



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 6pm
Sunday 8am**

MASS TIMES



**MODBURY HOSPITAL
MASS 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	13th Feb	Legion of Mary (Jnr) & R.E.	4-5pm	Holy Trinity
Tue	14th Feb	Legion of Mary	12.30pm - 2pm	Holy Trinity
Tue	14th Feb	Prayer Circle	10.30am	St John XXIII
Wed	15th Feb	Legion of Mary	7.30pm	Holy Trinity
Thurs	16th Feb	Christian Meditation	2pm - 3pm	St John XXIII
Fri	17th Feb	Holy Hour	3pm - 4pm	Holy Trinity

OTHER ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

Mon	13th Feb	Bowls	1pm - 3.30pm	St John XXIII
Mon	13th Feb	St Vinnies Meeting (Para Hills)	7pm	Holy Trinity
Tue	14th Feb	Reach Out	9.45am	St John XXIII
Wed	15th Feb	Seniors Social Club	1pm - 3.30pm	Holy Trinity
Fri	17th Feb	Craft Group	9.30am - 12pm	St John XXIII
Sat	18th Feb	Community Garden	9am - 12pm	St John XXIII
Sun	19th Feb	DVD Library	11am	Holy Trinity

Not to Abolish but to Fulfil



Matthew continues the Sermon on the Mount with a three-part instruction by Jesus on the Way of Life in the kingdom of Heaven. Today's reading is part one and deals with the Law. Part two deals with worship and religious practice and contains the Lord's Prayer. Part three deals with trusting God and deeds of loving service to our neighbour. When Matthew speaks of "the Law and the Prophets" he means the whole Scripture. When the Messiah brings the fullness of the kingdom none of scripture will be done away with. Instead it will be fulfilled. Matthew's Jesus does not overturn the Law of Moses, nor does He set his followers free from the Law. He requires his followers to go beyond the Law by doing more than what the Law requires. Today's gospel contains teachings about what has been heard in the past and what is to be listened to now. *Cont...*

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Jesus is not abolishing the Law and the traditions passed on through the Prophets. He is applying a proper spirit to what had become legalistic. In a sense, the dictates of the Law were for the head to inform or guide the five senses. The spirit of Jesus is from the heart as well as the mind.

When the Gospel states that Jesus came not to destroy the Law, but to fulfil it, it greatly surprised his audience. This is because Jesus was constantly accused of breaking the Law. People observed that He and his disciples did not wash hands prior to the meal that the Law demanded, He healed people on the Sabbath day, and now He speaks of the Law with veneration and reverence that no Scribe or Rabbi could exceed. He tells them that not even the smallest part of the Law will be changed and He is there to fulfil the Law and bring it to completion. This confused the Jewish Christians and so Matthew constantly refers to the Old Testament to show that the life of Jesus is not a breakaway from the past Jewish traditions but is a continuation of all that was foretold by the prophecies of the Old Testament. The life and teaching of Jesus is not to be seen as a new religion; Jesus' life is the natural development and fulfilment of the story of salvation. Matthew shows that Jesus is the fulfilment of the Prophecies of the Old Testament. He emphasises the close relationship between Jewish Law and the teachings of Jesus. He reassures his readers (He wrote for the Jews) that Jesus has not come to abolish the Law and the Prophets but to bring them to completion. So, in a sense, the Law still has its force and it will not pass away till it has achieved the purpose for which it was given. Jesus did appreciate the Scribes and the Pharisees for their careful observance of the Law and the Commandments. But Jesus was critical of their not keeping of the spirit of the Law. They stressed on their personal motive and their own perfection and did not accept the love of God and their neighbour in practice. They were hypocrites in their behaviour. In order to make his disciples understand his teaching, Jesus gives six striking examples and in today's Gospel, we have four of them: anger, adultery, divorce and oath. He clearly states that it is not enough simply to keep what the Law tells us but practice the basic virtues attached to them. For him there can be no separation between our relationship with God and the relationship with people. A Christian has to find God in his brothers and sisters and in creation.

Fr Manu Kumbidiyamackal

ST JOHN XXIII PRAYER CIRCLE

The next Prayer Circle meeting is on the 14th 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.



Readings for 19th February 2017
1st Reading :Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18
2nd Reading :1 Corinthians 3:16-23
Gospel :Matthew 5:38-48

Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

14th St Cyril, St Methodius

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:

Julie Tilley, Bruce Mc Andie, Rosa Maria Santos, Sean Molloy, Ros Glastonbury, Beulah Hayter, Myles Mahony, Betty Roper, Les Ost, 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, John Martin, 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

Mila Simionato

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Our Sacramental Program starts on the
18th February at 4pm at
St John XXIII Mass Centre.

We ask our Parish Community to pray for the children as they resume their journey to receiving the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation, and First Eucharist.



Volunteers in 2017

Some quotes from Mother Teresa:

"Be faithful in small things because it is in them that your strength lies."

"Do not think that love, in order to be genuine, has to be extraordinary. What we need is to love without getting tired."

"Every time you smile at someone, it is an action of love, a gift to that person, a beautiful thing."

"Each one of them is Jesus in disguise"

"Good works are links that form a chain of love."

"I am a little pencil in the hand of a writing God who is sending a love letter to the world."

"Being unwanted, unloved, uncared for, forgotten by everybody, I think that is a much greater hunger, a much greater poverty than the person who has nothing to eat."

"If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!



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 a full on week with assistance to 14 families. You can imagine this has depleted our pantry supplies.

Our Pantry needs this week at St John XXIII are: Breakfast cereals, Tin Peas and Peanut Butter.

