

# Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish Henley Beach

On the Traditional Lands of the Kurna People

30th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

27th October 2024

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**Mass Times:** Monday 8 pm Candlelit Mass

Tues: 9:15am, Wed: 8:00am, Thurs & Fri: 9:15am, Reconciliation Saturday 8:45am – 9:10am

Sat 9:15am (qualifies as a Sunday Mass); Vigil Saturday 6:00pm; Sunday 9.30am; 5:30pm

## COMING UP:

### Knit & Natter

Thursday  
14th November  
10am - 12 noon

### Rosary

Tuesdays - 2 pm

### Volunteers Christmas Lunch

Saturday 23rd  
November 12 - 3pm

### Advent Program

Wednesday 20th  
7 - 8.30pm

### Praise and Worship

Wednesday 6.30pm  
30th October

### Blokes Luncheon

Friday  
15th November

### Advent Retreat

Saturday  
30th November

## Readings

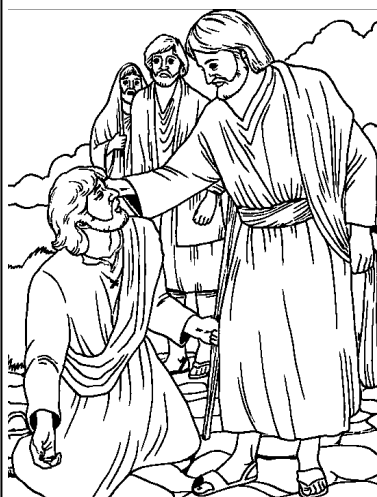
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Jer 31: 7-9  
Ps 125  
Heb 5: 1-6  
Mk 10: 46-52

31st SUNDAY in  
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Deut 6: 2-6  
Ps 17: 2-4, 47,51  
Heb 7: 23-28  
Mk 12: 28-34

## “Your Faith has Saved You”



Today's Gospel explains how Jesus showed the mercy and compassion of God by healing Bartimaeus, a blind man. On hearing that Jesus was passing by, Bartimaeus loudly expressed his trusting Faith in the healing power of Jesus by shouting, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me.” As Jesus invited him to come near, Bartimaeus threw aside his cloak and came to him. His meeting with Jesus gave Bartimaeus the gift of spiritual as well as physical sight, and he became a disciple of Jesus. Today's Gospel describes Jesus' final journey to Jerusalem through Jericho, an ancient city fifteen miles away from Jerusalem. Jericho was the first city conquered by the Israelites when they entered the promised land. It was a city of great wealth and remarkable beauty, supporting many date palm plantations and fig trees. Great numbers of merchants and Jewish priests made their homes in this pleasant city. The Mosaic Law required every Jewish male over the age of twelve and living within fifteen miles of Jerusalem to attend the Passover. Those who, for one reason or another, were exempt from this obligation would often line the roads to Jerusalem to greet the crowds of pilgrims as they passed toward the city. The Jewish rabbis on pilgrimage often taught religious lessons to the pilgrims on their journey. Beggars also capitalized on the increased traffic through the city to beg for money. One such beggar was the blind man known as Bartimaeus.

It is not by coincidence that this Gospel of blind Bartimaeus follows immediately upon last Sunday's text about James and John's ambitious request for positions of primacy in Jesus' coming Kingdom. It is probable that Mark intends to the two stories to be seen in contrast: James and John, although possessing physical sight, evidently do not “see” Jesus for who He is, do not understand Him and His message properly yet, and are still too filled with pride and a desire for power. Bartimaeus, on the other hand, although physically blind, evidently “sees” Jesus much better than some of His own disciples; he recognizes Jesus as the promised Davidic Messiah, but, instead of asking for power and glory, seeks only the healing and mercy that many Jews believed the Messiah to be bringing. (Rev. Dr. Watson). When the people told Bartimaeus the news of Jesus' passage through the city, he screamed out for Jesus' attention as one abandoned by both God and man, who could scarcely dare to dream of something better.

