WELCOME TO SACRED HEART PARISH HINDMARSH-FINDON

IN THE CHARISM OF THE HEART OF CHRIST

'May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be everywhere loved'

Parish Office
252 Port Road, Hindmarsh



Sacred Heart Church
252 Port Rd, Hindmarsh



Our Lady of the Manger
176 Crittenden Rd, Findon

8 November 2026



Year A

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Responsorial Psalm

My soul is thirsting for you.
O Lord my God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia alleluia!
Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

Today's Readings

Wis 6:12-16
Ps 62:2-8
1 Thess 4:13-18
Mt 25:1-13

MASS INTENTIONS

6:00pm Saturday Vigil OLM
Parish

9:00am SHC
Parish

11:00am OLM
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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	10 Nov	12:15 pm	CANCELLED Mass at Sacred Heart Church (SHC) Hindmarsh
◊	Wednesday	11 Nov	6:00 pm	Adoration and Candlelight Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
◊	Friday	13 Nov	9:15 am	Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
◊	Saturday	14 Nov	6:00 pm	Vigil Mass at Our Lady of the Manger Church (OLM) Findon
◊	Sunday	15 Nov	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 Bridegroom and the Bride

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise."

The Parable of the Ten Virgins draws on culturally familiar language and practices from first-century Israel. Understanding the wedding customs of that time sheds light on its deeper meaning.

First, the bride and groom did not choose each other. The father of the groom selected a bride for his son and spoke to the bride's father to obtain his consent. If the bride's father agreed, the two fathers drew up a contract, which often included a financial contribution from the groom's family to the bride's—both to compensate for the loss of her presence in the household and to symbolize the value the groom placed on her.

Once an agreement was reached, the bride price was paid, and a betrothal ceremony took place. During this ceremony, the bride and groom were legally bound to each other, though they would not yet live together. From that point on, the bride belonged to the groom, and the union could only be dissolved through a formal divorce. After the betrothal, the groom returned to his father's house to prepare a place for his bride—often by building a new room onto the family home. This period of preparation could last up to a year. During that time, the bride remained in her father's house, readying herself and awaiting the groom's return.

When the groom had finished his preparations and received his father's consent, he and his friends would set out to retrieve the bride. This usually happened at night, and the exact timing was unknown to the bride and her attendants. As a result, they had to remain constantly watchful. When the groom drew near, a cry would go out—often accompanied by trumpet blasts or joyful shouts—announcing his arrival. The bride, accompanied by her virgin attendants, would rise to meet him with lamps lit. Together, they would process to the groom's house, where the door would be shut and the wedding feast would begin. The celebration itself could last several days.

It is against this backdrop that Jesus tells today's parable. The story takes place toward the end of the betrothal period, when the groom was expected to arrive at any moment. This period of watchful anticipation symbolizes our present age, when we are already bound to Christ through Baptism. The price for our mystical marriage was the death of the Son of Man, the Bridegroom Himself. Now we must remain vigilant, anticipating His arrival.

The bridegroom's arrival at midnight represents the unexpected moment of Christ's return at the end of time, at the hour of our death, and even His daily coming by grace. The cry in the dark symbolizes the call of accountability and divine judgment, when every soul will rise to meet the Lord. At that moment, it will become clear who among us was wise and who was foolish. The wise brought oil, symbolizing the necessary interior disposition of grace, charity, and perseverance. The foolish failed to prepare. And while all may have fallen asleep, only those who lived in readiness will enter the wedding feast. Once the door is locked, no one else may enter.

See yourself as one of the bridesmaids, dozing in the stillness of night, only to be startled awake by the sudden trumpet blast and the cry: "Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!" Are you ready, today, to meet the Lord? Or do you, like the foolish virgins, presume you still have plenty of time left to prepare? This parable calls us not only to be ready for death—which may come without warning—but also to be attentive to the many ways Jesus comes to us daily by grace. He knocks at the door of our hearts in moments of prayer, in opportunities to love, to repent, to forgive, and to surrender. Each of these is a visitation, a miniature midnight cry. Every graced invitation is one we must be ready for, with our lamps burning and our hearts open. To delay, to resist, or to put Jesus off is to risk being shut out—not only from the eternal wedding feast, but also from the joy of His presence here and now.

