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

Sacred Heart Church **Our Lady of the Manger**
252 Port Rd Hindmarsh 176 Crittenden Rd Findon

03 December 2023



Year A

*The First Sunday
of Advent*

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be saved.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Today's Readings

Is 63: 16-17; 64: 1, 3-8

Ps 79: 2-3, 15-16, 18-19

1 Cor 1: 3-9

Mark 13: 33-37

Mass Intentions

6.00 pm Saturday Vigil
Parish

9.00 am SHC
Francesco Varapodio
Bruno Ienco

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 05 Dec 12:15 pm Mass at Sacred Heart Church (SHC) Hindmarsh
- ◇ Wednesday 06 Dec 6:00 pm Adoration and Candelight Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM)
- ◇ Friday 08 Dec 9:15 am Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
- ◇ Saturday 09 Dec 6:00 pm Vigil Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
- ◇ Sunday 10 Dec 9:00 am Mass at Sacred Heart Church (SHC) Hindmarsh
- ◇ Sunday 10 Dec 11:00 am Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon

Do Not Miss Out

"Jesus said to his disciples: "Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come." Mark 13:33

To which time is our Lord referring? He is referring to the time of His coming. But it must be understood that even though He came to us once in the flesh long ago, and though He will return again in the flesh to judge the living and the dead at the end of time, He never ceases to come to us day and night by the transforming gift of grace. Are you attentive to this coming? Or do you miss out on the countless blessings of God's grace that He wants to bestow upon you every day, all day?

The world has many distractions. We are distracted by the lure of riches, the indulgence of our appetites, and the constant noise of modern media, electronic gadgets and the like. These and many other daily distractions make it very difficult to be constantly "watchful" and "alert." This is because our attention span is limited. Though some may learn to "multi-task" to a certain extent, no one can continually divide their attention between the presence of God and the distractions of the world.

Some may argue that it is necessary to engage the world today. It is not possible to continually pray and think only about God. But those who would be tempted to think this do not understand the attentiveness and watchfulness to which we are called.

Being watchful and attentive simply means that God is central in our lives and is the motivation and purpose of all we do every day. Our love for and service to God cannot be divided. We cannot set aside some time for the world and other times for God. Instead, everything we do, every day, all day, must have the glory of God and the fulfillment of God's perfect will as the central and exclusive purpose of our lives. Thus, if we interact with the world, tune into social media, fulfill household chores, put in extra hours at work, etc., we must constantly ponder the simple question, "Lord, am I doing this for Your glory and in accord with Your will?" We must never fail to ask ourselves that question.

We must always have the glory of God and the fulfillment of His will as the central purpose and motivation for all that we do. If we can live this way, then we will discover that it becomes increasingly easy to always and everywhere be attentive to and watchful for God's will.

Reflect, today, upon that to which you most often turn your attention. What is it that you think about the most each day? To what are you most attentive and watchful? If the answer to that question is not the ongoing promptings of God and His grace, then make note of that fact. Humbly pray that you can change and begin to form a transforming habit of daily keeping your attention on our Lord so that He will become your daily guide and focus in all things.

Lord of all grace, You come to me day and night, speaking to me, calling me and desiring to guide me. May I learn to turn my full attention to You every day so that nothing but You and Your holy will lead me always. Jesus, I trust in You.

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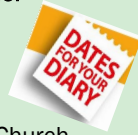
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December 2023

03 Dec	1st Sunday of Advent, Feast of St Francis Xavier
08 Dec	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
10 Dec	2nd Sunday of Advent
12 Dec	Our Lady of Guadalupe
13 Dec	St Lucy, virgin and martyr
14 Dec	St John of the Cross, priest and doctor of the Church
17 Dec	3rd Sunday of Advent
24 Dec	4th Sunday of Advent
25 Dec	The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Day)
26 Dec	St Stephen, first martyr
27 Dec	St John, Apostle and Evangelist
28 Dec	Feast of the Holy Innocents, Martyrs
31 Dec	Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



From the Archdiocese

Adoration at St Laurence's Church

On **Fridays from 7-8pm**, there is a silent adoration of the Blessed Sacrament exposed, with opportunity for Confession. This began with Pope Francis' call for a day of prayer, fasting and penance on October 27, to obtain peace, especially in Ukraine and the Holy Land. Come when you can, even if only for a few minutes. Confession will be available from 7.30pm.

