

First Reading

Acts 5:12-16

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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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.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.**Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 117:2-4, 22-27

R. 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

Revelation 1:9-13, 17-19

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

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.' The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.**Gospel Acclamation**

John 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia!

Gospel

John 20:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

After eight days Jesus came in 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. The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Blackwood Catholic Community

Parish Newsletter

**St Paul of the Cross**

cnr of Simla & Coromandel Pde
Blackwood

Our Lady of the Way

4-6 Laffers Rd
Glenalta



Sunday of Divine Mercy

Second Sunday of Easter

24th April 2022**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

Jesus you are the Good Shepherd who is always mindful of your Church. Watch over those who are baptised in your name and grant peace and harmony to all families. We ask you to choose from the families of our parishes many priests, deacons, sisters and brothers who will gladly spend their lives making you known and loved.

INTRODUCTION**'MY LORD AND MY GOD'**

St Thomas was a great apostle who is believed to have preached the Good News as far afield as India. Later, he was martyred for his faith. May the risen Christ come to us, as he came to Thomas, and strengthen our faith. May we in turn express our faith by being ambassadors of mercy and reconciliation.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PRAYER

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. **Amen**

St Joseph pray for us.

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BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

By appointment
Please contact the Office

MASS TIMES**St. Paul of the Cross (SPC)**

Tuesday 9:30am
Wednesday 9:30am
Friday 11:00am
Sunday 8:00am

Our Lady of the Way (OLW)

Wednesday 7:00pm
Thursday 9:30am
Saturday 6:00pm
Sunday 10:00am

CONFESSIONS

SPC - Friday 10:30 to 10:55am
OLW - Saturday 5:30 to 5:50pm

HOLY HOUR

OLW - Wednesday 7:30 to 8:30pm

BENEDICTION

SPC - 3rd Sunday of the Month
Following 8am Mass

ROSARY FOR PEACE

OLW - Monday 10:30am

April 2022

Due Now

Project Compassion Boxes/Envelopes

Please return your boxes and envelopes as soon as possible. They may be placed in the baskets in the foyer of either church.

Wednesday 27th

Rosary and Vigil Mass for Patricia Wright

6:30pm Our Lady of the way to be followed by a Vigil Mass at 7:00pm. Parishioners are invited to attend. Please note this will replace Holy Hour.

Thursday 28th

Funeral Mass for Patricia Wright

OLW at 10:30am
Parishioners are invited to attend.
Please note there will be no 9:30am Mass.

Saturday 30th

World Development Committee Trading Table

9:00am - 1:30pm Main Rd, Blackwood (Outside Chemplus Chemist) Donations of cakes, biscuits, jams, relishes, produce, plants, etc gratefully accepted. Funds raised will be used to support the ongoing work and cost associated with the Lolotoe Convent and School.

This is the week before Mothers' Day so it's a chance to buy your mum some goodies. Contact Krys Sawon on 8339 5408 or Robert Cunningham on 8278 6371 for more information

Diocesan Pre-Synod Gathering

1:45pm at the Monastery, 15 Cross Road, Urrbrae. All are invited to the Diocesan Pre-Synod Gathering for the presentation of the Diocesan Report to the 2023 Synod on Synodality. The gathering will be an opportunity to reflect on the report and provide feedback. Space is limited so booking is essential. The event will also be livestreamed on YouTube. RSVP at www.trybooking.com/BYLP

WHY?

St Michael the Archangel Prayer

Pope Francis, in 2018 following increasing crises throughout the world, recommended to all Catholics to recite this prayer after each Mass .

He asked them:

"to pray that the Holy Mother of God place the Church beneath her protective mantle: to preserve her from the attacks by the devil, the great accuser, and at the same time to make her more aware of the faults, the errors and the abuses committed in the present and in the past, and committed to combating without any hesitation, so that evil may not prevail"



This prayer is one of the Leonie prayers, promulgated in 1884, and is offered for different intentions but always interceding for the protection and progress of the Church.

