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Migrant and Refugee Sunday 2021

The Archdiocese of Adelaide celebrated the 107th World Day of Migrants and Refugees with a solemn Multicultural Mass at St Francis Xavier Cathedral at 2.30pm, on Sunday 26 September. The theme chosen by Pope Francis for the celebration is “Towards an Ever Wider We”. The Mass was organised as a livestream Mass with strict compliance to the government Covid19 regulations.

Archbishop Patrick O'Regan DD was the main celebrant with around twenty priests and deacons, including chaplains of cultural communities, concelebrating the Mass. It was indeed a very special day for the participants, with the sun shining, the church filled to capacity, as well as 180 viewing the live-stream from the comfort of home.

The congregation was made up of people from many cultures; some came in their national costumes, others in spirit, representing the faith they have brought to Adelaide to make up our diverse and beautiful church. People gathered on this special occasion to pray especially for migrants and refugees and displaced persons in Australia and around the world.



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Feast of St Mother Teresa of Calcutta- Albanian Community

On the 5th September, 2021, the Albanian Catholic Community came together to honour their patron Saint, Mother Teresa of Calcutta in a beautiful Mass held at Mater Christi Church at Seaton.

Beginning with a procession around the grounds of the Mater Christi Church, at midday; the community prayed the rosary together in the various languages - Albanian, Filipino, Italian and English. With only 10 percent of the Albanian population Catholic, there was a definite ‘presence’ as the Adelaide Albanian people gathered in reverence and respect for the 5th Feast Day of their Saint who exemplifies Christ’s Love.

Father Roger Manalo CS, has been the priest celebrant of the Albanian Catholic Community for the last 5 years. He gave a beautiful homily acknowledging the strong patronage of the people and their willingness to “be love” wherever they find themselves in the world, just as Mother Teresa did.

The children of the community delighted in participating in the Procession of the Statue of St Mother Teresa and in the Mass. Reading the prayers of the faithful and participating in the procession of gifts; the children carried symbols to the sanctuary representing the life of Saint Mother Teresa, coordinated by Franceska.



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Beatification of Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński and blind nun Mother Elzbieta Roza Czacka- Polish Community

A Polish cardinal persecuted by communist authorities during the Cold War and a nun dedicated to helping the blind took a step towards sainthood last month when they were beatified at the Temple of Divine Providence in Warsaw.

The beatification was cause for celebration amongst the Polish community at the Resurrection Church, Unley, where Polish chaplain Fr Michal Skiba SCHR for three days celebrated Mass with homilies dedicated to Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński and Mother Elzbieta Roza Czacka.

Fr Skiba also organised a concert on September 11, with music, songs, poems and short movies dedicated to the two Blessed.

All four days of the spiritual preparation for the beatification were well attended by members of the Polish community.

Cardinal Wyszyński, the primate of Poland from 1948 to 1981, is attributed with saving the faith of Poles in the harsh days of communism.



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Italian Festa - La Madonna di Montevergine

It has been 66 years since the first Festa in honour of “La Madonna Di Montevergine” back in 1955 at St Francis of Assisi Church, Newton but the devotion and enthusiasm is still very strong as has been shown by everyone that attended this year’s celebrations in particular the youth in our community, considering the pandemic that we’re all living through. This year’s Mass Celebration was presided over by our Parish Priest Fr Eldridge D’Souza. A young and dynamic Priest that has embraced the Italian culture.

Under a COVID management plan, the SA Government allowed 2500 people to attend this event. The community responded patiently as Covid Marshals monitored and staggered entry so that more than 4500 people were able to enjoy this special celebration over the course of the day.

A great big thank you to everyone that took part in organising this great manifestation of faith and also volunteered throughout the day in the various stalls selling traditional Italian foods including the famous “Zeppole” that are a big part of this tradition, a tradition which hopefully will carry on long into the future.

May our Celestial Mother shower everyone with Her many Blessings.



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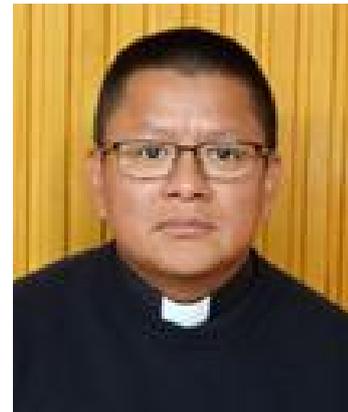
Thank you and Farewell to our Chaplains



Father Roger Manalo CS

We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to Father Roger Manalo CS for many years of wonderful pastoral service that he had provided to our multicultural communities since he came to Adelaide in 2015, namely the Filipino Catholic Community and the Albanian Catholic Community while he was serving as Parish Priest for Seaton Parish.

