

SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA

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14th APRIL 2024

3rd Sunday of Easter—Divine Mercy Sunday Year B/ 2

Parish Priest

Father Phillip Alstin

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Parish Office Hours

Tuesday 8—12.00 noon
Wednesday 8—12.00 noon
Thursday 8—12.00 noon
Friday 8—12.00 noon

Parish Finance Council

Geoff Walles 0419 810 590

Parish Pastoral Council

TBA

St Anthony's School

Principal: Mr Stuart Baker
APRIM: Mrs Monica Doherty
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Mass Times

Tuesday 9.30am

Dies Domini/ The Lord's Day

Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 9.30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Before and after weekend
Holy Mass
After Tuesday 9.30am Mass

Adoration

Tuesday 7:00pm—11.00pm
concluding with Angelus.

Wednesday

9:30am Adoration
6:00pm Rosary (Wed)
6:30pm Vespers (Wed)

Contact for Adoration

Danica Rusov 0411 132 223
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Rosary Times

Maria Goretti Chapel

Mondays 5.30pm

Tuesdays 8.50am

Wednesdays 6.00pm

Fridays 8pm - Via Telephone
Messenger App (Contact Grace
Via the parish office number)

*Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us;
make our hearts burn while you speak to us!*

Gospel Acclamation: see Luke 24:32

As we begin the Third Week of Easter, we reflect on another appearance of the Risen Lord. It is the evening of Easter Day. The two disciples who met Jesus on the road to Emmaus have just returned, and while they are telling the others about the encounter, Jesus himself stands in their midst. The disciples are terrified and speechless. They can see that it is Jesus, but since they think he is dead, they have no rational means by which to process their experience. They immediately conclude that they must be in the presence of a ghost! Jesus reassures them by showing them his hands and feet. "A ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have." He goes on to do a simple act – he eats some baked fish – to show them that he is truly risen from the dead.

Jesus' Resurrection is not merely a symbolic way of saying that his teachings remained alive in his followers. He truly died and just as truly rose again in his body. This fact is essential, like a foundation stone. Without the Resurrection, the whole structure of our Christian faith collapses into meaninglessness (cf. 1 Cor 15:14-19). Only after affirming this basic fact can the Lord take two further steps with the Apostles. First he builds up their understanding of the meaning of what has happened. This instruction is summarized in the wonderful verse, "Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures." After that, he sends them forth as his witnesses, to preach the Gospel to all nations.

"He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures!" This is what the Lord is doing for us right now as we pause to ponder the word. We believe that Jesus rose from the dead, but we long for deeper understanding of his Risen Life in us. We are confident that faith will lead to this understanding as the Lord *opens our minds*, so that we can fulfill our mission of sharing the Good News with others. Peter and John were among the Apostles who met the Risen Lord that evening and had their minds opened. These two speak to us in today's other readings.

Both Peter and John refer to Jesus as "the Righteous One," but both also point beyond divine righteousness and reveal how *merciful* the Lord is. From the beginning, it was God's plan that the Messiah would become the offering for sin and would suffer for our sake. The power and beauty of the Lord's suffering is what we discover as the Lord *opens our minds to understand the Scriptures*. This is why John can say with confidence that if we "keep" the word of God, "the love of God is truly perfected" in us. We experience the "love of God" as his mercy for us sinners. Alleluia!

As I ponder the word, how is the Lord opening my mind to understand the Scriptures? Why is it necessary to honestly admit my sins before I can be forgiven? How often do I praise and thank God for his mercy towards me?



Mary, help me to better understand the word of God and to keep it in my heart.

Excerpt from Community, Anawim. Pondering the Word - The Anawim Way - Vol 20 Num 4: Holy Thursday to Pentecost (pp. 95—101).

In this week's Spiritual Reflection, Pope Francis says, "the Eucharistic Banquet has become the emblematic sign of the Christian community. Eating together the Body of Christ: this is the core of Christian life." Indeed, in the Eucharist, Jesus is truly and fully present, Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity. "For in the blessed Eucharist is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ Himself" (CCC 1324). Through his Presence in the Eucharist, the Lord longs to renew our hearts and make them resemble his own merciful heart. It is by means of the "breaking of the bread," the Eucharist, that the Word is made flesh in us and we are transformed in his likeness.



CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

1325 "The Eucharist is the efficacious sign and sublime cause of that communion in the divine life and that unity of the People of God by which the Church is kept in being. It is the culmination both of God's action sanctifying the world in Christ and of the worship men offer to Christ and through him to the Father in the Holy Spirit."

