## The Baptism of the Lord—Year C

12th January 2025

# **Sunday reflection**

Pope Francis draws our attention to a couple of interesting aspects of Jesus' baptism, which offer useful lessons for Christians today.

One of these is his humility. The Pope wants us to reflect on how remarkable it was that sinless Jesus was there among the crowds, 'joining the queue of the penitents, mingling among them.' The Son of God did not separate himself or seek special treatment!

The crowd which Jesus joined therefore shows us something profound about the Incarnation. Being baptised among the common people, Jesus shows us what the Pope termed his 'willingness to immerse himself in the river of humanity.' Even the Lord of All does not lord it over ordinary folk! Nor then should we.

On another occasion, the Pope focuses our attention on Jesus' prayer life. In telling us how the Holy Spirit descended from heaven like a dove, Luke makes it clear that this happened while Jesus was praying. This, the Pope indicates, is an important point worthy of our contemplation: 'Jesus prays.'

'Prayer opens the heaven,' the Pope says, borrowing the image from today's Gospel. He then adds that prayer also 'enables us to have the same experience of Jesus by the Jordan: it makes us feel like beloved children of the Father.'

We could take a moment to pray in gratitude for the parent/s or other person/s who brought us into this tradition stretching over almost two millennia. May they be filled with all that flows from their being beloved sons and daughters of God.

(Pope Francis' homilies)

# 17 Jan: Anniversary of Archbishop Wilson

17 January marks the fourth death anniversary of Archbishop Philip Wilson. On this day, the 12.10pm Mass at the Cathedral will be offered for the repose of his soul. All are welcome to attend.

## 18 Jan: Adult Confirmations

Adult confirmations will take place in our parish on Saturday 18 January at the 6pm Vigil Mass at the Cathedral. The Mass will go for on for slightly longer than usual. Fr Lancy will be the main celebrant.

## No Southern Cross in January

A reminder there will be no January edition of The Southern Cross. The first issue for 2025 will be available for distribution on the weekend of February 8/9. If you have any story ideas, please contact Jenny Brinkworth on jbrinkworth@adelaide.catholic.org.au or 8210 8147.

#### 07-30 Jan: Reconciliation Plaza closed

The Santos Tour Down Under will occur between 17—26 January. The Reconciliation Plaza will be closed to traffic from 7 to 30 January. This is the road that joins Wakefield Street to Grote Street. This closure has no impact to the Masses or services held at the SFX Cathedral. However, be sure to the check the Adelaide City Council website to see all road closures and plan your travel to the Cathedral accordingly. For details on which roads will be blocked off/closed visit: <a href="https://www.cityofadelaide.com.au/media-centre/public-notices/">https://www.cityofadelaide.com.au/media-centre/public-notices/</a>

# Jubilee Year 2025: Pilgrims of Hope

Pope Francis proclaimed 2025 a Jubilee Year for the whole Church, with the theme 'Pilgrims of Hope'. 2024 was declared a Year of Prayer in preparation.

The 2025 Jubilee Year theme, *Spes Non Confundit* (*Hope Does Not Disappoint*), calls us to anchor our lives in the steadfast hope that comes from God.

Archbishop Patrick opened the Jubilee Year in the Archdiocese of Adelaide on 31 December 2024 at midnight Mass at the Cathedral. The Jubilee will end on 28 December 2025.

Three places within the Archdiocese of Adelaide are designated as pilgrimage sites for the Holy Year:

- A) St Francis Xavier's Cathedral in Adelaide
- B) St Joseph's Church in Penola
- C) St Aloysius' Church in Sevenhill

As one of the pilgrimage sites of the Holy Year, we will pray the Jubilee Prayer at all Sunday Masses.

Opportunities for prayer at each of the pilgrimage sites will be advertised throughout the year as well as occasions when the Papal Blessing with the plenary indulgence will be imparted. The Archdiocesan website will continue to provide resources and information ab out the Jubilee Year. Refer to this link for resources—https://adelaide.catholic.org.au/our-faith/jubilee-year-of-hope-2025/resources or scan the QR code below to find the Jubilee Hymn, videos, the Pope's monthly prayer intentions, pilgrimage prayers and more.



