



# PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

21st February 2016

2nd Sunday of Lent—Year C Violet

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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	22nd Feb	Legion of Mary (Junior) & R.E.	4pm – 5pm	Holy Trinity
		Bible Study		7pm St John XXIII
Tue	23rd Feb	Legion of Mary	12.30pm - 2pm	Holy Trinity
		Baptism Preparation		7.30pm St John XXIII
Thu	25th Feb	Christian Meditation		2pm St John XXIII
Fri	26th Feb	Holy Hour		3pm Holy Trinity
Sun	28th Feb	Divine Mercy		3pm Holy Trinity

## OTHER ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

Mon	22nd Feb	Bowls, 1pm - 3.30pm	St John XXIII
Tue	23rd Feb	Reach Out, 9.45pm	St John XXIII
		Parish Finance Council Meeting, 7.30pm	St John XXIII
Wed	24th Feb	Beer, Wine, & Port Group, 7.30pm	St John XXIII
Fri	26th Feb	Craft Group, 9.30am - 12 noon	St John XXIII

## STATIONS of the CROSS

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

**THANK YOU**

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WE HAVE REACHED  
OUR GOAL FOR THE  
ROOF FUND!!!!!!

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

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

### Lenten Penance to Easter Joy

On the second Sunday of Lent we meditate on the Transfiguration of Jesus. Before going into the transfiguration event, we need first to put it into proper context. Peter had just recognised Jesus, as the expected Messiah. "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God." But this was immediately followed by the declaration of Jesus that being Messiah meant not a mighty warrior-king as they expected. Rather he was going to be rejected by the leaders of his own people, arrested, tried, condemned, tortured and eventually executed. Peter had objected to this strongly and in turn, he was severely scolded for obstructing God's way of doing things. Even more, Jesus had said that, if anyone wanted to be his follower, they would have to be prepared to walk the same road of rejection, oppression and even death. It is in this depressed mood that today's experience takes place.

To give a boost to their morale, he takes three of his most intimate disciples, Peter, James, and John, and goes up onto a high mountain. When they reached the top, "He was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light." In the Transfiguration, the union of God with humanity in Jesus Christ was made manifest in a special way. The veil is lifted and his disciples receive a glimpse of his divinity shining forth through his humanity and the depressed mood turns into moments of joy. Sometimes we too experience the absurdities of life such that our minds are filled with doubt and we ask, "Where is God?". Don't we sometimes feel like the whole world is collapsing on our heads? It is then that we should go up the mountain of prayer and ask God to open our eyes that we may see a glimpse of eternity to realise that all our troubles in this life are short-lived. All it takes is a little glimpse of heaven to empower us to take up our daily crosses and follow Jesus, knowing that the cross of Lent is followed by the crown of Easter. The transfiguration of Jesus is a small glimpse of the destination of the Lenten journey. It reminds us that the 'Lenten Penance' will give way to the 'Easter Joy'. It gives hope that we might reach that same destination, the abolition of death and the bringing to light of life and immortality. For our Lenten journey to be effective and fruitful, we need to have our destination in mind. There is, of course, a danger of losing sight of it, of turning our eyes away. We need Christ to lift us up, to take away our fear. We try, through our Lenten penances, to be detached from the things of this world and keep our vision fixed on Christ who touches our lives. So, let our eyes of faith be fixed on God, and let our hearts be filled with hope, and let us joyfully look forward to the ultimate glory that awaits us all.

Fr. Manu Kumbidiyamackal

### Happy Birthday February Babies

24th Marie Bakaj  
26th Gary Lockyer, Odette Dotter, Helen Podgorski  
27th Sean Freeman  
28th Letitia Geesing



Readings for 28th February, 2016  
1st Reading: Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15  
2nd Reading: Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12  
Gospel: Lk 13:1-9

### Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

22nd The Chair of St Peter the Apostle  
23rd St Polycarp

### 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

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

DIOCESAN CATHECHETICAL  
COMMISSIONING MASS

**When: Sunday 6th March at 11am Mass**

**Where: St Francis Xavier Cathedral,  
Wakefield St, Adelaide**

*The Annual Diocesan Catechetical Mass, is a time to formally acknowledge and commission all catechists who volunteer their time in various children's ministries within our parishes.*

### 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.



### COME AND HAVE A CUPPA AFTER MASS



There will be a cuppa after the 6pm Mass on the 27th February at St John XXIII. Cuppa will be after 8am on the 28th February at St John XXIII & after the 10am Mass at Holy Trinity on the 28th February.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: The Lord is my light and my salvation.**



**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*

We had 6 calls last week with 8 Adults and 3 Children, all wanting assistance with Food, one with Clothing and one with a Utility Bill. Each client we visit has different needs for different reasons,

be it illness, Bereavement or High Rent, etc.

We are always humbled by the support we receive from you all.

