



MURRAY BRIDGE, MURRAY MALLEE, MALLEE BORDER

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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MEDIA RELEASE – Sunday April 21 2025

STATEMENT FROM ARCHBISHOP PATRICK O'REGAN ON THE DEATH OF POPE FRANCIS

With profound sorrow, the Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide joins the universal Church in mourning the passing of His Holiness, Pope Francis.

A shepherd of deep faith, compassion and humility, Pope Francis dedicated his life to serving God's people and advocating for the poor, the marginalised and the dignity of all human life.

Pope Francis was a tireless witness to the Gospel, always reminding us of God's mercy and calling us to a life of love and service. His leadership and pastoral heart have left an indelible mark on the Church and the world.

As the Church enters a time of mourning, the faithful of the Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide are invited to join in prayer and reflection, entrusting him to the loving embrace of our Lord.

May Pope Francis rest in peace, and may his legacy of love, justice, and peace continue to inspire the faithful around the world.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDYA- YR C

First Reading Acts 5:12-16

The numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 117(118):2-4,22-27

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting.

Let the sons of Israel say:

‘His love has no end.’

Let the sons of Aaron say:

‘His love has no end.’

Let those who fear the Lord say:

‘His love has no end.’ **R**

The stone which the builders rejected

has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord,

a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord;

we rejoice and are glad. **R**

O Lord, grant us salvation;

O Lord, grant success.

Blessed in the name of the Lord

is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord;

the Lord God is our light. **R**

Second Reading Apocalypse 1:9-13,17-19

I was dead, and now I am to live for ever and ever

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by

them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One, I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

Gospel Acclamation John 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;

happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia!

Gospel John 20:19-31

Eight days later, Jesus came again and stood among them

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me,

so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive,

they are forgiven;

for those whose sins you retain,

they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

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Prayer for the Election of a Pope

The Roman Missal provides presidential prayers for a Mass For the Election of a Pope or a Bishop, pp. 1308-09. Celebrant may wish to invite the faithful to pray this during the period of the conclave:

"O God, eternal shepherd, who govern your flock with unfailing care, grant in your boundless fatherly love a pastor for your Church who will please you by his holiness and to us show watchful care. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever."

Jubilee of People with Disabilities

As part of the Jubilee 2005, Pilgrims of Hope, the whole Catholic Church celebrates the Jubilee of People with Disabilities on 28-29th April. Throughout the Archdiocese of Adelaide we will acknowledge this significant Jubilee at masses on the weekend of 26/27th April (Divine Mercy Sunday). A special blessing for people living with disabilities and their carers has been prepared. This can be prayed at the conclusion of Masses on this weekend.

WELCOME

With open hearts and minds we warmly welcome Fr George Oluoch as the new Priest Administrator to our Murray lands parishes. Fr George is from Kenya and has been with the Cathedral parish in Adelaide for more than two years now. Please make him feel welcome, approach him and introduce yourself to him, and sometime, maybe invite him to your home for a meal.

THANK YOU

A big thank you to all who helped make the Holy Week Celebrations meaningful and spiritually enriching: Fr Leon, Fr John V & Fr Richard; and all those who organized and participated in the Palm Sunday Mass, the Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper, the Good Friday Stations of the Cross, the Good Friday Service, the Easter Vigil Mass and the Easter Sunday Mass (the *Choir singing was special!*) May the Risen Lord Jesus Christ bless us all!

Mystagogia Mass for New Catholics

An invitation is extended to all newly baptised and those newly received into full communion into the Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Adelaide, together with their sponsors and loved ones, to attend the Mass for new Catholics, the Mystagogia Mass, with Archbishop Patrick O'Regan at St. Francis Xavier's Cathedral. The Mass will be on Saturday May 24 at 6pm to celebrate the Sixth Sunday of Easter. Tea/Coffee will follow in the parish hall. Our new Catholics are encouraged to wear white, symbolising their baptism and making them easily recognisable by the community. Please register your attendance before May 22 through the following link: <https://forms.office.com/r/LPzdLEXWU8>

Australian Catholic Bishops Conference - CathNews

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Ignatian Heart Spirituality – Grace and Gratitude Weekend Silent Retreat

You are invited to attend a weekend retreat titled Grace and Gratitude. Enter a quiet space where you can trace the graces and gifts that have been blooming along your life path and nurture seeds of delight and gratefulness for the ongoing journey. Date: Friday May 16, 4pm, to Sunday May 18, 2025, 2pm

Venue: Mary Knoll Retreat House, Beetaloo Valley
Cost: \$360, live in. Enquiries and bookings: Chris McCabe: chris.mccabe08@gmail.com

