

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish Henley Beach

On the Traditional Lands of the Kaurna People

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time– Year A

29th October 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:

Liturgy Committee Meeting

Tuesday
October 31st 7 pm

Knit & Natter

Thursday
November 9th
10am – 12noon

Praise & Worship Night

Wednesday 15th Nov
6.30-9pm

Healing Mass

Thursday 9th November
7.30pm

Readings

30th Sunday Year A

Ex 22: 20-26

Ps 17: 2-4, 47, 51

1 Thess 1: 5-10

Matthew 22: 34-40

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Mal 1: 14-2:2, 8-10

Ps 130

1 Thess 2: 7-9, 13

Matthew 23: 1-12

Celebrating Our Connecting Stories and Sharing God's Love



Globalization has changed our whole world; the world is at our doorsteps. Church is changing and neighbourhoods are changing. The myriad of cultures and languages increasingly interwoven in the fabric of Australia present abundant possibilities for local churches. But with those opportunities also come challenges; of the unknown, of different backgrounds and of language barriers.

God calls the church to overcome the differences, to care for others and to be a community of hospitality and peace. The celebration of "Our Connecting

Stories" this weekend, is to help us, who are people from richly diverse cultures and backgrounds come together as unified believers who all speak a common language of love. Yes, a multicultural, multiracial church is what the church is in the 21st century.

Our Community at Henley Beach consists of people from many countries. With each person coming from such diverse places around the world, though finding unity could be difficult, we have risen above the differences of culture and language. The most effective way of breaking down barriers of fear is to inspire people to develop relationships that encourage empathy, patience and understanding. In doing so we realize that we are one. When we feel that we are one and all part of the same family only good things can happen. We gather today, to create an environment that is brave and appreciative rather than safe, where we can share our stories and be connected to each other in a better way. We come together, thanking God for each individual in our community, appreciating the uniqueness of each one's special story. For this we connect with people over liturgical celebrations and other socialising celebrations.

Even though sometimes we can't communicate (with someone because of the language), we know they are part of the congregation and language will not be a barrier for us because we can communicate through the language of love. When we can connect with each other, we love each other, and we will be able to make room for new conversations to happen and new relationships to be created and brought together. Our connecting stories celebration shows the community who we are...we are diverse, but we praise one God. We can love each other even though we are all different.

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That brings us to the central theme of today's readings the greatest Commandment in the Bible, namely, to respond to God's Infinite Love for us by loving Him, and to express that love in action by loving Him in our neighbour. The first reading, taken from Exodus, explains the different expressions of the love of one's neighbour, especially of the underprivileged. In the Gospel today, Jesus combines the commandment to love God with the commandment to love one's neighbour and gives the result as the one Commandment of supreme importance in Christian life.

Jesus underlines the principle that we are to love our neighbour as we love ourselves because both of us bear God's image, and to honour God's image is to honour Him. Love for our neighbour is a matter, not of feelings, but of deeds by which we share with others the unmerited love that God lavishes on us. This is the love for neighbour that God commands in His law. Since the Jews considered only their fellow-Jews as neighbours, Jesus used the parable of the Good Samaritan, as reported in Luke's Gospel, to show them what God means by "neighbour."

Loving God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength means that we should place God's will ahead of ours, seek the Lord's will in all things and make it paramount in our lives. God's will is that we should love everyone, seeing Him in our neighbour. Since every human being is the child of God and the dwelling place of the Spirit of God, we are actually giving expression to our love of God by loving our neighbour as Jesus loves him or her. This means we need to help, support, encourage, forgive, and pray for everyone without discrimination based on colour, race, gender, age, wealth or social status. Forgiveness, too, is vital. We love others by refusing to hold a grudge for a wrong done to us. Even a rebuke can be an act of love, if it is done with the right heart. We also express love through encouragement and by helping each other to grow. We express love by meeting a need that God has given us the power to meet, by comforting each other, by teaching each other and by sharing the Gospel, in deeds and in words. My hope for us today, is that we can be compassionate as God is compassionate, love as God loves, and show that love by treating everyone as we would want to be treated were we in the same situation. Yes, we are all connected as members of the family of God as brothers and sisters who has brought us together on this day to share this Our Connecting Stories. We are one in the Spirit, "we are one in the Lord,..."

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love.
Yes they'll know we are Christians by our love."

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Vinnies Bunker Restock

Thank you everyone who donated items for the recent Vinnies Bunker restock!

You were all, once again, very generous and we have plenty of items to distribute to those struggling at the moment.

Thank you!!
Regards,
Cheryl Wedding



Please Remember in Your Prayers this Week:

Recently Deceased:

Dragan Pribanic, Kathleen Mary Kuchel, Stanley Blackford, Noreen Fox, Monica Allen, Joe Scicluna, Margaret Billing, Fr Peter Dunn, Savariya Pitchai, Steven Crichton, Kaye Pilkington, Patti O'Toole, Noreen Carey, Murt Keatley, Joan Irene Cherrington, Mary Joan Still.

Anniversaries

Tina Mennillo

Sick Parishioners

Jim Argue, Josie O'Leary, Amelia D'Aloia, Des Fahey, Terry Cashin, 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,

Stewardship Reflections

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind."

