



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

Dominews

2nd Sunday of Lent - Year B
February 25, 2024
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St Laurence's Church
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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

Wed School Term
7:45 am

Wed School Hols and
every Saturday
8:30 am

Sunday:
9 am, 11 am

Friday 7 pm
Adoration and
Confession

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
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08-8267 2674.

St Laurence's Priory

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Fr Kieran Adams OP
Fr Ben Hensley OP
Fr Paul Rankin OP
Fr Mannes Tellis OP

THE TRANSFIGURATION



It looks like this Gospel story is given to us today for the same reason that Jesus showed himself in this way to Peter, James and John – to encourage us in the difficulties of following Jesus: in our case the penances of Lent, and the penitential life in the church opposed to the secular world; in their case, the scandal of Jesus' arrest, trial and execution. Jesus holds out to us, as to his chosen ones, 'the pledge of future glory'. (This is a term used of the Eucharist, in a prayer of St Thomas Aquinas.)

Can we allow ourselves to be 'transfigured' by Christ? This is the reason for our Christian life. We are to be remade, reborn, to a new, eternal, spiritual life. It is brought about by Baptism received in faith. Still, it is a struggle for this real conversion to change us inwardly in our mortal lives. Our thinking,

our desires, must be trained in this new life.

The seasons of the Church help us to understand this life journey as a journey with Christ. The celebration of the Sacraments give us an experience of God working in us as we receive them. The practices like Lenten penance, Friday abstinence, giving Sunday and holy days to worship of God instead of mundane activity, all help form us in Christian life. Ethical norms show us the way to restrain ourselves from wrongdoing and motivate us to seek the good.

Can the church be transfigured too? In the Lenten reflection booklet we read, 'Pope Francis, echoing the Second Vatican Council, identifies the church as "first and foremost a people advancing on its pilgrim way towards God." Authentic pilgrimage requires all elements of the church to be open "to a constant self-renewal born of fidelity to Jesus Christ". The Holy Spirit is the agent of this renewal. It is the Spirit who initiates and sustains the ongoing conversion of individuals, communities, and structures in the church for the sake of the church's discipleship. ('Drawn into the Joy of the Gospel, Formation in the Archdiocese of Adelaide', quoting from Pope Francis, 'Evangelii Gaudium'.)

Some clarification about '**Volunteering as Almsgiving**': What we are hoping for are new volunteers. It is pleasing that existing volunteers have shown that they are ready to continue. The table of opportunities has been updated: Some important areas were left off, due to technical troubles. They are: Children's Liturgy, held at 10 am Mass at Rosary during the school term; and Sacramental preparation for children not at Catholic schools, held at 9 am on Sunday morning in Rosary Hall during school term. Some items have been removed as no longer necessary, or as not appropriate for volunteering.



MARRIAGE MATTERS

Free to be Ourselves

Sometimes we can be overwhelmed by each other's generous sensitivity, thoughtfulness and kindness which have helped us grow in confidence to share our deepest feelings, fears and joys. Let us try this week to find ways of growing in that confidence and trust so that in our relationship we radiate God's joy through the way we love each other.

Parish Calendar

- Mar 1 7 pm Adoration & Confessions at St Laurence's
- Mar 2 12 pm Mass at Rosary

Feasts & Solemnities

- Mar 1 Autumn Ember Day

WHAT HAPPENS AT MASS



JEREMY DISCOLL, OSB

BRINGING THE GIFTS TO THE BISHOP OR PRIEST

The procession with the gifts offers us one of the strongest opportunities for understanding the relation between the sacrifice of the Christian people and the sacrifice of Christ.

Gifts of bread and wine are brought to the altar. It is an action worth examining as if under a microscope... Bread and wine and

various vessels and water and perhaps other gifts, including money, are carried by some of the baptised and brought to the bishop and/or deacon who places the bread and wine on the altar and prepares them.

