



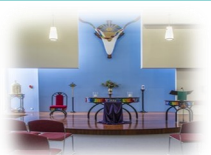
Parish Office
252 Port Road, Hindmarsh

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

16 August 2026



Year A

20th
Sunday in
Ordinary
Time

Responsorial Psalm

O God, let all the
nations praise you!

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia alleluia!
Jesus preached the
Good News of the
kingdom and healed
all who were sick.

Alleluia!

Today's Readings

Is 56:1, 6-7

Ps 66:2-3, 5-6, 8

Rom 11:13-15, 29-32

Mt 15:21-28

MASS INTENTIONS

6:00pm Saturday Vigil OLM
Parish

9:00am SHC

Caterina & Francesco
Lobianco

Santo Lagana

Angelo & Michaelangelo
Spano

Tsambika

Juvelyn Arante

Kits Detablan

11:00am OLM

Parish

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

Divine Humiliation

"It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish."

Imagine the Son of God referring to you as a dog. For most people, that would be deeply offensive. So why would Jesus do such a thing? He did so, in part, to draw forth from this woman an act of profound humility and faith. Through this moment of divine humiliation, Jesus invited her to rise to a heroic response, prompting Him to exclaim, "O woman, great is your faith!" He desires to do the same with each one of us.

When Jesus first encountered this woman, He saw into her soul and perceived the depth of her faith. As God, He knew everything about her—her suffering, her love for her daughter, her perseverance. He also knew He would heal the girl, yet He did not do so immediately. Instead, He engaged in what theology refers to as divine pedagogy—a method of instruction by which God teaches slowly, carefully, and with purpose. In this case, Jesus used the moment to teach His disciples—and us—a profound lesson about humility and unwavering faith. He tested her, and she passed the test marvelously.

The location of this encounter is also significant. It took place in the region of Tyre and Sidon, in modern-day Lebanon—a Gentile territory known for its Greek-speaking population and pagan customs. The woman is specifically identified as a Canaanite, evoking the memory of Israel's ancient enemies. And yet, it is precisely this outsider—this woman of seemingly little spiritual privilege—who becomes a model of the faith the chosen people were meant to embody.

She first approaches Jesus, crying out, "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is tormented by a demon." By calling Him, "Son of David," she reveals her belief in His messianic identity. But what does Jesus do? Nothing. He appears to ignore her—not because He is displeased or uncaring, but because He is testing her faith, knowing full well she will persevere and shine.

God often allows similar experiences in the lives of the faithful. It's easy to assume that if we follow Christ, we will be shielded from difficulty. On the contrary, one of the most powerful ways God forms His saints is by allowing them to undergo trials. These trials, far from being signs of abandonment, are invitations to heroic virtue. They are divine tests. And God never permits more than we can endure by His grace.

If that seems confusing or difficult to accept, we need only look to the Son of God Himself. Though Jesus was perfect, it was the Father's will that He endure the deepest depths of humiliation: rejection, persecution, suffering, and death. Through this ultimate "divine pedagogy," the Son not only conquered sin and death but also taught us how to follow Him—by transforming our humiliation into humility, our weakness into strength, and our suffering into sanctification. In this way, God's power is made perfect in our weakness.

As the conversation with the woman unfolds, Jesus continues to appear distant, yet He knows she will not give up. Her faith and her love for her daughter drive her to persevere. She humbly persists through every trial, and in doing so, she wins grace—not only for herself and her daughter, but also for the disciples who witnessed the exchange and for all who read her story today.

Reflect today on the ways God may be inviting you to a deeper faith through silence, delay, or trial. Could He be calling you, like this woman, to heroic humility and steadfast trust? Embrace those moments of divine testing, for they are often the very means by which His greatest works of grace are accomplished—in you and through you.

Divine Teacher and Guide, You teach us through Your Word, Your actions, and even through Your silence. When You are silent in the midst of trials and tribulations, grant me the grace to persevere in faith, trusting that You will never abandon me. Help me to understand that every trial You permit is an invitation to deeper trust, so that Your grace and glory may be revealed in me, and through me, shine forth to others. Jesus, I trust in You.

