



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 loved'



Sacred Heart Church
252 Port Rd, Hindmarsh



Our Lady of the Manger
176 Crittenden Rd, Findon

12 July 2026



Year A

15th
Sunday in
Ordinary
Time

Responsorial Psalm

*The seed that falls on
good ground will yield
a fruitful harvest.*

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia alleluia!

*The seed is the word
of God, Christ is the
sower; all who come
to him will live for ever*

Alleluia!

Today's Readings

Is 55:10-11

Ps 64:10-14

Rom 8:18-23

Mt 13:1-23

MASS INTENTIONS

6:00pm Saturday Vigil OLM

Parish

9:00am SHC

Grazia Montibello
Rosa Zardo Slater

11:00am OLM

Joseph Caruana
Maria Vu Hong Hu

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	14 Jul	12:15 pm	Mass at Sacred Heart Church (SHC) Hindmarsh
◇	Wednesday	15 Jul	6:00 pm	Adoration and Candlelight Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
◇	Friday	17 Jul	9:15 am	Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
◇	Saturday	18 Jul	6:00 pm	Vigil Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
			7.00 PM	HEARTS UNITED DINNER at Nazareth Primary Campus - Mackillop Hall
◇	Sunday	19 Jul	9:00 am	Mass at Sacred Heart Church (SHC) Hindmarsh
			11:00 am	Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon

GOSPEL REFLECTION

The Generous Sower

"A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and birds came and ate it up..."

In today's Gospel, the Parable of the Sower is delivered from a boat, as Jesus addresses a large crowd along the shoreline. Jesus uses the natural acoustics of the water to carry His voice to the eager multitude who came to hear Him. Their earnestness offers us an opportunity for self-examination: Am I among that crowd, attentively listening as God speaks to me today? Do I go out of my way to seek, listen, and respond to the Word of God?

A parable is a method that both *reveals* and *conceals*. It reveals divine truth to those who are humble and receptive, and conceals that same truth from those whose hearts are closed. The truths of the Kingdom are not concepts that can be quickly grasped. They are divine mysteries that must enter the soul and be pondered and nourished. Only the spiritually docile can penetrate their depths and allow God's Word to transform their lives.

The Sower is Christ. The seed is the Word of God, and the soil represents the human heart, in all its various conditions of readiness and receptivity. Some souls await God's Word like freshly tilled, moist, and fertilized soil. As soon as the seed enters, it begins to grow rapidly—until fully grown and producing good fruit.

Other souls are less receptive. Like the path, some hearts are hardened, stubborn, refusing to receive divine truth. The Word is heard, but not truly received. The enemy snatches it away before it can penetrate.

Hearts that are like rocky ground are those who initially receive the Word with joy but lack perseverance. When trials come, they fall away. They may attend Mass, read Scripture, or begin with fervor, but without deep interior conversion rooted in prayer, they cannot endure the heat of testing.

The thorny heart is the divided heart, where the Word of God is mixed with anxieties, riches, and pleasures. The Gospel is heard—perhaps even cherished—but it is suffocated by worldly attachments, ambition, or fear. Earthly anxieties and the fascination of riches are thorns that smother the soul and prevent it from growing.

The good news is that God, the Divine Sower, is not passive. He sows the seed Himself—personally, directly, and abundantly. He is not like a remote monarch seated on a distant throne, waiting for us to come to Him. No—God always takes the initiative. He goes forth like the sower, casting His seed upon us even before we ask.

The seed comes to us in two essential ways: truth and grace. As truth, God's Word enlightens the intellect to know His eternal mysteries. As grace, God's Word strengthens the will to embrace and live those truths with faith and charity.

The Divine Sower sows lavishly. He casts the seed everywhere—on the path, among the rocks, amidst thorns, and upon rich earth. This is not careless, but the work of Divine Mercy. God desires that all be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth. Even where the ground seems hardened, shallow, or choked with thorns, He still sows. He never ceases to speak, to reach out, to invite. He sows even in places we might deem hopeless—until the final moment, when the time for sowing is ended.

Reflect today on God's generous and continuous sowing in your soul. He never ceases speaking to you, calling to you, and planting His Word within you. How receptive are you? Which soil best describes your soul? It's never too late to respond in this life. God's Word can grow rapidly within us when our souls are fertile and receptive. Remove the rocks, cut down the thorns, and till the hardened path, so that the abundant seed will make its way into your heart.

Divine Sower, You ceaselessly send forth Your truth and grace to enlighten and strengthen us in the mission of building Your Kingdom. Please till the soil of my heart and make it fertile, so that Your Word may take root in me, growing and producing an abundance of good fruit. Jesus, I trust in You.

