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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year B

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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

Wednesdays
10am-7.15pm Adoration
6.00pm Rosary
6.35pm Vespers
7.00pm Benediction

Contact for Adoration

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Meditation from Anawim Way

The joy of coming to know the Lord impels us to share this gift with others. This is exactly what we see Andrew doing. He goes out to find his brother Simon Peter, tells him the good news, "We have found the Messiah!" and brings Simon to Jesus. Providentially, Simon Peter is willing to go with his brother to meet Jesus, who immediately gives him a new name, indicating a new mission. Andrew's actions show us how we are to serve as evangelists: we are to go out and "find our brother," the person or the people whom we love and whom we want to meet the Lord. We share the good news, not as an abstract bit of information but as something that has become part of us, giving us joy; we share our story of our encounter with the Messiah. And we bring them to Jesus, inviting them to meet him for themselves. Whether they respond favorably like Simon Peter or refuse the invitation is out of our control. God respects the beauty of each person's free will, and so must we. We may not see any fruit. Nonetheless, God can use our story of encounter as a seed planted in the heart.



Another beautiful portrayal of an encounter with the Lord is given in the first reading. It begins with young Samuel "sleeping in the temple of the Lord where the ark of God was." What a wonderful place of rest, to be at peace in the presence of God. However, Samuel does not yet personally know the One he is serving: "At that time Samuel was not familiar with the Lord, because the Lord had not revealed anything to him as yet." It is the Lord who always moves first in our encounter with him. It is not we who choose him but he who chooses us (cf. Jn 15:16).

The Lord calls Samuel by name, gently awakening him. The youth recognizes his name, but he does not recognize the voice. He assumes that the elderly blind priest Eli needs his assistance; this part of "serving the Lord" Samuel can understand. We can learn from his prompt willingness to serve. Even if we do not recognize the Lord's voice, we can recognize his will when he prompts us to attend to the needs of others.

It is Eli who helps Samuel realize that the Lord has something more in mind for him. Eli himself does not know why the Lord is calling the youth, but he teaches him how to respond: "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." This is a precious instruction for us all. In a way which is unique for each of us, the Lord speaks to our hearts. But if we are not careful, we can miss his voice, or allow it to be drowned out by so many other voices and so much noise bombarding us in the world. We need to find a quiet place in the temple of our hearts where we can listen carefully for God's word to us. With Samuel, we too must say to the Lord, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

It is through the Lord's own power that we can remain present to his voice. St. Paul reminds us in the second reading that we are members of Christ and one spirit with him. This is why we can hear the Lord's voice not only from outside, but more importantly, echoing deep within us. Indeed, our own bodies are temples in which the Holy Spirit dwells, temples where we can be present to the Lord and worship him. But this temple is holy, so we must be dedicated to using our bodies to glorify God, avoiding the sins of the flesh which contaminate his temple. We glorify God when we are good listeners, open to his will in our lives.

**Why do I follow the Lord? Like Andrew, do I seek the evangelization of others?
How can I better listen to the call of Jesus each day?**

Excerpt from The Anawim Way, Volume 14, no. 2. More information about The Anawim Way may be found here.

PLEASE TAKE THIS PARISH NEWSLETTER HOME WITH YOU. THANK YOU.

NOTICES

Your prayers are requested for:

SICK: Frank Stephens, Steve Brennan, James Stewart, Leighton Crabb, Gerald O’Keeffe, Saphia Williams-Barrios, Mikela, Leah Alstin, April Coulson, Luke Nussio, Jesse Frick
RECENTLY DECEASED: Elizabeth McNulty, Pat Carey, Clare Dobozy, Carmel Rusack

ANNIVERSARIES: Heather Visentin, John Van der Sman, Constance Pereira, Ron McNerney, Albino Pestrin, Monica Davids, James Foley, Daphne Dedoncker, Constance Pereira, Ron McNerney, Albino Pestrin, Monica Davids, James Foley, Hugh Forde, Malcolm McGeever, Mary Adams, Makai Ninonuevo, Antonio Bogna, Stan Satanek, Stephen Mabarrack, Immesi Baggio, Joseph Daly, Con Bradley, Arthur Burns and relatives and friends of the Vinsentin, Mansell, Burns, Hill, Murphy and 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, please contact the Parish Office.*

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. 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.

