



PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

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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

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GOLDEN GROVE 5125

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THERESE MEYERS: 0421 533 761
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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

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



HOLY TRINITY
Para Hills

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

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

Project Compassion



Thu lives in Vietnam. When Thu was 12 years old, he stepped on an unexploded land mine and lost his leg.

Living with a disability in rural Vietnam presented many challenges for Thu, who worked mainly as a rice farmer. Thu also took on the role of caring for his wife, Linh, after she suffered a stroke.

Determined to turn their lives around, Thu and Linh joined the Empowerment of People with Disabilities program, run by Caritas Australia's local partner in Vietnam, the Centre for Sustainable Rural Development (SRD).

For Thu, the greatest impact the program has had is enabling the change in Linh's physical and mental wellbeing. With the support of a physiotherapist, Linh can now walk short distances with the aid of a walking stick..

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow
For All Future Generations.

You can donate through
Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes
available from your parish,
by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion,
or by calling 1800 024 413.



Stations of the Cross

Join us for Stations of the Cross
7pm at Holy Trinity
every Friday during Lent.



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| Readings for Sunday, 26th March 2023 | | |
| 1st Reading | Ez | 37:12 - 14 |
| 2nd Reading | Rom | 8:8 - 11 |
| Gospel | Jn | 11:1 - 45 |

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



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| Saints & Feast Days | |
| 20th Mar | St Joseph |
| 23rd Mar | St Turibius of Mogrovejo |
| 25th Mar | Annunciation of the Lord |

**St Vincent de Paul
Modbury Conference**

We had seven calls for assistance this last week - nine adults.

Our Gift Card options, for shopping some perishables to complement the non-perishable groceries we deliver, are still limited to Drake's. FoodBank is calling at St Luke's in Smart Road fortnightly on Wednesday mornings and we can refer people to them to get good value shopping. Spending \$30 there is like spending \$60 at Coles or similar, and bakery products are free.

Our needs in the pantry are
**Small Vegemite, Tinned Fish,
Tinned Fruit and Coffee.**

It will greatly help if any or all of these items could be placed in the Vinnies' collection basket.

Vinnie's continues to operate the assistance centre at Pooraka by appointment Wednesdays and Fridays from 10:00am to 1:00pm to provide support to the companions. Shopping vouchers are issued for the FoodWorks shop next door.

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:**

Margaret Penny, Theresa Camilleri, Corrie Bowman, 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, Emma Gammon, David North, Elijah Neri, Marg Dolman, Sean Molloy, Antoinette Pascale, Charlotte Fussell, Reta Lockyer, John MacGrath, 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
Eddie Kearney

CARPARK WORKS AT HOLY TRINITY

Resurfacing part of the northern carpark (entrance off Kesters Road) at Holy Trinity to complete drainage works will be undertaken on Tuesday 21 March and will take most of the day so there will be no parking permitted that day. Parishioners will need to park in the James Street carpark that day. This work is required to meet Council specifications for storm water drainage as part of the housing development.


STAY FOR A CUPPA!




Next weekend we will have our monthly Cuppa after Mass.

Donations of food would be gratefully received and can be left in the kitchen prior to Mass.

Volunteers will be needed to assist with serving after all Masses



**ST FRANCIS
XAVIER'S**
CATHOLIC SCHOOL



GLEESON
WITH ONE HEART

Since 2021 we have been very pleased to welcome staff and students from SFX to join us once per term for a family Mass. These have been alternated between Holy Trinity and St John XXIII.

Next week we look forward to welcoming staff and students from both of our regional Catholic Schools, St Francis Xavier's Primary School and Gleeson College, who will be participating in the 6pm Mass at St John XXIII on 25th June. You might like to make yourself known to them at the cuppa after Mass.

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LITURGY ASSISTANTS FOR HOLY WEEK

Easter will soon be upon us and as always we will need many helpers for the Holy Week Liturgies.

The sign-up sheet for Liturgy Assistants is at the back of the Church. You are encouraged to think about which ceremonies you will be attending and to volunteer for ministries, preparation or clean up.

To assist with the preparations please add your name to the sign up sheet before 26th March.

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

The Parish Pastoral Council Needs You

We are seeking parishioners to join the Parish Pastoral Council. The call on your time is not great, the council meets once per month in the evening from February to November. When possible PPC members also volunteer to assist with major parish events.

The PPC is an essential body of the Parish. With our Parish Priest and our Pastoral Associate, it shares in the responsibility of the ongoing life and development of the faith community, working together with parishioners to provide support for their efforts to live as followers of Christ.

