



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

# Dominews

4th Sunday of Lent—Year A  
March 19, 2023  
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St Laurence's Church  
134 Buxton St, North Adelaide

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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.

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If you need a priest  
urgently: contact  
St Laurence's Priory on  
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### St Laurence's Priory

Fr Kevin Saunders OP  
(Prior)

Fr Kieran Adams OP

Fr Ben Hensley OP

Fr Paul Rankin OP

Fr Peter Toan Nguyen  
OP

## Reflection



St Augustine once said, 'You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you.' How these powerful words of Augustine resonated in my heart when I read them! They tell me so much about my being, my faith journey, my identity as a Christian on a pilgrimage on earth, the meaning and purpose of life, joy and peace. Like the blind man whose eyes were opened by Jesus, we too encounter a compassion that is very tender and totally unconditional when we seek the face of the Lord.

In fact, today's readings are all about seeing correctly. The prophet Samuel needed the vision of God rather than human sight when choosing a king from among Jesse's sons. In the Gospel, not only were the blind man's physical eyes opened but his 'spiritual' eyes were able to see and experience Jesus' unfailing love and power. What a transformation took place! Now the man had the courage to face up to the Pharisees and say without hesitation, 'I only know that I was blind and now I can see.'

The world we live in is full of crises such as wars, drought, famine, global warming and climate change, heading towards catastrophic finality. If we turn towards the face of Christ the King of the universe and seek his mercy, he will surely answer.

God's faithful ones have always been exhorted to 'seek his face always' (Ps 105:4). It is the Lord's own desire to be our constant companion in every experience. He wants us to know him through and through. If we draw closer to him, he will draw closer to us. Let us turn to God, to yearn to be in relationship with him and to be in his presence; in that way we will find the help and strength that we need and our hearts will find the eternal rest they seek.

## Invitation to prayer

- What is the 'blindness' that I am suffering from? What am I doing about it during this Lenten period?
- God pronounced every part of creation as good. How have we become so disconnected from the created world? What can I do to see more clearly the beauty of all things and care for them?
- The blind man of the Gospel was both poor and vulnerable. How can I show and share the love of Christ with such people in our midst?

**Prayer for the week:** *I am the light of the world, says the Lord. Whoever follows me will have the light of life. (Jn 8:12)*

(from Lenten Reflection, Archdiocese of Adelaide, 'I have come, that you may have life')

**Extra Mass: during Lent, Monday to Friday 7.45 AM, at St Laurence's Church.**



## MARRIAGE MATTERS

Stop and See, be Aware

God was aware of David's adultery with Bethsheba, Uriah's wife, and how he arranged Uriah's murder to cover his sin. Amid political and business 'cover ups' in today's world, it's important to 'stop and see' – the beauty of nature, the beauty and goodness of your spouse. Don't be too busy to recall the joys you have brought to each other.

## Join us in Praying the Rosary

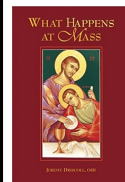
Rosary Church:

Saturdays at 5:30 pm before the 6 pm Mass

Sundays at 4:50 pm before the 5:30 pm Mass

Wherever there is midday Mass:

Monday - Saturday before the midday Mass



INTRODUCTORY RITES continued.

**THE APOSTOLIC GREETING.** The priest's greeting is referred to as an apostolic greeting...

This is an exchange uniquely belonging to the Christian community and peculiar to this moment in the community's life when it begins to celebrate the source and summit of its life. [The priest] greets them in his sacramental role of representing Christ at the head of his body, as Christ who will lead his body in prayer. [The priest] recognises in them the assembly that God has called together... It is the Lord himself whom we are meant to see in this unusual gesture, spoken in unusual language, from a man dressed in unusual clothes... With this greeting we are reminded that the faith in which we stand comes to us from the apostles... If the priest's greeting to the people is on such an exalted level, the people's response is no less highly pitched. They answer ... 'And with your spirit'... The people are addressing the 'spirit' of the priest... They are saying in effect, 'be the priest for us now'... This exchange expresses and establishes the unique harmony between ourselves, our bishop (or the bishop's priest) as successor of the apostles, and the Church throughout the world, which holds the faith that comes to us from the apostles. (pp. 23-25)



## Second Sunday of Lent 18 & 19 March



Teresa is a Gamilaroi woman from Western Sydney who struggled with homelessness while raising her four children. Through the Baabayn Young Mums and Bubs Group, Teresa was able to reconnect with her culture and create a better future for her children.

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## Jesus Heals a Blind Man

In today's Gospel story, Jesus met a man who couldn't see. This man was born blind. He had never been able to see, not once in his whole life. Jesus decided to heal the man by spreading some mud on his eyes. Jesus told him to go wash up and when the man did, he could see again! It was a miracle! Some people didn't believe it was the same man as the one who had been born blind. Some people were angry because Jesus did "work" on the Holy Sabbath day. They were so suspicious and upset that they missed out on appreciating this great miracle. They closed their eyes, in a way.

