



# PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

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2nd Sunday of Lent —Year B Violet

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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.

## 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.**



## NEW MASS TIMES



### **JOHN XXIII, Hope Valley**

Monday 9am, Tuesday 9am,  
Thursday 6pm during Lent,  
Saturday 6pm, Sunday 8am.

### **HOLY TRINITY, Para Hills**

Wednesday 7pm, Friday 8.30am (Adoration Before  
Mass) Mass 9.15am, Saturday 9.15am, Sunday 10am.

### **MODBURY HOSPITAL**

Thursday 11am

Reconciliation (Confession) 5.30pm Sat at John XXIII  
and after 9.15am Mass on 1st Sat. of the Month at Holy Trinity.

## STATIONS of the CROSS

Friday Nights during Lent at HOLY TRINITY Church at 7-00pm  
There is NO Holy Hour at 3pm on Fridays during Lent.

# Lent



The days of Lent pass by quickly. It is already week two. For some the time has been marked with fidelity to those original Lenten intentions. For others, there was perhaps some backsliding, some slipping along the journey to Easter. That is normal, a part of the human condition. So much so, in fact, this second week of Lent comes forward to address the reality head on. The second week of Lent takes us back to Genesis, back to the beginning. Back to some situation of our ancestors in faith that shows how they too had to grow a great deal in faith. For them it was all the more difficult as they did not have the road map we call the Bible to help them along their way. That is why these Lenten readings are so important, they have been carefully selected and arranged to help us make our way together to Easter. We have the narration of transfiguration of Jesus, giving a glimpse of Jesus, the Son of God. The change that takes place in Jesus was not just physical. Not just a spectacle. This episode marked the beginning of a new phase in the life of Jesus. After the ascent to the mountain he would lead his disciples on the ascent to Jerusalem where he would suffer and die. It is as though Jesus is saying to us, "You have come this far now; walk with me a little longer in Lent. Let us finish the course."

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Readings for 8th March, 2015  
1st Reading: Exodus 20:1-17  
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25  
Gospel: John 2:13-25

### Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

4th St Casimir  
7th St Perpetua, St Felicity

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### Here are few things we may think about this week:

1. Have we found in our parish or neighbourhood a special Lenten program to attend?
2. Regarding prayer: What is our best time for reflection? Are we letting the season of Lent take over some of life's busy schedule?
3. Regarding fasting: How faithful have we been? Have we found ways to fast from things other than food: e.g., wasting time, watching too much TV, being too busy etc.?

Regarding almsgiving: Have we contributed in some way to someone in need? Is there a little pinch of sacrifice present in our life that wasn't two weeks ago? Is there a nearby nursing home or such institution that might need some assistance? Are there parish needs that you can help meet by some voluntary work or assistance? Have you made any efforts to reach out to someone you haven't been close to or have hurt?

Let us once again become aware of this season of grace that we may not lose the spirit with which we began on Ash Wednesday.

Fr. Manu Kumbidiyamackal

### FIRST AID BOX

**Please do not add any items to the First Aid Boxes, only what's listed on the inside of the box is permitted inside the box. All items which are not on the list will be removed.**

**If an item is used please record it on the pad inside the box.**

### KEVIN HARRIOT—PARISHIONER

Kevin Harriot suffered a stroke and will be in the Hampstead Centre for the next 3 weeks. Anyone who would like to visit Kevin is welcome.

### Our Community's Prayer Petitions During March

**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:**

Sr. Marleen Dewar OLSH, Kevin Harriot, Kay Kennedy, Kym Pope, Gaetana Grima, Ursula Spencer, Fiona Power, Elizabeth Meikle, Rita Robinson, Cathy Sharkey, Frances Davies, Pauline Fuller, Eileen Ryan, Gary Lockyer, Yvonne Summers, Darcy Ridley, Joy Almeida, Marie Bakaj, Brett Speed, Jennifer Francou, Owen Cannard, Regan Barry, John Cherry, Dudley Dolman, Anastazia Proc, Fr. Michael Walsh, Pat Feutrill, Paul Holmes, Michael Lochhead, Margaret Scott, Christopher Malone, Odette Dotter, Felix Williams.

