



# PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

14th February 2016

1st Sunday of Lent—Year C Violet

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## Holy Trinity Church

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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

(Thursday 9.15am

ONLY DURING LENT)

Saturday 6pm

Sunday 8am

## MASS TIMES



MODBURY HOSPITAL

MASS THURSDAY 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	15th Feb	Legion of Mary (Junior) & R.E.	4pm – 5pm	Holy Trinity
		Bible Study		7pm St John XXIII
Tue	16th Feb	Legion of Mary	12.30pm - 2pm	Holy Trinity
Thu	18th Feb	Christian Meditation		2pm St John XXIII
Fri	19th Feb	Holy Hour		3pm Holy Trinity

## OTHER ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

Mon	15th Feb	Bowls, 1pm - 3.30pm	St John XXIII
Tue	16th Feb	Reach Out, 10am	St John XXIII
Wed	17th Feb	Seniors Social Club, 1pm - 3.00pm	Holy Trinity
Fri	19th Feb	Craft Group, 9.30am-12 noon	St John XXIII
Sun	21st Feb	DVD Library, 11am	Holy Trinity

## Lenten Stational Mass:

**Tuesday 16th February, 7.30pm at Holy Trinity**

All parishioners are invited to attend this very  
special event to be officiated by Archbishop Philip Wilson.

Supper will be provided.

Please note this very special event in your diaries and join us in  
celebrating the Stational Mass together.

*Grace Healey & R.C.I.A. Team.*

## STATIONS of the CROSS

Friday Nights during Lent at HOLY TRINITY Church at 7- 00pm

## PLEASE NOTE

**THERE WILL BE NO 9.15AM MASS AT ST JOHN XXIII ON  
TUESDAY 16TH FEBRUARY DUE TO THE LENTEN STATIONAL  
MASS AT HOLY TRINITY**

## Fasting or Feasting....

Traditionally we are told that Lent is a time of fasting. Let us today look at it from a different angle. Is Lent a time of feasting? When we think of these few days of the season of Lent, the thought that should strike our minds is that it is a time to feast on the goodness and mercy of God and a time to be lavish in sharing these gifts with ourselves and with the world. "It is a time to luxuriate in the love of our God" (*Francis X. Gaeta*). "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son" (Jn. 3:16). These words from the gospel are at the very heart of Lent. During these special forty days, we are led into the desert to believe and accept the love and tenderness that our God has for us. Therefore, we should not be distracted by the sombreness of the Lenten purple or the sad thoughts of fasting and abstinence. Rather consider it as a great time of the renewal of God's love affair with us and accept, embrace and celebrate it. The great feast of Lent grows from our feasting on the Love of God. It grows into a feast of gratitude as our hearts praise the Lord for all the blessings in our lives. We feast on forgiveness as we forgive all who have hurt us in any way. We remind once again the great forgiveness won for us on the cross. Our feasting is filled with compassion as we have a new heart for the sufferings and pains of the human family. We renew our commitment to work for social justice and peace. Our feasting gives us new hope as we believe in the goodness of our world and the goodness of people. We feast on the hope that we can grow and change for the better to be the best husband, wife, parent, son, daughter, sister, brother, or friend to the people in our daily life. Our feast of Lent is a feast of the celebration of the generous mercy of God. Let us then, as we fast from many things during this Lent, present ourselves to celebrate the love and mercy of God and renew our love for one another. We shall celebrate this time by joining in the banquet of friendship, family, and love with real acceptance of our frailty and the need to believe, encourage, and challenge ourselves and others.

Fr. Manu Kumbidiyamackal

## Happy Birthday February Babies

8th	Jesse Uern
9th	Rohann Viceban
10th	Joanne Flynn
12th	Garry Jackson, Maureen Shuttleworth
13th	Eileen Ryan
15th	Karrie-Anne Taylor
16th	Marianne Weaver
17th	Joanne Cruz, Paul Holmes
18th	Catherine Agar



## THE SOUTHERN CROSS

February edition of the Southern Cross is now available. Only \$2.  
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Readings for 21st February, 2016  
1st Reading: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18  
2nd Reading: Philippians 3:17-4:1  
Gospel: Lk 9:28-36