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**Regular Mass Timings** REFER TO PARISH WEBSITE FOR DETAILED SCHEDULE OR SCAN THE QR CODE WITH YOUR PHONE CAMERA FOR OUR **REGULAR TIMINGS** 



St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Adelaide **Sunday Masses** Sat: 6pm(Vigil)

Sun: 7am, 9am, 11am, 2.30pm

(African), 6pm

**Weekday Masses** Mon - Fri: 8am, 12.10pm & 5.45pm

Sat: 8am, 11.30am

Mon, Wed, Fri: 11-12 noon, 5-5.30pm Confessions

Sat: 12 noon-1pm, 4.30-5.30pm

**Holy Hour** Tues: 6.30pm. Fri: 11am

8am Mass ONLY at the Cathedral **Public Holidays** Except 01 January—Mass at 10am at the Cathedral

St Mary's, Lower North Adelaide Tues and Fri: 8am Sun: 9.30am

Our Lady Queen of Angels, Thebarton Sat: Confessions: 5.45pm | Vigil: 6pm

Sun: 9.30am

St John Vianney, Burnside Tues and Thu: Mass: 9am | Confessions: 9.30am

Sun: 9am

St Peter Claver, Dulwich

Wed: 9am, Fri: 11am Confessions: 11.30am Sat: Confessions: 5.30pm | Vigil: 6pm

Sun: 11am

Holy Name, Stepney

Sun: 11am

St. Patrick, Grote Street, Adelaide

Sun: 10.30am (Croatian)

4.00pm (Portuguese) - 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays ONLY

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Kangaroo Island Sun: Confessions: 9:00 am | Mass: 9.30 am Please contact the Parish Office for Baptism & Wedding

bookings.

### WORSHIP

Entrance Antiphon: After the Lord was baptised, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered. This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

First Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11.

Responsorial Psalm: Oh, bless the Lord my soul!

Second Reading: Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! John said: He who is to come is mightier than I; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

Universal Prayer Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon: Behold the One of whom John said: I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God. 

Next Week: 19th Jan: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Gospel: John 2:1-11

# **Liturgies & Activities (13th - 19th Jan)**

Mon St. Hilary of Poitiers Fri St. Antony of Egypt

**Sun** 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Prayer Requests for the Deceased

Recently Deceased: Ernest Simpson, Jillian Tilley, Zdravko Sosa.

#### Deceased Anniversaries:

Cathedral: Archbishop Philip Wilson, Michael Patrick O'Reilly, Daniel James Kneale, Veronica Paxton, Clune, Lena Sabellico, Margaret Manetta, Kartar Kaur, Sr Marie Foale RSJ, Secilia Wijaya, Nunziata Monterosso, Marija Ilicic. Domenico Monteleone, Rod Joseph Saldanha, Don & Kershaw, Valerian Dona Totawatte, Nelson Fernando, Segundino & Lourdes Jumangit

Queen of Angels: Anna Marafioti, Pasquale, Consiglia & Angelo Di Lorenzo, Caterina & Antonio Rosario Ielasi, Saverio & Anna Sergi, Pivatto and Gazzola family

St. Mary's: Peter Francis Brynes, Anthony Kelly and James Robertson.

Holy Name: Ina Ruggiero, Lina & Pasquale Ruggeri, Caremela Vasallo

St. John Vianney/St. Peter Claver: Margaret Hawkins & family, Marcia Brown, Edward Mulvihill, Geoffrey Shalala, Michael Muray, Dianne Baldwin, John Habib, Tess Fry, Pat & Shiela Travers, Anna Maria Torchio, Damia Shadiac & family, Coralie & Bill Milne, Kath & David Law, Margaret Brittian, Wallent family and Resina Lagilevu.

