

Our Lady of the Rosary Church 14 Barker Rd, Prospect 5082

# **Dominews**

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A September 6, 2020 www.napparish.org.au

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#### **Mass Timings**

## Rosary Church (Maximum 130 people)

Thursday, Friday 1st, 3rd, 5th Saturday: 12 noon

Saturday Vigil: 6pm

Sunday: 8am, 10am, 5:30 pm

## St Laurence's (Maximum 51 people)

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 2nd, 4th Saturday: 12 noon

Sunday: 9 am, 11 am

Confessions will be available before Mass, Monday-Saturday.

#### **Parish Office**

If you need to visit the Parish Office, please note it will be open by appointment only.

We are reachable by phone and email
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North Adelaide Prospect Parish is a Child Safe and Family Friendly Environment. Our Child Protection contact is: Siobhan Rowe

#### FRATERNAL CORRECTION

The following article from the Canberra-Goulburn Archdiocese newspaper seems the perfect commentary on this Sunday's Gospel:

ARGUABLY the most difficult spiritual work of mercy for an individual to perform is that of admonishing the sinner, yet it is an important duty for Catholics according to one of the Archdiocese's most experienced confessors, Fr Kieran Adams OP.

The Dominican priest spoke to Catholic Voice recently about the spiritual work of mercy, in light of the 12 years he spent as a confessor at St Mary Major's Basilica in Rome, where he would hear confessions on a full-time basis.

During those years, Fr Kieran says he had countless opportunities to 'admonish' – either through the Sacrament of Confession or though providing spiritual direction to individuals.

"To admonish a person, I think you have to take into account the situation, listen very carefully to what they're saying, and see if they're aware of what they're doing," he explains.

"When a person comes for spiritual direction, they come because they want to come closer to God, so therefore they're already reaching out.

"In admonishing, we're trying to lead the person away from a somewhat distorted view of God. God is always a God of mercy. In the Book of Isaiah, it says, 'Though your sins are scarlet, they shall become as white as snow'. In other words, God is always there and is always reaching out to us."



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The word 'admonish' is derived from the Latin word 'monere', which means to warn or advise. Fraternal correction is something every individual has a duty to do, Fr Kieran says. "There's a duty out of love for the other person, to say, 'You can't do that'," he says. "It's a duty for the overall good of the situation, where a person might need to be admonished."

But in doing so, one must be careful and sensitive to the situation, in order to admonish with charity.

"As a confessor, the first thing to do is to listen to what they have to say, because you can't get a full picture until they outline what the problem is, and also you might have to ask questions to get a fuller understanding," Fr Kieran says.

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#### ST LAURENCE'S PRIORY

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"You have to be very sensitive in the questions that you're asking and be gentle with them. I would say it's the duty of the confessor to listen, if necessary to ask certain questions, and then offer advice... it comes back to the general welfare of the penitent and their relationship with God, that's what the confessor's all about."

While it is possible that the response to admonition might be negative, Fr Kieran says most people are grateful for any advice or warnings, which are often exactly what they need to hear.

"You come across people with tunnel vision," he says. "Sometimes people might just say 'I've never thought of it that way before', because they might come and talk about certain things from a particular angle."

Like all the works of mercy, the duty to admonish the sinner has Scriptural origins that provide guidance on the appropriate way to practice the work of mercy.

The words of Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew are perhaps the clearest explanation found in the Bible: "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church," (Mt. 18:15-18).

Source: Catholic Voice, Archdiocese of Canberra-Goulburn.

The bell-ringing at Masses at Rosary church last weekend was uplifting. Young and old rang out their joy to the Lord. (Ps.94, as in Mass this Sunday.)

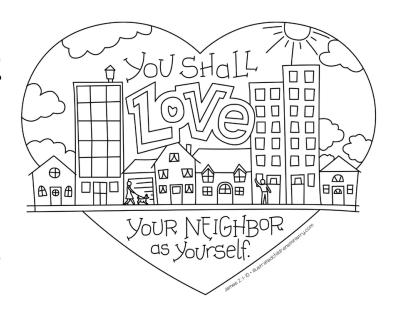
It is a great pleasure also to see how willingly you are helping with the sanitizing of the churches after each Mass. Don't forget to include the used pencils/pens in the sanitizing. And please take Dominews home with you once you have picked it up.

Less pleasing is the reluctance, or refusal, of parishioners to take the role of Covid Marshals. It is a legal requirement to have Covid Marshals at any gathering in the church. It is not fair to ask someone to give their service constantly when there are others who could take a turn. Please step forward to offer your service. Siobhan co-ordinates the work of the marshals.

