



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

Dominews

5th Sunday of Easter - Year B
April 28, 2024
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St Laurence's Church
134 Buxton St, North Adelaide 5006

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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
St Laurence's Priory on
08-8267 2674.

St Laurence's Priory

Fr Peter Toan Nguyen
OP
(Prior)

Br Frank McKinnon OP
Fr Kieran Adams OP
Fr Ben Hensley OP
Fr Mannes Tellis OP

The Living Vine

As you may know there is a lovely little vineyard on 134 Buxton St next door to the Priory. It has gone through its ups and downs, once Blackfriars' School tended it but now it is looked after by a number of wine enthusiasts and we thank them for the care they take with this rather quirky patch. These enthusiasts put a lot of effort into tending the vines, putting nets over them to protect the fruit and no doubt they do one thousand other things so as to bring about the best vintage they can.

God is very much like these enthusiasts, he likes a good vintage, and that vintage is us. Each of us is a potential Grange Hermitage!

In the course of the spiritual life then the importance of being the best version of ourselves is the key objective. The spiritual equivalent of being a Grange Hermitage is being a saint. Much like the vine though holiness of life is not something that just happens but something that evolves and indeed is dependent on our reliance on God's grace.

Jesus evokes another image of the Father, that of the vinedresser. Much like our Buxton St enthusiasts, God the Father tends us, giving us the wherewithal to succeed as saints, and this is through a remarkable thing called grace.

The thing about grace is that it builds on and transforms our raw human nature. Alone, St Thomas remarks in his Summa Theologiae, the human person can only gain some rudimentary knowledge of his purpose and only superficially do good things, but to come to a deeper understanding of the things of God a superadded light is needed, something that goes over and beyond or above our nature, and this is called grace (cf Summa Theologiae I-II, q.109, a.2).

Interestingly though in order to be ready for God's grace there must be a pruning of sorts. Jesus intimates that "every branch that bears no fruit God cuts away, and every branch that does bear fruit God prunes to make it bear even more"(Jn 15:2-3). The pruning in our lives needs to be the casting out of sin and selfishness. So, how do we start back on the road to holiness is to begin by pruning the evil from our lives, this can be done for instance by a good, thorough confession. Like the enthusiasts who ready the soil and fertilise it so by a good confession and the pruning of sin from our lives we too can also ready the soil for the fertilisation of grace. Yet, we must be cautious here. We do not do the preparation for any of this on our own, even before we reach out for God's grace he already bestows us with the first inklings of his assistance. This activity of God is done so that we do not fall into pride, thinking we save ourselves or that there is some formula we need to follow in isolation from God. Fundamentally it is a partnership, though an unequal one. The mystery of how God's first grace that he bestows on us, yet without adulterating our free will, is a conundrum that dates back centuries and indeed it was on this point, more or less, that the Dominicans and the Jesuits locked theological horns.

Suffice it to say the importance of God's transformative grace cannot be understated. God's grace is necessary for us to achieve that by which human nature unaided could not achieve, namely beatitude, seeing God face to face without any medium as St John taught us in last week's second reading:

Beloved, we are sons of God even now, and what we shall be hereafter, has not been made known as yet. But we know that when he comes we shall be like him; we shall see him, then, as he is. (1 Jn 3:2)

This is the aim of being a part of the vine-to see God as he is, with Christ Jesus the true vine who gives his grace to assist us in this endeavour. Another principle then of our spiritual life is to keep close to Jesus despite the pruning that sometimes comes from without. Our Lord quite categorically tells us that trying to achieve heaven is fruitless without him:

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St Vincent de Paul Conference

We would greatly appreciate donations of any of the following goods: Cereal, tea, coffee, pasta, pasta sauce, tinned fruit, tinned vegetables, soup. Boxes will be available in the Churches for your donations.

