

# WELCOME TO SACRED HEART PARISH HINDMARSH-FINDON

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Parish Office
29 Grange Rd, West Hindmarsh
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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

### **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

$\Diamond$	Tuesday	04 M	lar 12:15 pm	Mass at Sacred Heart Church (SHC) Hindmarsh
$\Diamond$	Wednesday	05 M	lar 9:30 am	ASH WEDNESDAY Mass at Sacred Heart Church (SHC) Hindmarsh
			6:00 pm	ASH WEDNESDAY Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
$\Diamond$	Friday	07 M	lar 9:15 am	Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
$\Diamond$	Saturday	08 M	lar 6:00 pm	Vigil Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
$\Diamond$	Sunday	09 M	lar 9:00 am	Mass at Sacred Heart Church (SHC) Hindmarsh
$\Diamond$	Sunday	09 M	lar 11:00 am	Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon



8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### **Responsorial Psalm**

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!
Shine on the world like
bright stars; you are
offering it the word of
life.

Alleluia!

### Today's Readings

Sirach 27:4-7

Ps 91:2-3, 13-16

1 Cor 15:54-58

Lk 6:39-45

### **Mass Intentions**

6.00pm Saturday Vigil OLM

James & Anthony Findlay

9.00am SHC Franco Zardo

11.00am OLM

Parish

Fully Trained

"Jesus told his disciples a parable, "Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit? No disciple is superior to the teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher."

Luke 6:39-40

Are you "fully trained?" What does it mean to be fully trained? Jesus makes it clear that those who are fully trained will be like their teacher. Of course, we must become like our Lord, who is the one and only Teacher. So are you like Him in every way?

Being fully trained as a Christian is different than being fully trained in an occupation. For example, a doctor is fully trained when all the necessary lessons are learned and the practical aspects of medicine are put into practice. That is why that person becomes a doctor, just like the doctors who were their teachers. But the Christian life is not something we master by learning many teachings of the faith so that, by our expertise, we can then put them into practice using our natural talents. For a Christian to be fully trained, it is necessary that the Divine Physician fully possess them, live within them, and act through them. Thus, Christian training is the practice of allowing God to become one with you so that it is God Who acts in and through you.

This form of "training" first takes on the goal of freeing us from spiritual blindness. We must see Christ and come to know Him. Again, this is not a matter of simply learning various truths about God in an intellectual way. It's a matter of coming to know the Truth Himself. We must see and know the Person Who is Christ Jesus. This is true sight. Blindness, however, can always set in again when we take the eyes of our soul off the Savior.

Seeing Christ, however, is not enough. Seeing must be followed by doing. That is why our Lord goes on to say in today's Gospel that "every tree is known by its own fruit" and that a "good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good." Seeing Christ Himself, within your soul, will produce that "store of goodness," and this will make you more "fully trained." Only then can you produce good fruit, for it will be Christ Himself producing the good fruit in and through you.

So back to our original question: "Are you fully trained?" Do you daily keep your eyes on a Person, Jesus Himself? And if so, do You allow Him to act in your life and, through you, in the lives of others? If you cannot answer these questions with a confident "Yes," then you might have more blindness in the spiritual life than you realize.

Reflect, today, upon your mission to become a fully trained soldier of Christ. God wants to use you, to live within you, and to act through you. He wants you to be like Him in every way. This is only possible when you admit the blindness with which you struggle, turn your eyes to Him, and allow Him to become one with you. Start by turning to Him as He dwells within you. Search for Him, seek Him, and love Him. If you keep your eyes upon Him, He will carefully take care of the rest, leading you to a fully trained and fruitful life.

My divine Teacher, I turn to You, the Lord of all, and seek to fix my gaze upon You. As I see You, please remove my blindness and confusion. In place of these, give me wisdom so that I will always allow You to live in me and act through me, bearing an abundance of good fruit. Jesus, I trust in You.

