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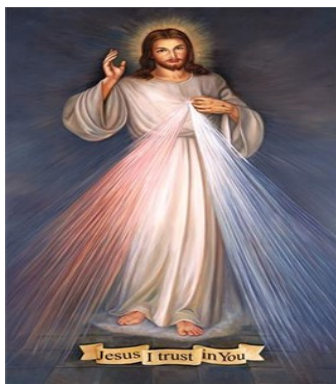
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IN THE CHARISM OF THE HEART OF CHRIST
'May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be everywhere loved'

16 April 2023



2nd Sunday of Easter

Year A

Responsorial Psalm

*Give thanks to the Lord for
He is good, His love is
everlasting.*

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

*You believe in me, Thomas,
because you have seen me;
happy those who have not
seen me, but still believe!*

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Today's Readings

Acts 2: 42-47

Psalms 117: 2-4, 3-15, 22-24

1 Pet 1: 3-9

John 20: 19-31

Mass Intentions

6.00 pm Saturday Vigil

Parish

9.00 am SHC

Bruno Bosco (Anniversary)
Holy Souls in Purgatory

11:00 am OLM

Parish

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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 18 Apr 12:15 pm Mass at Sacred Heart Church (SHC) Hindmarsh
- ◇ Wednesday 19 Apr 6:00 pm Adoration and Candlelight Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM)
- ◇ Friday 21 Apr 9:15 am Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
- ◇ Saturday 22 Apr 6:00 pm Vigil Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
- ◇ Sunday 23 Apr 9:00 am Mass at Sacred Heart Church (SHC) Hindmarsh
- ◇ Sunday 23 Apr 11:00 am Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon

"Divine Mercy Sunday"

Today is the Feast of all Feasts! It is the Feast of Mercy! This Feast originated from the private revelations given to Sr. Maria Faustina Kowolska, a Polish cloistered nun who died in 1938. In the year 2000, she was canonized by Saint Pope John Paul II, and the Feast of Mercy was instituted as a universal Feast of the Church.

God believed that this Sunday, the eighth day of the Octave of Easter, be celebrated as the Feast of Mercy. By placing this Feast on the last day of the Octave of Easter, God is telling us that the message of this Feast reveals the ultimate purpose of our lives. Easter is the culmination of the perfect plan of redemption. And Divine Mercy Sunday is the culmination of that perfect plan. Therefore, nothing is more important than trying to understand the message this Feast presents.

The Divine Mercy is the point of life. It's the only thing worth seeking. It's the only source of satisfaction and fulfillment. It's the only cure for our ills. It's the only source of true riches. In three short words: It Is Everything! Therefore, our contemplation of The Divine Mercy must be the single most important goal in our life today. When it is, everything else in life will fall into place in support of this goal.

Use this day as an opportunity to deepen your contemplation of this Gift. Begin by reading about God's Mercy as it was revealed to us through Saint Faustina. Try to spend time reading Jesus' words, His explanations, descriptions and revelations about His Mercy. As you do, if you find that it remains incomprehensible, don't worry. It is incomprehensible! Jesus said, "My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity."

However, since Jesus promised us that our eternity would be spent in contemplation of His Mercy, then we must believe that the more deeply we enter into that contemplation now, the more glorious our lives will become. If we can truly taste of this Mercy, gain a small glimpse of its grandeur, and comprehend even a small aspect of its meaning, then we will truly find much satisfaction in this endeavor.

It will only be through this contemplation that we will begin to live the central purpose of our lives.



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Sacred Heart Church (SHC)
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Our Churches

Our Lady of the Manger (OLM)
176 Crittenden Road, Findon

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Please Note: If the office is unattended, please leave a message and we will return your call ASAP

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April 2023

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
29 Apr	St Catherine of Siena, virgin & doctor of the Church
30 Apr	4th Sunday of Easter
01 May	St Joseph the Worker
03 May	Liturgy Meeting after 6pm Mass, OLM **Note Date Change**
03 May	Feast of St Philip and St James, Apostles
07 May	5th Sunday of Easter
14 May	Mother's Day and 6th Sunday of Easter
21 May	Solemnity of the Ascension of Our Lord Marian Procession
24 May	Solemnity of Our Lady Help of Christians
28 May	Pentecost Sunday (End of Eastertide)
29 May	Memorial of The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
31 May	Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

