

# Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish Henley Beach

On the Traditional Lands of the Kaurna People

2nd Sunday of Easter— Year A

16th April 2023



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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:

**Blokes Luncheon**

May 19th

**Marian Procession**

May 21st

**Dinner Dance**

May 27th 7pm

**Laudato Si Week**

May 28th

**Praise and Worship**

May 31st 6:30pm to 9:00pm

**Feast of the Sacred Heart**

June 16th 24 hour adoration from 5 pm on Friday and celebration of the feast on Saturday at 6 pm mass.

### Readings

**2nd Sunday of Easter**

Acts: 2: 42–47

Psalms: 117:2–4, 3–15, 22-24

1Pet: 1:3-9

Jn: 20:19-31

**Third Sunday of Easter**

Acts: 2:14, 22-33

Psalms: 15: 1-2, 5, 7-11

1 Pet: 1:17-21

Lk: 24:13-35



Mercy is what makes God perfect and all-powerful, Pope Francis said in his document officially proclaiming the 2015-2016 extraordinary Holy Year of Mercy. "If God limited himself to only justice, he would cease to be God, and would instead be like human beings who ask merely that the law be respected," the pope wrote in "Misericordiae Vultus," ("The Face of Mercy"), which is the "bull of indiction" calling a Holy Year to be observed as the Year of Mercy. Today we are celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday. On this feast of Divine Mercy we remember that God comes to bring us a new power for life and a new hope despite our human weakness. Today we remember that God is a person of mercy who washes away our sins, giving us new birth in the Spirit and redeeming us with the blood of Christ. Our Lord had asked Sister Faustina Kowalska to pray and work to have the feast of Divine Mercy established on the Sunday after Easter. Pope John Paul II decreed that this would be a day of total forgiveness of sins and of punishment due to sins for those who approach the Eucharist and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. It is to be an annual celebration like the Day of Atonement. All sins and punishment would be washed away in God's infinite mercy.

The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC: A - Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world. B - Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us. C - Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive (From <http://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/>). Today's Gospel emphasizes the importance of Faith in the all-pervading presence of the Risen Lord of Mercy. To believe without having seen is every later Christian's experience. We are invited to receive liberation from doubts and hesitation by surrendering our lives to the Risen Lord of Mercy.

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In the New Testament, Jesus was the embodiment of God's Mercy. One of the outstanding features of the life of Christ was a feeling of sympathy and compassion for human misery. The life and action of the church is authentic and credible only when she becomes a convincing herald of mercy, a mercy that knows no bounds and extends to everyone without exception. Let us ask God our Father to open our hearts so that we may receive His Mercy in the form of His Holy Spirit. Living Faith enables us to see the Risen Lord in everyone and gives us the willingness to render to each one our loving service ("Faith without good works is dead," James 2:17). It was this Faith in the Lord and obedience to His missionary command that prompted the apostles to travel far and wide to preach the Gospel, to establish Christian communities and eventually to suffer martyrdom. Mercy is not just an idea but rather finds expression in practical situations like the corporal works of mercy. So, mercy is not only the work of the Father, it becomes the criterion of true followers, who show mercy because mercy has first been shown to them. It is an essential condition for entering the Kingdom of God. Let us today, as we celebrate the Divine Mercy Sunday, accept God's invitation to celebrate and practice mercy. One way the Church celebrates God's mercy throughout the year is through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Finding time for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is another good way to receive Divine Mercy. The Gospel command, "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful," demands that we show mercy to our fellow human beings always and everywhere. We radiate God's mercy to others by our actions, our words, and our prayers. The integrity of our lives bears a fundamental witness to others who want to see the Risen Lord alive and active, working in us. Christ's mercy shines forth from us whenever we reach out to the poor, the needy and the marginalized. His mercy shines forth when we remain open to those who struggle in Faith, as did the Apostle Thomas in today's Gospel. We should be able to appreciate the presence of Jesus, crucified and raised, in our own suffering and in our suffering brothers and sisters, thus recognizing the glorified wounds of the Risen Lord in the suffering of others.

