



Celebrations 2022

19th / 20th November

Vinnies Giving Tree - placed in Mass Centres

Blessing of Cribs ~ 3rd Sunday of Advent

Saturday	10 December	6pm OLM
Sunday	11 December	9am SHC and 11am OLM

Parish Christmas Carols in the Courtyard

Sunday	11 December	6:00pm - 9:00pm Sacred Heart Church Courtyard
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****Coffee and Food Vans available****

****All Parishioners and visitors are Welcome. Kindly bring your own chairs/rugs.**

Sunday	18 December	SHC Community Christmas Party after 9am Mass
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Reconciliation (Confessions)

Sunday	18 December	SHC Hindmarsh - (After 9:00am Mass)
Wednesday	21 December	OLM Findon - (After 6:00pm Mass)

Christmas Eve

Saturday	24 December	6.00pm	OLM Findon (Children's Liturgy)**
		7.15pm	SHC Hindmarsh (Children's Liturgy)**
		Midnight	SHC Hindmarsh (Carols at 11.30pm followed by Mass)

****Families attending the children's Christmas Liturgies are encouraged to dress their children in costumes appropriate to the season e.g. Angels, shepherds, wise men/women etc.**

Christmas Day

Sunday	25 December	9.00am	SHC Hindmarsh (English)
		10.00am	OLM Findon - Note time change

Friday	30 December	9.15am	OLM Findon - <i>Feast of Holy Family</i>
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New Year's Day Mass – Feast of the Solemnity of Mary

Saturday	31 December	6.00pm	OLM - Findon (Vigil Mass - New Year's Eve)
Sunday	1 January	9.00am	SHC - Hindmarsh
		11.00am	OLM - Findon

Feast of the Epiphany

Saturday	7 January	6:00pm	OLM - Findon (Vigil Mass)
Sunday	8 January	9:00am	SHC - Hindmarsh
		11:00am	OLM - Findon

****The Parish Office will close on Friday 23rd December 2022 and re-open on Tuesday 3 January 2022**
The Parish Office Team wish you and your loved ones a Happy and Holy Christmas and Blessings for the New Year.



WELCOME TO SACRED HEART PARISH HINDMARSH-FINDON

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IN THE CHARISM OF THE HEART OF CHRIST
 'May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be everywhere loved'



PARISH VISION STATEMENT

As a people who believe and trust in the love of God for us, revealed in the heart of Jesus, we live out this love in a welcoming and inclusive community that provides life-giving support and service to all people.

YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US FOR MASS

◇ Tuesday	13 Dec	12:15 pm	Mass at Sacred Heart Church, (SHC) Hindmarsh
◇ Wednesday	14 Dec	6:00 pm	Mass and Adoration at Our Lady of the Manger Church, (OLM) Findon
◇ Friday	16 Dec	9:15 am	Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church, (OLM) Findon
◇ Saturday	17 Dec	6:00 pm	Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church, (OLM) Findon
◇ Sunday	18 Dec	9:00 am	Mass at Sacred Heart Church, (SHC) Hindmarsh
◇ Sunday	18 Dec	Reconciliation after 9:00 am	Mass at Sacred Heart Church, (SHC) Hindmarsh
◇ Sunday	18 Dec	11:00 am	Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM), Findon



11 December 2022
3rd Sunday of Advent

Year A

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, come and save us.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor (Lk 4:18)

Alleluia!

Today's Readings:

Isaiah 35:1-6,10
 Ps 145:6-10
 James 5:7-10
 Matthew 11:2-11

Mass Intentions

6.00pm Vigil

Parish

9.00am SHC

Parish

11:00am OLM

Parish

OUR CHURCHES

Sacred Heart Church (SHC)

252 Port Road, Hindmarsh

Our Lady of the Manger (OLM)

176 Crittenden Road, Findon



Change and Newness in Christ - Third Sunday of Advent (Year A)

When John the Baptist heard in prison of the works of the Christ, he sent his disciples to Jesus with this question, "Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?" [Matthew 11:2-3](#)

Why did Saint John the Baptist send his disciples to Jesus to ask this question? Recall that John had previously stated about Jesus, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world" ([John 1:29](#)). So if John knew that Jesus was the "Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world," then why would he send his disciples to ask Jesus if He is the one who is to come?

The Church Fathers explore many reasons, but most arrive at the conclusion that John did this not because he didn't know who Jesus was, but for the sake of his disciples, so that they would come to follow our Lord once John was killed by Herod. So this was a way of trying to point his disciples to Jesus and to encourage them to embrace this new change in their life of faith.

