

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish Henley Beach

On the Traditional Lands of the Kurna People

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

28th September 2025

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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
16th October
10am - 12 noon

Healing Weekend

Saturday 4th October
11am–4.10pm
Sunday 5th October
9.30am—4pm

Blokes Lunch

Friday
21st November

St Vincent De Paul Mass

Saturday October 11th
9.15am

Readings

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Amos 6: 1,4-7
Ps 145: 6-10
1Tim 6: 11-16
Lk 16: 19-31

27th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Hab 1: 2-3, 2: 2-4
Ps 94: 1-2,6-9
2 Tim 1: 6-8, 13-14
Lk 17: 5-9

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This is the only parable where someone is named – Lazarus. The rich man is occasionally referred to as 'Dives', but that is not a name – it simply means 'rich'.

To Luke's audience, the rich man is blessed indeed! He must have God's favour. He is one of 6 brothers, wealthy enough to wear linen clothing and purple. Linen was a luxury material, while purple was not only the most expensive dye, but its use was heavily restricted by law! But, as so often in Luke, there is an upset in store. The apparently favoured are not the ones God favours.

The rich man's sin, what has sent him to the underworld, is not his lack of charity, his not giving food to Lazarus. It is that he simply does not see Lazarus! He does not ignore him – that would be an active choice. Lazarus simply does not exist for him.

To not ignore, but to simply blank out another human is to devalue them, to declare them as less than human, not made in the image of God.

Are there those in our world to whom we do this, whose needs and desires we simply blank?

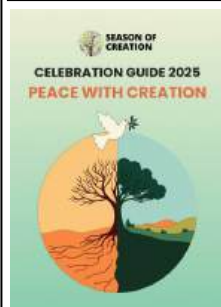
Our First World culture has a myth of Meritocracy. The myth is that if I am successful, it is all due to my own efforts. It ignores the impact of where we are born and raised, our access to education and health care as having any bearing. Worse, if we accept it, then those who are 'unsuccessful' are in this predicament as a result of their own failures. Thus, we have no responsibility to do anything. We can leave them at our doors, for the dogs to lick their sores.

In this parable, where are we?



What is this Season of Creation that everybody is talking about?

by Peter Knox SJ



We have heard by now that the Church has officially introduced a new liturgical season called the “Season of Creation.” This season is like Advent and Christmastime, Lent and Eastertime, during which we focus on special dimensions of our life and the mystery of God’s relationship with us. Specifically, in those other seasons, the focus is on the Incarnation, or God becoming human, and our Salvation through Jesus’ Passion, Death, Resurrection, Ascension, and the coming of the Holy Spirit. But there was always something missing. Before God did anything on our behalf, God created us, all the things on the earth that have helped humans to develop and thrive.

God has also shown us who God is, by the multiplicity and wonders of all created things – from the immensity of the cosmos to the tiniest nanoparticles. “The heavens proclaim the wonders of the Lord. The skies show forth the work of God’s hands.” (Psalm 19:1). Paul reminds us that “What can be known about God is plain to them (people), because God has shown it to them. Ever since the creation of the world, God’s invisible nature, namely his eternal power and deity, has been clearly perceived in the things that have been made.” (Romans 1:19-20). So the Season of Creation is a time for us to meditate particularly on God active in the role as Creator, and to be grateful for every gift. During this joyful season, we remember that the Lord creates every day for us to rejoice and be glad. (Psalm 118:24).

This season is an opportunity for us to renew our relationship with God the Creator, with the created universe, and with our neighbours in the world. We begin on 1 September and end on 4 October, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, the saint associated with caring for creation. In 2015, the year Pope Francis published his ground-breaking encyclical, *Laudato Si’*, on Care for Our Common Home, he also established 1 September as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. Since then, Catholics have joined Christians around the world in praying for the care of our fragile planet. Already in 1989, Ecumenical Patriarch Demetrios had proposed that date for the entire Christian world to give thanks to God for the gifts of creation and to make petitions for its protection and salvation. Now, with the new season, we have a whole month to pray with the prayers and readings which the Vatican Liturgy Office has prepared for the Mass for the Care of Creation, and published on 3 July this year.

The theme for this year’s Season of Creation is “Making Peace with Creation.” The theme invites us to reflect on how we conflict with creation, how our consumerism is stopping creation from thriving, and whether we are seeking the very best for all of creation, every created species. We realise how our misguided human “me-first” behaviour has caused plants and animals to suffer. We can pray for God to strengthen our friendship with creation. Equally importantly, we need to take action, restore natural spaces, reduce our ecological footprint, and help future generations benefit from the created world. We can make firm resolutions to be more eco-conscious. We can spend time in nature, relaxing, exuding love, and absorbing the sounds and smells of God’s benevolence in all that is created. May this Season of Creation be the first of many where we put the natural world first in our decision-making.



Save the DATE!
Henley Parish Pilgrimage

Saturday 8 Nov 2025
9am-5pm from OLSH
By BUS ... \$50 pp
Wait for more details and registration



Baptisms in our Parish

We welcome into our Parish Community Hamish, Oliver, Rory and Tate who are being baptised this weekend. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

Please Remember in Your Prayers this Week:

Recently Deceased

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

Martin Handrick

Sick Parishioners

Chris Capaldo, Carmel Jungfer, Sani Strehovski,
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: Praise the Lord, my soul!

Healing Weekend



Saturday 4th October 11am-4:10pm Sunday 5th October 9:30am - 4pm in the Church. The Speaker: Fr Josy Sebastian msfs

The Topics are:

What is healing? Inner healing, the healing power of forgiveness, the healing power of listening, the healing power of the Sacraments, general prayer for Inner healing, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, reconciliation, Sacrament of Anointing, Sunday Mass 9:30am

Please bring your own lunch, Tea/Coffee provided.

