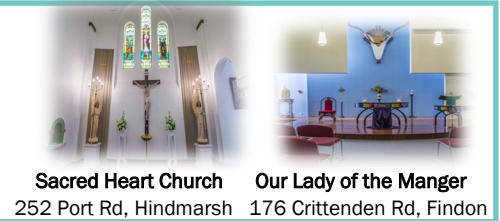




WELCOME TO SACRED HEART PARISH HINDMARSH-FINDON

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



30 August 2026

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	01 Sept	12:15 pm	Mass at Sacred Heart Church (SHC) Hindmarsh
◇ Wednesday	02 Sept	6:00 pm	Adoration and Candlelight Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
◇ Friday	04 Sept	9:15 am	Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
◇ Saturday	05 Sept	6:00 pm	Vigil Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
◇ Sunday	06 Sept	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

A Stark Contrast

"Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do."

This scene likely unfolds in or near Caesarea Philippi, a Gentile region steeped in pagan worship. There, at the mouth of a cave long associated with the entrance to the netherworld—believed by some pagans to be the very gate of Hades—Jesus had just questioned His disciples: "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" and then more directly, "But who do you say that I am?". Peter, speaking with conviction on behalf of the Twelve, boldly proclaimed, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God". Jesus responded by declaring him "Peter," the rock upon which He would build His Church, promising that "the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

Just moments later, Jesus issues one of the strongest rebukes recorded in the Gospels: "Get behind me, Satan!" The same Peter who had just spoken divine truth now speaks human fear and shortsightedness. In trying to dissuade Jesus from His suffering and death, Peter unknowingly opposes the very mission of the Messiah. Jesus calls this mindset not merely a mistake, but a diabolical temptation—echoing the same temptation He faced in the desert, when Satan sought to lure Him away from the Cross with promises of worldly glory.

What a stark contrast. Peter goes from being the rock of faith to an obstacle in the Lord's path. But why was Jesus so severe in His response?

Because the stakes were eternal. The Cross is not optional. It is the means of salvation—not just for Jesus, but for all who would follow Him. To think otherwise, even with good intention, is to prefer human comfort over divine wisdom. Peter's protest reflects a natural aversion to suffering, but Jesus exposes it for what it truly is: a stumbling block to the will of the Father.

This dramatic Gospel scene is recorded for a reason. By calling Peter "Satan," Jesus wanted to warn him—and us—of the real and ever-present danger of rejecting the way of the Cross. Like Peter, we can easily fall into the trap of wishful thinking and misguided compassion by saying about ourselves or those close to us, "God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen..." We are saying, in essence: "Lord, please make sure that neither I nor anyone I love ever has to suffer!" But such a prayer, though well-meaning, is clearly mistaken, and Jesus wants that point to be clearly understood.

Peter was troubled because "Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised." But all that Jesus revealed about His suffering was good—very good. Though His suffering was inflicted by the sins of others, His free and loving embrace of that suffering was the greatest act of love the world has ever known. Peter was blinded to this truth. He could not yet see beyond the horror of suffering to the divine good that would come through Jesus' sacrificial embrace of it.

Reflect today on Peter's and Jesus' words: "God forbid, Lord!" and "Get behind me, Satan!" In this exchange, Jesus is also speaking to each of us, saying, "Never run from the Cross!" We must never flee from a selfless and sacrificial embrace of suffering, even when that suffering is unjust. God can and will transform all freely embraced suffering into a means of His eternal glory and our sanctification. With our Lord, reject the evil one's false empathy. Reject the lie that suffering is meaningless. Choose instead to lay down your life in love with Christ, and in doing so, you will rise with Him, victorious over every sin and diabolical lie, overcoming even the sufferings of this life through your free and faithful embrace.

My compassionate Lord, Your firm rebuke of Peter was direct, powerful, and loving. Rather than offering false comfort or misleading empathy, You spoke a hard truth to awaken Peter—and all of us—to the spiritual necessity of the Cross. Grant me the grace, dear Lord, to say "Yes" to the suffering I must face. May I embrace it not with fear or resistance, but with a heart filled with Your love and unwavering courage. Jesus, I trust in You.