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### Laudato Si Week, 21st – 28th May

This is the annual time to promote Laudato Si throughout the world, commemorating Pope Francis' encyclical in 2015. The theme this year is Hope for the Earth, Hope for Humanity. The Diocesan Council for Integral Ecology will hold an event at Henley Beach on Sunday 28th in the afternoon. The event will be focusing on marine and coastal conservation plus the people who are becoming climate refugees due to climate change. It will be a diocesan event. The parish community is invited to be taking active participation for the successful organising of this event.

#### 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)

### Spam Emails

**Please note that parishes and priests do not solicit donations by email.**

We have had reports of people being approached via email by someone falsely claiming to be Fr Manu and asking the recipient for help in the form of money or vouchers and gift cards.

**If you should receive such an email please do not respond, or purchase vouchers or gift cards.**

**Working with Children—Police Check.**

**Please contact Ivy Hill on 0413081421, if yours needs renewing**

**Please remember in your prayers this week:**

#### Recently Deceased:

Ray Freeman, Des O'Leary, Antonia Scalzi, Marie Eggar, Tomasso Guidone, Marie Abbas, Vinny De Tullio, Ursula Guidone, Pat Raven, Trevor Evans, Rosa Salerno, Cardinal George Pell.

#### Anniversaries:

George Papillo, Denis & Josephine Kenny

#### Sick Parishioners:

Frank Cousins, Pat Berti. Rene Young, Mary Kennedy, Sharon Barber, Brendan Taylor, Rose Oteng, Julie Green, Noel Hocking, Maria Tinus, Brian Barden, Joan Dignan, Brian Fitzgerald, Lola Pedler, Margaret O'Connor, Margaret Kennedy, Robin Franks, Nan Sheridan, Anthony Kennedy, Hazel Wilson.

**Knit & Natter** will meet on Thursday 27th April from 10am to 12pm in the Conference Room. All welcome  
Enquiries: Carmel 83564029



### Kid's Corner

#### A prayer for Divine Mercy Sunday



Jesus I trust in you! You love us so much, that you even gave your life for us. Your love is so great, it goes beyond every suffering and every fault. Heavenly Father for Jesus' suffering on the cross, we ask you with all our hearts, have mercy on us and on the whole world, forgive us and embrace us into your loving arms. Jesus I trust in you, Amen.



**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.**

## Pastoral Council notices

### Event/Social Teams

Thank you for those who came to the parish Event / Social committee meeting on Saturday. We will have several groups working in this area

Pasta night group: Jo-Anne Martin, [lynnmartin5@tpg.com.au](mailto:lynnmartin5@tpg.com.au)

Multicultural day team group just coming together

Dinner Dance: Olivia Concesso, [Olivia.concesso@gmail.com](mailto:Olivia.concesso@gmail.com)

Movie Night: Coordinator sought

General Coordinator: Noreen Gaudry, [n.gaudry@outlook.com](mailto:n.gaudry@outlook.com)

Anyone who wants to be part of any of the groups, please contact Noreen

Over the next month, we are inviting parishioners who may wish to become involved in a parish activity to contact a group leader. Last week and again this week we invite you to consider being part of the parish **Event / Social Committee**. This group will work autonomously and report to the PPC each month on its activities. A Dinner Dance Fundraiser is scheduled for May 27<sup>th</sup> so this will kick start the group. Contact Noreen 0410 848 441 [n.gaudry@outlook.com](mailto:n.gaudry@outlook.com); or Tim on [reachtimjackson@gmail.com.au](mailto:reachtimjackson@gmail.com.au);

### Hold the Date

May 27<sup>th</sup> 7pm Dinner Dance.

### Focus on Parish Ministry

#### Altar Server recruitment.

Both Children and Adults are encouraged to this ministry. If interested see Father Manu

### Church Care teams

These groups look after the sanctuary (dusting etc), deal with any old flowers, candles etc. This takes an hour and generally done in teams of 2

Linen: Altar Linen needs to be cleaned weekly, this is not a big task. Purifiers (small linen squares) need cleaning and ironing.

Towels and other altar items used for baptism also need a clean.

From time to time the Altar table covers need cleaning, but this is not a weekly event.

We are desperate for helpers to take on these tasks. The women that are doing them now are few and they have been doing this for many, many years. We need new helpers.

