



### **Pastoral Letter for Pentecost Sunday from Archbishop Patrick O'Regan on the occasion of the Convocation of the 2026 Archdiocesan Synod (continued from last week)**

#### **4. Toward the 2026 Archdiocesan Synod: A New Pentecost?**

As we look to 2026 and prepare for our Archdiocesan Synod, we stand at a crossroads—indeed, at a threshold. We are invited to dream not just of a better Church, but of a more faithful one: faithful to Christ, to the Gospel, and to the Spirit who renews all things. The Synod will be a moment to listen deeply—to the Word of God, to one another, and to the cries of the earth and the poor. It will be a time to ask how we might become a Church that reflects more clearly the face of Christ in our time. How can we foster greater co-responsibility among laity and clergy? How can we accompany our young people, strengthen our families, and heal the wounds of abuse and exclusion? How can we be a Church that welcomes the stranger, protects creation, and witnesses to hope? How can we foster the vocations of ordination and marriage? These questions are not theoretical. They are deeply practical and spiritual. They are questions that can only be answered through discernment, humility, and communion. The Synod must not be an event but a process, not an end but a beginning—a Pentecost moment for our local Church.

#### **5. A New Pope, a Renewed Mission:**

The inauguration of Pope Leo XIV arrives as a beacon of continuity and renewal. In his homily at his installation Mass, Pope Leo invoked the same Spirit that fell upon the apostles at Pentecost, calling the Church to “go out with courage, not clinging to the past, but rooted in Christ, to be light for all nations.” His words remind us that synodality is not about novelty, but fidelity—a fidelity to the mission that Christ entrusted to his Church, a fidelity to the Spirit who continues to guide us, often in unexpected ways. Pope Leo has already signalled his desire to build upon the legacy of Pope Francis, not by repeating formulas, but by calling the whole Church into deeper communion, participation, and mission. We are blessed to live in this time. Not an easy time, but a Spirit-filled one. Pope Leo's election is not simply a change of leadership—it is an invitation for renewal at every level of the Church. It challenges us to ask: What is the Spirit saying to the Church in Adelaide today? How might we respond with courage, creativity, and faith?

#### **6. Sent in the Spirit: Living the Mandate of Christ:**

“As the Father sent me, so I am sending you.” These words are as much a description of our identity as they are a commissioning. To be a Christian is to be sent. To be the Church is to be missionary. This is not optional. It is the very nature of our baptismal calling. But we are not sent alone. Jesus breathes his Spirit upon us.

It is this same Spirit that we received at baptism and confirmation, the same Spirit that animates the Church's life, that guides our discernment, and that renews the face of the earth. In the coming months, as we continue to prepare for the Archdiocesan Synod, we must pray for a deepening of this Spirit in our hearts and communities. We must be willing to be disturbed, to be challenged, to be renewed. This is the path of synodality. It is also the path of discipleship. Let us walk this path together—not as individuals or isolated parishes, but as a pilgrim people, united in Christ and led by the Spirit.

#### **7. Conclusion: Come, Holy Spirit:**

Pentecost is not simply the end of the Easter season. It is the beginning of the Church's mission. It is the birthday of a community sent to the ends of the earth. In our time, in our place, the Spirit is once again breathing life into dry bones, setting hearts on fire, and calling us forth. Let us not resist this Spirit. Let us not remain behind locked doors. Let us open wide the windows of our hearts and the doors of our Church. Let us go forth, as Christ sends us, into our Parishes, our neighbourhoods, Schools, workplaces, and the margins of society. Let us speak the languages of mercy, truth, and justice. Let us carry the Gospel with joy, knowing that the One who sends us also walks with us.

In the words of the ancient prayer, let our daily prayer be:

***Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful,  
and kindle in them the fire of your love.  
Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created,  
and you shall renew the face of the earth.***

And may this Pentecost be for us the beginning of a new chapter in our journey together—toward the Synod, toward a renewed Church, and toward the Kingdom that is already among us.

*In Domino*

**+Pat O'Regan**  
**Archbishop of Adelaide**

#### **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Cathedral Program 2025/2026**

Each year, our parish runs a series of instruction sessions for adults who are interested in joining the catholic faith. This is called the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) program. The 2025/2026 sessions will start in late August. If you are interested in joining this group, or even have an interest in finding out more about the catholic faith, kindly to contact the Cathedral Parish Office email: [acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au) or call 82108155 during office hours.

**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

## ADELAIDE CATHEDRAL PARISH

**Archbishop of Adelaide**

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Fr. Peter Rozitis

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Fr. Francis Tawil

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### 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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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

### 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**: 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) - 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays ONLY

### 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:** Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

**First Reading:** Proverbs 8:22-31.

**Responsorial Psalm:** O Lord, our god, how wonderful your name in all the Earth!

**Second Reading:** Romans 5:1-5.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory to Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was and who is to come. Alleluia.

