



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 St 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 8pm
Sunday 9am

MASS TIMES



HOLY TRINITY
Para Hills

Wednesday 7pm
Thursday 7.30pm
Sunday 9am

Prayer Meetings and Devotions

Mon	10th April	Legion of Mary (Jnr) & R.E.	4 - 5pm	Holy Trinity
Tue	11th April	Legion of Mary	12.30pm - 2pm	Holy Trinity
Wed	12th April	Legion of Mary	7.30pm	Holy Trinity
Thurs	13th April	Christian Meditation	2pm - 3pm	St John XXIII

OTHER ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

Mon	10th April	Bowls	1pm - 3.30pm	St John XXIII
Mon	10th April	St Vinnies Meeting (Para Hills)	7pm	Holy Trinity
Tue	11th April	Reach Out	9.45am	St John XXIII
Tue	11th April	Parish Pastoral Council	7pm	St John XXIII
Tue	11th April	St Vinnies Meeting (Para Hills)	7pm	Holy Trinity
Wed	12th April	Seniors Social Club	1pm - 3.30pm	Holy Trinity
Thurs	13th April	St Vinnies Meeting (Modbury)	4pm - 6pm	St John XXIII

EASTER TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday

7.30pm at Holy Trinity

No 9.15am Mass at Holy Trinity & No Mass at Modbury Hospital

Good Friday

10am Stations of the Cross at Holy Trinity

11am Stations of the Cross at St John XXIII

3pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord at BOTH Churches

EASTER MASSES

Easter Vigil

8pm at St John XXIII

Easter Sunday 9am at St John XXIII & Holy Trinity Church



**OFFICE will be closed
From Wednesday to Good Friday**

On the Road to Calvary

We know this story that we celebrate today. It's the story of Palm Sunday, Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. We are transported back to the last week in the earthly ministry of Jesus. With his instructions to the disciples to go and find the colt in the village, Jesus seems to be doing exactly what his disciples expect him to do: take charge, make a bold statement, enter Jerusalem as the Messiah that he is. There was a great crowd in Jerusalem, crowding the streets of Jerusalem as pilgrims and residents of the city prepare for The Feast of the Passover, reminding the first century Jews that God freed their ancestors from the oppression of Egypt. The prayer in Jesus' day was, of course, that God would free the Jews from the oppression of Romans. And so when Jesus comes riding into Jerusalem on the first day of The Passover week, the crowds are looking for someone to rally around, someone to carry the banner of freedom and liberation for the Jewish people. But Jesus is not traveling the road to revolution, he is traveling the road to Calvary. And along the way several things happen.

On the Road to Calvary, Jesus Picks Up Some Admirers:

Not even the disciples comprehend that Jesus is heading toward his death by the end of the week. And so, as Jesus rides into Jerusalem that Sunday morning, the disciples are joyous, the crowd is energised, and shouts of "Hosanna" ring out. These are the crowds longing for freedom. The residents of Jerusalem, and Jews from all over the Mediterranean area who have arrived for the Passover, yearn for freedom. So, as Jesus rides into Jerusalem, the crowds that sing and shout and follow him are admirers. They like that Jesus stands up to their own corrupt political leaders and religious figures. They like that Jesus seems to be a man of the people. They have been looking for a hero. And, of course, there were strange reports that he could heal people, feed people, and that when he prayed evil spirits fled from those they possessed. But the problem with admirers is that they see what they want to see in their hero of the day. What the crowds saw in Jesus was the son of Joseph, not the Son of God. They saw him as a revolutionary, not as Redeemer. In short, they admired Jesus because they thought he was the answer to all their political problems.

On the Road to Calvary, Jesus Picks Up Some Opposition:

The Pharisees hear all the commotion and quickly size up the situation: Jesus' followers are proclaiming him king! And just as quickly, the Pharisees shout out to Jesus, "Rebuke your disciples!" In other words, "Tell them to stop this nonsense. You'll upset the Romans. Jesus picked up some opposition. This, of course, is not the first time he has encountered opposition. Jesus has been opposed from the very beginning of his ministry.

-In Nazareth, the synagogue crowd didn't like his interpretation of the prophet Isaiah;

-When he healed the man on the Sabbath, the Pharisees accused him of being a Sabbath-breaker;

-When he re-interpreted the Torah, the Law of Moses, they murmured against him; No, this wasn't the first time he met opposition, but now the opposition was determined to stop him. He had to be stopped, even if they had to kill him. Opposition to Jesus is nothing new, and sadly, it is not going away either. There has always been, and will always be, those who oppose the work of God, who reject the love of God, and who ridicule the Son of God. **Cont.**

Readings for 16th April 2017

1st Reading :Acts 10:34, 37-43

2nd Reading :Col 3:1-4

Gospel :John 20:1-9

Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

14th April Passion of the Lord

16th April The Resurrection of the Lord

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:

Graham Speed, Marlen Piineda, David Truman, Julie Tilley, Bruce Mc Andie, Rosa Maria Santos, Sean Molloy, Ros Glastonbury, Myles Mahony, Betty Roper, Imperia De ionno, Julie Reimann, Wayne Collins, Imelda Schulz, Maddison Calleja, Janice Forrester, Ray Zielonka, Ann Stanton, Jim Marlow, Marie Canavan, Gerry Canavan, Jayden Lee, Audrey Athayde, Phyllis Anthony, Marie Boulton, Sr. Marleen Dewar OLSH, Kay Kennedy, Gaetana Grima, Fiona Power, Rita Robinson, 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.

Recently Deceased

Conal Almeida

GOOD FRIDAY

Abstinence and fasting are to be observed on
Good Friday of the
Passion and Death of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

LITTLE WHITE BOOKS

The Little White Books are available at
both Churches for only \$4.00.

