

# SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA

## Edwardstown Catholic Parish



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21st/22nd March 2020

4th Sunday in Lent—Year A

### Parish Priest

Father Phillip Alstin

### Parish staff

Robyn Grave

Parish Secretary

### Parish office hours

Tuesday—1.30pm—4.15pm

Wednesday 1.30pm—4.15pm

Thursday 1.30pm—4.15pm

Friday 1.30pm—4.15pm

**Weekend Mass suspended  
church will be open at the  
following time**

Saturday 6:00pm

Sunday 9:30am

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Tuesday 9.30am

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Friday 9.30am

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Before and after Mass.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday 6.30pm

Adoration of the Blessed  
Sacrament Wednesday's  
following 9.30am Mass. 6.00pm  
Rosary; 6.35pm Vespers;  
7.00pm Benediction

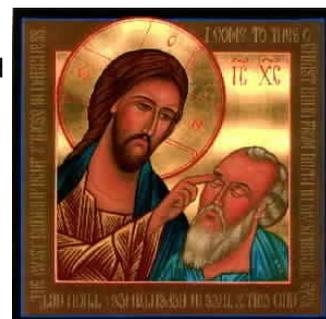
### Anointing of the sick

First Friday of the month after  
9:30am Mass. This is followed  
by Holy Communion to the  
sick and housebound by the  
Priest.

A few months ago, we were celebrating the joyous season of Christmas. There was one element that stands out during Christmas: the lights!! But why so many lights? To remind us that the Child in the manger is the Light of the world.

In this season of Lent, we shift our reflection from the Babe in the manger to the Man of suffering on the Cross. Does his suffering and death mean that he ceases to be the Light? No; his light penetrates even the deepest darkness of sin and death. The Cross lifts up the Light that all may see him and find hope in his mercy.

Light is associated with the sense of sight, an important part of our overall health. Today's Gospel reminds us that Jesus, the Light of the world, is a healer, bringing health to body and spirit. In giving sight to a man born blind, Jesus give him not only bodily well-being but spiritual health as well. With the gift of physical sight, Jesus opens the window of the man's soul, so that he can recognise Jesus. For Jesus is not an ordinary *sinner* or even merely a *prophet* but the Son of Man. The once blind man does not stop at the state of recognition alone. With humility, he cooperates with the gift of faith and bows down before Jesus in worship. He chooses to "take no part in the fruitless works of darkness," as we read in today's second reading. He starts to live as one of the "children of light," for Christ has given him light.



The blindness of this man became an occasion to reveal the power of the Father at work in his Son, Jesus. Human weakness became an avenue for showing God's power to the world. As Jesus said to the disciples who asked about the man's blindness, "It is so that the works of God might be made visible through him."

We are being warned by the bad example of the Pharisees, and invited by the good example of the blind man. If we choose to follow the lead of the blind man who became a disciple, we will begin to see everything in the light of Christ. The choice to follow the light counteracts the pride that blinds us. The nearer we draw to the Light, the better we can see, by the power of grace and faith. This is the part of the work of Lent, to go beyond physical appearances and to learn to see as God sees—to see goodness in each person and to be sensitive to the promptings of the Light. May we recognize the true Light and choose to live as children of Light! When we come to the Easter Vigil, we will welcome the Resurrection of Christ, signing with grateful hearts, "Lumen Christ! De Gratias!" *The Light of Christ! Thanks be to God!*

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### Exploring Scriptures @ St Anthony of Padua Edwardstown Catholic Parish Cancelled.

In view of the unprecedented times we are all facing regarding the COVID-19 pandemic and for the health and safety of the parish community, it was decided that we discontinue our Lenten series. Thank you for all those who have participated to date. For those interested in continuing the study privately please register with FORMED through the parish website and search for "Our Story" within the FORMED app. If there is sufficient interest, we intend offer this or similar programs in the foreseeable future once the situation improves. Please leave your contact details with the parish office if you wish to be notified of such future events. Thank you



# AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE



## Bishop Patrick O'Regan named Archbishop of Adelaide

Pope Francis has this evening appointed Bishop Patrick O'Regan, currently Bishop of the Diocese of Sale in Victoria, as the 12th Archbishop of Adelaide.

