



PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

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171 KESTERS ROAD,
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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

GLEESON COLLEGE (SECONDARY)

40-60 SURREY FARM DRIVE,
GOLDEN GROVE 5125
PH: 8282 6600

PARISH CHILD PROTECTION OFFICERS

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
(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

Christmas Masses Liturgy Assistants

During Advent, our Parish is getting ready to celebrate the birth of Jesus at Christmas. The Liturgy Committee has prepared sheets listing the volunteer ministries required at the Christmas Masses.

If you would like to volunteer for any of the ministries, please add your name to the list at the back of the Church **by 15 December**.

The ministry provided by many people during Advent and at our Christmas Masses is highly valued.

Christmas Decorating

A huge thankyou to the people who have stepped up and volunteered to coordinate the decorating at St John XXIII Church for the Christmas Masses.

Decorating will be happening on Monday 23rd December at 2pm
If you are able to help on the day please join us.

OFFICE CLOSURE

The Parish Office will close
on Friday 20th December 2024
and reopen on
Tuesday 21st January 2025

Parish Bulletin

If you would like to receive the bulletin via email please contact us at:
bulletin@paramodcath.com.au
The bulletin is also available on our website:
paramodcath.com.au

**Readings for Sunday 22nd December 2024
4th Sunday of Advent, Year C**

1st Reading Micah 5:1 - 4
2nd Reading Heb 10:5 - 10
Gospel Lk 1:39 - 45

Saints & Feast Days

21st Dec St Peter Canisius

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:

Lorraine McPeake, Catherine Kerslake, Phyllis Truman, Teresa McBride, Margaret Dunn, Clarence Rodericks, Sue Rodericks, Margaret Penny, Theresa Camilleri, Corrie Bowman, Martha Fernandes, 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, Asher Caudle, Emma Gammon, David North, Elijah Neri, Marg Dolman, Sean Molloy, Antoinette Pascale, Reta Lockyer, John MacGrath, Mary Redmond, Marlen Piineda, Rosa Maria Santos, Betty Roper, Imperia De Ionno, Julie Reimann, Gerry Canavan, Kay Kennedy, Gary Lockyer, Rita Robinson, Yvonne Summers

Recently Deceased:

Mary Glynn, Susan Daley



CHILDREN'S PRAYER

May Christ our Savior bring light into the darkness of this world, and to us, as we wait for his coming. Amen

**Liturgy Assistants Roster
January - March 2025**

The Liturgy Assistants Roster for January - March 2025 has been prepared and emailed out. Hard copies are available at the back of the church for those who need a printed copy.

A reminder that if you are unable to fulfill your roster that you will need to arrange for a replacement.



THE SOUTHERN CROSS

The Southern Cross December edition was inserted in The Advertiser on Saturday 14th December.

Free copies are also available from both Mass Centres 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**

Thank-you, thank-you, thank-you!

This weekend of Dec 14/15th is the last to return your card and donated item to the Giving Tree.

We pack the hampers on Friday 20th for collection on the Saturday morning.

The requests for Christmas hampers currently stand at 27, and not expected to grow beyond 30.

The collection of the St Francis Xavier Christmas Appeal took place on December 10th and has boosted our stocks for the both hampers and home visits.

We've also collected our allocation of toys and gifts arising from the MRA Toy Run – with Parish donations and also contributions from the school we should be able to cover our needs.

Pesky teenagers are the main hurdle.

After the hamper activity we suspend assistance calls until after Australia Day. Your support has enabled us to respond to almost 250 calls for assistance this year.

Last week we again took 5 calls for assistance, just less than the weekly average
If you're still able to contribute;

**Sugar, Tinned Fish, Breakfast Cereal
and Tinned Vegetables**

are always needed in the pantry.
Merry Christmas, everyone.

REFLECTION

by Nick Brodie

When people asked John the Baptist what they must do, he responded with examples, as Pope Francis points out, 'that are different for each group' and situation.

As the Pope indicates, the Baptist 'directs a specific word to each person that responds to their actual situation in life.' People with two garments should give one to those who have none. Those with food should share with those without. Tax collectors needed to be fair, soldiers to be restrained, and so on.

This specificity, the Pope reflects, 'offers us a precious teaching: faith is incarnated in concrete life. It is not an abstract theory.'

This Advent we might remember that we are called to practical service for the world. The Pope suggests that we should each consider: 'what can I do concretely during these days as we draw near to Christmas? How can I do my part?'

We might therefore turn our efforts to doing something, however small, to serve our Lord. With actions suited to our own time and place and situation, our faith should take on some 'concrete commitment', and in doing so bring a little bit more justice into the world.

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

PRAYER MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

Mon	16th Dec	Legion of Mary	5pm	Holy Trinity
Thu	19th Dec	2nd Rite of Reconciliation	7pm	St John XXIII



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2024

Congratulations to this week's winner

No 66, Emma Gammon
Drawn by Margaret Giebel

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

Oblate Youth SA Christmas Carols

Tuesday December 17, 7pm-9pm,
St. David's Parish (2-4 Vizard Rd, Tea Tree Gully).
Oblate Youth SA cordially invites you to our
Carols & Raffle Night youth fundraiser!
\$5 per ticket (eftpos available),
\$2 raffle tickets, children 10 and under are free.
Light refreshments available on the night.
Donations and proceeds of the raffle will go towards
supporting youth ministry and events.



Registrations required and can be
completed via the Oblate Youth SA
Facebook or Instagram page
or via the QR code .

HAPPY BIRTHDAY DECEMBER BABIES

15th Dec	Michael Moss
	Sue Air
16th Dec	Carmel Lineage
18th Dec	Michael Reilly



Simbang Gabi

All are welcome to the Novena to Christmas celebration with the Filipino Catholic Community
Simbang Gabi is a **devotional, nine-day series of Masses** attended by Filipino Catholics in anticipation of Christmas.

The Filipino Community is hosting Simbang Gabi across churches in Adelaide at
8pm every day from December 15 to December 24.
All are Welcome

Please check with your parish about dates and venues near you! (Seaton, Adelaide, Glenelg, Hectorville, Salisbury, Payneham, Gawler, Noarlunga)
For more information, please contact the Justice Healing and Inclusion Team:
Jhi@adelaide.catholic.org.au.

SAFETY FIRST

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

Our Parish is a Child Safe Organisation

We are a Child Safe Organisation which is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children and young people. We believe that all God's children and young people have the right to be healthy and safe, and to have their voice heard, respected and valued; A Safe Environment for all.

Lebanon Crisis Appeal

The escalating conflict between Israel and Hezbollah has pushed Lebanon into severe turmoil, with tragic consequences that have spread from Southern Lebanon to the entire nation. The situation is dire: over 3,000 lives have been lost, more than 13,000 people injured, and critical infrastructure has been destroyed.

In response to a heartfelt plea for assistance by Bishop Tarabay and Bishop Rabbat, the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference in partnership with Catholic Religious Australia, Caritas Australia and Caritas Lebanon, has launched the Lebanon Appeal.

This appeal aims to provide essential humanitarian aid to our brothers and sisters suffering in Lebanon, especially those who are displaced and without homes or shelter.

Donate today: www.caritas.org.au/lebanondonate

LEBANON CRISIS APPEAL

Communities are being devastated by conflict and economic instability. Please help provide families with food, water, and medical care.

DONATE NOW caritas.org.au/lebanondonate
1800 024 413

