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5th MAY 2024

6th Sunday of Easter— Year B/ 2

Parish Priest

Father Phillip Alstin

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Robyn Grave

Parish Office Hours

Tuesday 8—11.30am
Wednesday 1.30—4.30pm
Thursday 1.30—4.15pm
Friday 1.30—4.15pm

Parish Finance Council

Geoff Walles 0419 810 590

Parish Pastoral Council

TBA

St Anthony's School

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Mass Times

Tuesday 9.30am
Wednesday 9.30am
Thursday 9.30am
Friday 9.30am

Dies Domini/ The Lord's Day

Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 9.30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Before and after weekend
Holy 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

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Rosary Times

Maria Goretti Chapel

Mondays 5.30pm

Tuesdays 8.50am

Wednesday 6.00pm

Fridays 8pm - Via Telephone

Messenger App (Contact Grace
Via the parish office number)

The Easter Season has given us several images of God and our relationship with him. On the Fourth Sunday of Easter, Jesus spoke of himself as the Good Shepherd and identified us as the sheep of his flock. Last week he said that he is the Vine and we are the branches. In today's Gospel, Jesus reveals the secret element that connects the Shepherd and his sheep, the Vine and the branches: *Love*. He gives us the commandment that makes us most like him: "Love one another as I love you."

The word "love" is loaded – some would say overloaded – with many different meanings. We can say that we "love" basketball and we "love" fried chicken and we "love" to go to the beach. On a deeper level we say that we love our parents and our children and our close friends. Often the word "love" connotes the powerful emotions we associate with "being in love." On the most profound level, we speak of God's love for us and our love for him.

Because of the various meanings of "love," we can even use the word in ways that completely contradict its higher senses. For example, when we say, "I would love to get back at her for all that she did to me!" or "I would love to see him fall on his face in front of everyone." This is not love at all! Again, we might tell ourselves that we really "love" someone when in fact we mean that we feel good when we are with that person. We may only be using the person for our own advantage. Is that love?

In giving us the commandment of love, Jesus clarifies the precise kind of love he means: "Love one another *as I love you*." He immediately goes on to speak about what "as I love you" means. He loves us with the greatest kind of love: "No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." Jesus is giving this message on the very night before his death. He is speaking about how he loves – not placing on us a demand that he avoids, but rather showing us first what he means by laying down his life on the Cross.

St. John, who heard Jesus give the commandment of love and who was standing at the foot of the Cross when Jesus revealed the greatest love of all, writes about this love in today's second reading. "In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through him. In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he has loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins."

At the heart of John's words about love is one short but overwhelming statement: *God is love*. If God is love and we are made in his image, then we are all images of love. When Jesus tells us to "go and bear fruit that will remain," he is telling us to love, to bear the fruit of love.

Perhaps when we hear Jesus speak of love as a laying down of one's life, we think of great martyrs like St. Maximilian Kolbe, who gave up his life to save a fellow prisoner of war in a Nazi concentration camp. It is inspiring to reflect on such heroic examples, but we should not think that opportunities to love are unusual and remote. The commandment of love applies to us every day. There are many, many ways to lay down our lives. When we are busy, for example, laying down our lives may mean giving up some of our precious *time*. Being called upon to put aside our own *plans*, even for a little while, because someone has a need, can be a real death to self. When we must do something unfamiliar, or something we feel incapable of doing, such as visiting the sick or the imprisoned, our feelings of fear and vulnerability are awakened. Love moves us out of our comfort zone.

We cannot justify excluding anyone from our love, even those who hate us, because God excludes no one, and he calls us to love as he loves.



How can I practice the commandment "Love one another as I love you" in my daily life? In what ways do I sometimes misuse or misunderstand the concept of love? When have I experienced or witnessed a small, everyday act of selflessness? How did it affect me?

CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

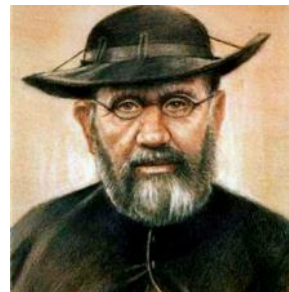
2842 This “as” is not unique in Jesus’ teaching: “You, therefore, must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect”; “Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful”; “A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another.”²⁸ It is impossible to keep the Lord’s commandment by imitating the divine model from outside; there has to be a vital participation, coming from the depths of the heart, in the holiness and the mercy and the love of our God. Only the Spirit by whom we live can make “ours” the same mind that was in Christ Jesus.²⁹ Then the unity of forgiveness becomes possible and we find ourselves “forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave” us.³⁰

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another:
just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another - **John 13:34**

MAY 10—ST John of Avila - priest, preacher, scholastic author, reformer, mystic and Doctor of the Church, was born in Spain in 1499. After his ordination, he wanted to be a missionary, but his bishop persuaded him to stay in Spain where his zeal for souls and deep spirituality made him a powerful instrument to stir up the faith of the people. For nine years, he labored in Andalusia with much success. He is thus called the Apostle of Andalusia. In 1531, he was denounced by the Inquisition and sent to prison, charged with exaggerating the dangers of wealth and with closing the gates of Heaven to the rich. In 1533, he was found innocent of all the charges against him. His fame rose tremendously after this, and he became Spain’s greatest evangelist of the 16th century. He was nicknamed the “Master” because of his fame as a spiritual director. He was the spiritual father and confessor of Sts. Teresa of Ávila, John of the Cross, Francis Borgia, and Peter Alcantara. His greatest achievement was his reform of the clerical life especially regarding celibacy. John of Ávila was canonized in 1970 and named a Doctor of the Church in 2012. In 2021, Pope Francis added his feast to the Church’s calendar.



MAY 10—Damien Joseph de Veuster was born in Belgium in 1840 and joined the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary in 1860. As a young seminarian he was refused permission to go to the missions in Hawaii until he was finally sent to replace his own brother who became ill. Ordained in Honolulu in 1864, he worked there for the next nine years. In 1873 he volunteered to go to the leper colony in Moloka’i, knowing he would never be able to leave. He ministered to the lepers there, dressed their wounds, and shared their meals. Because of his love for them, the lepers came to know God’s love through him. Their funerals became processions of music and joy, for they now had the hope of resurrection. In 1885, he informed his superior, “There is no longer any doubt about it – I am a leper. Praised be the good Lord.” The disease finally attacked his internal organs, and he said his last Mass on March 9, 1889. On the day of his death, Holy Thursday, April 15, he said, “This is the end. The Lord is calling me to celebrate Easter with Him.” At his canonization in 2009, Pope Benedict stated: “Father Damien made the choice to go to the island of Moloka’i in the service of people who were there, abandoned by all. So he exposed himself to the disease from which they suffered. With them he felt at home. The servant of the Word became a suffering servant, a leper with lepers, during the last four years of his life.”



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

Salve Regina,
Mater misericórdiae:
vita, dulcédo, et spes nostra,
salve.
Ad te clamámus, éxsules, filii
Hevae.
Ad te suspirámus, geméntes et
flentes in hac lacrimárum valle.
Eia ergo,
Advocáta nostra, illos tuos mis-
ericórdes óculos ad nos con-
véte.
Et Jesum, benedíctum fructum
ventris tui, nobis post hoc exsíl-
ium osténde.
O clemens:
O pia:
O dulcis
Virgo Maria

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

“Spread love everywhere
you go.
Let no one ever come to
you without leaving
happier.
St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta



READERS OF THE WORD FOR MAY

Saturday—Jackie Harris
Sunday - Anna Pivato

**Joint Parish Pastoral Council
and Finance Council meeting**
**Saturday 11th May 2024 @
10am in the Parish Hall.**

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

SICK: Fr Sam French, Imelda Kempson, 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: Sr Catherine Clark, James O'Brien,

ANNIVERSARIES: Eleonora Kouwen, Adamo & Maria Ricci, Beatrice McDonnell, Bruce McAuliffe. Michele Colagrossi, Dean Castle, Guiseppe Spano, Frank Stephens, Angelo Composto, Catherine Stewart, Maria Visentin, Glenn Freeborn, Lucy Rodriques, Darryl Ryan, Rosemary Keain, Pat McClure, Giuseppe Marchesan, 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.

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. Please let the Parish Office know if you are attending by 10th May.