Jesus understood the reason John sent his disciples to Him. As a result, Jesus gave these disciples what they needed so as to come to believe themselves. He points them to the works that He has done as the Christ so that they would be able to interpret these works on their own and, thus, come to the newness of faith. Jesus points out that the blind regain their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them. Who could argue with such miraculous signs from Heaven? But Jesus goes even further and states something very subtle. He says, "And blessed is the one who takes no offense at me." This line appears to be one way that Jesus gently reproached these disciples for what appears to be their own personal struggle with this change of spiritual leaders. Jesus identified a certain "offense" that they were dealing with. They were "offended" by the fact that Jesus was indeed increasing while John was decreasing.

In many ways, this is a common experience any time there is a change in our spiritual lives. When something is new, we often struggle with various aspects of the change and newness. But the Christian life is all about change, transformation and newness of life. And this is good. We must seek to change, be transformed, build better and new relationships, learn new ways of loving and reaching out, and become very comfortable with any and every new experience that our Lord places in our lives.. Reflect, today, upon any way that you have struggled with changes in your spiritual life. Often times, those things we struggle with are actually glorious opportunities to live our Christian faith and charity on a new level. Seek out the changes God is calling you to embrace in your life and know that even if they are difficult, they are the surest pathway to a life of greater holiness for you. **Courtesy of My Catholic Life**

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We warmly welcome **Father Santhosh Nazareth** CSC, into our Sacred Heart Parish, who arrived on December 8th. We look forward to working with you, Fr Santhosh, in the coming months. May you settle well into your new home - our community thanks you for being open to this 'adventure' of service in this distant land! We look forward to welcoming you at our Carols in the Courtyard gathering on December 11 as we gather together in song as a Parish Community!



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Parish Priest - Father Lancy D'Silva CSC

December 2022

10/11 Dec 3rd Sunday of Advent (Joy) Blessing of the Cribs SHC and OLM Carols in the Courtyard (SHC) 6pm-9pm Fr Lancy's 50th Birthday St Lucy, Virgin and Martyr St John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

17/18 Dec 4th Sunday of Advent (Peace) Fr Lancy's 20th year of Priestly Ordination, 50th Birthday & Community Christmas Celebrations SHC Kyton's Christmas Fundraiser Collection of goods Reconciliation after 9am Mass SCH Reconciliation after 6pm Mass OLM

24 Dec Christmas Eve 6pm Mass at OLM Children's Liturgy 7:15pm Mass at SHC Children's Liturgy Midnight Mass at SHC (Carols from 11:30pm)

25 Dec Christmas Day 9am Mass at SHC (English) 10am Mass at OLM (**Note time change**) Christmas Collection-Aboriginal Catholic Ministry

26 Dec St Steven, First Martyr 27 Dec St John, Apostle and Evangelist 28 Dec Holy Innocents, Martyrs 30 Dec Feast of the Holy Family Mass at 9:15am OLM Findon

31 Dec Feast of the Solemnity of Mary Mass at 6pm OLM Findon New Year's Eve

January 2023

01 Jan Feast of the Solemnity of Mary 9am Mass at SHC Hindmarsh 11am Mass at OLM Findon

07 Jan Feast of the Epiphany 6pm Mass at OLM Findon (Vigil)

08 Jan 9am Mass at SHC Hindmarsh 11 am Mass at OLM Findon

February 2023

02-04 Feb St Eufemia Masses at 7pm SHC Hindmarsh 05 Feb St Eufemia Festa 10:30am Flinder's Park Football Club



From the Archdiocese

Golden Jubilee Mass Please join Bishop Greg O'Kelly SJ in a Mass of Thanksgiving for the 50th anniversary of his ordination to priesthood in the Norwood Church on Dec 9, 1972. We will celebrate Mass at the St Ignatius Church, Norwood, at the 10am Mass on Sunday December 11, with light refreshments in the Hall. Your presence and prayers for his ministry would be much appreciated.

Mary MacKillop Museum Gift Shop Special Christmas gift stall during December. Handcrafted cards for Christmas, birthdays, anniversaries, bereavements, sacraments (Baptism, Confirmation, First Reconciliation, Communion and Marriage) Most of the above items are also available online: www.marymackillopadelaide.org.au. Click and collect available.

