



# Para Hills Modbury Catholic Parish

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## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

171 KESTERS ROAD,  
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## 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

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23rd March 2025

3rd Sunday of Lent, Year C – Violet

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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**



## Stations of the Cross

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



**Third Sunday of Lent**  
22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> of March 2025

**PROJECT  
COMPASSION**

Lam is 27 years old from a small village in rural Vietnam who faced significant challenges due to his short stature. Growing up, Lam often felt isolated due to limited job opportunities and difficulty moving around his community. While his friends started jobs after high school, Lam stayed home with his parents, unsure if he could ever achieve his dream of becoming a graphic designer.

Everything changed when Lam joined the I-SHINE program, supported by Caritas Australia. Through this initiative Lam completed a six-month course developing his graphic design skills. Along the way, he built confidence, made friends and gained a sense of connection.

Today, Lam runs a successful freelance graphic design business from home, serving clients worldwide and earning a steady income. Lam hopes his story will encourage other young people with disabilities to overcome obstacles and pursue their dreams. Lam's journey shows how your support of Project Compassion empowers individuals to break barriers and transform their lives.

Will you walk alongside people like Lam this Lent?



You can support  
Project Compassion 2025 through  
donation boxes, envelopes  
by scanning the QR code,

**Online at:**

[caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion)

**Or by calling: 1800 024 413**



**Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty* this Lent.**

**Readings for Sunday 30th March 2025**  
**4th Sunday of Lent, Year C**

1st Reading Jos 5:9 - 12  
 2nd Reading 2 Cor 5:17 - 21  
 Gospel Lk 15:1 - 3, 11 - 32

**Saints & Feast Days**

25th Mar Annunciation of the Lord

**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:**

Joan Walmsley, Helen Zmarek, Riley See,  
 Jayden Lee, Maureen Frost, Ray Zielonka,  
 Kelly Jordan, 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,  
 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:**

Maria Calusinski, Lemuel Segura, Peter Gerad Dahl,  
 Beryl Whitworth, Margaret Dolman



**Anointing of the Sick**

We will have the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick on:

**Tuesday 1st April at**  
**St John XXIII Mass at 9.15am**  
**&**

**Wednesday 9th April at**  
**Holy Trinity Church Mass at 7pm**



**STAY FOR A CUPPA!**

Next weekend we will have our monthly Cuppa after Mass. We invite you 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**

**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**

Another three call week with food and clothing requested; Seven adults and four children in total. People are not able to budget for the increased cost of living, with significant increases in rent and essential services, as well as groceries.

We had a monthly meeting last week and agreed to seek a date for a repeat of the Concert. More as it develops.

We'll welcome any new members – please contact any current members if you are so inclined or know if anyone else is available and inclined.

We would greatly appreciate any donations of

**Tinned Carrots, Margarine,  
 Pasta Sauce and Tinned Corn.**

**Homeshare: A solution to the rental crisis**  
**for older women in SA**

Homelessness among older women in Australia is increasing, making them one of the fastest-growing groups at risk of housing insecurity. The *Homeshare* program offers an innovative solution that fosters shared living based on mutual support and reciprocity—a model that has been successfully running around the world for years. A partnership between St Vincent de Paul Society SA, Westside Housing and Shelter SA, the Homeshare Pilot Program is a fee free service that carefully matches female householders aged 55+ living on their own that have a spare bedroom, with female home sharers that need affordable accommodation from a similar age group that can offer some help around the house. Unlike a traditional flatmate arrangement, the matching process is rigorous: both parties undergo interviews, reference checks and police clearances to ensure a safe and reliable match.

If you're interested in learning more about becoming a householder or home sharer, please visit:  
[www.vinnies.org.au/sa/get-involved/homeshare](http://www.vinnies.org.au/sa/get-involved/homeshare)



**Regional**  
**Second Rite of Reconciliation**

Thursday 10th April 7pm,  
 St Pius X  
 17 Avoca St, Dernancourt

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

**PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL**

**The next meeting of the Parish Finance Council**  
**is on Tuesday, the 25th March in the**  
**St John XXIII Meeting Room at 7.30pm.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**  
**The Lord is kind and merciful.**



## 24 HOURS FOR THE LORD

The "24 Hours for the Lord" was introduced by Pope Francis in 2014 and has been held every year since. It is a Lenten initiative of prayer and reconciliation.

