



# PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

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9th February 2025  
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C – Green

**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

## Jubilee of the Armed Forces, Police and Security Personnel



This weekend we celebrate the Jubilee of the armed forces, police and security personnel. The Church recognises that military personnel can contribute enormously to the stability of our world and to the establishment of peace.

This Jubilee will celebrate the efforts all members of the armed forces and police, municipal police, security operators, veterans, military associations, military academies, chaplaincies and military ordinariates provide for peace.

Lord our God, we thank you for the service and sacrifice of all who have made possible the freedom we enjoy and the heritage we have been given. We commend to you all who serve our nation in the Armed Forces, Police and Security.

Shelter them in danger, and in time of peace keep them from all evil. For ourselves, we pray that you will help us to persevere in loyalty and courage, and grant us to be worthy of those who have gone before us. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



## Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes World Day of the Sick

Tuesday February 11th

We will have anointing of the sick at the 9.15am Mass at St John XXIII



## THE SOUTHERN CROSS

The February edition of the Southern Cross will be available from this weekend at both Mass Centres at a cost of just \$2 or online at [www.thesoutherncross.org.au](http://www.thesoutherncross.org.au)

### PARISH TEAM

FR KYM SPURLING  
(PARISH PRIEST)

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### HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

171 KESTERS ROAD,  
PARA HILLS 5096

### ST JOHN XXIII CHURCH

50 RESERVOIR RD,  
HOPE VALLEY 5090

### 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

ANGELA ZAKARIAS:  
0401 205 636

**Readings for Sunday 16th February 2025**  
**6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C**

1st Reading	Jer	17:5 - 8
2nd Reading	1 Cor	15:12, 16 - 20
Gospel	Lk	6:17, 20 - 26

**Saints & Feast Days**

10th Feb	St Scholastica
11th Feb	Our Lady of Lourdes
14th Feb	Ss Cyril & Methodius

**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,  
Theresa Camilleri, Corrie Bowman, Martha Fernandes,  
Carmel Adams, Vesna Zagar, Kim Pope,  
Anne Hughes, Bruce Tilley, Anne Valentine,  
Ken Randell, Mary Rose Probst, Emelia Pudelek,  
Maria Trotta, Lil Buckley, Pat Collins, Margaret Pitt,  
Anne Van Der Arend, Darcy Ridley, Maria Hand,  
Emma Gammon, David North, Elijah Neri,  
Marg Dolman, Antoinette Pascale, Reta Lockyer,  
John MacGrath, Mary Redmond, Betty Roper,  
Imperia De Ionno, Julie Reimann, Gerry Canavan,  
Kay Kennedy, Gary Lockyer, Rita Robinson,  
Yvonne Summers

**Recently Deceased:**

David Truman, Barbara Caird, Ralph Alfred Aquilina,  
Margaret Penny, Sr Carita Higgins,  
Pauline Mahoney, Roma Hendry

**Volunteer Teacher of English  
for Refugees and Asylum Seekers**

Vinnies Refugee and Asylum Seeker Service (Kilburn) is seeking a volunteer to teach basic and functional English to refugees and asylum seekers. Classes are held at the Kilburn Community Centre on Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 9.30am to 12.15pm. Class dates follow the school term.

Qualifications are not essential, but some experience is necessary. There is volunteer support for the teacher at the classes.

The group is composed mainly of older persons who have not been to school, male and female, from mixed countries of origin and all are refugees. Their English level is low. The volunteer is needed to start as soon as possible.

Further information from Emma Yengi, Coordinator.  
P: 08 8340 3053, Emma 0448 775 414  
E: [eyengi@svdpsa.org.au](mailto:eyengi@svdpsa.org.au).

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL**  
HQ: 1300 729 202 from 9.00am — 1.00pm  
or [www.vinnies.org.au](http://www.vinnies.org.au)



**St Vincent de Paul  
Modbury Conference**

We've re-started as expected with a moderate rush, with assistance requested in the form of food and clothing for 15 adults and 13 children over 8 home visits in the first full week back. We've also re-commenced operation at the "Pooraka Hub" out of the hall at Holy Trinity. There are usually 5 or 6 appointments on Tuesday and Friday mornings. No pantry operation there, but vouchers for the near-by IGA and Vinnies shops. Emergency Relief Funding is also available (up to \$500 per annum, for specific bills). Referrals can be made to financial counselling sources.

Our monthly meetings commence this week - 4:00pm on Thursday, Feb 13th at St John XXIII. All very welcome.