June 2023

04 Jun	Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity
11 Jun	Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ
16 Jun	***Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus***
17 Jun	Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
18 Jun	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
24 Jun	Solemnity of The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist
25 Jun	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
29 Jun	Solemnity of St Peter and St Paul, Apostles

From the Archdiocese

Northern Light Parish

The centenary of Our Lady of the Nativity at Hamley Bridge will be celebrated on **Sunday April 30**. There will be Mass at 10.30am, celebrated by Archbishop O'Regan, followed by a light lunch. Anyone with a connection to the town is invited. If planning to attend, please contact the parish office - P: 8566 2064 or E: nlparish@adam.com.au.

Free Telephone Counselling Course - Birthline Pregnancy Support

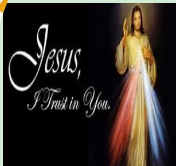
GET INVOLVED! Join the Birthline Pregnancy Support team of telephone counsellors! You can make a real difference to women and their families facing unplanned pregnancy and pregnancy loss. To help you get started, we are offering a no cost telephone counselling course. To find out more or to register your interest, birthline@birthline.org.au or contact Grace on M: 0413 380 833. More information on www.birthline.org.au.

Marian Procession Sunday May 21st 2023

Beginning at the Pioneer Women's Memorial Gardens (next to the Torrens Parade Ground on King William Rd) processing up King William St to Victoria Square. This year, we celebrate the *Feast of the Visitation* in line with the 2023 World Youth Day theme. The Procession will commence at 2pm and all are invited to attend with their parish or community. Group assembly will begin from 1.30pm. For more information, contact Archdiocesan Events on P: 8210 8220.

The Southern Cross is FREE this month!

Please take home a free copy of this month's edition of *The Southern Cross*. The Easter edition includes all the latest news and events in our local Church and School communities.



May is the month of Our Lady & as part of fundraising for our Community Centre, it would be great if we could get together at different venues to recite the Rosary together, and donate some money for a cup of tea & cake! Please let Sandra know if you're interested 0402894613. All Welcome!



Another fundraising project we have running is **Collecting Bottles & Cans** to raise money for our Community Centre. Tuong has volunteered to collect for Findon, & we are looking for volunteers to do the same for Hindmarsh, see Sandra if you can help. Thank you!

	Start Time	Teams
April		
Sun 16th	4:30pm	Adelaide United vs Western United FC
Fri 28th	7:15pm	Adelaide United vs Central Coast Mariners
July		
Mon 24th	8:30pm	FIFA Women's World Cup 2023 Brazil vs Panama
Fri 28th	8:30pm	FIFA Women's World Cup 2023 China PR vs Haiti
Sun 30th	2:00pm	FIFA Women's World Cup 2023 Morocco vs Korea Republic
August		
Tue 1st	8:30pm	FIFA Women's World Cup 2023 England vs China PR
Tue 8th	8:30pm	FIFA Women's World Cup 2023 Round of 16

Liturgy Meeting

Wednesday 3rd May @ Our Lady of the Manger
after 6pm Mass

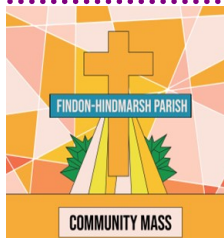
Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Tuesday 20th June at 6:30pm, venue to be confirmed

Presentations

We welcome into our faith Community **Samuel Mathew Penko & Mussimo Pieri Sumak** who will celebrate the **Sacrament of Baptism** at Sacred Heart Church next weekend.

Please keep Samuel, Mussimo and their families in your prayers.



The next **Community Mass** will be held at Our Lady of the Manger Church, Findon on **Sunday 21st May at 11am**. Hosted by Nazareth Primary School. All families are welcome!



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.