As part of its pastoral care and mission, the PPC discusses pastoral, administrative and financial issues of the parish. The PPC is a consultative body presided over by the parish priest who ratifies decisions made. The PPC works together with the priest and parishioners to build a more dynamic and vibrant community characterised by faith, evangelisation, worship, and service.

The PPC has, as one of its roles, to nurture the life of the community by listening to parishioners, recognising the gifts of each person, and encouraging each person to use their gifts for the good of the whole community.

Parishioners have found the time they have spent on the PPC very rewarding. For more information you could talk to any of our current PPC members or contact the parish office.

Marian Procession Save the date

The 2023 Marian Procession will be held on Sunday May 21 starting at the Pioneer Women's Memorial Gardens (next to the Torrens Parade Ground on King William Rd), processing up King William St into Victoria Square.

This year, we celebrate the *Feast of the Visitation* in line with the 2023 World Youth Day theme. The Procession will commence at 2pm and all are invited to attend with their parish or community.

Group assembly will begin from 1.30pm.

Unless there is a severe weather warning the procession will take place however it will conclude in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral rather than Victoria Square.

For more information, please contact the Events Office on P: 8210 8220.

Childrens Mass Book

There are two copies of the book 'The Mass for Children'

at the back of the church at St John XXIII.

These are available to be used by any child who would like to follow what is happening in the Mass. We ask that they be returned after Mass for others to use in subsequent weeks.

We hope that you will enjoy using these books with your child during Mass.

WORKING BEE TO PREPARE FOR EASTER

St John XXIII

Saturday 25th March 9.30am - 12noon
Our aim is to do a general clean up of both Mass Centres and to wash the windows in preparation for the Easter Liturgies.

Many hands make light work

Cluster Reconciliation



2nd Rite of Reconciliation:
Thursday 30th March 7pm,
St John XXIII,
50 Reservoir Road,
Hope Valley

Several priests will be available for individual Reconciliation after communal prayer and preparation

Gospel Focus

None so blind

There's a very old saying that has its roots in the Bible but is not a direct quote from the Bible:

'There are none so blind as those who will not see.' It would be a fitting summary of today's passage for there are two movements between darkness and light that are evident in the story.

Firstly, there is the blind man who was cured and could then see. He can see physically but can also see the truth of who Jesus is.

Secondly, there are the Jewish authorities who have physical sight but are completely blind to the truth of Jesus.

PARISH RECORDS

As a Parish we need to regularly update our records of parishioners, as over the years there has been a number of changes as to how people communicate.

If you have changed your mobile phone number, landline or email address, could you please let the Parish Office know at your earliest convenience. We would appreciate you providing us with the best phone number and email address to contact you on.

If you are a new parishioner to our Parish you can obtain a contact card from the church foyer or the Parish Office.



SAFETY FIRST

Please remember the carparks are shared zones and for safety the speed limit is 10kph (walking pace).

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life.
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

PRAYER MEETINGS

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| Tue | 21st Mar | Rosary | 8.50am | St John XXIII |
| Fri | 24th Mar | Stations of the Cross | 7pm | Holy Trinity |
| Sun | 26th Mar | Divine Mercy | 2.30pm | Holy Trinity |

ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

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| Mon | 20th Mar | Bowls Group | 1pm | St John XXIII |
| Tue | 21st Mar | Reachout | 9.45am | St John XXIII |
| Wed | 22nd Mar | Seniors Social Group | 1pm | Holy Trinity |
| Fri | 24th Mar | Craft Group | 9.30am - 12noon | St John XXIII |
| Sat | 25th Mar | Working Bee | 9.30am - 12noon | St John XXIII |



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2023

Congratulations to our winner

No 63, Phyllis Truman
Drawn by Carolyn Ost
For Corrie Bowman

Please contact: Barbara Mathews 8258 8806
for more information.



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DIVINE MERCY AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

The next Divine Mercy Devotion will be on
Sunday, 26th March at 2.30pm
at Holy Trinity Church,
171 Kesters Rd, Para Hills.



Parish Keys

If you no longer need to access the Mass centres due to a change in your commitments as a minister or for group activities we ask that you please return your keys to the Parish Office.

THE SOUTHERN CROSS

The March edition of The Southern Cross is now available from both Mass Centres and the Parish Office at a cost of \$2 or online at www.thesoutherncross.org.au

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARCH BABIES

19th Mar Anne Valentine
22nd Mar Sean Ford

