

Parish Bulletin

Churches of Annunciation & St Mark's 20 Montacute Road, Hectorville SA 5073

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Annunciation Church

Love in all things

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Mass & Confession Times Annunciation Church

Sunday 8.00 am

9.30 am (Italian)

11.00 (Family Mass)

5.30 pm

Monday to Friday 7.00 am

Friday 9.15 am

Saturday – Novena 8.30 am

Mass 9.00 am

Public Holidays 7.00 am

Confessions

Saturday 9.30 - 10.30 am

St Mark's Church

Saturday (Vigil) 6.00 pm Sunday 9.30 am

Confessions Saturday

evening: Immediately

following Mass.

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Love in all things

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year B

26 September 2021

"Moved by God's love, we the people of Hectorville Catholic Community work for fullness of life and joy for all by living out together our love for God, each other and all God's creation."

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

FIRST READING: Numbers 11: 25 – 29

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

SECOND READING: James 5: 1 – 6

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mark 9: 38 – 43, 45, 47 – 48

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

REFLECTIONS- The second part of today's Gospel contains a strong message for those who share the responsibility of fostering faith. It is indeed an awesome responsibility. Today's Gospel reminds us that faith is a lifelong journey toward God. We don't always get it all or even get it right. But we pray for the grace to acknowledge and build upon even the smallest signs of faith, in ourselves and in others. There are plenty of obstacles that might prevent the growth of faith. Let us pray that we are not contributing to the obstacles that might hinder another person's faith in Jesus. Observe that Jesus teaches us in today's Gospel that we are to do everything we can to help one another have faith in Jesus and do all that we can to avoid creating obstacles that might hinder another person's faith.

Hectorville Parish is a Child Safe and Family Friendly Environment. Our Child Protection Officer's are: Franco Canil (0419 183 936) and Danika Tremonte (0439635454).



FIRST AID KIT is located in Sacristy (where Priest's vest) on right hand side.

WEBSITE FOR THE PARISH

Please log on to www.hectorvilleparish.com.au
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https://www.facebook.com/HectorvilleParishSA/



<u>Hectorville Catholic Community</u> Welcomes

Dante Berecry who will receive the Sacrament of Baptism today.



Prayers Are Asked For:

Recently Deceased: -

Those who have Died: Justin Chang, Luizi, & Carolina Falzarano, Calimero, Florinda, Emilio & Angela Perilli, Grazia Belperio(2 yrs Ann), Amadeo Gauro, Assuntina Petroccia and all deceased family members, Lily Alcala Mesias, Giovanni, Giuseppina & Marino Marozzi & Claudio D'Alocco(1 mth Ann).

Please call the Parish Office at 83369988 or via email: admin@hectorpar.com.au for booking of Mass intentions.

Angela Perilli (Parish Office) and those who are Sick in Nursing Homes, Hospitals and the housebound. May the Good Lord give them comfort and peace in their suffering.

CORONA VIRUS PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, you travelled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness." At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the Corona virus, that we may experience your healing love. Lord, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and give us peace. **AMEN**

A special THANK YOU

I would like to thank all the Parishioners for your ongoing support for the Priests and the Parish. Your contribution and generosity are greatly appreciated. Fr Jeevan Gabriel SMM -Parish Priest

NO 9.15am FRIDAY SCHOOL MASS from next Friday 1st of October and this Mass will resume after the school holidays.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:- Please take note that effective from Thursday, 9th September 2021:-the following changes have been made:-

No of people for weddings and funerals have increased from 50 to 150 people.

However, the Mass restrictions of 1 person per 1.5 sqm still remains unchanged:— Annunciation Church can accommodate 226 people per mass and St Marks Church can accommodate 202 people per mass. No bookings are required but the wearing of masks is MANDATORY.

QR Code Check In/ Sign In sheet - is still **COMPULSORY**. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES CHILDREN'S LITURGY - 11.00AM MASS EVERY SUNDAY -ANNUNCIATION CHURCH

VOLUNTEERS FOR CHILDREN'S

LITURGY -We are really in need of volunteers to help with the Children's Liturgy. For more details and if you are interested, please call the Parish Office or Eva on 0417735477.



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS FOR

2021 -We are now taking enrolments for all our programs. If you are interested in knowing more, please phone the parish

office at 83369988 or email admin@hectorpar.com.au. Further information is also available on our Parish website.

