



# PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year B Green

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## St John XXIII Church

50 Reservoir Rd, Hope Valley 5090

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY  
CELEBRATED AT 6PM &  
10AM MASSES.**

## BAPTISMS

Celebrated EITHER during the  
6pm, 8am & 10 am Masses on  
the 2nd Sun of the month OR

11.30am at Holy Trinity  
12noon at John XXIII

(Alternately on 4th Sun)

Bookings to be made through  
the Parish Office, OR ON OUR

WEBSITE

## MARRIAGES

By appointment only

## REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

**St Francis Xavier's**  
(Primary) 8251 9500  
Carignane St,  
Wynn Vale 5127

**Gleeson College**  
(Secondary) 8282 6600  
40-60 Surrey Farm Drive,  
Golden Grove 5125

We acknowledge the Kurna people as the custodians of this region.  
Let us share and learn together for reconciliation and justice.

## ST JOHN XXIII

Hope Valley

Monday 9.15am

Tuesday 9.15am

Saturday 6pm

Sunday 8am

## MASS TIMES



MODBURY HOSPITAL  
THURSDAY MASS 11am

## HOLY TRINITY

Para Hills

Wednesday 7pm

Friday 9.15am

(Adoration Before Friday  
Mass commencing 8.30am)

Saturday 9.15am

Sunday 10am

## Prayer Meetings and Devotions

Reconciliation (Confession) Saturdays

after 9.15am Mass at Holy Trinity and at 5.30pm at St John XXIII

Mon	24th August	Legion of Mary, (Junior), & R.E., 4pm - 5pm, Holy Trinity
Tue	25th August	Legion of Mary, 12.30pm, Holy Trinity Baptismal Preparation, 7.30pm, Holy Trinity
Thur	27th August	Christian Meditation, 2pm, St John XXIII
Fri	28th August	Holy Hour, 3pm - 4pm, Holy Trinity
Sun	30th August	Divine Mercy, 3pm, Holy Trinity

## OTHER ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

Mon	24th August	Indoor Bowls, 1pm - 3.30pm, St John XXIII
Tue	25th August	Reach Out, 9.45am, St John XXIII
Wed	26th August	Seniors Social Club, 1pm - 3.30pm, Holy Trinity Beer, Wine & Port Group, 7.30pm, St John XXIII
Fri	28th August	Craft, 9.30am - 12pm, St John XXIII
Sat	29th August	Cuppa after 6pm & 8am Masses, St John XXIII Cuppa after 10am Mass, Holy Trinity

## INQUIRY NIGHTS FOR SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2016

For any children in Grade Three onwards who are ready to receive  
Reconciliation, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist, Sacraments

Information night will be held at:

St John XXIII on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September at 7 p.m.

Holy Trinity on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September at 7 p.m.

Please contact: Grace Healey 08 82647590

or email: paramodcath @ adam.com.au



## 2015 Men's Morning Tea

Date: Saturday 19th September 2015 Time: 10.30am to 12pm

Place: St John XXIII Church, 50 Reservoir Rd, Hope Valley.

Cost: \$20 per ticket includes Fabulous Finger Food, Juice,  
Tea and Coffee

All proceeds go to the much needed repair of the St John XXIII  
Community Centre roof.

Come and support a great cause! Tickets available by contacting:

Betty Poczman on: 0411 556 219.



OUR PARISH WEBSITE: <http://paramodcath.com.au>

ARCHDIOCESE WEBSITE: [www.adelaide.catholic.org.au](http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au)

## To whom shall we go? Christian choice!

Christian life is a series of daily choices for God or against God, as we choose to live out or reject the truths He has revealed through His prophets in the Old Testament and especially through His Son Jesus in the New Testament. Joshua, in our first reading, and Paul, in the second reading, make similar challenges to the people to make their choice. Today we, too, are challenged to decide whom we will serve. In the first reading Joshua challenges the Israelites to decide whom they will serve, the gods of the Amorites in whose country they were then dwelling or the God of Israelites who has done so much for them. Paul, in the second reading, emphasises the unity that must exist in the Body of Christ and the intimate relationship between Jesus and His followers when he challenged the Ephesians to build Christian marriages on mutual respect and love. He wants them to make the right choices in life. Paul reminds us that Jesus nourishes us, the members of his Church, through the Eucharist, making us his own Flesh and Blood, as husband and wife become one flesh. Concluding his long Eucharistic discourse in today's Gospel, Jesus challenges his Jewish audience to make their choice of accepting the New Covenant he offers in his Body and Blood or of joining those who have lost their Faith in him and left him, expressing their confusion and doubts about his claims. The disciples cannot reject Jesus after all that he has done for them. Peter, their spokesman, asks Jesus how they can turn to anyone else because he is the only one who has the message of eternal life. The apostles exercise their freedom of choice by choosing to stay with Jesus. We are reminded of Paul, who spoke of "the scandal of the cross" (Gal. 5:11), and who said "The cross is foolishness to those who are perishing" (1 Cor. 1:18). The Israelites were unhappy because their journey was hard in the desert. Faithful discipleship is seldom easy. It is because God's ways are not our ways. It is costly and difficult. When Christ calls us to eat his Flesh and to drink his Blood, he is inviting us to participate in his death. The Christians who first heard this Gospel experienced persecution. They knew martyred Christians, and they knew Christians who had avoided martyrdom by compromising their Faith. Yes, faith is not simply a set of ideas to be held on to. It is a living relationship with a Person and his vision of life even when it becomes hard and costly. It is a relationship that needs to grow and be deepened with the years. It is a relationship that constantly has to be re-appraised in a constantly changing world. If we really understand this we will be able to join in Peter's words to Jesus resounding through the centuries: "To whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."

