



Continuing the Mission

Second Sunday of Lent (Year A)

Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him. [Matthew 17:1-3](#)

This was not the first time that the Son of God spoke to Moses and Elijah on a high mountain. Recall that Moses was called up to Mount Sinai (also called Horeb) to be with the Lord for forty days and forty nights, during which time the finger of God inscribed the Law on tablets, given to Moses to give to the people. During that time, the Israelites, from the base of the mountain, saw the summit consumed in fire. Similarly, Elijah, the great prophet, was called up that same mountain to encounter the Lord. He entered a cave and waited. Elijah then encountered a strong and violent wind, an earthquake and a fire. But God was not in any of them. Then Elijah heard a light quiet sound, a whisper, and he hid his face out of reverence as the Lord spoke to him.

In the experience of the Transfiguration, which we ponder today, the Son of God, now in the flesh, allowed His glory to once again shine forth. As He did, He conversed with Moses and Elijah in the presence of three of His disciples. These disciples were in awe, just as Moses and Elijah had been during their first encounters with God on Mount Sinai. These two great Old Testament figures now stand as witnesses of God's unfolding plan, revealing by their presence that Jesus is the fulfillment of all they had been entrusted to teach in their lifetime.

Moses' encounter with God on the mountain provided the foundation of the Law for the people of Israel. This Law guided them for centuries and ultimately came to fulfillment in Jesus, Who transformed the Law and elevated it to a new level by grace and mercy. Elijah's encounter with God on the mountain gave him direction to anoint kings to lead the people and to anoint Elisha as the prophet to succeed him. Elijah and Elisha continually preached to the people, calling them back to fidelity to the covenant God had made with them.

On the Mount of the Transfiguration, Jesus prepared three new disciples to continue the mission He began through Moses and continued through Elijah. Jesus gave these disciples the New Law of grace and mercy that He came to institute. The disciples were also entrusted with the prophetic mission of Elijah to call people to repentance and to fidelity to the covenant.

Today, our Lord calls all of his faithful servants up a spiritual mountain with Him so as to entrust to them the ongoing mission given to these great servants of old. Through prayer, God will manifest His divine presence to each of us if we are willing to make that journey. As He does, He will entrust to us His New Law and inscribe it on our hearts. He will command us to embrace the perfection of the love of God and the bestowal of mercy on others. He will entrust us with the prophetic mission of calling others back to God and will empower us to fulfill that mission in accord with His perfect will.

Reflect today, upon this glorious scene of the Transfiguration. This image teaches us about the entire plan of God throughout time. Prayerfully ponder the idea that Jesus is inviting you to make the arduous journey up the mountain of prayer, self-discipline, virtue and holiness. Pray that your eyes will be open to see His glory and that this experience will inspire you and strengthen you to continue to fulfill the mission of God started long ago, until it comes to completion when He returns at the end of time.



Prayer

*My transfigured Lord,
You shone in radiance
before the eyes of Your Apostles
so that they could testify
to the beauty of the life
to which we are all called.
During this Lent,
help me to face my sin with courage
and confidence in You
and in Your power to not only forgive
but to also transform.
May I die to sin more deeply than ever before
so as to share more fully
in the glory of Your divine life.
Jesus, I trust in You.*

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The Value of Fasting

Fridays in Lent (and, in fact, throughout the year) are also days in which the Church asks us to do some form of penance. Abstinence from meat certainly falls into that category, unless you dislike meat and love fish. Then these regulations are not much of a sacrifice for you. The most important thing to understand about Fridays in Lent is that they should be a day of sacrifice. Jesus offered the ultimate sacrifice on a Friday and endured the most excruciating pain for the atonement of our sins. We should not hesitate to offer our own sacrifice and to strive to spiritually unite that sacrifice to Christ's. Why would we do that? Fridays in Lent are days in which we are especially invited to unite ourselves, voluntarily and freely, with the Sacrifice of Jesus. His Sacrifice required of Him great selflessness and self-denial. The small acts of fasting, abstinence and other forms of self-denial you choose dispose your will to be more conformed to Christ's so as to be able to more completely unite yourself with Him, receiving the grace of salvation.

