



# ADELAIDE CATHEDRAL PARISH

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**11th February 2024**

In these Sundays, Mark the Evangelist speaks to us about Jesus' actions against every type of evil, for the benefit of those suffering in body and spirit: the possessed, the sick, sinners.... Jesus presents Himself as the One who fights and conquers evil wherever He encounters it. In today's Gospel (cf. Mk 1:40-45) this struggle of His confronts an emblematic case, because the sick man is a leper.

Leprosy is a contagious and pitiless disease, which disfigures the person, and it was a symbol of impurity: a leper had to stay outside of inhabited centres and make his presence known to passersby. He was marginalized by the civil and religious community. He was like a deadman walking.

The episode of the healing of the leper takes place in three brief phases: the sick man's supplication, Jesus' response, the result of the miraculous healing. The leper beseeches Jesus, "kneeling", and says to Him: "If you will, you can make me clean" (v. 40). Jesus responds to this humble and trusting prayer because his soul is moved to deep pity: compassion. "Compassion" is a most profound word: compassion means "to suffer-with-another".

Jesus' heart manifests God's paternal compassion for that man, moving close to him and touching him. And this detail is very important. Jesus "stretched out his hand and touched him.... And immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean" (vv. 41-42). God's mercy overcomes every barrier and Jesus' hand touches the leper.

He does not stand at a safe distance and does not act by delegating but places Himself in direct contact with our contagion and in precisely this way our ills become the motive for contact: He, Jesus, takes from us our diseased humanity and we take from Him his sound and healing humanity. This happens each time we receive a Sacrament with faith: the Lord Jesus "touches" us and grants us his grace. In this case we think especially of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, which heals us from the leprosy of sin.

Once again the Gospel shows us what God does in the face of our ills: God does not come to "give a lesson" on pain; neither does He come to eliminate suffering and death from the world; but rather, He comes to take upon Himself the burden of our human condition and carries it to the end, to free us in a radical and definitive way.

This is how Christ fights the world's maladies and suffering: by taking them upon Himself and conquering them with the power of God's mercy. The Gospel of the healing of the leper tells us today that, if we want to be true disciples of Jesus, we are called to become, united to Him, instruments of his merciful love, overcoming every kind of marginalization.

In order to be "imitators of Christ" (cf. 1 Cor 11:1) in the face of a poor or sick person, we must not be afraid to look him in the eye with tenderness and compassion, and to touch him and embrace him. I have often asked this of people who help others, to do so looking them in the eye, not to be afraid to touch them; that this gesture of help may also be a gesture of communication: we too need to be welcomed by them.

A gesture of tenderness, a gesture of compassion.... Let us ask you: when you help others, do you look them in the eye? Do you embrace them without being afraid to touch them? Do you embrace them with tenderness? Think about this: how do you help? From a distance or with tenderness, with closeness? If evil is contagious, so is goodness. Therefore, there needs to be ever more abundant goodness in us. Let us be infected by goodness and let us spread goodness!

- (Pope Francis' Homily)

## **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.**

## **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.

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

Fr. Lancy D'Silva CSC has been appointed as Dean of the Cathedral and Administrator of the Adelaide Cathedral Parish, from Friday 9, February, 2024. We welcome Fr Lancy to our Parish and ask our 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 from Friday 9, February, 2024. 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.

**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

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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:** Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

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

**Responsorial Psalm:** I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, Alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

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

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

**Communion Antiphon:** They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.

Next Week: 18th Feb: First Sunday of Lent.

**First Reading:** Genesis 9:8-15.

**Second Reading:** 1 Peter 3:18-22.

**Gospel:** Mark 1:12-15.

## Liturgies & Activities (12th-18th Feb)

**Wed** Ash Wednesday

**Sat** The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

**Sun** First Sunday of Lent.

## Prayer Requests for the Deceased

**Recently Deceased:** Salvatore Cicero, Miadenka Basic, and Rita Cioffi.

## Deceased Anniversaries:

**Cathedral:** Leonor Solazano, Vincente Bassano, Vincete Emilio Bassan and Emilio Solazano.

**Queen of Angels:** Giuseppe Antenucci, Ielasi family (Antonio, Rosario & Caterina) and Saverio & Anna Sergi.

**St. Mary's:** Angela McDonald, Anthony Butler-Bowden, Kevin John Heinrich and MaryAnn McNamee.

**Holy Name:** Ialanda Bandini.

**St. John Vianney/St. Peter Claver:** Giovanni Matto, Libero DeLuca, Evaristo Sumagaysay, John Habib, Tess Fry, Anna Maria Torchio, Damia Shadiac & family, Shiela & Pat Travers, Geoffrey Shalala, Michael Murray, Dianne Baldwin, Edward Schneider, Gavin Mclver, John Simpson, Verna Rathmann, Marcel Devoubaix, Phyllis Green, Franc Omahen, Dorren Mary Cholsh, Robert Kennihan, DeMing, David McAtee & family, Nell & Doug Dollman, Stella & Laurie Gowland, Agnele Podalsek, Clairette & Phillipe Uttenhove, Marc Deboraux, Lucien Parent, Alan Hey, Dorothy Lee, Ida Fontana and Inara Bullitis.

