



PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

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The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) —Year C White

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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



HOLY TRINITY

Para Hills

Wednesday 7pm

Friday 9.15am

(Adoration Before Friday
Mass commencing 8.30am)

Saturday 9.15am

Sunday 10am



NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS

Mass will be celebrated at St John XXIII
at 7pm on the 31st December, 2015.



Mass will be celebrated at Holy Trinity
(With Adoration 6.30pm before)

Mass at 7pm on the 31st December, 2015.



NEW YEAR'S DAY

Mass will be celebrated at Holy Trinity
at 9.15am on the 1st January, 2016



*May the Spirit of
Christmas bring you Peace,
the Joy of
Christmas give you Hope,
the warmth of
Christmas grant you Love.*

*Fr Manu, Fr Jack, Fr Peter and the
Office Staff Wish You and Your Families
All The Blessings for Christmas*

Wish you all a Blessed Christmas.....

Dear Parishioners,

I take this time to wish you and your families a happy and holy Christmas. As we gather to celebrate Christmas, another year has passed with many events, public and private, touching our lives and those of the people in our parish in different ways. No doubt this year has brought joys and sadness in different measure to each person all colouring our memories of 2015. Despite all that, traditionally we see Christmas as a time of peace and joy, a time to celebrate with family, with friends and loved ones. I do hope that your Christmas will have something of that peace, joy and celebration. Christmas is an opportunity to thank all who give generously of their time and talents in making this Parish such an energetic, faith-filled community that it is at present. I have already mentioned all that in the bulletin that we published on the volunteer's weekend. There have been so many blessings that I thank God for this past year. I thank God for Fr. Peter and Fr. Jack who enrich us with their pastoral services to the parish. Thank you very much for the prayers, support, financial contributions, genuine love and concern of so many of you faithful parishioners. Specially, may I mention the names of Grace, Jill, Sindi and Pauline our excellent team in the parish office whose cheerful availability and hard work help us tremendously in being what we are. May God bless you for your goodness! Christianity is never a "spectator sport" in which we simply sit back, watch and cheer. Rather, it involves active participation and a life commitment, which I have experienced in the way you get involved in the various activities of the parish. A word of thanks to all for the greetings, gifts, prayers and support that was so personal for me as I celebrate this third Christmas in Australia, away from home and my homeland. Let me tell you most honestly, that I am so privileged to have been in Para Hills Modbury Parish for the past three years.

As our parish stands in need of more help in the coming years, maybe the Christmas message this year is a challenge for all of us to become more involved. It is not only a question of giving more; it is also a question of giving more of ourselves. Yes, that's what God was doing when he got involved with us and our world at Christmas. Christmas belongs to believers, to those who believe that Jesus Christ, Son of God, was born of the Virgin Mary to reconcile us to one another and to the Father. This is why he came. God will fill us with his peace if there is room in our lives for him.

Thank you for helping us along the journey. May you be blessed with peace and joy at this Christmas and may you enjoy a bright prosperous New Year. As we adore the Christ Child in the manger at Christmas, may we be moved by the great love and humility that God showed to us in the birth of His Son!

Be assured of my daily prayers and Masses for all of you. Have a blessed and peace-filled Christmas and a bright Prosperous New Year!

Fr. Manu Kumbidiyamackal

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:**

Kirsty Emery, Jim Marlow, Marie Canavan, Gerry Canavan, Jayden Lee, Jo Phillips, Madeleine Groves, Elizabeth Lorraine, Audrey Athayde, Phyllis Anthony, John Martin, Marie Boulton, Sr. Marleen Dewar OLSH, Kevin Harriot, Kay Kennedy, Gaetana Grima, 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.

Recently Deceased

Ursula Spencer, Matthew Victory.

PILGRIMAGE PRESENTATION FOR THOSE WHO STAYED AT HOME

Fr Jack and some of the pilgrims will do a presentation of the pilgrimage this year on Sunday 3rd January in the Dernancourt Catholic Church. The presentation will take place immediately after a cuppa after Sunday 9.30am Mass.

**Dernancourt Church is on: 1 Avoca Street
Dernancourt 5075**

(Just off Lyons Road near Tarton Road)

All parishioners are welcome.

Fr Jack

PLEASE NOTE

**THERE WILL BE NO MASS CELEBRATED
AT THE MODBURY HOSPITAL
UNTIL 11TH FEBRUARY 2016**

SPECIAL COLLECTION

There will be a third collection taken up at each of the Christmas Masses, with the money going towards Parish Building Maintenance.

We appreciate your generosity.