## Prayers Requests for the Sick

Anton Sylvester, Maresa, Trevor, Leling Suzara, Antonio Romeo, Smith family, Angelina Musico, Charles Dias, Emily Swan, David Clayton, Mary Walsh, Vilma D'Cruz, Joshua Jose, Jithin Jamon, Madison Musico, William Hemmeld, Daphne Bizell, Peter Slobodian, Marie Winters, Joshua Antony, Pilar Lopez, Adelina Ciavarra, Baby Otilie Sheens, Shaun & Joseph Coleiro and Denis Cranswick.

# **Latin Mass Community**

Thank you for your continued support of the bookstall. The bookstall will be closed during January and will reopen on Sun. 2nd Feb. 2025.

Save the date: There will be an Australia Day Light Lunch—Korean Style, on Sunday 26th Jan at 11:15am in the Ellengowan Hall. All welcome, but places are limited. Please see flyers for details to reserve a spot or contact Caterina Pileggi. Tickets \$10.

The FSSP District of Oceania is holding a Rome pilgrimage from 4th – 15th May 2025. Fr Wallace FSSP will lead a group of pilgrims to Rome for the Jubilee Year. This pilgrimage will provide a blessed experience in devotion, community, and culture. For more info visit bookings.harvestjourneys.com/pv2560

In June 2025, Fr Sumich FSSP will be leading the St Peter Chanel Chapter (Oceania Chapter) for the annual Paris to Chartres Pilgrimage in France. Starting at Notre Dame, the pilgrimage runs from Sat. 7th to Mon. 9th June 2025 (Pentecost weekend). If you are interested, please email Fr Sumich at office@fssp.nz

Please do not place any material (advertising or otherwise) in the church without the prior permission of the chaplain. Thank you.

Welcome to new parishioners. If you are new to the Latin Mass or new to Holy Name, please don't hesitate to introduce yourself to either Fr McCaffrey, Fr McGuckin or Fr Sofatzis after Mass. There is a cuppa after the 9:15am Mass every Sunday in the tea room behind the church diagonally across the car park. All welcome. Also please feel free to register as a parishioner on our community census. The link is available on the website.

Please remember the sick in your prayers, especially Simon Fiedler (Nathan's Father), Hannah McCaffrey, Terry Muscat (Chris Forrester's mother), Damian Wyld, Domenic Marafiote, Tony Caruso and Vincenza Martucci (Ines Barson's mother). Please also remember the recently deceased, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

#### 26 Jan: 11am Mass at the Cathedral

For more than 60 years a special celebration of the Eucharist has been held in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral to celebrate Australia Day. We come together to celebrate and give thanks for this wonderful country and to recognise the richness and diversity of the people who call Australia home. All are welcome to join us on this special occasion. For more information, please contact Archdiocesan Events on (08) 8210 8220 or events@adelaide.catholic.org.au .

## 27 Jan: Only 8am Mass at the Cathedral

There will be only one Mass in the Parish at 8am at the Cathedral as it is a public holiday on account of Australia Day

# Thank you to all our Mass Coordinators, Volunteers, Altar Servers and Ministers

We would like to thank all our Mass Coordinators: and all volunteers who assisted this dedicated team of coordinators to make our Christmas and New Year services beautiful and solemn. We would also like to thank all our altar servers, readers, ministers and others who volunteered during the Christmas and New Year services and those who volunteer on regular weekdays and weekends. Your time, dedication, effort and contribution of service to the Parish week on week is greatly appreciated by all. On behalf of the priests and staff of the Parish, we wish you and your families a Blessed and Holy 2024.

# 8 Feb: Our Lady of Lourdes Mass

Each year, on World Day of the Sick a Mass is offered for those who are of ill health. The Mass will be held on Saturday, 8 February 2025 at 10am in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral. No registration is necessary. All are welcome to receive a blessing and anointing. For more information please contact Archdiocesan Events on (08) 8210 8220 or E: <a href="mailto:events@adelaide.catholic.org.au">events@adelaide.catholic.org.au</a>

## 8 Feb: 11.30am Mass cancelled

Due to the Lourdes Mass held at 10am on Saturday 8 February at the Cathedral, the usual 11.30am Mass stands cancelled. Please share this with your friends and family.

