



Our Lady of the Rosary Church
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Dominews

1st Sunday of Advent Year A
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Mass Timings

Rosary Church

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

Saturday Vigil:
6pm

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

St Laurence's

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

Sunday:
9 am, 11 am

Calvary Chapel

Wednesday 12 noon

Confessions will be available before 12 pm Mass, Monday- Saturday and Saturday Vigil Mass

Parish Office

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

Email:
office@napparish.org.au
8344 1347

If you need a priest urgently: contact St Laurence's Priory on **08-8267 2674**.

St Laurence's Priory

Fr Kevin Saunders OP (Prior)
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Fr Paul Rankin OP
Fr William Loh OP

ISAIAH, THE PROPHET OF ADVENT



Isaiah by Michelangelo, Sistine Chapel

Readings from the Prophet Isaiah dominate the Old Testament readings during the season of Advent. By calling these Old Testament figures prophets, we mean that they speak in the name of God. In Michelangelo's fresco, there is an angel drawing Isaiah's attention to the message from God.

The prophets may have visions which make us wonder what they have been taking. They may conduct themselves in absurd ways, for symbolic actions. They may also speak in harsh language, telling the people that their conduct is worthy of condemnation.

It is all done to make the Chosen People take notice of what God wants to say to them. It may be that they have strayed from faith in the God of their ancestors. It may be that they have forgotten that the Lord was the one who gave them their own land. Sometimes the prophets will encourage them to bold action. Sometimes the prophet will tell them how God longs for them to change their ways. Then God can readmit them to the covenant which they had repudiated. When that happens, God will restore their prosperity. The Lord will guarantee their well-being.

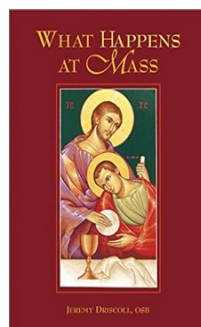
The passage read today from the Prophet Isaiah follows his forthright accusations that the people have abandoned God. He declares that the army surrounding Jerusalem is not the real cause of the shortages and disease they are suffering. It is their wrongdoing that has caused them. He points out that their religious observances are worthless because they do not practice virtue.

But now Isaiah foresees, in this vision you hear today, the time when the Lord will bring Jerusalem and the nation back to a more glorious state than before. It will be the envy of the nations. The Lord will bring peace between nations. This will come about when the people will return to faith in their God rather than their own military power and political alliances.

Isaiah urges them, 'let us walk in the light of the Lord.'

Can we hear Isaiah speaking to us today? Do we need to return to faith in God rather than relying on our own efforts? Are we trying to advance ourselves over other people dishonestly? Are we doing right as well as praying right?

Do we need to return to 'walking in the light of the Lord'?



THE OVERARCHING SHAPE OF THE RITE. The Church does something with the gift the Father has given, 'namely, offer it as its own, back to the Father. .. When the Word assumes our flesh .. He does so in order that he may offer it to the Father as what he is and has always been. All this is accomplished in the Holy Spirit. The Spirit who molded a body for the Word in the womb of the Virgin Mary, the Spirit who raised the body of Jesus from the dead – this same Spirit now fills the gifts that the Church brings for transformation and makes them to be one same thing: the body formed from Mary's body, the body raised from the dead, Christ's body, the Church, offered to God the Father in the name of the whole world. The world's passing over to the Father in this way can take place only in the Church.' (pp12-13)



MARRIAGE MATTERS

Let us Radiate His Life and Light and Goodness

'Today you will be with me in paradise' – Jesus' words as He hung on the cross; even in His agony, He still chose only to love. Through Him, we are given the strength to bear anything joyfully; with the saints we *'inherit the light'*. Today, let us radiate His life, light and goodness, acknowledging Him as our Lord and King.



MORNING TEA

There will be Morning Tea after the Sunday 10am Mass in the Rosary Church Hall. All are welcome.

Pray the Rosary



The Rosary will be prayed every Sunday at 4:50 pm before the 5:30 pm Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary Church and before every midday Mass at St Laurence's and Rosary Church. All are welcome.

Vinnies Christmas Appeal

There will be a third collection today for the Vinnies Christmas Appeal. If you forgot to bring your envelope today, it can still be placed on the collection plate in coming weeks! Donations are also possible online at donate.vinnies.org.au/christmas-appeal.

A Christmas Giving Tree has been installed in both churches. Selected items should be returned no later than 11 December. The local Vinnies Conference greatly appreciates the ongoing support of Parishioners.

If you know someone who needs help from Vinnies please encourage them to call 1300 729 202.

Christmas Nativity Play

Children interested in taking part in the Nativity Play featured during the 6 pm Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve at Rosary Church, please contact the Children's Liturgy teachers or the parish office for more details.



It's Time to get Ready for Christmas!

Advent is here! In a few weeks, it will be Christmas, so it's time to start getting ready!

During Advent we remember Jesus' first coming, and get ourselves and our homes ready to celebrate His birthday. Lighting the candles on an Advent wreath helps us to remember that Jesus, the light of the world, is coming. We start with one candle, and every week light one more.

