



Parish Office
252 Port Road, Hindmarsh

WELCOME TO SACRED HEART PARISH HINDMARSH-FINDON

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



Sacred Heart Church
252 Port Rd, Hindmarsh



Our Lady of the Manger
176 Crittenden Rd, Findon

18 January 2026



Year A

*2nd Sunday
in Ordinary
Time*

Responsorial Psalm

*Here I am, Lord,
I come to do your will.*

Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!
The Word of God
became flesh and
dwelt among us. He
enabled those who
accepted him to
become the Children
of God.*

Alleluia!

Today's Readings

Is 49:3, 5-6

Ps 39:2, 4, 7-10

1 Cor 1:1-3

Jn 1:29-34

Mass Intentions

**6:00pm Saturday Vigil OLM
Parish**

9:00am SHC

Holy Souls of Purgatory

11:00am OLM

Delia Leesue

Leticia Gaviola

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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 20 Jan 12:15 pm** Mass at Sacred Heart Church (SHC) Hindmarsh
- ◇ **Wednesday 21 Jan 6:00 pm** Candlelight Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
- ◇ **Friday 23 Jan 9:15 am** Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
- ◇ **Saturday 24 Jan 6:00 pm** Vigil Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
- ◇ **Sunday 25 Jan 9:00 am** Mass at Sacred Heart Church (SHC) Hindmarsh
- ◇ **Sunday 25 Jan 11:00 am** Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon

GOSPEL REFLECTION

The New Paschal Lamb

John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. He is the one of whom I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.'" [John 1:29-30](#)

Central to the Jewish faith was the Feast of Passover, the commemoration of God's deliverance of His people from slavery in Egypt (Exodus 12). In Jesus' time, Passover was one of three major annual feasts during which the Jews made a pilgrimage to the Temple in Jerusalem. Additionally, the Feast of Weeks celebrated the giving of the Law on Mount Sinai and the first fruits of the harvest, and the Feast of Tabernacles recalled the Israelites' wandering in the desert and celebrated God's providence.

Recall the first Passover meal. Moses instructed the people to sacrifice an unblemished lamb, mark the doorposts of their homes with its blood, and eat the lamb with unleavened bread and bitter herbs in haste, ready to depart. This act of faith and obedience protected them from the angel of death who passed over the marked houses, sparing the firstborn of Israel, while striking down the firstborn of Egypt. The Passover thus became a perpetual memorial of God's saving power and His covenantal faithfulness to His people.

Because of the Passover, the idea of a sacrificial lamb was intimately familiar to the Jewish people. The Jews were also familiar with the prophecy in Isaiah 53—often referred to as the Suffering Servant—in which the servant of the Lord is described as "a lamb led to the slaughter," who bears the sins of many. Additionally, each morning and evening, a lamb was sacrificed in the temple as a continual offering for sin.

As Jesus began His public ministry, the first thing said of Him came from John the Baptist: "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world." His words would have resonated within the minds and hearts of John's disciples. His disciples believed that John was a great prophet and the forerunner of the Messiah, sent to prepare the way for the Lord. They saw him as a holy man who called for repentance and renewal, and some even wondered if he himself might be the Christ, though John consistently denied this.

Because John's ministry was one of preparation for the Messiah, his disciples would have anticipated the Messiah's imminent arrival. Imagine the excitement, surprise, questions, uncertainty, and hope that would have filled their minds and hearts as they listened to John's prophecy about Jesus. John continued, "He is the one of whom I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.'"

Though John's proclamation about Jesus took on a powerful significance for his disciples that first moment that he revealed Jesus as the Lamb of God, John's words must resonate within each of us today. Now that the Christmas Season is complete and we enter into Ordinary Time, we are invited to embrace Jesus' public ministry, with all His teachings and Paschal Sacrifice, as something extraordinary in our lives. We must approach His ministry with the same hope, enthusiasm, excitement, and anticipation that John's disciples experienced.

Reflect today on the moment when John the Baptist's disciples heard him proclaim, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" Like them, strive to see Jesus with new eyes and hopeful anticipation as we begin Ordinary Time. This liturgical season marks the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, and it must also be a renewed beginning of His works in your life. Follow Him without reserve, allowing Him to take away your sins and share in His life and love.

Most holy Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world, I choose to follow You, for You are the Messiah, the Son of God. As we enter into Ordinary Time, please give me the grace to embrace Your public ministry in an extraordinary way. May Your working in my life begin anew, transforming me and leading me to the freedom won by Your Paschal Sacrifice. Jesus, I trust in You.

