

***Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish Henley Beach***  
***On the Traditional Lands of the Kaurna People***  
**FIFTH SUNDAY of EASTER**  
**18th May 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  
29th May  
10am - 12 noon  
Conference Room

**Alpha Youth**  
Sundays  
6.30pm - 8.30pm

**Candlelit Mass**  
Mondays  
8pm

**Blokes Luncheon**  
Friday  
16th May

**Fr Mark**

Well, it has been an interesting fortnight, trying to get my head around everything here! Still not there yet. Thank you for the welcoming I have received.

Getting to be known at Star of the Sea has been fun. (Question from Yr 3, “Why can’t girls be priests?” Another comment, “I think I saw you at church last Sunday?”). I enjoyed celebrating Mass for Founders’ Day at St Michael’s secondary campus last Wednesday.

We have witnessed an incredibly swift conclave, now we get to learn how Pope Leo will operate. I just hope I do not accidentally say “Francis” instead of “Leo” during the Eucharistic Prayer!

This Sunday we gather as a parish to join our diocese in giving public witness to our existence in the Marian Procession. I look forward to joining you.

In today’s Gospel, we hear Jesus issue a ‘new commandment’, that we love one another, “As I have loved you..” Hence a love which is selfless, not demanding or jealous, not possessive, a love which extends to all around us.

How do we witness to this love?

**Readings**

**FIFTH SUNDAY of  
EASTER**

Acts 14: 21-27  
Ps 144: 8-13  
Rev 21: 1-5  
Jn 13: 31-35

**SIXTH SUNDAY of  
EASTER**

Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29  
Ps 66: 2-3, 5-6, 8  
Rev 21: 10-14, 22-23  
Jn 14: 23-29



**“By this love ...  
everyone will know  
that you are my  
disciples.”**

**John 13:35**



## God's Love



What does it mean to love as Jesus loved? The love Jesus poured out to all was an expression of God's love that has been poured out to all creation since the very beginning and continues to be poured out today. God's love doesn't keep score. When humankind turned its back on God, God's love continued to call them back to faithful relationship. God's love is not conditional – whatever we do, God continues to love us. There is no barrier that we can construct that God's love cannot get around. It is this sort of love that the new commandment demands of us.



### Pilgrimage & Mass with Archbishop O'Regan in Sevenhill

Archbishop O'Regan will be making a pilgrimage to the Jubilee Pilgrimage Site of St Aloysius Church in Sevenhill on Saturday June 28, where he will celebrate Mass at 12.30pm. If you wish to attend this Mass, please register at the following link: <https://www.trybooking.com/DASOD> or scan the QR code. Reconciliation will be offered from 11am, and tea and coffee will follow the Mass. All are welcome!

- Saturday, 28 June 2025 – St Aloysius Catholic Church, Sevenhill 12:30pm, with Reconciliation from 11am
- Saturday, 23 August 2025 – St Joseph's Church, Penola 4:30pm, with Reconciliation from 3:30pm
- Saturday, 11 October 2025 – St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Adelaide 11:30am with Reconciliation from 10am

Parishes are encouraged to organise pilgrimages with their parishioners to these sites at any time during the Jubilee Year of Hope. However, if a parish pilgrimage coincides with the Archbishop's Mass, registration is required due to church capacity limits.

Booking details for the other sites will be released at a later date. We look forward to celebrating this special journey



### Baptisms in our Parish

We welcome into our Parish Community Giselle who is being baptised this weekend. Please keep her and her family in your prayers.

### Please Remember in Your Prayers this Week:

#### Recently Deceased

Danko Tudorovic, Don Newham, Marie Wallace, Ann D'Apice, Fr Michael Fallon MSC, Graham Spurling, Mark Hansen, Gerald Sutton, Christopher Evans, John Kennedy, Gerald Dee, Michael Tambakis, Holly Leiper, Carlos Vaschetto, Gerald Victory.

#### Anniversaries

Cris del Campo, Rosalind & Clyde Gonsalves, Beryl & Richard Rodrigues, Salome & Dennis Lobow, Giulia (Julia) Di Fabio, Glenell Nicolay.

#### Sick Parishioners

Marie Tinus, Nicholas Cutajar, Sani Strehovski, John Boeyen, Sean Kennedy, Wendy Boeyen, Graham Blacket, Brian Fitzgerald, Margaret O'Connor, Peter Tierney, Sonia Bennie, Amelia D'Aloia, Terry Cashin, Rene Young, Brendan Taylor, Rose Oteng, Julie Green.