MURRAY BRIDGE, MURRAY MALLEE, MALLEE BORDER			Weekly Giving	M/B	M/M
3 rd May Saturday	Mannum (Vigil Mass) - Fr George	4pm	1 st Collection (for the Priests of the Archdiocese)	\$1090.15	\$210.25
3 rd May Saturday	Murray Bridge (Vigil Mass) - Fr George	6pm			
4 th May Sunday	Murray Bridge (Mass) - Fr George	11am	2 nd Collection - for the Parish (Loose Plate)	\$596.65	\$258.70
4 th May Sunday	Tailem Bend (Mass) - Fr George	9am			
4 th May Sunday	Lameroo (LWHC) - Dcn Arturo	2.30pm	2nd Collection - for the Parish (Planned Giving Envelopes)	\$635.00	\$60.00
4 th May Sunday	Meningie (LWHC) -	9am			
Tuesday (Mass)	Murray Bridge	9.30am	Baptism/Funeral/hall hire	\$	
Wednesday (Mass)	Murray Bridge	9.30am	Special Collection on Good Friday – for the Holy Lands)	\$615.20	
Wednesday (Mass)	Mannum	11am			
Friday (Adoration)	Murray Bridge	11am			
Friday (Mass)	Murray Bridge	12noon	<i>Thank You!</i>		

Please pray for the sick:

Eda Abbondandola, Luigino Antonello, Thomas Arnold, Marion Ayres, Lyn Ayunon, Greg Baily, Simon Boyce, Kathy Broster, Jim Byrne, Joan Carey, Alyn Catipay, Kathalia Celestine, Jackie Clarke, Peter Connolly, Pat Connolly, John Cooper, Cynthia Crosley, Kathleen Daniel, Eugenia Delena, Pat Duxbury, Shona Edwards, Kevin Glancy, Niall Glancy, Lottie Grabski, Alex Gregory, Ange a Groves, Nilda Guadagnin, Cynthia Harbour, Helen Hogan, Vin Hollis, Carol Hunt, Roger & Raylene Hurle, Maureen Johnson, Adriana Lai, Lorraine Ledgard, Anita Lindner, Ann Loughran, Ashley Mason, Sam May, Bernard McNerney, Lillian Nagy, Mick Nearmy, Virgie Nicholls, Arturo & Ronda Jean Nigro, Raelene O'Driscoll, Pat Pfeiffer, Maria & Vince Rocca, Robin Scott, Yvonne Shillabeer, Charlotte Tottman, Isobel Turner, Abby Vivian, Bernadina Wassenner, Jan Winter, Nucileide Jesus Da Silva, Colleen Buchan, Janita Nearmy, Bill Allam, Joel Paca-anas, Ross and Pauline Pfeiffer, Judith Meaney

Anniversaries: Trevor O'Loughlin

Deaths: Liz Rossiter

Marian Procession

The 76th Marian Procession will be held on Sunday May 18, 2025, beginning at Victoria Park and processing up Wakefield Street into Victoria Square. The Procession will commence at 2pm and all are invited to attend.

For more information, please contact Archdiocesan Events on 8210 8220.

Marian Procession Volunteering

The Archdiocesan Events Office is currently seeking volunteers to support at the Marian Procession in a range of roles.

If you are available and willing to help, please contact events@adelaide.catholic.org.au or 8210 8220. Volunteer roles are needed for Saturday May 17 (10am – 12pm) and Sunday May 18 (which is the date of the event and begins at 2pm).

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: **(4th May 2025) Yr C**

1st Rdg: Acts 5:27-32,40,41

2nd Rdg: Apocalypse 5: 11-14

Gospel: John 21:1-14

Thank you

A very big thank you to Fr John, Fr Richard, Dcn Arturo for celebrating Holy Week for us. Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time in anyway during Holy Week. Thank you to the children who participated in the re-enactment of Stations of The Cross, it was absolutely brilliant, you're booked for next year. (Trudy)

REMINDERS

Project Compassion

Please return your filled Project Compassion boxes and envelopes to all churches. These can be put in with the collections or left in the foyer. Thank you for your kind and generous donations to Caritas Australia.

M&Ms 27th or 29th May–
Mayflower cruise at Mannum,
10.30am for the carpool.

PPC meeting Friday 7th May
at 4.30pm, M/B

**Sunday 11th May Mothers
Day.**

**Flores De Mayo – Sunday
25th May**

Next Week's Roster

Church	Murray Bridge	Murray Bridge	Tailem Bend
Dates & Time	3 rd May 6PM	4 th May 11AM	4 th May 9AM
Commentator	Mark/Wayne	Meradith O'Loughlin	Sr. Michele
Lector 1	Michael Gates	Rodel Maranan	Edwin Pope
Lector 2	Mark Scott	Beverly Villaver	Victoria Gazzola
P.O. Faithful	Erin Eckermann	Lynn Ayunon	Sr. Michele
Euch. Ministers	Carol Giles	Deb Holland	Peter Nearmy
Welcoming 1	Jo Hancock	Di Howson	Victoria Gazzola
Welcoming 2	Rosie Scott		
Offertory			Tess Brereton
POF Writer	Deb Holland		
Grounds Maintenance (MB)			