Advent Reflections

A series of Advent reflections looking at the significance of Christmas in the context of 'The Big Story of the Universe' - how do we connect the Big Bang to the stable in Bethlehem and Adelaide in 2023? Each session will include prayer, reading, reflection, sharing and discussion. When: **Wednesdays of Advent, November 29, December 6, 13, 20.** Time and place: 10am at the Mercy Centre, 4 Victoria St, Mile End and 7pm, Hallett Cove Catholic Church foyer. All sessions 90 minutes. Presenter: Kevin Liston. Sponsored by SA Catholics for an Evolving Church (SACEC) For more information and to register for the first handout: E: Kevin.liston1@gmail.com or Ph: 0411 197 829.

Advent Retreat

An Advent Retreat will be held on **Saturday 16th December** 9:15am - 3:30pm At Our Lady of the Sacred Church 420 Seaview Road Henley Beach. The Topic: "Don't be Afraid, Mary; Speaker: Fr Manu Kumbidiyamackal MSFS The day will include Talks given by Fr Manu, Mass, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Silent Reflection, Reconciliation, Benediction, Prayer Ministry. Please bring your own lunch tea/coffee provided. Enquiries and bookings phone Pauline 0403002240 by 14th December. Cost by donation. All welcome

Young Adult Summer Eco Camp - February 7-12 2024

This four-day event is for students and any young adults (18-35) who have a concern for the care of Earth. Participants will engage with the local natural environment, hear inspiring speakers and have time to reflect and share. Through attentiveness to Earth and each other, it is envisaged that participants will feel empowered to act for the care of our planet with hope. For more details see <https://jisa.org.au/2024-young-adult-summer-eco-camp/>

Healing Mass Thursday 14th December 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, individual blessings with the Blessed Sacrament in the Monstrance, and Benediction. Tea/coffee and light supper available. At Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church 420 Seaview Road Henley Beach. All welcome. Enquiries phone Pauline 0403002240

Konkani Community There will be a Konkani Community Mass held this **Saturday December 2nd at 5pm at Sacred Heart Church Hindmarsh** in honour of the feast of St Francis Xavier. There will be a gathering after Mass in the Hall. All welcome.

There will be **Italian Mass at Sacred Heart Church** this Sunday, **3rd December** followed by lunch in the Hall. All are welcome!



We pray for all the sick in our community that God will grant them courage, healing and strength.

We especially pray for healing for our parishioners **Franco Antonio Zardo, Michelle Dench.**

If you would like prayers or to add a name to our sick list, please contact the parish office. Thank you.



Giving Tree



Our Vinnies Giving Trees are now in both of our Mass Centres, The Thank you for your support of Vinnies in helping those who are less fortunate



this Christmas. If you are donating goods for the Hampers, please bring in items by **Friday Dec 8th** at the latest. "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

I want YOU! I am looking for volunteers!

At this stage we have 16 families to deliver food to on the **16th December** in our local area. I need 5 drivers and a passenger in each car to deliver Christmas Hampers to families in need. We meet at the Sacred



Heart Church Hall at **8:30am**—where Father will be present to bless the hampers before they are delivered. I would really appreciate your help - please contact me, Sandra Bahlij, on 0402894613. Thank you.



Please take home a copy of the **Adelaide Catholic Archdiocese Advent Booklet** 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.



Reconciliation

Sunday 17th December—SHC, Hindmarsh
After the 9am Mass

Wednesday 20th December—OLM, Findon
After the 6pm Mass



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!



Christmas Day Our Lady of the Manger Findon: Please Note Mass time change. 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 Celebrations 2023

18th / 19th November

Vinnies Giving Tree - placed in Mass Centres

Blessing of Cribs ~ 2nd Sunday of Advent

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

Hearts United Christmas Dance

Saturday	9 December	Mary MacKillop Hall - Nazareth Primary School
Sunday	10 December	SHC Community Christmas Party after 9am Mass

Parish Christmas Carols in the Courtyard

Sunday	17 December	6:00pm - 9:00pm Sacred Heart Church Courtyard
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**All Parishioners and visitors are Welcome. Kindly bring your own chairs/rugs.