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COLLECTIONS

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PARISH CALENDAR

July

10 Jul Extraordinary Minister Training
6.30pm at SHC

12 Jul 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Stella Maris Appeal

16 Jul Our Lady of Mt Carmel

18 JUL **HEARTS UNITED DINNER**
7PM AT Nazareth Primary Campus -
Mackillop Hall

19 Jul Altar Server Training @12.15pm at OLM
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

22 Jul Saint Mary Magdalene

25 Jul Saint James, Apostle

26 Jul Grandparents Day
17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



PARISH MEETINGS

Community Connect (Fundraising) Meeting

Sunday, 12th July @ 4:30pm at OLM

Liturgy Meeting

Tuesday, 14th July @ 6.30pm at OLM

Parish Finance Council Meeting

Wednesday, 15th July @ 7:00pm at OLM

Altar Server Training

Sunday, 19th July @ 12:15pm at OLM

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Tuesday, 22nd September @ 6.30pm at Parish Office

APRIM Meeting

Tuesday, 1st September @ 1:00pm at Parish Office



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, Rosalinda Alonzo, Dennis Taylor, Charlie Mifsud, Jane Saliba and Romana Reiter

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



ARCHDIOCESE NEWS

Birthline Pregnancy Support

We're here to listen—without pressure or judgment. If you are facing an unplanned pregnancy or seeking support after an abortion, you don't have to go through it alone. Our trained counsellors offer a safe, confidential space to talk at your own pace. You will be met with care, compassion and respect. Reach out today—you'll be heard.

Call 1300 655 156 | website: <https://birthline.org.au>

"Learn To Meditate" - an introductory course

Wednesdays July - 8th, 15th, & 22nd at 7pm - 8.15pm

at St Saviour's Anglican Church, 596 Portrush Road Glen Osmond.

A new course - each week there will be a video presentation by Father Laurence Freeman, followed by a time of Meditation and Q&A.

For more information and to register contact

Dianne Schaefer - dianneschaefer@yahoo.com.au

Can you spare
half an hour?
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!



POWERup 2026

WORKSHOPS MASS PRAISE & WORSHIP
25TH JULY | SAINT IGNATIUS COLLEGE | ATHELSTONE | 2PM START

REGISTER FOR FREE NOW | OPEN TO ANY YOUNG PEOPLE AGES 16-35



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Annual Stella Maris Appeal (Sea Sunday)

will be held this weekend

Sunday, 12th July

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Sea Sunday APPEAL
12 JULY 2026

Your donation supports the mission and ministry of Stella Maris Australia. Scan the QR code to make a payment.

2026 Sacramental Dates

CELEBRATIONS

Reconciliation

21st July @ 6pm at Our Lady of the Manger, Findon

23rd July @ 6pm at Our Lady of the Manger, Findon

Communion/Confirmation

1st August @ 3pm & 6pm at Our Lady of the Manger

22nd August @ 6pm at Our Lady of the Manger, Findon

23rd August @ 9am at Sacred Heart Church, Hindmarsh

30th August @ 9am at Sacred Heart Church, Hindmarsh



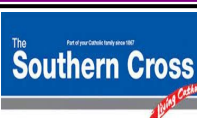
BAPTISM

We welcome into our faith Community

Valentino King

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

Please keep the family in your prayers.



The July issue of *The Southern Cross*

now available for \$2.

Please take home a copy today.

PARISH NEWS



End of Financial Year receipts for **Planned Giving – Envelopes and Direct Debits** are available for collection at both mass centres this weekend. Thank you for your generous support of our parish.



Sacred Heart Parish
invites you to

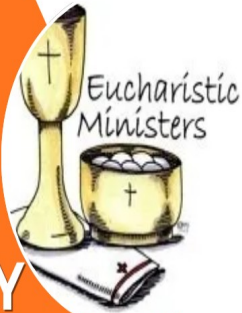
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION TRAINING

WITH FR. MATTHEW NEWMAN

on Friday, 10th July

at 6.30pm

Sacred Heart Church
252 Port Road, Hindmarsh



Next Weekend

SACRED HEART PARISH HINDMARSH - FINDON

Hearts United DINNER PARTY

Join us for a delightful event of
great company and live music

SATURDAY

18TH JULY 7PM

Nazareth Primary Campus
Mackillop Hall
176 Crittenden Road, Findon

Tickets: \$15 (adults) &
\$10 (children)

Tickets available at both parish centres or
contact the Parish Office
PH: 8346 3901

Bring a plate to share

Wine, Beer & Soft Drinks available to purchase

Dress Code: A Splash of Red

Please bring cash for raffle & activities

Prize to the best dressed

EVENT PAYMENTS

Please make all payments for Hearts United Dinner
using the below QR Code.