**Those Recently Deceased**

Vera Slater, Charlene Ellen Coon, Father Jim Sayers, Maddalena Dalle Nogare, David Bird, Colleen Bock, Joyce Simmonds.

### What's happening during MARCH 2015



- Mon 2nd** Bowls, 1pm-3.30pm, **John XXIII**  
Legion of Mary (Jr.), 4pm-5pm, **Holy Trinity**  
Religious Education, 4pm-5pm, **Holy Trinity**
- Tue 3rd** Reach Out, 9.45am, **John XXIII**  
Legion of Mary, 12.30pm, **Holy Trinity**
- Wed 4th** Over 50's, 1pm-3.30pm, **Holy Trinity**
- Thu 5th** Lenten Program 11am, **John XXIII**  
Christian Meditation, 2pm, **John XXIII**  
Lenten Program, 7pm, **Holy Trinity**
- Fri 6th** Craft 9.30am-12noon, **John XXIII**  
Stations of the Cross, 7pm, **Holy Trinity**  
Two Hearts, 8pm-4am with Mass  
at 9pm & 3am, **Holy Trinity**
- Sat 7th** Legion of Mary, 10am-11.30am, **Holy Trinity**

### ST JOSEPH DEVOTION CHANGE OF DATES

The Novena and Rosary (Joyful mysteries) will be on the **18th March**, beginning at 6.30pm followed by Mass at 7pm. After the Mass we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction.

From the month of May the devotion will be as usual on the first Wednesday of each month.

### CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL PRAYER MEETINGS

Catholic Charismatic Renewal prayer meetings will be held once a fortnight during Lent at 7.30pm on Tuesday 10th and 24th of March in the Meeting Room at John XXIII Catholic Parish Centre. All are welcome.

This presents an opportunity for parishioners to deepen their relationship with God through prayer and worship. Please bring your Bible.

Enquiries: Neil Hayter ph: 8263 0086

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.**

# Our Community News . . .



**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

*"Whenever you do this....  
 You do it unto Me" [Matthew 25 v 40]*



Last week we had 3 calls, 3 Adults and 1 Child all requiring assistance with Food and Clothing.

Our Pantry needs this week at John XXIII are:  
 Margarine, Peanut Paste and Sugar  
 We thank you and God Bless

If you think you may be interested in finding out more about "Vinnies" you would be made most welcome. Just come to one of our meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 4.30pm at John XXIII.

## REACH OUT GROUP

Tuesday 3rd March, 2015,  
**Trading Table and AGM**

Mass 9am at JXXIII followed by a cuppa

Reader: Doreen  
 Offertory: Judy & Ian  
 Communion: Maureen F & Margaret  
 Altar Server: Sophie  
 All Welcome

## DEVELOPMENT FUND 2015



Congratulations Anne-Michelle Howell  
 Ticket No.85  
 Drawn by Margaret Scott for Tom Jr.  
 Contact: Marg Dolman 8264 1317  
 to be included in the draw.

## Happy Birthday March Babies

2th Kevin Moore  
 3rd Kerry Ford  
 4th Molly Holmes  
 5th Judith Marafioti  
 6th Christian Hage, Ivan Kotek, Wayne Collins



## **CONGRATULATIONS**

**WAYNE COLLINS ON YOUR  
 70TH BIRTHDAY**



## FIRST SATURDAY MASS



March 7<sup>th</sup> 2015, 9.15am  
**HOLY TRINITY CHURCH**  
 Holy Rosary for PEACE in the world.  
 Commencing at 8.45am  
 with Acts of Consecration,  
 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 )

## NOVENA OF THE HOLY CLOAK OF ST. JOSEPH



To pray for all Families,  
 the Priesthood and for the  
 Protection of the Unborn  
 Wednesday 18th March 2015  
 at Holy Trinity Church  
 Following the 7pm Mass  
 with a Holy Hour 7.30-8.30pm  
 concluding with benediction

*"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)

## **KIDS CORNER**

In this second week of Lent we focus on what God tells us, that "Jesus is his son, the beloved, listen to him". We are all called to be like Jesus Christ because we are made in God's image. i.e. we too are beloved sons and daughters of God.