Quote of the Week

*"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of Life."
Jesus Christ*



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'May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be everywhere loved'



05 March 2023



Second Sunday of Lent Year A

Responsorial Psalm

*Lord let your mercy be on us,
as we place our trust in you.*

Gospel Acclamation

*Glory and Praise to you, Lord
Jesus Christ!*

*From the shining cloud the
Father's voice is heard: this is
my beloved Son, hear him.*

*Glory and Praise to you, Lord
Jesus Christ!*

Today's Readings:

[Gen 12: 1-4](#)

[Ps 32: 4-5, 18-20, 22](#)

[2 Tim 1: 8-10](#)

[Matthew 17: 1-9](#)

Mass Intentions

6.00pm Vigil

Bob Scott (5th) & Dec Members
of Scott and Conroy Families
Anthony & James Findlay

9.00am SHC

Holy Souls in Purgatory

11:00am OLM

Maria Alice Almeida e Silva
(anniversary)

Our Churches

Sacred Heart Church (SHC)

252 Port Road, Hindmarsh

Our Lady of the Manger (OLM)

176 Crittenden Road, Findon

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	07 Mar	12:15 pm	Mass at Sacred Heart Church (SHC) Hindmarsh
◇ Wednesday	08 Mar	6:00 pm	Stations at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon & Candlelight Mass
◇ Friday	10 Mar	9:15 am	Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
◇ Friday	10 Mar	6:30 pm	Stations at Sacred Heart Church (SHC) Hindmarsh
◇ Saturday	11 Mar	6:00 pm	Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
◇ Sunday	12 Mar	9:00 am	Mass at Sacred Heart Church (SHC) Hindmarsh
◇ Sunday	12 Mar	11:00 am	Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
◇ Sunday	12 Mar	5:00 pm	Latin Mass at Sacred Heart Church (SHC) Hindmarsh

"This is my beloved Son. Listen to Him"

The message of the Transfiguration must become, for each of us, a message that inspires the deepest hope throughout life. Through this event, the glory of God was revealed, the teachings of Moses and the prophets were confirmed, and the Father sent forth the only message we need to understand: "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." If we can understand this truth and follow this command, we will eternally share in the glories the Transfiguration revealed. This revelation, by which the human veil of Jesus' flesh was lifted, left Peter and the other disciples in a state of holy awe. Peter wanted to remain on the mountain with His transfigured Lord forever. Contrast this to his choice to run when Jesus was arrested and then to deny he even knew Jesus. When he saw Jesus' sacrifice begin, he ran and hid. But here, when he sees Jesus' glory, he wants to remain with Him forever.

The Transfiguration was given to these disciples, in part, to help them down the road as the Father invited them to embrace a life of sacrifice. Eventually they would come face-to-face with their own crosses, and they would have to make a decision as to whether they would embrace those crosses out of love. Sacrifice means just that: embracing suffering out of love. One thing that helps one choose sacrificial love is a knowledge of what that sacrifice produces. That is what the Transfiguration provided. By seeing the transfigured glory of Jesus, Peter, James, and John were eventually able to deduce in their minds and hearts that the sacrifice that Jesus foretold would ultimately end in eternal glory. Though you most likely have never had the experience of seeing the transfigured glory of Jesus with your own eyes, many have received spiritual consolations at various times in life. When this happens, we want them to remain. But they rarely do. Instead, God gives us just a glimpse of His glory so that we can hold on to that memory and use it when we need it the most. And those times will come when we listen to and obey the voice of the Father. "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him."

Reflect, today, upon the fact that the Jesus Who is now in glory is that same Jesus Who walked the earth. He is the same Jesus Whose teachings are recorded in Scripture. The same Jesus Who suffered injustice. And the same Jesus Who rose victoriously. Our lives are filled with many experiences, as was true of Jesus. Therefore, the only way to unite every experience we have in life is to follow the command of the Father. "Listen to him." Listen to the voice of the Savior. Follow Him up the mountain of consolation. Remain with Him through every suffering and cross. And listen to everything He teaches. If you do, one day you will, indeed, be invited to remain with Him in glory forever. Copyright © 2023 My Catholic Life!

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Stations of the Cross during Lent will be held on:

Wednesdays at Our Lady of the Manger, 6:00pm | Fridays at Sacred Heart Church, 6:30pm

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March 2023
 05 Mar 2nd Sunday of Lent
Sacramental Presentation Mass
 12 Mar 3rd Sunday of Lent
 17 Mar Feast of St Patrick, Bishop
 19 Mar 4th Sunday of Lent (Laetare)
 20 Mar Solemnity of St Joseph, Husband of Mary
 25 Mar Solemnity of The Annunciation of the Lord
 26 Mar 5th Sunday of Lent



April 2023
 02 Apr **Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion**
Daylight Savings Ends
 11am Italian Mass
 06 Apr **Holy Thursday of the Lord's Supper**
 07 Apr **Good Friday of the Lord's Passion**
 08 Apr **Holy Saturday**
 09 Apr **Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection**
 10 Apr Monday in the Octave of Easter
 16 Apr **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**
 2nd Sunday of Easter
 23 Apr 3rd Sunday of Easter
 25 Apr ANZAC Day
 26 Apr Feast of St Mark, Evangelist
 28 Apr St Peter Chanel, priest and Martyr



From the Archdiocese

Vincentian Spirituality Conference – Lefevre Catholic Community
 Vincentian Spirituality Presentation with Teresa Lynch, Training and Liaison officer supporting Vincentian Conferences across South Australia, will unpack key elements of Vincentian Spirituality through a presentation on **Sunday March 19 from 4pm-5pm** at the Lefevre Catholic Community Meeting Rooms, 253 Military Road, Semaphore. Enquiries to Fr Roderick O'Brien on P: 8449 6378. Certificates available for professional development. Please register with Fr Roderick before the event.

