



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 Kaurna 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	29th Feb	Legion of Mary (Junior) & R.E. Bible Study	4pm – 5pm Holy Trinity 7pm St John XXIII
Tue	1st Mar	Legion of Mary	12.30pm - 2pm Holy Trinity
Wed	2nd Mar	The Holy Cloak of St Joseph	6.30pm Holy Trinity
Thur	3rd Mar	Christian Meditation	2pm St John XXIII
Fri	4th Mar	Holy Hour Two Hearts	3pm Holy Trinity 8pm - 6am with 9pm Mass Holy Trinity



STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAY NIGHT

7pm Holy Trinity

OTHER ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

Mon	29th Feb	Bowls, 1pm - 3.30pm	St John XXIII
Tue	1st Mar	Reach Out, 9.45pm	St John XXIII
Wed	2nd Mar	Seniors Social Club, 1pm - 3.00pm	Holy Trinity
Fri	4th Mar	Craft Group, 9.30am - 12 noon	St John XXIII

RITE OF ELECTION FOR OUR CATHECHUMENATE NICOLE EVANS

Celebrated on the 14th February 2016.



The Rite of Sending took place at Holy Trinity at 10 a.m. followed by the Rite of Election at 2.30 p.m. at St Patrick's Cathedral. Nicole was presented at the Rite of Election accompanied by Katarina, her Sponsor, and the R.C.I.A. Team Steven, Jen and Grace. The First Scrutiny will be at St John XXIII 6 p.m. Mass, this weekend, whereby Nicole will be presented with the Nicene Creed and Apostles Creed. Please keep her in your prayers as we journey with her as a community of God's people.

Grace Healey Pastoral Associate

The Call to Repentance....

The liturgy of the word today speaks of God's mercy and compassion even while disciplining His children by occasional punishment and giving them a second chance in spite of their repeated sins. Although God's love for us is constant and consistent, He will not save us without our co-operation. That is why He invites us during Lent to repent for our sins and to renew our lives by producing fruits of love, compassion, forgiveness, and faithful service. The first reading tells us how God shows His mercy to His chosen people by choosing Moses as their leader and liberator. God reveals Himself to Moses from the burning bush and assures Moses of His Divine presence with His people and His awareness of their sufferings in Egypt. The second reading warns us that our merciful God is also a disciplining God. Paul reminds the Christians of Corinth that they must learn from the sad experience of the Israelites who were punished for their sins by a merciful but just God. The merciful and gracious God is also just and demanding, and hence they must be free from sinful ways. Today's Gospel explains how God disciplines His people, invites them to repent for their sins, to renew their lives and to produce the fruits of the Holy Spirit. While the people of Israel considered tragedies in life as a result of the sinfulness of people, Jesus did not explain it so. Rather He emphasised the fact that everyone stands in need of repentance. We know that tragic events can occur randomly, as in the cases of the Galileans and the eighteen Jerusalemites, and have nothing to do with the guilt or innocence of the victims. For example, a tornado that destroys a nightclub also destroys a Church. An earthquake or tsunami kills the saints as well as the sinners in the affected area. Drunk drivers kill innocent people. Religious fanatics, terrorists and suicide bombers cause the untimely deaths of good as well as of bad people. Violent people, with or without provocation, injure their loved ones. Only a few of us will have a burning-bush experience like Moses, but all of us have struggled to understand why tragedy seems to befall innocent people. What we need is to trust in Divine Mercy, believing that God is with us and God is on our side, even in those situations we cannot explain. Jesus' life is the clearest evidence that a person's suffering is not proof of that person's sin. While sin can lead to tragedy, not every tragedy is the result of sin. So it is not a question of looking to find the faults of others but rather looking at our own faults first and correcting them that we may find ourselves ready to experience that divine mercy in its fullness. We know that God created us as free beings and it is up to us to accept or refuse to live in grace.

Fr. Manu Kumbidiyamackal

Readings for 6th March, 2016

1st Reading: Joshua 5:9-12

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

4th Ember Day, St Casimir

Our Community's Prayer Petitions

PLEASE NOTE: THE NAMES ON THE SICK LIST WILL REMAIN FOR TWO MONTHS 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.

