



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

Parish Child Protection Officer

Therese Meyers 0421 533 761

22nd JULY 2018
16th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME YEAR B - Green

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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
Thursday 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 5.30pm at St John XXIII

Mon	23rd July	Legion of Mary Jnr & R.E.	4pm	Holy Trinity
Tue	24th July	Legion of Mary	12.30pm - 2pm	Holy Trinity
Tue	24th July	Confirmation	7pm	St John XXIII
Thur	26th July	Christian Meditation	2pm	St John XXIII
Thur	26th July	Legion of Mary	6.30pm	23 Carruthers Dr Modbury North
Sat	28th July	First Holy Communion	6pm	St John XXIII
Sun	29th July	First Holy Communion	10am	Holy Trinity
Sun	29th July	Divine Mercy	3pm	Holy Trinity

OTHER ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

Mon	23rd July	Bowls	1.30pm	St John XXIII
Mon	23rd July	Parish Finance Council	7.30pm	St John XXIII
Tue	24th July	Reach Out	9.45am	St John XXIII
Wed	25th July	Seniors Social Club	12.30pm - 3.30pm	Holy Trinity
Fri	27th July	Craft Group	9.30am - 12pm	St John XXIII
Sat	28th July	Community Garden	9.30am - 12pm	St John XXIII

From the Presence of God to the Presence of People

Today's readings explain how God, like a Good Shepherd, redeems His people and provides for them. In the gospel today, we see Jesus attending to his weary apostles, who have just returned from their first preaching mission, while at the same time expressing his concern for the people who, like "sheep without a shepherd," have gathered to meet him in the wilderness. Jesus had sent his apostles on their first mission, which was one of healing, teaching and preaching. When they returned, they were no doubt exhilarated by the experience. Nonetheless, they were hungry, exhausted, and in need of rest, both physical and spiritual. Hence, He led the Apostles by boat to a "deserted place" on the other side of the Lake for a period of rest and sharing. But when they came ashore there was a large crowd waiting for them. Jesus' heart was moved with pity for those people who were "sheep without a shepherd." Like the people of Israel, the crowds were in the desert where they would receive not only miraculous food (next Sunday's Gospel), but guidance and instruction, just as the commandments had been given in the desert of Sinai.

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"Sheep without a shepherd" will perish because they cannot find their way and will probably end up eaten by a wolf or other carnivores or they cannot find pasture and food and they have no defence against the dangers which threaten them. Jesus' first act with this shepherd-less sheep was to teach them [v. 34] and then to feed them [vv. 35-40]. This text affirms Jesus' extraordinary availability and his compassion for the needy. It teaches us that a Christian should be ready to sacrifice his time and even his rest in the service of the Gospel.

Today's gospel teaches us that Christians must be people of prayer and action. The Christian life is a continuous passage from the presence of God to the presence of people and back again. How can we shoulder life's burdens if we have no contact with the Lord of Life? How can we do God's work unless we rely on God's strength? And how can we receive that strength unless we pray to him individually, in the family and as a parish community in the Church and receive His grace by participating in the Holy Mass and through the reception of the Sacraments? From our reflection on today's Gospel, let us remind ourselves that the Christian life consists of meeting with God in the secret place so that we may serve people more effectively in the market place.

The gospel also explains that the Church has the double responsibility of teaching and feeding. People today find it difficult to balance those two aspects of the Christian life. Some apparently believe that the social ministry of the Church is all that is needed to make Christ present in the world. Others seem to believe that the Church's major concern should be preaching the Gospel, rather than feeding the hungry and healing the sick. Both views are one-sided. There can be no true Christianity without the proclamation of the Gospel. Teaching the Word of God is essential to a Christian community. Christians must also display the same compassion for the suffering that Jesus exhibited by meeting the social and material needs of others; even those who are not members of our Church. To bring about this life of the Church it needs ideal leaders. Leaders who are compassionate and are able to lead and "govern wisely" (Jer 23:5), living the teaching they communicate. There are very many people searching for truth today, people hungering for instruction, good people who are looking for direction. They may be parents who are sick with grief over the future of a troubled child; a man stripped of his dignity by unemployment; a woman facing a pregnancy alone; elderly people who feel the diminishing surge of life in their bodies; people who are angry and confused because they have lost confidence in their leaders, whether political or religious. They are people who are looking for answers and for meaning. They are like sheep without a shepherd. They all need ideal pastors filled with the spirit of Christ the "Good Shepherd."