Reflect today on the oil in your own lamp. Is it full and ready to burn brightly at a moment's notice? Have you been attentive to the daily promptings of grace, or have you grown spiritually drowsy, distracted by worldly cares? Ask the Lord to awaken your soul, to keep you vigilant and eager for His coming, whether at the end of your life or in the quiet moments of each day. Remain watchful, and be prepared to follow Him in every moment of every day.

My Lord and Bridegroom of the Church, You call us to vigilance, so that when You come to us—whether by grace throughout the day or at the end of our lives—we may be ready to follow You into the wedding feast of Divine Union. Free me, I pray, from all complacency and spiritual sloth. Grant me instead the virtues of attentiveness and diligence, that I may respond to every graced moment with love and fidelity. May each response draw me into deeper communion with You, now and forever. Jesus, I trust in You.

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CALENDAR



November

06 Nov	First Friday Worship, Praise & Adoration
08 Nov	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
	Supporting Our Clergy Appeal
09 Dec	The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome
10 Nov	NO TUESDAY 12.15PM MASS AT SHC
11 Nov	Remembrance Day
14 Nov	Parish Bingo Night - 7pm at OLM
15 Nov	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
21 Nov	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
22 Nov	Our Lord Christ the King
29 Nov	First Sunday of Advent
30 Nov	St Andrew, Apostle



December

03 Dec	St Francis Xavier
04 Dec	First Friday Worship, Praise & Adoration
05 Dec	Blessing of the Crib
06 Dec	Blessing of the Crib

PARISH MEETINGS



Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Tuesday, 17th November @ 6:30pm 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, 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

RED NOVEMBER ACN
PRAY • SUPPORT • ACT

A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia and New Zealand: ACN is the Pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church. During this Red November, we invite you to pray, support and act in solidarity with 388+ million Christians persecuted for their faith.

Around the world, churches and public buildings will light up in red as a symbol of the sacrifice and suffering of our modern-day martyrs. In Australia and New Zealand, over 20 Cathedrals will be lit in red, with some holding Masses and prayer vigils for persecuted Christians. Visit www.rednovember.org to learn more.

Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide
Archbishop of Adelaide

Supporting our Clergy Appeal
will be held this weekend
Sunday, 8th November

We especially acknowledge and thank our Parish Priest Father Santhosh, with our Assistant Priest Fr Rajashekhar.

Supporting our Clergy Appeal is about understanding our priests and deacons, valuing them and supporting them in ministry.

