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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

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ST JOHN XXIII CHURCH

50 RESERVOIR RD,
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CHILDREN'S LITURGY

CELEBRATED AT
10AM MASS

BAPTISMS

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
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GOLDEN GROVE 5125

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31st July 2022

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C - 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.**

MASS TIMES

**ST JOHN XXIII
Hope Valley**

Monday 9.15am
Tuesday 9.15am
Thursday 9.15am
Saturday 6pm
Sunday 8am



**HOLY TRINITY
Para Hills**

Wednesday 7pm
Friday 9.15am
(Adoration Before Mass
will recommence on 5th August)
Saturday 9.15am
Sunday 10am

**Reconciliation (Confession)
Saturday after 9.15am Mass at Holy Trinity
and 5.30pm at St John XXIII**

COVID UPDATE

To help protect the most vulnerable within our Parish community we strongly encourage everyone to continue wearing masks during Mass

Please do not attend Mass or other Parish functions if you are unwell.

Becoming Rich in the Sight of God

The common theme of today's readings is the futility of the greedy acquisition of wealth and power because everything and everyone is "here today and gone tomorrow." Therefore, the meaning of life cannot be found in possessions but in the sharing of time, treasure and talents with the needy. The first reading, taken from Ecclesiastes, reminds us that the greedy acquisition and the selfish hoarding of goods are useless because when the hoarder dies, he goes to eternity empty-handed, and his heir gains, and perhaps squanders, his riches. In the Responsorial Psalm, the Psalmist challenges us to listen to God and allow Him to soften our hearts that we may share our blessings with others. In the second reading, Paul directs our attention to lasting Heavenly treasures and warns that greed for wealth and influence is idolatry. In today's Gospel, Jesus, through the parable of the foolish rich man, warns the disputing brothers, and us, against all types of greed, because greed takes our life's focus away from God and away from serving and loving Him in other people.

We are living in a culture that caters to our desire for immediate gratification. It encourages us to amass possessions, and in many ways, it thrives on deceit. Hence, Paul in the second reading and Jesus in the Gospel directs our attention to those treasures that endure, warning that greed for wealth and influence is idolatry and that the Faith-life of a believer requires Christ as its priority. Paul reminds us that, since we have been raised with Christ through Baptism and are going in a Heavenly direction, we must "put to death immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire and the greed that is idolatry" (Col 3:5). The desires of the human heart cannot be satisfied by what is here today and gone tomorrow because we have been made for "what is above" (Col 3:1). For Paul, the whole process of joining


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Christ in glory revolves around "taking off our old self with its practices and putting on the new self, which is being renewed..., in the image of its Creator" (Col 3:9-10). Although power, influence and possessions come and go, our new self will endure because it is grounded in the power of the risen Lord.

The Jewish rabbis were often asked to settle disputes among their countrymen. They judged cases using the Mosaic Law as given in the Torah, the Jewish book of civil, religious and liturgical laws. In matters concerning the distribution of property in a family with two children, the Torah (Dt 21:15-17, Nm 27:1-11, 36:7-9), granted two-thirds of the wealth to the elder son and one-third to the younger. If there were several sons, the first-born would receive double the inheritance of his younger brothers and would serve as the patriarch of the family and executor of his father's estate. In the case related in today's Gospel, either the older brother had delayed the partition of property, or the younger brother was greedy. Jesus refused to be an arbitrator in this property dispute between two brothers because he had come to bring people to God by preaching the Good News of God's forgiving and sharing love. But he used the occasion as a "teachable moment," instructing the audience on the folly of greed and selfishness, while contradicting the Epicurean motto: "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die." The reason Jesus said God called the rich man a fool also appears to be the same. Traditional Jewish good works included prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Blessed with an excellent harvest, the rich landowner in Jesus' parable did the opposite of giving alms. Instead of thanking God and sharing with the hungry, he planned to give himself over to a pagan style: "eat, drink and be merry." Jesus said God called him a fool because: **He never saw beyond himself; he never saw beyond this world and he failed to become rich in what matters to God.**

Through the parable of the rich fool Jesus gives us a warning as well as an invitation. He reminds us that our possessions are merely lent to us by God, and that we are accountable for their use. We must be generous in sharing our time, our treasure, and our talents in Christian stewardship. Even if we are poor financially, we may be blessed with intelligence, good will, a sense of humour or the ability to console, encourage, inspire and support and help others. God expects us to give our thanks to Him for all these blessings by sharing them with others for His glory.