****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).



CHANGE TO WEEK DAY MASSES

From Tuesday 7th May mass will be offered 9.30am Tuesday with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after mass for 1 hour concluding 11.00am.
9.30am Mass - Wednesday Thursday & Friday
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.

PLEASE SEE FRONT OF THE NEWSLETTER for additional weekday Masses commencing Tuesday 7th May 2024.

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

12.00pm Angelus

6.00pm Scriptural Rosary

6.30pm Vespers

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



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

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. Any questions, please contact Sarah Moffatt smoffatt@adelaide.catholic.org.au



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5. Enter your email, you're in!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: The Archdiocese of Adelaide have changed the bank which they do business with. In the coming weeks you may receive an email from the Parish Office giving you details of the new bank account which you are asked to transfer funds into—this will affect those of you who have set up direct deposits for Planned giving and those who deposit money for the Anawim Way or mass stipends. If you have concerns about the validity of emails please contact the office for verification. Thank you for your co-operation with this transition.



People First Community Lottery tickets go on sale from 18th April until 25th July 2024. 100% of every \$2 ticket sold goes directly back to our Vinnies group in this parish. Tickets are on sale online only at communitylottery.com.au.

It is important when buying tickets to choose our St Vincent de Paul – Edwardstown/Plympton group, either by typing in the search area or choosing 'Church' and clicking on our group. There is an early bird prize of a Toyota Corolla

Hybrid Ascent Sport if bought before 16th May.

Thank you for your recent and ongoing support of our request for food and toiletry donations. With the cold weather setting in, we are also adding cans of soup to the list. There are baskets inside the church to leave these donations in. They are collected weekly and used to make hampers to distribute on our visits each week.

INTROIT

Vocem iucunditatis

Cf. Is 48: 20

III
S Pread the news with a voice of joy; * let it be heard, al-le-lu-ia; speak it out to the very ends of the earth; the Lord has liber-a-ted his peo-ple, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

Psalm 66 (65)

1. Cry out with joy to God, all *the* earth; *
O sing to the glory of *his* name.
O render him *glorious* praise. *
Say to God, "How awesome *your* deeds!

Glory Be to the Father...

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord has re-vealed to the na- tions his sav- ing pow'r.

Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done wondrous deeds; his right hand has won victory for him, his holy arm. **R.**

The LORD has made his salvation known: in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice. He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness toward the house of Israel **R**

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation by our God. Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands: break into song; sing praise **R.**

OFFERTORY

Benedicite, gentes

Ps 66 (65): 8, 9, 20

II
O nations, bless the Lord our God, * let the voice of his praises resound; he has restored my soul to life and he has not suffered my feet to stumble; blessed be the Lord who has neither rejected my prayer nor turned his mercy away from me, al-le-lu-ia.

OFFERTORY CONT'D.

Psalm 66 (65)

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O sing to the glory of *his* name.
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COMMUNION

Ego vos elegi

Jn 15: 16

I
I have chosen you from the world, * in order that you might go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should last, al-le-lu-ia.

Psalm 89 (88)

1. I will sing forever of your mercies, *O LORD*; *
through all ages my mouth will proclaim your *fi*delity
"With my chosen one I have *made a* covenant; *
I have sworn to David *my* servant:
The heavens praise your *wonders*, *O LORD*, *
your fidelity in the assembly of *your* holy ones.

Glory Be to the Father...

COMMUNION HYMN

Come, behold the bread of angels,
this our strength on pilgrims' way.
For the children God is giving manna
for our bread each day.
Now the sign of Isaac telling:
Christ has conquered on this day.

Hear our prayers, O kindly Shepherd,
before us true living bread.
Grant us peace in all our doings,
to our resting place be led,
forth with all the saints now dwelling,
we the body, you the Head.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Hail, Queen of heav'n, the ocean star,
guide of the wand'rer here below,
thrown on life's surge, we claim your care:
save us from peril and from woe.
Mother of Christ, Star of the Sea,
pray for the wand'rer, pray for me.

O gentle, chaste and spotless maid,
we sinners make our prayers through thee;
remind thy Son that he has paid
the price of our iniquity.
Virgin most pure, Star of the Sea,
pray for the sinner, pray for me.