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On the Road to Calvary, Jesus Picked Up the Cross:

Jesus did not come to Jerusalem to hear the crowds shout "Hosanna." Nor did he come unaware of the opposition to his ministry. Jesus came to Jerusalem not for the first part of the week, not for Palm Sunday. No, Jesus came to Jerusalem for Good Friday. On the road to Calvary, not only does Jesus pick up admirers and opponents, but most importantly, Jesus picks up the cross. The road that Jesus walked was a road that did not end in the city. It continued out the other side, through the city gates, to Calvary. Because the road to Jerusalem was not the highway of Hosannas. The road into the city was not the concourse of cheers. The road to Jerusalem was the road to Calvary. Jesus knew it, the disciples didn't. Jesus walked it, the disciples only followed. Jesus embraced it, his followers fled.

FR MANU KUMBIDIYAMACKAL

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me.

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



St Vincent De Paul Modbury Conference

I have looked into your eyes with my eyes. I have put my heart near your heart. *Pope St John XXIII*

We had 6 Calls last week with 11 Adults and 6 Children all needing Food, one also needing Furniture, another needing Financial Counselling. High Rents and large Utility Bills are certainly causing a lot of grief for families.

Our Pantry needs this week at St John XXIII are:
Breakfast Cereal, Milk & Vegemite

Thank you for Caring, God Bless

REACH OUT GROUP

Tuesday, 11th April, 2017
9.15am Mass at St John XXIII

Reader: Gwen Barry
Offertory: Clem & Maureen F
Communion: Bob & Maureen K
Altar Server: Leo

**Stations of the Cross will be led by
Jos following Mass**

All welcome



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2017

Congratulations Susan Barnett
No. 21

Drawn by Alex Balayance
Contact: Marg Dolman 8264 1317
to be included in the draw.



Vocations Cross

*Thank you to Anne Craig
for hosting the Vocations Cross
and praying for vocations to the
priesthood and religious life during
the month of March.*

PLEASE HELP

Catechists need help for parishioners, especially parents of the children to come out and get involved with Liturgy on Sundays. They don't need to take part just to observe and learn for the future. So if you can help please just put your name down on the Children's Liturgy sheet at the back of the church at Holy Trinity, (under helpers) so if available we can call on you when needed.

Good Friday Collection

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land takes place on Good Friday. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to the local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Parishes, schools, orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy Land rely on assistance from the Good Friday collection. The collection is also used to maintain 74 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus, visited by millions of Catholics every year. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Archbishop Wilson has expressed his gratitude for your generous support of the places holy to our faith.

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 15th/16th April 2017 through to the weekend of 24th/25th July 2017.

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.



**Chrism Mass will be at
St Francis Xavier Cathedral on
Monday, 10th April at 6pm.**

ST VINCENT DE PAUL PARA HILLS CONFERENCE



Members needed to help us service clients in our area. Anyone interested, please phone Graeme or Anne on: 0426 040 047. We need Volunteers to keep "Vinnies" going in the Para Hills Area.

God Bless

Committee Para Hills Conference

Happy Birthday April Babies

10th Donna Mills, Mathew Ager
11th Nicole Smyczek, Barbara Mathews,
Mary Molloghan
13th Trish Augustyn
14th Claude Mills, Ian Mills, Damian Bowman



**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross.
Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names**

URGENT REQUEST

St Vincent de Paul, Modbury Conference is in Urgent need of a Set of Double Bunk Beds for a Family. Please contact the Parish Office on: 8264 7590 if you are able to help.

Entertainment Books available soon!

The books will be available after Masses at St John XXIII and at the Parish Office commencing the weekend of 8th/9th April. The books are \$70 each. If you prefer a digital book (can be ordered now), please order online and quote Para Hills Modbury Catholic parish as the fundraiser.

Thank you in advance for your support!
*Lea Crosby
for Parish East Timor committee*



Participation in the Integrated Community Development Program has offered Aloma a leading role in helping her vulnerable community prepare for extreme weather events and work together to protect their environment.

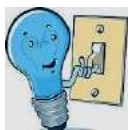


Please donate to Project Compassion 2017 and help members of the Stolen Generations support each other on the journey to wellbeing.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

PLEASE NOTE

**Please make sure if you are the last to leave the church/hall at St John XXIII and Holy Trinity 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/hall.
Thank you.**



Fundraising Dinner supporting Celebrate Emmanuel 2017

Place: Slovenian Club
11 La Salle Street, Dudley Park
Date: 27th May 2017
Time: 6pm Start
Cost: \$25 Adult
\$15 Child under 10
Drinks at bar prices

Contact: Josephine Baluyot 8264 6259
or mobile: 0419 007 792 or
email: josephinebaluyot@bigpond.com
To purchase tickets.



RELIGIOUS ITEMS, CARDS, STATUES ARE ON SALE AFTER 10AM MASS EACH SUNDAY AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH PARA HILLS. VISIT OUR DISPLAY CABINET WHICH CAN BE FOUND IN THE ROOM AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH

STAMPS AND DRINK CAN RING PULLS

We are only collecting Stamps and Ring Pulls from drink cans. Thank you.

Anne-Michelle & Olive.



THE SOUTHERN CROSS

The April edition of the Southern Cross is now available. Only \$2.

Please Support Your Catholic Newspaper

COMMUNITY GARDEN

The next Community Garden Meeting will be held on 29th April, 9am-12noon.



CHUCKLE CORNER

It was Palm Sunday but because of a sore throat, 5-year-old Johnny stayed home from church with a sitter. When the family returned home, they were carrying several palm fronds. Johnny asked them what they were for. "People held them over Jesus' head as he walked by," his father told him.



"Wouldn't you know it," Johnny fumed, "the one Sunday I don't go and he shows up."