

# Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish Henley Beach

On the Traditional Lands of the Kurna People

Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE

24th November 2024

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**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  
28th November  
10am - 12 noon

### Advent Retreat

Saturday  
30th November  
9.15am—4pm

### Alpha Youth

Sunday  
6.30pm - 8.30pm

### Memorial Mass

Monday  
25th November  
8pm  
Candlelit Mass

## Readings

### CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE

Dan 7:13-14

Ps 92: 1-2, 5

Rev 1: 5-8:

Jn 18: 33-37

### FIRST SUNDAY of ADVENT

Jer 33: 14-16

Ps 24: 4-5, 8-9, 10, 14

1Thes 3: 12 - 4:2:

Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

## Ambassadors of Christ the King



The Church's liturgical year concludes with this feast of Christ the King, instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925 to celebrate the Jubilee Year and the 16th centenary of the Council of Nicaea. Instituting this feast, Pope Pius XI proclaimed: "Pax Christi in regno Christi" ("The peace of Christ in the reign of Christ"). This feast was established and proclaimed by the Pope to reassert the sovereignty of Christ over all forms of government and to remind Christians of the fidelity and loyalty they owed to Christ, who by his Incarnation and sacrificial death on the cross had made them both adopted children of God and future citizens and heirs of the Kingdom of Heaven. Christ is our spiritual King and Ruler who rules by truth and love. We declare our loyalty to him by the quality of our Christian commitment, expressed in our serving of others with sacrificial and forgiving love, and by our solidarity with the poor. Although emperors and kings with real ruling power exist today only in history books, we nevertheless honour Christ as the King of the Universe and the King of our hearts by allowing him to take control of our lives. In thousands of human hearts all over the world, Jesus still reigns as King. The Cross is his throne and the Sermon on the Mount, his rule of law. His citizens need obey only one major law: "Love God with all your being, and love others as I have loved you." His love is selfless, compassionate, forgiving, and unconditional. He is a King with a saving and liberating mission: freeing us from all types of bondage, enabling us to live peacefully and happily on earth, and promising us an inheritance in the eternal life of heaven.

Today's Gospel presents the first part of the trial conducted by Pilate who questions Jesus about his kingship. In his dialogue with Pilate, Jesus implies that Pilate does not understand the spiritual or transcendent nature of Jesus' kingship ("My Kingdom does not belong to this world"). Neither his present nor his future reign operates according to the world's criteria of power and dominance. Jesus' Kingdom, the reign of God, is based on the beatitudes, and he rules through loving service rather than through domination. His authority is rooted in truth, not in physical force. Jesus also claims that he has come to bear witness to the truth about a larger and eternal Kingdom. Jesus has come to bear witness to the truth: about God and His love, about us and about whom we are called to be.

What is the Kingdom of God? What is the Kingdom of Christ the King? Here is a beautiful explanation given by Gerald Darring (St. Louis University: Centre for Liturgy): The Kingdom of God is a space. It exists in every home where parents and children love each other.

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It exists in every region and country that cares for its weak and vulnerable. It exists in every parish that reaches out to the needy. The Kingdom of God is a time. It happens whenever someone feeds a hungry person, or shelters a homeless person, or shows care to a neglected person. It happens whenever we overturn an unjust law, or correct an injustice, or avert a war. It happens whenever people join in the struggle to overcome poverty, to erase ignorance, to pass on the Faith. The Kingdom of God is in the past (in the life and work of Jesus of Nazareth); it is in the present (in the work of the Church and in the efforts of many others to create a world of goodness and justice); it is in the future (reaching its completion in the age to come). The Kingdom of God is a condition. Its symptoms are love, justice, and peace. Jesus Christ is king! We pray today that God may free all the world to rejoice in His peace, to glory in His justice, to live in His love.

Today's Feast of Christ the King reminds us of the great truth that Christ must be in charge of our lives, that we must give him sovereign power over our bodies, our thoughts, our heart and our will. Therefore, we need to ask ourselves: Are we praying each day that our King will give us the right words to say to the people we meet that day, words that will make us true ambassadors of Jesus? Does our home life as well as the way we conduct ourselves with others come under the Kingship of Jesus? Or do we try to please ourselves rather than him?

We need to follow Christ the King's lesson of humble service. So, we are called to be a people who reach out to embrace the enemy and the stranger, a people who are called to glory in diversity, a people who will endlessly forgive, a people who will reach out in compassion to the poor and to the marginalized sectors of our society, a people who will support one another in prayer, a people who will realize that we are called not to be served, but to serve. In other words, servant-leadership is the model that Christ the King has given us. "For the Christian, 'to reign is to serve Him,' particularly when serving 'the poor and the suffering, in whom the Church recognizes the image of her poor and suffering founder'" (CCC #786). When we live to that level of our Christian call, we become ambassadors of Christ the King here on earth. May God bless us in all our efforts to realize this goal.

*Janakumbudramalika*

### Thank you!!

To all the helpers who came together on Saturday for the Parish Craft Day – preparing goodies for our Christmas Table. Many wonderful items were made, with all profits going to the Zimbabwe Clean Water project.

**Thank you very much!  
From the Social Justice Action Group**



### Christmas Preparation

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

### Baptisms in our Parish



We welcome into our Parish Community Nathaniel, Ilsa, William, Marlow, Romy and Olivia being baptised this weekend. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

### Please Remember in Your Prayers this Week:

#### Recently Deceased:

Age Selita, David Marriott, Margaret Kennedy, Karl Chegade (Sr.), Sr Bridgid DeMello MSCJ, Fr Len Helm MSC, Nikoll Ducaj, Maurice Travers, Pat Berti, Leo Faulkner, Beth Alison, Josephine Mobley, Kate Tamits, Desmond Peters, Jozef Klimkiewicz.