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He began to shout his remarkable prayer of Faith: "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me." Jesus heard one voice crying out through the noise of the crowd. Who would have expected a Messianic greeting from a blind beggar? In spite of the crowd's objections, Jesus stopped and, recognizing Bartimaeus' faith, called the blind man over. In the Law of Moses, the blind are among those who are to be accorded protection in the name of God. Leviticus admonishes the Israelites not to "curse the deaf or put a stumbling block in front of the blind" (Lev. 19: 14). In Deuteronomy, those who lead the blind astray along the road are placed under the same curse as those who withhold justice from the alien, the orphaned or the widowed (Deut. 27: 18-19). Psalm 146 proclaims that God gives sight to the blind, lifts up those who are bowed down and loves the righteous.

At Jesus' summons, Bartimaeus threw aside his long cloak, his only possession, which protected him from heat and cold. In throwing away his cloak, he gave up everything he had depended on, putting his complete trust in God. Discarding his cloak represented a radical break with his previous life (symbolized by his cloak), in the same way that Peter, James and John left their fishing boats and nets behind them when "called" by Jesus? The energy and the passion with which Bartimaeus responded to Jesus' summons should characterize all those who seek to respond to Jesus' call. Jesus rewarded his Faith by restoring both his physical and his spiritual sight. Having received physical and spiritual sight, Bartimaeus followed Jesus joyfully along the road. The gift of sight led Bartimaeus to Faith, and Faith came to full expression in committed discipleship. Bartimaeus is presented to contemporary believers as a guide in the Christian way because he was a man of Faith and vision, a man unafraid to recognize his need for healing and to cry out, "I want to see!" The man from Jericho invites us also to follow him up the road. Let us remember the old Persian proverb, "A blind man who sees is better than a seeing man who is blind." Let us today, pray that we will be blessed with a clear vision of Christian values and priorities in our lives and to acknowledge the presence of God dwelling in ourselves and in our neighbours. Let us live by our Christian courage and convictions. So that we will be people, like Bartimaeus, who will refuse to be silenced by all that is too secular and not Christian in our society.

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LUNCH**

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**Please Remember in Your Prayers this Week:**

Recently Deceased:

Karl Chehade (Sr.), Sr Bridgid DeMello MSCJ, Fr Len Helm MSC,  
Maurice Travis, Pat Berti, Leo Faulkner, Beth Alison,  
Josephine Mobley, Kate Tamits, Desmond Peters,  
Jozef Klimkiewicz, Francis Kevin Morrissey, Maxine Wheatley,  
Brian Sheehy, Carmel Fitzgerald, Matthew Vasileff, Les Brksy,  
Marian Weldon, Maureen Lally, Pierre Chehade, Charlie Seal.

Anniversaries

Nina Gomes, Matthew Vasilef, Tina Mennillo, P. Stanislaus,  
Domenica Imbesi,

Sick Parishioners

Sean Kennedy, Wendy Boeyen, Graham Brackett,  
Aduzinda Matthews, Nicholas Cutajar, Annette Smith,  
Brian Fitzgerald, Margaret O'Connor, Peter Tierney, Age Selita,  
Sonia Bennie, Amelia D'Aloia, Terry Cashin, Rene Young,  
Brendan Taylor, Rose Oteng, Julie Green, Noel Hocking,  
Brian Barden, Joan Dignan.


**Planned Giving Envelopes**

Please collect your new Planned Giving Envelopes at the back of the church. If you can deliver any it would be much appreciated.

**Christmas Preparation**

A morning group will be meeting every Friday during Advent. Newcomers most welcome.  
22 November -13 December from 10am-11am

**The Southern Cross**

 The latest edition of the Southern Cross is available at the back of the Church. Cost \$2.00.

**Police Checks Updating**

Please contact Ivy Hill 0413 081 421 if your Working with Children Police Check needs updating.

**Weekly Bulletin**

If anyone would like the weekly bulletin emailed to them please contact the office at:

[welcome@henleybeachparish.com.au](mailto:welcome@henleybeachparish.com.au)

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.**

## Stewardship Reflection 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“And Jesus said to him, ‘Go your way; your faith has made you well.’ And immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.” (Mark 10:52)

Faith is believing in something even though you may not be able to physically see it. Many people think that miracles don't happen anymore. This is hard, but try to focus on the positive and not the negative things in your life. When you focus on your blessings instead of your hardships, miracles will seem common. You will see God's active presence in your daily life. You will begin to develop an attitude of gratitude.



