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Dominews

6th Sunday of Easter - Year B May 5, 2024 www.napparish.org.au



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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

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The Command to Love

'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love.

Commandments sound rather regimented, coercive, or demanding of some kind of restrictive obedience. How does Jesus connect the love he has for his disciples and us by talking about rules and regulations?

This disturbing soliloquy of Jesus is based within the context of God's covenant with Israel where God tells Moses the following:

"Now therefore, if you will obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my own possession among all peoples; for all the earth is mine, and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. These are the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel." Exodus 19:5-6 RSV

This covenant forged on Mt Sinai after the Israelites had fled Egypt entailed the keeping of the Commandments as a sign of fidelity to the agreement God had made with this people he had adopted as his own.

Thus the first commandment particularly: "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. "You shall have no other gods before me." (Exodus 20:2-3) is pertinent to the faithful observance of the covenant. Israel had to forego worshipping all the other gods on offer, through this agreement they only served the God of Israel. This scenario was a new thing for the Israelites as they had lived in a culture where many gods were worshipped. In the encounter with this new God, who had adopted them and rescued them from slavery, the monotheism for which Israel became unique among the nations began to evolve. The revelation that there is only one God who loves and cares for this particular people was both awesome and frightening. No longer could an Israelite run off and worship another god and stay faithful to the covenant, there were no other gods to go to. That was the theory though. In practice Israel apostatised again and again. The covenant God had made with Israel was often in tatters and a number of the prophets saw Israel's serial apostasy in terms of a troubled marriage where one of the parties continues to be unfaithful (cf Hosea 3).

This is why Jesus makes things much more explicit. If you want to love me follow the commandments I gave you so long ago. Stop following other gods. Only in observing the commandments then can one be faithful to the covenant. This can be illustrated even more clearly in that the covenant that God has made with us the new Israel is celebrated every time we offer the Mass. Remember what Jesus says when he shares the cup of wine with his disciples:

"And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; **for this is my blood of the covenant,** which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins." Matthew 26:27-28 RSV

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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

Called to Reflect God's Love

"Love one another as I have loved you". With these words Jesus spells out God's plan for marriage. As husband and wife we are called each day to give our lives to each other as completely as we are able. From today let us decide to reflect this 'sign' of God's love to our children, our family and our friends.

Parish Calendar

May 5 2pm Rosary at Fatima Shrine May 10 7 pm Adoration & Confessions at

St Laurence's

May 11 12 pm Mass at St Laurence's Church

EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE

In the event of an emergency, please leave immediately via the nearest exit.

Divine Mercy Devotion

2nd Sunday of the month - Sunday May 12 from 2.50 pm to 4 pm in Rosary Church. Confessions available. Mario 0412 700 300

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What covenant is this? The covenant in Christ's blood is a renewal of the original covenant God made with Israel, to be their God and they to be his people. In the Mass Jesus' blood represents God giving himself once more, reaching out to us and helping us be faithful to him. In the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist God gives us the grace to observe the commandments so as to love him.

Let us pray then in our Mass today that we receive these graces so we can demonstrate to God that his commandments are not rules and regulations meant to crush us but rather they are God's way of guiding us to be what we should be, lovers of him and our fellow human beings.

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.



Love One Another

In today's Gospel we read that Jesus wants us to love each other, just as God the Father loves us. Jesus said, "Love one another as I have loved you." How much did Jesus love us? He loved us so much that he gave his life for us. It's easy to love people who are nice to us, like our family and friends. But what about loving people who aren't nice to us? It's hard isn't it? But it can be done - ask Jesus to show you how to be the loving Christian you have been called to be.

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ROOF TOP CHAMPAGNE & NIBBLES

Come join the St Dominic's Priory College Old Scholars today, **Sunday 5**th **May from 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

Tickets available at the door.

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

ARCHDIOCESE:

Adelaide Botanic Gardens Tour

The Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide invites you to the Adelaide Botanic Gardens Tour to celebrate Indigenous native flora for Laudato Si' Week on Saturday May 18 from 12pm to 1.30pm. The meeting spot is at the Visitor Information Centre (North Terrace, Adelaide). Places are limited so register early at trybooking.com/CQVLG

Pipe Organ Recital – World Class Organist Colin Andrews

Colin Andrews a worldwide known concert organist will perform on Friday May 24 at the St Francis Xavier's Cathedral, Wakefield Street, Adelaide at 7pm. Free entry.

Power up 2024

Come join COYYA and young people of Adelaide at Blackfriars Priory School on Saturday May 18, 3pm to 9.30pm. The Catholic Office for Youth and Young Adults will host workshops on ecology and environmental care, social justice, faith formation and music formation (with special guest Melbourne based, singer-songwriter Gen Bryant) which are 100 per cent hands-on oriented with minimal sit and speak and maximum fun. The workshops will be followed by a Vigil Mass or a guided meditation and journaling workshop space. We will finish the night off with some dinner serviced by amazing local food trucks and a praise and worship concert with Gen Bryant. Registration is free via trybooking.com/CRAXX for young people 16 to 35 years of age. Follow us via our socials for all the latest information linktr.ee/coyya

Sunday Night Choir – May 5 at 7.15 pm

The Sunday Night Choir returns for another evening of music and singing on Sunday, May 5. This is a new initiative for 2024, sponsored by the Adelaide Archdiocese's Pastoral Services Team and is simply an evening to gather, sing and meet new people. It's okay if this is your first time attending as we are a welcoming bunch. Bring friends too! There will be songs in three-part harmony, so the ability to read music notation is beneficial. Rehearsals are on the first Sunday of every month, starting at 7.15 pm in the St Francis Xavier Cathedral Hall (free car parking available). Visit: ofw-adelaide.org.au/sundaynightchoir

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

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

Those who are sick: Please keep in your prayers Colin Sanford, Nadia Dametto, David Fiorentino, Sofia, XiAnna, 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

Baptisms: Taylor, Thomas & Tiffany Thai Pham Funerals: Rona McCall

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 27/28 April

Planned Giving Envelopes:	\$ 413.00
Our Lady of the Rosary Church	\$ 1093.00
St. Laurence's Church	\$ 328.55
	\$ 1834.55

Thank you for your continued support of the Parish.

Today's Readings 6th Sunday of Easter - Year B

Entrance Antiphon

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

A reading from the Acts of the Acts 10:25-26, 34-Apostles

A reading from the 1st letter of St John

35, 44-48 1 John 4,11-16

Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

John 15:9-17

Communion Antiphon

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm

Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation.

The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy.

Next Week's Readings:

Acts 1:1-11 Ephesians 4:1-13 Matthew 28:19, 20



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