May 2022

Sunday 1st

Morning Tea - SPC

Under the carport following 8:00am Mass

Morning Tea - OLW

Cottage following 10:00am Mass

Sunday 8th

SPECIAL MOTHERS' DAY MORING TEA after 10 am Mass in the Cottage. Mothers and women of the Parish, come and be waited on by our wonderful men parishioners. Parishioners attending both Mass centres are most welcome to come and enjoy this event.

Tuesday 10th

Cards and Boardgames

10am - Midday in The Cottage. Novices and experienced players welcome.

Sunday 15th

Salisbury Run—Half Marathon

Fr Charles is running for "All Future Generations" in support of Project Compassion. See notice Boards for more information or simply scan the QR Code to donate.



Sunday 22nd

Marian Procession

2:00pm at the Adelaide Showgrounds

WANTED Volunteers

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 email events@adelaide.catholic.org.au or phone: 8210 8220.



The event is being held at 2pm on Sunday May 22 at the Adelaide Showgrounds

Janette Gray Memorial Lecture

Presenter: Joan Chittister
"Beware when the Great God Lets Loose a Thinker on the Planet"

19th May 2022
Adelaide Town Hall at 7:00pm.

Tickets available from **Ticketek** are \$25.

Joan, a Benedictine Sister from Erie, Pennsylvania, USA, is well known through her books and lectures, advocating for justice and equality, especially for women and people on the margins. She is a very engaging and energetic speaker who can inspire and challenge.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Sunday of Divine Mercy

"Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'" (JOHN 20:21)

Peace – the first gift of the risen Lord. Just as Jesus sent the apostles out into the world, so too, He sends us. As disciples of Jesus, we are called to be compassionate and merciful; and not with just those who are our friends, but also with our "enemies." Think of someone in your life who you need to reconcile with. Call them right now or better yet, go visit them.

Next week's readings - 1st May 2022
Third Sunday of Easter

First Reading Acts 5:27-32, 40-41
Psalms Ps 29:, 4-6, 11-13
Second Reading Apocalypse 5:11-14
Acclamation Jn
Gospel John 21:1-19



Thank you to everyone who helped with readings, music, serving and flowers during Holy Week. Easter is the most important season of the liturgical calendar and it would not have gone so smoothly without your help.

Special thanks must also be extended to Fr Tony.

Please pray for members of our parish community listed below and those named previously.

Sick: Frank Tomas, Chris Jolle, Jeff Feehan, Gail Dante, Tee Ping Koh, Mary Ann Koh

Recently deceased: Patricia (Margaret) Wright
Tony Meehan,
Margaret Becker,
Gillian Koschade



Please contact the office to have names added to or removed from the prayer list

WORLD DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE TRADING TABLE 30th April

WANTED

Donations of cakes, biscuits, jams, relishes, produce, plants

If you are able to help please contact Krys on 8339 5408 or Robert on 8278 6371

Blackwood Catholic Parish Weekend Roster

	Sat 23 rd Apr	Sun 24 th Apr		Sat 30 th Apr	Sun 1 st May	
	OLW 6pm	SPC 8am	OLW 10am	OLW 6pm	SPC 8am	OLW 10am
READER	Ellie Rowe	Tony Conlon	Barb Ward	Leo Fogarty	Kay Conlon	Monica F-R
ALTAR SERVER	-	Michael Anderson	Rebekah	-	Michael Anderson	Rebekah
			Michael		Stephen Gensemer	Michael
ALTAR PREP	Barbara Baggoley	Trish Fuller	Mary Ann Koh	Barbara Baggoley	Vicki Davey	Annette Harrison
MUSIC	Loreen Tomas	Trevor Fuller	Recorded Music	Loreen Tomas	Trevor Fuller	-
CANTOR	-	Stephen Gensemer	-		Trish Roosa	-
FLOWERS		Barbara Baggoley	Jill Tierney	FLOWERS	Clare Jennings	Jen Dunstan