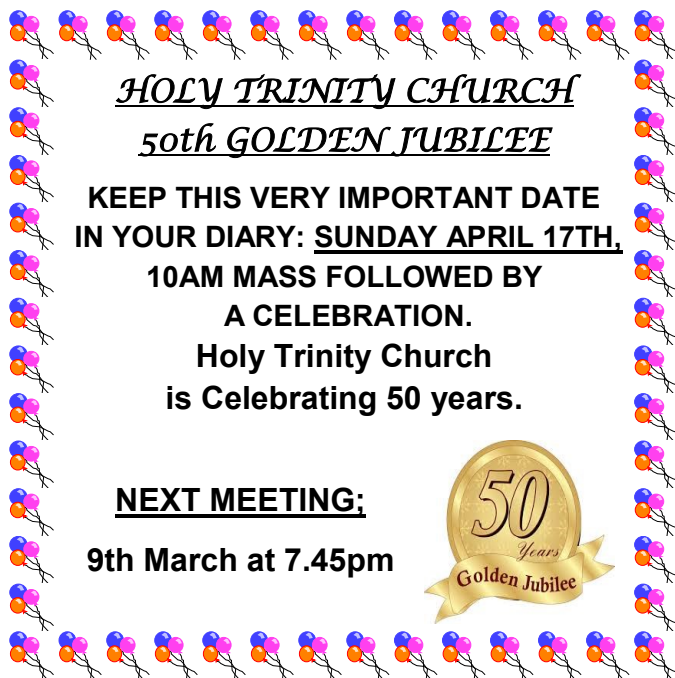
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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.



HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
50th GOLDEN JUBILEE

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

NEXT MEETING:
9th March at 7.45pm



RESPONSORIAL PSALM: The Lord is kind and merciful.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL
 HQ: 1300 729 202 from 9.00 — 1.00pm
 or www.vinnies.org.au

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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

Two family visits last week. A quieter week this week with assistance to two families, (2 adults & 2 children). We appreciate all the help you continually give us.

Our Pantry needs this week at St John XXIII are:
 Long life milk, tinned carrots & toilet paper.
 Our Grateful Thanks and God Bless.

REACH OUT GROUP

Tuesday, 1st March,
 9.15 Mass at St John XXIII

Reader: Raphael
 Offertory: Pat Harvey & Judy
 Communion: Maureen F & Maureen K
 Altar Server: Andrea

**REACH OUT A.G.M.
 TRADING TABLE & SHARED LUNCH
 All Welcome**



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2016

Congratulations Adrian Bell
 No 91
 Drawn by Karin Gibson
 Contact: Marg Dolman 8264 1317
 to be included in the draw.



**NOVENA OF THE HOLY CLOAK
 OF ST JOSEPH**

To pray for all Families,
 the Priesthood and for the
 Protection of the Unborn
 Wednesday 2nd March,
 The Novena and Rosary beginning
 at 6.30pm followed by Mass at 7pm,
 concluding with Adoration of the
 Blessed Sacrament with
 Benediction.

*"I put all my desires, cares and wishes for you in the Sacred Heart. I know it protects and guards you."
 (St Mary of the Cross MacKillop)*

Happy Birthday March Babies

2nd Kevin Moore
 3rd Kerry Ford
 4th Molly Holmes
 6th Christian Hage, Ivan Kotek, Wayne Collins



FIRST SATURDAY MASS



March 5th 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)

KIDS CORNER

John 4:5-42 6 p.m. Mass

Jesus meets a Samaritan Women at the Well
First Scrutiny presented to Nicole Evans our
Catechumenate

The image of living water cannot help but draw attention to baptism which is only weeks away. Jesus wants to be 'living water' for us. Nicole is preparing for her Baptism at the Easter Vigil and this Gospel reading is read because it is appropriate for us and Nicole.



Luke 13:1-19 8 a.m. Mass and 10 a.m. Mass

God is loving and patient and cares for us just like the gardener cares for the fig tree. God gives us the time to grow and to bear fruit. During our time of Lent we can focus on God's forgiveness and care for us as we try to make a real effort to change our ways and to become more like Jesus.



Prayer:

Lord, take my hand and show me the way.
 Help me to get up when I fall and to try again,
 Knowing that you will always give me
 another chance.
 Thank you loving Lord.
 Amen



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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Repent, says the Lord; the kingdom of heaven is at hand.



FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY

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

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

HELP NEEDED

HANDYMEN WANTED AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

The ground work for Project No. 2 has started.
We would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to the
Volunteers who have answered our call to help
with the New Garden.

Project No. 1: We are still
looking for people who can
Paint and give us time through
the day.

We hope to have both jobs
finished by Easter.

Jim Gibson, Dudley Dolman.



2016 Community Breakfast

Breakfast Theme: Celebrating
Uniting Culture

Date: Saturday 16 April 2016

Time: 8.30am to 10.30am

Place: St John XXIII Church

Breakfast includes a Hot Aussie Breakfast
with Juice, Tea & Coffee

Cost: \$25 per ticket

Guest Speaker:

Father Shibu Jacob

All proceeds go to the Maintenance Fund of
Holy Trinity & St John XXIII Churches

Come and support a great cause!

Tickets available by contacting

Betty Poczman on: 0411 556 219

or after Weekend Masses.



Blackfriars Priory School

Open Day

Tuesday 8 March 5.30-7.30pm

17 Prospect Rd, Prospect SA 5082

As specialists in boys' education Blackfriars
Priory School offers a vibrant and diverse
learning community that fosters integrity,
resilience and humility.

Register your attendance at bps.sa.edu.au