Bishop O'Regan said his appointment comes at a critical moment for Catholics in Adelaide and across the country.

"With Adelaide set to host the first assembly of the historic Fifth Plenary Council of Australia later this year, this is an exciting time for the Archdiocese of Adelaide," he said.

"I look forward to playing my part alongside the people of the Archdiocese in welcoming to Adelaide the Church from right across Australia."

Bishop O'Regan was born in Bathurst in 1958. He was educated at St Joseph's Primary School in Perthville, the village in which he grew up, and at St Stanislaus' College Bathurst. He undertook seminary training at St Columba's College Springwood and St Patrick's College Manly, and was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Bathurst in 1983.



He was appointed Bishop of Sale in December 2014, with his episcopal consecration in February 2015. He holds a licentiate in sacred liturgy and sacramental theology from the Institut Catholique de Paris and is a member of the International Commission on English in the Liturgy.

Bishop O'Regan succeeds Archbishop Philip Wilson, who resigned as Archbishop of Adelaide in July 2018.

He thanked Bishop Greg O'Kelly SJ, who since then in addition to his role as Bishop of Port Pirie has served as Apostolic Administrator of Adelaide and will continue to do so until Bishop O'Regan's installation – the date for which is still to be decided.

"Bishop O'Kelly has been exceptionally generous and inspirational in overseeing the entire Church in South Australia during this time and I know the people of Adelaide have appreciated his wise leadership," Bishop O'Regan said.

"They have also no doubt been looking forward to the Pope's announcement of a new Archbishop. I pray that I will be the pastor that the Church in Adelaide needs at this time."

Bishop O'Regan said tonight's announcement comes on a special day.

"As someone who has a deep Josephite spirituality, it feels quite fitting – even providential – that Pope Francis has chosen today, St Joseph's feast day, to call me to this new mission," he said.

"I will certainly be asking St Joseph to intercede for me and for the Church in Adelaide."

Australian Catholic Bishops Conference president Archbishop Mark Coleridge said Bishop O'Regan has "shown himself to be a man of unusual gifts, one of which is his deep sense of pastoral care for the people entrusted to his care and another of which is his quirky sense of humour".

"Bishop Pat's brothers within the Conference join him in praying for his new mission as shepherd of the Church in Adelaide, which has known difficulties in recent times but which can now look to the future more peacefully," Archbishop Coleridge said.

### Rosary Group

Monday 6:20pm  
Tuesday 8:50am

### Parish Administration Meeting

Every Wednesday after Mass  
at 10.45am.

### St Anthony Novena & Morning Tea

St Anthony Novena every  
Tuesday straight after 9:30am  
Mass. Followed by Morning  
Tea in the Parish Hall.  
Everyone is welcome.

### Community of the Risen Lord

Friday 7:30pm catechism  
for children with the  
Passionist Sisters, whilst  
the adults engage in Bible  
learning, followed by prayer  
and praise and ending with  
Benediction at 9:00pm.

### Parish Pastoral Council

Father Phillip Alstin  
Mr Gordon Williams  
Mrs Wendy Williams  
Mr Tony Hettiarachchi  
Mr Kevin Mark  
Dr Randy Juanta  
Mrs Grace Juanta  
Miss Therese O'Brien  
Mrs Danica Rusov

### Parish Finance Council

Father Phillip Alstin  
Ms Robyn Grave  
Mrs Anna Pivato  
Mr Jim Gaetjens  
Mr Geoff Walles

### Meetings

Parish Finance Council:  
**TBA**  
Parish Pastoral Council:  
**TBA**

### St Anthony's Parish School

Telephone: 8115 7500  
Principal: Mr Stuart Baker  
APRIM: Mr Matthew Harrison

# Notices

## Your prayers are requested for:

**SICK:** Giuseppina & Leanne Perugini, Joseph Mohanraj, Maureen Marshall, Imelda Kempson, Bethany Marsh, Luke Nussio, Jesse Frick, Teresa Donnellan,