1326 Finally, by the Eucharistic celebration we already unite ourselves with the heavenly liturgy and anticipate eternal life, when God will be all in all.

1327 In brief, the Eucharist is the sum and summary of our faith: "Our way of thinking is attuned to the Eucharist, and the Eucharist in turn confirms our way of thinking."

1328 The inexhaustible richness of this sacrament is expressed in the different names we give it. Each name evokes certain aspects of it. It is called:

Eucharist, because it is an action of thanksgiving to God. The Greek words *eucharistein* and *eulogein* recall the Jewish blessings that proclaim - especially during a meal - God's works: creation, redemption, and sanctification

1329 The Lord's Supper, because of its connection with the supper which the Lord took with his disciples on the eve of his Passion and because it anticipates the wedding feast of the Lamb in the heavenly Jerusalem.

The *Breaking of Bread*, because Jesus used this rite, part of a Jewish meal when as master of the table he blessed and distributed the bread, above all at the Last Supper. It is by this action that his disciples will recognize him after his Resurrection, and it is this expression that the first Christians will use to designate their Eucharistic assemblies; by doing so they signified that all who eat the one broken bread, Christ, enter into communion with him and form but one body in him.

The *Eucharistic assembly (synaxis)*, because the Eucharist is celebrated amid the assembly of the faithful, the visible expression of the Church.

APRIL 11—ST STANISLAUS— was born near Kraków, Poland, in 1030. An only child, his birth came in answer to prayer when his parents were advanced in age. After their death he distributed his inheritance to the poor. He studied in Kraków, where he was later ordained a priest. Consecrated bishop of Kraków in 1072, he became a zealous reformer, a tireless preacher, and a generous benefactor to the poor. As bishop, he became involved in the political situation of Poland. Known for his outspokenness, he aimed his attacks at the evils of the peasantry and the king, especially the unjust wars and immoral acts of King Boleslaus II. Stanislaus excommunicated the king when he refused to repent. King Boleslaus was furious and ordered his men to kill the bishop. They refused, so the king killed Stanislaus himself as he was celebrating the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in 1079. St. Stanislaus, the patron of Poland, was canonized in 1253 by Pope Innocent IV.



April 13—St Martin I, Pope and Martyr -was born into one of the oldest and most distinguished families in Rome. He was a learned man of great intelligence and manifested true charity to the poor. He became pope in 649 and governed the Church at a time when the Monothelite heresy, supported by the emperor, was spreading to the entire Church. The Monothelites denied that Christ had a human will. Martin held a synod in the Lateran, which affirmed the Catholic teaching that there are two wills in Christ, divine and human, and condemned the heretical Monothelite teaching. Emperor Constans was furious, and Pope Martin was accused before the imperial court of crimes ranging from intrigue against the emperor to lack of faith in regard to the Mother of God. He was condemned to death, but the crowd disapproved of this. Martin was then exiled and, after intense and prolonged suffering, died in 655. In life Martin was disgraced, loaded with chains and exiled, but after death many miracles were worked at his tomb, and he was hailed as a saint. He is the last of the popes to be venerated as a martyr.



TEN COMMANDMENTS

1. I am the LORD your God: You shall not have strange gods before me.
2. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
3. Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day.
4. Honour your father and your mother.
5. You shall not kill.
6. You shall not commit adultery.
7. You shall not steal.
8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.
9. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife.
10. You shall not covet your neighbour's goods.

SUMMARY

Jesus said there is no other commandment greater than this—"Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind, and with all your strength. And the second is this— Love your neighbour as yourself."

Mark 12:29-31

The Lord has commanded us to shun evil and do good; but not to reject the good with the evil. We are not to deny at the same time both truth and error."

As for my body, God will take care of it. God is with me.

Pope Saint Martin I (d.655)

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil.



May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen



READERS OF THE WORD

FOR APRIL

Saturday—Reg Farnell
Sunday - Kevin Mark

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

SICK: Peter Freeborn, Perry Burns, Marie Oates, Romola Blowes, Amy Lopez, Amanda Razon, Douglas Robertson, Isaiah Noack, Alby Foster, EJ Orbase, Marie Emery, Michael, Apolo Gomez, Lorraine Boys, Phil Bawden, Patricia Kehoe, Chris Harwood, Rosemary Young

RECENTLY DECEASED: James O'Brien,

ANNIVERSARIES: Maria Visentin, Glenn Freeborn, Lucy Rodriques, Darryl Ryan, Rosemary Keain, Pat McClure, Giuseppe Marchesan, Ronda White, Maurice Spiers, Maroun Khabbaz, Stan Puczkowski, Barbara Bartoszek, Rosemary Prosdocimo, Angelo Simionato, Mons Horgan, Relatives and friends of the Burns and Hill families.