Let us also give attention to the call to control our greed. Our greed takes different shapes and forms. For some it may be the desire for approval and praise. For others it is the uncontrolled desire for power, control or fame. For still others, greed takes the form of excessive and sinful indulgence in eating, drinking, gambling, drugs or sexual activities. Greed turns our life away from God and away from loving and serving Him in other people. As greed directs all our energy and attention to fulfilling the self, its objects become our false gods, and they will consume us, unless we become rich in the sight of God.



Readings for Sunday, 7th August 2022

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| 1st Reading | Wis | 18:6-9 |
| 2nd Reading | Heb | 11:1 - 2, 8 - 19 |
| Gospel | Lk | 12:32 - 48 |

Saints & Feast Days

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| 1st Aug | St Alphonsus Ligouri |
| 2nd Aug | St Peter Faber |
| 3rd Aug | St Dominic |
| 4th Aug | St John Mary Vianney |
| 5th Aug | The Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major |
| 6th Aug | The Transfiguration 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:

John Jarrad, Martha Fernandez, Carmel Adams, Vesna Zagar, Kim Pope, Anne Hughes, David Truman, Bruce Tilley, Anne Valentine, Ken Randell, Mary Rose Probst, Emelia Pudelek, Maria Trotta, Joan Walmsley, Lil Buckley, Pat Collins, Margaret Pitt, Anne Van Der Arend, Patricia Kopf, Darcy Ridley, Jayden Lee, Maria Hand, Molly Holmes, Asher Caudle, Father Peter Milburn, Emma Gammon, David North, Elijah Neri, Wayne Collins, Marg Dolman, Sean Molloy, Antoinette Pascale, Charlotte Fussell, Reta Lockyer, John MacGrath, Ken Robinson, Mary Redmond, Graham Speed, Marlen Piineda, Rosa Maria Santos, Betty Roper, Imperia De Ionno, Julie Reimann, Gerry Canavan, Kay Kennedy, Gary Lockyer, Rita Robinson, Yvonne Summers, Sr. Marleen Dewar OLSH

Recently Deceased

Ursula Moore, Anne Rose Mary Javier, David Kerslake

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Our Sacramental Program for 2022/2023 will be starting soon.

Enquiry sessions will be held on Sunday 14th August at 11am following the 10am Mass at Holy Trinity and on Wednesday 17th August at 7pm at St John XXIII.

If you have children who would like to join the program to prepare to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion please come along to one of these sessions or contact Tash on 8264 7590 or Email: pa@paramodcath.com.au

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

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



**St Vincent de Paul
Modbury Conference**

Three calls this last week for food, bills and clothing – the clothing we manage through the issue of Vinnies Gift Cards that are recognised at the Vinnies shop.

We've been advised that there is another allocation of Emergency Relief Funding from the Government – limit of \$300 once a year at the end of this month.

TTG hosted a Vinnies Regional meeting this week (Tuesday evening) and there was an information session provided by the manager of the Vinnies Women's shelter – capacity of 24 women and 60 children and almost always at capacity with more complex cases.

Our only shortages in the pantry at present are Tinned Taters/ Carrots, Tinned Peas/Beans, and Margarine. It will greatly help if any or all of these items could be placed in the Vinnies' collection basket.

**Significant Wedding Anniversary
Celebrations**

The celebration of significant Wedding Anniversaries which recognises couples in their life-long commitment will again be held in local parishes this year. The Anniversaries Masses will be celebrated in our Parish on the weekend of 17th/18th September 2022.

Couples who are celebrating an anniversary of 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55 and 60 or more years during 2022 are invited to contact the parish office so that they can be included in the blessing for marriages at Mass on that weekend.

Your details will be forwarded to the Archbishop's Office and a certificate will be prepared for presentation to you marking your anniversary.

If you would like your anniversary to be included in this celebration please contact the Parish Office with your details before Thursday 25th August 2022



STAY FOR A CUPPA!

Our monthly Cuppa's after Mass have resumed! Please join us after Mass this weekend and take the opportunity to introduce yourself to parishioners you have not yet met and catch up with your fellow parishioners. We welcome donations of cake and finger food which can be left in the kitchen before Mass.



**Winter Warmer Dinner Fundraiser
for Maliana, Timor Leste**

Saturday August 6th
after 6.00pm Mass at St John XXIII

Menu of assorted warming casseroles plus desserts along with tea and coffee plus friendship. BYO Drinks and glasses. Cost \$15.00.