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Mary Dixon, Fr Tony Papps, Daphne Dedoncrer, Joe Romero, Eva Bradley,

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Narciso Brion, Mons Horgan, Maurie Kempson, Carlo Santucci, Gerald Van der Jeugd, Rose Barwick, Sante Vinsentin, Barbara Williams, Giovanna Cendak, Eileen Dorling, Eileen Supple, Francis Moyse, Greg Fischer. Relatives and friends of the Burns, Hill, Murphy, McNulty families.

## PRAYER REQUESTS:

*If you wish the names of your loved ones to be included in the Prayers for the Sick, Recently Deceased or Anniversaries, then please contact the Parish Office. These will be listed for 4 consecutive Sundays in the Parish Newsletter. Names can be re-listed on request from the family to the Parish Office. Names are also placed on the Altar for Mass intentions.*

## CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

The Archdiocese has established a task group which is now meeting regularly with a view to providing further updates to parishes and communities.

A reminder that people who are unwell or in quarantine can honour their Sunday obligation by participating in a time of prayer within the home, reading the Scriptures or watching Mass on television (Channel 10 at 6am every Sunday morning) or online at [www.cathnews.com](http://www.cathnews.com)

Daily Mass can also be viewed at 9.30am and 9.30 pm on the Shalomworld Australian channel. Alternative times on the North American channel are 12.30pm and Europe channel at 7.30pm. They can be watched live on a SmartTV or smart phone by downloading the Shalomworld app, or online on a laptop or PC at [www.shalomworld.org/dailymass](http://www.shalomworld.org/dailymass)

## EDWARDSTOWN CATHOLIC PARISH

**Until further notice the following parish activities have been suspended.**

- ⇒ Seating in the Church—you are asked to distance yourself from others—ie. Spread out within the church and pews.
- ⇒ Sunday Morning tea—will no longer occur.
- ⇒ St Vincent de Paul Sewing Group—ceased for time being.
- ⇒ Parish Social Group have cancelled the Dobozy gathering on the 30th March and all programmed activities until further notice.

**PARISH COLLECTIONS**—In view of the guidelines regarding parish collections, the Archdiocese of Adelaide, have made available an option to continue to support our parish in these trying times, via an electronic contribution if you so wish. Those who currently give by way of planned giving envelopes may give by making direct payments via their bank accounts to

**BSB 085 005—Acc. No. 48973 5300—CCES – Edwardstown Parish**—Reference - please place your Planned Giving Number—if you are unsure about your number please call the parish office on 0499 486 699.

**OR** The following link on the Archdiocesan website is as follows: <http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/donation> is also available for your use. You will need to select the appropriate parish you wish to give to. Contributions can be made to the First Collection & Other—for Parish collection..

## Holy Mass Roster :: March 2020

### Saturday 6:00pm

Reader of the Word and prayers of the faithful

*(please return to the Lectern to lead the Universal Prayers)*

**Paulina May**

Extra ordinary ministers of the Eucharist

*(please arrange for a family to present the gifts of bread and wine)*

**Suspended**

### Sunday 9:30am

Reader of the Word and prayers of the faithful

*(please return to the Lectern to lead the Universal Prayers)*

**Randy Juanta**

Extra ordinary ministers of the Eucharist

*(please arrange for a family to present the gifts of bread and wine)*

**Suspended**

## Holy Mass Roster :: April 2020

### Saturday 6:00pm

Reader of the Word and prayers of the faithful

*(please return to the Lectern to lead the Universal Prayers)*

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Extra ordinary ministers of the Eucharist

*(please arrange for a family to present the gifts of bread and wine)*

**Suspended**

### Sunday 9:30am

Reader of the Word and prayers of the faithful

*(please return to the Lectern to lead the Universal Prayers)*

**Geoff Walles**

Extra ordinary ministers of the Eucharist

*(please arrange for a family to present the gifts of bread and wine)*

**Suspended**