Feast of St Daniel Comboni of Sudan

Sunday October 10, 2021 is the Feast of St Daniel Comboni of Sudan and the African Catholic Community will celebrate Mass in St Francis Xavier, Cathedral at 2.30pm. All are welcome.

PRAYER GROUPS & MEETINGS THIS WEEK

• **Baptism Formation**: Tuesday, 28th September, 7.00pm at the Annunciation Church.

Catholic Charities – 2021 Appeal (September is Catholic Charities month) -Charity is at the heart of Living Catholic. Catholic Charities is your umbrella organisation that supports the following agencies working with the most vulnerable in South Australia. The agencies supported by Catholic Charities are: • Hutt St Centre• SA Catholic Deaf Association• Aboriginal Catholic Ministry

•Our Lady of La Vang & St Patrick's Special Schools

Centacare Catholic Family Services brochures with reply paid envelopes are available in Annunciation and St Mark's Churches outlining the organizations that benefit from the Charities appeal. The brochures also provide facilities for donations by Direct Debit or Credit Cards. All donations of more than \$2 are tax deductible. The Catholic Charities appeal will take place throughout the month of September 2021. A special collection will taken after Holv Communion WEEKEND, 25th & 26th of September. Please give generously to help support our Catholic Charities.

God the Father gathered all the waters together and called them the seas. He gathered all his graces together and called them Mary. The great God has a treasury or storehouse full of riches in which he has enclosed all that is beautiful, resplendent, rare and precious, even his own Son. This immense treasury is none other than Mary

whom the saints call the "Treasury of the Lord". From her fullness we all are made rich.

True Devotion to Mary: 23

The month of October is the month of ROSARY and as people of God and devotees of Mary; all of us are invited to pray Rosary either personally or as a family in order to strengthen our relationship with God.

I invite you all during the month of October to pray the Rosary after the 7am mass in Annunciation Church during weekdays from 7.30am to 8.00am.

Fr.Jeevan Gabriel SMM Parish Priest

Saints of the Week

Saint Vincent De Paul: 27th September 2021

Saint Michael, Gabriel and Raphael:

September 2021

Saint Jerome: 30th September 2021

Saint Therese of the Child Jesus: 1st October 2021

A True Friend

"Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were put around his neck and he were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed than with two hands to go into Gehenna, into the unquenchable fire." Mark 9:42–43

Seriously? Does Jesus really mean this literally? Should we really cut off our hand if it causes us to sin? He goes on to say that we should also cut off our foot and pluck out our eye if it causes us to sin.

Some of the early Church Fathers see this Scripture as a reference to our intimate friends. The context of this passage is that we ought not lead others into scandal and sin. In fact, it would be better if we had "a great millstone" put around our neck and were thrown into the sea than to cause another to sin.

Friends, especially close friends, are a blessing most of the time. But they can also be a cause for sin. If a good friend were to intentionally try to convince another friend to sin, this is a grave issue and is the heart of what Jesus is addressing. What He's saying is that if we have close friends who are intentionally and maliciously tempting us to turn from God, it's better that we let go of that "friend" and cut him/her off. The hand, foot or eye is a symbol of those friends who work hard to draw us to sin. It's better that these friendships end than to be drawn into Hell with them. And if we are the "friend" drawing others to sin, it's better for us to cut our friendship off with those we are tempting.

One thing this passage reveals is the powerful natural bond of friendship. Friendship is a good thing. And when we have a close friend, we find great consolation in knowing our friend is deeply committed to us and will always be there for us. But every friendship must be continually evaluated in the light of faith and truth. Sometimes friendships can get in the way of our faith in God and can be a powerful influence upon us in a negative way. Of course, the opposite is also true.

Reflect, today, upon our friendships. If we have a close and intimate friend in our life, reflect upon how we influence that person or how he/she influences us. Make sure that Christ is the center and that faith always prevails in this natural bond.

Lord, I thank You for all friendships in my life. I thank You for giving me people who care. Help me to always be a good friend and to always examine my friendships in the light of faith. Jesus, I trust in You.

CHECKING IN

A minister passing through his church in the middle of the day. Decided to pause by the altar and see who had come to pray. Just then the back door opened, a man came down the aisle, the minister frowned as he saw the man hadn't shaved in a while. His shirt was shabby, old, and his coat was worn and frayed. The man knelt, he bowed his head, then rose and walked away. In the days that followed, each noon time came this chap. Each time he knelt just for a moment, a lunch pail in his lap. Well, the minister's suspicions grew, with robbery a main fear. He decided to stop the man and ask him, "What are you doing here?"