Our immediate needs in the pantry are

**Canned Carrots, Jam,  
Margarine, and Tinned Fish.**

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



**PASSING OF  
David Truman**

It is with regret that we inform you of the passing of David Truman who was a long term parishioner. We extend our condolences to David's wife Phyllis, their family, and friends and ask you all to keep them in your prayers.

A funeral Mass will be held at Holy Trinity on Tuesday 11th February at 12noon  
Rosary at 11.30am

**Lefevre Catholic Community**

**Fr Julian Tenison Woods in the Philippines  
Sunday February 16 from 4pm to 5pm  
Lefevre Catholic Parish,  
253 Military Road, Semaphore.**

Fr Julian Tenison Woods, a pioneer Australian scientist and priest, integrated faith and science in his life and ministry.

Fr Roderick O'Brien will present an overview of Fr Julian's three voyages to the Philippines and the treasure trove of scientific papers and articles and correspondence he left for us.

For enquiries, please call Sr Marie on 8449 6378.

A certificate of attendance is available for professional development.

Please register with Sr Marie prior to the event, and on the day.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.**

## Day of the Unborn Child Appeal 8th and 9th February 2025

A special collection is being taken up in support of the work undertaken by Birthline Pregnancy Support and Genesis Pregnancy Support Inc.

The Day of the Unborn Child assists us to focus on those people in our families and communities who have experienced any sort of child-bearing loss, whether miscarriage, still-birth, the death of a baby soon after birth, or abortion.

We thank you in anticipation for your generous support of those who work tirelessly with individuals and families who require these important resources and services.

## St Vincent de Paul Society Campaign

We can Build a Fairer Australia. In the coming months, and in the lead up to the Federal election, St Vincent de Paul Society nationally will be releasing some ideas on how to improve the quality of life for all Australians, and how to find the funds to make Australia fairer.

If this is of interest to you and you would like to comment or hear more, you are welcome to contact the SA Social Needs Analysis and Advocacy Committee – Jennifer Harvey on 8112 8702 or at [svdp@svdpsa.org.au](mailto:svdp@svdpsa.org.au)

## GOSPEL REFLECTION

by Greg Sunter

The theme that comes through this week's readings is one of 'being called'. The first reading is the call of the prophet Isaiah (Is 6:1-8). Isaiah experiences a vision of the glory of God and is humbly reminded of his own deficiencies: he believes himself to be 'a man of unclean lips'. As such, he is certainly unfit to speak on behalf of God as his unclean lips would taint whatever message he may speak. But his lips are cleansed by God who then asks, 'Whom shall I send?' Demonstrating a complete conversion of heart and mind, Isaiah immediately replies, 'Here I am, send me!'

This first reading provides a perfect balance to the gospel. Jesus is being closely pressed by the crowd when he asks a nearby fisherman to take him just off shore to preach without being overwhelmed by the crowd. Seemingly at random, he has selected the boat of the fisherman Peter. Having finished preaching for the day, Jesus tells Peter to set out into deeper water and pay out his fishing nets. Peter is certainly not keen on the idea! Out of some interest or good nature he had agreed to allow this preacher to use his boat for a while, but now this country bumpkin is trying to tell him how to fish! Just to prove Jesus wrong, Peter agrees to go through the futile exercise and is overwhelmed by the enormous catch of fish. Like Isaiah in the first reading, Peter is suddenly acutely aware of his own deficiencies, 'Leave me Lord; I am a sinful man'. Like Isaiah, he recognises that he has just seen the glory of God revealed and he feels unworthy to be part of the experience. But Jesus reassures him, 'Do not be afraid,' and calls Peter to follow.

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## Liturgy Assistants Roster

The Liturgy Assistants Roster for **April to June 2025** will be prepared shortly. If you are aware of any circumstances that will affect your availability, please let Ida Atherton know by **24 February 2025** at [athertonida@gmail.com](mailto:athertonida@gmail.com) or on **0412 752 124**.

Please keep in mind that once the roster is distributed, individual liturgy assistants then take their own steps to arrange fill-ins rather than providing Ida with the information about inability to be available.

### **More volunteers needed** **please consider joining in!**

If you are not currently serving in a ministry we would welcome you joining in! It is a very rewarding experience, does not require a lot of effort and all the necessary support will be provided by our ministry leaders. If you have concerns about participating because of your availability, you can simply identify each quarter which weeks you are available/unavailable for rostering. Once the roster is distributed, you will have contact lists to help you arrange a swap.

