



Para Hills Modbury Catholic Parish

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TUESDAY-THURSDAY: 9AM-2PM
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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:
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9th August 2026

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A - Green

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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

Floor Replacement at St John XXIII

Dear Parishioners,

We are pleased to inform you that, after carefully reviewing several quotations, the Parish Finance Council has selected the two contractors to undertake the removal of the asbestos-containing floor tiles and to install new floor tiles at **St John XXIII Church**.

The contracts have now been signed, with works scheduled to commence on **Monday 31st August**. **There will be no access to the church from this date.** We aim to complete the whole job by **Friday 25th September**.

To help ensure the project runs smoothly, we kindly ask you to note the following:

1. **Removal of chairs, furniture and other items:** All chairs, movable furniture, hand rails etc. will need to be removed before **Monday 31st August**. The week of **Monday 24th to Friday 28th August** has been allocated to undertake these tasks and to clear and prepare the floor area ready for the contractors. John Jarrad will coordinate volunteers for this task. If you are able to assist, please contact John for further information.

The 8am Mass on Sunday 23rd August will be the last at St John XXXIII until this project is completed.

2. **Temporary closure of St John XXIII Church:** During the renovation period, St John XXIII Church, including the Meeting Room and Chapel will be closed as requested by the contractor and for our safety. All Masses and liturgical celebrations normally held at St John XXIII will be transferred to our **Holy Trinity Church** until the works are completed.

Project cost: The cost of the project is **\$84,000**. This expenditure will be funded from the proceeds of the sale of the St John XXIII land and approved by the Archbishop.

We apologise for any inconvenience this project may cause and sincerely thank you for your patience, understanding, and ongoing support. These improvements are an important investment in maintaining a safe, welcoming, and dignified place of worship for our parish community for many years to come.

Parish Finance Council

OUR PARISH WEBSITE: <http://paramodcath.com.au>

ARCHDIOCESE WEBSITE: www.adelaide.catholic.org.au

Readings for Sunday 16th August 2026
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

1st Reading	Is	56:1, 6 - 7
2nd Reading	Rom	11:13 - 15, 29 - 32
Gospel	Mt	15:21 - 28

Saints & Feast Days

10th Aug	St Lawrence
11th Aug	St Clare
12th Aug	St Jane Frances de Chantal
13th Aug	Ss Pontian & Hippolytus
14th Aug	St Maximilian Kolbe
15th Aug	Assumption of Mary

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:

Peter Cooper, Theo Boog, Anne Marie Thiele, John Bastiaans, Angela Shrubshall, Rodger Porter, Michael Proctor, Carolyn Trimboli, Ann Marie Kilvington, Joan Walmsley, Anne Hughes, Helen Zmarek, Riley See, Jayden Lee, Kelly Jordan, Phyllis Truman, Teresa McBride, Margaret Dunn, Clarence Rodericks, Sue Rodericks, Rita Robinson, Theresa Camilleri, Corrie Bowman, Martha Fernandes, Vesna Zagar, Kim Pope, Bruce Tilley, Anne Valentine, Ken Randell, Mary Rose Probst, Emelia Pudelek, Maria Trotta, Lil Buckley, Pat Collins, Margaret Pitt, Darcy Ridley, Anne Van Der Arend, Maria Hand, Emma Gammon, David North, Elijah Neri, Antoinette Pascale, Reta Lockyer, John MacGrath, Betty Roper, Imperia De Ionno, Julie Reimann, Gerry Canavan, Kay Kennedy.

Recently Deceased:

Dennis Whitehead, Rob Hancock, Alan Boon

National Census – Tuesday 11 August 2026

Every five years, the Australian Bureau of Statistics counts every person and household in Australia. The next Census is on Tuesday 11 August, 2026. The census form asks questions about your age, country of birth, cultural background, living situation, work and education.

The census data is used by the government and others to inform decisions about transport, schools, health care, infrastructure and business.

It also helps plan local services for individuals, families and communities.

From an Archdiocesan perspective it is important that you identify yourself as Catholic in the census.

This information contributes to the parish social profiles and assists with pastoral planning for the future.

Your assistance is appreciated.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

HQ: 1300 729 202 from 9.00am – 1.00pm
or www.vinnies.org.au



St Vincent de Paul
Modbury Conference

Back to a normal four calls for assistance last week. We're still getting our bread etc. from Baker's Delight at St Agnes – along with TTG Vinnies. If it's too much for our freezer, and we fill the Holy Trinity freezer, the surplus goes to Pathway, the Clovercrest Baptist outreach, or to the Op Shop at St Luke's. What isn't used on calls is then available for distribution at the weekend Masses – keeps it moving.

