



PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

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**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

Tue	8th Sept	Sacramental Enquiry	7.00pm	St John XXIII
Thu	10th Sept	Christian Meditation	2pm	St John XXIII
Fri	11th Sept	Holy Hour	3-4pm	Holy Trinity

OTHER ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

Mon	7th Sept	Indoor Bowls, 1pm - 3.30pm, St John XXIII
Wed	9th Sept	Seniors Social Club, 1pm - 3.30pm, Holy Trinity
Fri	11th Sept	Craft, 9.30am - 12pm, St John XXIII
Sat	12th Sept	Treasure Market 8am -12noon, St John XXIII

HAPPY FATHERS DAY FOOTPRINTS

“Walk a little slower Daddy,”
Said a child so small.

“I’m following in your footsteps
And I don’t want to fall.

Sometimes your steps are very fast,
Sometimes they’re hard to see;
So walk a little slower, Daddy,
For you are leading me.

Someday when I’m all grown up,
You’re what I want to be;
Then I will have a little child
Who’ll want to follow me.

And I would want to lead just right.
And know that I was true;
So walk a little slower, Daddy,
For I must follow you.”



Experience the God who cares!

Today's Liturgy of the Word offers us an invitation to become humble instruments of healing in Jesus' hands by giving voice to the voiceless, the needy and the marginalised in our society. We are invited to open our ears to hear the word of God and to allow the Holy Spirit to loosen our tongues to convey the Good News of God's love and salvation to others. The first reading (Is 35:4-7), reminds us that God's eyes are constantly focused on the helpless. God especially cares for "the frightened, the blind, the deaf, the lame, the mute," and He encourages the powerless to "be strong and fearless." In the second reading (James 2:1-5) today, the apostle James gives us some basic and challenging principles of social justice. He exhorts Christians to show no partiality based on external appearance and to practice God's "preferential option for the poor." He warns the faithful against scorning or disrespecting the poor while showing special consideration to the rich. Responsorial Psalm (Ps 146) for the day, sings of a God who gives sight to the blind, raises up those who are bowed down and welcomes strangers. The psalmist thanks God and asks us to rejoice because "the God of Jacob keeps faith forever," by keeping His promise of peace and fullness of life for His people. The Gospel for our reflection today describes how Jesus, by healing a deaf and mute man, fulfils Isaiah's Messianic prophecy: "The eyes of the blind shall be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped." The ailments listed by Isaiah are very symbolic. They symbolise our interior and spiritual illnesses: blindness to the needs of our neighbour, unwillingness to hear God's voice and the inability to speak words of praise and gratitude. Through this miracle story, Mark also reminds us that no one can be a follower of the Lord without reaching out to the helpless, without having that "preferential option for the poor". Let us then, allow Jesus to heal our spiritual deafness and muteness so that we may really reach out.

Fr. Manu Kumbidiyamackal

PLANNED GIVING FIGURES FOR AUGUST, 2015

August Amount Promised	\$16,885.00
August Planned Giving Envelopes	\$14,422.00
SHORT FALL	\$2,463.00

Readings for 13th September, 2015

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9

2nd Reading: James 2:14-18

Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

8th The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9th St Peter Claver

12th The Most Holy Name of Mary

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:

Phyllis Anthony, 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 Feutrell, Paul Holmes, Michael Lochhead, Margaret Scott, Christopher Malone.

THOSE RECENTLY DECEASED

Anastazia Proc.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Please collect your Planned Giving Envelopes from the back of the church. Parishioners who give by Direct Debit or Credit Card can also collect their receipt and letter. This saves the Parish the cost of mailing them to you.

The new envelopes with all black writing begin next week so please destroy any old envelopes (the ones with blue and red colour) as those who had old envelopes numbered between 2 and 300 have been given different numbers.

This practice is not new. In the past this was performed every 3 years because parishioners leave and others go onto Direct Debit and Credit Card Giving leaving gaps in the system and we were having so many envelopes left over.

By changing your numbers we have been able to order 50 less sets of envelopes and therefore cut the cost to the Parish!

PLEASE NOTE

THERE WILL BE MASS AT 9.15AM CELEBRATING, THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, 8th SEPTEMBER AT ST JOHN XXIII

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 8th September at 7 p.m.

Holy Trinity on Tuesday 15th September at 7 p.m.

Please contact: Grace Healey 08 82647590 or email: paramdcath@adam.com.au



RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Praise the Lord, my soul!

Our Community News . . .



ST VINCENT DE PAUL
HQ: 1300 729 202 from 9.00 — 1.00pm
or 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

We had 4 calls last week, 6 Adults and 13 Children all wanting help with Food and Clothing and one family needing furniture.

High Rental cost along with high costs for Gas and Electricity are the main reasons for people struggling to cope with their finances.

Our Pantry needs this week for St John XXIII are:
Coffee, 2 Min Noodles and Toilet Soap

Thank you again for your generosity and God Bless

REACH OUT GROUP

Tuesday 8th September, 2015,
Mass 9.15am at St John XXIII

Reader: Barbara S
Offertory: Raphael & Irene
Communion: Pat H & Margaret D.
Altar Server: Andrea

REACH OUT FATHERS DAY RAFFLE PROCEEDS
raised \$400.00, which will be divided between Modbury and Para Hills Conferences St Vincent de Paul Society .