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PARISH CALENDAR

January 2026

19 Jan 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
21 Jan Saint Agnes
23 Jan Saint Timothy and Saint Titus
25 Jan 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
26 Jan **Australia Day**
28 Jan Saint Thomas Aquinas
31 Jan Saint John Bosco

February

01 Feb 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
02 Feb **The Presentation of the Lord**
08 Feb 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
11 Feb **Our Lady of Lourdes**
15 Feb 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
18 Feb Ash Wednesday



May God grant them peace, comfort and strength in their time of suffering

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
Michelle Dench, PA Merchant, L Parker and Rosalinda Alonzo
If you would like prayers or to add a name to our sick list, please contact the parish office. Thank you.



PARISH MEETINGS



Community Connect (Fundraising) Meeting

Thursday, 5th February @ 6.00pm at OLM

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Tuesday, 3rd March @ 6.30pm at Parish Office

Parish Finance Council Meeting

Wednesday, 22nd April @ 7:00pm at OLM

Liturgy Meeting

TBA

APRIM Meeting

TBA

ARCHDIOCESE NEWS

Theology at the Bar

Faith, ideas and conversation. Come along, all welcome!

Guest speaker: Fr Olek Stirrat

Date: Wednesday January 21

Location: Ern Malley Bar, Magill Road, Stepney SA.

Time: 6.30pm start, for 7pm talk.

Snacks and drinks available at the bar.

Cathedral Light Show – Adelaide Fringe

St Francis Xavier's Cathedral is set to be illuminated like never before as part of an immersive light experience to be staged during the 2026 Fringe. Titled 'Cathedral Chiaroscuro', entry to the event will be from **8.30-9.30pm nightly (except Mondays)**, with architecturally mapped projections accompanied by a classical and choral music soundtrack. Audience members can move around the Cathedral to view the projections from different angles and expected 'dwell time' is about 15 minutes.

Tickets range from \$10 for preview nights to \$15 (February 20-March 22). To book, visit adelaidefringe.com.au.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends 2026

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a worldwide Synodal Movement dedicated to the renewal of our Catholic Church through empowering couples and priests to live fully intimate and responsible relationships. Our Church today has the belief that Marriage and Holy Orders are Sacraments of relationship and that we are called as couples and priests to be a living sign of God's love to the world, and to love one another as Jesus loves us all. This takes hard work, and a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend gives married couples and priests the tools and support they need to live this sign in today's busy life.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter has three weekends planned for 2026 – **February 20-22, Lyndoch Motel; July 3-5 Royal Coach Motel; and a live-out weekend at Antonio School, November 7-8.** More details are available on the website at <https://www.wwme.org.au/>. Please consider booking into a weekend to nurture and grow your relationship with your spouse.

SYNOD prayer

God of the Journey,

Our companion and our guide.

You call us to be a pilgrim people,

Who listen, discern, and walk together on the way,

Sharing in the life and mission of your Son, Jesus.

Bless our local Church, the Archdiocese of Adelaide,

As we prepare for our Synod.

Make us ready for the work at hand.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our hearts,

that we may be filled with compassion, courage and love.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our minds,

that we may receive your wisdom, dream new dreams, and be open to new ideas.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our eyes,

that we may see you in one another, perceive the need of our neighbour, and envision new horizons.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our ears,

that we may hear your voice, listen deeply to the other, and attend to the voice within.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our mouths,

that we may speak on behalf of the voiceless, cry out for justice, and bear witness to your love.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our feet,

that we may walk in the footsteps of Jesus, go to the peripheries, and accompany one another on the way.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our hands,

that we may embrace our sisters and brothers, heal wounds, and build bridges of peace.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our community,

that we may be your one body, eliminate borders of exclusion, and welcome all into your love.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PARISH NEWS

Synod Dialogue Week February 22-28

In preparation for the 2026 Archdiocesan Synod, February 22-28 is designated as Dialogue Week. During this week people in parishes, schools and communities will have the opportunity to gather, reflect on the themes and recommendations of the Synod, and provide feedback to the Archbishop and Synod members.

We are committed to supporting the implementation in every parish, school and community through resources and dialogue processes, training, and strategies.

2026 Archdiocesan Synod Video Message

View Video Message on YouTube:

<https://youtu.be/fsbDwxzi3VY>

+Patrick O'Regan

Archbishop of Adelaide



Video Message by Archbishop Patrick O'Regan regarding the 2026 Archdiocesan Synod

Video Transcript

My Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ, Our Archdiocese of Adelaide is preparing for a Synod next year in 2026. A Synod is a gathering of the faithful from our Parishes, Schools, and communities. It will be both a moment to listen deeply – to the Word of God, to one another, and to the cries of the earth and of the poor. It will be a time to ask how might we become a Church that reflects more clearly the face of Christ in our time. The Synod is our next step in our journey continuing on from our Diocesan and Regional Assemblies, the 5th Australian Plenary Council and the Global Synod on Synodality. I invite you to join me on this journey toward the 2026 Archdiocesan Synod.