Janu Kumbedramakal

Readings for 29th JULY 2018

1st Reading Kings 4: 42 - 44

2nd Reading Ephesians 4: 1 - 6

Gospel John 6: 1 - 15

Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

23rd	St Bridget
24th	St Sharbel MakhluF
25th	St James, Apostle
26th	St Joachim, St Anne

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:

Clem Kenny, Charlotte Fussell, Selena (Rose) Quinn, Michael Valentine, Phyllis Anthony, Annmarie Thile, Pam Ridley, Rita Lockyer, Michael Pritchard, Randal Dunn, John MacGrath, Ken Robinson, Neil Mc Peake, Graham Armstrong, Mary Redmond, Graham Speed, Marlen Piineda, David Truman, Bruce Mc Andie, Rosa Maria Santos, Sean Molloy, Betty Roper, Imperia De Ionno, Julie Reimann, Imelda Schulz, Maddison Calleja, Janice Forrester, Ray Zielonka, Jim Marlow, Marie Canavan, Gerry Canavan, Jayden Lee, Audrey Athayde, Marie Boulton, Sr. Marleen Dewar OLSH, Kay Kennedy, Rita Robinson, Eileen Ryan, Gary Lockyer, Yvonne Summers, Darcy Ridley, Marie Bakaj, Regan Barry, John Cherry, Dudley Dolman, Fr. Michael Walsh, Pat Feutrill, Paul Holmes, Michael Lochhead.



RECENTLY DECEASED

Anne Davies, Di Hunt, Sr Fidelma Travis, Hilde Carter, Isidra Ruiz & Lazlo Horvath

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

The next meeting for the Parish Finance Council is on the 23rd July in the St John XXIII Meeting Room at 7.30pm.



DIVINE MERCY

The next Divine Mercy Eucharistic Adoration will be on Sunday, 29th July 3pm - 4pm at Holy Trinity Church.

Children's Prayer

Loving Shepherd, hear me calling you from the lush field of this world. Guide me back in your shining path of love and hope out of the darkness, so that I am not afraid. Help me to remember all of your loving ways and be aware that you care for me.

In Christ's name

Amen.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

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



St Vincent De Paul Modbury Conference

Lord God, our help and guide, make your love the foundation of our lives. May our love for you express itself in our eagerness to do good for other people.

Last week 4 families asked for assistance [9 adults & 6 children] all requested food, with one family also needing furniture & clothes.

Our Pantry needs at St John XXIII this week are:-
Tinned mixed vegetables;
Tinned meat & Tinned tomatoes.
With grateful thanks, God Bless.

REACH OUT GROUP

Tuesday 24th July, 2018
9.15am Mass at St John XXIII

Reader: Raphael M
Offertory: Margaret D & Ian D
Communion: Mary M & Maureen F
Altar Server: Leo



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2018

Congratulations Barbara Sorrell
No. 42

Drawn by Lionel Thomas

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY JULY BABIES

26th July Emil Mathew Merin
27th July David North
29th July Mark O'Reilly



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

We have over 30 children receiving their Confirmation Sacrament on:
Tuesday the 24th July 2018
at St John XXIII at 7 pm.



First Holy Communion will be on:
Saturday the 28th and 4th of August at:
St John XXIII at 6 p.m. Mass and on:
Sunday the 29th and 5th August
at 10 a.m. at Holy Trinity.

