

PIUS VOICE

15th April, 2018, 3rd Sunday of Easter



UNDER THE PASTORAL CARE OF THE OBLATES

Parish Priest

Fr. Mathewraj OMI

Assistant Priest

Fr. John O'Doherty OMI

Parish Manager

David Cunningham

Mass Times

Tuesday , Wednesday &

Friday 9.15 am

Thursday 9.30 am

Saturday 6.30 pm

Sunday 9.30 am & 5.30 pm

Rosary: Tues, Wed,

Fri 8.55 am & Thurs 9.10 am

Adoration (During term time)

Fridays : 10 am— 12 noon &

6 pm — 9 pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 11.30—12.00 noon

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Dear Brothers and sisters in Christ,

In our journey through life we are confronted with several problems and difficulties which can make us lose our perspective. We can lose all direction to life and remain helpless. Then left to ourselves we become nothing and tend to remain with uncertainty. In such situations we need positive support, a sincere understanding which can place us on the right path. In the Easter context we see Jesus as a consoler and help to the disciples filled with fear. He comes constantly to them and remains with them, guides them and eats with them. By breaking the bread with the disciples and sharing the meal he makes them experience his real presence. Today we have another account of Jesus appearing to his disciples on Easter Sunday. The gospel begins with the story of the two disciples who had the experience of walking with Jesus and their recognition of the Lord in the breaking of bread. Jesus remaining close to them drives away all their doubts and unbelief by giving them the gift of peace. He asks the disciples to touch and feel him and experience his real presence among them. He remains as the real friend in their lives, and helps them back into confidence. The first reading of today gives us the sermon of Peter who tells his audience the way in which Jesus was put to death by them but his suffering and death brought life to the world. The second reading tells us that Jesus is the sacrifice that takes away the sins of the world. The author St John encourages people not to sin but to place their trust in Jesus.

It is very interesting that Jesus did his teaching after the resurrection during the meal he shared with his disciples. This certainly reminded them of the Last Supper where he did his teaching and preached through his actions by washing their feet. He made them understand that the sufferings and death were only an interlude. He told them that he had spoken to them that time while he was still with them, that everything written about him in the Law of Moses and the prophets and the psalms must be fulfilled. Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead...' and now they had the task of proclaiming repentance and forgiveness of sins that is, total reconciliation with God to all. This calling could only be achieved by the grace of God the Father and the power of the Holy Spirit in the Most Holy Name of Jesus. As John says in his letter, Jesus is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world. As we continue with the celebration of the Holy Mass, let us keep in mind that Jesus suffered in our place for the forgiveness of our sins. Like the first disciples of Jesus we too are called to be his witnesses in the world of today and spread the good news to all.

God Bless.....Fr. Mathew

Marian Devotion From 29th of April to 27th October 2018

"God wills that all his gifts should come to us through Mary" (St. Bernard) Yes dear brothers and sisters, as we are approaching the month of May, it is very apt to begin our devotion to Blessed Mary by praying the Rosary as families and friends at home. Here is an opportunity for 26 people or families to take the Mother Mary statue to your homes for a week. You could take the statue on Sunday Morning after 9.30 Mass and return it by Saturday Morning. At the back of the Church , clipboard is available to indicate your names.

Parish Secretary

(Part-time Position - 20 hours per week)

St. Pius X Catholic Parish Dernancourt, is a small but vibrant parish on the north eastern side of Adelaide and has been under the pastoral care of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate for the past 60 years. The parish has a strong social justice outreach tradition and is committed to creating a parish community which lives and brings God's 'good news' to our part of the world.

Applications are sought from suitably qualified and experienced persons for this Part-time position of 5 days per week (Monday to Friday) for a total of 20 hours per week.

For a full position description
please contact the Parish Priest, Fr. Mathewraj OMI on frmathewomi@gmail.com

Applications should include a cover letter and resume (of no more than 3 pages) addressed to the Parish Priest, Fr Mathewraj OMI and emailed to frmathewomi@gmail.com

Applications close : Friday 20th April 2018 by 4:00pm.

The successful applicant will be asked to commence work in mid May 2018.

Employment with the Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide is conditional upon a successful Police Clearance.

The Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide is an Equal Opportunity Employer and a Child Safe Organisation

The advertisement appears on the below website as well.

