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50 RESERVOIR RD,
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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)

CARIGNANE ST,
WYNN VALE 5127
PH: 8251 9500

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40-60 SURREY FARM DRIVE,
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0421 533 761

ANGELA ZAKARIAS:
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25th February 2024
2nd Sunday of Lent, Year B - Violet

**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
(Rosary Before Mass
commencing 8.50am)
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



Stations of the Cross

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



Project Compassion 2024



Ronita is 22. She lives with her husband and two children in a barangay (local district) in Quezon City, which is situated in Metro Manila in the Philippines.

Ronita left school when she became pregnant as a teenager. This could have had a life-long impact on her ability to find work and provide for her family but, thankfully, she heard about the Alternative Learning System (ALS) program run by the Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ), Caritas Australia's local partners in the Philippines.

Through the FCJ, Ronita was able to re-enrol in her studies and continue learning in a safe and flexible environment, even with the arrival of her second child.

After completing her ALS classes, Ronita went on to earn her Grade 12 Senior High School Diploma. With her new diploma, Ronita has now secured a job at a call centre and is looking to a brighter future for her whole family.

"I have now graduated senior school and I am so proud of myself," she said. "I feel hopeful for the future... Now it's not impossible for me to achieve my dream... Thank you."

**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.**



Photo: Richard Wainwright/Caritas Australia

**Readings for Sunday, 3rd March 2024
3rd Sunday of Lent, Year B**

1st Reading Ex 20:1 - 17
2nd Reading 1Cor 1:22 - 25
Gospel Jn 2:13 - 25

Saints & Feast Days

27 Feb St Gregory of Narek
1 Mar Autumn Ember Day

Our Community's Prayer Petitions

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:

Teresa McBride, Margaret Dunn, Clarence Rodericks, Sue Rodericks, 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, 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

Recently Deceased

Chris Walker, Rudi Putz, Rosemary Juczkewicz,

Deceased Anniversaries

Cecilia Almeida, Peter Shelton

Public Rosary, Praying the Rosary for Peace

First Saturday of every month. You are invited to join Our Lady and pray the Rosary outdoors, together united, to pray for peace in Mary MacKillop Plaza (adj St Francis Xavier's Cathedral) at 8.40am (after the 8am Mass). All welcome.
For more information contact:
Patrick Greenrod, Legion of Mary, 0414 769 635.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Finance Council is on Tuesday, the 27th February in the St John XXIII Meeting Room at 7.30pm.



THE SOUTHERN CROSS

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

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



**St Vincent de Paul
Modbury Conference**

A few weeks in, our visit rate is still above our budgeted average; The assistance went to 9 adults and 9 children through 8 calls, with some also requesting assistance with clothing, and outstanding bills. Some of the "extra" is associated with helping Dernancourt. Provision of limited furniture has resumed.

Our immediate needs in the pantry are

**Breakfast Cereal, Sugar,
Tinned Soup and Pasta Sauce**

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

There are still some receipts for collection in the box on the Notice Board.



2021 Synod 2024
For a synodal Church

**Towards 2024 Synod
Public Gathering**

Thursday 14th March, 7pm
Festival Function Centre
292 Findon Rd, Findon
RSVP: trybooking.com/CPCNQ

This is an opportunity to provide feedback to both the Synthesis Report from the First Synod and respond to the questions outlined in the "Towards 2024" document. This will contribute to the Archdiocesan report to the ACBC.

Synthesis Report:

<https://www.synod.va/en/synodal-process/the-universal-phase/documents.html>

"Towards 2024" Document

https://www.synod.va/content/dam/synod/towards2024/thedocument/ENG_Document_TOWARDS-OCTOBER-2024_XVI_II-Session.pdf

**Lefevre Catholic Community
Adult Faith Formation 2024**

Lefevre Catholic Community has recommenced its program of adult faith formation sessions this month.

Sunday February 25 from 4-5pm

Compassion – presenter Sr Marie Egan RSJ.
Session will be held at
Sacred Heart Church Parish Meeting Rooms;
253 Military Road, Semaphore.

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

Holy Week and Easter Liturgies

During Lent, our Parish is getting ready for Holy Week and the Easter Triduum. The Liturgy Committee has prepared sheets listing the volunteer ministries required at the services.

If you would like to volunteer for any of the ministries, please add your name to the list by **Sunday 10th March.**

The ministry provided by many people during Holy Week and Easter is highly valued.



World Day of Prayer 2024 Palestine

Date & Time:
1st March 2024, 1.30pm

Location:
Trinity Lutheran Church
(Lutheran Homes)
1215 Grand Junction Road,
Hope Valley

Contact person:
Margaret Paech 8264 2545

Afternoon Tea
will follow service.

STAY FOR A CUPPA!

This weekend we will have our first monthly Cuppa after Mass for 2024. Please join your fellow parishioners for a cuppa and a chat.