## 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:

Theodora Teurlings, Marco Trotta, Ann Stanton, Jim Marlow, Marie Canavan, Gerry Canavan, Jayden Lee, Jo Phillips, Madeleine Groves, 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, 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

Kevin Dutton, Fr George Ryan OMI, Binu (Fr. Shibu's cousin), Pauline Fuller, Elizabeth Lorraine Hunt., Vivienne Cox, Colleen Morris, John Egar, John Gleeson, Anne Marie Ferrier

## SACRISTANS WANTED FOR ST JOHN XXIII

Due to a decline in helpers for this Ministry I am appealing for volunteers. Only about 30 minutes is required on a Saturday evening to set up before Mass and re-set for Sunday morning after Mass. Training will be given and with a few extra helpers you may be rostered once a month or even less. Please consider helping.

Any questions or offers please ring Marg Whennan 82511577 or see me after Mass.

## AUSTRALIAN CHRISTIAN MEDITATION COMMUNITY S.A.

Please come and join us for a Community Day, at St. Francis Xaviers Cathedral Hall, a talk will be given on "**Journeying into the Unknown**". A great title for the beginning of Lent, how often do we make promises to God, that "we will do this or that" for 6 weeks of Lent? "Our Journey"

On: 20th February

Time: 11am - 3pm

Cost: \$15 donation to allay costs of the day.

It's but for a few hours, including a happy time over a shared lunch. Please bring a plate.

Enquiries Rita Robinson: 8265 2522

Thank you

## ST JOHN XXIII ROOF FUND TOTAL

We have so far reached the total of \$29,602.00

**Balance needed**

**\$398.00**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Be with me Lord, when I am in trouble.**



**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*

Over the last week we had 6 calls to assist 13 Adults & 14 Children all wanting help with Food and some with Clothing and Shoes, (you can't go to school with bare feet). As you can imagine the Pantry starts to look a bit sparse when you have 27 people to assist with food etc. It is only through your ongoing generosity that we can continue to support these families within our Parish.

Our Pantry needs this week at St John XXIII are: Peanut Paste, Sugar (1kg), Toilet Soap.

Our Grateful Thanks and God Bless.

**REACH OUT GROUP**

Tuesday, 16th February, 10am

**NO 9.15am MASS**

All Welcome



**DEVELOPMENT FUND 2016**

Congratulations Peter (Rose) Quinn  
 No 74

Drawn by Barbara Mathews for Mary Mount  
 Contact: Marg Dolman 8264 1317  
 to be included in the draw.

**R.C.I.A. Catechumenate Rite of Election for Nicole Joan Evans will be on the 14th February.**

Nicole will be joining all the Catechumenate's at the Rite of Election being held at St Patrick's Church at 2.30pm.

We ask that you pray for Nicole as she progresses on her spiritual journey.

*Grace Healey & R.C.I.A. Team*

**ST JOHN XXIII PRAYER CIRCLE**

The next Prayer Circle meeting is on the 16th February. The Prayer Circle usually meets every Third Tuesday of each month at 10.30am at St John XXIII for prayer.

If you would like to join the group please phone Pat Collins 8289 1522.

**PLANNED GIVING FIGURES FOR JANUARY, 2016**

January Amount Promised	\$16,885.20
January Planned Giving Envelopes	\$14,091.80
<b>SHORT FALL</b>	<u>\$ 2,793.40</u>

**KEEP THIS VERY IMPORTANT DATE  
 IN YOUR DIARY:  
 SUNDAY APRIL 17TH, 10AM MASS  
 FOLLOWED BY A CELEBRATION  
 Holy Trinity Church is  
 Celebrating 50 years**



**KIDS CORNER**

Gospel Luke:4:1-13

We are now in the season of Lent. There are things in the Gospel that you have to do with Lent, such as praying and fasting. When we were small, most children gave up lollies for Lent. Giving something up for Lent was a way of thinking about Jesus, when he went into the wilderness and fasted for 40 days and 40 nights.