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](https://www.instagram.com/cas.youth)

Come & See
Youth Group



"Where, if not in the Divine Mercy, can the world find refuge and the light of hope?" *Pope John Paul II*



Feast of Divine Mercy – Sunday 16th April

Divine Mercy Sunday—Our Lady of The Rosary Church

You, your family, and friends are invited to join us to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, **April 16** (the Sunday after Easter) at **Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 14 Barker Road, Prospect, 2.30pm – 6.30pm**. Don't forget to bring your rosary beads, prayer cards, books, etc. to be blessed by Father. Enquiries: Mario Forte M: 0412 700 300; or Lothar Bukojemski M: 0422 982 860.

Sunday Gospel Activities

How to Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet

1. Make the Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

2. Optional Opening Prayers

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.

(Repeat three times)

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You!

3. Our Father

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, Amen.

4. Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death, Amen.

5. The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

6. The Eternal Father

Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

7. On the 10 Small Beads of Each Decade

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

8. Repeat for the remaining decades

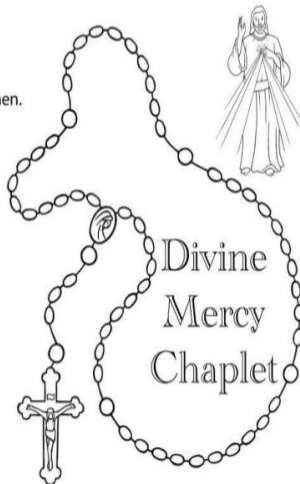
Saying the "Eternal Father" (6) on the "Our Father" bead and then 10 "For the sake of His sorrowful Passion" (7) on the following "Hail Mary" beads.

9. Conclude with Holy God (Repeat three times)

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

10. Optional Closing Prayer

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion — inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.



Gospel Today

Second Sunday of Easter or Sunday of Divine Mercy | John 20:19-31

After His Resurrection, Jesus greeted His disciples in the locked room saying, "Peace be with you". Then He said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them". Thomas was not present, but Jesus came a week later when he was there and said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands... and do not be unbelieving, but believe". *John 20:27*

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Believe... in the mercy of God

Jesus wants us to...

- 1) Receive Penance during Lent, our preparation time.
- 2) Receive Communion on this day.
- 3) Venerate or respect the image of Jesus.
- 4) Perform deeds of mercy/acts of kindness for everyone out of love for Jesus.
- 5) For this, Jesus will grant complete forgiveness of sins and punishments.



"Blessed are those who have not seen, and have believed." *John 20:29*

BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Find all the words... left, right, up, down or diagonally.

Divine	P	E	A	C	E	J	E	S	U	S	T	C	A
Mercy	H	O	L	E	V	I	G	R	O	F	J	E	I
Jesus	S	T	O	V	E	R	J	O	Y	E	D	Y	M
Appears	E	V	I	E	C	E	R	D	I	V	I	N	E
Disciples	T	O	S	W	L	N	M	E	H	E	U	R	R
Locked	E	N	P	T	F	E	L	A	O	R	E	O	C
Room	L	T	I	P	A	E	I	E	L	Y	V	O	Y
Overjoyed	P	C	R	A	U	S	G	S	Y	O	E	M	D
Peace	M	E	I	M	S	S	E	N	D	N	I	K	E
With	O	P	T	E	T	D	E	S	S	E	L	B	K
You	C	S	M	D	I	S	C	I	P	L	E	S	C
Receive	K	E	T	D	N	E	G	A	M	I	B	D	O
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The Family That Prays Together Stays Together The Try Prayer! It Works! Contest...

Children of grades R-12 enrolled in a Catholic school, religious education program, parish, or other organization, including homeschool, are eligible to enter. Entries will be judged on content, ability to capture and interpret the theme, artistic and technical proficiency, and adherence to rules.

The Contest is a simple way for teachers, catechists, and parents to encourage young people & their families to pray together. We provide an engaging prompt and reflection questions for families to discuss during dinner. Then, students use their creative skills to express their reflections in prose, poetry, artwork or video.

1. PROSE – Submit an essay of 50 to 250 words on A4 paper.

2. POETRY – On A4 paper, submit a poem of a minimum of 10 lines and a maximum of 30 lines. Poetry may rhyme or be written in free verse.

3. ARTWORK – (painting, drawing, scrapbooking, or collage) Any of these mediums can be submitted on no larger than A4 paper. Also, include a brief description of the work.