Reconciliation (Confessions)

Sunday	17 December	SHC Hindmarsh - (After 9:00am Mass)
Wednesday	20 December	OLM Findon - (After 6:00pm Mass)

Christmas Eve

Sunday	24 December	6.00pm	OLM Findon (Children's Liturgy)**
		7.00pm	SHC Hindmarsh (Children's Liturgy)**
		Midnight	SHC Hindmarsh (Carols at 11.30pm followed by Mass)

**Children are encouraged to dress in costumes appropriate to the season e.g. Angels, shepherds, wise men/women

Christmas Day

Monday	25 December	9.00am	SHC Hindmarsh
		10.00am	OLM Findon - Note time change

Feast of the Holy Family

Saturday	30 December	6.00pm	OLM - Findon
Sunday	31 December	9.00am	SHC - Hindmarsh
		11.00am	OLM - Findon

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Monday	1 January	10.00am	SHC - Hindmarsh
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Feast of the Epiphany

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

**The Parish Office will close on Friday 22 December 2023 and re-open on Thursday 4 January 2024

The Parish Office Team wish you and your loved ones a
Happy and Holy Christmas and Blessings for the New Year.



Gospel Today

First Sunday of Advent | Mark 13:33-37

Cycle B

BE AWARE & KEEP WATCH!

Always be ready for the day and hour when God comes again. No one knows when, not even Jesus or the Angels in Heaven.

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FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

ARRIVAL OR COMING OF CHRIST

BLESS THIS WREATH

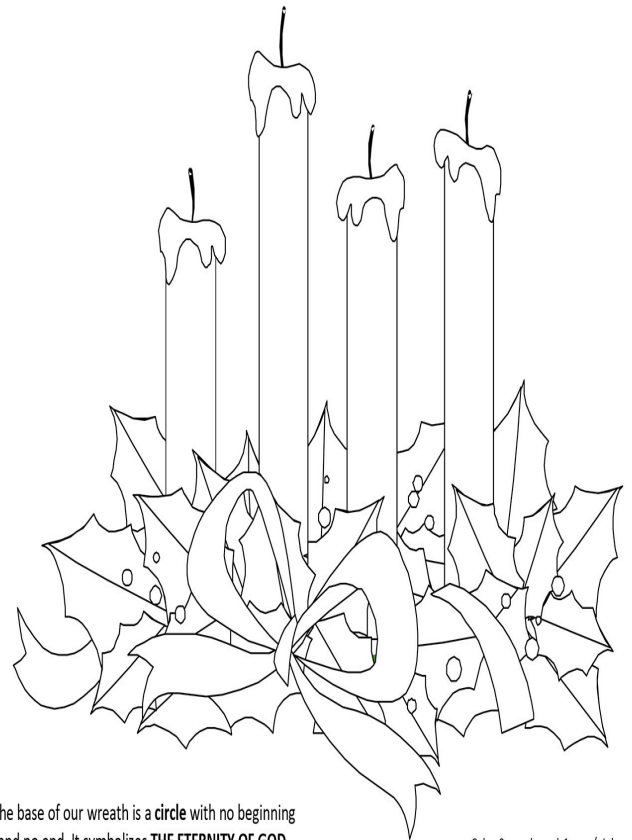
Prayer said by Father or head of household

"O God, by whose word all things are sanctified, pour forth Thy blessings upon this wreath and grant that we who use it may prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ and may receive from Thee abundant graces. Through Christ our Lord, Amen."

WEEK 1, evening lighting prayer

Prayer said by Father or head of household

"O Lord, stir up Thy might, we beg Thee, and come, that by Thy protection we may deserve to be rescued from the threatening dangers of our sins and saved by Thy deliverance. Through Christ our Lord, Amen". Youngest child lights 1 purple candle.



The base of our wreath is a circle with no beginning and no end. It symbolizes THE ETERNITY OF GOD.

Color 3 purple and 1 rose/pink candle.
Draw a flame on 1 purple candle and color the holly leaves green.

We decorate the base with EVERGREENS which represent CONTINUOUS LIFE.

Baptism

We welcome into our faith Community

Anthony Salvatori Carbone and
Isaac Jeffrey Demicoli

who celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend within our
Sacred Heart Hindmarsh—Findon Parish
Presentation

We also welcome into our faith Community
Luca Ragnar Sincok & James Natalino Periera
who celebrate their Baptism next weekend
within our Parish.

Please keep Anthony, Isaac, Luca, James
and their families in your prayers.



This week we continue to learn more about the Congregation of Holy Cross to which Fathers Lancy and Santhosh belong. We will be continuing these articles until the Feast of the Sacred Heart on 7th June 2024, to commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the entry of its founder, Blessed Basile Moreau, into eternal life.

Father Patrick Peyton, C.S.C.

