

# SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA

## Edwardstown Catholic Parish



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**24 / 25 OCTOBER**

**30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A**

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**Mass Times**

Tuesday 9.30am  
Wednesday 9.30am  
Thursday 9.30am  
Friday 9:30am  
Saturday 9.30am

**Dies Domini/ The Lord's Day**

Saturday 6.00pm  
Sunday 9.30am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Before and after Holy Mass  
and Wed 6:30pm

**Adoration of the  
Blessed Sacrament**

All day Wed 10am-7pm  
6.00pm Rosary  
6.35pm Vespers  
7.00pm Benediction

**Contact for Adoration**

Danica Rusov  
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### Meditation from Anawim Way

In his Letter to the Thessalonians, St. Paul praises them, saying that they have become a model for all the believers in their area of Macedonia and Achaia. He goes further, declaring, "The word of the Lord has echoed forth from you resoundingly"; and now, "throughout every region your faith in God is celebrated."

This high praise makes us wonder: what did these Thessalonians do? What sort of behaviour made believers in the entire region report and celebrate their faith? St. Paul gives us a few clues, most of which are related to the fundamental steps of conversion: they turned away from idols, for example. They welcomed Paul and his missionary companions and received from them the word of God, even in the midst of severe trials. They experienced "the joy that comes from the Holy Spirit." Paul says that they "became imitators of us and of the Lord," which surely means that the Thessalonians were authentically living the faith they had received. But beyond this, we know no other details.

We do know, however, that the faith that was passed on to them is the very same as the faith we have received. They had heard and were living in accordance with the two Great Commandments, pronounced by Jesus in today's gospel: "You shall love the Lord your God with your whole heart, with your whole soul, and with all your mind," and, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." Therefore, we know that, whatever the details, the Thessalonians were living the Law of Love; and it was their faith expressed in love that was so inspiring to other believers (cf. Gal 5:6).

Jesus' amazing statement, in which he revealed love as the basis of the whole law and the prophets as well, came in answer to a Pharisee-lawyer who was not practicing love of neighbour. This man tried some legal gamesmanship with Jesus, to show him up in front of those who gathered to hear him. His question about the greatest commandment could surely only be answered by an educated student of the law, so Jesus would be exposed as a charming fraud who did not really know the Torah. There are many pages of detailed rules in the Old Testament. In today's first reading, for example, we are given part of a very specific list of laws, details about how to treat aliens, widows and orphans. There are further rules about how to behave when lending money, or one's cloak. Which one of these will Jesus select in answer to the Pharisee's question? The trick does not work. Instead of embarrassing Jesus, the question gives him an opportunity to transform the entire teaching and way of life on which the Jews had built their culture. He answers that the whole Law can be summed up in Love.

What freedom we have in Christ and in his Law of Love! Our salvation is not based on scrupulous observance of rules and vigilance in every detail. God calls us simply to love him and live by love in relation to our neighbour. This freedom puts a different kind of responsibility on us, however. We can no longer be satisfied with the letter of the law, comforting ourselves that we have obeyed the details. The Law of Love is not a legalistic law, one in which we can use arguments about rules to justify our behavior. We are answering, not to lawyers and judges, but to God himself.

Our earlier question, then, about what exactly the Thessalonians did that made them models for the other churches in the region, can be answered simply and broadly. They loved God with their whole heart, mind and soul, and showed that love by acting in loving ways to others, by loving their neighbors as themselves. We are called to do the same!

**How do I express my faith in love? Do I act as though my salvation is dependent on scrupulous observance of rules? How can I grow in my love of God and neighbor?**

Excerpt from The Anawim Way, Volume 13, no. 8.