Fr Roger is preparing to return to the Philippines to take on a new ministry. We wish him God’s blessings and our very best wishes.



Father Josue Quej Moran

We would like to join the Spanish Speaking Community to offer our deepest gratitude to father Josue Quej Moran for many years of dedicated service that he had provided to the Spanish Speaking Catholic Community of the Archdiocese. Fr Moran had also generously supported the Croatian Catholic Community by celebrating Mass for them many times in the past while he has his own Community to look after. We offer our thanksgiving prayers and best wishes to Father Moran.

Welcoming New Chaplain

Father Tomas Ruiz CS

We would like to take this opportunity to warmly welcome Fr Tomas Ruiz CS who has recently been appointed as chaplain for the Spanish Speaking Community of the Archdiocese of Adelaide. Fr Tomas came to Adelaide from Sydney, NSW. Fr Tomas will also serve in the Archdiocese as Parish Priest at Seaton Parish. We wish him all the very best in his ministry among us.

The First General Assembly of the Plenary Council 2021

A Plenary Council is the highest formal gathering of all local churches in a country. Our Plenary Council was held so that we can dialogue about the future of the Catholic Church in Australia.

As you all know the first General Assembly of the Plenary Council was held online through Microsoft Teams. It was quite a technological achievement to have over 300 people all on together during the Plenary sessions each morning from 8-10 October 2021.

We know many of you followed the week through the various podcasts, as well as tuning in to the live streams. We hope it gave you a flavour of the main themes arising from the discernment process. There were no decisions called upon at this session, however recommendations came forward from the small groups for further work over the next nine months before the final session of the Plenary Council next year. Our hope and prayer is that firm decisions will be made in the final session in 2022.



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COVID-19 Vaccine Appointments



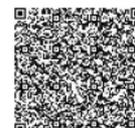
You can now book a vaccine appointment in 15 languages other than English. Visit the Vaccine Clinic Finder, select from the languages at the top of the booking page, and follow the simple steps to make a booking.

If you need help booking in a different language, call the Translating an Interpreting Service (TIS) on 131 450 to speak to a translator.

Vaccination is the best way to protect yourself and your family from COVID-19.



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Passage of the South Australian Multicultural Bill 2020

On 14 October 2021, the landmark South Australian Multicultural Bill 2020 passed both Houses of Parliament and will soon become law.

This historically significant occurrence fulfils the Government's aim of providing new legislation that reflects the needs of our multicultural state today and sets a foundation for modern policy directions.

Developed following the 2019 review of the South Australian Multicultural and Ethnic Affairs Commission Act 1980, the state's sole piece of multicultural legislation, the South Australian Multicultural Bill will replace the SAMEAC Act.

The Bill reflects the feedback received during the review consultation, which strongly supported the need for us to expand our thinking on multiculturalism. To this end, the concept of interculturalism has been incorporated into the legislation as being inclusive, contemporary, and encouraging greater collaboration and the exchange of information and ideas between all sectors of our diverse community.

The centrepiece of the new legislation is the South Australian Multicultural Charter, which will be developed following the passage of the legislation. The Charter will be a set of principles defining what multiculturalism and interculturalism mean to all South Australians. The development of the Charter will be led by the South Australian Multicultural Commission, which is charged with the responsibility of leading community consultations as a vital part of this process.

We look forward to working with you and your community to progress the future development of exciting new multicultural policy for our great State.



The 2021 Multicultural Festival program is now available!

Explore the event program and plan your day.

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Come along to experience and immerse yourself in South Australia's cultural diversity at this vibrant, family friendly and free one-day event in the heart of the city.

With stalls to explore, music and dance performances to enjoy, and activities to come and try - there is something for everyone.

Try a new international cuisine, learn a cultural dance or explore cultural arts and crafts – this is just a sample of what you will experience at the 2021 Multicultural Festival.

Use the 2021 Multicultural Festival program and event map to plan your day.

See you there - Sunday 14 November 2021, 11am to 5pm in Victoria Square/ Tarntanyangga, Adelaide.



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Recent Celebrations

- 15/08/2021- The Feast of the Assumption of Mary and Independence Day of Slovenia- Slovenian Community
- 15/08/2021- The Feast of the Assumption of Mary and Independence Day of India- Syro Malabar Community
- 22/08/2021 The Feast of St Stephen of Hungary- Hungarian Community
- 5/09/2021- Our Lady of the Great Croatian Covenant- Croatian Community
- 19/09/2021 - Feast of St Lorenzo Ruiz - Filipino Community
- 20/09/2021- Feast Day of Martyrs of Korea - Korean Community
- 10/10/2021- Feast of St. Daniel Comboni - African Community
- 26/10/2021- Feast of Our Lady Queen of Victories - Maltese Community
- 30/10/2021- Feast of St Euphasia- Syro-Malabar Community