Dear God. Help me to listen to Jesus  
 in the little things that I am allowed to do  
 so I will know how to do good when  
 I am allowed to do bigger things.  
 Amen

## COME AND HAVE A CUPPA AFTER MASS



Come and have a cuppa after the  
 6pm & 8am Mass at John XXIII this weekend.

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

## Community Garden



I have been on leave and it was inspiring to find out that some of the produce was sold and over \$100.00 was raised to go back into the Community Garden to buy soil, fertilizer, more garden materials etc. Thank you so very much, to those who brought their surplus fruit from home and donated the money towards the Community Garden.

Our next project is to raise the boxes and to buy enough material to make another vegetable box. We do need a water pump for the tank. We have lots of water but the problem is getting it to the garden. If you have any garden material you wish to donate it would be greatly appreciated.

It's early days in our venture into this new Community Garden, but I already see the many blessings it's brought and that is what Community work is all about, our friendships, our sharing of culture our knowledge and expertise and companionship.

***Our next gathering is on the  
21<sup>st</sup> March 9.30 to 11 a.m.  
All welcome Weather permitting.***

## Tastes of Asia fundraiser dinner – THANK YOU!

The parish East Timor committee members would like to thank everyone who contributed to the success of the evening on February 14<sup>th</sup> at John XXIII Mass centre.

To those who donated money, cooked food or attended the function, we are very grateful. Feedback indicates that everyone had a most enjoyable evening. \$551.10 was raised for the Maliana diocese, East Timor. Some members of the East Timor Friendship Association attended including Andy and Cathy Alcock, Donald Barnes and Liz Tiddemann, and the Honorary Consul for Timor-Leste in S.A., Dr. Ian Leitch and his wife Sue. We appreciate their attendance and support of our function.

Thanks must also go to Rob, Kevin, Teresa, Maureen, Pam, Pat and Bina who kindly assisted on the night. 'God lives and works in our community'  
East Timor committee

## SENIORS SOCIAL CLUB

(formally Over 50'S)



### OUTING LUNCH

Our first outing will be on

Wednesday 4th March

at the

Grand North

Grand Junction Rd

At 12:15pm

Lorraine Thalbourne 82637333 or

0419810992

## Rain water tank project at Holy Trinity Church

The tank and pump has been fitted, all paid for by the cans and bottles & jars collected over time. We were lucky the Development Fund loaned us some money to pay for the installation of the tank and pump which we will pay back to them, so still keep saving bottles & cans etc. All we need is some rain so everybody please pray for rain. A thank you to everybody who has helped in anyway.

## THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

Please collect your Thanksgiving Envelopes from the back of the church today. This saves the Parish having to mail them out to you.

If you wish to join the Thanksgiving Program please contact the Parish Office. Also if you wish to change the way you give: To Direct Debit or Credit Card it is not too late, please contact Pauline at the Parish Office on 8264 7590.

## *CHUCKLE CORNER*

### *The Wonders of Porridge*



A tough old sheep farmer from Scotland gave some good advice to his granddaughter. He told her that the secret to a long life was to sprinkle a pinch of gunpowder onto her porridge every morning. The granddaughter followed this advise religiously until her death at the venerable age of 103. She left behind 14 children, 30 grandchildren, 45 great grandchildren, 25 great great grandchildren .....

**and a forty foot hole where the crematorium used to be.**