Matthew 22:37

Do you put other "gods" before God? Is your love of money, power, status, comfort, or some personal possession greater than your love for God? Do you recognize that everything you have and that everything you are is a gift from God? Putting God first in everything helps keep us from becoming a slave to our possessions and to our pride.



A big Thankyou to all the people who offered their help for the Church cleaning and helping with cuppas after the 9.30 Mass. More people are welcome.

Parish Keys



If you no longer need a key to access the Church or to the Office due to a change in commitments as ministers, volunteers, or for group activities we ask that you please return your keys to the Parish office.

Police Checks Updating

Please contact Ivy Hill: 0413 081 421 if your Working with Children Police Check needs updating.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

I love you, Lord, my strength.



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.

Children's Liturgy of the Word @ 9.30am Mass



We have already reintroduced Children's Liturgy of the Word for the youngest members of our Parish, an opportunity for them to gather, connect and

build friendships as they discover the Gospel message and the love that Jesus has for them.

Children's Liturgy is appropriate for primary school aged children. However younger children are welcome to come along, with a parent or adult helper.

Anyone wanting to join the CLOW is welcome to contact the Parish Office or Barb Conlon.

Barb Conlon

Families and Faith Outreach Coordinator (Alpha)



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. 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 will be available at the back of the church from next week for those who do not have a planned giving pack.

Mass Times for November 1st All Saints Day & November 2nd All Soul's Day

1st November Wednesday: Morning 8 am
: Evening 6.30 pm

2nd November Thursday : Morning 9.15 am
: Evening 7 pm

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 voice heard, respected and valued. A Safe Environ-

ment 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.



The Southern Cross

The New Edition of the Southern Cross is available at the back of the Church for \$2. Please take one



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Thank you for your generous partnership with life-changing mission programs, like supporting Sr Carolina and the Salesian Sisters and their work through the Maria Auxiliadora Clinic in Venilale, Timor-Leste.

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To learn more about the impact of your support, visit catholicmission.org.au/our-work, where you can also sign-up for our regular newsletter.

If you have not yet had the opportunity to give, please do so at catholicmission.org.au/timor. Your action will make a real, lasting impact.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my father will love them and will come to them. Alleluia!

Henley Parish

Guest Speaker:
Fr Dean Marin

Live Music

Prayer Teams

Reconciliation



Praise and Worship

Wednesday 15 Nov | 6:30 - 9pm

Finger Food

[Register Here](#)

420 Seaview Road
Henley Beach Parish (OLSH)

All Welcome



Come to our Praise and Worship Night, here at Henley and join with other Catholics from around Adelaide to worship our Lord. The evening begins with finger food in the Parish Hall from 6:30pm to allow for a time of gathering and connection. Then into the church from 7-9pm where live music will support us as we sing to Praise and Worship. Our guest speaker Fr Dean Marin, Vicar General, will share with us a personal reflection, "What are you waiting for?" Prayer teams and the sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. Please use the QR link to register.

Advent Books

Advent Books now available for collection from the Office for those who ordered them. Cost is \$6.00. There are no spare copies available.

Blokes Luncheon

The next Blokes Luncheon is arranged for Friday, 17th November 2023 at 12.15pm at the HENLEY HOTEL, Esplanade, Henley Beach. Please enter your NAME on the ATTENDANCE SHEET which is located on the table at the back of the church.

Planned Giving Envelopes

Planned giving envelopes are ready to be collected at the back of the church. Please collect your envelopes to help the parish to save postage costs. Thankyou.

Helping Us Grow in Our Christian Lives



There will be an Advent program for 2023 led by Cheryle Douglas, one of our parishioners.

The program will be at our church, Our lady of the Sacred Heart Church, 420 Seaview Road. Henley Beach.

Wednesdays: (22/11/2023, 29/11/2023, 6/12/2023, 13/12/2023, 20/12,2023)

Time: 7- 8.30 pm.
Followed by light supper.

Enquiries Cheryle Douglas, Ph 0423480440.
Cost by donation. Please register at back of church



The Living Waters Charismatic Prayer Group

Invites you to join them Thursday nights 7pm - 8:30pm in the church.

Enter via hall door, for evenings of singing hymns of praise and worship, two Scripture readings and commentary by Fr Michael Fallon, reflection time, shared refection, prayer, intercessory prayer, and prayer ministry.

Tea/Coffee and fellowship. All welcome. If you need prayer message your prayer requests, the phone number is 0435 899 572.

Healing Mass

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

Tea/Coffee and light supper available.
All welcome
Enquiries: Pauline 0403002240



Funeral Notice

The funeral of Kathleen Kuchel will be held on Monday 30th October at 11am with refreshments in the hall after the funeral.

Advent Retreat Saturday 16th December 9:15am - 3:30pm in the Church

Topic: "Don't Be Afraid, Mary;
The Day will Include:
Talks given by Fr Manu Kumbidiyamackal MSFS Mass Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Silent Reflection Reconciliation Benediction Prayer Ministry Please bring your own lunch tea/coffee provided.
Enquiries and bookings phone Pauline 0403002240 by 14th December Cost by donation All welcome