**Gospel:** John 14:15-16,23-26.

**Universal Prayer Response:** Christ, graciously hear us.

**Communion Antiphon:** Since you are children of God, god has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out. Abba. Father.

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**Next week: Corpus Christi Sunday**

**First Reading:** Genesis 14:18-20.

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 11:23-26.

**Gospel:** Luke 9:11-17.

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## Liturgies & Activities (16th-22nd June)

**Thu** St. Romuald.

**Fri** World Refugee Day.

**Sat** St. Aloysius Gonzaga

**Sun** Corpus Christi Sunday

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## Prayer Requests for the Deceased

**Recently Deceased:** Maria Anna Urbani,

### Deceased & Deceased Anniversaries:

**Cathedral:** Belinda Winter, Tomas Cossid, Rosita Ocampo Rivera, Edward Obiasulu, Norma Jean Baker, Antoinetta Romeo, Jason Thomas, Michael & family, Joseph & Maria Teresa and David Miller.

**Queen of Angels:** Domenica Zampogna, Anna Marafioti, Ielasi family (Antonio, Rosario & Caterina), Perre family, Dell Ermia family and Saverio & Anna Sergi.

**St. Mary's/Holy Name:** Giovanna Iadanza.

**St. John Vianney/St. Peter Claver:** Sue Edgeley, Tom Dearlove, Wilma Semmler & family, Carmien Ross Versace, Henry Kneebone, Patricia Deal, Margaret Fox, Geoff Gough, Brian Jeanes, Joy Bentley, Ruth Jittu & family, Evelyn Smith, John Cousins, Bob & Wilma Lathey, Mildred Leake, Jean Carey Erna & Jack Thompson.

## Prayers Requests for the Sick

Anton Sylvester, Trevor, Cecilia Zulueta, Araceli Suzara, Fidel Ruivivar, Carol Giles, Antonio Romeo, Angelina Musico, Emily Swan, David Clayton, Mary Walsh, Vilma D'Cruz, Jennifer, Joshua Jose, Madison Musico, William Hemmeld, Peter Slobodian, Marie Winters, Joshua Antony, Baby Otilie Sheens, Steve Gleeson, Shaun & Joseph Coleiro and Denis Cranswick.

## 14/15 June: Spiritual Growth Retreat for Men

Chris McPhee msc leads this retreat open to men who seek a transformative spiritual experience. It's designed for those ready to embrace struggles as opportunities, build deep connections, and move beyond societal pressures. This retreat welcomes all men looking to deepen their faith and personal growth. Saturday 14 June & Sunday 15 June at the Mary MacKillop Spirituality Centre, Kensington. More info: <https://mmsm.org.au/retreats/men-today-spiritual-growth-a-transformative-mens-retreat/>

## 18 June: Morning with Catholic Mission

Catholic Mission, the Pope's international mission agency in Australia, is currently promoting the work done with the Diocese of Mpika in Zambia, to improve the health outcomes for expectant mothers and newborn children and is inviting you to join us for morning tea. Associate director of programs, Lawrence Gigliotti, will talk about the health challenges faced in the diocese where there are less than three doctors available per 10,000 people compared to almost 40 in Australia. At Chalabesa Mission Hospital and Chilonga Mission General Hospital, women from rural communities in the diocese often make long and dangerous journeys to give birth in underequipped and overcrowded facilities.

For more information about this project, visit: <https://www.catholicmission.org.au/mothers>

**Date:** Wednesday, June 18, 2025

**Time:** 9:30 am for a 10:00 am start. Concluding at 11:30 am with morning tea.

**Venue:** St Francis Xavier Cathedral Hall. 39 Wakefield St, Adelaide.

## 20-22 June: Visit of Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis at St. Augustine

From June 20-22 a first-class relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis will be present at St Augustine's Church, 23 Commercial Road, Salisbury, in the Family Centre. Blessed Carlo can be considered the first millennial saint and will be canonised at a later date, by our new Pope Leo XIV.

There will be Mass at 9.30am on Friday June 20, followed by adoration, confession on request. The relic and exhibition will be on display in the Family Centre until 5.30pm each day. Mass will be celebrated at 9.30am on Saturday June 21, followed by adoration, confession on request. Sunday June 22, 9am Mass, will be followed by the opportunity to view the exhibition and venerate the relic until 5.30 pm.

This is part of a Vatican International Exhibition of Eucharistic Miracles which Blessed Carlo put together between the ages of 11 and 15. For planning purposes, if groups or individuals are intending to visit please contact the Salisbury parish on E: [enquire@salcath.org.au](mailto:enquire@salcath.org.au) or T:82582314.

## 22 June: The Theological Virtues Series Part 3: Love presented by the Adelaide Cathedral Young Adults Group

The Adelaide Cathedral Young Adults Group present Part 3: Love of the Theological Virtues Series. The Program will be held in the Cathedral Hall at 7pm on June 22nd. We invite all the Youth of our Parish (only those between the ages of 18-35) to attend. No prior registration is required.