It was really hard to give up lollies. Every time we passed the lolly shop we would be tempted. But we usually did not give in to temptation because we knew why we had given up lollies. We knew that Lent was a time to prepare ourselves for Easter. So we tried to be good, we prayed more, and gave up things we enjoyed. We wanted to show Jesus how much we loved him and how grateful we were that he loved us enough to die on the cross to save us. Lent is the time to straighten things out.

God should be the centre of our lives, and we must not allow anything else to rule our lives.

**Some other suggestions:**

- avoid fighting with and teasing your brothers and sisters
- get ready for bed as soon as you are asked to
- do your homework without being told

Remember to thank God often during the day for all God's blessings.

Ask for God's help in overcoming temptation. God will help us when we are trying to be good. In Lent we also have to make some choices. We prepare for Easter by praying and doing good works.

What are some of the things you would like to do in these next weeks of Lent?

**Prayer:**

Lord Jesus, you never gave up, even when you found it most difficult.



During the six weeks of Lent, help us to be strong and keep our promises as a sign of our love for you. Amen

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: No one lives on bread alone,  
 but on every word that comes from the mouth of God**

### LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR FAITH

- Lives of the Saints
- Papal Encyclicals & Letters
- Teachings of the Magisterium
- Insights in the Gospels of Mark, John etc.
- How to read the Bible
- Does the Church still teach that?
- The persecuted Church
- Pilgrimages
- A Catholic perspective of World News  
DVD Library every 3rd Sunday  
of the month at Holy Trinity.

The Library will be open on—21st February- after  
10AM MASS.

**WE ARE ALL CALLED TO HOLINESS -  
DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE**

### PROJECT COMPASSION

Each year Project Compassion brings thousands of Australians in solidarity with the world's poor to help end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity. The annual Lenten-time event raises both funds and community awareness about important global issues, and Caritas Australia's role in empowering the world's most vulnerable people.

**The Caritas Australia Project Compassion boxes and envelopes for Lent are now available for collection at the back of the Church**

### HELP NEEDED

#### HANDYMEN WANTED AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

We need to carry out 2 urgent projects.

#### Project 1.

Painting the outside of the Church and Presbytery, paint will be supplied.



#### Project 2.

Setting up of the garden & drip system along James Street.

April is the 50th Anniversary since the church was built.

Please contact:

Jim Gibson on: 8396 5931  
or Dudley Dolman on: 8264 1317.

We do not have a lot of time to carry out these important projects.



### *THANK YOU*

*Thanks to all who supported Pancake Saturday. Thanks also to the lovely ladies who helped in the kitchen. The amount raised was \$101.55. God Bless. Pauline & Betty*

### Community Garden

Welcome all to the Community Garden, our next gathering is on the 20th February 9.30am to 11.30am.

St John XXIII Mass Centre,  
Grandparents if you are babysitting grandchildren bring them along.  
Don't forget gloves etc.

**Please do not send anymore Bread Tags.**

We still would like Ring pulls and used Stamps.

Please note: **ONLY DRINK CAN RING PULLS ARE ACCEPTED.**

Please keep them coming as your contribution is sincerely appreciated. Could you please **SEPARATE THE ITEMS** as they are for Various Charities. Thank you Olive Mc Govern, phone: 8263 2627.

**There will be no flowers during Lent.**

All donations will go towards Easter arrangements.

We take this opportunity to thank all the kind parishioners who have donated throughout the year to keep our churches looking beautiful.

Thank you and God Bless

### **"UNDERSTANDING THE BIBLE"**

All are welcome and bring your friends.

It will commence on the first Monday of Lent (Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February) at 7pm in the St John XXIII Church, 50 Reservoir Road, Modbury.

Please bring your bible and notebook and \$1 per session. Looking forward to seeing as many people as are willing to be challenged by the Holy Bible.

Fr Jack

### PLEASE NOTE

Please make sure if you are in the church at St John XXIII, that:  
**ALL LIGHTS, AIRCONDITIONERS, DOORS are switched off/locked.**

**We have had a few instances lately where people have not checked when they have left the church. Thank you.**

### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER—CUBA

Date: Friday 4th March 2016

Time: 1.30pm

Place: Tea Tree Gully Uniting Church, 592 - 600 Milne Road, Banksia Park

Speaker: Raelene Watts

Everyone Welcome - Afternoon Tea to follow.