

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish Henley Beach

On the Traditional Lands of the Kaurna People

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

26th October 2025

Parish Priest: Fr Mark Sexton

Pastoral Care: Sr Helen Armstrong OLSH

Child safe contact Person: Jane Sage 0435062071

Alpha Programs Director: Barb Conlon

After hours Emergency Only: 0437 216 095

Vinnies Emergency Hotline: 1300 729 202

Henley Beach Parish Office: 420 Seaview Road,
Henley Beach

Ph: 8356 8888

Email: welcome@henleybeachparish.com.au

Website: www.henleybeachparish.com.au

Office Hours: Mon & Tues: 9am–12pm;
Wed & Thurs: 9am–2pm;
Fri: 9am–3pm.



Star of the Sea Primary School: Phone: 8115 7400 Email: info@star.catholic.edu.au

Web: <https://www.star.catholic.edu.au/news-events/enewsletters>

Mass Times: Monday 8 pm Candlelit Mass (except on Public Holidays)

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
30th October
10am - 12 noon

Henley Parish Pilgrimage

Saturday
8th November
9am—5pm

Blokes Lunch

Friday
21st November

Readings

30th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Sirach 35: 12-14, 16-19
Ps 33: 2-3, 17-19, 23
2 Tim 3: 4: 6-9, 16-18
Lk 18: 9-14

ALL SOULS DAY

Job 19:1, 23-27
Ps 22, 24, 26
Romans 5: 5-11
Mat 11: 25-30

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Readings give us a stark contrast. In the First, we are explicitly told that God listens to the poor and marginalised rather than the wealthy. How often do we hear of the wealthy paying massive sums to attend dinners with political leaders being specifically promised access depending on what they pay? Can we think of any other profession which provides close access for cash?

With our Gospel, something I cannot repeat enough, Jesus is condemning a mindset, not the Pharisees, not any supposed aspect of Judaism, but the mindset which asserts one's own superiority in morality against another's and even preens about it.

The Pharisee is just about telling God how lucky God is to have the Pharisee as a follower! He even lists all the sins of others – which apparently he is immune to! Have we met anyone like this? Or have we ever been so tempted? Or even fallen?

His apparent attitude of self-satisfaction appears to be that he has 'earned' his way to God, without needing any help. This is called 'Pelagianism'.

The contrast with the second person is telling. He acknowledges his fault, and asks for help. What is his fault? We do not know. It might be personal. It might be his role as a tax collector. Is he doing this out of choice – or is he trapped in a system where he needs to support his family?

We are not told and do not need to be. If we place ourselves in this parable, which of the pair are we?

Fr Mark



St Aloysius' Church Sevenhill



Pilgrimage to Sevenhill



Henley Beach Parish are inviting you to our year of HOPE Parish Pilgrimage. We have a full day planned with lots of activities, including Mass, tour of the grounds including the crypt, the final resting place for 42 Jesuits.

Lunch will be a simple picnic style sandwiches and cake with snacks and a soft drink. Lawn games will keep us busy connecting and laughing together and for those who would like, wine tasting (pre-booked groups).

What's Included – total cost \$50 per Adult

- | | |
|--|---|
| ✓ Private bus to and from OLSH to Sevenhill (\$25) | ✓ Lawn games, fun for all to enjoy |
| ✓ Mass in St Aloysius' Church on arrival | ✓ Wine tasting – 10% discount if a bottle purchased |
| ✓ Picnic lunch on the grounds surrounding Church | ✓ Tea and Coffee included and snacks on the Bus |



Donations welcomed to support those with limited finances – please don't let the cost deter you ... speak with Fr Mark or Barb Conlon in confidence



**Saturday
8th November
2025
9am – 5pm from
OLSH Parish**

<https://www.trybooking.com/DGNNQ>

Register Here



Social Justice Group Sewing/Craft Morning

A great Community Event

Sewers – we need your help to make items for our Christmas Table! Are you able to bring your machine & help for a couple of hours?