## 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 and Beverly Garton.

## 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'

## 10/11 Feb: Project Compassion 2024



Please take home a Project Compassion box or set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and **For All Future Generations**.

With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction. Project Compassion 2024 reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come. Together we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *for all future generations*.

As St Pope John Paul II said, "The future starts today, not tomorrow." You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting the caritas website: [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion), or by calling 1800 024 413.

## 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.

## 13 Feb: Organ Recital at the Cathedral

There will be a free Lunch-time Organ Recital in the Cathedral on Tuesday 13th February at 1pm given by visiting German organist Mr Josef Kolberg. All are welcome. Any donations will be appreciated.

## 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  
**St Patrick's Church, Grote St:** 6.30 pm.

Ashes will be distributed at all masses and all are welcome to attend.

## 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.

**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.

**St. Patrick's Church, Grote St:** 6pm followed by Mass starting 16 Feb.

## 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.

## 21 Feb: Fringe Festival 2024 Pipe Organ Recitals at the Cathedral

All are welcome to the free Organ recitals by our organists during the Fringe Festival which are as follows:

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

## 22 Feb: Charis SA: Feb 2024 schedule

Charis SA invites you to join them for three powerful events in this month of February. 10.00am to 3.00pm with Fr. Selva Raj Spiritual Healing Retreat on 22nd 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 4.00pm 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.

## 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. We welcome all our parishioners to also attend.

## Latin Mass Community

Today there will be a special (leaving) collection for the work of pro-life organisations in Adelaide. There will also be pancakes after the 9.15am Mass today (for 'Shrove Sunday!') and proceeds from coffee and pancakes today will go to the special collection.

The 26-35yo Young Adults Group has its first meeting for 2024 this evening 11<sup>th</sup> Feb, 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](mailto:gnara1990@hotmail.com)).

The 18-25yo Young Adults will meet for the first time this year at 6:30pm on Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Feb, beginning with Adoration at Holy Name, followed by dinner and a talk.

Josef Kolberg will give a free lunchtime organ recital in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral at 1pm this Tue 13<sup>th</sup> Feb (Shrove Tuesday).

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday. There will be Low Masses with the distribution of blessed ashes at 7am and 9.30am. There will be Solemn Mass with the distribution of ashes at 6.30pm. Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence throughout the church.

Classes for those interested in becoming Catholic will begin this Thursday evening, 16<sup>th</sup> Feb, from 7:30pm – 8:30pm.

Commencing from Ash Wednesday, the M-F mass times will be as follows:

Mon, Tues & Wed: 7am and 9.30am

Thu & Fri: 7am and 6.30pm.

Weekend mass times remain unchanged.

A new trading post and service directory are being established to help encourage the economic support of fellow parishioners. These will each be made available periodically in paper format. Please email [hnyoungdads@protonmail.com](mailto:hnyoungdads@protonmail.com) with your business, service or item(s) for inclusion in these publications. Visit the stall outside the team room after mass today if you would like more information about this endeavour, or to submit your details in person.

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.

## 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 you details to the Music Team at [music@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:music@adelaide.catholic.org.au)

## Croatian Community Mass timings

The Croatian Community celebrate Mass throughout the week as follows:

**Tuesday to Friday:** 6:30PM at the chapel in Ridleyton

**Saturday:** 6:30PM at St. Mary's Church, North Adelaide

**Sunday:** 10:30AM at St. Patrick's church, Grote St.

For further information regarding Croatian services please email: [chaplaincy.office@hkcadelaide.com](mailto:chaplaincy.office@hkcadelaide.com)

## Cathedral Car Park and Staircase Driveway on the Cathedral lawns and Driveway in the Underground Car park

All pedestrians and parents with baby strollers must use ONLY 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.

Please do not double park your vehicle in the underground car park driveway. Blocking the safe entry and exit of vehicles during Weekend Masses is a major safety hazard. 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.

## 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.

## Confession and Prayer for Peace, Friday Night at St Laurence's Church

Every Friday at 7pm there will be an hour of silent adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St Laurence's Church, North Adelaide. The intention is to ask for peace, especially in the Holy Land and Ukraine. St. Laurence's Church is on the corner of Hill St and Buxton St, North Adelaide. Come when you can, even if only for a few minutes. Confession will be available from 7.30pm.

## Working with Children Check

Please contact the parish office on **82108155** or email: [acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au) if you need more information regarding a new or renewal of your Working with Children Check. It is a legal requirements that all regular volunteers in our Parish have a valid WWCC to continue with their ministries. We thank you for your cooperation in this regard.