The old man said he worked down the road. Lunch was half an hour. Lunchtime was his prayer time for finding strength and power. "I stay only moments, see, because the factory is so far away. As I kneel here talking to the Lord, this is what I say:

I JUST CAME AGAIN TO TELL YOU, LORD, HOW HAPPY I'VE BEEN SINCE WE FOUND EACH OTHER'S FRIENDSHIP, AND YOU TOOK AWAY MY SIN. I DON'T KNOW MUCH OF HOW TO PRAY, BUT I THINK ABOUT YOU EVERYDAY. SO, JESUS, THIS IS JIM, CHECKING IN TODAY."

The minister, feeling foolish, told Jim, that was fine. He told the man he was welcome to come and pray just anytime. Time to go, Jim smiled, and said "Thanks." He sped to the door. The minister knelt at the altar, he'd never done it before. His cold heart melted, warmed with love, and met with

Sacramental Coordinator/Office Assistant (Part Time) – Croydon Park Catholic Parish

Part-time position available for the Croydon Park Catholic Parish. Applications close at close of business (5pm) on Tuesday October 5,2021.

Parish Secretary - Glenelg Catholic Parish

Part-time position available for the Glenelg Parish. Applications close at close of business (5pm) on Monday, September 27 2021.

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College is celebrating 70 Years at the Heart of Girls' Education (1951 - 2021). You are invited to our **"70 Years Celebration" on Sunday, 24 October 2021.** Scan the QR Code or type the link to book your tickets! www.trybooking.com/BUHGO

SOUTHERN CROSS NEWSPAPER

September 2021 issue is still available at church doors this weekend. Cost is \$2.00.

Jesus there. As the tears flowed, in his heart, he repeated old Jim's prayer:

HOW HAPPY I'VE BEEN, SINCE WE FOUND EACH OTHER'S FRIENDSHIP, AND YOU TOOK AWAY MY SIN. I DON'T KNOW MUCH OF HOW TO PRAY, BUT I THINK ABOUT YOU EVERY DAY. SO, JESUS, THIS IS ME, CHECKING IN TODAY."

Past noon one day, the minister noticed that old Jim hadn't come. As more days passed without Jim, he began to worry some. At the factory, he asked about him, learning he was ill. The hospital staff was worried, but he'd given them a thrill. The week that Jim was with them, brought changes in the ward. His smiles, a joy contagious. Changed people, were his reward. The head nurse couldn't understand why Jim was so glad when no flowers, calls or cards came, not a visitor he had. The minister stayed by his bed, he voiced the nurse's concern: No friends came to show they cared. He had nowhere to turn.

Looking surprised, old Jim spoke up and with a winsome smile; "The nurse is wrong, she couldn't know, That in here all the while. Everyday at noon, He's here, A dear friend of mine, you see, He sits right down, takes my hand, leans over and says to me:

'I JUST CAME AGAIN TO TELL YOU, JIM, HOW HAPPY I HAVE BEEN, SINCE WE FOUND THIS FRIENDSHIP, AND I TOOK AWAY YOUR SIN. I ALWAYS LOVE TO HEAR YOU PRAY, AND I THINK ABOUT YOU EVERY DAY, SO JIM, THIS IS JESUS, CHECKING IN TODAY."

ROSTER

Sunday 3 October – 27th Week in Ordinary Time

Annunciation Church

8.00am R SantoPietro, B De Conti, B Barrett, P Burger & M Quadros.

9.30am A Di Troia, M Abbennante, J Kolaj, R Fabris, D Di Troia & G Allevi.

11.00am G Costa/N Milte, D Tremonte, I Icolaro, P Maio, L Fernando & M Phuah.

5.30pm L Patino, T Romeo & M Phuah.

St Mark's Church

6.00pm(Vigil)N Porcaro, A Van de Weyer, F Colagrossi, M Van de Weyer & A Colagrossi.

9.30am B Rabbitt, N Martini, M V Host, P Barratt & S Carson.

ALTAR SOCIETY

Annunciation Church: C Papalia & B Ferraro. St Mark's Church: O Apolloni & J Pilkington.