It is celebrated on the eve of the Fourth Sunday of Lent each year. Its intention is to put the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation at the centre of the pastoral life of the Church.

### Prayer

*Gracious God, we come before you with open hearts to be healed by your love and mercy.*

*Look with compassion on us as we acknowledge our failures;*

*heal our wounds and stretch out your hand of love to save us and raise us up.*

*Keep us free from harm as members of Christ's body, as sheep of your flock, as children of your family.*

*Hear the prayer we offer you O God.*

*Lead us back to the way of holiness, and protect us now and always.*

*May we ever keep safe in all its fullness the gift your love once gave us and your mercy now restores.*

*We pray in Jesus' name, he who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.*

## 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@svdpdsa.org.au](mailto:svdp@svdpdsa.org.au)

*\*We can help close the Gap for First Nations peoples and help make progress towards human dignity for all through expanding community led programs and services that keep children safe and prevent the over representation of young people in the criminal justice system. We can advocate for appropriate, affordable housing that is aligned with the priorities and needs of First Nations families.*

*(ref: The Canberra Times (25/11/2024) Mark Gaetani (National President of The St Vincent de Paul Society)*



## DIVINE MERCY AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

The next Divine Mercy Devotion will be on Sunday, 30th March at 2.30pm at Holy Trinity Church, 171 Kesters Rd, Para Hills.

## 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.

To volunteer for any of the ministries, please add your name to the list at the back of the church **as early as possible, and by 6 April** at the latest.

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

## 24 Hours for the Lord

The 24 Hours for the Lord will be observed at **Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, 7 Marian Road, Payneham** from **5pm on Friday March 28** until **5pm on Saturday March 29**.

Mass will be celebrated at 5pm on Friday evening and the church will remain open with the Blessed Sacrament exposed for the entire 24 hours.

A priest will be available in the confessional for the Sacrament of Reconciliation from 5pm to midnight on Friday evening and 8am to midday on Saturday. This is a worldwide initiative to invite all people to renew their encounter with Jesus Christ through Eucharistic Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. It is intended to be a time of reflection and prayer, an opportunity to speak with a priest, and a chance to rediscover or perhaps discover for the first time the Catholic Faith.

For further information please contact [office@paynehamcatholic.org.au](mailto:office@paynehamcatholic.org.au)

## Lenten Program – No Greater Love

A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion: Beginning on Wednesday March 12, the Hectorville Parish will be offering a program that will help you to experience Christ's Passion and Death as you never have before.

In No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion, we are going to walk step-by-step with Jesus on his journey from his Agony in the Garden to his Crucifixion on Calvary.

Participants will meet for prayer, discussion and an engaging video presentation presented by Dr Edward Sri, which was filmed on location in the Holy Land, so we can see the actual locations where Christ's passion occurred!

This five-part Bible study program is for parishioners of all ages. Participation is free, however, participants may purchase the accompanying work book for \$30.

Location: Annunciation Church, Hectorville  
Date: Wednesdays March 12 – April 9, Time: 7- 8pm

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** **Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!**  
**Repent, says the Lord; the kingdom of heaven is at hand.**  
**Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!**



## PRAYER MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

<b>Tue</b>	<b>25th Mar</b>	Finance Council	7.30pm	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Thu</b>	<b>27th Mar</b>	Multicultural Melodies	10am - 12noon	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>28th Mar</b>	Craft Group	9am - 11.45am	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>28th Mar</b>	Stations of the Cross	7pm	<b>Holy Trinity</b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>29th Mar</b>	Family Faith Formation	3.30pm - 5pm	<b>St John XXIII</b>



### DEVELOPMENT FUND 2025

Congratulations to this weeks winner

No 13, Ursula Whyte  
Drawn by Alec Balayance

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

### **CHANGE TO TREASURE MARKET SHED**

Over the years parishioners and others have generously donated goods to sell at the Saturday Market Shed which raises money for the Parish.