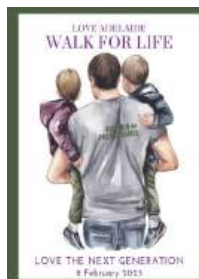
#### Anniversaries

Pauline Temby, Kay Clements.

#### Sick Parishioners

John Boeyen, Peter Stevens, Sean Kennedy, Wendy Boeyen, Graham Blacket, Aduzinda Matthews, Annette Smith, Brian Fitzgerald, Margaret O'Connor, Peter Tierney, Sonia Bennie, Amelia D'Aloia, Terry Cashin, Rene Young, Brendan Taylor, Rose Oteng, Julie Green.

### Workshop Opportunity: Walk for Life



Workshop Opportunity: Walk for Life founding director Mrs Jodie Pickard will be speaking to us about "What it means to love life" What does it mean to love life?

Please come to the Cathedral Hall, 39 Wakefield Street, Adelaide on Wednesday November 27 at 6pm -7.30pm to hear founding director

of Love Australia, Mrs Jodie Pickard, talk about the upcoming **WALK FOR LIFE** event to be held on the second Saturday in February 2025.

(For more information, please contact the office of Justice Healing and Inclusion at: [jhi@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:jhi@adelaide.catholic.org.au)

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM The Lord is King; he is robed in majesty.**

## Stewardship Reflection

### Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

*"Jesus answered, 'My kingdom does not belong to this world.'" (John 18:36)*

Life is short. How much time, energy and money do you put into building "your" kingdom here on earth?

We all know we can't take it with us. The real kingdom is in the next life. Yet, how much time, energy and money do you invest in working for that eternal kingdom?

Ask God for His guidance. Detach from earthly possessions. Generously share your material goods with others for the greater glory of God.

## Alpha Youth

Are you in High School, OR  
Do you have family members in High School that may want to come along to our YOUTH Group?  
Alpha YOUTH happens in our parish every Sunday evening following the 5:30pm mass  
6:30 - 8:30pm (includes dinner)  
Food, Fun, Friendship ... enquiries please contact Barb Conlon (0439 305 543)

## Birthline Pregnancy Support Needs the following items

Pre-loved baby items  
BUT please only give us what you would be happy to pass onto a family member, items in clean and good condition.

- Baby Clothes - size 0000 to 1 (esp. Growsuits)
- Prams and Double prams
- Bassinets
- Capsules and Car seats (less than 8 years old)

Contact Anne Smith for drop off details  
(0416 034 458)

## Advent Giving Tree



All cards have now been taken THANK YOU! Once again the Parish has been most generous. Please remember to make sure that all gifts are securely wrapped with the numbered cards firmly attached to the outside of the gift and returned by Sunday 1st of December, for sorting and distribution on the next Sunday 8th of December.

However, Vinnies also needs cash donations to enable utilities bills to be paid, personal grooming/cleaning requirements, phone communication, Envelopes have been placed on the Christmas trees and back tables. Please return anytime on the collection plates. Again, thank you for your great generosity! Etc over the Christmas period.

## 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. During November Fr Manu will pray and offer up intentions for the beloved deceased family and friends of:

Brian & Yadwiga James, Ana Rigala, Rosario Lavarias, Maria Sanchez Fierro, Bertha de La Mata, Concenttina & Ilaro Ciccarello, Dennis & Salome Lobow, Clyde & Rosalind Gonsalves, Richard & Beryl Rodrigues, Mary Argue, Ambrose Linke, Clayton and Little Families.

*"It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be freed from their sins." 11 Machabees 12:46*

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 for those who do **not** have a planned giving pack.

Special invitation to attend our Annual Memorial Mass. We gather together as a Community to especially remember our nearest and dearest, who have passed away this year.

Annual  
Memorial  
Mass

Monday 25th Nov  
8pm Candlelit Mass

If you have the names of anyone dear to you who has passed away THIS YEAR and whom you want included at this Memorial Mass, please contact the Office with their names by 21st November.

## Please Note Candlelit Mass



Please note that the Candlelit Mass is held every Monday at 8pm, except on Public Holidays when there is no Mass.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, Alleluia! Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia!**

## Christmas Masses 2024

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church,  
Henley Beach Parish

**All Christmas Masses will be held in our Church  
this year  
420 Seaview Road, Henley Beach.**

CHRISTMAS MASS times for 2024 are ...

### TUESDAY Christmas Eve

Children's Mass 6:00pm  
8:30pm  
Midnight

### WEDNESDAY – Christmas DAY

8:00am  
9:30am

### THURSDAY – Boxing DAY Mass

9:15am

### WEDNESDAY - NEW YEAR'S DAY Mass

9:15am

The 6pm Christmas Eve Mass will be a Children's Mass with a focus around young children. Children are invited to dress as their favourite nativity character when attending at any Mass time over Christmas.



Together let us embrace  
the Spirit of Christmas  
and celebrate the birth  
of Jesus.

## Christmas Table

Come & see all the Wonderful New Items at the Christmas Table at all weekend masses from now until sold out!

All profits towards the clean water project in Zimbabwe.

Happily accepting EFTPOS & cash!



## 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.

THIN & CRISPY  
QUALITY INGREDIENTS

A circular logo for La Regina Pizzeria featuring a pizza slice with toppings and a fork. The text 'LA REGINA PIZZERIA' is written around the circle.

PIZZA-PASTA-RIBS  
GLUTEN FREE & VEGAN OPTIONS  
PICK UP-DELIVERY  
LAREGINA-PIZZERIA.COM.AU  
08 84477257  
*Pizza?? Oh Yeah!!*

A QR code for scanning.

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## 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.