## 9 Feb: Feast of St Josephine Bakhita

Saturday 8 February is the Feast Day of St Josephine Bakhita and the African Catholic Community will be celebrating her feast day at a Mass on Sunday 9 February at the 2.30pm Mass at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral . All are invited to attend.

## **Support the National Deacons Conference**

Deacons (often married men) are the fastest growing ordained ministry worldwide and can be the face of creative ways in which the Spirit moves within the Church and community. The deacons of South Australia and Northern Territory have been chosen to host the 2025 National Deacons Conference this year (Hahndorf, 27 February – 2 March 2025). Each biennial National Deacons Conference is locally funded, relying entirely on nationwide registrations and generous local sponsors. Your personal financial support of the Conference will be greatly valued. To donate today (whether \$200, \$100, or any amount), please contact Deacon Paul Crowe, National Deacons Conference Convenor at pcrowe@adelaide.catholic.org.au

# March 2025: Fringe Pipe Organ Recitals

Free pipe organ concerts in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral will again feature in the Adelaide Fringe Festival during February and March. The lunchtime concerts have become popular fixtures for music lovers since they were introduced in 2017.

Commencing at 1pm, the performances this year feature acclaimed organists Jacinta Jakovcevic (Wednesday February 26), Amir Robin-Karas (Wednesday March 12), James Lloyd (Sunday March 16 – Festival of Hymns) and Val Estrella (Wednesday March 19).

There will also be a recital by young organists on Sunday 23 March. All recitals are free and no tickets required. Donations are welcome.

## **Jubilee Year Prayer**

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.
Amen.



Scan the QR code to see the prayer on your smart devices.

# Cathedral Car Park and Staircase Driveway on the Cathedral lawns and Driveway in the Underground Car park

All pedestrians and parents with baby strollers must use ONLY the carpark staircase when entering and exiting the underground carpark. Using the carpark ramp as a pedestrian walkway or for baby strollers is a major safety hazard. Please avoid doing so.

Please do not double park your vehicle in the underground car park driveway. Blocking the safe entry and exit of vehicles during Weekend Masses and is a major safety hazard. Parking on the driveway of the Cathedral lawns is also prohibited at all times.

Both the driveways (underground car park and on the lawns) must be free for movement of vehicles at all times.

# ACP School Aged Sacramental Program 2025

The Adelaide Cathedral Parish will be conducting a preparation program in 2025 for the Sacraments of Initiation, including Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation. Candidates should be at least 8 years old in early 2025. The program will start in February 2025 and enrollments should be completed at the earliest. If your child requires the sacrament of baptism, you will need to arrange an appointment to meet the parish administrator, before they can be enrolled in any other preparation program. Parents who would like their child enrolled in this program should contact the Parish Office email: <a href="mailto:acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au">acp@adelaide.catholic.org.au</a> or call 82108155.

# Adelaide Cathedral Young Adults Group

The Adelaide Cathedral Young Adults Group invite the Youth of our Parish to join them each week in their Ministry of fellowship. They regularly meet on Sunday evenings and their schedule is as follows:

1st and 3rd Sundays: Choir for 6pm Mass

4pm - Choir Practice

6pm - Sunday Mass

7pm - Dinner in Chinatown

2nd and 4th Sundays: Group Meetings

6pm - Sunday Mass

7 - 8.30pm - Group gathering in the Cathedral Hall.

Please note that the Youth Group is open ONLY for people aged 18-35 years.

## Adelaide Cathedral Children's Choir

The Children's Choir is a growing group of primary school-aged students who usually sing on the third Sunday of each month at the 9am Sunday Mass at the Cathedral. We are always welcoming new members from 5-14 years of age. Please email the Cathedral Music Team at <a href="music@adelaide.catholic.org.au">music@adelaide.catholic.org.au</a> for more information.