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

Volunteers will be needed to assist with setting up, serving and clean up after all Masses

FIRST SATURDAY MASS

2nd March 2024 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)



Legion of Mary

On the 1st Sunday in March the Legion of Mary will lead the Rosary after the 10am Mass for peace in the world.

Our Lady of Fatima tells us to pray the Rosary every day if we want peace in the world.

Please join with us and support us as we pray through her to Jesus our Saviour. We will continue on every 1st Sunday of the Year.



Have you thought? **Mountaintop Moments**

Throughout the Bible there are instances of important encounters with God on mountaintops. Even this week's first reading, the sacrifice of Isaac by Abraham, occurs on a mountaintop. It is not the potential sacrifice, but the new relationship between God and Abraham that is a mountaintop moment. In modern language, we often speak about 'peak experiences' – moments of exceptional clarity, intense emotion or extraordinary accomplishment. Sometimes, like Peter, we are tempted to try to remain 'in the moment' rather than using the peak experience as a motivator for when we go back down the mountain to our normal (if perhaps changed) existence.

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Free Online Course on Synodality from Boston College: *Toward a Constitutively Synodal Church* 2-15 March 2024

How does synodality work in the everyday realities of the Church?

You are invited to participate in a free online course from Boston College School of Theology and Ministry to explore the practices and dimensions of practical synodality.

All videos will be facilitated virtually in March 2024 and will be offered at no cost to participants worldwide. Lectures which are pre-recorded and available in Spanish, English, Portuguese, French, Italian, Polish and German can be watched at any time throughout the month of March.

The detailed programme and registration is available at <https://bit.ly/3S79GKc>

DIVINE MERCY AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

The next Divine Mercy Devotion will be on Sunday, 25th February at 2.30pm at Holy Trinity Church, 171 Kesters Rd, Para Hills.



Parish Bulletin

If you would like to receive the bulletin via email please contact us at bulletin@paramodcath.com.au

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

From the shining cloud, the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

PRAYER MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

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| Sun | 25th Feb | Christian Life Program | 2pm - 4.30pm | Holy Trinity |
| Sun | 25th Feb | Divine Mercy | 2.30pm | Holy Trinity |
| Mon | 26th Feb | Friendship Bowls | 1pm | St John XXIII |
| Tue | 27th Feb | Parish Finance Council | 7.30pm | St John XXIII |
| Wed | 28th Feb | Holy Trinity Seniors | 1pm | Holy Trinity |
| Fri | 1st Mar | Craft Group | 9am - 11.45am | St John XXIII |
| Fri | 1st Mar | Legion of Mary | 10am | Holy Trinity |
| Fri | 1st Mar | Stations of the Cross | 7pm | Holy Trinity |
| Fri | 1st Mar | Two Hearts Prayer Group 8pm Rosary, 8.30pm Reconciliation, 9pm & 3am Mass | | Holy Trinity |
| Sun | 3rd Mar | Christian Life Program | 2pm - 4.30pm | Holy Trinity |



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2024

Congratulations to this weeks winner

No 62, Sheila Clark
Drawn by Alex Balayance

To join, or for more information please contact:
Barbara Mathews 8258 8806

**Fringe Festival 2024
Pipe Organ Recitals
at the Cathedral of St Francis Xavier**

February 25, 1pm: Festival of Hymns by James Lloyd
February 28, 1pm: Jacinta Jakovcevic
March 6, 1pm: Graham Bell
March 17, 1pm: Young Organists

TREASURE MARKET

**Second Saturday of each month
8am to 12noon**

**Next: 9th March 2024
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.**

The Catholic Clergy-Laity Golf Day will be held at West Beach Park Golf on Monday 18th March with a 12.30pm shotgun start. Attractive prizes for men and women. The John Mahoney Parish Trophy will be awarded to the parish with the best three Stableford scores. Teham Trophy awarded to the best group of four.

Spouses and friends are welcome to attend the presentation dinner from 6.15pm. Cost for golf and dinner is \$95 (discount for clergy). Entries close on Friday 8th March. Field limit of 100. Enquiries to Denis Toohey 8353



**Sunday Night Choir
1st Sunday of the Month (starting March 3)**

Come and Sing! The Sunday Night Choir is a new initiative for 2024, sponsored by the Archdiocese. There are no strings attached to performing, no Masses to rehearse for, it is simply an evening to gather, sing, get to know one another in all of our diversity and feel like we are home. If you are over 18 and enjoy singing or have done so in the past, come and see what this Sunday Night Choir is all about.

There will be songs in four-part harmony so an ability to read music notation is beneficial. Rehearsals are the first Sunday of every month, starting on **March 3 at 7pm in the St Francis Xavier Cathedral Hall** (free car parking available).

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
FEBRUARY/MARCH BABIES**

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| 26th Feb | Gary Lockyer |
| | Odette Dotter |
| | Helen Podgorski |
| 27th Feb | Sean Freeman |
| 28th Feb | Letitia Geesing |
| | Emma Gammon |
| 2nd Mar | Kevin Moore |