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CALENDAR

August

- 15 Aug Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary
11am Mass at SHC
- 22 Aug OLM Sacraments at 6pm
- 23 Aug SHC Sacraments at 9am
- 30 Aug SHC Sacraments at 9am



September

- 01 - 03 Sep Konkani Mass / Nativity of Mother Mary
6.30pm at SHC (Konkani)
- 04 Sept Praise, Worship & Adoration Mass
- 05 Sept Nativity Mass at 9.30am at OLM
- 06 Sept Fathers Day
Catholic Charities Month Appeal
- 08 Sept The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 13 Sept Safeguarding Sunday
- 14 Sept The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
- 15 Sept Our Lady of Sorrows
- 20 Sept Blessing of Significant Weddings
- 21 Sept St Matthew—Apostles



PARISH MEETINGS

APRIM Meeting

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

Parish Finance Council Meeting

Wednesday, 2nd September @ 7:00pm at OLM

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Tuesday, 22nd September @ 6:30pm at Parish Office

Liturgy Meeting

Tuesday, 13th October @ 6:30pm at OLM



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, Mikaela Ferrao 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

Safeguarding Message

International Youth Day (12 August) and World Humanitarian Day (19 August) remind us of the importance of creating safe, inclusive, and supportive communities where every person is valued, respected, and protected. As part of our shared safeguarding responsibility, let us continue to promote the wellbeing, dignity, and safety of children, young people, and all those entrusted to our care, ensuring they have opportunities to have their voices heard and to participate in decisions that affect them. We encourage parishes to actively create environments where people feel safe to speak up, contribute their ideas, and be meaningfully involved in the life of the community.

Safeguarding Sunday 2026 (13 September 2026)

Safeguarding Sunday is an opportunity for Catholic communities across Australia to reflect on our shared commitment to creating safe, welcoming, and inclusive environments for all. Based on this year's National Child Protection Week theme from NAPCAN, "Every Conversation Matters: Shifting Conversations to Action," we are reminded that safeguarding is strengthened when conversations about safety, dignity, and wellbeing lead to meaningful action.

NOTICES



Sacred Heart Catholic Parish Hindmarsh-Findon

THE SACRAMENTS OF CONFIRMATION and FIRST COMMUNION WILL TAKE PLACE:



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

We invite you to pray for these children and their families as they prepare for this significant moment in their faith journey.



Sacred Heart Parish

Join us for
**A DAY TRIP TO
MURRAY
BRIDGE**

Come along for a relaxing and enjoyable day out as we explore the beautiful Murray Bridge and surrounding areas!



DATE

10 OCTOBER 2026



TIME

9 AM - 5 PM



COST

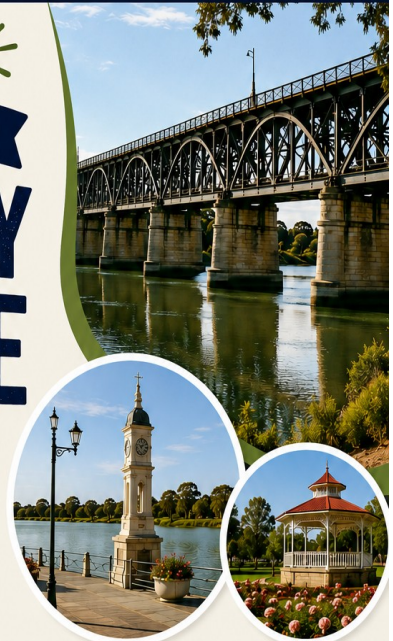
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PICKUP & DROPPING POINT
Sacred Heart Church



A LIGHT REFRESHMENT IS PROVIDED.
You are welcome to bring your own if you have any dietary requirements.



Registration

LAST DATE:

27 SEPTEMBER 2026



ONLY 57 SEATS AVAILABLE!
First come, first serve basis.



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Vinnies

Vinnies Blue Bucket Appeal

Vinnies Blue Bucket Appeal will be held this weekend 15th & 16th August. Please make sure you bring cash as the Eftpos Machines are only for the parish and not connected to Vinnies.