4. VIDEO – Videos may be no longer than two minutes. Ensure the file is saved and uploaded as an .MP4, .MOV, or .MPEG format and in Standard Definition.

Each entry must be accompanied by an official entry form. Entry Forms are now available at the back of the Church / in the foyer for collection. **Prizes will be awarded to the best entries!**

Please submit your entries to the Parish by no later than APRIL 30th 2023. <https://www.familyrosary.org/tryprayer>

Email: shparish@shphf.com.au or hand your entry to Father Lancy or Father Santhosh.



A Whole Ocean of Graces

Divine Mercy Sunday (Year A)

Saint Faustina reports in her *Diary* what Jesus told her about Divine Mercy Sunday:

“My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day are open all the divine floodgates through which graces flow” (*Diary* #699).

That day is today! It is the Feast of Divine Mercy! Today’s feast is among the newer feasts in our Church. Though Jesus’ desire that this feast be celebrated on the eighth day of Easter was spoken to Sister Maria Faustina Kowolska back in 1931, it was not solemnly instituted until the year 2000. On April 30 of that year, Saint Pope John Paul II canonized Saint Faustina and inaugurated the Feast of Divine Mercy as a universal feast within the Church.

Among the many messages contained within her *Diary*, Jesus revealed to us that this Sunday, the eighth and final day of the Octave of Easter, is a day like none other. Though grace and mercy are continuously poured out from Heaven upon us, Jesus is very clear that today is unique. Today, “a whole ocean of graces” is poured forth upon souls who approach the font of His mercy. Symbolically speaking, a whole ocean is meant to depict the infinite. Thus, God is saying that the infinity of grace is given today. The question for us all to ponder is this: How receptive am I to those infinite graces?

God wants to stretch our capacity to receive His mercy more abundantly by widening our capacity for mercy. He desires to first prepare our souls to receive an infinity of mercy by transforming us into vessels of infinite capacity.

Saint Teresa of Ávila, in her spiritual classic, “Interior Castles,” teaches us that the soul is, indeed, capable of infinite capacity for the simple fact that God dwells within. The soul is like an interior castle with many interlinked dwelling places through which we must pass so as to arrive at the central chamber. She teaches that the goal of the spiritual life is to travel through these various dwelling places to the center of our souls where the infinite God dwells so that we can be present to Him there. Therefore, we must understand that our souls are indeed capable of receiving the infinite waters of mercy, because God created us with this ability when He chose to live within us. The key to being able to fully receive this fullness of mercy is to seek out the infinite God, dwelling within. How is this done?

The heart of the path laid out in the *Diary* of Saint Faustina is as follows: Go to Confession and receive Holy Communion so as to obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. However, as many of the great spiritual writers explain, such as Saint Teresa of Ávila, there are many levels we must pass on our spiritual journey so as to be able to encounter God in His fullness. This, of course, includes encountering God’s mercy given to us in Holy Communion and Confession. Those who receive these Sacraments while dwelling only in the first dwelling places, for example, will never benefit from them to the extent that those who dwell in the seventh and central mansion where the King dwells in fullness. Thus, mercy is given in its fullness but unless we make the transforming journey to God through conversion and purification of our souls, we will never be able to receive the ocean of graces God bestows.

Reflect, today, upon this ocean being poured forth upon you. As you humbly admit your limited openness to God’s grace, know that God patiently waits for you, dwelling in His fullness deep within you, waiting for you to make the journey to Him. There is an ocean of the fullness of life waiting for you. Dive in and allow His mercy to deepen your capacity to receive Him most fully.



Prayer

My Lord,

*You are The Divine Mercy,
the source of all grace
and the Bestower of this grace
in superabundance.*

*I thank You for the infinity of Your generosity
and pray that my soul
will be more fully disposed to receive You.
Please stretch the capacity of my soul
through my ongoing journey
of purification and conversion
so that I will receive
all that You wish to bestow.*

Jesus, I trust in You.

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Quote of the Week

*“Trust the past to God’s Mercy, the present to God’s
Love and the future to God’s Providence.”*

St Augustine of Hippo