Let's remember to ask God to help us not to be "blinded" to what God is doing, or to the things other people need and are doing.





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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



### **MORNING TEA**

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

## **ARCHDIOCESE**

### **Chrism Mass**

We welcome all to celebrate Mass of the Oils on Monday April 3 at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral at 6pm. Please note NO onsite car parking will be available. If you would like more information regarding this event, please contact the Events Office on P: 8210 8220.

### **Marian Procession – save the date**

The 2023 Marian Procession will be held on Sunday May 21 beginning at the Pioneer Women's Memorial Gardens (next to the Torrens Parade Ground on King William Rd) procession up King William St into Victoria Square. This year, we celebrate the Feast of the Visitation in line with the 2023 World Youth Day theme. The Procession will commence at 2pm and all are invited to attend with their parish or community. Group assembly will begin from 1.30pm. Unless there is a severe weather warning the procession will take place however it will conclude in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral rather than Victoria Square. For more information, please contact the Events Office on P: 8210 8220

## **ARCHDIOCESE ( continued)**

### **MenALIVE weekend**

menALIVE is a national Catholic ministry with the purpose of bringing men together to renew their faith in God and encourage them to become an active force within the Church. Henley Beach parish's menALIVE weekend is being held on March 25 and 26 in the Marine Science Centre at Henley Beach, conducted by experienced leaders from the local menALIVE Team. Since menALIVE commenced in 2003, thousands of Catholic men have been encouraged and inspired at weekends across Australia. Enquiries: Dennis Hoiberg M: 0418 384 619 or Glyn Ashman M: 0417 800 148.

### **Aquinas College**

To help mark the 75th Anniversary of opening in 2025 the college is looking to reconnect with former students. Are you a former Aquinian? If so, please send your contact details to E: [admin@aquinas.edu.au](mailto:admin@aquinas.edu.au) or call P: 8334 5000 to be added to our mailing list.

### **Please pray for:**

**The recently deceased:** Alice Wheal, Nello Matrigiani, Peter Truong Van Nam, Michael Tesoriero, Jose Nayre (Papa Joe), Martino Brendan Chau Nguyen, Josephine Davies, Carmen Chetcuti, Frank Riley, Irene Tonin, Cardinal George Pell, Alessio Maiorana

### **Those whose Anniversaries occur about this time:**

Pedro Membrebe, Alberto Villoria Sr, Fr Peter Knowles OP, Fr Kevin O'Hannon OP, Fr Joseph Wilson OP, Fr Jerome O'Rorke OP, Fr Francis Xavier Brown OP, Pellegrino Landolfi, Arthur Lang, Jim Smith, Florence Huf, Alex Kuchel, Anthony Hien, Sean Woods, Cristina Stenta, Emilia & Gianna Comacchio, Vittorio Alimonti, Marino Campagnolo, Rocco De Sanctis, Giovanni, Philomena De Nardis, Carmela & Marco De Sanctis, Mario De Nardis, Rosa Reveruzzi

**Those who are sick:** Please keep in your prayers John Perry, Colin Sandford, Maria Antonelli, Anthony Rissi, Maria Stilie, Domenico Carrotti, Rosa Dathici, Ann Gibbings, Marion Hiosan, Fr David Halstead OP, 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:** Oriana Virgili, Romeo Stenta, Parker Crawford

**Funeral:** Biagio Ciacciarelli

***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 11/12 March**

Planned Giving Envelopes:	\$ 700.00
Electronic (February )	\$3370.00
Our Lady of the Rosary Church	\$1269.80
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	<u>\$5888.20</u>

***Thank you for your continued support of the Parish.***

**Today's Readings**  
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**Entrance Antiphon**

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.  
 Be joyful, all who were in mourning;  
 exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

A reading from the first book of Samuel *1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians *Ephesians 5:8-14*

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!  
 I am the light of the world, says the Lord;  
 whoever follows me will have the light of life.  
 Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John *John 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38*

**Communion Antiphon**

The Lord anointed my eyes: I went, I washed,  
 I saw and I believed in God.

**Responsorial Psalm**

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.  
 Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me  
 repose. Near restful waters he leads me,  
 to revive my drooping spirit.

He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name.  
 If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I  
 fear. You are there with your crook and your staff;  
 with these you give me comfort.

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my  
 foes. My head you have anointed with oil;  
 my cup is overflowing.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the  
 days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell  
 for ever and ever.

**Next Week's Readings**

Ezekiel 37:12-14  
 Romans 8:8-11  
 John 11:1-45



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