Please send your expressions of interest to the Parish Sacramental Program Coordinator - Grace Juanta, email - parishteam.stanthony@gmail.com

Please note that commencement of the program will depend on sufficient number of registered participants.

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**.

NEW PARISH OFFICE TIMES

Tuesday - Friday 1.45pm - 4.30pm

BOOKINGS FOR MASS **NO LONGER REQUIRED**

You simply need to register your name, contact number and time of attendance when you arrive
OR
register using the QR Code provided at the entrance.

The QR CODE is displayed at the church and hall entrance for those with smartphones. This assists greatly with contact tracing in the event of a coronavirus outbreak.

Please regularly check our website and FaceBook page for recent news and updates.

Website: www.edwardstowncatholic.net
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WALK FOR LIFE

Extreme abortion legislation allowing abortion up to birth is before the South Australian Parliament. Walk for Life will be held on Saturday 6th February at Pennington Gardens (Opposite St Peter’s Cathedral) walking to Parliament House from 10.00am – 12.00pm.

For more information contact www.loveadelaide.org.au

PARISHIONERS BEWARE OF FAKE EMAIL

Please be aware of any unusual email purporting to be from Fr Phillip Alstin asking for you to reply to him for a favour. This is certainly NOT a message from Fr Phillip as he will never send you an email asking for a favour. If you receive this or a similar email, please DO NOT reply to it and report it as Spam and let the parish know. Thank you.

RELIGIOUS ITEMS AND STATUES

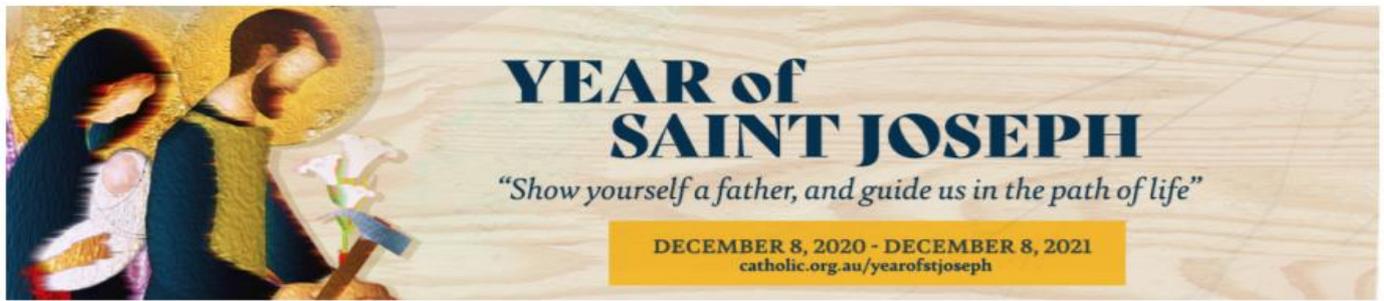
Statues located at the back of the church on the Aid to The Church in Need table are available if you wish to take one with donation to Aid to the Church in Need. Donations to Aid to the Church in Need may be paid directly to Edwardstown Parish bank account using the following details- **ACCOUNT NAME: CCES Edwardstown Parish BSB: 085 005 Account: 48973 5300**
Description: Surname ACN donation
Or give the donation to the Parish Office or to Father Phillip.



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Pope Francis on December 8, 2020 published an Apostolic Letter *Patris corde* (With a Father's Heart), commemorating the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a "Year of St Joseph", running from December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021.

Pope Francis Proclaims Year of St. Joseph

Pope Francis issued an apostolic letter dedicated to the foster father of Jesus. The pope explained in the letter, entitled *Patris corde* ("With a father's heart") and dated Dec. 8, that he wanted to share some "personal reflections" on the spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. "My desire to do so increased during these months of pandemic," he said, noting that many people had made hidden sacrifices during the crisis in order to protect others.