Results of the Reach Out Father's Day Raffle

1st Prize	Max Jongebloed
2nd Prize	Philip Goulard
3rd Prize	Sheila Clark
4th Prize	M. Wilson
5th Prize	Michael Grantham
6th Prize	Ben Dalwood

(please contact the Parish Office: 8264 7590,
or come into the office to collect your prize)

ATTENTION ALL ALTAR SERVERS

All altar servers from St John XXIII & Holy Trinity, Fr. Manu is having a Spring get together for all altar servers and those interested in becoming altar servers on:
Saturday 12 September from 10am to 12.30pm at:
HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.
Looking forward to your participation.

Fr Manu



TREASURE MARKET
Second Saturday of each month
8am to 12noon

Next: 12th SEPTEMBER

St John XXIII Centre

Sellers \$6—Buyers free!

PLEASE SEND SMALLER GOODS OUR WAY,
THEY CAN BE LEFT ON THE SHELVES IN THE

MARKET WALKWAY

OR IN THE BOX AT THE BACK OF JOHN XXIII CHURCH, ALSO IN A BOX IN THE CRY ROOM AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.

All monies raised from the Market are donated to the Parish.

WE CAN NO LONGER ACCEPT LARGE ITEMS SUCH AS TV's, MATTRESSES, SOFAS, LOUNGE CHAIRS & WARDROBES AS WE ARE NOT ABLE TO SELL THEM.

VIGIL MASS for OUR LADY OF SORROWS

Vigil Mass will be celebrated at:
Holy Trinity Church

On: **Monday 14th September at 7pm,**

for the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows, preceded by EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT with BENEDICTION at 6.30pm.

CONFESSION will be available during ADORATION.

The nine (9) day Novena to the MOTHER OF SORROWS starts on Saturday 5th September.

Leaflets will be available on the table at the back of the Church.

"Holy Mother, pierce me through, in my heart each Wound renew, of my Saviour crucified."



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2015

Congratulations Jim Bell

No 96

Drawn by Jill Brokensha

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

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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick.

QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 12th September at:
St Francis of Assisi Parish Hall.
Time: Doors open 7pm for
7.30pm Start.

Cost \$10 per person
or \$80 for table of 10.
Price includes drinks,
nibbles and prizes.

BYO food & drink is invited.

RSVP: 9th September

Please contact: St Francis of Assisi Parish Office:
8337 3849 or Peter Terminello 0423053937.



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.

CRAFT MARKET

Thank you for all your kind donations of
CONCRETE & TERRACOTTA POTS,
it is very much appreciated.

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.

If anyone needs pots to commence potting
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.

Helen Podgorski
Craft Market coordinator



**HAPPY 47TH ORDINATION
ANNIVERSARY FATHER JACK**
To be celebrated at our normal
Monday 7th September Mass
at 9.15am St John XXIII

Happy Birthday September Babies

12th Felipa Cruz
13th Marcus Jackson



Be
opened



Can you imagine children what it might be like
to be deaf, to be closed off from the world
around you. Perhaps you may know someone
who is deaf. Jesus touched the man's ears and
said Ephphatha which means "be opened".
The man was healed. Jesus is always giving us
a message in the Gospels and this miracle is to
show us that we need to be open to welcoming
others and to listen to what others are saying.

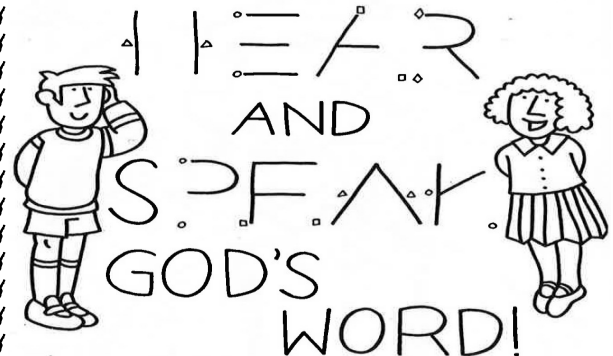
Prayer:

Dear God, we thank you today
for the gift of hearing.

Help us to listen to and appreciate
all the wonderful sounds around us,
and to pray for all those
who only know the sound of silence.

What does
Jesus want all of
us to do?

Join the same shapes with a line -



MARY WARD FAMILY MASS LORETO COLLEGE CHAPEL

Sunday 13th September at 10am.
All Old Scholars, Mothers and/or Daughters
of Old Scholars, current students and their
Parents & Family members & College staff
members are all invited to attend.

Morning tea will follow.

Please contact Mrs. Margaret Sullivan on:
0413011345 or

Mrs. Margaret Campbell on: 83344200.

CHUCKLE CORNER

I've taken up photography
because it's *the only hobby*
where I can shoot people and
cut their heads off without
going to jail.