Our Pantry needs this week at St John XXIII are:  
 Breakfast Cereal, Margarine & Jam.

Our Grateful Thanks and God Bless.

**REACH OUT GROUP**

Tuesday, 23rd February,  
 9.15 Mass at St John XXIII

Reader: Andrea  
 Offertory: Anne H & Barbara  
 Communion: Jos & Pat Harvey  
 Altar Server: Ian

All Welcome



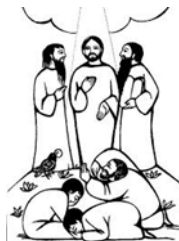
**DEVELOPMENT FUND 2016**

Congratulations Karin Gibson  
 No 29

Drawn by Rose Quinn  
 Contact: Marg Dolman 8264 1317  
 to be included in the draw.

**KIDS CORNER**

Gospel Luke 9:28-36



Did you ever have a problem that you just couldn't solve? No matter how many different ways you approached it, you just couldn't work it out. I bet that is how Jesus' friends felt. They believed in Jesus, they were following him after all, but they had so many questions. They wanted to believe, but just who was this man? From this experience on the mountain, they started to understand. It was as if a bright light flashed on in their heads. They suddenly knew that Jesus was God's Son, and they were able to see a glorified Jesus.

**Prayer:**

Jesus, fill me with the light  
 Of your love and faith.  
 Make me shine in the darkness  
 And touch the lives of others  
 With the light of your goodness  
 Amen

**KEEP THIS VERY IMPORTANT DATE  
 IN YOUR DIARY:**

**SUNDAY APRIL 17TH, 10AM MASS  
 FOLLOWED BY A CELEBRATION**

**Holy Trinity Church is  
 Celebrating 50 years**



**Please come and be involved in  
 organising this special event at our  
 Parish Meeting on the 24th February at  
 Holy Trinity Church after 7.30pm Mass**



**FEAST OF MERCY**

April 3rd, 2016 at  
 Holy Trinity Church, Para Hills,  
 A reminder to everyone that the  
 Feast of Mercy is fast approaching.

It will be celebrated on Sunday,  
 3rd April commencing at 2pm with  
 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,  
 Benediction, Reconciliation followed by  
 Holy Mass. The Chaplet will be recited  
 during this time also.

The blessing of the Divine Mercy image  
 will occur before the final Mass blessing  
 and any religious items also.

Veneration of the Image will  
 occur **AFTER** Holy Mass.

Trusting many will attend this special  
 day of graces and celebration. Our Lord  
 made a promise that everyone would gain  
 His grace and blessings on this  
 special day of Love and Mercy.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:  
 This is my beloved Son, hear him.**



### 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**

### SENIORS SOCIAL CLUB



Our Outing this month is at the  
Grand North, Grand Junction Road

**Wednesday February 24th at 12.15pm**

*For more information contact*

*Lorraine Thalbourne 82637333 or 0419810992*

*ALL WELCOME*

### INFORMATION

Recently, Anne & Michael Flavel caught up with Fr Dean Marin at Mt Gambier. Fr Dean was the 1<sup>st</sup> Parish Priest of Para Hills/Modbury when the two parishes were merged and provided great leadership for the next years before being succeeded by Fr Peter.

Fr Dean is now Parish Priest of Mt Gambier – the parish extends from Bordertown to Kingston to Mt Gambier/Port McDonnell and many towns in between.

When in the South-East, you will be made welcome by Fr Dean.

### 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**

### 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

### **BEER WINE PORT GROUP**

Beer Wine Port Group's next meeting/tasting (Wine Night) is this coming Wednesday, 24th February 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 wonderful wines from the beautiful Adelaide Hills, McLaren Vale & Langhorne Creek.

For all information on BWP activities, including Bus Trips, Dinners, Cruises etc. please contact Greg Dew on 8265 1566 or 0411 774 510.

### 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.



### *Vocations Cross*

*Thank you to Maureen Gardner for hosting the Vocations Cross and praying for vocations to the priesthood and religious life during the months of December & January*

### **THANK YOU**

#### **Stational Mass 16<sup>th</sup> February 2016**

On behalf of Fr Manu and the Staff we would like to thank all who participated in the Stational Mass, especially those who served, read, music and prepared the church, cleaned and helped at the Supper and all those I may have forgotten to mention. It was a great success, I noticed many visitors from other parishes and Ministry Faith Formation and Office of Worship attended. The visitors I spoke to were very positive in their visit and experience at our Para Hills Modbury Parish. Blessings to you all and thanks once again.

*Grace Healey  
Pastoral Associate.*

### **2016 Community Breakfast**

Community Breakfast will be held on Saturday, 16th April 2016, at St John XXIII Church,  
Cost: \$25 per ticket

Tickets available after Mass from Betty Poczman  
**GREAT COMMUNITY EVENT**