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Year A

*22nd
Sunday in
Ordinary
Time*

Responsorial Psalm
*My soul is thirsting for
you, O Lord my God.*

Gospel Acclamation
*Alleluia alleluia!
May the Father of our
Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of
our heart
that we might see how
great the hope to
which we are called
Alleluia!*

Today's Readings
Jer 20:7-9
Ps 62:2-6, 8-9
Rom 12:1-2
Mt 16:21-27

MASS INTENTIONS

6:00pm Saturday Vigil OLM
Parish
9:00am SHC
Filomena Borrello
11:00am OLM
Parish

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CALENDAR

August

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 Konkani 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

27 Sept Parish Migrant Sunday



PARISH MEETINGS

APRIM Meeting

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

Parish Finance Council Meeting

Wednesday, 9th September @ 7:00pm at OLM

Community Connect (Fundraising) Meeting

Thursday, 10th September @ 6:00pm 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, Carmen Balales 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



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

BYO chair and plate of food

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



NOTICES



Sacred Heart Catholic Parish Hindmarsh-Findon

THE SACRAMENTS OF CONFIRMATION and FIRST COMMUNION WILL TAKE PLACE:



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

\$20



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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Contact Details

There are only 15 seats available for our trip to Murray Bridge and then the bus is full.

Sandra will pick up your cash only for the trip on the weekend 12th and 13th of September after mass

Father's Day is next weekend

Sunday, 6th September

If you would like to add the name of a special dad or significant male to our prayer intentions for Father's Day, please pick up a **Father's Day Prayer Card**.

On the day, place the cards in the baskets provided and the fathers names will be taken to the Altar in the Offertory Procession on Sunday, 6th September as we celebrate our fathers.

PARISH NEWS

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.



Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide
Archbishop of Adelaide

SACRED HEART PARISH YOUTH TALENT SHOW



4 MINUTES MAX
ANY TALENT!
JUDGES NEEDED!

03.10.2026
7.00PM

1ST 2ND 3RD
PLACE PRIZES

Sacred Heart church
Hindmarsh Hall
252 Port Rd, Hindmarsh SA 5007

RSVP BY : SEPTEMBER 20TH
RYAN RODRIQUES 0432459943

18 AND
UNDER ONLY



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



Training

For anyone who missed the Formation Training within our Parish, please note the below details.

Training Session for EMHC

A training session will be held for and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC).

The session will take place on 3 September at St Peter Claver Hall, Dulwich. (1a Stuart Rd, Dulwich SA 5065)

Two sessions are available: 11:00am and 6:30pm.

Please register through the Cathedral Parish Office.



SAFEGUARDING OPERATIONS

SAFEGUARDING Sunday



Every Conversation Matters,
Shifting Conversation to Action



Safeguarding Sunday is a time to reflect, pray, and renew our commitment to creating safe and welcoming environments for everyone. This year's theme, "Every Conversation Matters – Shifting Conversation to Action," encourages us to turn our commitment into meaningful action by listening, speaking up, and working together to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all people.

Join us in building a culture of safeguarding where every voice matters and every action counts.

13 SEPTEMBER 2026



The Parish of Sacred Heart Hindmarsh - Findon and the Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. May we work to build and support safe communities for all people.

You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: [Turning conversations into action for Safeguarding Sunday - The Southern Cross](#)

CONGREGATION OF HOLY CROSS

Hearty Welcome

We are delighted to welcome to our Parish Community.

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



South India Province
Bangalore, Karnataka, India

Provincial Superior: Fr. Lawrence D'Almeida, C.S.C.

PARISH INFORMATION



Wise Owls Weekly Program

Gentle Fitness | Mondays 9.15am - 10.15am

Cost \$5

Designed for active ageing, Gentle Fitness is led by an experienced personal trainer who supports you to stay active, build strength and improve your overall wellbeing. Contact ANFE on 8234 5550 for more information.

Carpet Bowls / Bocce | Tuesdays 1.00pm - 2.45pm

Gold Coin donation

A relaxed and social mix of carpet bowls and bocce. All skill levels are welcome. Come with friends, or join a team on the day.

Tai Chi | Thursdays 10.30 - 11.30am

Cost \$2 + coffee

A gentle, active ageing session based on the principles of tai chi, supporting strength, balance and wellbeing. Enjoy 30 minutes of guided movement, followed by a chat and cuppa. No experience necessary.

Knit & Natter OR Cards & Natter | Thursdays 1pm - 2.30pm

Gold Coin donation

Bring your knitting or craft project along for a relaxed cuppa and friendly conversation. Knitting isn't your thing? No worries - come along with your favourite card game or simply join us for a cuppa and a natter!

Book Exchange

Browse our ever-changing library outside the café - Feel free to take a book or leave one!

Location: Catherine Community Centre, Findon Campus - 176 Crittenden Road, Findon.

Enquiries: 8406 5000 | info@nazareth.org.au

PARISH OFFICE

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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

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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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OUR LADY OF THE MANGER, FINDON

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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

11.00am Mass @ Our Lady of the Manger Church, Findon

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

LIVING BREAD!



JESUS the BREAD

of LIFE makes us

STRONG, LOVING

and KIND

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