Fr Manu

ST JOHN XXIII ROOF FUND TOTAL

We have so far reached the total of
\$27,157.92

Balance needed \$2,842.08

PLANNED GIVING FIGURES FOR NOVEMBER, 2015

October Amount Promised	\$16,885.20
October Planned Giving Envelopes	\$15,142.75
SHORT FALL	\$ 1,742.45



FIRST SATURDAY MASS

January 2nd 2016, 9.15am
HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
Holy Rosary for PEACE in the world.
Commencing at 8.45am
with Acts of Consecration,
to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and
the Immaculate Heart of Mary
with the Sacrament of Penance.
Please bring a SINGLE flower
for Our Holy Mother

*"In the end my Immaculate Heart will triumph"
(Our Lady of Fatima 1917)*

TREASURE MARKET

Second Saturday of each month
8am to 12noon

Next: 9th January 2016

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 ST 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.



**THE OFFICE WILL
REOPEN:
TUESDAY THE 19TH
JANUARY 2016.**

CUPPA AFTER MASS

We will resume at the end of January.
If people would like to donate biscuits or cake
it would be most appreciated. Please inform
the office if you are donating an item.
We would also like helpers to make this possible,
at St John XXIII and Holy Trinity.
Please contact the Parish Office on: 8264 7590.

SATURDAY MARKET THANK YOU

The Saturday Market Management would
like to thank all the volunteers who have
helped sort and sell items and those that set
up early in the morning and then pack up
at the end of the day.

Although we had 3 wet Saturdays and 1 hot
day where we did not open the shed, we raised
\$3067 for the Parish this year which was a
good effort.



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2015

Congratulations Rose Quinn (Peter)
No 74

Drawn by Dud Dolman for Mary Mattner

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS DRAW

No. 86 Corrie Bowman.

Drawn by Dud Dolman from all non-winners
through out the year.

Thanks to all contributors for your generosity
through the year.

May God Bless You all with good health,
happiness & love for the year ahead.

Merry Christmas to everyone.

Marg Dolman and Committee Members.

Happy Birthday December/January Babies

- 29th Michael Marafioti, Jamie Watkinson
- 30th Kelly Longshaw
- 31st Manuel Cruz
- 1st Christine Rogers, Susanne Orschulok,
Andrew Finch
- 2nd David Truman (Jr.), Rachel Kenny
- 4th Julie Spencer
- 5th Anthony Knowles
- 6th Rebecca Lee, Mateusz Ball
- 7th Denise Palmer, Jo Dempsey
- 8th Joshua Bock
- 9th Joy Knowles
- 12th Lawrence Grima
- 13th Benjamin Rogers, Jane McConnell,
Nicholas Viceban
- 16th Maureen Frost
- 17th Theresa Norris
- 21st Kevin Burke, Christine Andrew
- 22nd Heather Hage
- 23rd Jason Viceban
- 25th Paul O'Reilly
- 27th Declan Moore, Matthew Augustyn,
Miriam Jackson, Cecilia Ager
- 29th Deirdre Zagari, Sam Fenech
- 30th Kieran Bock
- 31st Kerry MacGrath.

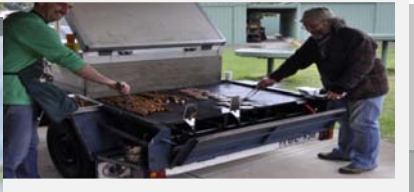
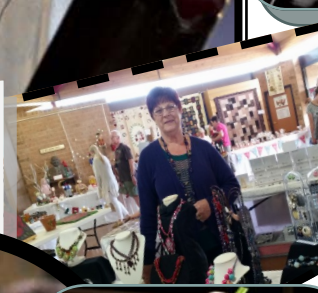
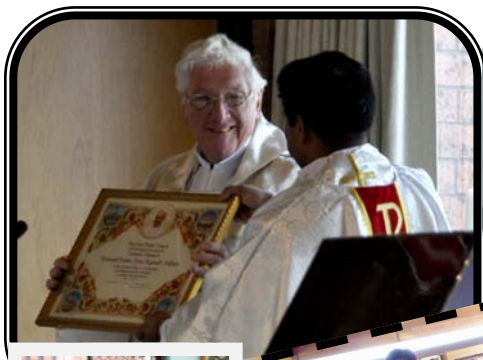


TO ALL LITURGY ASSISTANTS

The New Roster is now available, please pick
up the one with **YOUR NAME** on it.

The Roster runs from the weekend of
2nd/3rd January 2016 through to the
weekend of 19th/20th March 2016.

Please arrange your own swap if unable
to fulfill your Ministry when rostered,
and for all other Roster information
please contact Greg and Leonie Dew,
whose telephone number is on your Roster.



★ WE CELEBRATED 2015 ★