The most important thing we can all do is to pray for the Synod and its members.

The next thing we can do is to prepare our hearts and minds by engaging with the Key Synod Themes:

- *Becoming Missionary Disciples*
- *Communion in Grace – Sacrament to the World*
- *Formation for Mission and Leadership*
- *The Mission of Catholic Education and Being Church Together*
- *Structures and Planning for Communion, Mission and Participation*

Each theme will be explored in a short-written paper which will draw on our years of consultations and dialogue and present recommendations for proposals for action in the Archdiocese. In the coming months, these papers will be shared with you for your feedback - this will assist those called to the Synod as members to prayerfully discern the future of our Diocese together.

As we look forward to the 2026 Synod, we stand at a threshold as Pilgrims of Hope. We are invited to dream not just of a better Church, but a more faithful one: faithful to Christ, to the Gospel, and to the Holy Spirit who renews all things.

So, dear sisters and brothers, let us walk this path together – not as individuals or isolated parishes, but as a pilgrim people, united in Christ and led by the Spirit.

Thank you.



Lent begins
Ash Wednesday
18th February 2026



World Day of Prayer 2026
Focus on **Nigeria**



2026 World Day of Prayer
Friday, 6th March

All welcome to come along and celebrate. An Ecumenical Liturgy of Prayer, prepared by the World Day of Prayer Committee in Nigeria.

Friday, 6th March @ 1.30pm (wear bright colours)
Westernlink Uniting Church - 93 Crittenden Road, Findon

SACRED HEART CHURCH, HINDMARSH

Australia Day Celebrations

Celebrate Aussie day with us!
Please bring a plate to share as we gather after Mass

Sunday, 25th January
after 9am Mass
Sacred Heart Church, Hindmarsh

DONATIONS TO THE PARISH WELCOME



BAPTISM

We welcome into our faith Community

Luna Pace

Logan Poulton

who will celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism at OLM this week within our Sacred Heart Hindmarsh—Findon Parish

Please keep these families in your prayers.

PARISH INFORMATION

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

January	Events are at: Coopers STADIUM	
Sat 17	4:20pm	(Mens) Adelaide United v Melbourne Victory
	7:05pm	(Womens) Adelaide United v Melbourne Victory
February		
Sun 8	4:30pm	Adelaide United v Newcastle Jets
Fri 20	7:05pm	Adelaide United v Perth Glory

Parish & Stole Fees for 2026

- Hall Hire** - \$550 (including \$200 bond)
- Baptism** - Church \$150, Stipend \$150
- Wedding** - Church \$650, Stipend \$500
- Funeral** - Church \$200, Stipend \$300



Holidays



Father Santhosh is now on holidays from the parish
 We wish Father a safe trip and look forward to his return with stories of his adventures!

LOVE ADELAIDE - WALK FOR LIFE

Join us as we walk for life to bring an end to abortion

Human from Conception

Saturday 7th of February 2026

10am - 12noon

Pennington Gardens

Opposite St Peters Cathedral, North Adelaide

\$5 Donation Parking

Adelaide Oval parking
 Enter from Pennington Tce

Free Tickets

trybooking.com/DGGPU
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Gates Open 9am

Don't forget to bring a drink bottle; and remember to slip, slop and slap!

PLEASE WEAR A WHITE SHIRT

NO megaphones or personal signs, Love Adelaide will provide official signs. Please follow the direction of the marshals & police and walk peacefully with love.

Free Tickets trybooking.com/DGGPU

Please follow the event guidelines.



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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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Everyday Prayer

Lord, before I do anything else,
 I invite You into my day.
 I don't want to rush ahead without You.

Dear God,

Thank you for this new day.
 I don't take it for granted.
 If I lose focus, bring me back.
 If I grow anxious, be my calm.
 Please go before me today.
 Open the right doors.

Give me peace in uncertainty.
 Strength in the waiting.
 Clarity where I feel confused.

You've brought me this far.
 I trust You with what's next.

Amen

Afternoon Mass Every Tuesday at 12:15pm at SHC

Please come along and pray with us every Tuesday at 12:15pm at Sacred Heart Church for a lunch time Mass All welcome!



Sacred Heart Catholic Parish
 invites you to a



*Praise, Worship
 and Adoration
 Night*

Friday
 6th February

Every 1st Friday of the month
 at 6:30pm
 Sacred Heart Church, Hindmarsh