*Fr. Manu Kumbidiyamackal*



### DIVINE MERCY

The next Divine Mercy Eucharistic Adoration will be on Sunday, 30th August at 3pm at Holy Trinity Church.

Readings for 30th August, 2015

1st Reading: Deut 4:1-2,6-8

2nd Reading: James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8,14-15, 21-23

### **Saints/Feast Days Of the Week**

24th St Bartholomew  
25th St Louis, St Joseph Calasanz  
27th St Monica  
28th St Augustine  
29th The Passion of St John the Baptist

### **Our Community's Prayer Petitions**

***PLEASE NOTE: THE NAMES ON THE SICK LIST WILL REMAIN FOR TWO MONTHS ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTIFIED.***

**BULLETIN PRAYER LIST:** Please note that names can only be added to this list by immediate family, or the ill person themselves (for reasons of privacy).

#### **Please Remember in your Prayers**

##### **THOSE WHO ARE SICK, especially:**

John Martin, Marie Boulton, Sr. Marleen Dewar OLSH, Kevin Harriot, Kay Kennedy, Gaetana Grima, Ursula Spencer, Fiona Power, Elizabeth Meikle, Rita Robinson, Cathy Sharkey, Pauline Fuller, Eileen Ryan, Gary Lockyer, Yvonne Summers, Darcy Ridley, Marie Bakaj, Jennifer Francou, Regan Barry, John Cherry, Dudley Dolman, Fr. Michael Walsh, Pat Feutrill, Paul Holmes, Michael Lochhead, Margaret Scott, Christopher Malone.

##### **THOSE RECENTLY DECEASED**

Anastazia Proc, Kathleen Kerin.

### **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.)**

Anyone interested in joining the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Team please contact Grace.

The role and training will be explained.

A meeting will be held in September, preferably during the day.

Phone number 08 82647590

Date and time will be advertised soon.



### **PLEASE CAN YOU HELP?**

We are planning to plant 25 rose bushes along either side of the front of the main entrance to the St John XXIII church.

If you would like to contribute a donation towards the purchasing of these rose bushes it would be very much appreciated.

When the roses are planted at the entrance to the church, it will look lovely.

Please see the girls in the Parish Office, between 9am—2pm, Tuesday to Friday.



**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.**

# Our Community News . . .



**ST VINCENT DE PAUL**  
HQ: 1300 729 202 from 9.00 — 1.00pm  
or [www.vinnies.org.au](http://www.vinnies.org.au)

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL



You must show them affection, serving them from the Heart, inquiring of them what they might need, speaking to them gently and compassionately.

*Sister Rosalie Rendu*

A very quiet week last week, only the one call, 2 Adults and 1 child wanting assistance with Food and Warm Clothing. The quieter time gives us the opportunity to check our Pantry Stock.

So far this year we have been called upon to assist 108 families.

Our Pantry needs this week for St John XXIII are:

Margarine, Tinned Green Veg, Jam

Our grateful thanks to you all. God Bless

## REACH OUT GROUP

Tuesday 25th August, 2015,  
Mass 9.15am at St John XXIII

Reader: Raphael

Offertory: Cathy D & Irene

Communion: Margaret D & Maureen K

Altar Server: Andrea

### Reach Out—Fathers Day Raffle

Tickets on sale **NOW** at all Masses for \$1.

All proceeds to St Vincent de Paul Society Modbury and Holy Trinity Conferences.



## DEVELOPMENT FUND 2015

Congratulations Margaret Penny  
No 78

Drawn by Pat Cherry

Contact: Marg Dolman 8264 1317  
to be included in the draw.