The Southern Cross
 The March edition of *The Southern Cross* is available for sale this weekend. This month's issue includes coverage of the visit of Sr Nathalie Becquart, one of the most influential women working in the Vatican; a feature on youth groups in the Archdiocese and profiles on Fr Denis Travers CP and two new Catholic school principals.

Father Charles Is Running Again For Turkey And Syria – For Caritas Australia



Father Charles Lukati, Parish Priest of Croydon Park, has joined with Caritas Australia to raise funds to help communities impacted by the recent earthquake in Turkey and Syria. Please support him as he runs the half marathon in Clare Valley on Sunday April 2, 2023. To join the cheer squad or participate in the run, please contact Tracey Tessitore on M: 0439 810 250. Donations can be made via the QR Code link.

Lenten Retreat
Saturday 18th March 11am - 3.30pm Topic "Come Back to Me." Speaker: Fr Manu Kumbidiyamackal MSFS The day includes Talks, Reflection, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Reconciliation, Mass, Sacrament of Anointing. Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church 420 Seaview Road Henley Beach. Please bring your own food tea/coffee provided. Enquiries and bookings phone Pauline 0403002240 by 15th March .Cost by donation. All Welcome

Our parish community invites you to join us this Saturday, 4th March at Our Lady of the Manger, Findon after the 6.00pm Vigil Mass for a light supper. Please feel free to bring a plate to share. We will look at holding this every other month.

Parish Fundraising Committee
 Are you interested in helping your community? Everyone is invited and welcome to join the Parish Fundraising Committee. **If you can spare a couple of hours once a month** to help plan and raise funds towards our much needed Community Centre, please contact Sandra Bahlij 0402894613 with your email address or sms. Please help us to support this worthy cause! We need you!



Are you able to help raise some much needed funds for our Community Centre? If you can spare a couple of hours of your time we would really appreciate your help in ushering cars into the SHC Carpark before Soccer Matches. **Please arrive 1 hour before the game begins, no need to stay for the whole match!** Some exciting games coming up include the FIFA Women's World Cup! See the table below for times. Please contact Sandra Bahlij 0402894613. Thank you!

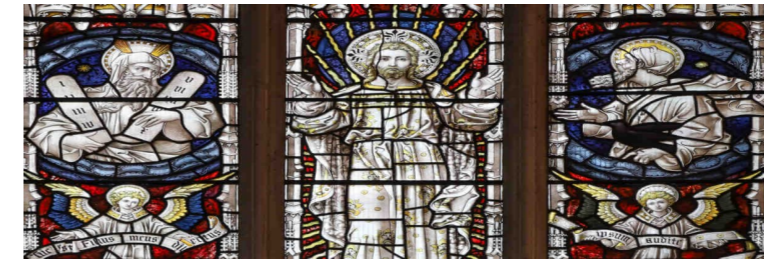
	Start Time	Teams
March		
Fri 17th	4:40pm	Adelaide United vs Newcastle Jets
Double Header		Adelaide United vs Wellington Phoenix
April		
Fri 7th	4:30pm	Adelaide United vs Sydney FC
Sun 16th	4:30pm	Adelaide United vs Western United FC
Sat 29th	4:30pm	Adelaide United vs Central Coast Mariners

Healing Mass Thursday 9th March Rosary 7pm Mass 7.30pm including the Sacrament of Anointing, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Reconciliation, Prayer Ministry with Candlelit music in the Spirit of Taize, and individual blessings with the Blessed Sacrament in the Monstrance. Tea/coffee light supper. At Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church 420 Seaview Road Henley Beach. All welcome Enquiries Pauline 0403002240 Thank you.

Come & See Youth Group
Members of the Preca Community based in Brompton have been supporting faith formation in our parish and have been deeply immersed in our parish life for over 60 years. This has included our parish sacramental programs, youth groups, family faith formation and adult programs.

Families from our parish and surrounding parishes meet every Friday night at 7:30pm at Nazareth Senior College Flinders Park. Here we gather as the 'Come and See' youth group and the wider Preca Community. There are opportunities for prayer, play, chat and meeting in groups where children, teens, young adults and parents get to deepen our understanding of what it means to follow the Gospel. We also arrange picnics together, camps, school holiday activities and special events throughout the year. Members of the Preca community come from many backgrounds and are committed to their mission of enabling parents, youth and ordinary people to not only to become holy and live the Gospel but to be able to witness and spread the message of Jesus to others. Our motto is "Divine Master, may the whole world follow Your Gospel!" This weekend we celebrate the Preca vocation day & invite all families to take the opportunity to 'Come and See'. We also invite young people who feel they have a calling to 'teach those who will teach others to come along on a Friday night and explore the possibilities and opportunities on offer.