PRAYER REQUESTS: *If you wish the names of your loved ones to be included in the Prayers for the Sick, Recently Deceased or Anniversaries, please contact the Parish Office. These will be listed for 4 consecutive Sundays in the Parish Newsletter. Names can be re-listed on request from the family to the Parish Office. Names are also placed on the Altar for Mass intentions.*

CHANGE TO WEEK DAY MASSES

From Tuesday 6th February 2024 mass will be offered 9.30am Tuesday only

**All Sunday Mass times remain the same
Saturday 6.00pm & Sunday 9.30am**

Wednesdays—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues concluding with Rosary & Vespers as usual. The Sacrament of Reconciliation & Benediction will not be offered.
Other Times - Reconciliation may be offered after Mass Tuesday.

PLEASE NOTE THE TEMPORARY CHANGE TO THE PARISH OFFICE HOURS DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS ON THE FRONT OF THE NEWSLETTER.

Marian Procession

The 75th Marian Procession will be held on Sunday May 19 beginning at Victoria Park and processing up Wakefield Street into Victoria Square.

***The change of location this year is due to road closures on King William St for a Port Adelaide football club home game.*

The Procession will commence at 2pm and all are invited to attend with their parish or community. Group assembly will begin from 1.30pm. For more information please contact Archdiocesan Events on 8210 8220 or events@adelaide.catholic.org.au

Marian Procession Volunteering

The Archdiocesan Events Office is currently seeking volunteers to support at the Marian Procession in a range of roles. If you are available and willing to help, please contact events@adelaide.catholic.org.au or 8210 8220. Volunteer roles are needed for Saturday May 18 and Sunday May 19 (which is the date of the event and begins at 2pm).



Adoration at St Anthony's

TUESDAY NIGHTS

7.00pm - 11pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

WEDNESDAY

9:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

10.05am Prayer for Priests

12.pm Angelus

6.00pm Scriptural Rosary

6.30pm Vespers



"Could you not watch with me one hour?" - Matthew 26:40

Please contact Geoff Walles on 0419 810 590 if you are able to help with the roster or for any queries.

SAVE THE DATE – 2024

Adelaide Diocesan Assembly

June 14 and 15 Parishes, schools and communities are asked to mark their calendars for the 2024 Adelaide Diocesan Assembly which will take place on the evening of Friday June 14 and Saturday June 15. Further information and invitations will be sent out soon. If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Moffatt smoffatt@adelaide.catholic.org.au



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1. Visit FORMED.org
2. Click Sign Up
3. Select "I Belong to a Parish/Organisation"
4. Find St Anthony's Parish - Type "Edwardstown" or Postcode "5039"
5. Enter your email, you're in!

"When you look at the Crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host you understand how much Jesus loves you now,"

Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta



The **VINNIES CHRISTMAS APPEAL** raised much needed funds to provide Christmas hampers (just over 50), Foodbank vouchers, etc. to the needy in our area, so a big **THANK YOU** for your generous donations.

FOOD HAMPERS—We have been visiting between 8 to 12 homes each week and usually try to take a food hamper but sometimes our pantry runs low. We would really appreciate donations of any of the following items to be able to continue this service going forward.

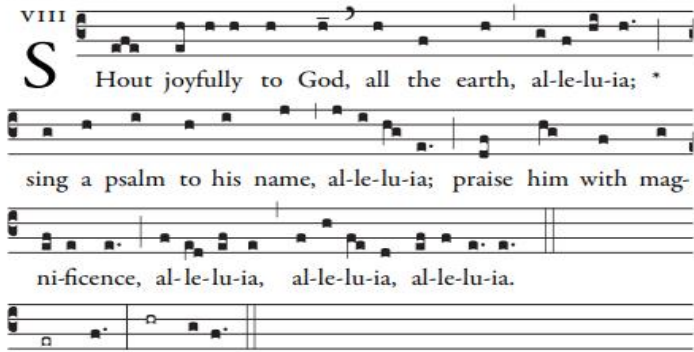
Long life milk, cereals, pasta/pasta sauce, baked beans, spaghetti, tinned fruit, biscuits – savoury/sweet, tea bags/coffee, toothpaste, shampoo, body wash. **THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT**

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Iubilate Deo

Ps 66 (65): 1, 2

VIII



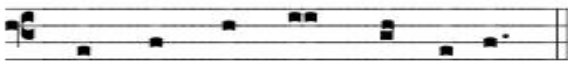
Sing joyfully to God, all the earth, al-le-lu-ia; *
sing a psalm to his name, al-le-lu-ia; praise him with mag-
nificence, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

Psalm 66 (65)

1. Because of the greatness of your strength, *
your enemies fawn upon you.
Before you all the earth shall bow down, *
shall sing to you, sing to *your name!*"

Glory Be to the Father...