We ask you all to welcome and pray for these children and their families as they embark on this important spiritual journey.



Plenary Council 2020

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Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

On Wednesday evening we held our first information session for Plenary Council 2020. As we move ahead with our parish participation in this exciting time for the Church we will be promoting **Listening and Dialogue Encounters**. Over the coming weeks we will invite you to join or to host a small group (similar to Lenten groups). These groups will enable us as a community to create time and space to consider the question: **What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?** Every voice is important in these dialogues; don't miss the opportunity to have your voice heard.

THANK YOU

You would have noticed that over the past few weeks we have called for volunteers to assist with counting the collections at both Holy Trinity and St John XXIII. You will be pleased to know that we now have enough volunteers to have counting teams at each Mass Centre to cover all weeks of the month. We particularly want to thank those retiring volunteers who have provided invaluable service to the parish community over many, many years.

We also wish to thank those who are continuing to count and all the new counters who have volunteered.

PFC & PPC Chairpersons



Community Garden

Welcome all to the
Community Garden.
Our next gathering is on the
28th July 9.30am to 12 noon.
St John XXIII Mass Centre,
Grandparents if you are
babysitting grandchildren
bring them along.
Don't forget gloves etc.



SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Holy Father's Appeal: \$536.15
NATSICC: \$494.75
Apostleship of the Sea: \$453.70

Thank you very much for your generosity
over the last month.

**The next Appeal will not be until 11th/12th August
which will be the Appeal for Vocations.**



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

**St Francis Xavier's Catholic School
2018 SCHOOL TOUR DATES**

Saturday, 28th July :9.30am – 10.30am
 Monday, 13th August :9.30am -10.30am
 Thursday, 20th September :4.30pm – 5.30pm
 Friday, 2nd November :9.30am – 10.30am

How do I register my attendance?

Bookings are essential for the Tours and can be made via the School's website www.sfx.catholic.edu.au or by telephoning Sonya: 8251 9555

House for Rent

The parish house at Para Hills now requires new tenants.

We are looking to rent the house to Catholics only as the house is located very close to the church.

If anyone of our parishioners are interested in renting the house please let us know.

Alternatively if you know someone who is looking for a rented house you can let us know as well. For further enquires please contact the Parish Office on: 8264 7590.

Wanted At Holy Trinity

If any parishioner has a NAWMA Voucher for getting rid of rubbish could our maintenance group use them as we are looking for two or three.

See Dudley Dolman as soon as possible



RELIGIOUS ITEMS, CARDS AND STATUES ARE ON SALE AFTER 10AM MASS EACH SUNDAY AT HOLY TRINITY MASS CENTRE, PARA HILLS.

VISIT OUR DISPLAY CABINET WHICH CAN BE FOUND IN THE ROOM AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH

SECURITY

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ANY VALUABLE ITEMS VISIBLE IN YOUR CAR WHILE ATTENDING MASS AT EITHER CENTRE.

**UKES4 CHARITY CONCERT
Fundraising for the Parish**

Featuring: Ukhords, Beachside Strummers, Flamingos, The Thugs & Magic Show.

**Place: St John XXIII,
50 Reservoir Rd, Hope Valley
Date: Friday, 3rd August 2018
Time: 7pm - 9pm**

Tickets: \$7.00 per person (includes refreshments)

**Contact: Jack Kornaat, phone: 8265 1958
or Parish Office: 8264 7590**



STAY FOR A CUPPA

Thanks to some of our wonderful volunteers, we will be having a cuppa after all Masses next Weekend. Please join us.



THE SOUTHERN CROSS

The Latest edition of the Southern Cross is only \$2.

Please support the initiative by taking one.



STAMPS AND DRINK CAN RING PULLS

We are only collecting Stamps and Ring Pulls from drink cans. Thank you Anne-Michelle & Olive.



THE BOOK



**"No joystick? No mouse? No keyboard?
How do you turn the pages?"**