Unfortunately, we are now overstocked and do not have any more space to store these donated goods as we seem to receive more than what we can sell.

We have now made the decision that we can no longer accept or collect goods although the shed will continue to operate as normal on market day to sell what we have as well as the Car Park sellers.

As an option, small unbreakable items can be left in the Vinnies bin at St John XXIII and other items can be taken to Savers at the Tea Tree Plus Shop on North East Road.

Thank you for your support in the past.

10c bottles and cans are still being collected and can be left as usual in the crate in the walkway between the sheds.



**'Lift Up'**

### **Good Friday Night Walk A Journey of Reflection & Hope**



This Good Friday, you are invited to walk together in the spirit of a pilgrimage, inspired by the *2025 Jubilee Year - Pilgrims of Hope*. This journey is an opportunity to step away from the everyday and reflect.

Our Good Friday night walk is a meaningful way to connect with the Easter story, each other, and the deeper themes of resilience, forgiveness and hope.

This event is open to all ages, however it has been inspired and designed with young people in mind by COYYA (Catholic Office for Youth and Young Adults).

Our journey begins at

The Monastery in Urrbrae at 7.30pm.

From there, we will walk towards the city.

Along the route, we will pause for reflection at St Raphael's in Parkside before continuing towards our final destination - St Francis Xavier's Cathedral.

The walk is roughly 6.5km total.

Please register at

<https://www.trybooking.com/CZHVW>

to secure your spot as well as nominating for transportation provided from the Cathedral back to

The Monastery should you require it.

Detailed information can be found at

<https://www.cathoyouthadelaide.org.au/liftup2025>

**This Lent, keep the  
chocolate and give up  
Bigotry, Judgment,  
Misogyny, Hatred, Bias,  
& Divisiveness!  
Love God, Love your  
neighbor.  
No Exceptions!**



### **Marathon for Cancer Council**

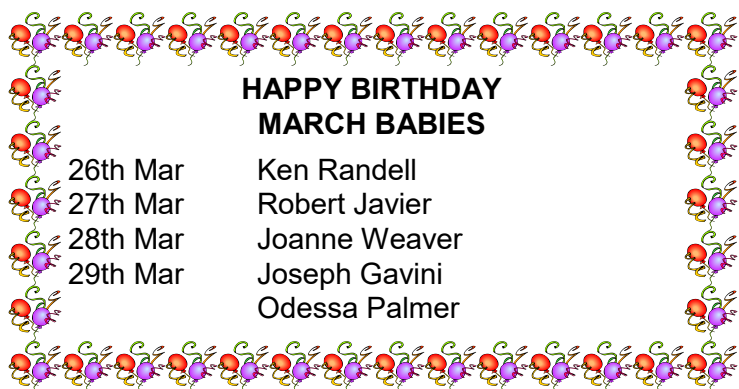
Fr Charles Lukati, Parish Priest of the Croydon Park Parish, will run the Clare Valley Half Marathon on Sunday April 6 to raise money for Cancer Council SA.

By running the marathon, Fr Charles is living out the call of Pope Francis in this Jubilee Year to be a Pilgrim of Hope "always on the move".

Please help him to support everyone affected by cancer, by donating to this Cancer Council Fundraising Event. The target has been set at \$20,000.

Let's see how far we can reach!

[www.doitforcancer.com.au/fundraisers/charleslukati/fr-charles-lukati---marathon-for-cancer-council](http://www.doitforcancer.com.au/fundraisers/charleslukati/fr-charles-lukati---marathon-for-cancer-council)



### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARCH BABIES**

26th Mar Ken Randell  
27th Mar Robert Javier  
28th Mar Joanne Weaver  
29th Mar Joseph Gavini  
Odessa Palmer



### **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](http://www.thesoutherncross.org.au)