Handel's Messiah Experience the grandeur and power of massed chorus with the Adelaide Symphony Orchestra in this celebrated oratorio featuring some of the most glorious music ever written. Fri 16-Sun 18 Dec 2022. Adelaide Town Hall

Adelaide Diocesan Centre - Closure Over Christmas/New Year Period

The Diocesan Centre will be closed from 5pm on Tuesday December 20, 2022 and will recommence normal business hours on Tuesday January 3, 2023. Town Hall. Bookings at aso.com.au

Thanks to Father Lancy and parishioners of Sacred Heart Parish (Hindmarsh and Findon) for your support to us during the past 3 years that I have worked here as a Deacon. Thanks for your kind words Father Lancy and to you all for your best wishes and lovely food Hamper and morning tea two weeks ago. Jenny and I look forward to continuing as members of the Hindmarsh-Findon Parish. Kind regards, Jenny and Michael Moore

Congratulations to Sister Janet Lowe and Sister Margaret Adams, Sisters of Mercy, who celebrate their 60th Year Jubilee on the 19th of December. May God's blessings be upon you both!

Computer Glitch! If you have dropped off of the Bulletin Distribution list, please let us know. If you would like to update your contact details, or be added to our distribution list, please send us an email. Thank you!

Parish Fundraising Committee

Do you have 2 hours to spare once a month? The Parish community is putting together a Fundraising committee to help plan functions to raise funds towards our building project. If you are keen to support this project please contact Sandra Bahlij 0402894613 with your email address or sms. Thank you to those who have volunteered already, and we would always love more!



Giving Tree Thank you to everyone who has already taken a tag off of the tree to support those who are less fortunate this Christmas. If you haven't yet done so and would like to help someone in need this Christmas, your help would be greatly appreciated. Please bring in items by Monday Dec 12th at the latest. On behalf of Vinnies, thank you so much for your support and generosity. "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me". Matthew 25:40



We want YOU! Vinnies are looking for volunteers. If you would like to join this wonderful organisation, and help to make a difference in the lives of others, please contact Sandra Bahlij 0402894613. Thank you!



Calling all Angels and Shepherds! If you would like to be involved in the Children's Christmas Eve Liturgies at OLM or SHC, please contact your school APRIMs or the Parish Office. All welcome!



Mass & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Please note that there will be no 6:30pm Mass and Adoration at SHC Hindmarsh, during the month of January



Can you Help with Carparking during Soccer Matches? Soccer matches at Coopers Stadium are opportunities for the parish to raise funds by allowing visitors to park in the parish carpark at Sacred Heart Church. If you can spare an hour before matches begin by helping to usher cars into the carpark and collecting money, that would be very much appreciated. No need to stay for the whole match! The next double header will be on: 27th Dec Adelaide United vs Wellington Phoenix and Adelaide United vs Newcastle Jets. Please contact Sandra Bahlij if you are able to assist 0402894613. Thank you!



St Eufemia Society Festa The St Eufemia Tridium of Masses will begin on the 2nd of February 2023. Masses will run each evening, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Feb from 7pm at SHC Hindmarsh. The St Eufemia Festa will be held on February 5th 2023 at Flinder's Park Football Club, Hartley Road, beginning with a Procession from 10:30am and concluding at 9pm. All are welcome!



If you would like to make a Christmas Offering, please note that envelopes are now available in the foyer / back of the church. Thank you!



Please take home a copy of the Adelaide Catholic Archdiocese Advent Booklet titled "Christ the Light to the World", produced by the Office for Worship. It is a lovely resource which can be used individually or as groups as we prepare our hearts for the coming of Jesus.



Baptism We welcome into our faith Community through the Sacrament of Baptism at Sacred Heart Church on 11th Dec Adelina Marie De Leo and Marco Anthony Cavallaro Please keep Adelina, Marco and their families in your prayers.



The December edition of the Southern Cross will be inserted in The Advertiser on December 17 with free copies provided to parishioners.



Advent is a time for waiting for our Lord, who will visit us all in our own hearts. The Lord is coming. Let us wait for him.—Pope Francis

This weekend heralds the third weekend of our Advent season. In each Mass centre, over the four weeks of Advent, a new candle will be lit—marking our journey to Christmas.

The Advent Wreath of evergreen, is shaped in a perfect circle to symbolise the eternity of God. Four candles, one for each week in Advent, symbolise the coming of Christ, with one larger white candle in the middle as the Christ candle. During each Sunday of the Advent season, we focus on one of the four virtues Jesus brings us: Hope, Love, Joy and Peace. The Christ candle is lit on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day reminding Christians that Jesus is the light of the world.

Today is Gaudete Sunday from the Latin meaning "Rejoice". It is the 3rd Sunday in Advent. Today we light the third candle, yearning for the joy of God that comes to us through the birth of Christ. We remember how Mary sang a song of joy before Jesus was born, of how God was going to make all things new. We sing our own songs of joy, hoping that sadness and mourning will be turned into gladness and dancing. We light this third candle for the joy we know in Christ Jesus.