Non-sewers - Are you able to assist with other craft items? We would love your help! All items to be sold at the Christmas table with profits for an overseas clean water project. Saturday 8th of November 10.15 am to 12.15pm with coffee & cake/biscuits provided afterwards. Registration sheets at the back of church

Any questions, please call Cheryl on 0427351008 or Ivy on 0413081421

Please Remember in Your Prayers this Week:

Recently Deceased

Mons. Bob Rice, Damian Pilkington, Jude Sowerbutts, Helen Woodall, Margaret Hillary, Thomas Wharton, Peter Tierney, Cliff Daniels, Len Manuel, Liz Campbell, Wendy Boeyen, Sean Kennedy, Maria Tinus, Don Newham,

Anniversaries

John Tobin, Nancy Gomes, Nina Gomes, Noel Killian.

Sick Parishioners

Heather Franks, Sophie M, Chris Capaldo, Carmel Jungfer, Aduzinda Matthews, Antienta and Richard Nazar, Nicholas Cutajar, Sani Strehovski, John Boeyen, Graham Blacket, Brian Fitzgerald, Margaret O'Connor, Sonia Bennie, Amelia D'Aloia, Rene Young, Brendan Taylor.,

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth .

Requiem Mass for Mons Robert Rice



Mons Bob Rice's Requiem Mass is at the Cathedral 10am, Tuesday 28 October. To allow Fr Paul and myself to attend, there will be no 9.15 Mass at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart that day.

The Requiem will be live streamed by Sieberts – Rev Monsignor Dr Robert Rice John (Bob) Rice – Frank J Siebert. Fr Mark

Planned Giving Assists in Funding Future Projects

Your pledge assists with funding essential repairs. The main projects includes refacing the entire car park. This will cost in excess of \$100K.

Representatives of the PFC, PPC and BAPS have met with Star of the Sea and the Archdiocese. Representatives with the object of Star of the Sea funding a financial contribution. A draft MOU has been prepared.

This work will involve contractors approved by the Archdiocese.

Further painting and remedial work is required particularly in the southwest area facing the sea.

Mass Offerings for Personal Intentions

Fr Mark can offer only ONE intention at each Mass. At the moment Masses are booked up until 4th November.

Please do not send in any more Mass Offerings until then. Many Thanks

Planned Giving

The **First Collection** to support the Clergy of the Archdiocese will be collected via the wooden bowls.

The **Second Collection** to support expenses of our Parish is collected via the baskets.

Our **Tap and Go machine** is located at the back of the Church. This donation supports the running costs of our Parish.

The **Good Giving App** can be used for the 1st, 2nd and Special Collections by using the QR code at the back of the bulletin.



30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"...for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." Luke 18:14

Pride and ego are the root causes of most of our sins. Thinking your time is so valuable or your talent is better than anyone else or your money gives you status is another way of making those things "gods" before God. Pride is the opposite of humility. Remember, all that we have and all that we are is a gift from God. We should be humbled by God's incredible generosity and be grateful for all we have been given. Ultimately, gratitude leads us to humility.

World Community for Christian Meditation Australia Gathering

The World Community for Christian Meditation Australia will have an in-person national gathering on Friday evening November 28 7pm to Saturday November 29 3.30pm at St Saviour's Anglican Church, 596 Portrush Road Glen Osmond. The theme is 'Simplicity of Stillness: living into Mystery with Meister Eckhart'.

The speaker is Mark Burrows, an award-winning poet, translator and scholar in medieval mysticism. He has led retreats for WCCM in Bonnevaux, and various events for Spiritual Directors International.

Further information and registration forms at <https://wccmaustralia.org.au/>

Safeguarding Essentials Course for all Parishioners



The training dates for this essential course for parishioners who are volunteers (and who have not completed theirs online) will be held on the following days:

25 October 2025 after the 9.15 a.m. Mass and after 6p.m. Mass.

1 November 2025 after 9.15 a.m. and 6p.m. Mass.

2 November 2025 after 9.30 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. Mass

Postponement of Pave the Wave Parish Social Function October 25 2025 Refund of tickets

Thank you for your support of our Parish function, Pave the Way scheduled to be conducted this Saturday night, October 25. This function was to raise funds to enhance our Parish car park.