RESPONSORIAL PSALM



Lord, let your face shine on us.

When I call, answer me, O my just God, you who relieve me when I am in distress; have pity on me, and hear my prayer! R.

Know that the LORD does wonders for his faithful one; the LORD will hear me when I call upon him. R

O LORD, let the light of your countenance shine upon us! You put gladness into my heart. R.

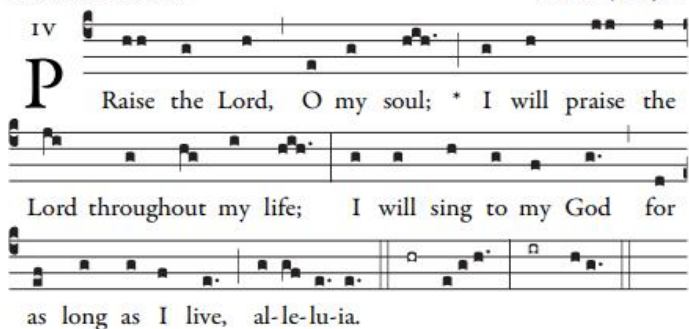
As soon as I lie down, I fall peacefully asleep, for you alone, O LORD, bring security to my dwelling. R

OFFERTORY

Lauda, anima mea

Ps 146 (145): 2

IV



Praise the Lord, O my soul; * I will praise the
Lord throughout my life; I will sing to my God for
as long as I live, al-le-lu-ia.

Psalm 146 (145)

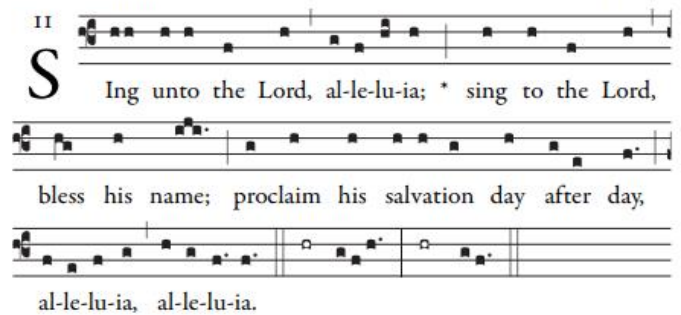
1. Put no trust in princes, *
in mortal man who cannot save.
Take their breath, they return to the earth, *
and their plans that day come to nothing.
2. Blessed is he who is helped by Jacob's God, *
whose hope is in the LORD his God,
who made the heavens and the earth, *
the seas and all they contain,
who preserves fidelity forever, *
who does justice to those who are oppressed.

COMMUNION

Cantate Domino

Ps 96 (95): 2

II



Sing unto the Lord, al-le-lu-ia; * sing to the Lord,
bless his name; proclaim his salvation day after day,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

Psalm 96 (95)

1. O sing a new song to the LORD; *
sing to the LORD, all the earth.
Tell among the nations his glory, *
and his wonders among all the peoples.
2. For the LORD is great and highly to be praised, *
to be feared above all gods.
Give the LORD, you families of peoples, †
give the LORD glory and power; *
give the LORD the glory of his name.

Glory Be to the Father...

COMMUNION HYMN

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path
for my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.

**REF: He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast,
For me Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.**

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last;
Bought by Him as such a cost, He will hold me fast. **REF**

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life; He will hold me fast;
'Til our faith is turned to sight He will hold me fast. **REF**

RECESSIONAL HYMN

**REF: Praise to you, O Christ our Saviour,
Word of the Father, calling us to life;
Son of God who leads us to freedom:
glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

You are the Word who calls us out of darkness;
you are the Word who leads us into light;
you are the Word who brings us through the desert;
glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ! **REF**

You are the one whom prophets hoped and longed for;
you are the one who speaks to us today;
you are the one who leads us to our future:
glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ! **REF**