We Pray For The Souls Of ....
May They Rest In Peace. Amen

Kazimiesz Wszolek	Bill Leesue
Zofia Wszolek	Delia Leesue
Wladystan Dziaba	Sr Ann Leesue
Lusi Dziaba	Peter Leesue
Modest Filipowski	Joe Coombs
Maria Nycz	Riley Coombs
Josef Mycz	Cini Family
Ania Schultz	Boris Vukojevic
Dymek Family	Carol Vukojevic
Gorecki Family	Vinko Kustic
Henrylr Kopec	Diana Ivcic
Janina Kopec	Stana Vukojevic
Francesco Perri	Ante Vukojevic
Antonio Perri	Ada lelasi
Giuseppe Antonio Perri	Giuseppina Perri
Rosina Perri	Cata Perri
Alberto Tabor	Pasqualino Perri
Don Altamura	Erlinda Tabor
Pasqua Altamura	Rose Debari
Donato Altamura	Carlo Debari
Joseph Cappelluti	John Altamura
Victoria Cappelluti	Saverio Altamura
Renata Gallina	Joe Caruana
Bruno Gallina	Vincent & Frances Caruana & Families
Fiorini Family	Mary
Lorenzoni Family	Paul
Button Family	Susan
Marai Valdez	John
C Innasula Naidu	Jacob
Paul F Knapp	Virgenda Pono
Frederick Knapp	Evelyn Kimble
Madeliene Knapp	Dominiciana Bathan
Melecio bathan	Gloria Conejos
Edmundo Bathan	Teodoro Conejos
Opring Florentino	Dioscoro Andrade
Ludy Andrade	Justina Rama
Concepcion Rama	Paquito Heramil
Scott & Conroy Family & Friends	Percy Bosworth
Len Roussac-Hatton	Enid Bosworth
Flo Roussac-Hatton	Cathy Bosworth
Tex Theophilus	Maria Valdez
Norma Theophilus	Gongonid Entmada Snr.
Bonifacio Entmada	Gongonid Entmada Jnr.
Sylyestine Entmada	Asuncion Nesma
Josepina Entmada	Carnnto Valdez
Tancela Mnnda	Asnpcion Nesma
Mnfino Entmada	Anna Maria Sacha
Adam Kobis	Rocco Fiorenza & Family



BAPTISM



We welcome into our faith Community

Lily Whithead

Hailey Brown

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

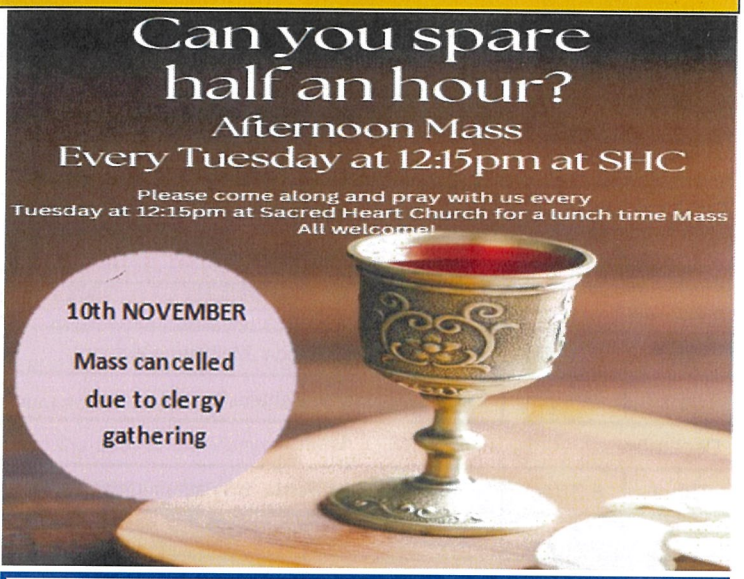
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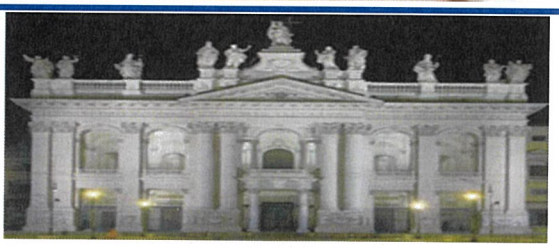
PARISH NEWS











Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, Rome
9th November

The Church celebrates the feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome, the oldest and highest ranking of the four major basilicas in Rome. The Basilica of St. John Lateran is the cathedral of the diocese of Rome, the official ecclesiastical seat of the Holy Father, the Bishop of Rome, not St. Peter's Basilica as so many mistakenly believe.

The Basilica is also called the Church of Holy Savior or the Church of St. John Baptist. In ancient Rome this was the church where everyone was baptized. This feast became a universal celebration in honor of the archbasilica, the ecclesiastical mother church, called "the mother and mistress of all churches of Rome and the world" (*omnium urbis et orbis ecclesiarum mater et caput*), as a sign of love for and union with the See of Peter.