Unfortunately, we need to postpone this function to a time to be determined in early 2026.

We are refunding the price of the ticket(s) that you so generously purchased. This refund will be done over the next 24-48 hours. This refund will appear from Try Booking.

We will communicate through the Parish the 2026 date. Many thanks for your support and we look forward to your attendance at the 2026 function."

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! The word of God is living and active; it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart. Alleluia!

Australia Catholic Youth Festival 2025 – Online Information Session



Australia Catholic Youth Festival 2025 – Online Information Session. The Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF) will be held in Melbourne at the Melbourne Exhibition and Convention Centre (MCEC), from Sunday November 30 to Tuesday December 2.

The festival is open to those in Year 9 and up to 25 years of age, as well as accompanying leaders, teachers, and clergy.

This is an opportunity for Catholic young people to gather and engage in a wide range of activities including prayer, Mass, workshops, talks, live concerts, games and interactive expos.

Check out the ACYF website for announcements on presenters and registration.

The journey of Marriage



Marriage is a life-long journey, and just like a car needs the odd service to keep it running smoothly, your marriage can use a tune up too. A Marriage Encounter weekend has the power to make a good marriage even better, rekindle your romance and spontaneity and help you reconnect with each other and God.

Bookings are now open for our live-out weekend on 1–2 Nov 2025 at Antonio Catholic School, 8 Bains Road, Morphett Vale 5162 or book in for a live-in weekend in 2026, at Lyndoch 22–22 Feb or the Adelaide Royal Coach 3–5 July.

Call Jo & Jon on 0493 747 478 or email sabookings@wwme.org.au.

Alternatively, visit WWME.org.au and apply online today.

Weekly Advent Reflection



A Friday morning Spiritual Preparation Group for Christmas will be held every Friday during the Four Fridays of Advent between 10am–11am in the meeting room at the Parish Office.

Everyone is welcome. You will need your own copy of “The Promise” the Advent Preparation Booklet. Thank you

The Southern Cross



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

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 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.

Catholic Mission Appeal



Kindly Return your Mission Appeal envelopes as soon as possible.

There are additional envelopes at the back of the church for your contribution.

These can be placed in the second collection (Baskets) next weekend.

Thank you for your generosity.

All Souls’ Mass - Centennial Park



Centennial Park extends a warm invitation to All Souls’ Mass on Sunday, November 2, at 3pm in their Jubilee Complex Foyer.

Come together to commemorate and remember those who have passed, but who live on in our hearts.

All Souls’ Mass will be led by Father Anthoni Adimai SdM from St Francis of Assisi Church. Hymns will be performed by soprano singer Teresa La Rocca.

You are welcome to bring a photo of your loved one to place at the altar for blessing. More information on the Mass and how to register can be found here:

All Souls' Mass Tickets, Sun 02/11/2025 at 3:00 pm Eventbrite

Remembrance of the Shoah

Monday November 10 at 7pm in Cathedral of St Francis Xavier.

All are welcome to commemorate the events of the Shoah. You will be moved by the stories shared and the beautiful voices of the Jewish Communities Choir who will lead the service.

For more information, contact Archdiocesan Events on 8210 8220 or email events@adelaide.catholic.org.au

YOUR LOCAL PARISHIONER & LAWYER, GERARD FERRAO

I’m here to help with life’s legal matters with care and understanding.

If you have a legal concern, big or small, feel free to reach out. I’m here to help with practical solutions and peace of mind.



☎ 0411 775 391

✉ gerard.ferrao@taylor-rose.com.au

A CONSULTING PARTNER OF
TAYLOR ROSE SMART MODERN LAW