Lighting of the third Advent candle (the pink candle) "Come, festively sing while awaiting the birth, join angels in dancing from heaven to earth. Wave banners of good news, lift high thankful praise. This candle is lit for the joy of these days."

Happy 50th Birthday Father Lancy! On Tuesday 13th December, Father Lancy will celebrate his 50th Birthday! Congratulations Father on reaching this wonderful milestone in your life. May God bless you with many more wonderful birthdays ahead! We look forward to celebrating your birthday and 20th year of Priestly Ordination with you in our upcoming community events—Carols in the Courtyard on Sunday 11th December, and at our Community Christmas Party after the 9am Mass on Sunday 18th December in the SHC Hindmarsh Hall.



Reconciliation Sunday 18th December—SHC, Hindmarsh After the 9am Mass Wednesday 21st December—OLM, Findon After the 6pm Mass

Parish Christmas Carols in the Courtyard Following our very successful Carols Evening last year, all are invited to gather from 6pm on Sunday 11th Dec in front of Sacred Heart Church for a wonderful evening of Carol singing. Our talented Musicians and Singers from across our Parish will lead us in this. BYO chair or rug. Food and drinks available. Come and celebrate Christmas as a Parish! Please see flyer for more details.

Parish Christmas Party, Celebration of Fr Lancy's 20th Anniversary of his Ordination and 50th Birthday! All are welcome to gather for 9am Mass at SHC on Sunday December 18th, then to celebrate these two big events in Fr Lancy's life with morning tea! Whether from OLM or SHC communities, we hope many will be able to come and celebrate with Father

Parish Blessing of Cribs Families are invited to bring your Nativity scene/cribs to the Blessing of the Cribs Masses this weekend, Sat 10th and Sun 11th Dec, third Sunday of Advent.

Christmas Rosters This weekend we have A3 Rosters for all our Christmas Mass Times at both Mass Centres. Please indicate your availability for all ministries on these sheets. Thank you for your support!

Christmas Day Our Lady of the Manger Findon: Please Note Mass time. Parishioners are reminded that Mass on Christmas Day at Our Lady of the Manger Findon will be at the earlier time of 10.00am (not at the regular time of 11am). Christmas Collections. There will be only one collection taken up at Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses. This collection is in support of the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry and Vinnies. Your support and generosity is greatly appreciated this festive season.

New Years Day Parishioners are asked to note that there will be two Masses in the parish on New Year's Day, Sunday 1st January 2023. This will be at Sacred Heart Church Hindmarsh commencing at 9:00am and at Our Lady of the Manger Findon at 11:00am.



Prayer for the third week of Advent

Dear Lord, I know You call me to embrace the newness of life and the changes that I must endure so as to follow You more faithfully. Help me to be open to all that You call me to, so that I will continually become a new creation in Your grace. Jesus, I trust in You.

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Sacred Heart Parish (Hindmarsh - Findon) presents CAROLS IN THE COURTYARD DECEMBER 11, 2022 AT 6PM SACRED HEART CHURCH ALL WELCOME Food & drinks available for purchase BYO picnic rugs/mats/chairs/tables

Carparking—If you are wanting to park in the SHC Carpark for the Carols this Sunday, please note that there will only be parking around the perimeter of the carpark to enable the food/drink vans and stalls to have enough room to set up for the evening. Please aim to park in the streets surrounding the Church. Please also note that the Latin Mass will be on from 5:00pm, so please try to keep the noise levels to a minimum during that time. Thank you for your cooperation!

Food Items for sale on the night will be: Hot Dogs, Steak Sandwiches, Chicken Pilaf, Vegetable Kebabs, Vegetable Pakoras, Vegetable Risoni, Steamed Chicken and Vegetable Dim Sims, Pancit (Filipino Noodles), Puto (Filipino Steamed Buns), Chocolate Brownies, Cookies, Honey Crackles,

Christmas Peppermints, Lamingtons, other delectable cakes and goodies! Coffee and Drinks also available. Thank you so much to all of our wonderful volunteers who have worked tirelessly coordinating this fundraising event for our parish. Please come along and support this most worthy cause and help to raise funds towards our much needed Community Centre. Beautiful Raffle prizes to be won! We look forward to seeing you there!

Quote of the week Joy is prayer, joy is strength, joy is love, joy is a net of love by which you can catch souls. St Mother Teresa