MARRIAGE MATTERS

Listening and Discerning Together

Jesus says: "Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty." Listening to Our Lord is essential for our fruitfulness. This can depend on how well we make the time to listen to each other, to discern together. Often God speaks to us through our spouse; some say 'the closer we are to each other, the closer we are to God'.

Parish Calendar

May 3 7 pm Adoration & Confessions at St Laurence's
May 4 12 pm Mass at Rosary Church

Feasts & Solemnities

Apr 27 St Louis Marie Grignion de Montfort, priest and Dominican tertiary
Apr 29 St Catherine of Siena, virgin and Doctor of the Church
Apr 30 St Pius V, pope
May 2 St Athanasius, bishop and doctor
May 3 Ss Philip and James, apostles

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5 I am the vine, you are its branches; if a man lives on in me, and I in him, then he will yield abundant fruit; separated from me, you have no power to do anything. 6 If a man does not live on in me, he can only be like the branch that is cast off and withers away; such a branch is picked up and thrown into the fire, to burn there.

In this eucharistic celebration then where we receive the body and blood of Christ, that which aids us to remain part of the vine, may we follow these principles of the spiritual life to become the true vintage God intends for us. Let yourself be pruned so as to enable God's grace to thrive and do this within the source of that grace, the true vine, Christ Our Lord.

Praying the Rosary Together

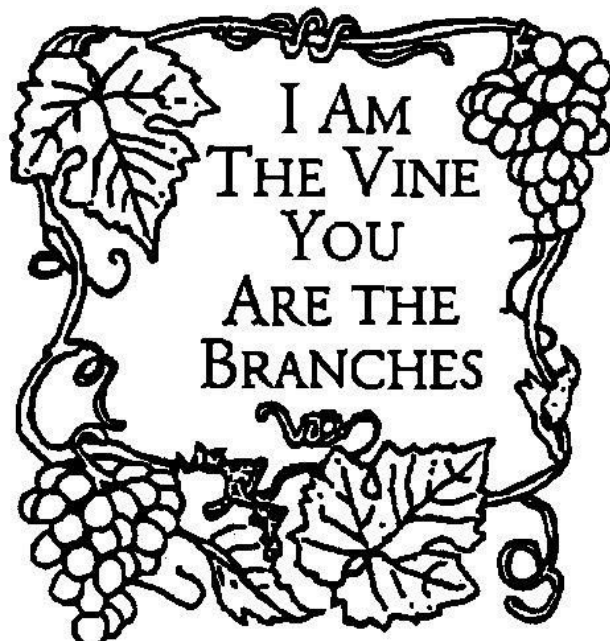
The month of May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Please join us at 2 pm on all Sundays of May except May 12 at the grounds of the Fatima Shrine at the northern end of the Rosary Church, or in the Church if it's raining.



Jesus is the True Vine

In today's Gospel Jesus told His disciples a story to help them understand why it's important to stay connected to Him. He uses the example of a vine. A vine is a plant with a lot of branches growing out from it. The branches have fruit on them. What happens to a branch that's been broken off of a tree or a vine? It withers up and dies. It can't ever have fruit on it again; it's not good for anything except fire-wood. Jesus said, "I am the vine and you are the branches. If you remain in me, you will have much fruit, but apart from me, you can do nothing." Jesus wants us to produce fruit. Good fruit, like kindness, generosity, and faithfulness. Most of all, He wants us to love others as He has loved us.

But we can't do it on our own. Just as the branches must be connected to the vine before they can produce fruit, you and I must stay connected to Jesus to produce the good fruit that God expects of us.





ROOF TOP CHAMPAGNE & NIBBLES

You and your friends are invited to join the St Dominic's Priory College Old Scholars on **Sunday 5th May 2 - 4pm** for champagne and nibbles on the roof top of the Adams Mayo Building.

A tour of the Adams Mayo Building, St Mary's Wing and College Chapel will be hosted by Dr Helen Steele and Sr Jillian Havey.