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March 2025

02 Mar Santa Eufemia Festa

Italian Mass @ 11:00am at SHC

05 Mar Ash Wednesday

Mass at 9:30am SHC Mass at 6:00pm 0LM Project Compassion Appeal

09 Mar 1st Sunday of Lent 17 Mar Saint Patrick

17 Mar Saint Patrick19 Mar Saint Joseph23 Mar 3rd Sunday of Lent

25 Mar The Annunciation of the Lord

<u>April 2025</u>

06 Apr 5th Sunday of Lent

09 Apr Reconciliation @ 6:00pm at OLM

13 Apr Palm Sunday 17 Apr Holy Thursday 18 Apr Good Friday 20 Apr Easter Sunday 25 Apr Anzac Day

27 Apr 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

**MAY 2025** 

11 May Mother's Day 13 May Our Lady of Fatima 18 May 5th Sunday of Easter







### **Vinnies Meeting**

Tuesday, 1st April @ 7:00pm at OLM

**Parish Community Connect Meeting** 

Thursday, 20th March @ 6:30pm at OLM

**Parish Finance Council Meeting** 

Wednesday, 30th April @ 7:00pm at OLM

**Liturgy Meeting** 

Tuesday, 18th March @ 7:00pm at Parish Office

**Parish Pastoral Council Meeting** 

Tuesday, 1st April @ 6:30pm at TBA

**APRIM Meeting** 

Tuesday, 27th May @ 1:00pm at Parish Office

### Lenten Program - No Greater Love A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion:

Beginning on Wednesday March 12, the Hectorville Parish will be offering a program that will help you to experience Christ's Passion and Death as you never have before. In No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion, we are going to walk step-by-step with Jesus on his journey from his Agony in the Garden to his Crucifixion on Calvary. Participants will meet for prayer, discussion and an engaging video presentation presented by Dr Edward Sri, which was filmed on location in the Holy Land, so we can see the actual locations where Christ's passion occurred! This five-part Bible study program is for parishioners of all ages. Participation is free, however, participants may purchase the accompanying work book for \$30.

Location: Annunciation Church, Hectorville

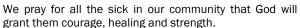
Date: Wednesdays March 12 - April 9, Time: 7-8pm

# Lenten Reflections 2025: Lead-up to Easter – The Revelation of Resurrection

Hallett Cove Catholic Church: 7pm. Mercy Centre, 4 Victoria St. Mile End: 10am Tuesdays March 11, 18, 25; April 1, 8, 15

Presenter: Kevin Liston.

Sponsor: SA Catholics for an Evolving Church (SACEC) For more information and to register for pre-reading: E: Kevin.liston1@gmail.com or P: 0411 197 829.



We especially pray for healing for our parishioners

Mary Cusack, Michelle Dench, PA Merchant, L Parker and Frank O'Flynn.

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





Ash Wednesday

## ASH WEDNESDAY MASS 5th March 2025

9:30am at Sacred Heart Church, Hindmarsh

6:00pm at Our Lady of the Manger Church, Findon



### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

## Wednesdays

6:00pm at Our Lady of the Manger Church, Findon

## **Fridays**

6:30pm at Sacred Heart Church, Hindmarsh

## Sacred Heart Parish Hindmarsh ~ Findon

Sacred Heart Church Our Lady of the Manger Church 252 Port Road, Hindmarsh 176 Crittenden Road, Findon

# LENT, Holy Week & Easter 2025

Stations of the Cross & Mass on WEDNESDAYS At 6.00pm at OLM, FINDON

Stations of the Cross only on Fridays: at 6.30pm at Sacred Heart Church, Hindmarsh

Wednesday April 9th

Reconciliation Only (short liturgy) At 6.00pm at OLM Church, Findon

Palm Sunday- 13<sup>th</sup> APRIL

### **Parish Pastoral Council**

**Thank you** to Mary Hemmings for her dedicated service as the chair of PPC.

**Congratulations** and welcome to the New Chairperson Marni Curtis and new Secretary of PPC Reena Aftab and members.



### **ASH WEDNESDAY**

Ash Wednesday is one of the most popular and important holy days in the liturgical calendar. Ash Wednesday opens Lent, a season of fasting and prayer.

Ash Wednesday takes place 46 days before Easter Sunday, and is chiefly observed by Catholics, although many other Christians observe it too.

It was a common practice within the early Church that those who were found guilty of grave public sin needed to do public penance before they were admitted back into communion with the Church and admitted to the Most Holy Eucharist. The public sinners came forward in sackcloth forty days before Easter and were sprinkled with ashes, in keeping with many Old Testament examples of public penance. They fasted and prayed for forty days and then, on Easter, were readmitted into full communion with the Church. Eventually, prior to the end of the first millennium, this practice was extended to the entire Church as a way of highlighting everyone's need for penance.

As a sign of our ongoing need to repent of our sins and do penance, the faithful are invited to come forward to be marked with ashes as a sign of their commitment to the penitential season of Lent, so as to celebrate with great joy the Solemnity of Easter. Lent is forty-six days long. Forty of those days are penitential days, and six of them are Sundays. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and concludes with the Easter Vigil. The forty penitential days are an imitation of Jesus' forty days in the desert.

It is not required that a person wear the ashes for the rest of the day, and they may be washed off after Mass. However, many people keep the ashes as a reminder until the evening.

### Why we receive the ashes?

Following the example of the Ninevites, who did penance in sackcloth and ashes, our foreheads are marked with ashes to humble our hearts and reminds us that life passes away on Earth. We remember this when we are told

### "Remember, Man is dust, and unto dust you shall return."

Ashes are a symbol of penance made sacramental by the blessing of the Church, and they help us develop a spirit of humility and sacrifice.

### The Ashes

The ashes are made from the blessed palms used in the Palm Sunday celebration of the previous year. The ashes are christened with Holy Water and are scented by exposure to incense. While the ashes symbolize penance and contrition, they are also a reminder that God is gracious and merciful to those who call on Him with repentant hearts. His Divine mercy is of utmost importance during the season of Lent, and the Church calls on us to seek that mercy during the entire Lenten season with reflection, prayer and penance.

