mass and Youth Group. Information and registration forms are available for 2024 by the doors of the Church.

Love Adelaide's Walk For Life will take place this Saturday 10 Feb beginning at 10am from the Pennington Gardens, North Adelaide (next to the Adelaide Oval). Please see posters for details.

Classes for those interested in becoming Catholic will begin in Lent on Thursday evenings from 7:30pm – 8:30pm. (Classes begin on Thu 15th Feb).

Next Sunday there will be a special collection for the work of pro-life organisations in Adelaide, and the proceeds from coffee and pancakes next Sunday will go to the special collection.

The 26-35yo Young Adults Group has its first meeting for 2024 next Sunday evening, beginning with a Holy Hour at 6pm, followed by a shared dinner and a talk from Fr McCaffrey. Please contact Gaby Nara for more details (gnara1990@hotmail.com)

The 18-15yo Young Adults will meet for the first time this year at 6:30pm on Mon 12th Feb, beginning with Adoration at Holy Name, followed by dinner and a talk.

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 Marafiotte, Michael Turnbull (Bob Turnbull's brother), Tony Caruso and Vincenza Martucci (Ines Barson's mother). Please also remember the recently deceased, especially Margaret Whiteley (Jenny Kayal's mother) and those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

## 18 Feb: Rite of Election

The Rite of Election will be at 2.30pm on 18 February at the St Francis Xavier Cathedral. The Rite of Election marks the entry of the catechumens into the final phase of their preparation to receive the sacraments of initiation on Easter Vigil. After the Rite of Election is complete, the catechumens will be referred to as 'the elect'. Please keep them all in your prayers.

Due to this, the 2.30pm African Mass will be moved to St Patrick's Church, Grote St.

## 25 Feb: 60th Anniversary of Caritas in Australia

All Caritas supporters - young and old - are invited to join the Archbishop on Sunday 25 February, for the 11am Mass at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral to commemorate 60 years of Caritas in Australia, with its foundations proudly in Adelaide! Please save the date in your 2024 diary - we look forward to celebrating this milestone with all parishes, schools and anyone who supports the good work of Caritas Australia - helping us to create a just and compassionate world

## Charis SA: Feb 2024 schedule

Charis SA invites you to join them for three powerful events in this month of February.

Introducing The Year Of Prayer on 10 Feb 2024 . 10.00am to 3.00pm with Fr Selva Raj

Spiritual Healing Retreat on 22 Feb and continuing every 3rd Thursday of the month from 7.00 to 9.00pm

A Lenten Retreat with Dr Jayanand from Jesus Cares Ministries, Bangalore, India on 24 Feb from 9.30 am to 4.00p.m

All these events will be held at St Peter Claver Church, 8 Stuart Road, Dulwich and will include Mass.

See Posters on the notice board for more information.

## Fringe 2024 - Pipe Organ Recitals at the Cathedral of St Francis Xavier

Join our organists during the Fringe Festival:

| Date   | Time | Artist                           |
|--------|------|----------------------------------|
| 21 Feb | 1pm  | Amir Robin-Karas                 |
| 25 Feb | 1pm  | Festival of Hymns by James Lloyd |
| 28 Feb | 1pm  | Jacinta Jakovcevic               |
| 6 Ma   | 1pm  | Graham Bell                      |
| 17 Ma  | 1pm  | Young Organists                  |

All are welcome to attend.

## Adelaide Cathedral Children's Choir

The Children's Choir is a growing group of primary school-aged students who usually sing on the first Sunday of each month at the 9am Sunday Mass at the Cathedral. We are always welcoming new members from 5-12 years of age. Please email the Cathedral Music Team at [music@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:music@adelaide.catholic.org.au) for more information.