Our pantry stocks are so good at the moment that we're getting pressed for space.

Given that we'll have to operate out of the shed with the temporary closure of St John XXIII we can afford to ease up on filling the basket.

Your generosity through the Vinnies' collection basket is greatly appreciated.

Parishioner Pat Cherry

A visit to Pat Cherry was made by members of the Legion of Mary. Pat is still doing well and sends her regards to all parishioners. Pat will be celebrating her 100th birthday next May. God bless her.

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Family Faith Formation

The next cycle of Family Faith Formation is being co-ordinated. It is parish-based support for families committing to deepening their relationship with the worshipping faith community and the Catholic Church. The journey of faith has complementary elements for parents and the candidate[s] preparing to celebrate Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

Full participation of the child, accompanied by a parent/significant adult, in 6 x 1.5-hour workshop sessions is expected. Sessions are from August to May.

Families celebrate seven Family Masses, celebrated on the last Sunday of the month, at either the 6pm or 10am Masses.

Please register your interest by contacting the parish office or with an email to pa@paramodcath.com.au by 14 August 2026.

The first session is on 22 August 2026.

Further information and a registration form will be sent to you electronically. You are also welcome to speak with me after the 6pm Mass on Saturday evenings.

Therese Meyers

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council is on Tuesday, 11th August in the St John XXIII Meeting Room at 7pm.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

Gleeson College Community Mass



Parishioners are invited to the first community Mass to be held at Gleeson College in the new St James Chapel.
Gleeson College, St James Chapel
40 - 60 Surrey Farm Dr, Golden Grove
Friday 14 August 2026 at 8.00am

Your support of our parish school would be appreciated and also to worship with the school community in this special place.
Everyone is welcome.

Volunteer Safeguarding Essential Training Course

All volunteers in the parish are required to undertake Safeguarding training and this is available via an online program.
A face-to-face program is also being offered for those unable to access the online program.

The next face-to-face session is at the Adelaide Cathedral Hall (39 Wakefield St, Adelaide) on Thursday the 20th of August at 10am - 12pm.

If you wish to avail yourself of this opportunity, please contact the parish office so your details can be passed on to the Safeguarding training team.

If you are a volunteer and would still wish to do the online course, also contact the office so that you can be sent the online login details.

Timor-Leste Fundraiser

A huge thank you to all who generously contributed to the fundraising dinner on Saturday August 1st at St John XXIII by either attending or by way of cash donations. By the amount of chatter during the evening would indicate that everyone was having an enjoyable time.

Due to the ongoing support of many the evening raised \$975 which was \$690 for meals and \$285 in donations.

May God bless you all. With much gratitude,
Timor-Leste committee

National Vocations Awareness Week 2nd - 9th August

Special Collection

Today, the second weekend of National Vocation Awareness Week throughout the Church in Australia, we celebrate, affirm and pray for all vocations to the Consecrated Life of Sisters, Brothers and Priests, as well as to the Diaconate and Diocesan Priesthood. We pray that each of these unique calls be heard and responded to with great generosity of heart as we journey together with Christ as our Anchor.

Today there will be a special collection to support those studying for the Priesthood in our Archdiocese.

Archdiocesan Celebration of Significant Wedding Anniversaries

The celebration of significant Wedding Anniversaries which recognises couples in their life-long commitment will be held in parishes on the weekend of **19th and 20th September 2026**.

Couples who are celebrating an anniversary of 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55 and 60 or more years during 2026 are invited to contact the Parish Office so that they can be included in the blessing for marriages at Masses on that weekend.

Your details will be forwarded to the Archbishop's Office and a certificate marking your anniversary will be prepared for presentation.

If you would like your anniversary to be included in this celebration, please contact the Parish Office with your details before Tuesday 25th August.

Liturgy Assistants Roster

The Liturgy Assistants Roster for **October to December 2026** will be prepared shortly. If you are aware of any circumstances that will affect your availability, please let Ida Atherton know by **31 August 2026** at 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.

Please consider participating in liturgies!

Have you noticed the same people contributing to ministries every week and sometimes multiple tasks in the same Mass? This is because we are critically short of participants in some Masses.

If you are not currently serving in a ministry please consider participating! 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.