"Each of us can discover in Joseph -- the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence -- an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble," he wrote. "St. Joseph reminds us that those who appear hidden or in the shadows can play an incomparable role in the history of salvation."

In his apostolic letter, Pope Francis reflected on the fatherly qualities of St. Joseph, describing him as beloved, tender and loving, obedient, accepting, and "creatively courageous." He also underlined that he was a working father.

The pope referred to the saint as "a father in the shadows," citing the novel "The Shadow of the Father," published by the Polish author Jan Dobraczyński in 1977. He said that Dobraczyński, who was declared Righteous Among the Nations by Yad Vashem in 1993 for protecting Jewish children in Warsaw in World War II, "uses the evocative image of a shadow to define Joseph."

"In his relationship to Jesus, Joseph was the earthly shadow of the heavenly Father: he watched over him and protected him, never leaving him to go his own way," the pope wrote.

Pope Francis said that the contemporary world required examples of true fatherhood. "Our world today needs fathers. It has no use for tyrants who would domineer others as a means of compensating for their own needs," he wrote. "It rejects those who confuse authority with authoritarianism, service with servility, discussion with oppression, charity with a welfare mentality, power with destruction."

"Every true vocation is born of the gift of oneself, which is the fruit of mature sacrifice. The priesthood and consecrated life likewise require this kind of maturity. Whatever our vocation, whether to marriage, celibacy or virginity, our gift of self will not come to fulfillment if it stops at sacrifice; were that the case, instead of becoming a sign of the beauty and joy of love, the gift of self would risk being an expression of unhappiness, sadness and frustration."

He continued: "When fathers refuse to live the lives of their children for them, new and unexpected vistas open up. Every child is the bearer of a unique mystery that can only be brought to light with the help of a father who respects that child's freedom. A father who realizes that he is most a father and educator at the point when he becomes 'useless,' when he sees that his child has become independent and can walk the paths of life unaccompanied. When he becomes like Joseph, who always knew that his child was not his own but had merely been entrusted to his care."

The pope added: "In every exercise of our fatherhood, we should always keep in mind that it has nothing to do with possession, but is rather a 'sign' pointing to a greater fatherhood. In a way, we are all like Joseph: a shadow of the heavenly Father, who 'makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust' (Matthew 5:45). And a shadow that follows his Son."

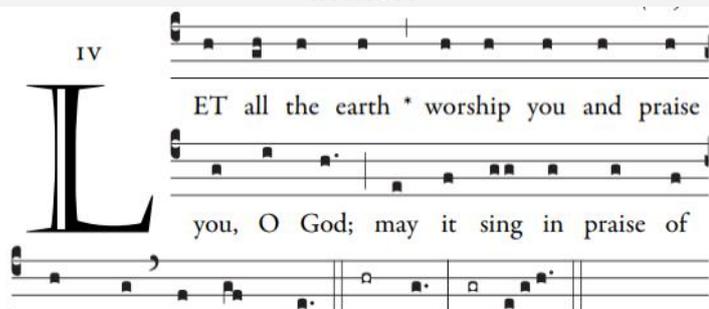
At his general audience on March 18 this year, he urged Catholics to turn to St. Joseph in times of adversity.

"In life, at work and within the family, through joys and sorrows, he always sought and loved the Lord, deserving the Scriptures' eulogy that described him as a just and wise man," he said. "Always invoke him, especially in difficult times and entrust your life to this great saint."

The pope concluded his new apostolic letter by urging Catholics to pray to St. Joseph for "the grace of graces: our conversion." He ended the text with a prayer: "Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen."

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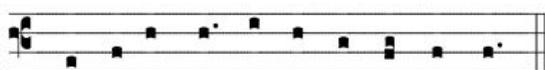
ET all the earth * worship you and praise
you, O God; may it sing in praise of

your name, O Most High.

1. Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; *
O sing to the glory *of his name*.
O render him glorious praise. *
Say to God, "How awesome *your deeds!*"

Glory Be to the Father...