### Winter Dignity Drive

**Lists at the back of church to pop on your fridge!**

**Supporting Catherine House.**

Please bring the following:-

Items to bring next weekend 24/25 May for Catherine House are:-

Body Wash and Shower Gel.

**Thank you**



**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.**



## Our Parish is a Child Safe Organisation



We are a Child Safe Organisation which is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children and young people. We believe that all God's children and young people have the right to be healthy and safe, and to have their voices heard, respected and valued. A Safe Environment for All.

To find out more about our child safe policies and procedures please contact the Parish Office or the Archdiocesan Child Protection Unit on 8210 8159.

## Fifth Sunday of Easter



*"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." (John 13:34)*

"As I have loved you," this is the hard part – Jesus's love is unconditional; our love usually comes with strings attached. It is easy to love someone when they love you back. But it takes mercy and compassion to love someone when you feel unappreciated, feel used or feel like your opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage and the grace of God to "love my neighbour" when they may be someone you don't like, someone you don't know, or someone that doesn't look like you.

## Alpha Youth @ Henley Parish

Alpha Youth is for High School aged students Years 7-12 and is held in the Church Hall, on Sunday from 6:30pm - 8:30pm.



Alpha Youth creates a space for young people to chat about life, faith, identity & purpose. There is food and games and a chance to ask questions.

For more Information contact Barb Conlon at the Parish Office.

## National Volunteer Week 19th—25th May 2025



We would like to thank our Saint Vincent De Paul Volunteers who give their valuable time, talents and energy to assist people in need in our parish of Henley Beach and the Western suburbs.

Your efforts are especially appreciated by all those people we care for.

## Mystagogia Mass for new Catholics

An invitation is extended to all newly baptised and those newly received into full communion into the Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Adelaide, together with their sponsors and loved ones, to attend the Mass for new Catholics, the Mystagogia Mass, with Archbishop Patrick O'Regan at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral.

The Mass will be on Saturday May 24 at 6pm to celebrate the Sixth Sunday of Easter.

Tea/coffee will follow in the parish hall. Our new Catholics are encouraged to wear white, symbolising their baptism and making them easily recognisable by the community.

Please register your attendance before May 22 through the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/LPzdLEXWU8>

For more information please contact  
Peter Speranza on 0417 860 587

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!**

## Marriage Encounter Weekend

### Marriage Encounter



Put the spark back into your marriage by making a World-wide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

Book onto the next live-out weekend  
31 Oct-2 Nov – venue tbc.

Call Jo & Jon on 049 3747 478  
or

email [sabookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:sabookings@wwme.org.au).

Alternatively, visit [WWME.org.au](http://WWME.org.au) and apply online today.

### 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.

### The Southern Cross

The latest edition of the Southern Cross is available at the back of the Church.



### Candlelit Mass

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

### 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)

### POSTPONED - Mass of Thanksgiving for canonisation of Saint Carlo Acutis

Following the death of the Holy Father, Pope Francis, the Holy See has announced that the canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis scheduled for April 27 has been postponed. In light of this news, the Mass of Thanksgiving which was scheduled for Wednesday April 30 at Our Lady Queen of Peace Payneham has been postponed until the new date for the canonisation.

For further information contact [office@paynehamcatholic.org.au](mailto:office@paynehamcatholic.org.au)

## Men Today & Spiritual Growth:

### a Transformative Men's Retreat:

Chris McPhee msc leads this retreat open to men who seek a transformative spiritual experience. It's designed for those ready to embrace struggles as opportunities, build deep connections, and move beyond societal pressures.

This retreat welcomes all men looking to deepen their faith and personal growth.  
Saturday June 14 & Sunday June 15 :-

The Mary MacKillop Spirituality Centre, Kensington.  
More information

<https://mmsm.org.au/retreats/men-today-spiritual-growth-a-transformative-mens-retreat/>



### Police Checks Updating Now

Please contact Ivy Hill on 0413 081 421 if your Working with Children Police Check needs updating. We are currently doing Police checks three months ahead. If your Police check runs out between now and August please get in touch with Ivy asap.

### YOUR LOCAL PARISHIONER & LAWYER, GERARD FERRAO

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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.



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