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## Social Justice Group Event

Parish Craft Day Saturday November 16th in the Parish Hall.

Creating goodies to sell on the Christmas Table. A fun filled community day helping create some special items which will then be sold to raise funds for the Zimbabwe clean water project.

Please register for 1 of the timeslots on the forms at the back of church, so we can cater for everyone. All are welcome (tea and coffee and a light lunch will be provided).

Any questions, please call Cheryl on 0427351008 (Please note that there will not be a gingerbread house building day this year).

## The Lord's Prayer Advent Program 2024

By Cheryle Douglas



Begins  
Wednesday 20/11/24 7-8.30pm in parish hall.

Followed by light supper.

All Welcome.

Cost by donation.

Please register at the back of the church.

Enquiries: Ph Cheryle Douglas 0423 480 440

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## November - The Month of Remembrance



November is the month when we as the church remember those of our family, friends and parishioners who have died. We especially remember those who have gone to their heavenly reward this past year. If you wish to have a Mass said for your deceased relatives and friends during the month of November, please fill in the envelope in your planned giving pack and place it in the second collection basket at Mass or drop off to the Parish Office. November Mass envelopes are available at the back of the church eek for those who do not have a planned giving pack.

## Mass Times

**1st November: All Saints Day**

9.15 am Mass. (no longer a Holy Day of Obligation)

**2nd November: All Souls Day**

**The 9.15 am will be a Mass for the Dead.**

Mass at 6pm on this day will be the Mass for 31st Sunday in Ordinary time. (It will not be that for the Dead.)

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, Alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!**



# ALPHAYTH @ HENLEY

*We believe in telling young people that they can change their world and giving them the tools to do so.*

**HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**  
**SUNDAY NIGHTS following 5:30pm MASS**  
**FOOD & ALPHAYTH 6:30-8:30pm**

[Henleybeachparish.com.au/alpha](http://Henleybeachparish.com.au/alpha)

Catholic Church: 420 Seaview Road, Henley Beach

### Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) @ 9.30am Mass

Our CLOW team offers the youngest members of our Parish an opportunity to connect with the Gospel during each Sunday morning mass, in the Church Hall. Anyone wanting to join the CLOW team is invited to contact Barb Conlon.

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### Blokes Luncheon

Is arranged for FRIDAY, 15 November 2024 at 12.15pm at the HENLEY HOTEL.

Please enter your NAME on the ATTENDANCE SHEET which is located on the table at the back of the church.

For catering purposes, if you are unable to attend please inform Howard PRONK - 0407 714 619.

### Advent Retreat

"Let Every Heart Prepare Him Room"

Saturday 30th November  
9:15am - 4pm

The day will include:-

- Talks given by Fr Manu Kumbidiyamackal MSFS
- Mass
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- Reflection
- Reconciliation
- Benediction

Please bring your own lunch tea/coffee provided. Enquiries and bookings phone Pauline 0403002240 by 27th November. Cost by cash donation. All Welcome.

### Opportunities for Business Promotions

The Parish Finance Council would like to advertise businesses owned by our parishioners in the parish bulletin for a minimal cost. If you would like to do this please contact the parish office.

It will be a mutual help in presenting your business to the parishioners, making connections with fellow parishioners and a financial help to the parish.

### Knit and Natter

Our next get together will be on November 14th

Thankyou to the kind people who have donated wool.

Carmel Kay

### Giving App

Download the Adelaide Archdiocese's Find a Mass App on your mobile phone and set up direct giving to the first and second collections, as well as special appeals.

Or go to [adelaide.goodgiving.com.au](http://adelaide.goodgiving.com.au) to set up direct giving from your computer.

Please note: 1st, 2nd and Special Collections are available on the app.

The QR code will automatically select the Henley beach parish.