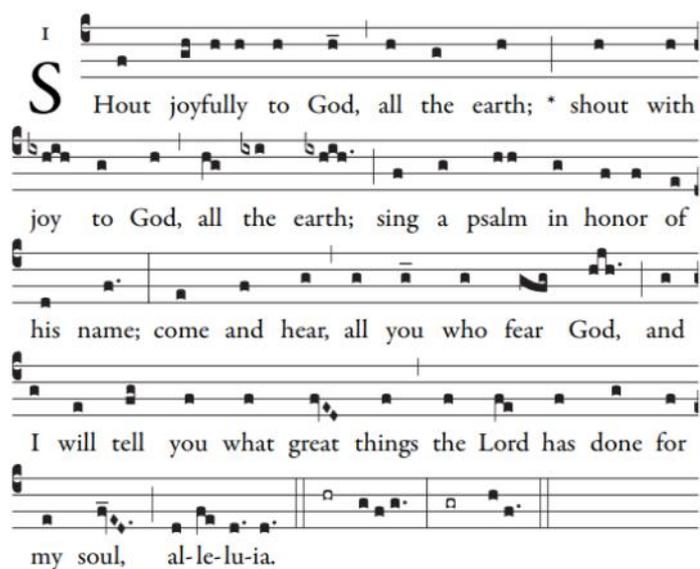
RESPONSORIAL PSALM



Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

OFFERTORY

I



Shout joyfully to God, all the earth; * shout with
joy to God, all the earth; sing a psalm in honor of
his name; come and hear, all you who fear God, and
I will tell you what great things the Lord has done for
my soul, al-le-lu-ia.

1. Burnt offering I bring *to your house*; *
to you I will pay *my vows*,
the vows which my *lips have uttered*, *
which my mouth declared in my *distress*.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - 17 January 2021

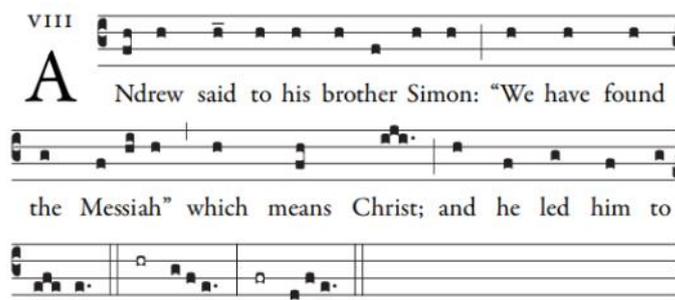
1 Samuel 3:3-10, 19; 1 Cor 6: 13-15, 17-20; John 1:35-42

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - 24 January 2021

Jonah 3:1-5, 10; 1; Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20

COMMUNION

VIII



Andrew said to his brother Simon: "We have found
the Messiah" which means Christ; and he led him to

1. I will bless the LORD *at all times*; *
praise of him is always *in my mouth*.

In the LORD my soul shall *make its boast*; *
the humble shall hear *and be glad*.

Glory Be to the Father....

COMMUNION HYMN

Hark! a herald voice is calling:
"Christ is near," it seems to say;
"cast away the dreams of darkness,
waken, children of the day!"

Wakened by the solemn warning,
let the earthbound soul arise;
Christ, her sun, all sloth dispelling,
shines upon the morning skies.

See, the Lamb so long expected
comes with pardon now from heav'n;
let us meet him with repentance,
pray that we may be forgiv'n.

So, when next he comes in glory,
and earth's final hour draws near,
may he then as our defender
on the clouds of heav'n appear.

Honour, glory, virtue, merit,
to the Father and the Son,
with the co-eternal Spirit,
while unending ages run.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

**By your priestly power, O risen Lord,
all we lost and needed is restored.
God in our communion be adored.**

At your hands, Lord, we are fed,
hands that guide and do not falter,
wounded hands that broke
the bread on this altar. **Refrain**

At your hands we seek release
from the evils that assail us
for we know the Bread of Peace
will not fail us. **Refrain**