**Please consider this, adding this task to your weekly wash routine.**

Contact the office and put your name down, we will be in contact. 8356 8888

### Extra ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

All special ministers who were unable to attend the Working with Children Briefing held by the Archdiocese last month in the hall are required to sign a document for submission with their registration as a special minister. You are still required to attend training but the sign off of the Working with Children document will allow you a little more time to find a venue to attend a briefing. Copies of this will be available at all masses or you can go to the office next week and sign off and leave it in the office. Attending a working with children workshop is mandatory. The archdiocese will contact you about training once this form is submitted. A commissioning mass will be held in May.



If anyone has any gym equipment that are not being used and in usable condition I would like to take them for use in the presbytery. Please let me know.



### 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 [www.adelaide.goodgiving.com.au](http://www.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.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!**

## BLOKES LUNCHEON SAVE THE DATE!

The next BLOKES LUNCHEON is on FRIDAY, 19 May 2023  
at the Henley Surf Life Saving Club.



### Dinner and Dance Fundraiser

Shahani, Sharina and Mirachel from our parish will be attending World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal in August this year. As a community, let us come together and enjoy a fun filled evening to raise funds and support their faith journey.

**Date: Saturday, 27 May 2023**

**Time: 7:00pm to midnight**

**Venue: Club West Lakes (Lakes Sports and Community Club)**

**Tickets: \$40 per adult, \$20 for those aged 6-16 years and free entry for children under 6 years.**

Dinner and dessert included.

Drinks may be purchased from the bar. There will be a live band for us to dance the night away and fundraising games for all to get involved.

Tickets for this event will be on sale via the parish website on 15th April. Strictly 200 (includes adults and children)

We are seeking sponsors and volunteers to assist in making this a fun night for all, if you would like to help please contact Noreen on 0410 848 441 or via email at [n.gaudry@outlook.com](mailto:n.gaudry@outlook.com) to discuss further. The Committee is looking for small business sponsors for the tables, donations of prizes and silent auction items. We call on our parishioners for any contacts they believe will be willing to assist.

Contact Peter Speranza

Olivia Concesso



The New Edition of the Southern Cross is available at the back of the Church. Please take one they are free.

## Marian Procession Save the Date

The 2023 Marian Procession will be held on Sunday May 21 starting at the Pioneer Women's Memorial Gardens (next to the Torrens Parade Ground on King William Rd), processing up King William St into Victoria Square. This year, we celebrate the Feast of the Visitation in line with the 2023 World Youth Day theme.

The Procession will commence at 2pm and all are invited to attend with their parish or community. Group assembly will begin from 1.30pm. Unless there is a severe weather warning, the procession will take place.

However, this year it will conclude in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral rather than Victoria Square. For more information, please contact the Events Office on Ph: 8210 8220.

## Rosters for Liturgy

An opportunity for you to join one of the many ministries required for the celebration of Mass. Our current ministry roster has held the fort throughout Covid and we thank everyone for their loyalty through this period.

The rosters are being updated and will commence in May. Please find at the back of the church the forms for new rosters. Anyone who wishes to join one of the Ministries is requested to put their name in.

Many of you are already providing this service to the community and we hope you will continue. If you wish to withdraw from your current roster from the beginning of May, please contact the office either by email at [welcome@henleybeachparish.com.au](mailto:welcome@henleybeachparish.com.au); or by calling 8356 8888.

Likewise, if you wish to join in call or email the office.

Thanks a lot for your generosity.

## Baptisms in our Parish

we welcome into our Parish Community Koa Van Berlo, Lily Rose Scot Carter, Mia Jane Albore, Paxton Molitor and Ren Charles Wilkins being baptised this weekend. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

## SAVE THE DATE WEDNESDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY 2023 6:30pm – 9pm



### PRAISE AND WORSHIP NIGHT

Why not be involved in planning our next Praise and Worship event.

Meeting Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April @ 7pm in the church hall.

Contact Barb to register support for planning team 0439 305 543

Let's all get involved and PRAY, INVITE and BRING our friends to come and worship Jesus together on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May. This event is open to everyone in the Diocese so let's all gather to sing and praise God.