On behalf of Vinnies, thank you so much for your support and generosity.



BAPTISM

We welcome into our faith Community

Evelyn Lake

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.

Blessing of Significant Wedding Anniversaries

Sunday, 20th September

We invite you to celebrate Significant Wedding Anniversaries within the Archdiocese by honoring the life-long commitment and love shared by married couples.

If you are celebrating a significant anniversary (5th 10th 15th 20th 25th 30th 35th 40th 45th 50th 55th 60th) this year, please contact Parish Office before 28th August to advise details. Unfortunately, certificates cannot be prepared for nominations received after this date

The married couple will be presented with a certificate from the Archdiocese and acknowledged within Mass on Sunday, 20th September.



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Archbishop of Adelaide



To all our wonderful volunteers we have been instructed by the Archdiocese that **ALL** volunteers are required to sign a Code of Conduct.

Please contact Melissa at the Parish Office.

Thank you for your co-operation and understanding



INTEGRAL
ECOLOGY
Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide

Mass of Creation

The Council for Integral Ecology welcomes you to celebrate a special mass in nature with Archbishop Patrick O'Regan during the Season of Creation

Saturday, 5th September
10:00am start

St. Helens Park
(39 Prospect Road, Prospect 5082)
Side street parking available along Koonga Avenue

BVO chair and plate of food

Registrations essential:
<https://www.trybooking.com/DNMIM>




Sacred Heart Parish Hindmarsh - Findon



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday, 15th August



11:00am Mass at Sacred Heart Church, Hindmarsh

Please bring a plate to share



CONGREGATION OF
HOLY CROSS

Hearty Welcome

We are delighted to welcome you as you join us for the Eucharistic Celebration on 23rd August at 9am Mass at SHC and praying with the community.

Your presence is a blessing, and we look forward to celebrating together in faith and fellowship.



Br. Paul Bednarczyk, C.S.C.
(Superior General)

PARISH INFORMATION



Carpark Fundraising at Sacred Heart Church



Soccer Matches at Cooper's Stadium - 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!

October Events are at : Coopers STADIUM		
Sun 18	2:30pm	Adelaide United v Brisbane Roar
November		
Sun 8	4:30pm	Adelaide United v Melbourne Victory
Tue 17	7:00pm	Foo Fighters Concert

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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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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

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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.

Children's Liturgy



A friendly reminder that Children's Liturgy is offered every Sunday to all primary school aged children at:

9.00am Mass @ Sacred Heart Church, Hindmarsh

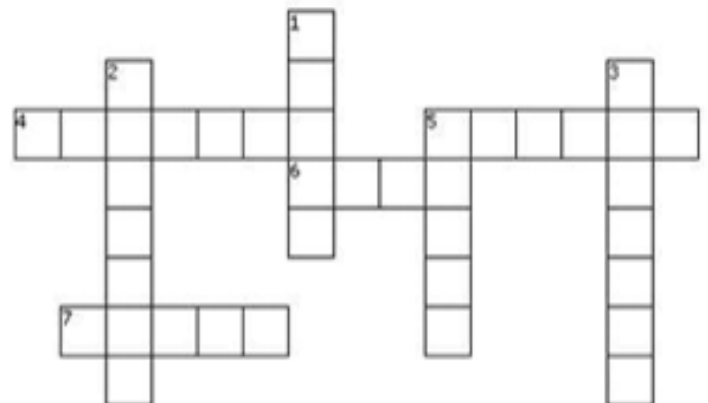
Mass is led by the young people of our community. We extend a warm welcome to ALL families and young people from our community to join us to engage in the Gospel with other children.

All Welcome

CHILDREN'S CORNER

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The Bread of Life"



ACROSS

4. For everlasting time; eternally
5. To make an effort to hear something; to pay attention
6. To continue to be alive
7. The Son of God

DOWN

1. The earth with its inhabitants
2. A person who speaks for God; Isaiah, for example
3. To accept as true or real
5. To gain knowledge through experience or study

Jesus	listen	believe	forever
prophet	learn	live	world