## Sacramental Children

Saturday night at 6 p.m. at St John XXIII we had the last five children in this year's sacramental group receive their Holy Eucharist. The families we had and the children were a delight. The program in this parish starts in October and runs for almost a year. We have seven workshops which all the parents and children need to attend. We encourage the families to stay after the workshop and attend mass. Many of these families have not been involved in the parish community. A positive experience and welcoming community can help encourage these families to become further involved in the parish. Many have found out about our program by word of mouth. They need your support and prayers and well wishes. They are all our family and are part of the body of Christ.

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL PARA HILLS CONFERENCE



Just a little reminder that next Sunday,  
30th August, 2015 we will be having  
our regular egg and cake stall.

God Bless to All

## CRAFT MARKET

Our major fundraiser will be held on the  
21st November from

9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

at St John XXIII Church for the  
**ST JOHN XXIII ROOF FUND**

The church run stalls will be:

Devonshire Tea, International Food, BBQ,  
Organic Produce, Plants, Cakes, Sweets,  
Ice Creams, Drinks,

Pre-loved Treasures & Bric-a-Brac,  
Second-hand books and magazines,  
Wine Tastings & Shoe Box Raffles.

Over the next few months I will ask for  
help and donations of goods to support our  
stalls. This week I would like to ask for  
donations of pots,

**CONCRETE & TERRACOTTA POTS**

which we can use to plant herbs  
and succulents in.

I would also like people to start potting any  
cuttings of plants you may have  
in your garden, could you please name  
these cuttings on the pots.

Please feel free to contact me on:

**8264 7798 or 0422 862 229**, if you have  
any queries or feel you can offer  
advice and help. Thank you.



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Helen Podgorski Craft Fair coordinator

## NEW SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

As we start with a new group in October I ask your  
support and prayers once again.

If you know of any school age children between the  
ages of 8 to 12 who have not yet made their  
sacraments and would like to join the program at  
Para Hills Modbury Parish please contact:  
Grace 8264 7590 or come to the inquiry nights,  
as advertised on the front page.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Your words, Lord, are spirit and life:  
you have the words of everlasting life.**



*Gospel Jn 6:63,68*

In this Gospel the people found Jesus teachings hard to accept. They had to decide whether or not to believe in Jesus and what he was asking them to do. The choice to follow Jesus was not an easy one for them and many people went away. There are times when we have to make choices about living our lives as followers of Jesus and this is not always easy for us either, but we know that Jesus helps us to do this.

**Simon Peter answered Jesus !**

**His words have been written back to front. Rearrange the letters to read what he said in John 6:69**

D R O L   E W   E V E I L E B  
N I   U O Y E W W O N K U O Y  
E R A   S ' D O G   Y L O H E N O

Lord   \_ \_ \_ \_ \_  
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**THE SOUTHERN CROSS**

An article on Father Peter is in this months August addition of the Southern Cross. Only \$2.

**BEER WINE PORT GROUP**

Beer Wine Port Group's next meeting/tasting (Wine Night) is this coming Wednesday 26th August at 7.30pm in the St John XXIII Mass Centre meeting room at Hope Valley. Everybody welcome, including fellow Parishioners in the Para Hills area, to join us in tasting beautiful wines from The Barossa Valley and our guest will be Shelley Cox, a winemaker at St Hallett Winery in Tanunda. For all information on BWP activities, including Bus Trips, Dinners, Cruises etc. please contact Greg Dew on 8265 1566 or 0411 774 510.

**Happy Birthday August Babies**

- 25th Michael MacGrath, Neil Johnston, Monika Giebel, Lorraine Thalbourne
- 26th Mitchell Horn
- 27th Elaine Gallagher, Heather Cardinali
- 29th Ray Thalbourne
- 30th Lisa Javier



**COME AND HAVE A CUPPA AFTER MASS**



There will be a cuppa after the 6pm Mass on the 29th August at St John XXIII. Cuppa will be after 8am on the 30th August at St John XXIII & after the 10am Mass at Holy Trinity on the 30th August.

**CHUCKLE CORNER**

Two factory workers are talking.  
The woman says,  
"I can make the boss give me the day off."  
The man replies, "And how would you do that?"  
The woman says, "Just wait and see."  
She then hangs upside-down from the ceiling.  
The boss comes in and says, "What are you doing?"  
The woman replies, "I'm a light bulb."  
The boss then says, "You've been working so much that you've gone crazy. I think you need to take the day off."  
The man starts to follow her and the boss says,  
"Where are you going?"  
The man says,  
"I'm going home, too.  
I can't work in the dark."



**WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

**"Married Couples -**

**Need to Spend More Time Together?"**

Marriage Encounter is a weekend where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores and phones - and focus only on each other.

Where: Nunyara Conference Centre Belair

When: 23 - 25 October 2015.

For more information on the October 23 - 25 weekend contact: Malachy and Geraldine O'Reilly on 0437388513

or email [marriageencountersa@gmail.com](mailto:marriageencountersa@gmail.com)