Our most critical needs are for volunteers at **8am Masses, in particular for welcoming, projection/commentating and sacristans** - if you go to 8am Mass, please consider offering your talents to our celebrations of the Mass.

If you go to **6pm or 10am Masses**, your participation would also be most welcome particularly in **welcoming, commentating and projection**.

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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! I hope in the Lord, I trust in his word. Alleluia!

PRAYER MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

Tue	11th Aug	Parish Pastoral Council	7pm	St John XXIII
Thu	13th Aug	Multicultural Melodies	10am - 12noon	St John XXIII
Thu	13th Aug	St Vincent de Paul	4pm	St John XXIII
Fri	14th Aug	Craft Group	9am - 11.45am	St John XXIII
Sat	15th Aug	Legion of Mary	10am	Holy Trinity



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2026

Congratulations to this week's winner

No 88 Jill Brokensha
Drawn by Sindi Kinloch
For Miriam Morrison

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

CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM (CLP)

Starting 5th Sept 2026 Couples for Christ Australia (CFCA) & Handmaids of the Lord (HOLD) Ministry, cordially invite you to a series of inspiring talks about living your Christian faith!

For 7 Saturdays from 5th Sept to 17th Oct 2026,
2:00pm – 4:30pm at Holy Trinity Hall,
171 Kesters Rd Para Hills SA 5096.

This is FREE for everyone seeking peace and deeper relationship with Jesus Christ!
We invite widows, separated, divorced, single mature women, married women who are alone in spirit, single mums and young adult singles.

We also welcome couples! For more info, call/text: Angela Zakarias – 0401 205 636 or Malou Dacutanan – 0426 898 603

Catholic Earthcare

Season of Creation Gathering 2026

Caritas Australia and Catholic Religious Australia warmly invite you to participate in the Catholic Earthcare **Season of Creation Gathering 2026: Listen, Reflect, Act**, a national online event on **3–4 September 2026**.

The Gathering offers inspiring keynote presentations and practical workshops to help participants deepen their faith and respond to the call to care for our common home.

Parishioners can register individually for **\$20**.

Learn more and register:

www.caritas.org.au/soc-gathering

The Living the Joy of the Gospel Website is Now Live.

Living the Joy of the Gospel is a new parish-based faith formation program from the Archdiocese of Adelaide.

To learn more about the program, register your interest, or RSVP to the following upcoming events below - visit

<https://www.livingthejoyofthegospel.au/>

Living the Joy of the Gospel Facilitator Training

Multiple Sessions | In-person or online

Be equipped with practical tools and pastoral awareness to feel encouraged and supported to run *Living the Joy of the Gospel* sessions in your parish. This training is intended for all interested in hosting *Living the Joy of the Gospel* sessions.



Simplicity September

This September, simplify one thing in your life and discover what truly matters.

Sponsor yourself, your family or a friend to participate and raise money for **Palms International Volunteering**, Australia's only Catholic lay organisation that delivers international development and formation through long term international volunteering.

Join Australians across the country supporting Palms' work in the Asia-Pacific.

02 9560 5333 / 0422 472 567

www.simplicityseptember.org.au



SINGLE PARENT RETREAT – 22nd Aug 2026

Do you feel stuck and wish to move on?

Come and join the Single Parent Retreat!

It will be on 22nd Aug 2026, Saturday, 1pm to 5pm at Holy Trinity Hall, 171 Kesters Rd Para Hills SA 5096

Pls register on or before 15th Aug by texting Angela Zakarias on 0401 205 636.

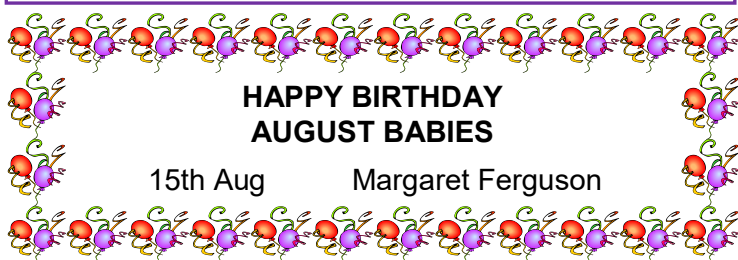
This retreat is sponsored by CFCA – Handmaids of the Lord.

EFTPOS Machines

If you would like to make your contribution to the 1st & 2nd collections via EFTPOS you can do so using the machines found at the back of the church.

You simply need to select the amount you would like to donate and tap your card.

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
AUGUST BABIES**

15th Aug Margaret Ferguson