#### **THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**First Reading:** Exodus 22:20-26  
**Second Reading:** 1 Thessalonian 1:5c-10  
**Psalm:** 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51  
**Gospel:** Matthew 22:34-40

**PLEASE TAKE THIS PARISH BULLETIN HOME WITH YOU. THANK YOU!**

# NOTICES

## Your prayers are requested for:

**SICK:** James Stewart, Leighton Crabb, Gerald O'Keeffe, Stan Puczkowski, Saphia Barrios, Mikela, Steve Brennan, Lorma Ascano, Leah Alstin, April Coulson, Luke Nussio, Jesse Frick, Kate Hall

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Lyn Eaton, Thomas Clarke, Jennifer Bullen, Lee Puczkowski, Raquel Hayes

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Hazel McNamara, Patrick Coburn, Patrick McCrorey, Natalie Fahey, Edda De Lorenzo, Greg Webb & Maria Di Febo, Anna Colomobo, John Nussio, Marjory Campion, Giovanni Baeso, Rex Black, Eileen Bishop, Graziella Bratovic, Lindsay Schubert, Eberhard Falkenberg, Arthur Burns and relatives and friends of the Burns, Hill, Murphy and McNulty families.

## WEBSITE INFORMATION UPDATE

Fr Phillip's weekly video messages to St Anthony's School students may now be accessed on our parish website <http://edwardstowncatholic.net> in the **CATECHESIS SECTION**. This newsletter may also be accessed on the website.

## FAMILY SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2021

We invite you to send your expressions of interest to enrol your child/children for the St Anthony's Parish Family Sacramental Program commencing in February 2021. This program is a family and community-based program that values the role of parents as the first educators of faith and family as the basic building block of communities. To find out more about our new program, the Parish Sacramental Program Team will hold an information session in late November 2020. Dates and times to be confirmed soon. Please send your expressions of interest to the Parish Sacramental Program Coordinator - Grace Juanta, email - [grace.stanthonys@gmail.com](mailto:grace.stanthonys@gmail.com)



## CALLING ALL MEN 16YRS +

Join us for the rest of the 12-part series as we watch and discuss *Into the Breach*. Through a series of small group discussions, we'll learn how to be stronger fathers, better husbands and men fit for the breach. Please see flyers at the church porch for further details.

## ENCOUNTER WITH CHRIST - FOR WOMEN

You are most welcome to join a women's prayer group that meet after 7pm Benediction on Wednesday nights at St Anthony's chapel. It is a time for women to pray, reflect on the upcoming Sunday gospel and to encourage and support each other in living out our Catholic faith. For queries please see Grace or email [grace.stanthonys@gmail.com](mailto:grace.stanthonys@gmail.com)



## HERE'S SOMETHING FOR THE CHILDREN!

### ALL SAINTS DAY CELEBRATION - SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER



All children are invited to **DRESS UP** as their favourite **SAINT** on Sunday 1st November. Parents, please help your child/children look up information of their saint or a virtue they would like to imitate from their chosen saint. We will have a small presentation in the parish hall after Mass. We hope that you can encourage and support your children in this fun parish activity. It is a wonderful opportunity for the children to admire the saints' great faith and strength of character that they can follow daily in their own lives.

## CONTACT DETAILS REQUIRED FOR ALL MASS ATTENDEES

**REGISTER ON ARRIVAL** - Upon arrival, write your details on the register sheet provided at the church entrance.

You may request to be included in the list of regular Mass attendees on Saturdays 6pm or Sundays 9.30am. Please let the COVID MARSHAL know if you want to be included on this regular list. **PLEASE REMEMBER** to use the **hand sanitiser** provided and **follow social distancing requirements**.

## PLANNED GIVING

Choose one of the following options that suits you best-

1) Contact the Parish Office to receive a Stewardship number unique to you for easy reference of your contribution.

2) Through the Adelaide archdiocese website-

Go to <https://adelaide.catholic.org.au/donation>.

Follow instructions on the site. You will need to select EDWARDSTOWN PARISH. Then in the drop down box, choose General; for Parish collection (2nd Collection) and for the Priests of the Archdiocese. (First Collection).