Our grateful thanks for your support. God Bless.

Our Conference Meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 4pm at St John XXIII Community Centre. We are seeking new members, you would be made most welcome.

REACH OUT GROUP

The first meeting for this year will be:

Tuesday, 14th February, 2017
9.15am Mass at St John XXIII

Reader: Barbara S
Offertory: Cathy D & Margaret D.
Communion: Mary M & Maureen F.
Altar Server: Leo

All Welcome

DEVELOPMENT FUND 2016

Congratulations Pauline Lai
No.8

Drawn by Sheila Cooper for
Joy Knowles

Contact: Marg Dolman 8264 1317
to be included in the draw.



Happy Birthday February Babies

13th Eileen Ryan
15th Karrie-Anne Taylor
16th Marianne Weaver
17th Joanne Cruz, Paul Holmes
18th Catherine Agar



LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary has started another presidium on Wednesday nights after Mass at Holy Trinity Church for all those who work and cannot attend a day meeting.

We welcome new members.
For any enquiries please see Anne Craig at Holy Trinity Church.



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—19th February—after 10AM MASS.

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

KIDS CORNER

The Lord is good to me,
And so I thank the Lord
For giving me the things I need,
The sun, and the rain.
The Lord is good to me.



THE SOUTHERN CROSS



The February edition of the Southern Cross is now available. Only \$2.
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EASTER TRIDUUM WORKSHOP

An Easter Triduum workshop for the Archdiocese will be presented by Sr Ilsa Neicinieks and Jenny O'Brien from the Office for Worship on Saturday 25 February 2017 from 10am-3.30pm. BYO lunch.

Tea/coffee provided.

To enrol please contact Lyn on 8152 7806 or worship@ow.adelaide.catholic.org.au before Monday 20th February.

Cost \$10/person
(Maximum \$30/Parish).
See flyer for more info.



THE LITTLE BLACK BOOK

The Little Black Books for the season of Lent are once more available in the foyer before and after Mass. They make a wonderful companion as we journey through the Lenten season.
A great investment, at only \$4-00

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.



HELP

We are in need of a Refrigerator for Holy Trinity Church Hall. If anyone is able to donate or contribute towards the purchase of a Refrigerator it would be greatly appreciated.

Jill Brokensha

Secretary Para Hills Modbury Parish

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

12th February



World Marriage Day honours husband and wife as head of the family, the basic unit of society. It salutes the beauty of their faithfulness, sacrifice and joy in daily, married life.

Community Garden St John XXIII

Saturday 18th February, 9.00am – 12 noon.
As the weather is heating up and the sun is shining could you please wear a hat and bring gardening gloves.



"Pub Theology"

We are back again for 2017!! We are thrilled to have Peter Brierer from the USA, who is now Adelaide's own Diocesan Youth Coordinator!

Place: The Wakefield Hotel

Date: Monday 13th February

Time: 6.30 pm dinner, 7.30 pm talk followed by Question and Answer.

Title: Deep Gladness: Discerning Gifts and Vocation

Theologian, Frederick Buechner, defines vocation as the place where one's "deep gladness meets the world's deep hunger." What is your deep gladness? What is the world's deep hunger? Peter Bierer will lead a conversation about youth and young adult ministry in the Church today and the role of charism in discernment for vocation.

Bio:

For the past twelve years, Peter Bierer has served as a parish youth minister in the USA. Peter is also a speaker, musician, writer for youth ministry. Peter is also the new Coordinator of the Catholic Office for Youth and Young Adults in the Archdiocese of Adelaide. Peter has a BA in Music and a MA in Pastoral Ministry with a focus on youth ministry. Peter is married to Lauren, an Adelaide native. They have four young children.

Invite your friends, especially those wanting to learn more (or debate) about the Catholic faith! Fire off the questions you have never had the opportunity to ask!

This event is for ages 18-35

ALBERTON SUPPER CLUB

The Supper Club has now closed, however we will be meeting for a **Dinner only** on the third Monday of each month. Anyone is welcome to join us for a night of good food and friendly people getting together. The next dinner will be on Monday 20th February at 6pm at the Alberton Hotel, Port Rd Alberton. Any questions please phone: Judy Hoffman on 82611603.

Supporting Maliana Diocese

Our parish East Timor committee wishes everyone a very Happy New Year! Maliana diocese is in the highlands of Western Timor Leste (East Timor) close to the border with West Timor. The East Timorese have a long and proud history including their support of Australian servicemen during WWII with dire consequences for many Timorese. Thousands of East Timorese also died during their struggle for independence. Since then, the East Timorese have relied heavily on support to rebuild their nation after most of their infrastructure was destroyed. In South Australia, Blackwood and Pt. Noarlunga twin with parishes adjacent to Maliana. Semaphore parish encouraged us to support the East Timorese. In 2001 Modbury Parish Pastoral Council agreed to set up a sub committee. Under the guidance of Fr Dean Marin, parishioners initially donated packets of seeds, a chalice and paten and a couple returning to East Timor took the items to Maliana. A special collection raised funds for building materials for the nuns' residence. Fr John Herd, who has a strong connection with the East Timorese, has been a great support and advisor to us. Fundraising this year includes a Chicken and Salad Night (18th March), a Curry Puff Drive, a Quiz Night, Soup & Pudding Night as well as selling Entertainment Books. We value your support of these fundraisers. We will also donate 20% of profits to Para Hills Modbury parish.

*If anyone is interested in joining the East Timor Committee, please contact
Lea Crosby on: 8263 8377.
Thank you and God bless.*