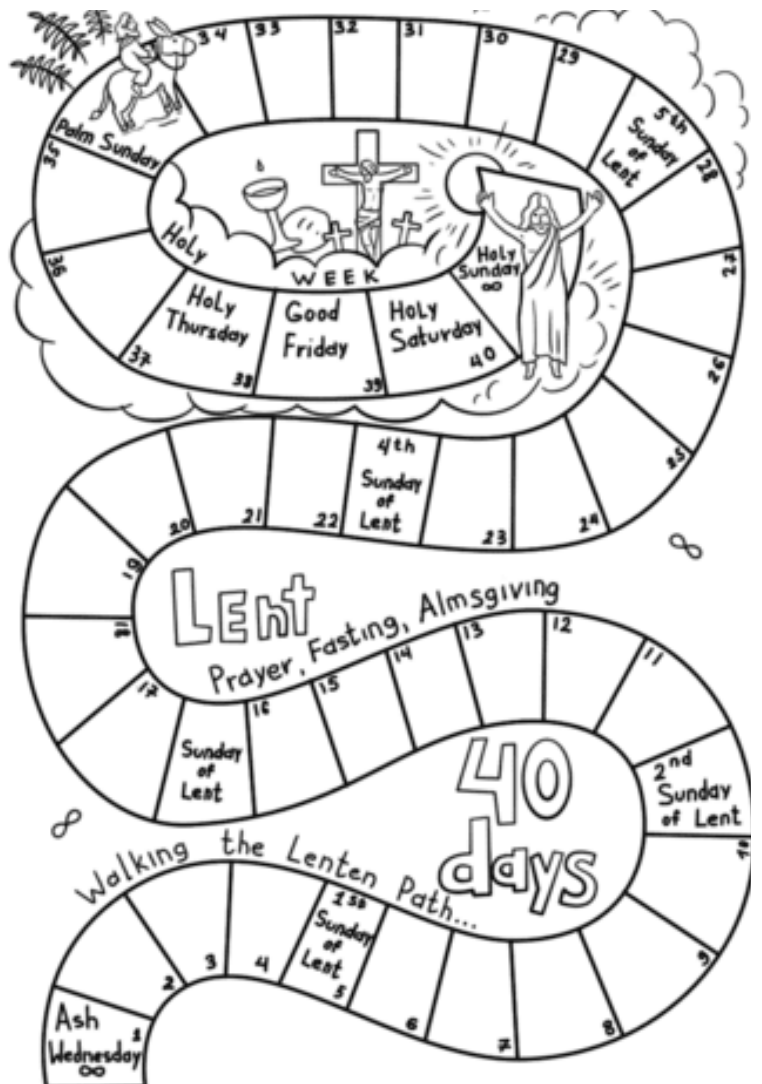
Yet to understand the significance of the bread and wine we must look further and leave the church building to discover where this bread and wine have come from. It is worth tracing them all the way back to their literal, earthly roots. (pp. 62-3)

God is on Our Side!

With God on our side, who can be against us? Today's second reading talks about this. In other words, if God is on our side (or if we are on God's side) then no one can possibly make us lose at life. God is far more powerful than anyone on Earth. If God is on our side, standing up for us, we can be sure that we will win at life. We may have disappointments and hard times but we will know God's love is always with us and that he will rescue us in the end.

Prayer:

God, Thank you for your great love and thank you for what Jesus did to bring us to you. Help us always to know that as we stay close to you we are not alone. Help us to always know that we are in your great love and safe in your great power. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen!



PARISH

Join us in Praying the Rosary

Rosary Church:

Saturdays at 5:30 pm before the 6 pm Mass

Wherever there is midday Mass:

Monday - Saturday before the midday Mass

Brass Cleaning - Volunteers welcome

Rosary Church on March 11 at 9 am and at

St Laurence's on March 18 at 9 am.

Many hands make light work.

Get Involved during Lent

2nd Sunday of Lent

Had you thought about reading at Mass? Or becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion? Or perhaps helping with the collection or serving on the altar? Why not make a commitment this Lent to becoming more involved in Sunday Mass?

Or maybe, you'd like to do something more prayerful during Lent? Why not put your name down for Fr Ben's Study Group "Exploring the Mysteries of the Mass"? or join in the Divine Mercy Adoration.

Details of various volunteering opportunities are listed in the Church porch. If you are interested in any of these opportunities please write your name, phone number or email address on a piece of paper and place it in the volunteer box today or next weekend.

