

1 Avoca Street, Dernancourt, S.A.

St. Pius X Catholic Church

In the Pastoral Care of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate (OMI)

Fifth Sunday of Easter - Year B

Sunday 28th April 2024

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Parish Secretary

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Parish office Hours

Thursday-Friday (9am-2pm)
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Daily Mass & Weekend Masses

Weekday Mass:

Tuesday to Friday: 9.15am
Rosary 8.55am

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 6.30pm
Sunday: 9.30am & 5.30pm

Reconciliation

Saturday: 11.30am-12noon

Adoration

Friday 9.45am-11am (During school terms)

Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals

Please call the Parish office to arrange

Parish Sunday School

Every Sunday 4.30pm -5.15pm
(During School Terms)

Parish Finance Committee

Jean Canil (Chair), Peter Roberts, Joe Colangelo,
Charlie Baldacchino, Nicholas Perera.

Catholic School & Colleges in our Parish

St. Pius X Primary School

8 Windsor Grove, Windsor Gardens
Phone: 8266 9400

St. Paul's College

792 Grand Junction Road, Gilles Plains
Phone: 8266 0622

Kildare College

96 Valiant Road, Holden Hill Phone: 8369 9999

Parish Memorial Book

The memorial book on the stand next to the votive candles is available for all parishioners to record the anniversaries of loved one's deaths so that we can all pray for their souls. Please email Tanya (officedernancourt@gmail.com) if you would like your loved ones' names added to the book.

**We are a 'Child Safe'
Organisation**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Dear friends in the gospel reading today, Jesus spells out the union that should exist between him and his disciples, under the image of a vine and its branches.

The image of a vine and its branches are powerful images to show us how the branches of a tree cannot have its life unless it is connected to the vine. The image of a vine or vineyard was often used in the Old Testament to represent the chosen people of God.

In the gospel Jesus says that my Father is the vine dresser, who will prune the life bearing ones constantly to bear even more fruit and will cut off the withered branches: through this Jesus stresses the fact that he is only an instrument used by his Father. So we are all invited to remain with him at every moment of lives, so that we will continue to receive the saps (which are his graces and blessings) in order that we will continue to grow and be united with him.

As members of the mystical body of Christ, everyone should make a constant effort to be united with him. We all know the fact that living a faith filled Christian life is not that easy because we can be drawn towards various temptations if we are not connected with God. So let us pray earnestly that we are united with Jesus at all times of our lives, so that we are safe from all temptations in life and enjoy the grace and every blessing we will receive as a result of our union with Christ.

Yours in Christ and Mary Immaculate

Fr. John Sebastian OMI

Parish Priest

St. Vinnies, Dernancourt Conference

Reminder to members there is a gathering at the Otherway Centre, 80 Payneham Road, Stepney (1.45pm-4.00pm) this Sunday to give us the opportunity to explore ways of working together and to discover how we may better enable people we assist to flourish. Refreshments provided. Thinking of joining? Ask one of our members to see if Des can fit you in at the Otherway Centre.

Vinnies Foodbank

We are in great need of Long Life milk (full cream), breakfast cereal, tinned tomatoes, soup, baked beans, tinned spaghetti, fish, pasta sauce and rice.

Bread

Next collection: 29 April. Dot, Louis & Joe Caruana

Wool

Donations of wool, any colour or quantity can be left in the Church foyer.

Blankets

The Vinnies Shop, Valley View, is in need of blankets, quilts and pillows.

For Vinnies assistance, please ring 1300 729 202

We Pray ...that the sick will be healed by Christ

Virginia Lampe, Garnet Gamet, Ken Porter, May Green, Louise Rhodes, Viv & John, Anna Cicharello, Barbara Stirling, Kay Morrison, Alison Hellams, Tom Trainor, John, Wendy Lloyd, Barry Whitford, Brenton Powell, Jill O'Reilley, Tracy Mifsud, Michael, Catherine Walsh, Cynthia Edwards, Peter Comas, Helen, George Marshall, Jim Corkill, Claire Hokin, Lisa Johnstone, Margaret Musolino, John Jordan, Colleen Wallace, Matt Basedow, Helen Starr, Darryl Ferguson, Scott, Anne & Don Brown.

RIP:

Please ring the parish office and let us know, whose names you would like listed for prayer.

Parish Prayer Network

All you need to do is call one of the following:

Marie S 0427 601 068 or Marie T 8266 2223

Next Week's Readings:

6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48

1 John 4:7-10;

John 15:9-17

Saint for the Week: St Catherine of Siena, April 29.

One of the Church's great mystics, Catherine Benincasa had her first visions of Jesus when she was 6 years old. At 7, she vowed to give her whole life to God and at 16 she joined the "Mantellate", a local group of Dominican tertiaries. A remarkable ascetic, St Catherine was sustained almost exclusively by the Eucharist, and both interceded for and admonished many hardened sinners who subsequently converted. She later received what she would call a "mystical marriage" with Jesus, which further fed her zeal, culminating in a successful exhortation of Pope Gregory XI to return to Rome from Avignon. A constant advocate of the mercy of Jesus, she died in 1380 at the age of 33. She is a Doctor of the Church and a co-patroness of Europe.

Roof Work Commences Soon

Dear Parishioners, the Church Roof work will commence from the week of **7th May 2024**. The roof work will not affect any of our weekdays or weekend Masses. Please pray for the successful completion of the work. If you wish to donate, please find the bank details below:

BANK: NAB

NAME: DERNANCOURT PARISH

BSB: 085 005

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 4789 090 10

Feast of St Eugene De Mazenod - 21st May- Oblate Feast Day

Dear Parishioners, the Oblates invite you to join with them on Tuesday 21 May at 10am at St David's Church, for Mass to Celebrate their feast day. Please stay for a shared brunch after Mass. The Feast Day will be hosted by the De Mazenod Family who meet on the first Monday of each month at 6pm. Please place this date into your diaries. **Please note on this day there will be no Morning Mass at Dernancourt at 9.15am.**

Oblate Youth SA

May Events:

Youth Mass - Sunday 12th May

St Pius X, Dernancourt 5:30pm Mass

Gospel Session - Tuesday 21st May

St David's, Tea Tree Gully 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Further information regarding upcoming events can be found on the poster in the foyer.