3) Use internet bank for direct deposit into Edwardstown Parish bank account using the following details-

**ACCOUNT NAME:** CCES Edwardstown Parish

**BSB:** 085 005 **Account:** 48973 5300

If using direct deposit, please remember to add description.

**Envelopes**—due to increasing printing costs and the decreasing number of parishioners using envelopes for their stewardship, we ask that you provide your own envelopes marked clearly with your **Name and Planned Giving Number**.

## BE A PARISH STEWARD!

**Our Parish is in need of:**

- Readers of the Word and Prayers at weekday Masses.
  - Helpers to attend to COVID-19 requirements i.e., sanitising pews, door handles, push plates, etc.
  - COVID Marshals - quick and easy training provided for free!
  - Helpers to clean the church on a rotating bi-monthly roster i.e., vacuuming, mopping, dusting etc.
- If you are able to assist please speak to Robyn, Grace or Danica. Working With Children Check is essential. To obtain WWCC, please contact the parish office.



## **catholic mission** Catholic Mission – 2020 Appeal (October is World Mission Month)

October Catholic Mission Appeal, with its theme inspired by Nehemiah 8:10, "for the joy of the Lord is your strength". This year our appeal focuses on the work of the Church in Cambodia, reaching out to those who have been affected by disability, whilst supporting work in over 1100 dioceses worldwide and 14 parishes within Australia. Please support Catholic Mission via envelopes, online [catholicmission.org.au/Cambodia](http://catholicmission.org.au/Cambodia) or Text GIVE to 0488 854 436 (include your parish name in the notes). For more information contact Tony Johnston – Diocesan Director Adelaide Archdiocese on Mobile: 0407 168 002.



Would you like to have free access to FORMED.ORG? Thanks to the generosity

of St Anthony's Parish, here's how:

1. Visit FORMED.org
2. Click Sign Up
3. Select "I Belong to a Parish/Organisation"
4. Find St Anthony's Parish by entering "Edwardstown" or Postcode "5039"
5. Enter your email, you're in!

### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

*"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind."*

– MATTHEW 22:37

Do you put other "gods" before God? Is your love of money, power, status, comfort or some personal possession greater than your love for God? Do you really recognise that everything you have and that everything you are is a gift from God? The good news – it's not too late to put God first in all things in your life.



### Pope Francis' Prayer for Protection during the Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

### BISHOPS' STATEMENT ON ABORTION BILL

Archbishop Patrick O'Regan and Bishop Greg O'Kelly SJ have issued a joint statement expressing their concern over the Termination of Pregnancy Bill, saying the removal of current safeguards would further increase the rate of abortion on demand and put vulnerable women at greater risk of economic and social coercion. The bishops said the provision for abortions to take place from 22 weeks and six days up until full term, with the approval of two medical practitioners, was deeply concerning. Parishioners are encouraged to contact their local MP to urge them to vote against the Bill.

### ABORTION UP TO BIRTH INFORMATION MEETING

Monday, 2nd November, 7 - 9pm, Temple Christian College, 2 Henley Beach Road, Mile End

The South Australian Parliament is considering legalising abortion up until birth, yet the survival rates of premature babies continue to increase. A bill has now been drafted that will allow abortion beyond 22 weeks and 6 days ie 'abortion up to birth'.

Come to the information meeting to equip you to share with those around you.

Bookings essential. Click RSVP to reserve your seat today at [www.loveadelaide.org.au/events2020](http://www.loveadelaide.org.au/events2020) or contact [loveadelaide@loveadelaide.org.au](mailto:loveadelaide@loveadelaide.org.au)



Still today, landmine accidents are prevalent in Cambodia, a cruel reminder of the country's troubled past, even for those who were not yet born during the tumultuous years of the Khmer Rouge regime and ensuing civil conflicts.