Adult - \$15.00

Child - \$10.00

Please make sure you select:

- Sacred Heart Parish Hindmarsh - Findon
- Other Payment
- Reference your name and event

once payment is made a ticket
will be provided for entry



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National Census - Tuesday, 11th August

Every five years, the Australian Bureau of Statistics counts
every person and household in Australia.

The next Census is on Tuesday, 11th August 2026.

The Census form asks questions about your age,
country of birth, cultural background, living situation,
work and education.

The Census data is used by the Government and others to
inform decisions about transport, schools, health care,
infrastructure and business. It also helps plan
local services for individuals, families and Communities.

*From an Archdiocesan perspective it is important that you
identify yourself as Catholic in the Census.
This information contributes to the Parish Social Profiles and
assists with Pastoral Planning for the future.*

Your assistance is appreciated

Altar Server TRAINING

SUNDAY, 19TH JULY AT 12.15PM
OUR LADY OF THE MANGER
CHURCH



PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Fundraising.... the story so far!

We have raised a total of **\$7,520** this year. This amount has come via funds raised from the Carparking for Soccer, Bottle Refunds, Hearts United Dinner Dance and other various contributions.

BUT....we have a long way to go still to reach our aim of **\$24,710**!

We need to raise a total of **\$17,190** by the end of the year.

Together...we can do this!



PARISH OFFICE

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Parish Priest: Father Santhosh Nazareth CSC

Assistant Priest: Father Rajashekhar Gundiga CSC

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

Mailing address: PO Box 34, Welland 5007

Website: www.sacredheartparishhindmarsh.com.au

Facebook: www.facebook.com/sacredhearthindmarshparish

PARISH SAFEGUARDING CONTACTS

Our Parish together with the Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide is committed to the care, wellbeing, and protection of children, young people, and vulnerable adults and to the nurturing of deep cultures of safety across the archdiocese

SACRED HEART CHURCH, HINDMARCH

Reena Aftab - renadeem@hotmail.com

OUR LADY OF THE MANGER, FINDON

Jessica Castellino - jessann2806@gmail.com

Andrea Noronha - andrea_noronha@hotmail.com

SAFEGUARDING

Our parish is committed to being a safe, welcoming, and respectful community for everyone.

Children, young people, and adults at risk have the right to be treated with dignity and respect, to feel safe from harm, abuse, neglect, or exploitation, and to have their voices heard.

Safeguarding is a shared responsibility, and we all play a role in protecting these rights by speaking up about concerns, supporting one another, and promoting environments where safety and wellbeing come first.

If you have concerns about the safety or wellbeing of a child or an adult at risk, please contact your Parish Safeguarding Contact Person or the Archdiocese's Integrity and Safeguarding Department.

SAFE AND RESPECTFUL FRIENDSHIP



PERSONAL BOUNDARIES

Everyone has the right to feel comfortable

Personal boundaries include:

- Space: keeping hands and bodies to ourselves
- Belongings: asking before taking or using something
- Words: speaking kindly and not teasing or hurting feelings.

If something feels uncomfortable or unfair, it's okay to speak up.

SAYING "NO" POLITELY AND CONFIDENTLY

You can say "no" in a kind and respectful way:

- "No thank you"
- "I don't want to do that."
- "Please stop"
- "That makes me uncomfortable"



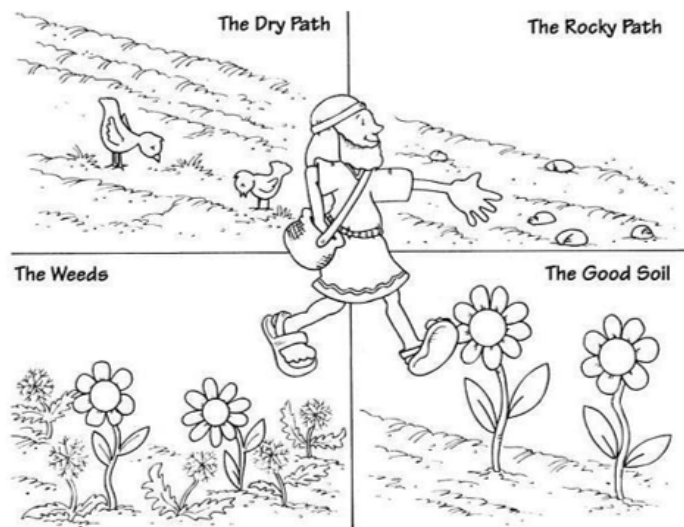
Saying "no" is not being rude - it is taking care of yourself.



CHILDREN'S CORNER

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The Parable of the Sower"



THE SOWER

Color the picture and explain how the seeds are growing. Which seeds are not doing are growing and which seeds are growing the best? Discuss as a family how you can be the seeds in good soil, what can you do to be good seeds to others?