Cost: \$20

RSVP: by 30th April (for catering purposes)

For further details email:

oldscholars@stdominics.sa.edu.au

PARISH

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



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EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Do you feel passionately about our Catholic call to protect life and support families who have experienced loss through abortion or euthanasia? "Embrace Life" is a new Archdiocesan group which aims to promote the sacredness of life from its earliest stages until natural death. Expressions of interest are now open for those who would like to be part of this group. Please note, your expression of interest should include the following:

- A summary of why you would like to participate in this group, outlining any qualifications and/or work you have undertaken in this field. A background in health services would be advantageous.
- A reflection on how you can contribute to the work and mission of our Archdiocese through this group. Please access our Archdiocesan Vision and Mission Statement at <https://adelaiddiocesanassembly.org/dpc> to assist with this.
- A reference from your current Parish Priest.

Please forward your expression of interest to Mr James Lloyd, Pastoral Leader: Justice, Healing & Inclusion, at jlloyd@adelaide.catholic.org.au by May 15th, 2024.

Adult Confirmation

There will be an opportunity for the celebration of the sacrament of Confirmation for adults who have been baptised but not yet confirmed. This celebration will be held at the 6pm Mass in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral on Saturday July 20. Father Dean Marin V.G. will be the celebrant. For further information and to register for Adult Confirmation, contact the Office for Worship on 8210 8130, or Orla Wright on 8210 8166.

Please pray for:

Recently deceased: Rona McCall, Brian O'Loughlin, Mark McCarthy, Charles Seal, Kathleen DiPasquale, Sr Anne Cashen RSM, Italo Percat, Shirley Lynch, Derek Stacy, Brian Stanley, Helen Dundon, Alf Paterson, Nicola Pipicella, Anna Elizabeth Martin, Nikoll Gjeka, Prena, Vgsel, Van Tam Nguyen, Domenic Celeste, Rita Cardone, Iolanda Pellegrini, Romano Cittadini, Natalie Whibley, Angelo Giammaria, Juanita Paclar, Angela Bulian, Rosemary Ryan, Helen Davoren

Those whose Anniversaries occur about this time:

Franca Urbancic, Brian Withers, Giovanni Giordano, Candeloro Ciacciarelli, Angelo Bassani, Eric Rossi, Franz Haas, Don Bosco Nguyen Van Dinh, Pellegrino Landolfi, Michael Doukas, Giuseppina Rugari, Josie Rugari, Emilia Comacchio, Gianna Comacchio, Benjamin Gelsano, Arthur Lang, Mathew Pham, Maria Thi Dinh Khuyen, Jim Smith, Florence Huff, Cristina Stenta, Eric Rossi, Alberto Villoria Sr, Pedro Membrebe, Sean Woods, Gianna Comacchio, Biagio Ciacciarelli, Antonio Caridi, 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

Those who are sick: Please keep in your prayers Nadia Dametto, David Fiorentino, Leonor, Sofia, Xi, Anna, Svetlana, Mother Pauline, Jorge Bob Bates, Julie Cooper, 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, Berryl Wannut, the Olesinski family, the Van-der Borch family

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 20/21 April

Planned Giving Envelopes:	\$ 368.00
Planned Giving Electronic (March)	\$ 4136.50
Our Lady of the Rosary Church	\$ 1022.70
St. Laurence's Church	\$ 514.85
	<u>\$ 6042.05</u>

Thank you for your continued support of the Parish.

Today's Readings
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Entrance Antiphon

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles *Acts 9:26-31*

A reading from the 1st letter of St John *1 John 3:18-24*

Alleluia, alleluia!
Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;
my branches bear much fruit.
Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John *John 15:1-8*

Communion Antiphon

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm

My vows I will pay before those who fear him.
The poor shall eat and shall have their fill.
They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him.
May their hearts live for ever and ever!

All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord,
all families of the nations worship before him.
They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth;
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust.

And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him.
They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come,
declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn:
'These things the Lord has done.'

Next Week's Readings:

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
1 John 4,11-16
John 15:9-17



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