As you come forward to receive the ashes, don't just go through the motions. Make this act a prayer and one of deep interior devotion. Call to mind your sins and the sins of your whole life, as best you can. Acknowledge the just punishment of eternal death that you deserve for your sins. But then call to mind the infinite and unmerited mercy of God. Remember that even though you are an undeserving sinner, God has reached down from Heaven to offer you the gift of eternal salvation. He has invited you to receive this gift through your repentance and humility. Humble yourself in "sackcloth and ashes," and as with those public sinners of old, God will use this Lent to more fully unite your soul with His through His glorious death and resurrection.

### The Pastoral Letter for Lent 2025

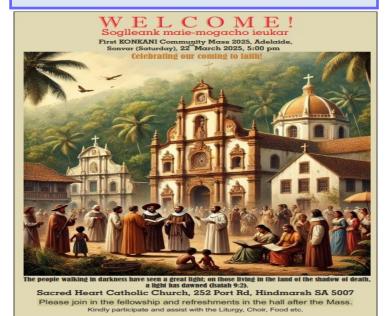






### **MARATHI MASS**

There will be a Marathi Mass <u>Sunday</u>, <u>9th March</u> at <u>Sacred Heart Church Hindmarsh</u> at <u>5:30pm</u>, followed by a light supper in the hall afterwards. We encourage everyone to attend this community event.



PROJECT

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# Project Compassion will begin on 5th March.

Please remember to take home a Project Compassion box or a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and For All Future Generations.

We thank you for your generosity and support.

d Day of Prayer 2025 Cook Islands I made you wonderful'

### **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

The World Day of Prayer is an international ecumenical Christian laywomen's initiative, celebrated annually in over 170 countries on the first Friday in March.

It brings together women of various races, cultures and traditions. Each year, women from a different country prepare the prayer that is used across the world on this day, with the women from the *Cook Islands* doing it this year.

In 2024 our parish hosted this event in our region. This year it will be held at the **Woodville Uniting Church 44 Woodville Rd on Friday, 7th March at 1:30pm**. All are very welcome to attend. See Lorraine (OLM) or Mary (SHC) for more details.

### **LOVING THE LEAST OF THESE**

Embrace Life, the pro-life focus of the Archdiocesan Justice, Healing and Inclusion Office invites you to its second Interactive Forum, "Loving the Least of These" with a focus on Genesis Pregnancy Support Services, presented by Ms Juli Sharpe on Wednesday March 19 at 6pm-7-30pm at John and Mary Fennessy Rooms, level 2, Centacare, 45 Wakefield Street, Adelaide.

Free parking is available in the Cathedral carpark. Contact jhi@adelaide.catholic.org.au for more details.



# Parish Community Connect

Building community involves connecting people together. Providing opportunities to gather enables stronger relationships to develop, allows for a sense of fun and brings about a greater awareness of people who make up our community.

Our original 'Fundraising Team' has chosen the title 'Parish Community Connect' to better describe what we hope to do in 2025.

Building on the strong community foundations laid over many years, we'd like to continue to develop these through different gatherings and activities.

Please consider participating in the occasions planned throughout the year, bringing your gifts, skills and energy. Your suggestions for different events are very welcome and new ideas are good ideas!



## Carpark Fundraising at Sacred Heart Church

Soccer Matches at Cooper's Stadium is starting 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

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please arrive about an hour before games begin. Thank you!

March	Events are	e at : <b>Cooper</b> STADIUM				
Sat 8	4:30pm	Adelaide United vs Brisbane Roar				
Fri 14	7:05pm	Adelaide United vs Macarthur FC				
April						
Sat 5	7:05pm	Adelaide United vs Sydney FC				
Fri 18	7:05pm	Adelaide United vs Wellington Phoenix				



Please remember we are always **Collecting Bottles & Cans** for our Parish fundraising.

Tuong has kindly volunteered to collect these from your home.

Please save your bottles and cans!

Your help is appreciated. Thank you!





Don't forget you can follow our Parish on Facebook and Website to stay up to date with events and notices.

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# **Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

"The fruits of goodness"















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My precious and crucified Lord,
I offer You this Lent with total abandonment and trust.

I offer You my prayers, sacrifices and my very life this day.

I pray that this Lent will be fruitful.

May it be a time through which Your mercy is poured in abundance into my soul, and those of all Your faithful.

### Dearest Lord,

help me to especially see my sin, this Lent. Give me courage and strength to confess my sins, and to turn from them with all my heart.

I thank You for holding nothing back, giving Your life to the last drop of blood.

I offer You my life as a sacrifice, trusting in Your mercy with every offering.

Jesus, Son of the Living God, have mercy on me a sinner.

Jesus I trust in You. Amen.

# Quote of the Week

God didn't create you to settle for less than His best.
Wait for His plan.

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