In Advent we also think about Jesus' second coming. In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells the people to be ready for that time. During Advent, we pray to Jesus to fill our hearts with his love. It's a time when we try to pray more and to do good deeds. It isn't always easy. But we can offer our prayers and good deeds as gifts to God.

Advent Prayer:

4, 3, 2, 1.. Count the weeks 'till Jesus comes

Each week add another light,

Our hope for Jesus growing bright.

We pray, we share, we do our part...

To welcome Jesus to our heart!



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



Amazing Raffle held at Parish Christmas Celebration

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Brass Cleaning

We need volunteers to help with brass cleaning at Rosary Church at 9 am on Monday December 5 in the Parish Hall **and** at St Laurence's Church on December 12 at 9 am. Come along, enjoy a cuppa (and perhaps some cake!) *Many hands make light work.*

Penitential Service

December 14 at 7 pm
Our Lady of the Rosary Church

The Penance Service is not Reconciliation, but is designed to lead to Reconciliation (Confession) which will follow immediately for those who wish.

November Mass Envelopes

If you would like to have those who have gone before us remembered in all Masses in November, please use the November Mass envelopes which will be available in the Churches. The names on the envelopes will be added to the Remembrance Book and Masses will be offered for those in the Remembrance Book collectively. Individual names will not be called out during mass. Please remember to write legibly to avoid spelling errors in the book.

ARCHDIOCESE

Catholic Charities Thanksgiving & Centacare 80th Mass Wednesday December 7, 2022, at 12.10pm in St Francis Xavier Cathedral. All are welcome to join the Thanksgiving Mass for Catholic Charities and Centacare's 80th Anniversary on December 7. The Mass will be followed by an expo and sausage sizzle in Mary MacKillop Plaza. For more information, please contact Archdiocesan Events on P: (08) 8210 8106 or E: events@adelaide.catholic.org.au

Please pray for:

The recently deceased: Denis O'Connell, Pellegrino Parella, Josip Tokic, Ulderico Mignone, Mel Mullins, Raj Mampilly, Wilhelm Scharfbillig, Zahra Morton, Mary Alice Carbonera, Jason Thomas, Harry Ainslie, Ettore Cavallaro, Regina Balbina W, Rosaria Lombardi, Mary Marshall, Margaret Kameniar, Maria Corsini, Armando Ferraro, Anne Marie Nemeth, Maria Alessi, Brian McDonald, Maria Szumylo, Paul Mahoney, Jade Creswell, Peter Modra, Salvatore Colangelo, Fr Luigi Sabadin, Peter Eden, Doreen Riley, Br Brendan O'Hearn OP

Those whose Anniversaries occur about this time:

Alan Butterfield, Giuseppe & Mafalda Forte, Gabriel DeNardis, Bartolomeo Maiorana, Carmela Magliaro, Phyl & John Elwood, Winifred Smith, William Liddle, Deceased members of the Canil Family, Deceased members of the Didone Family, Clarice Hope Smith & William Benjamin Smith, Guerino & Annunziata Rinaldi, Luigi Romanelli, Domenica & Feilippo Cittadini, Felix Saldavia Sr, Nazzarena & Pietro Vallorani, Giuseppina Klemse, Ferdinando & Giulia Albertini, Michael Smiley, Assunta Di Massi, Florenda Saldavia, Elide Gazzola, Angelina Cassetta, Nick Birchell, Anna De Blasio, Romano Dametto, Carmela De Palma, Bill Blunden, Olivia Siobhan Kennefick

Those who are sick: Please keep in your prayers Fr David Halstead OP, Baby Amelia Nikolovski, Charalambros Popadopoulos, Angela, Toni Iop, Tam Thi Thu Pham, Anne Winders, Ray Bishop, Tracy Mifsud, Berryl Wannut, Iolanda Pellegrini, the Olesinski family, Hank Dee, members of the Von der Borch family, David & Luciano Vignogna

Baptisms: Sienna & Cristiano Calo, Orlando Martino

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.

2nd Collection 26/27 November

Planned Giving Envelopes:	\$ 533.00
Our Lady of the Rosary Church	\$1507.75
St Laurence's Church	\$ 396.30
	\$ 2437.05

Thank you for your continued support of the Parish.

**Today's Readings
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Entrance Antiphon

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

A reading from the prophet Isaiah *Isaiah 2:1-5*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans *Romans 13:11-14*

Alleluia, alleluia!
Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.
Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew *Matthew 24:37-44*

Communion Antiphon

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.

Responsorial Psalm

I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.' And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.

It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord. For Israel's law it is, there to praise the Lord's name.

There were set the thrones of judgement of the house of David.

For the peace of Jerusalem pray: 'Peace be to your homes! May peace reign in your walls, in your palaces, peace!'

For love of my brethren and friends I say: 'Peace upon you!'

For love of the house of the Lord I will ask for your good.

Next Week's Readings: 2nd Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 11:1-10

Romans 15:4-9

Matthew 3:1-12



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