Chen was just 16 years old when he lost both his legs in a landmine accident. Knowing that his life would never be the same, he felt hopeless, until he and his family were approached by the Arrupe Centre. Led by Bishop Enrique Figaredo Alvargonzalez, the Arrupe Centre provides children like Chen with support and opportunities they may not access otherwise. The Centre provides many children and families affected by disability with the support they need to lead fulfilling lives.

Today, you have the opportunity to support the Arrupe Centre as it continues this essential work. You may choose to become a monthly partner, in which your gifts will fund community and child-focused programs run by the Church in Cambodia. Your one-off gift today is also very much appreciated and will make a great difference to those in need in Cambodia and around the world.



Freecall: 1800 257 296 [catholicmission.org.au/cambodia](http://catholicmission.org.au/cambodia)

### THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

1. I am the LORD your God: you shall not have strange gods before me.
2. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
3. Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day.
4. Honour your father and your mother.
5. You shall not kill.
6. You shall not commit adultery.
7. You shall not steal.
8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.
9. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife.
10. You shall not covet your neighbour's goods.

### SUMMARY

Jesus said there is no other commandment greater than this—"Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind, and with all your strength. And the second is this—Love your neighbour as yourself." Mark 12:29-31

[www.vatican.va/archive/ccc\\_css/archive/catechism](http://www.vatican.va/archive/ccc_css/archive/catechism)

**EVERY WEDNESDAY**  
6:00PM: ROSARY,  
6:35PM: VESPERS,  
7:00PM: BENEDICTION

**WE PRAY FOR A DIFFERENT COUNTRY EACH WEEK**

MORE INFO: GEOFF - 0419 810 590



## INTROIT

II  
L ET the hearts of those who seek the Lord  
rejoice; \* seek the Lord and be strengthened; seek his  
face for e-vermore.

1. Give thanks to the LORD; *proclaim his name*. \*  
Make known his deeds among the peoples.

Glory Be to the Father....

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I love you, Lord, my strength.

## OFFERTORY

III  
O Lord, grant me life according to your word, so  
that I may learn your commandments.

1. Blessed are those whose way *is blameless*, \*  
who walk in the law of *the LORD*!  
Blessed are those who keep his *decrees*! \*  
With all their hearts *they seek* him.
2. They never do *anything* evil, \*  
but walk in *his* ways.  
You have laid down *your* precepts \*  
to be *carefully* kept.

## NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

### Solemnity of All Saints

First Reading: Revelations 7:2-4, 9-14

Psalm: Psalm 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6

Second Reading: 1 John 3: 1-3

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12a

## COMMUNION

II  
W E shall rejoice in your salvation; and in the  
name of the Lord our God shall we place our pride.

1. May the LORD answer you in *time of trial*; \*  
may the name of Jacob's God *protect* you.  
May he send you help *from the holy place*, \*  
and give you support *from Sion*.

Glory Be to the Father....

## COMMUNION HYMN

God of mercy and compassion,  
show your tenderness anew;  
Father, let me call you Father,  
'tis your child returns to you.

### Refrain

Jesus, Lord, we ask for mercy;  
let us not implore in vain;  
all our sins we now detest them,  
may we never sin again.

By my sins I have offended  
God almighty in heav'n above,  
where the saints rejoice for ever  
in the Father's boundless love.

### Refrain

See our Saviour, bleeding, dying,  
on the cross of Calvary;  
through his wounds we can find healing,  
through his love we can be free.

### Refrain

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

Immaculate Mary, we praise God in you:  
his pow'r and his mercy, his grace giv'n to you.

**Ave, ave, ave, Maria.**

**Ave, ave, ave, Maria.**

Predestined for Christ by eternal decree,  
God willed you both virgin and mother to be.

**Ave, ave, ave, Maria.**

**Ave, ave, ave, Maria.**

To you, by an angel, the Father made known  
the grace of his Spirit, and the gift of his Son.

**Ave, ave, ave, Maria.**

**Ave, ave, ave, Maria.**