Tickets will be sold after ALL Masses on 23/24 and 30/31 July.

Any enquiries to Marg & Rob Whennan 82511577



We welcome to our community, those families who are preparing for their children's baptism during August



Please show your support by making them feel welcome and remembering them in your prayers.

FIRST SATURDAY MASS



6th August 2022 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)*

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



To pray for all Families, the Priesthood and for the Protection of the Unborn
Wednesday 3rd August
The Novena and Rosary beginning at 6.30pm followed by Mass at 7pm finishing 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)*

LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING

**The next Liturgy Committee Meeting
Wednesday 3rd August at 7pm
Contact Therese Meyers on 0421 533 761**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! Alleluia

PRAYER MEETINGS

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| Sun | 31st Jul | Divine Mercy | 2.30pm | Holy Trinity |
| Fri | 5th Aug | Two Hearts Prayer Group 8pm Rosary, 9pm and 3am Mass | | Holy Trinity |

OTHER ACTIVITIES

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| Mon | 1st Aug | Bowls Group | 1pm - 3.30pm | St John XXIII |
| Wed | 3rd Aug | Seniors Social Group | 1pm | Holy Trinity |
| Wed | 3rd Aug | Liturgy Committee | 7pm | Private Residence |
| Thur | 4th Aug | Multicultural Melodies | 10am - 12noon | St John XXIII |
| Fri | 5th Aug | Craft Group | 9.30am - 12noon | St John XXIII |



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2022

Congratulations to our winner

No 46, Moira Bone
Drawn by Peter Cooper

If you would like to be included in the draw
Please contact: Barbara Mathews 8258 8806



DIVINE MERCY AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

The next Divine Mercy Devotion will be on
Sunday, 31st July at 2.30pm
at Holy Trinity Church,
171 Kesters Rd, Para Hills.



Palms Australia

Can you undertake an Overseas Mission?

Our sister churches in Africa, Asia and the Pacific are requesting Australian Catholics to join them to build the skills of those in their community who have had less opportunity than ourselves.

Please consider these

[Mission opportunities abroad.](#)

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference provide support. Palms Australia, who have prepared Australian Catholics for global mission since 1961, will ensure accommodation and a living allowance is provided to you during your time away.

[Enquire online](#) at palms.org.au or **Ph: 0422 742 567** to find out about a placement to engage your skills.

You can also [Register](#) for a Webinar on **Monday August 1 at 7pm** to talk directly with a Palms' partner community in Timor-Leste and two Australians recently posted to work with them.

Invite your friends

The stories will inspire

HAPPY BIRTHDAY JULY/ AUGUST BABIES

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| 31st Jul | Anna Oliver |
| 3rd Aug | Carolyn Ost |
| 4th Aug | Gerry Giebel |
| 5th Aug | Diana McElhone |



THE SOUTHERN CROSS

The latest edition of The Southern Cross is available from both Mass Centres at a cost of just \$2 or online at www.thesoutherncross.org.au

TREASURE MARKET

Second Saturday of each month
8am to 12noon

Next: 13th August 2022

St John XXIII Centre
Sellers \$10—Buyers free!

PLEASE SEND SMALLER GOODS OUR WAY,
THEY CAN BE LEFT ON THE SHELVES IN THE
MARKET WALKWAY
OR IN THE BOX AT THE BACK OF ST JOHN XXIII
CHURCH, ALSO IN A BOX IN THE CRY ROOM
AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.

All monies raised from the Market
are donated to the Parish.

WE CAN NO LONGER ACCEPT LARGE ITEMS
SUCH AS TVs, MATTRESSES, SOFAS,
LOUNGE CHAIRS & WARDROBES
AS WE ARE NOT ABLE TO SELL THEM.

REACH OUT

August is Reach Out Birthday month.
2022 being our 46th year in existence
and we will celebrate this
occasion with a special lunch.

Venue: The Highlander Hotel
(647 North East Road, Gilles Plains SA 5096)

Date: Tuesday 2nd August 2022

Time: 12.00 Noon

Menu: Choice from the Daily Lunch Menu or
New Seniors' Menu (Seniors Card Required)

Bookings: Please contact Margaret Emery
Ph: 8264 0780

Looking forward to celebrating together.

Maureen Kenny
Reach Out President
Ph: 0418 821 859