Patrick Peyton was born on January 9, 1909, and grew up on a small farm in Ireland with his eight brothers and sisters. His family was poor but they were rich in faith. Every night after dinner, Patrick's father would gather the family together to pray the Rosary.

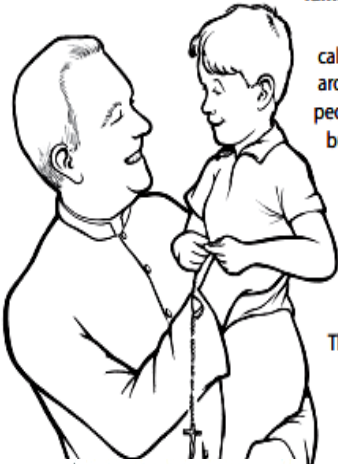
When Patrick was 19 years old, he moved to the United States with his brother, Tom. They wanted to get jobs and make money – but God had other plans for them.

In America, Patrick found a job as a sexton (janitor) at a Cathedral in Scranton, Pennsylvania. He continued to pray the Rosary every day just like he had with his family.

Patrick and Tom kept feeling like God wanted them to be priests. Eventually they went to the seminary of the Congregation of Holy Cross at Notre Dame, Indiana. A seminary is a college where men study to become priests.

Patrick loved the seminary. One day he became very sick. The doctors told Patrick he might not recover. At that time, there was not medicine like we have today. Patrick was sick for an entire year. A priest told Patrick to pray to Mary for her intercession. Intercession is asking a saint to pray to God for you. Patrick did that and he continued to pray his Rosary too. He became well again!

Patrick completed his studies and become a priest. He spent the rest of his life telling families about praying the Rosary. He always told them, **"The family that prays together stays together."**



In 1942 Father Peyton started an organization called Family Rosary. He traveled to many countries around the world and attended many events telling people about Rosary prayer. He had many challenges but always prayed his Rosary and amazing things happened!

Then Father Peyton went to Hollywood, California to ask some famous people to pray the Rosary with him on the radio and television. They did help him and in 1947 Father Peyton started another organization in Hollywood called Family Theater Productions.

Father Peyton died at 83 years old on June 3, 1992, and he is buried in North Easton, Massachusetts. Both of Father Peyton's organizations still work hard today letting families know about the importance of praying.

We hope someday soon the Pope will declare Father Peyton a saint!



Feast of Christ the King : Sunday 26th November

Thank you to all those parishioners who helped to celebrate the Feast of Christ the King last weekend at both of our Mass centres. It was a beautiful celebration!!



Quote of the Week

"There is no hope without love, no love without hope and neither love nor hope without faith."

Saint Augustine



Carpark Fundraising at Sacred Heart Church
Soccer Matches at Cooper's Stadium have begun again— if you would like to volunteer and be added to the **Carpark WhatsApp Group** please let Sandra know on 0402 894 613. If you can help **please arrive about an hour before games begin.** Thank you!

December	Events are at :	Cooper's STADIUM
Sun 10	2:30pm	Adelaide United vs Brisbane Roar FC
Fri 22	7:15pm	Adelaide United vs Newcastle Jets
January 2024		
Thu 04	7:15pm	Adelaide United vs Wellington Phoenix
Mon 08	7:15pm	Adelaide United vs Macarthur FC
February 2024		
Sat 03	7:15pm	Adelaide United vs Central Coast Mariners

The Sacred Heart Catholic Parish (Hindmarsh - Findon)

invites you to

Hearts United Christmas Dance

Come in your dancing shoes to enjoy a fun-filled evening!

Nazareth Primary Campus
McKillop Hall,
176 Crittenden Rd, Findon

7pm-11pm | 9 Dec 2023

TICKET PRICE: \$20
(incl. a glass of wine, juice, or soft drink)

Tickets available after Mass at each Mass centre through Cathy, Kath, & Sandra

Tickets available by Cash, EFT
For further details contact Parish Office on 8346 3901

Bring a plate to share, drinks available for purchase
Music will be provided by a DJ and our parish musicians

There is only 1 week to go before our Christmas Dance!
We will also be playing Bingo and there will be Raffle Tickets for sale during the evening.
Wear your Christmas colours and bring your dancing shoes!!!

Sacred Heart Parish (Hindmarsh - Findon)

presents

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IN THE

COURTYARD

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2023 AT 6PM
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BYO picnic rugs/mats/chairs/tables

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