## 24 June: Diocesan Synod formation session: What is a Diocesan Synod?

The Archdiocese of Adelaide is preparing for a Synod in 2026. Each month you are invited to participate in an online formation session with other people from across the Archdiocese. Each session will explore a different aspect or theme of the Synod. The June session will include details about the Diocesan Synod, what makes a synod different from a Diocesan Assembly, foundations in synodality, and synod membership. Register at <https://www.trybooking.com/DBUKH> or contact Peter Bierer on [pbierer@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:pbierer@adelaide.catholic.org.au) for more information.

## 25 June – 3 July: Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers Training (New & Existing)

The Adelaide Cathedral Parish will be organizing a training program on the dates at the Churches mentioned below for all existing and new Extra-ordinary Ministers of Communion and Readers of the Parish:

### St. Mary's: Lower North Adelaide

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June: 10:30am/ 6:00pm

### St. Peter Claver Dulwich/ St. John Vianney Burnside

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June: 10:30am/ 6pm

### St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June: 10:00am/ 6:30pm

### Queen of Angels: Thebarton

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July: 10:00am/ 6:00pm

### Important to Note: (Prior to attending the training):

- It is a mandate for all new readers and ministers **already registered with the office** to attend the training. Existing Readers and ministers are also advised to attend as a refresher.
- Those Parishioners interested joining either ministry and have not applied before, will need to register with the Parish office with their Name, phone number, email address and associated Church.
- **Only those volunteers have completed the training and have been selected to join the ministry, will be rostered into the ministry from the next roster cycle.**
- A Working with Children Check will need to be completed prior to joining the ministry.

Please email [acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au) or call 82108155 to register your interest or for any further information.

## 28 June: Pilgrimage & Mass with Archbishop Patrick O'Regan at Sevenhill

Archbishop O'Regan will be making a pilgrimage to the Jubilee Pilgrimage Site of St. Aloysius Church in Sevenhill on Saturday, 28th June where he will celebrate Mass at 12.30pm. If you wish to attend this Mass, please register your interest at the following link: <https://www.trybooking.com/DASOD> Reconciliation will be offered from 11am, and tea and coffee will follow the Mass. All are welcome!

## Latin Mass Community

1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion classes and Confirmation classes continue today at 11am. There will also be a short meeting for the parents of the Confirmation candidates at 11am.

There is no Vespers tonight.

There is scripture class tomorrow, 16<sup>th</sup> June. There is no Tuesday catechism class or Chant class this week.

Fr Popplewell return from annual leave this week.

Please do not place any material (advertising or otherwise) in the church or the grounds without the prior permission of the chaplain. 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 remember the sick in your prayers, especially Mary Walsh (Margaret Antonas' sister) Simon Fiedler (Nathan's Father), Hannah McCaffrey, Terry Muscat (Chris Forrester's mother), Damian Wyld, Domenic Marafiotte, and Tony Caruso. Please also remember the recently deceased, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

## 29 June: Peter Pence Special Collection

This weekend we take up the Peter's Pence Collection. It is traditionally taken up throughout Catholic parishes around the world either on or near, the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. Catholics around the globe support this collection to help the Holy Father reach out to people suffering in our world, especially those enduring the effects of war and violence, natural disasters and religious persecution. Thank you for standing in solidarity with the Holy See through your generosity. Please continue to pray for our brothers and sisters in faith who are facing adversity.

## Safeguarding Children

Just 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 at all times by an adult family member when walking through the underground carpark, attending Church Services or attending activities in the Hall.

## 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 and 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.



## Jubilee Year Prayer

*(will be prayed before the final blessing)*

*Father in heaven,  
may the faith you have given us  
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,  
and the flame of charity enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed hope  
for the coming of your Kingdom.*

*May your grace transform us  
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.  
May those seeds transform from within both humanity  
and the whole cosmos  
in the sure expectation  
of a new heaven and a new earth,  
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,  
your glory will shine eternally.*

*May the grace of the Jubilee  
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.  
May that same grace spread  
the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
throughout the earth.  
To you our God, eternally blessed,  
be glory and praise for ever.*

**Amen.**

## 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 Jaslene Francis or any members of the Youth Group after the Sunday 6pm Mass.

## Working with Children Check for all volunteers of the Parish

**All volunteers 14 years and older need to have a valid Working with Children Check.** Please contact the Church Volunteer associated with your church to lodge/renew your application:

**St. Francis Xavier's Cathedral:** Susan Wainwright, Deacon Paul Crowe and Parish office.

**Cathedral African Community:** Clement Kuek

**Queen of Angels:** Maria Iadanza

**Holy Name:** Maria Iadanza (English/Italian) and Fr. Michael McCaffrey (Latin)

**Peter Claver Dulwich:** Fr. Matthew Newman

**St. John Vianney:** Fr. Matthew Newman

**St. Mary's North Adelaide:** Michelle Dinning

Please email: [acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au) or contact **82108155** or if you need any further information regarding the process of new applications or renewal.