Fr Paul Rankin OP

#### Love and the Commandments

The commandments are a set of rules given to us by God. In the second reading Jesus tells his followers that commandments can be summarized into one single command: you must love your neighbour as yourself. The word 'neighbour' here doesn't actually mean only the people who live next door. It includes anyone you know or may come across in your life. Now, what does it mean to love other people the way you love yourself? We could treat them like we want to be treated, be kind to them, forgive them when they hurt our feelings, be helpful in times of trouble and be their friends.



Prayer: Dear Father, help us to love you with all of our heart and to love our neighbours as we love ourselves. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Ezek 33:7-9 Rom 13:8-10 Matthew 18:15-20)

To Listen is to Love

Matthew reminds us of Jesus' promise "...where two or more meet in my name I will be with them". In all the practical ways we look after each other, we are saying; 'your concerns are my concerns'. Nothing is too small or insignificant in our marriage, and my beloved is beside me to call me back to our life together.

#### **HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!**



Loving God, shine Your light and grace upon fathers and all father figures in our lives. St Joseph, the husband of Mary and foster father of Jesus, we ask your blessings upon them. Amen

#### **PARISH**

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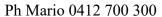
#### Parish Knitting and Craft Group

The Parish Knitting and Craft Group will be meeting on Mondays at 1 pm in the Parish Hall. Contact Marie Whitehead for details: 0428 768 333



#### **Divine Mercy Devotion**

Sunday September 13 from 2.50 pm to 4 pm in Rosary Church. Confessions available.





#### **Nocturnal Adoration**

Offered the weekend of September 19/20. The parish hall will be the venue. Exposition will begin at 7pm on Saturday 19 September

and continue until 7:30 am Sunday morning, 20 September. Contact Mario: 0412 700 300

#### **ARCHDIOCESE**

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#### **Holy Places Appeal**

This collection, normally held on Good Friday, was rescheduled this year by Pope Francis due to the closure of churches over Holy Week due to Covid-19 restrictions. The new date is Sunday,

September 13, 2020, just before the Feast of Exaltation of the Cross on September 14. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to the local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Parishes, schools, orphanages and medical centres thoughout the Holy Land rely on assistance from the Holy Places Appeal.

There will be an extra collection next weekend.

#### Please pray for:

The recently deceased: Manuel D'Silva, Michael Smiley, Krsto Despoja, Maria Nastasi, Hipolita Resane, Robert Dametto, Steven Jung, Nora Emmerton, Domenico Naccarella, Maria Nguyen Thi Thuyet, Sam Matters, John Hume, Enzi Cocci, Roberta Iannella, Andres Gelsano Sr, Nieves Cabillon, Napoleon Adnrin Jr, Maureen Egan, Margaret Mary Sheehy, Maria Joosen, Cecily Devasia

Those whose Anniversaries occur about this time:
Raffaela Maiorana, Luigi Rocca, Alicia Despoja,
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Fr William Vincent McEvoy OP, Ted Milne,
Domenico Stenta, Bill McEvoy, Jack McEvoy,
Hazel and Joseph Barry, Aureo Miasco Sr,
Colin Harford, Maurice Button, Br Martin Keogh OP,
Franca Urbancic, Maria Arruzza, Luigi & Grazia
Ferrara, Marie Milne, Domenico Condina & Rosaria

**Those who are sick:** Please keep in your prayers Bill Blunden, John Parrish, Ross Calabria, Fr Karl and all members of our Parish and their families and friends who are sick or in any other way in need of God's healing.

Baptisms: Luca Skinner & Charlie Mansour

Funerals: Michael Smiley

To have the names of your loved ones printed in the weekend bulletin, please contact the office no later than Wednesday afternoon of that week.

#### This Week's Readings 23rd Sunday Ordinary Time Year A

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

You are just, O'Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel Ez 33:7-9

R. O that today you would listen to his Ps 94:1-2,6-9

voice! Harden not your hearts.

A reading from the letter of Rom 13:8-10

St Paul to the Romans

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel Matt 18:15-20 according to Matthew

#### **Communion Antiphon**

Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

#### **Next Week's Readings** 24th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A

#### Entrance Antiphon

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant and of your people Israel.

A reading from the prophet Ecc 27:30-28:7

Ecclesiasticus

R. The Lord is kind and merciful; Ps 102:1-4, 9-12

slow to anger and rich in compassion

A reading from the letter of Rom 14:7-9

St Paul to the Romans

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have

loved you. Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel Matt 18:21-35

according to Matthew

#### **Communion Antiphon**

How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.



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