ARCHDIOCESE

Project Compassion

2nd Sunday of Lent

24 & 25 February

After the birth of her children, 22-year-old Ronita was at risk of having to leave school permanently. But, with the support of Caritas Australia's partners in the Philippines, she resumed her studies and secured a job at a call centre to support her family.

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Easter Good Friday at The Monastery – Volunteers Needed

Every year, many people from around Adelaide come to The Monastery to walk with Christ on his last journey. It's our busiest day of the year and we simply could not do it without the help of our generous volunteers. If you would like to offer your time on Good Friday to lead small groups in prayer around the Sacred Garden or assist with parking on our oval, please contact our office on 833 8700 or email officeadmin@themonastery.net.au

Please pray for:

Recently deceased: Sr Rosemary Campbell OP, Romano Cittadini, Natalie Whibley, Angelo Giammaria, Juanita Paclar, Angela Bulian, Sister Elisabeth Dmytryk RSJ, Rosemary Ryan, Helen Davoren, Laurence Stanley, Rachel Kelly, Patricia Bright, Gino Romaldi, Margaret Lean, Sister Margaret Hocking, Fiore Garzarella, Fr Michael Doherty, Olimpia Santorufo

Those whose Anniversaries occur about this time:

Tony Centofante, Mafalda & Giuseppe Forte & family, Antonino Franze, Ben Newland, Bill Button, Lucja Newmann, Pasqualina DiMella, Maria Tkalec, John Brennan, Paolo Percat, Franciszek Szumylo, Maria Szumylo, Ria Swart, Ethan, Antonio Tarraran, Mary & Theodore Hennig, Fr Stephen Tarrant OP, Patricia McEvoy, Elda Pezzotta, Francesca Pollifrone, Gillian Milne, Martino Brendan Chau Nguyen, Gillian Milne, Rosa Curtale, Molly & Ivan Oswald, Elide & Gino Gazzola, Kathleen Grace Kelly, Nina Stenta & Concetta Di Francesco, Patricia Membrebe, Gabriel DeNardis, Alessio Maiorana, Helen Fay Calbert, Antonio Morelli, Lorenzo Di Ciocco, Doreen D'silva, Mario Morelli, Pellegrino Parrella, Fleur Zaltrom, Rose Brincat, Carmela Magliaro, Peter Paul Pace

Those who are sick: Please keep in your prayers Bob Bates, John Lennox, Julie Cooper, Derek Stacy, Leanne Worrell, Tom Allen, Vincent Allen, Lucy Sloane Tran, Rosa Dathici, Fletcher Adams, John Perry, Maria Antonelli, Anthony Rissi, Maria Stilie, Domenico Carrotti, Ann Gibbings, Marion Hiosan, David Vignone, Angela, Charalambros Popadopoulos, Tam Thi Thu Pham, Ray Bishop, Beryl Wannut, Iolanda Pellegrini, the Olesinski family, the Van-der Borch family

Funerals: Sr Rosemary Campbell OP, Romano Cittadini

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 17 & 18 Feb

Planned Giving Envelopes:	\$ 352.00
Our Lady of the Rosary Church	\$ 1232.30
St. Laurence's Church	\$ 353.70
	<u>\$ 1938.00</u>

Thank you for your continued support of the Parish.



**This Week's Readings
2nd Sunday of Lent - Year B**

Entrance Antiphon

Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face.
It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
hide not your face from me.

A reading from the book of Genesis *Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13,15-18*

A reading from the book of Romsns *Romans 8:31-34*

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:
this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

A reading from the holy Gospel *Mark 9:2-10*
according to Mark

Communion Antiphon

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;
listen to him.

Responsorial Psalm

I trusted, even when I said:
'I am sorely afflicted.'
O precious in the eyes of the Lord
is the death of his faithful.

Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;
you have loosened my bonds.

A thanksgiving sacrifice I make:
I will call on the Lord's name.

My vows to the Lord I will fulfil
before all his people,
in the courts of the house of the Lord,
in your midst, O Jerusalem.

Next Week's Readings:

3rd Sunday of Lent

Exodus 20:1-17

1 Corinthians 1:22-25

John 2:13-25



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