Planned Giving

Please collect your Planned Giving Envelopes for 2024-25 from the foyer of the Church. Please contact Parish Finance Officer (e) financepiusx@gmail.com if you would like to alter your donation method.

Sunday School

Sunday School starts on 5th May. Sunday School will run during school terms. The Classes will be held from 4.30pm-5.15pm leading into evening Mass at 5.30pm. Kindly fill in the online registration form. Thank you for your cooperation.

Confirmation & 1st Holy Communion for 2024

On 2nd June our Archbishop Patrick O'Regan will confer the above-mentioned sacraments on all the candidates from our Parish, St. Pius X School, St. Paul's College and Kildare College. So kindly keep them all in your prayers and welcome our Archbishop to our Parish Community.

Mass Count in May

The Archdiocese of Adelaide conducts a Mass Count of Attendance for All Masses held on weekends during the month of May each year. This is used in their pastoral planning and financial reporting. This year the counts will be held from the 4th May through to 26th May. Please make sure when you come to the church during May that you fill out a slip, one per person at each Mass attended each weekend.

Marian Procession

The 75th Marian Procession will be held Sunday 19 May beginning at Victoria Park, processing up Wakefield Street into Victoria Square. Commencing 2pm with Group assembly 1:30pm. Contact Archdiocesan Events (e) events@adelaide.catholic.org.au or (p) 8210 8220 for more information.

Adult Confirmation

There will be an opportunity to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation for adults who have been baptised, but not yet confirmed, with Father Dean Marin VG. This celebration will be held at the 6pm Mass in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral on Saturday July 20. For more information and to register for Adult Confirmation, contact the Office for Worship on 8210 8130.

Ignatian Reflection Day on Towards Wholeness: from Fear to Love

Tuesday May 7, 10am – 2.30pm at Bethany Centre, Mary MacKillop Precinct, 4 High St, Kensington, SA
Surrounded in peaceful surroundings, there will be time for personal reflection, sharing, morning tea and lunch breaks. Facilitated by Dr Susie Hii, a medical practitioner (gerontologist) and an Ignatian spiritual director with a Master of Spirituality. Cost: donation. Please bring your lunch (or order from High St Café in the Mary MacKillop Precinct). Tea and coffee provided. Book by 2nd May to Petranel (e) clcsa.exco@gmail.com Please contact Susie (e) susiehii@gmail.com for further program information.

Ministry Roster Weekend 4/5 May

Saturday 6.30 Mass

Commentator: Hughette Riganese
Readers: Rod Hern & Audrine Vaz
Extraordinary Minister: Marie Smith & Elizabeth Paje
Music: James Lloyd

Sunday 9:30am Mass

Commentator: Dorothy Nappa
Readers: Rebecca Wood & Grace Ryappu
Extraordinary Minister: Malcolm Davies & Charlie Baldacchino
Music: Peter Roberts

Sunday 5:30pm Mass

Commentator: Shaun Thomas
Readers: Nikita Jose & Mariya Lawrence
Extraordinary Minister: Maria Cid & Judith Mohan
Music: Michael & Tim Carter

Altar Linen

Lucy

Counters

Hans and Dianne

Church Cleaners

Team H: Joe, Van Vu, Mauro, Tehani, Chanaka
Parish Morning Tea for May: Kevin and Esther

Upcoming Events

Wednesday 1st May

Anointing of the Sick

Sunday 5 May

Parish Morning Tea

Sunday 12 May

Youth Mass

Tuesday 21 May

Feast of St. Eugene de Mazenod

Sunday 2nd June

Parish First Holy Communion and Confirmation
Archbishop Patrick O'Regan

Sunday 9 June

Youth Mass

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Acts: 9:26-31

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus.

The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 21:26-28. 30-32. R. v.26

Response: I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

1. My vows I will pay before those who fear him.
The poor shall eat and shall have their fill.
They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him.
May their hearts live for ever and ever! (R.)
2. All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord,
all families of the nations worship before him.
They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth;
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. (R.)
3. And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him.
They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come,
declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn:
'These things the Lord has done.' (R.)

Second Reading: 1 John 3:18-24

A reading from the First Letter of John

My children,
our love is not to be just words or mere talk,
but something real and active;
only by this can we be certain
that we are the children of the truth

and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence, whatever accusations it may raise against us, because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything.

My dear people, if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants.

His commandments are these: that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and that we love one another as he told us to. Whoever keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him. We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: John 15:4-5

Alleluia, alleluia! Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: John 15:1-8

A reading from the Holy Gospel according John

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I am the true vine,
and my Father is the vinedresser.
Every branch in me that bears no fruit
he cuts away,
and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes
to make it bear even more.
You are pruned already,
by means of the word that I have spoken to you.
Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.
As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself,
but must remain part of the vine,
neither can you unless you remain in me.
I am the vine,
you are the branches.
Whoever remains in me, with me in him,
bears fruit in plenty;
for cut off from me you can do nothing.
Anyone who does not remain in me
is like a branch that has been thrown away – he
withers; these branches are collected and thrown on
the fire, and they are burnt.
If you remain in me
and my words remain in you,
you may ask what you will
and you shall get it.
It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear
much fruit, and then you will be my disciples.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.