We have a particularly low number of volunteers at **8am Masses** - if you go to 8am Mass, please consider offering your talents to our celebrations of the Mass.

To join the roster for any ministry, please let Ida know with a message indicating which Eucharistic community, what ministries and permission to email the roster and include you in our contact list. You can also complete the green Liturgy Assistant Volunteer sheet that is available at the back of the church.

## Christian Life Program

**7 week Christian Life Program starting Sunday 9th Feb 2 pm to 4.30pm. Holy Trinity Hall.**

Come to hear speakers on God's Love and Who is Jesus for you. This is run by a Community of Diverse People supporting couples, singles and seniors and all ages in the Ministry of Couples for Christ Australia. You're most welcome.

For more information contact Angela Zakarias 0401 205 636. No need to book. See you there. During the 7 week program you will hear also from Fr Kym and Fr Laszlo!

## **Maliana Fundraiser**



A chicken, salad and dessert dinner will be held on Saturday, March 1st at St John XXIII after 6.00pm Mass.



Tickets sold after most Masses on Feb 8/9, 15/16 & 22/23 or by phoning Marg & Rob Whennan 82511577.

Adults \$15 and Students \$10, BYO drinks and glasses please.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Come follow me, says the lord, and I will make you fishers of my people. Alleluia!**

## PRAYER MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

<b>Tue</b>	<b>11th Feb</b>	Parish Pastoral Council	7pm	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Thu</b>	<b>13th Feb</b>	Multicultural Melodies	10am - 12noon	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Thu</b>	<b>13th Feb</b>	St Vincent de Paul	4pm	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>14th Feb</b>	Craft Group	9am - 11.45am	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>15th Feb</b>	Family Faith Formation	3.30pm - 5pm	<b>St John XXIII</b>



### **DEVELOPMENT FUND 2025**

Congratulations to this weeks winner

No 35, Sheila Cooper  
Drawn by Kathleen McEvoy  
for Stephen Sherlock

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



### **Catholic Clergy-Laity Golf Day**

**Monday 31 March**  
**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. Team trophy awarded to best group of four.

Spouses and friends are welcome to attend the presentation dinner from 6.15pm. Cost for golf and dinner is \$100 (discount for clergy). Entries close on Friday 21st March. Field limit of 100. Enquiries to Denis Toohey M:0417 881 844

### **Feast of St Josephine Bakhita Mass**

**Sunday, February 9**

You are invited to join the African Catholic Community to celebrate the feast of St Josephine Bakhita Eucharistic celebration on Sunday February 9 at 2.30pm, in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral.

All are welcome.

For more information, please contact the Justice Healing and Inclusion Office E: [jhi@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:jhi@adelaide.catholic.org.au)

### **2025 lunchtime Pipe Organ Recitals**

**St Francis Xavier's Cathedral,  
Wakefield Street, Adelaide**

Free pipe organ concerts in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral will again feature in the Adelaide Fringe during February and March. Commencing at 1pm, the performances this year feature acclaimed organists  
Jacinta Jakovcevic (Wednesday February 26),  
Amir Robin-Karas (Wednesday March 12),  
James Lloyd (Sunday March 16 – Festival of Hymns)  
and Val Estrella (Wednesday March 19).  
There will also be a recital by young organists on Sunday March 23.

### **Giving App**

Download the Adelaide Archdiocese's **Find a Mass App** on your mobile phone and set up direct giving to the first and second collections, as well as special appeals.

Or go to [www.goodgiving.com.au](http://www.goodgiving.com.au) to set up direct giving from your computer.

The App also features daily readings, events, news from *The Southern Cross* and podcasts.

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY FEBRUARY BABIES**

9th Feb Rohan Viceban  
10th Feb Joanne Flynn  
12th Feb Garry Jackson  
Maureen Shuttleworth  
15th Feb Karrie-Anne Taylor



**Caritas**  
AUSTRALIA

The Catholic agency  
for international aid  
and development

### **Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal**

We urgently need your support.

The ceasefire means more aid can assist people in Gaza, but the need is immense and the recovery long. Gaza's people cannot recover alone. They need the support of the global community to survive and rebuild.

**Please donate to Caritas Australia's  
Gaza Crisis Appeal.**

You can donate online [www.caritas.org.au/gaza](http://www.caritas.org.au/gaza) or phone 1800 024 413



### **GAZA CRISIS APPEAL**

A ceasefire means more aid can assist people affected in Gaza. Your support is urgently needed.



**DONATE NOW**

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