Come and See Parish Youth Group Nazareth Secondary Campus
1 Hartley Rd, Flinders Park 7:30pm to 9pm
Friday nights
 Run and supervised by the Preca Community.
Everyone is welcome!
www.facebook.com/Come-See-Youth-Group
 Intsagram:cas.youth



"In the Transfiguration, Jesus shows us the glory of the Resurrection: a glimpse of Heaven on Earth." Pope Francis

Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion / Lectors
Nomination Forms for Parishes, Aged Care Facilities, Schools and Colleges
 A meeting for **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** will be held on: **March 21st at 6:30pm – 8pm in SHP Church** & for Lectors on **March 28th at 6:30pm – 8pm in SHP Church**

Sacramental Program
Presentation Mass
Confirmation
 We welcome all children who will celebrate the Sacraments of **Reconciliation – Confirmation – First Holy Communion**
 The Sacraments will be celebrated beginning August 12th 2023 with Nazareth Primary (Group 1) at Our Lady of the Manger Church Findon.

Presentations
 We welcome into our faith Community **Maia Isabella Moustrides, Eric Gabriel Talavera, and Ivy May Hutton** who will celebrate the **Sacrament of Baptism at Sacred Heart Church Hindmarsh next Sunday 12th March 2023**
 Please keep Maia, Eric, Ivy and their families in your prayers.

International Women's Day 2023
Wed 8th March
Uluru Statement of the Heart & Voice to Parliament Referendum
 Leith Mynott, First Nations woman, and Kenise Neill, Sister of St Joseph, will facilitate a conversation on the Uluru Statement of the Heart and the Voice to Parliament Referendum, highlighting actions and outcomes desperately needed for First Nations Peoples. Hosted by the SA Josephite Companions we will gather in recognition of Mary MacKillop, a great Australian woman whose life reflected inclusion and integrity and brought hope to others. Mary MacKillop Precinct **4 High St Kensington at 7pm.** Equire/register at: SA.Companions@sosj.org.au or 0417 871 904



Project Compassion has begun. We thank you for your generosity and support of Caritas Australia this Lenten season in helping support vulnerable people around the world, now and **For All Future Generations.**

Syria-Turkey Earthquake Disaster - Caritas Australia is supporting our partners to provide urgent humanitarian aid. The 7.8 magnitude earthquake has unleashed devastation on Turkey and Syria, leaving thousands of people dead. After 12 years of war, Syria is at breaking point and desperately needs assistance. **Your support to help those affected by this catastrophe is invaluable.** Your generous donation means our partners in Turkey and Syria can respond swiftly to support the survivors of this unimaginable tragedy. Visit: www.caritas.org.au/syria-turkey /call 1800 024413 toll free to donate now.



Second Sunday of Lent
"The Transfiguration of Our Lord"

"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."
 Matthew 17:1-9



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flash	lightning	Moses	John	mountain
cloud	Peter	changed	voice	Jesus
James	pray	chosen	clothes	Elijah
talking	face	bright	appeared	disciples

Rosary Prayer Group

Come along and pray the Rosary with us, each Friday morning after the 9:15 am Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church. Weather permitting, we pray outside in the gardens, however during times of inclement weather, the Rosary is prayed inside the Church. All are welcome.



Youth And Young Adults

The Catholic Office for Youth and Young Adults (COYYA) is hosting a **Youth and Young Adults Ministry Leaders Retreat Day on March 18, 2023, 10am to 4pm** at 116 George St, Thebarton (Catholic Education Office). 'New Horizons 2023' is a retreat day for 18 – 35's involved in Catholic ministry for young people in schools, parishes, communities and movements. Coffee and tea, light snacks and lunch are provided. Spaces are limited! Register <https://www.trybooking.com/CGBRC>. E: COYYAADL@cesa.catholic.edu.au

Calling all 16-35 year olds, if you are interested in travelling across the globe to attend **World Youth Day in Portugal, Lisbon** and travelling with the Disciples of Jesus group, please be in contact. We have lots more spots to fill to make a full group, so please pray and consider coming along. This event will be held between the **1st and 6th of August 2023**, however, the full pilgrimage tour is from 26th July to 9th August. World Youth Day week is all about the universal Catholic church gathering from countries all over the world to celebrate with the Pope daily masses and sharing faith with fellow Christ followers. If this sounds like something you would like to be part of, please register at <https://bookings.wydjourneys.com/DOJ01>. Closes March 21st.