Enquiries and bookings phone Pauline 0403002240 by 1st October. Cost by Cash Donation. All Welcome

Public Rosary Rally Saturday 11th October 2025



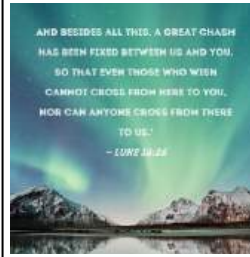
A nation wide Rosary chain will be held all across Australia offering reparation for the sins and offences committed against Our Lord and Our Lady and for more blessings for Australia.

Please join us in praying for our nation:

When: Saturday 11th October after the 9.15am Mass

Where: At the back of the Church we will meet and then walk in procession to the beach fore shore where we will begin our Public Rosary.

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"My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established..." Luke 16:25-26

When God created the world, He declared that it was good and He gave it to all mankind for us to enjoy. However, over the years we have created a chasm between those who have great gifts and those who do not. In today's Gospel we see that with our own generosity we must bridge that gap between those who have much and those who have little, or we may find ourselves on the wrong side of the chasm in the next life

Feast of Saint Vincent De Paul and Social Justice mass.

You are invited to join this special celebration of Saint Vincent De Paul and Social Justice Groups in the parish of Henley Beach.

All past and present members of Saint Vincent De Paul and our Social Justice Groups are invited to this celebration mass.

9.15 am mass Saturday, October 11th 2025

Morning tea will be provided immediately after mass, please join us for tea and coffee and a lovely spread of delicious food.

Safeguarding Essentials Course for all Parishioners



Thankyou to all our Volunteers for your dedication and contribution to our Parish. Your involvement and commitment is very much appreciated. As part of our efforts to ensure the safety and well-being of those we serve, it is required that all volunteers complete the

mandatory Safeguarding Essentials Course.

If you prefer to undertake the training face-to-face rather than online, please contact the Parish Office to be notified of upcoming training dates.

The completion of this course is a requirement for you to be eligible to provide ministry or service to the Archdiocesan Parishes and Communities. Additionally, completing will help our organisation meet its legal obligations and comply with the requirements set forth by the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards (NCSS). Should you experience any log-in or technical issues whilst taking the online course, please contact the Safeguarding Operations Team via email to caasafeoperations@adelaide.catholic.org.au or call 8210 8150 (select option 2). Thankyou in advance for your cooperation and commitment to safeguarding. Your participation in this training is vital in helping create a safe and nurturing environment for all.

PAVE THE WAY

Help us build our new church parking lot.



Join us in Creating Space for Grace.

Our church is growing and so is the need for a safe accessible parking lot. Let's come together to make it.

TIME - 6:30 PM till 11:59 PM
DATE - SATURDAY 25, OCTOBER 2025
VENUE - ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE

TICKETS

13 YEARS & ABOVE - \$25
6 TO 12 YEARS - \$10
UNDER 6 YEARS - FREE



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FOOD STALLS. LIVE MUSIC. BINGO. RAFFLE PRIZES.
AUCTIONS. DANCING.

All proceeds go towards building our new parking lot.

You can still donate by emailing us for details, events.henleybeachparish@gmail.com

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. 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.

Try Marriage Encounter - For a Change!



Looking for a new way to let your spouse know you love them in the midst of your jobs, carpooling the kids, and trying to keep up with your house mortgage, house duties and garden? Give each other the gift of time.... share a Worldwide Marriage

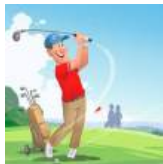
Encounter Weekend with each other.

The next live-out weekend is 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 049 3747 478 or

email sabookings@wwme.org.au.

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

CATHOLIC CHARITIES GOLF DAY



The Annual Catholic Charities Golf Day will be played at the Patawalonga Golf Course, Military Rd, West Beach on Monday, 13th October with a shotgun start at 8:00am. A Luncheon will follow the golf at approx. 1:00pm. The event is

an ambrose competition.

Please consider arranging a group of four players to assist with aiding the very worthy cause: Catholic Charities. Alternatively enter as a single player & we will arrange a team for you.

Enquiries may be made to Peter McCarthy: Telephone: 0448 017 256 or

[:pmcc5061@bigpond.com](mailto:pmcc5061@bigpond.com).

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.



"Missionaries of Hope among all people"

October is Mission Month and Catholic Mission Appeal for 2025 will be held on October 19. The flash drives delivered have homily notes and prayers, parish bulletin notices, Appeal video and supporting notes. The support of Missionaries around the world and in Australia continues to grow our Church and need is greater than ever. Our current projects are located in 41 countries and 14 parishes in Australia, with this year's main appeal focus Zambia. All posters and envelopes are QR coded for the Appeal, any support with collections or concerns please ring me on (08) 8210 8199 or

E:tjohnston@catholicmission.org.au. Thanks to you, for putting the envelopes out in the church and referencing the Appeal, Catholic Mission is able to "reach out and give life," through our work.

Tony Johnston

Healing Mass



Healing Mass Thursday 9th October
Rosary 7pm Mass 7:30pm including the Sacrament of Anointing, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Reconciliation, Prayer Ministry with Candlelit music in the Spirit of Taizé, individual blessings with the Blessed Sacrament in the Monstrance, and Benediction.

Tea/Coffee and light supper available.

All Welcome. Enquiries phone Pauline 0403002240

The Southern Cross



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

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