<http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/our-people/employment-opportunities>

Solar Panel for the Church

St Pius X Parishioners, the Parish Finance Committee has obtained five quotes for the possible installation of solar panels onto the church, all with the following components:

System Size : 11.34kwp
Panels : 42 x 270w Jinko Solar Polycrystalline Solar Modules – Product Warranty 12 yrs -
Output Guarantee 90% for 12 yrs – 80% for 25yrs
Inverter : Fronius—Primo and Galvo range (10 Years Warranty)

If you have any suggestions or queries please email Margaret Duggan within the next two weeks.

rm.duggan3@bigpond.com

Dear Parishioners, thank you for your participation and financial support of our parish's mission, ministries and daily operating costs through the Thanksgiving Program (Planned Giving - 2nd Collection). May God Bless your Generosity.

Pledged Planned Giving for March Quarter \$23,148

Actual Planned Giving Income Received \$20,501

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK OF OUR PARISH IN YOUR PRAYERS

Alison Hellams, Barbara Stirling, Ken Porter, Anthony Young, Charlie Bell, Christine Brassier, Cynthia Edwards, Denzil Simmons, Eddy Pericone, Frank, Fr Jim Fitzpatrick Omi, Gloria & Robert Hopkins, Graham Smith, Heather Jones, Helen Durkin, Lyn Cibich, Margaret Baughen, Margaret Daly, Mary Meatheringham, Maureen Habets, Pam Tully, Roger Price, Simon Albury, Trina Roberts and Ursula Suharto, Vic,

Recently Deceased

Parish Prayer Network:

Prayers for any need. All you need to do is call one of the following: Marie 8264 9569, Maureen 8261 6906 or Beth 8396 2079

Mass Intentions this week

21st Canil Family deceased members

This Week's Saints

21st St Anselm

Next Week's Readings: Fourth Sunday of Easter Year B:

Acts 4:8-12; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

Vinnies Food Bank

URGENTLY NEEDED FOOD FOR VINNIES:

Tins of soup; small and medium weetbix and cornflakes; pasta sauce; longlife full cream milk; tinned tomatoes; rice.

Grateful thanks for your kind donations.

Ministry Roster 21/22 April

6.30pm C Patricia Beaven, R1 Jean Canil, R2 Mary Grace Estrada, E1 Terence Cheah, E2 Hilda Cheah
E3 Jim Kelly, E4 Patricia Rice, M James Lloyd

9.30am C Jos Hensing, R1 Roderick Essery, R2 Vin Thomas, E1 Charlie Baldacchino, E2 Tommy Morrison, E3 Peggy McNeil, E4 Marie Sterai, M Anne Allio

5.30pm C Amy Bartjes, R1 Alex Kaminski, R2 Kathy Nicholls, E1 Sanjay Mohanaraj, E2 Maria Cid, E3 Esma Gagliardi, E4 Elsa Jones, M Sonia Mohanaraj & Group

Church Cleaners: Team D: Griffith/Laping/Goss

Altar Linen: Victorine

Saint of the Week— St Anselm

Born in Aosta, Italy, St Anselm entered the Benedictines at the age of 27. He became abbot at Bec in Normandy and then in Canterbury, England. In Canterbury, the bishops pressed a crosier into his hand to confirm his election as archbishop. Twice he was forced out of his see for his refusal to kowtow to the English king. He wrote his classic, "Cur Deus Homo" (*Why God became a Man*) while in exile. St Anselm died in 1109 and in 1720 was declared a Doctor of the Church. "In this world, God loves nothing more than the liberty of his Church," Anselm said.

Come and Prepare for Pentecost

Put a heart of flesh on those dry bones of faith.

Join us for a 7 week course and journey into the heart of God.

Life in the Spirit

Wednesdays, April 11th to May 23rd 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in the Parish Hall

To register interest in attending or for more information

contact Liz Carter on 8261 2846 or 0410 923 151

Please note that there will be no Ladies meetings while the Life in the Spirit course is being run.

First Reading Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses. 'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 4:2, 4, 7, 9

(R.) Lord, let your face shine on us.

When I call, answer me, O God of justice; from anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me! (R.)

It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves; the Lord hears me whenever I call him. (R.)

'What can bring us happiness?' many say. Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. (R.)

I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Jn 2:1-5

A reading from the first letter of St John

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's. We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments. Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

Gospel Acclamation Lk 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:

make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 24:35-48

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognized Jesus at the breaking of bread. They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes. Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'