Today the liturgy celebrates the dedication of the Lateran Basilica, called "mother and head of all the churches of the city and the world." In fact, this basilica was the first to be built after Emperor Constantine's edict, in 313, granted Christians freedom to practice their religion.

Initially the observance of this feast was confined to the city of Rome; then, beginning in 1565, it was extended to all the Churches of the Roman rite.

The honoring of this sacred edifice was a way of expressing love and veneration for the Roman Church, which, as St. Ignatius of Antioch says, "presides in charity" over the whole Catholic communion (Letter to the Romans, 1:1).

The beauty and harmony of the churches, destined to give praise to God, also draws us human beings, limited and sinful, to convert to form a "cosmos," a well-ordered structure, in intimate communion with Jesus, who is the true Saint of saints.

The cathedral is considered as the bishop of Rome. The dedication of this basilica is a happy occasion for the Church because it reminds us of our beginnings, our unity. It stands as a monument to God and all that God does through the Church.

CATHOLIC CULTURE

PARISH NOTICES



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!

Events are at : Coopers STADIUM		
November		
Sun 8	4.30pm	Adelaide United v Melbourne Victory
Tue 17	7:00pm	Foo Fighters Concert
December		
Thu 3	8.30pm	Adelaide United v BG Pathum United
Fri 11	4.20pm	Adelaide United v Macarthur (men)
		Adelaide United v Sydney (women)
Sun 27	4.20pm	Adelaide United v Central Coast (men)
		Adelaide United v Central Coast (women)
January		
Sat 9	4.20pm	Adelaide United v Syndey (men)
		Adelaide United v Canberra (Women)
Sun 17	4.30pm	Adelaide United v Western Sydney
Fri 29	4.20pm	Adelaide United v Mebourne City (men)
		Adelaide United v Melbourne City (women)

PUBLIC SCHOOLS - Sacramental Registration

Registration for our Parish Sacramental Program is now opened.
Please enrol by ***4th December 2026***
Please contact the Parish Office for further details

PARISH OFFICE

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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, HINDMARSH

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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

CHRISTMAS

Sacred Heart Parish Hindmarsh–Findon

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

Christmas Celebrations 2026

Blessing of Cribs – 2nd Sunday of Advent

Saturday	5 December	6:00 pm	(OLM)
Sunday	6 December	9:00 am	(SHC)
		11:00 am	(OLM)

Reconciliation (Confessions)

Wednesday	16 December	6:00 pm	(OLM Findon)	*(Reconciliation only - short liturgy)*

Parish Christmas Carols in the Courtyard

Sunday	20 December	6:00 pm – 9:30 pm	Sacred Heart Church Courtyard

All parishioners and visitors welcome. Bring your own chairs/rugs.

Christmas Eve

Thursday	24 December	6:00 pm	OLM Findon *(Children's Liturgy)* **
		7:00 pm	SHC Hindmarsh *(Children's Liturgy)* **
		Midnight	SHC Hindmarsh (Carols at 11:30pm followed by Mass)

Children are encouraged to dress in costumes appropriate to the season e.g. Angels, shepherds, wise men/women.

Christmas Day

Friday	25 December	9:00 am	SHC Hindmarsh
		10:30 am	OLM Findon *- Note time change*

***Feast of the Holy Family & Holy Innocents** (Blessing of Infants)*

Saturday	26 December	6:00 pm	OLM Findon
Sunday	27 December	9:00 am	SHC Hindmarsh
		11:00 am	OLM Findon

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God & New Year

Friday	1 January	10:00 am	SHC Hindmarsh

Feast of the Epiphany

Saturday	2 January	6:00 pm	OLM Findon (Vigil Mass)
Sunday	3 January	9:00 am	SHC Hindmarsh
		11:00 am	OLM Findon

Parish Office closed Friday 18 December 2026 – Tuesday 5 January 2027

The Parish Office Team wishes you and your loved ones a Happy and Holy Christmas and Blessings for the New Year – 2027.