Upcoming Celebrations

- 24/11/2021- Feast of St Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions, Martyrs- Vietnamese Community
- 1/12/2021- Feast of the Blessed Anuarite Nengapeta - African Community
- *Italian Festas are celebrated throughout the year in different parishes.*



Filipino Catholic Pastoral Support Committee (FCPSC)

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Reflection: "The lights and shadows of covid 19 pandemic"

<p>15 December (Wednesday) at 8:00 p.m. ST FRANCIS XAVIER CATHEDRAL 39 Wakefield St, Adelaide Celebrant: Archbishop Patrick Michael O'Regan DD Concelebrant: Rev Fr Franco Lacanaria, CS Rev Fr Anthoni Adimai SdM Deacon Arturo Jimenea Choir: Youth for Christ Contacts: Joel Tuazon (0459134960) Sponsored by: Filipino Catholic Pastoral Support Committee</p>	<p>16 December (Thursday) at 8:00 p.m. OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CHURCH 15 Pennington Terrace, Pennington SA 5013 Celebrant: Rev Fr Franco Lacanaria, CS Concelebrant: Rev Fr Tony Densley, PP Choir: CD Player (Present restriction) Contacts: Maria Kirk (0415552310) Sofia Alvino (0434531982) Avel Santos (0409696825) Sponsored by: Filipino Community of Pennington Parish</p>	<p>17 December (Friday) at 8:00 p.m. CHURCH OF GOOD SHEPHERD 7 St Albans PL, Clearview SA 508 Celebrant: Rev Fr Franco Lacanaria, CS Concelebrant: Rev Fr Selva Raj Leenaiah, PP Choir: CFC Family Music Ministry Contact: Van Ryan Bonita (0450934399) Sponsored by: Couples for Christ</p>	
<p>18 December (Saturday) at 8:00 p.m. ST THOMAS MORE CHURCH 19 Laverstock Rd, Elizabeth 5113 Celebrant: Rev Fr Franco Lacanaria, CS Concelebrant: Rev Fr Pat Woods, PP Choir: Elizabeth Catholic Parish Choir Contacts: Louie Trocio - (0425831364) Mila Iglesias (0430030252) Sponsored by: Filipino Community of Elizabeth Parish</p>	<p>19 December (Sunday) at 8:00 p.m. Ss PETER & PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH 1 Parnell St, Gawler SA 5118 Celebrant: Rev Fr Franco Lacanaria, CS Concelebrant: Rev Fr Jose Pazhepambil SDB, PP Choir: Gawler Catholic Parish Choir Contacts: Edwin Cedamon (0431450492) Liza Tubilleja (0403453710) Sponsored by: Gawler Catholic Parish Filipino Families Group</p>	<p>20 December (Monday) at 8:00 p.m. ST AUGUSTINE CHURCH 23 Commercial Rd, Salisbury SA 5107 Celebrant: Rev Fr Franco Lacanaria, CS Concelebrant: Deacon Arturo Jimenea Choir: Couples for Christ North Contact: Cori (0458688010) Sponsored by: Filipino Community of Salisbury Parish</p>	
<p>21 December (Tuesday) at 8:00 p.m. ST MARGARET MARY'S CHURCH 286 Torrens Road, Croydon Park SA 5008 Celebrant: Rev Fr Franco Lacanaria, CS Choir: Couples for Christ Australia Contact: Karen Vigare Mesa (0411169175) Vicky Manalo (0430165717) Sponsored by: Couples for Christ West</p>	<p>22 December (Wednesday) at 8:00 p.m. CHURCH OF GOOD SHEPHERD 7 St Albans PL, Clearview SA 508 Celebrant: Rev Fr Franco Lacanaria, CS Choir: Fili Harmonics Contact: Dra Ayette Plata Ramos (0433904827) Dra Anna Limgenco (0437710526) Sponsored by: Fili Harmonics</p>	<p>23 December (Thursday) at 8:00 p.m. ST LUKE CHURCH Cnr Goldsmith Drive & Honeygot Road, Noarlunga Downs SA 5168 Celebrant: Archbishop Patrick Michael O'Regan DD Concelebrant: Rev Fr Franco Lacanaria, CS Rev Fr Josy Sebastian, PP Choir: Sandiwa Contacts: Maria Dixon(0449752941) / Cecilio Dimauro(0456446238) Sponsored by: Filipino Community of Noarlunga Parish</p>	
<p>24 December (Friday) at 9:00 p.m. MATER CHRISTI CHURCH, 413 Grange Road, Seaton SA 5023 Celebrant: Rev Fr Franco Lacanaria, CS Choir: Circle of Friends Contact: Freddie Leoncio (0434871526)</p>			

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